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## REMINDER:



Please be sure  
that cell phones  
are turned off  
before entering  
the temple.

- Archpriest John Zdinak  
Dean
- Dn. Daniel Boerio
- Subdeacon Theodore  
Lentz
- Reader Julius Kovach  
Ecclesiarch & Choirmaster

## Divine Services

Eve Sundays & Feast Days  
5:00 PM Confessions  
6:00 PM Great Vespers  
Sundays and Feast Days  
8:40 AM 3rd and 6th Hour  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
\* AMBO: Articles for publication should be submitted to:  
[sttheocemetery@yahoo.com](mailto:sttheocemetery@yahoo.com)  
by Wednesday of each week  
before noon.  
\* CALENDAR: Event dates  
must be submitted by the  
15th. of each month.

MAY 29, 2011  
THE BLIND MAN  
VIRGIN MARTYR THEODOSIA OF TYRE  
BLESSED JOHN OF USIUG

# CHRIST IS RISEN!



Virginmartyr Theodosia of Tyre

# INDEED HE IS

Saint Theodosia of Tyre lived during the third and fourth centuries. Once, during a persecution against Christians, which had already lasted for five years, the seventeen-year-old Theodosia went up to condemned Christian prisoners in the Praetorium in Caesarea, Palestine. It was the day of Holy Pascha, and the martyrs spoke about the Kingdom of God. St Theodosia asked them to remember her before the Lord, when they should come to stand before Him.

Soldiers saw that the maiden bowed to the prisoners, and they seized her and led her before the governor, Urban. The governor advised the maiden to offer sacrifice to the idols but she refused, confessing her faith in Christ. Then they subjected the saint to cruel tortures, raking her body with iron claws until her bones were exposed.

The martyr was silent and endured the sufferings with a happy face, and to a second suggestion by the governor to offer sacrifice to the idols she answered, "You fool, I have been granted to join the martyrs!" They threw the maiden with a stone about her neck into the sea, but angels drew her out from the depths. Then they threw the martyr to the wild beasts to be eaten by them. Seeing that the beasts would not touch her, they cut off her head.

By night St Theodosia appeared to her parents, who had tried to talk their daughter into not going to the sufferings. She was in bright garb with a crown upon her head and a luminous gold cross in her hand, and she said, "Behold the great glory of which you wanted to deprive me!"

The Holy Martyr Theodosia of Tyre suffered for Christ in the year 307 or 308. On May 29 we commemorate the transfer of her relics to Constantinople and Venice. She is also commemorated on April 3.



**MEMORIAL DAY ANNOUNCEMENT**  
**The Memorial Service begins at 10:00 AM.**  
**Fr. John will be available for grave blessings at 9:00 AM.**



**SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS**  
Applications for the Ernest and Marie Maty Educational Scholarship are due no later than **Sunday, June 5.**  
*Application forms* can be obtained by calling the office 216-741-1310.

**FIRST ANNUAL ST. PANTELEIMON BOWLING TOURNAMENT**

The first annual St. Panteleimon Bowling Tournament will be hosted by Yorktown Lanes, 6218 Pearl Rd. in Parma Heights. The fun begins on Friday, June 10, 2011, at 6:00 pm. Ticket prices for 2.5 hours of bowling are \$15 for adults and \$10 for children. You may register individually or as a 4-player team. All proceeds will benefit the St. Panteleimon ministry, which is a Pan-Orthodox effort that serves those in nursing homes and other facilities who are no longer able to go to church on a regular basis.

See Virginia Medvec for tickets; or call Gerald Largent at 440-941-4850 for more information.

[www.stpanteleimon.com](http://www.stpanteleimon.com)

## PRAYER REQUESTS

### DEPARTED:

Alice Artino + 4/28/11

### Ill Afflicted &

### Special Intentions

Archpriest Jason Kappanadze

Fr. David Lis

Sister Anastasia (Monastery Marcha)

Mother Anna (Monastery Marcha)

Matushka Olga Kuzara

Afanasi Balasz

John Baranich

Amanda Bernes

Carol Bohurjak

Thomas Bohurjak

Albert Casey Sr.

Christine Crichton

Laina Dachtyl

Eugene Erhardt

Melanie Faunce

Bernadine Gindlesperger

Julia Grabowski

Sandee Holod

Donna Jacak

Victor Jacak

Lexus Kasubienski

(Judy Baughman's Granddaughter)

Sarah Kersey

Marie Kucharski

Dorothy Laskovich

Paul Laskovich

Evelyn Makarek (Debbie  
Mytrohovich's Sister)

Elise Manella

Brian and Valerie Marshall  
(Parishioners of Fr. Andrew)

Phil Maxin

Douglas Moltz

Anna Mysiw (Friend and Neighbor  
of Helen Antonik)

Michael Mytrohovich

Alex and Jerilyn Oppenheim

Walter & Grace Parhamovich  
(Karen Felon's parents)

Peter and Gina Petkac (Judy

Gartman's Brother & Sister-in-law)

Natalie Ponomarenko

David Roman (Nephew of  
Margaret Rusynyk)

Thomas Shepard

Mary Ann Silberhorn

Elsie Sudnick

Barbara Thompson (Phyllis  
Gindlesperger's Sister-In-Law)

Shirley Villoni (Ann Mytrohovich's  
mother)

Christopher Walsh

James Walsh

Wayne Yurik

Russell & Tanya Carlton  
& Unborn Child

### CONGRATULATIONS:

Patrick & Anna Gallagher and  
Newborn Casey Helena Gallagher  
May 21, 2011



## Dome Lighters

Donations to offset the cost of lighting the domes can be made for  
*The Health Of* or *In Memory of* your loved ones. Contact the Parish Office  
if you are interested.

## SAVE THE DATE!

100TH ANNIVERSARY OF OUR BEAUTIFUL HISTORIC CATHEDRAL  
1911 – 2011

**Our celebratory weekend will be September 9 – 11, 2011**

Details will be coming soon.

*(Remember, this is YOUR place of worship. Participation in this historic weekend,  
by way of attendance and/or talents, is expected of each of us)*

## ANNOUNCEMENT

If anyone has photos of parish life or memorabilia that you are willing to lend or donate, please contact Cindy Zdinak. Some of the items will be used for display during our weekend. Other items/photos will be archived or displayed permanently. If you are interested in joining our efforts on an "Archive Committee", I would like to hear from you. Thanking you in advance, Cindy Zdinak, 440-243-8445, [Cincez54@Yahoo.com](mailto:Cincez54@Yahoo.com)

## Welcome Visitors

*Our parish welcomes you and thanks you for joining us at today's Divine Liturgy. While only Orthodox Christians may approach the chalice for Holy Communion, everyone is welcome to partake of the Holy Bread after Liturgy. You are also invited to join us for fellowship in the Parish Hall following Liturgy.*



### COFFEE HOUR & GREETERS SCHEDULES

#### Coffee Hour Hosts:

05/29/11 Jim & Vicki Danko  
06/05/11 Judy Schwind, Susan Lentz & Judy Gartman  
06/12/11 Joyce Tabeling  
06/19/11 Albert Casey  
06/26/11 Jason & Emily Grimes

#### Greeters:

Albert Casey & Karen Felon  
Eileen & Steven Bondor  
Nina & Elizabeth Antonik  
Zolikoff Family  
Paul Pangrace & Eric Hasselquist

### GOD'S GIFTS TO US - OUR GIFTS TO GOD

Weekly expenses: \$ 6,538.00  
Last week's collection \$ 3,440.00  
Over/Under < \$ 3,098.00 >

#### ATTENDANCE

Members 89 ~ Visitors 5 ~ Total 94

### FISH FRY UPDATE

Our Fish Fry Fridays were a great success. We made almost \$1800! Thank you to those who supported us; and we hope we will have your continued support for future events.

Darrell Felon and Parish Council

#### ➡ NEXT COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on **THURSDAY, June 9, 6:00 PM@ Ridge Manor**

### ASSISTANCE NEEDED!

Do you have any wonderful, exciting or interesting ideas for a parish fundraiser or social activity such as bowling, monster golf, steak roast, lamb roast, sledding, wingding, spaghetti dinner, or fish fry?

If you have ideas, or contacts, and are able to help at the event in any way, contact Darrell Felon @440-238-3837 or at [makarov50@yahoo.com](mailto:makarov50@yahoo.com).

### SAVE THIS DATE

### CHURCH PICNIC

SUNDAY, JULY 17



### BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 29

**May 29** Acts 16:16-34  
John 9:1-38

**May 30** Acts 17:1-15  
John 11:47-57

**May 31** Acts 17:19-28  
John 12:19-36

**June 1** Acts 18:22-28  
John 12:36-47

**June 2** Acts 1:1-12  
Luke 24:36-53

**June 3** Acts 19:1-8  
John 14:1-11

**June 4** Acts 20:7-12  
John 14:10-21

# The Earliest Church

This weekly bulletin insert complements the curriculum published by the Department of Christian Education of the Orthodox Church in America. This and many other Christian Education resources are available at <http://dce.oca.org>.



**On June 1st we remember a great Church Father, the second-century saint Justin the Martyr.**

Justin is sometimes called "The Philosopher" because he studied the great philosophies of his day (Stoicism and Plato's teachings, for example) with great care and seriousness. Only after this intense study, which showed him that Christianity was more complete and authentic than all philosophies, did he accept baptism and proclaim himself a Christian.

Justin spent the rest of his life writing to explain Christianity and to draw people to the faith. He also described the way Christians worshipped in those very early days of the Church—a description remarkably close to the order of the Orthodox Divine Liturgy.

A recent issue of "USA Today" carried a front-page story about people who choose to celebrate Easter in gatherings at home rather than attending a traditional church. They claim that their way of worship is "closer to the original"—the early Church described in the New Testament. One person is quoted as saying that "if you look at the Bible, the church we have today is nowhere to be found."

But what does the Bible say about the Church? What was the earliest Church like? First, we know that its form of worship was not spontaneous and free-form, as some people today assume. The Eucharist was central in the time of the apostles, and has remained central in all the centuries since.

The bread and wine of the Eucharist were understood to be truly the Body and Blood of Christ right from the Church's beginning, because Christ Himself said, "This is My Body" and "This is My Blood." So Saint Justin wrote that at each Liturgy "...the food which is blessed by the prayer of His word, and from which our blood and flesh by assimilation are nourished, is the flesh and blood of that Jesus who was made flesh." Because the Eucharist was understood in this way, worship was reverent and orderly, just as in the Orthodox Church today.

Another person quoted in the "USA Today" article claims that unlike the "modern, hierarchical" Church, her house church needs no "pastors and teachers who take over." Yet we know that the New Testament Church was hierarchical, and was led by pastors and teachers. Saint Paul outlines the duties of bishops and deacons--the hierarchical order--in I Timothy. Paul tells Timothy himself to "command and teach these things."

We also know that the early Church was governed by the teaching of the apostles. Paul exhorts the believers to "stand fast and hold to the traditions which you were taught by us, either by word of mouth or by letter" (2 Thessalonians 2: 15).

## **Kontakion - Tone 2**

The whole Church of God is adorned with the wisdom of your divine words, O Justin;  
the world is enlightened by the radiance of your life.  
By the shedding of your blood, you have received a crown.  
As you stand before Christ with the angels, pray unceasingly for us all!

Those who want to "find" the early Church would do well to study Saint Justin's writings. He notes each element of worship in the Divine Liturgy during the second century, based on the worship of the apostles, and carried on today in every Orthodox Church.

# WEEKLY SCHEDULE

**Sunday, May 29**

**SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN  
VIRGIN MARTYR THEODOSIA  
OF TYRE  
BLESSED JOHN OF USIUG  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy**

**Monday, May 30**

**MEMORIAL DAY  
VEN. ISAAC, FOUNDER OF  
DALMATIAN MONASTERY  
AT CONSTANTINOPLE  
9:00 AM Grave Blessings  
10:00 AM Memorial Service  
OFFICE CLOSED**

**Tuesday, May 31**

**APOST. HERMES OF THE 70  
MARTYR HERMIAS**

**Wednesday, June 1**

**ST. JUSTIN THE MARTYR  
AND HIS COMPANIONS  
6:00 PM Vespers**

**Thursday, June 2**

**ASCENSION OF OUR LORD  
AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy**

**Friday, June 3**

**MARTYR LUCILLIAN  
AND HIS COMPANIONS**

**Saturday, June 4**

**ST. METROPHANES,  
FIRST PATRIARCH  
OF CONSTANTINOPLE  
6:00 PM Great Vespers**

**Sunday, June 5**

**FATHERS OF THE 1ST.  
ECUMENICAL  
9:00 AM Divine Liturgy  
Deadline for Ernest & Marie  
Maty Scholarship Applications**

**JUNE**  
Special Collection  
PARISH HALL ROOF

**BANNS OF MARRIAGE**  
Lauren Timko and Matthew Eppelle  
May 29, 2011



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**MAY**