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SUNDAY, JUNE 9, 2013
6th SUNDAY OF PASCHA — Tone 5. Blind Man. St. Cyril, Archbishop of Alexandria (444). Ven.

Kirill, Abbot of Belozérsk (1427). Ven. Alexander, Abbot of Kushta (Vologdá—1439). Five Nuns beheaded in Persia: Martyrs Thecla, Mariamne, Martha, Mary, and Enmatha (346). St. Columba, Enlightener of Scotland (597).

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34 Gospel: John 9:1-38





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Schedule of Services

Confessions: Saturdays Following Vespers

Also by appointment

Vespers: Saturdays at 6pm Viail Eve of Feasts at 7pm

Divine Liturgy: Sundays at 9:30am

Feast Days at 9:15am

Upcoming Services and Events:

Blind Man. Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Fellowship Hour – 11:30am

Tue, June 11: Great Vespers for Leave Taking of Pascha – 7pm

Wed, Jun 12: Divine Liturgy for Leave-Taking of Pascha followed by Adult Education – 9:15am, Vigil for Ascension –

Thu, Jun 13: ASCENSION OF THE LORD. Divine Liturgy – 9:15am

Sat, Jun 15: Philadelphia Deanery Meeting on Financial Transparency at Holy Trinity Church, Pottstown – 10am-1pm,

Great Vespers and Confessions (His Grace, Bishop Mark will preside) – 6pm

Sun, Jun 16: Pastoral Visit of His Grace, Bishop MARK. Hours – 9:10am, Divine Liturgy – 9:30am, Luncheon –

11:15am

Vigil Lights

From Ludmila Sokolova

For the Health of Ludmila, Elena, Andrew, Nadezhda, Vladimir, Yulia, Sergey, Rob

In Memory of Zinaida, Lubov, Euvgenii

Announcements:

<u>Pastoral Visit of His Grace, Bishop MARK:</u> His Grace, Bishop Mark, Administrator of the Diocese of Eastern Pennsylvania will make his first pastoral visit to our parish on Sunday, June 16. His Grace will award Acting Rector, Fr. Martin Browne the kamilavka. A luncheon will follow. The luncheon is only by reservations and must be made by <u>TODAY</u>. See Jeanette Ruano for reservations. Cost is \$20 for adults and \$10 for children, **Note: Those in high school are still children.** Please join us in this celebration with His Grace.

<u>Adult Education</u>: meets on Wednesday mornings following the Akathist at 9:15AM. If you would like to participate but can only do so in the evening, please speak with Fr. Martin. All evenings are good except Wednesday's (prison ministry) and one Thursday a month (parish council). **Also**, there has been some interest in having a **discussion group on an Orthodox perspective on Contemporary Issues**. That would meet on a monthly basis. If you are interested, please talk to Fr. Martin for further information.

<u>The Scrip Program:</u> Income for this month \$75.01, year to date \$596.04. Due to Pascha, St. Thomas Sunday and other schedule conflicts the past two months have not been as good. If you wish to participate and know you will not be here on the first Sunday contact Larissa beforehand, either by phone or email. The next Scrip signup will be July 7th, then August 4th and then Labor Day weekend, September 1. Regular participants please plan ahead, new participants try it over the Summer. To all, thank you for your support. Larissa Ravetto or phone (215) 766-1220 or email <u>ravetto2001@gmail.com</u>.

<u>Parish Revitalization:</u> NOTE! Next meeting for the PHIM will be on July 28, not June 30 due to schedule conflicts which would seriously affect attendance. Topic: Shared Leadership.

Prison Ministry Awareness Sunday: Today is so designated by the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of North and Central America. Together all Orthodox Churches in the continent sponsor Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry as a resource for ministering to those in prison as well as helping them successfully transition to freedom. Our bishops ask for a special collection to support this ministry. If you are not prepared to do so today, send a donation during the week which will be forwarded to them. Check out their web page, theorthodoxprisonministry.org

Feed the Hungry, clothe the naked: We will continue to collect non-perishable food items for the Wrightstown Food Cupboard based at Penns Park UMC. They are very grateful for our contributions and the need is real. It is a work for us throughout the year not just during Great Lent. Additionally, our sister church, St. Michael's Russian Orthodox Church in Philadelphia is collecting used, clean blankets for the homeless (not new ones which are likely to be stolen), as well as men's socks and underwear. See Fr. Martin if you wish to donate.

If you cannot find Christ in the beggar at the Church door, you will not find him in the Chalice. St. John Chrysostom.

Refurbishing of the Temple: Sections of the windows in the altar will be replaced this week. We are grateful to those whose efforts and donation have made this possible.

<u>Visitations:</u> Please let Fr. Martin know if someone is in the hospital. Hospitals do not notify clergy if someone is there due to privacy laws. Family members, friends, or neighbors are the only way we have of knowing, so please drop an email or make a phone call.

BIRTHDAYS:

o Larissa Moser, June 12

Incense

For the Health of Andrew, Theodora, Sergius, David, Sophia, Melody, Tom