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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!

LITURGY OF THE WORD VIA ZOOM AT 10:30AM

Paschal Troparion Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

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!



“White Angel” (Archangel Gabriel) and Holy Myrrhbearers ~ Milesevo Monastery

Holy Synod Issues Pastoral Letter and Directives

On Friday, May 1, 2020, His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and the [Holy Synod](#) of the Orthodox Church in America issued a [Pastoral Letter](#) and [Synodal Directives](#) related to [COVID-19](#). “The process of re-opening our church temples will be in accord with, and parallel to, the phases set forth by the federal government. The model for these directives is taken from US Federal Guidelines ‘Opening Up America Again’.” The Phases/Stages have been further refined by the Church. Each Bishop will be releasing diocesan-specific guidelines shortly.

“First Sunday of the Month”

We can continue our monthly Faith in Action by donating to local agencies, e.g. [Northern Virginia Family Services-SERVE Campus](#) and [New Hope Housing](#).

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, May 6 – 7PM

Fr. John will email information for the online class on the book “The Holy Fire”.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja ljeta!

God bless Milica Whitestone, Rick Costello, Matthew Kassaye, Bratislav and Alexandar Saranac and Jan Zicha as they celebrate their May birthdays.

Reminder: Mother’s Day is next Sunday, May 10th.

Online Stewardship Support: <https://STLUKEORTH.breezechms.com/give/online>