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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

Please check weekly schedule
for specific days

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FATHERS OF THE 7TH
ECUMENICAL COUNCIL



Martyr Longinus the Centurion, who stood at the Cross of the Lord

(October 16)

The Holy Martyr Longinus the Centurion, a Roman soldier, served in Judea under the command of the Governor, Pontius Pilate. When our Savior Jesus Christ was crucified, it was the detachment of soldiers under the command of Longinus which stood watch on Golgotha, at the very foot of the holy Cross. Longinus and his soldiers were eyewitnesses of the final moments of the earthly life of the Lord, and of the great and awesome portents that appeared at His death. These events shook the centurion's soul. Longinus believed in Christ and confessed before everyone, "Truly this was the Son of God" (Mt. 27:54).

According to Church Tradition, Longinus was the soldier who pierced the side of the Crucified Savior with a spear, and received healing from an eye affliction when blood and water poured forth from the wound.

After the Crucifixion and Burial of the Savior, Longinus stood watch with his company at the Sepulchre of the Lord. These soldiers were present at the All-Radiant Resurrection of Christ. The Jews bribed them to lie and say that His disciples had stolen away the Body of Christ, but Longinus and two of his comrades refused to be seduced by the Jewish gold. They also refused to remain silent about the miracle of the Resurrection.

Having come to believe in the Savior, the soldiers received Baptism from the apostles and decided to leave military service. Saint Longinus left Judea to preach about Jesus Christ the Son of God in his native land (Cappadocia), and his two comrades followed him.

The fiery words of those who had actually participated in the great events in Judea swayed the hearts and minds of the Cappadocians; Christianity began quickly to spread throughout the city and the surrounding vil-

lages. When they learned of this, the Jewish elders persuaded Pilate to send a company of soldiers to Cappadocia to kill Longinus and his comrades. When the soldiers arrived at Longinus's village, the former centurion himself came out to meet the soldiers and took them to his home. After a meal, the soldiers revealed the purpose of their visit, not knowing that the master of the house was the very man whom they were seeking. Then Longinus and his friends identified themselves and told the startled soldiers to carry out their duty.

The soldiers wanted to let the saints go and advised them to flee, but they refused to do this, showing their firm intention to suffer for Christ. The holy martyrs were beheaded, and their bodies were buried at the place where the saints were martyred. The head of Saint Longinus, however, was sent to Pilate.

Pilate gave orders to cast the martyr's head on a trash-heap outside the city walls. After a while a certain blind widow from Cappadocia arrived in Jerusalem with her son to pray at the holy places, and to ask that her sight be restored. After becoming blind, she had sought the help of physicians to cure her, but all their efforts were in vain.

The woman's son became ill shortly after reaching Jerusalem, and he died a few days later. The widow grieved for the loss of her son, who had served as her guide.

Saint Longinus appeared to her in a dream and comforted her. He told her that she would see her son in heavenly glory, and also receive her sight. He told her to go outside the city walls and there she would find his head in a great pile of refuse. Guides led the blind woman to the rubbish heap, and she began to dig with her hands. As soon as she touched the martyr's head, the woman received her sight, and she glorified God and

Saint Longinus.

Taking up the head, she brought it to the place she was staying and washed it. The next night, Saint Longinus appeared to her again, this time with her son. They were surrounded by a bright light, and Saint Longinus said, "Woman, behold the son for whom you grieve. See what glory and honor are his now, and be consoled. God has numbered him with those in His heavenly Kingdom. Now take my head and your son's body, and bury them in the same casket. Do not weep for your son,

for he will rejoice forever in great glory and happiness."

The woman carried out the saint's instructions and returned to her home in Cappadocia. There she buried her son and the head of Saint Longinus. Once, she had been overcome by grief for her son, but her weeping was transformed into joy when she saw him with Saint Longinus. She had sought healing for her eyes, and also received healing of her soul.

ST. THEODOSIUS IS NOW A SUBSCRIBER TO TITHE.LY

In response to requests to be able to donate electronically, we have set up a Tithe.ly account so people can donate either regularly or for special occasions online. Click here to see: <https://www.sttheodosius.org/donate> Special thanks to Council Vice President Cathy Weber and our new Webmaster Kate Zolikoff for making this happen.



ST. THEODOSIUS PARISH SPECIAL MEETING

To be held on

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25TH, 2020 12:30 PM

Regarding the City of Brooklyn's offer for the purchase of Copper Stone and a portion of Cemetery land.

The date has been moved from October 18th due to a critical scheduling conflict. Meeting will be in person and also available over Zoom. A hard-wired network cable will be used to connect directly to the router in hopes of avoiding the connectivity issues experienced at the Annual Meeting.

Prior to the meeting, materials regarding the City of Brooklyn's written offer will be shared via the Ambo mailing list. It is very important that nobody share these materials with inappropriate parties and that no one contact the City of Brooklyn outside of our realtor. Issues and questions should be sent to the Parish Council to be passed on through our agent.

THE MUSICAL "TONES" CONTINUED

*When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,
while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure body,
You rose on the third day, O Savior,
granting life to the world.*

The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:

"Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!

Glory to Your Kingdom!

Glory to Your dispensation, O Lover of mankind!"

As mentioned last week, the liturgical texts are divided into eight thematic settings. Now we begin the cycle with, quite logically, Tone 1. Not only is this the beginning of the cycle, but it also serves as a theological foundation reflecting and explaining the Resurrection.

It is important to note the melodic settings not only enhance the texts, but also help us to fully comprehend its meaning. While it is pleasing to the ear hearing the delightful melody, we are able to delve more deeply into the text itself.

In the troparion for the Resurrection, we are given the circumstances of Our Lord's burial. He was placed in a newly hewn tomb close to Golgotha. The Chief Priests begged Pilate to seal the tomb ostensibly to prevent the Disciples from stealing the Body of the Lord, then proclaiming that He had risen from the dead as He predict-

ed. Pilate authorized the sealing of the tomb with a large stone.

However, while the Roman soldiers were guarding the Body and the Tomb, Jesus resurrected Himself on the third day! As Christ was crucified and died *before sunset*, *Great and Holy Friday counts as the first day. Great and Holy Saturday then becomes the second day when Jesus revives and descends into Hell, freeing Adam, Eve, and all who died before the Resurrection. On Sunday morning, the first day of the week, the third day, Jesus resurrects, and shows Himself to Mary Magdalene and the other Myrrhbearing Women. Now this act grants the world (all creation) life!*

FAITH ENRICHMENT RESUMES

Faith Enrichment is back! Thursdays at 11:00 AM in the Parish Hall next to the Cathedral. Please contact Subdeacon Leon Felon at (440) 666-7601 or Reader Paul Pangrace for more information.





PRAYER REQUESTS



Departed:

Ann Litnar
William Byndas

Special Intentions:

Deacon Paul Mitchell (*Tom Mitchell's father*)
Subdeacon Theodore Lentz
Reader Paul Pangrace
Arlene Czajkowski

Child Mary Kate Zweidunger
Child Vivian Sherer
Melissa (*cousin of Mary Ann Kovach*)
Lyndsey (*friend of Melissa McCutcheon*)
Elizabeth (Betty) Balasz
Marie Borland
Sandra Brello
Elsie Conrad
Horia Dascalescu
Debra Ellis
Gregory Galan
Aleksei Green
Virginia Haupt (*Lisa Theodore's mother*)
Don Hinkl
Matthew Hunly (*Phyllis Gindlesperger's brother-in-law*)
Diane Kearsey (*Janice Tkacz's sister*)
Mara Kilbane (*Melissa McCutcheon's granddaughter*)
Annamarie Luvison (*Daughter of*

Kaite Ellis-Luvison)
Chris Magee (*Erin Zawolowycz's brother*)
Melissa McCutcheon
Marguerite Mihal (*Paul Mihal's mother*)
Paul Mihal
Natalya Miller (*Arlene Neale's great-niece*)
Andrew Mytrohovich
Debra Parhamovich (*Karen Felon's sister*)
Grace Parhamovich (*Karen Felon's mother*)
Jim Paulitzky (*Jerry Czajkowski's son-in-law*)
James Peter Petkac
Susan Reese (*friend of Jerry & Arlene Czajkowski and Betty Balasz*)
Elena Rich (*Jerry Czajkowski's daughter*)
Joseph Rusynyk
Andrew Sykaluk
Elaine Sudnick (*Joy Pfeiffer's mother*)
Tony Sykaluk (*friend of Lydia Mytrohovich*)
Janice Tkacz
Joanne Theodore (*Lisa Theodore's mother-in law*)
Gayle Vidovitch
Eleanor Wachovec (*friend of Karen Felon*)

Robert Walsh (*friend of the Felons*)
Colleen Walsh (*friend of the Felons*)
Erin Zawolowycz
Kristin Robinson
Janet Budko (*sister-in-law of Arlene Neale*)
Laurie Budko (*niece of Arlene Neale*)
Alex Ponomarenko
Mary Kay Weber
Mirta Szewczyk (*friend of Tatiana*)
Mickey O'Brien (*friend of Arlene*)
Elisa Seddon (*wife of Eric*)
Roger Pinta Jr.
Kelly Buehner
Anna Sykaluk (*friend of Tatiana*)
Edward Zewczyk (*friend of Tatiana*)
Joe Czajkowski (*son of Jerry*)
Patrick Gallagher
Nathan Pozderac
Elliott Udell (*grandson of Michael Udell*)
Constance Zimmerman (*Cindy's cousin*)

Jeremy & Yvonne Pozderac and unborn child.

BIBLE READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF October 11

Oct 11

Gen 14:14-20
 Deut 1:8-11, 15-17
 Deut 10:14-21
 John 20:1-10
 Heb 13:7-16
 John 17:1-13
 2 Cor 9:6-11
 Luke 7:11-16

Oct 12

Phil 1:1-7
 Luke 7:36-50

Oct 13

Phil 1:8-14
 Luke 8:1-3

Oct 14

Phil 1:12-20
 Luke 8:22-25

Oct 15

Phil 1:20-27
 Luke 9:7-11

Oct 16

Phil 1:27-2:4
 Luke 9:12-18

Oct 17

1 Cor 15:58-16:3
 Luke 6:1-10

Oct 11

1 John 1:1-7
 James 1:1-12
 Jude 1:1-7, 17, 25
 John 20:11-18
 Col 4:5-9, 14, 18
 Luke 10:16-21
 2 Cor 11:31-12:9
 Luke 8:5-15

Sunday, Oct 11

Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council
 3rd and 6th Hours read at 8:40 AM
 Liturgy Begins 9:00 AM
 Sankovic-Sheridan Wedding 2:00 PM

Monday, Oct 12

Martyr Probus, Tarachus, and Andronicus, at Tarsus in Cilicia

Tuesday, Oct 13

Ven. Benjamin of the Kiev Caves

Wednesday, Oct 14

Martyrs Gervasius, Nazarius, Protasius, and Celsus of Milan

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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Thursday, Oct 15

Ven. Euthymius the New, of Thessalonica, Monk of Mt. Athos
 Faith Enrichment at the Parish Hall 11:00 AM

Friday, Oct 16

Martyr Longinus the Centurion, who stood at the Cross of the Lord

Saturday, Oct 17

Martyr Susanna, Princess of Georgia
 6:00 PM Great Vespers

Sunday, Oct 18

Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke
 3rd and 6th Hours read at 8:40 AM
 Liturgy Begins 9:00 AM