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APRIL 11th – 2nd Sunday Of Pascha – Thomas Sunday!

(Remembering – the Martyr Mark, Cyril the Deacon and others who suffered under Julian)

Today's Epistle

Readings: Acts 5: 12-20

Today's Gospel

Readings John 20: 19-31

Festal Troparion: "Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!" (Hristos vaskrese izmertvih, smerti ju smert po prav, isuschim vo grobje, zivot darujja!)

Sunday Troparion: "From the sealed tomb, Thou didst shine forth, O Life! Through closed doors Thou didst come to Thy disciples, O Christ God! Renew in us, through them, an upright spirit, by the greatness of Thy mercy, O Resurrection of all!"

Sunday Kontakion: "Thomas touched Thy life-giving side with an eager hand, O Christ God, when Thou didst come to Thy Apostles through closed doors. He cried out with all: 'Thou art my Lord and my God!' "

Hymn to the Mother of God: "The Angel cried to the Lady full of Grace: 'Rejoice, rejoice O Pure Virgin!' Again, I say 'rejoice', your Son is risen from his three days in the Tomb; with Himself, He has raised all the dead, rejoice, rejoice, O ye People! Shine, shine, shine O new Jerusalem! The Glory of the Lord has shone on you! Exalt, now exalt, and be glad O Zion! Be radiant, O Pure Theotokos, in the Resurrection, the Resurrection of your Son!"

Easter Greetings (How to respond to Father Stevo's greetings in various languages):

Greek:	"Hristos Anesti!"	Response: "Alithos Anesti!"
Arabic:	"Al Masih Kam!"	Response: "A ken Kam!"
Rumanian:	"Hristos a inviat!"	Response: "A devarat a inviat!"

RECEIVED FROM A SOLDIER IN AFGHANISTAN: "Dear Fr. Stevo – I cannot describe the Soldiers' reactions when 6 boxes laden with goodies, care products, and games showed up today in Bagram, Afghanistan! Your parishioners have blessed us with their good will and support! I travel the Battle-space often and next week we are taking a duffle-bag with the majority of what was mailed to The soldiers in the most austere region of this country. I already anticipate their reaction, and they will Use EVERYTHING that was sent! We even recycle the boxes to mail stuff home before we redeploy So everything is appreciated! GOD BLESS YOUR PARISH! I hope you and your wonderful parish Have a joyous Easter celebration! Sincerely, Tom"

Special Announcements Today – For Your Benefit!

- (1) **TODAY:** join us for our Fellowship Hour today, hosted by the Pochan Family!
(Also, today is Fr. Stevo's 22nd Anniversary of his Ordination to the Holy Priesthood!)
- (1-A) **Special REMINDER:** this Thursday is TAX DAY: "Render unto Caesar what is Caesar's, and unto God what is God's!" (The words of our Lord – heed them well!)
- (2) **Please keep the following loved ones in our prayers:**
Arlene Crnkovich Gladys Mrvos Bertha Cervo Mika Rocknage Darinka Grba
Louise Popelas-NH Mara Gasparovic-NH Milan Vranesevic-NH Dawn Hamm
Nick & Dorothy Trbovic Ann Siebert-H Ann Petrovich Mimi Pavlovich
- (3) **As well as those who have fallen asleep in the Lord:**
+ Ljubica Trbovich +Richard Sinsel +Milena Dokmanovich +Amy Pacura
+Bertha Lalich +George Torbic +Patr. Pavle +Arch-Bishop JOB +Smilja Vuckovich
+ Sophie Strager +Sophie Vranesevic
- (4) **THIS WEEK'S ACTIVITIES:**
- **SIGN UP** for our Fellowship Hour – many Sundays still available!
- **THIS SATURDAY:** Great Vespers at 6 PM!
- (5) **NOTE THE CHANGE:** as a way of 'speeding up the Divine Liturgy', especially when we have many communicants – we will all say the Prayer before Holy Communion when Father says it BEFORE he receives – he will lead us! (So, this means when he invites us up, "In the fear of God..." we will just come forward having already said the prayer before this!)
- (6) **ALSO:** We have Memorial Parastos Sundays coming up – next Sunday (18th) is for +Milena Dokmanovich, and the following Sunday (25th) is for +Bertha Lalich.....
- (7) **PLEASE:** do your part in coming to Church regularly AND getting your 2010 Stewardship Pledge Card in as soon as possible!
- (8) Have you hosted a Fellowship Hour after Church? Well, what are you waiting for????
- (9) **REMEMBER:** this is God's House – ACT accordingly – no talking, chewing gum, sleeping or talking on the cell phones! Show Him that you understand His House is a place of Holiness and Honor!!!
- (10) **"March For Cure" – Sunday, May 9th – Mother's Day – if you cannot walk, sponsor a walker, OR just make a donation to our Youth Group – which has a goal of raising \$250 for their Contribution to the "Cure for Breast Cancer!"**
- (11) **OUTREACH Spaghetti Dinner:** Tuesday, May 25th – 4 to 7 PM – details forthcoming!