

**CHRIST IS RISEN!  
INDEED HE HAS RISEN!**



**CHRISTOS VOSKRESE!  
VOISTINU VOSKRESE!**



Saturday, June 6, 2021

Tone 5

Gospel: St. 9:1-38

Epistle: Acts 16:16-34

6th SUNDAY OF PASCHA / Blind Man / Ven. Bessarion, Wonderworker of Egypt  
Ven. Hilarion the New, Abbot of the Dalmatian Monastery  
Virgin Martyrs Archelais, Thekla, and Susanna, at Salerno

### JUNE Bulletin Sponsor:

*From Father Andrew in memory of his deceased relatives & friends in the month of June*

## Al'Masiah qam Haqqan qam

### Liturgical & Events Schedule <sup>Arabic</sup>

#### Sunday, June 6

9:05 am: Hours followed by Divine Liturgy / Social / Council Meeting

#### Wednesday, June 9

9:30 am: Divine Liturgy

#### Thursday, June 10

9:15 am: Hours & Divine Liturgy  
6:30 pm: Lions Club Meeting

#### Saturday, June 12

4:00 pm: Great Vespers

#### Sunday, June 13

9:05 am: Hours followed by Divine Liturgy

### JUNE BULLETIN CANDLE SPONSORS

**Bulletin:** (\$50) Fr. Andrew in memory of my deceased relatives in the month of June

**Chandelier:** (\$50) Fr. Andrew in memory of Fr. Stephen Shutak

**Altar Candles:** (\$50) From Basil in loving memory of his wife Jean 5<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

**Candles on the Tomb:** (\$25) In memory of all my friends in the month of June

**Eternal Light & Icon Screen:** (\$25) From Jean Hileman in loving memory of her mother, Helen Pipenur 100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Ann.

**Candles @ the Cross:** (\$15) Fr. Andrew in memory of the nun Eleanor Dussling

**Candles at St Tikhon's:** (\$15) For the Health of Tim, safety of Nicholas, Tikhon & Gleice

### VIGILS- SUNDAY MAY 16

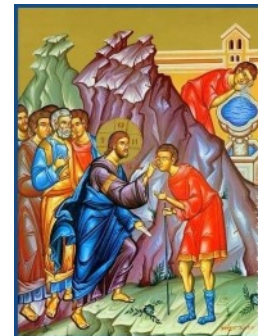
**Basil Glovinsky (3)** Safe travel for Father Andrew; Loving memory of brother George; Blessed repose and Memory Eternal to David Hritsko

**Laura Kovach (4)** For healing and recovery of Sue, Carol, David, Hattie, and Mary Perry; For health of Betty, Ben, Bill, Andrea, Wendy, Mark, Dana, Bodhi, Brenda, Earl, Molly, Doug, and Molly; Anniversary blessings to Tina and Tony; Safe travel for family and friends.

**Sandy Martin (2)** Safe travels for Zach; Special intentions

**Jim Mazur (1)** Special intentions

**Twarek (8)** God's blessing to Carter on his First Communion; Safe travel for Father; Health and recovery of David, Rebecca & Skye; Health and recovery of Helen Lis and Tina's dad Earl; Health of Nikki and Stefani and their unborn babies; God's blessings and continued health and recovery to child Ezra; Health and recovery of Ron, Jim, and Laura; Health of Matt, Tom, Loren, Joe, Sonya, Jason, Margi & Joe, Betty, MaryAnn & Bob, Judy, Chuck, Bohdi, Diane, Stella, Jake.



# *Kristu amefufuka; kweli amefufuka*

*Swahili*

## VIGILS SUNDAY- MAY 23

**Laura Kovach (4)** For healing and recovery of Sue, Carol, David, Hattie, and Mary Perry; For health of Betty, Ben, Bill, Andrea, Wendy, Mark, Dana, Bodhi, Brenda, Earl, and Molly; Safe travel for Sarah; Special Intentions

**Sandy Martin (1)** Special intentions

**Jim Mazur (1)** Special intentions

**Twarek (8)** Health of Arrianna; Health and recovery of David, Rebecca & Skye; Health and recovery of Helen Lis and Tina's dad Earl; Health of Nikki and Stefani and their unborn babies; God's blessings and continued health and recovery to child Ezra; Health and recovery of Ron, Jim, and Laura; Health of Matt, Tom, Loren, Joe, Sonya, Jason, Margi & Joe, Betty, MaryAnn & Bob, Judy, Chuck, Bohdi, Diane, Stella, Jake; Special inten-

### MAY: OTHER INCOME

Goal for the month in this category: \$2,670

**Sunday, May 2:** \$22 Candles; \$155 Vigils; \$490 donations; \$2,015 Holy Day donations

**Sunday May 9:** \$25 Candles; \$25 Eternal Light; \$75 Vigils; \$57 Donations; \$100 Holy Day Donations;

**Sunday, May 16:** \$77 Candles; \$130 Vigils; \$50 Bulletin; \$25 Candles on the Tomb; \$485 donations; \$15 Candles @ the Cross

**Sunday, May 23:** \$29 Candles; \$80 Vigils

**Sunday, May 30:** \$42 Candles; \$125 Vigils; \$120 donations; Altar Candles \$50; \$25 Eternal Light; \$15 St Tikhon Candles

**TOTAL: \$4,175**



## VIGILS SUNDAY- MAY 30

**Basil Glovinsky (2)** Healing and recovery of Diane; Blessed repose and Memory Eternal to Phillip Timko

**Laura Kovach (4)** For healing and recovery of Sloane, Carol, David, and Hattie; For health of Betty, Ben, Earl, Mary, Bill, Brenda, Andrea, Wendy, Mark, Dana, Bodhi, and Molly; Safe travel for Sarah and Fr. Andrew; In birthday memory of Dave.

**Sandy Martin (1)** Special intentions

**Jim Mazur (1)** Special intentions

**Diane Tryon (1)** Birthday blessings to Kathryn, Many more!

**Twarek (10)** God's blessing for health & recovery of child Sloane; In loving memory of mom and dad's anniversary (6/4); Health & recovery of Jill; Health and recovery of Elaine; Health of Arrianna; Health of Nikki and Stefani and their unborn babies; God's blessings and continued health and recovery to child Ezra; Health and recovery of David, Rebecca & Skye, Ron, Jim, Laura, Helen Lis and Tina's dad Earl; Health of Matt, Tom, Loren, Joe, Sonya, Jason, Margi & Joe, Betty, MaryAnn & Bob, Judy, Chuck, Bohdi, Diane, Stella, Jake, Cheryl; Special intentions

### MAY: MONTHLY TITHE ONLY

Goal Pledged per month: \$4,825

**Sunday, May 2:** \$1,068

**Sunday, May 9:** \$ 535

**Sunday, May 16:** \$1,633

**Sunday, May 23:** \$ 883

**Sunday, May 30:** \$ 823

**TOTAL FOR THE MONTH: \$4,942**

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# *Hristos a-înviat ; Adevărat a-înviat*

*Romanian*

## PRAYER LIST Updated 6-2

**HIERARCH'S / CLERGY:** His Beatitude, Metropolitan Herman; Archbishop Benjamin from San Fransico / John Duranko (Father's home pastor); James Gleason (Father's Spiritual Father); Moses Barry; Gregory Grivna; Emilian Hutnyan; Joseph Von Klarr; Peter Tutko; John Zabinko / Deacon Paul Gansle

**MATUSHKII:** Pani Patricia Duranko; Doreen Aasen; Virginia Lecko; Maura McCarntey; Snezana Ruzic; Margaret Zabinko

**PARISHIONERS & THEIR FAMILIES:** John Beadle (Elchisco); Marguerite Bird; Kristen (Cassell); Maryann Cook (Twarek); Michael Glovinsky; Shirley Gresh (Glovinsky); Ben Grosik (Hritsko); Joseph Habegger (Kovach); Mitch Hagmaier (Royhab); Ellie Hritsko; Charisee (Hileman); Betty Kovach; Terri Lariccia (Father); David LaValle (Father); Helen Lis; Child Stephanos (Loizos); Jim Mazur; David Mazurik; Judy Mazurik; Child Stella Miller (Elchisco); Nancy Naiser (Royhab); Earl Rindfleisch; Helen Jean Rofkar (Elchisco); Joe Rose; Sonya Rose; Ron Royhab; Maryann Royhab; Patricia Schritzing (Soski); Steven Schirtzinger (Soski); Valerie Schutt; Dacia Snider (Hileman); Doris Toth (Hritsko); Diane Tryon; Greg Tyron; Tom Twarek; Tim; the child Bodhi (Cassell); Elinor Williams (Golob); Nikki Williams & her unborn baby; Nicole Mihaly & her unborn baby (Father)

**OTHER REQUESTS:** Child Ezra; Mark Britton (Hritsko); Sandy Cafaria (Hileman) Ernest Cornwell (Hritsko); James Crane (Hritsko); Baby Finn (Cassell); Marge Dziama; Ruthe Flewelling; Ben Franklin (Kovach); Theodore Geletka (ABL); Donald Gresh (Glovinsky); Elizabeth Jannakos (ABL); Gabriel Jones (ABL); Andrea Joy (Kovach); Ann Marie Krynock (Timko); Melinda Kuzara (AB List); Gabriella (AB List); Jake Lipstraw (Twarek); Mark Ludvik (Guzy); Mark Masica (Kovach); Pauline Meath (Father); Infant Sloane Swanton (Twarek); Janice Timko; George Timko; Loren Welch (Father); Chuck Wiedenhoft (Twarek); Sara (Jake); Amanda & her unborn baby (Father)

**MILITARY:** Alex, Nathan Brown, Craig Cassell, Jake Ellithorpe, Jordan Fulton, Alena Grabavoy, Nicholas & Tikhon

**CAPTIVES:** Metropolitan Paul (Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo), Archbishop John Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo, The UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria; Those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world



### **CATASTROPHIC RELIEF FUND**

Purpose of fund: To provide some small financial assistance to a parishioner, family member or community member who has suffered a catastrophic event.

Funds will be offered at the discretion & blessing of the Rector and the discretion of the Board.

This money can also be used for outreach programs in the parish  
Thank you and God bless!

### **For Your Prayers**

**Diane Tryon**  
109 Joslyn Street  
Arcadia, OH 44804

# *Kristus er Opstanden; I sandhed Opstanden*

*Danish*

## **Department of Evangelization Releases More Free Brochures for Download**

The Department of Evangelization of the Orthodox Church in America has made three more free printable brochures available for download. The newest titles are “Prayer,” “The Eucharist,” and “The Eucharist: Preparation and Thanksgiving.” They are available here. The remainder of the pamphlets in the series will be updated through Q2 of 2021. A PDF text field has been included on the back section of the pamphlet for parishes and other ministries to include important contact information using the freely available Adobe Acrobat Reader or other PDF program. The original announcement can be read here.

You can support the ongoing projects of the Departments of the OCA by considering a gift to the Stewards of the OCA. Your financial support is crucial to the success of these endeavors! For questions about the work of the Departments, contact Father Thomas Soroka at [tsoroka@oca.org](mailto:tsoroka@oca.org).

## **RESTRICTED FUND DONATIONS RECEIVED IN MAY**

**Sunday, May 2:** \$80 Flower donations

**Sunday, May 9:** \$12 Bookstore; \$50 Food Pantry; \$165 Baby Bottles

**Sunday, May 16:** \$50 Baby Bottles; \$40 Food Pantry

**Sunday, May 23:** \$130 Baby Bottles; \$50 Restoration

**Sunday, May 30:** \$100 Catastrophic Fund; St Tikhon’s Seminary \$15; \$50 Baby bottles; \$100 Cemetery Fund



**THE EMPTY  
TOMB**

## **Show Up For Work**

The Paralytic was like an unburied corpse. He saw You and shouted: “Lord, have mercy on me! My bed has become my grave! Why should I live? What use is the Sheep’s Pool to me? I have no one to put me into the pool when the waters are stirred, but I come to You, O Fountain of healing. Raise me up, that with all I may cry to You: ‘Glory to You, O almighty Lord!’” (Lord I Call...verse Sunday of the Paralytic)

Many of us can relate to this verse from the Vespers service. How often do we come to church year after year and see no change for the better in us? How often do we cry as in the verse, “What use is the Sheep’s Pool to me?” The paralytic had been ill with his affliction for 38 years. During that time, he continued to come to the pool hoping someone would take him to water after the angel touched that water. But others beat him to the punch. So he waited but received no healing. Then our Lord approaches him and asks, “Do you want to be healed?” The paralytic replies “I have no man to take me to the water that I might be healed.” Jesus then commands him to “rise, take up your pallet and return to your home.”

There are two thoughts I wish to convey to families. First, keep showing up for work! Even when going to church makes no sense, keep on showing up like the paralytic did in this reading from St. John. The paralytic did this for 38 years before he found healing. A time will come where our perseverance and faith will prevail.

Secondly, when the paralytic says “I have no man,” Christ becomes that man to bring the paralytic what he needs. We need as a church to be that man who is available to minister to those in need, whether a family member, a work companion, a school friend, a neighbor, a stranger, or a fellow churchgoer.

It might be a good idea to have *Con’t Next Page*

## *Krishti u ngjall: vërtet u ngjall*

*Albanian*

# Christos Anesti! Alithós anésti!

Greek

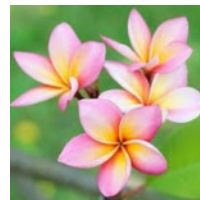
## JUNE Celebrations

ANNIVERSARIES	BIRTHDAYS	
6-18-72 His Grace Bishop Matthias Priest ordination	2- Jake Muscaro	15- Aijire Dardovski
6-21-80- Fr. Dave Lis priestly ordination	5- Peter Adzima	16- James Jerome
25- Fr. Andrew & Pani Yoanna	6- Nathan Koren	19- Emily Sarisky
26- Jim & Laura Kovach	7- Lily Schlotterer	23- Loreen Welch
6-27-2009: Archbishop Melchisedek of Pittsburgh	8- Tanya Koren	24- Matthew Adamcio
	10- Brooks Patrick Williams	26- Carter Twarek
	13- Fr. Nick Mihaly	28- Vincent Cavaliere
	15- Emily Kusinski	

*If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.*

### Showing up for work Con't

a family conversation about how you each relate to this Vespers verse. And then, how in our lives we can be that man that comes to one who is helpless and is in need of attention and loving care.



Christ is risen!

## JUNE Reposed

3 Irene Leso (2002)	18- Fr. Michael Prevas (2018)
4- Alex Sennich (1994)	18- Eleanor Dussling (2020)
4- Vicoria Guzy (1965)	20- Jean Frances Glovinsky (2016)
5- Mildred Paproski (2018)	20- Fr. John Yurcisin (2003)
6- Fr. Stephen Shutack (2008)	20- Dan Karens Cousin 2019
6- Matthew Gould (2020)	21- Mary Elchisco Migala (1983)
7- Martha LaVallee (2005)	21- Ronald Basala (2016)
8- Mary Hunt (2003)	22- Archpriest Kyrill Hartman (2010) Former Pastor
9- Cristina Rindfleisch (2006)	23- Ruth Benya (1995)
9- Charles Hagmaier (2018)	26- George Millie (1974)
9- John Sutko (2020)	27-Anna Ignatenkoo- (1969)
14- Fr. Justin Foster (2016)	28- Fr. Charles Kovich (2005)
16- Verona Pich (2010)	28- Andrew Leso (2000)
16- Fr. Michael Prevas (2018)	29- Stephen Millie (1988)
17- Archimandrite Luke Sirkun (1956) Former Pastor	Mike Mazur (1923)
17- Mitered Archpriest John Gratson (1965) Former Pastor	Anna Mazur (1923)

**מק תמאב !מק חישמה!**  
**(HaMashiach gam! Be'emet gam!)**  
*Hebrew (modern)*

**LITURGICAL ATTENDANCE FOR  
MAY**

**Thursday April 29:** 19 for Passion Gospels  
**Friday, April 30:** Royal Hours 6 / Vespers 16 /  
 Lamentations 13  
**Saturday, May 1:** Akathist 13 / Akathist 8 /  
 Liturgy 22  
**Sunday, May 2** Matins & Liturgy 40 / 29  
 Communicant  
**Monday, May 3:** 9 attended Liturgy  
**Sunday May 9:** 16 attended Liturgy / 14  
 Communicants

**Archimandrite Gerasim (Eliel) elected as  
Bishop of Fort Worth**

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America, meeting in their regular Spring 2021 Session under the presidency of His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon, canonically elected the Very Reverend Archimandrite Gerasim (Eliel) Bishop of Fort Worth, Auxiliary to His Eminence Archbishop Alexander and the Diocese of the South.

**BUILDING / RESTORATION FUND**

Our 125<sup>th</sup> Anniversary is coming!  
**Fund Purpose:** To collect funds to pay for the restoration, repair and beautification of the building and parish room. This will avoid using general funds which are earmarked for budgetary items.

Please consider contributing generously to the  
*Building/Restoration Fund.*

**Holy Synod confirms appointment of Priest  
Alessandro Margheritino as Secretary of the  
OCA**

On Tuesday, May 18, 2021, the Holy Synod of Bishops of the Orthodox Church in America, meeting under the presidency of His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon at their regular Spring 2021 Session, confirmed the appointment of Priest Alessandro Margheritino to be the Secretary of the Orthodox Church in America effective immediately. On May 11, 2021, at its Special Session, the Metropolitan Council had endorsed him based on His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon's nomination of him.

**MAY MONTHLY FINANCIAL'S &  
YEAR TO DATE**

**MAY:**

INCOME	\$ 9,127.10
EXPENSE	\$11, 281.08
TOTAL	<b>-\$ 2,153.98</b>

**YTD:**

INCOME	\$41,739.82
EXPENSE	\$53,887.08
TOTAL	<b>-\$12,147.26</b>

**JUNE CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE**



June 7 – 12: Susan

June 14 – 19: Laura

June 21 – 26: Stephanie

June 28 – July 3: Laura

***Le Christ est ressuscité; en vérité, il est ressuscité***

*French*

# *Harisutosu hukkatsu; Jitsu ni hukkatsu.*

*Japanese*

## **Protodeacon Edwin Aasen**

Protodeacon Edwin Aasen, 83, fell asleep in the Lord on Sunday May 23, 2021. He was born on November 13, 1937, in Vermillion, SD, to Edwin K. and Virginia (Carter) Aasen, Sr.

Protodeacon Edwin was a U.S. Navy Veteran. He was ordained to the diaconate by Metropolitan Philip at Saint George Church in Grand Rapids, MI, completed the OCA Late Vocations Program in 1993, and was made a Protodeacon by the Holy Synod of Bishops in 2012.

Protodeacon Edwin actively served the church as a deacon for over 30 years. He was a founding member of Saint Vincent of Lerins Antiochian Orthodox Church in Omaha, NE where he served as their first Deacon. Later he and his wife, Doreen, relocated to Lincoln, NE where he served as the Deacon at Saint John of Kronstadt Orthodox Church. He retired from University of Nebraska Omaha where he was the Director of Administrative Computer Services.

Family members include his wife of 56 years Doreen; children Edwin (Serena) Aasen, III, of Lincoln; Kathryn Aasen, of Atlanta, GA; grandchildren, Veronica, Hannah, Kenslee, and Ellie; great-grandchildren Micah, Makenzie and Malachi; brothers Robert (Gini) and Michael (Lu-Ann); brother in law Dale Pflaum; Preceded in death by his parents, sister Suzanne Pflaum and infant brother, Gary.

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## **Archbishop Paul's Travel Schedule: June 4-16**

**Archangel Michael, St Louis, MO,**  
June 4th to June 6th  
Presentation of Diocesan Grammotta

**St Stephen Church, Crawfordsville, IN,**  
June 10th to the 13th

## **Shaking all of Creation**

“Now, Lord, look on their threats, and grant to Your servants that with all boldness they may speak Your word, by stretching out Your hand to heal, and that signs and wonders may be done through the name of Your holy Servant Jesus.” And when they had prayed, the place where they were assembled together was shaken; and they were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and they spoke the word of God with boldness. (Acts 4:29-31)

These words from Acts Chapter 4 show how important prayer is in leading us to God the Father, who makes Himself known to us, through his Son, in the power of the Holy Spirit. Two things strike me in these verses from Acts. First, they were together in one place, and second, when they prayed, the place was shaken. This reminds me of our Lord’s teaching that if we have the faith the size of a mustard seed, we can move mountains. I often wonder why our prayer life for most of us does not lead us to this experience of shaking the room we pray in, which in turn, leads us to be bold in our witness to Christ.

I am of the belief that the most popular sin many of us might take to confession is not praying as we should. Speaking for myself, that is my number one sin. I think that is why we don’t have this experience of prayer that is described in these verses from Acts. The fruit of prayer is to be energized and empowered in the Holy Spirit to do God’s will in humility and with gladness. St. John Chrysostom offers this brief comment on Acts 4:31: What is “they were filled”? It means that they were inflamed and the Gift burned within them. “And they spoke the word of God with boldness. And the company of those who believed were of one heart and soul.”

I want to encourage you as a family to pray together consistently and with a hunger and desire to be filled with the Holy Spirit. When we do, I believe, by grace, we can shake the world or place *Con’t Next Page*

*Asréracht Críst! Asréracht Hé–som co dearb!*

*Old Irish*



**Sunday of the Blind Man  
Commemorated on June 6**

After the Midfeast (John 7:14), the Lord Jesus Christ came to the Temple again and taught the people who came to Him (John 8:2). After leaving the Temple, He opened the eyes of a man “who was blind from his birth (John 9:1).

The miracle described in today’s Gospel (John 9:1-38) is even more remarkable than it might seem at first. Saint Basil and other Fathers tell us that this was not just a case of giving sight to a blind man born with eyes that did not function, but to someone who had no eyes at all! The second Exapostilarion for this Sunday says, “Along the way, our Savior found a man who lacked both sight and eyes...”.

The Gospel says, “Since the world began, it was not heard that any man opened the eyes of one who was born blind” (John 9:32). There are examples in the Old (Tobit 2:17) and New (Mark 8:22-26) Testaments of blind people receiving sight, but this is something completely unprecedented.

The Savior placed clay in the man’s empty sockets and told him to wash in the pool of Siloam. When he obeyed these instructions, the eyes of clay became living eyes!

In his MENAION, Saint Demetrius of Rostov calls the blind man Saint Celidonius (see his account of Saint Lazarus in the Synaxis of the Seventy Apostles on January 4).

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**TENTATIVE READERS**

Sunday, June 6:	Joe
Sunday, June 13:	Teri
Sunday, June 20:	Joe
Sunday, June 27:	Tim

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**Shaking All Creation Con’t**

we find ourselves living in today.

Christ is risen!

*The unworthy Archbishop Paul*

**Acts 16:16-34 (Epistle)**

Now it happened, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, “These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.” And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I command you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her.” And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities. And they brought them to the magistrates, and said, “These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe.” Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. And when they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, “Do yourself no harm, for we are all here.” Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. And he brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes. And immediately he and all his family were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

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**40 DAY REMEMBRANCE**

**June 6:** the 2 deputies killed in N.C.

**June 27:** Philip Timko / Protodeacon Edwin Aasen

## John 9:1-38 (Gospel)

Now as Jesus passed by, He saw a man who was blind from birth. And His disciples asked Him, saying, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "Neither this man nor his parents sinned, but that the works of God should be revealed in him. I must work the works of Him who sent Me while it is day; the night is coming when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." When He had said these things, He spat on the ground and made clay with the saliva; and He anointed the eyes of the blind man with the clay. And He said to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which is translated, Sent). So he went and washed, and came back seeing. Therefore the neighbors and those who previously had seen that he was blind said, "Is not this he who sat and begged?" Some said, "This is he." Others said, "He is like him." He said, "I am he." Therefore they said to him, "How were your eyes opened?" He answered and said, "A Man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to the pool of Siloam and wash.' So I went and washed, and I received sight." Then they said to him, "Where is He?" He said, "I do not know." They brought him who formerly was blind to the Pharisees. Now it was a Sabbath when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. Then the Pharisees also asked him again how he had received his sight. He said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Therefore some of the Pharisees said, "This Man is not from God, because He does not keep the Sabbath." Others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" And there was a division among them. They said to the blind man again, "What do you say about Him because He opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." But the Jews did not believe concerning him, that he had been blind and received his sight, until they called the parents of him who had received his sight. And they asked them, saying, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered them and said, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but by what means he now sees we do not know, or who opened his eyes we do not know. He is of age; ask him. He will speak for himself." His parents said these things because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had agreed already that if anyone

confessed that He was Christ, he would be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age; ask him." So they again called the man who was blind, and said to him, "Give God the glory! We know that this Man is a sinner." He answered and said, "Whether He is a sinner or not I do not know. One thing I know: that though I was blind, now I see." Then they said to him again, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I told you already, and you did not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you also want to become His disciples?" Then they reviled him and said, "You are His disciple, but we are Moses' disciples. We know that God spoke to Moses; as for this fellow, we do not know where He is from." The man answered and said to them, "Why, this is a marvelous thing, that you do not know where He is from; yet He has opened my eyes! Now we know that God does not hear sinners; but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, He hears him. Since the world began it has been unheard of that anyone opened the eyes of one who was born blind. If this Man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered and said to him, "You were completely born in sins, and are you teaching us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out; and when He had found him, He said to him, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered and said, "Who is He, Lord, that I may believe in Him?" And Jesus said to him, "You have both seen Him and it is He who is talking with you." Then he said, "Lord, I believe!" And he worshiped Him.

### CHURCH PICNIC (TENTATIVE)

**When:** Sunday, June 13  
**Time:** Following Divine Liturgy  
**RSVP:** Sunday, June 6  
**Needed:** Desserts & Side dishes

It has been a tradition of mine through out my priesthood to sponsor some sort of annual gathering for the parish community to show my appreciation. Here, we've gathered for a New Year's Eve Open House, and an Outdoor Picnic Social. Unfortunately, last year (my 3<sup>rd</sup> year here) we could not have anything due to COVID. I'd really like to host something this year. What do you say?! Interested? Let me know.

Fr. Andrew