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**SUNDAY OF THE HOLY MYRRHBEARING WOMEN,
SAINT JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA AND NICODEMUS**
THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA

Epistle Reading
Acts 6:1-7

Gospel Reading
Mark 15:43-16:8

Christ is risen! Indeed he is risen!
Hristos voskrece! Voistinu voskrece!
Christos anesti! Alithos anesti!
Christos tenesa! A'wo tenesa!
El Messieh kahm! Hakken kahm!

Troparion (Resurrection)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. When from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Troparion for Saint Joseph of Arimathea

The Noble Joseph, when he had taken down Your most pure Body from the tree, wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb. But You did rise on the third day, O Lord, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion for the Holy Myrrhbearing Women

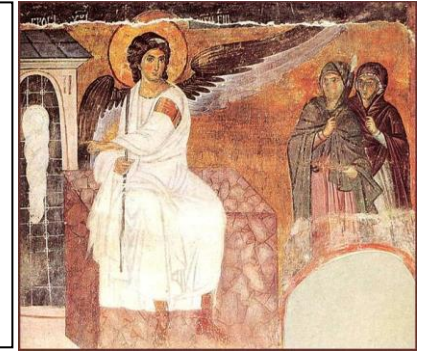
The angel came to the myrrhbearing women at the tomb and said: Myrrh is meet for the dead; but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption! So proclaim: the Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy!

Kontakion

You did command the myrrhbearers to rejoice, O Christ! By Your Resurrection, You did stop the lamentation of Eve, O God! You did command Your apostles to preach: The Savior is Risen!

Today the Church honors Saints Mary Magdalene, Mary (wife of Cleopas), Joanna, Salome (mother of the sons of Zebedee), Martha and Mary (sisters of Lazarus), and the Most Holy Theotokos. We also remember Saint Joseph of Arimathea who was a secret disciple and Saint Nicodemus who was a disciple by night.

“White Angel and Holy Myrrhbearers” Icon
Milesevo Monastery



Welcome to everyone praying with us today in person and by live-stream. May we all experience the great joy in the Divine Liturgy of the Paschal season.

Romanian Food Festival -- May 15 – 16, 11am – 7pm

St. Andrew Orthodox Church invites us to their biannual festival at 9111 River Rd. Potomac, MD 20854; good food and dancing. See the Carry-Out, Dine-In [Menu](#).

Orthodoxy 201 – Schedule Change

Our Wednesday class will not meet this week but will resume on May 26.

FOCUS Grace Family Care and Food Pantry Project – Through Saturday, May 22

The [FOCUS DC](#) campaign continues with Grace Episcopal Church in Alexandria, VA to collect food and infant care items for needy families. [Donate Online](#) for a bulk purchase of diapers or other supplies. Items donated here will be delivered.

“Worship: Entering Into Heavenly Mysteries” on [AncientFaith.com](#)

Fr. Thomas Soroka and Hieromonk Herman (Majkrzak) of St. Tikhon's Monastery discuss entering into the fullness of the Paschal Mystery through the incredible beauty of Orthodox worship. (68 min.)

2020 Census of US Orthodox Christian Churches

How has the geography of American Orthodox Christianity changed from 2010 to 2020? The data was obtained directly from over 3,000 US Orthodox Christian parishes; 97% of American Orthodox parishes participated. Read [here](#).

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

God bless the newly baptized child of God Savannah, her parents, grandparents and Godparents. God bless Danielle Damjan on her 10th birthday, Eli and Saloomeh Romanchak on their 3rd wedding anniversary, and Colin Chung on his graduation from George Mason University. Congratulations and Many Years!