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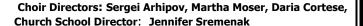
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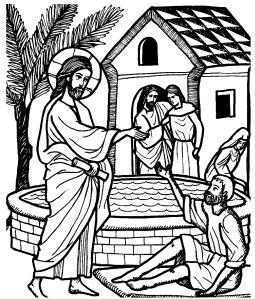
#### SUNDAY MAY 7TH, 2017

4th SUNDAY OF PASCHA -Tone 3. Repose of St. Alexis Toth, Confessor and Defender of Orthodoxy in America (1909). Paralytic. Commemoration of the Appearance of the Sign of the Precious Cross over Jerusalem in 351 AD.

**Epistle**: Acts 9:32-42; Galatians

1:11-19.

Gospel: John 5:1-15:; 10:1-9





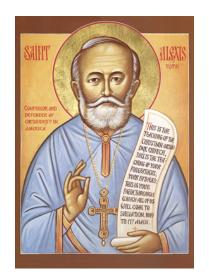
**Confessions:** Saturdays Following Vespers Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm

Vigil: Eve of Feasts at 7pm

**Divine Liturgy:** Sundays at 9:30am

Feast Days at 9:30a



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# UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS:

**Sun, May 7:** Hours and Divine Liturgy – 9:10am. Special Parish Meeting and Coffee Hour to follow.

**Wed, May 10:** Akathist – 9:15am; Prison Ministry – 7pm **Fri, May 11:** PreSchool Church School – 12:30pm.

**Sat, May 13:** Wedding of Nicholas Bendas & Jamie Lynn Miller – 11am. Vespers and Confessions – 6pm.

**Church Cleaning:** Thank you to those who have signed up to help. Additional help is needed. Please consider volunteering for a week or two or even an entire month, if you can.

Coffee Hour: No one has signed up for May! Please consider taking a Sunday.

**Grave Blessing:** Last Sunday I blessed graves at Newtown, Mechanicsville, Czestochowa, Doylestown and Washington's Crossing Cemeteries. If you have graves you would like blessed that have not been blessed this year, please speak with me, call me or email me for a mutually convenient time to do so.

**Parish Meeting**: On Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup> we will have a special parish meeting to amend our Parish By-Laws as proposed by the Parish Council. This revision is a result of the Orthodox Church in America's unanimous adoption of an updated Statute of the Orthodox Church in America, the governing document for our Church, at the All American Council in Atlanta in July of 2015. All parishes and institutions of the O.C.A need to bring their current bylaws into conformity with this Statute, which has been in effect since 2015 and is the law of our Church. The By-law revision is accessible on our parish website and Facebook page for review. All proposed changes reflect conformity to the Statute and current parish practice. We hope you attend the meeting following Divine Liturgy that day and pass the revised By-Laws.

**Scrip:** Thank you to those who participated last week. Profit \$108, YTD \$431.40!

<u>Welcome!</u> To the newly illumined servants of God Alina Krechner and her daughter Paulina. We are delighted that God has blessed His Church with two new members and that our family here at St. Mark's continues to grow. May the Lord grant Alina and Paulina Many Blessed Years in His Service!

**Wrightstown Food Cupboard:** Thank you to all those who contributed for the Easter Baskets. 129 Baskets were prepared to help individuals and families in need in our area. Unfortunately the need continues so please make contributions of pasta, coffee, tea, pasta sauce, canned vegetables.

Wedding Announcement: Nicholas Bendas and Jamie Lynn Miller will be married here on Saturday May 13 at 11am.

#### **Vigil Lights**

From The Ristveys

For the Health of: Valerie, Andrew, Matushka Susanna

<u>In Memory of:</u> Janus

From Alan Lee Litvin

For the Health of: My Family and the success of the

Worthington Mill Road Farmhouse.

In Memory of: Amelia, Samuel, Shane, Morgan

From a friend

For the Health of: Carole, George

In Memory of: Nota, Marion, Charles, Wayne, George,

Georgia

**Birthdays** 

Alan Lee Litvin Barbara Malriat