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**AFTERFEAST OF THEOPHANY; HIEROMARTYR PHILIP,
METROPOLITAN OF MOSCOW AND ALL RUSSIA**

Epistle Reading
Ephesians 4:7-13

Gospel Reading
Matthew 4:12-17

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open paradise! For the myrrh bearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.

Troparion (Feast)

When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness to You, calling You His Beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, You have revealed Yourself, and have enlightened the world, glory to You!

Troparion (Met. Philip)

By sharing in the ways of the Apostles, you became a successor to their throne. Through the practice of virtue, you found the way to divine contemplation, O inspired one of God; by teaching the word of truth without error, you defended the Faith, even to the shedding of your blood. Hieromartyr Phillip, entreat Christ God to save our souls.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold people captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers. Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the resurrection!

Kontakion (Feast)

Today You have shone forth to the world, O Lord, and the light of Your countenance has been marked on us. Knowing You, we sing Your praises: “You have come and revealed Yourself, O unapproachable Light.”

Welcome to all guests with us by livestream and in person. We invite you to stay for Coffee Hour and get acquainted with us. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan.

Memory Eternal + Večnaja pamjat +

We offer prayers today for Javorka, Tatjana Jovanic’s mother, on the 15th anniversary of her falling asleep in the Lord. Grant her rest eternal with the Saints in blessed repose.

Sanctity of Life Sunday – Today

- Orthodox parishes across the US observe “Sanctity of Life Sunday” following Friday’s March for Life. Special petitions and other prayers appeal to God for His protection of human life from conception to natural death.
- Read Metropolitan Tikhon’s [Statement on the Sanctity of Human Life](#).
- OCA has [Sanctity of Life Resources](#) on Abortion, Euthanasia, Suicide, Capital Punishment.
- See brief March for Life videos: <https://www.facebook.com/OrthodoxChristiansForLife/>

Collection for the Marih Center - Today

We welcome financial gifts and infant care items for the Marih Pregnancy Care Center. Donate at the display in the hall or online: [Amazon Wish List](#) or <https://marih.org/donate/>.

Sisterhood Meeting – Today

- All women of the parish are invited to the monthly Sisterhood meeting today during Coffee Hour. Planning for upcoming events and charitable donations will be discussed.
- Rada Carmichael invites Coffee Hour volunteers for January 29, February 12, 19 & 26.

Home Blessings during the Theophany Season

Fr. John is pleased to resume Home Blessings this year. He invites us to schedule a time with him for January or February. This is a beautiful Orthodox tradition that renews our home as a holy site. Bottles of newly blessed Holy Water are available to take home.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, January 25 – 7PM on Zoom

Everyone is invited to join in this week’s teaching and discussion on the Gospel of Luke, chapter 23. Watch for Fr. John’s email with the Zoom link and his notes.

Saint Sava Slava/Patron Saint Day Celebration - Sunday, February 5

We missed having our St. Sava celebrations the past two years. We now joyfully look forward to it in two weeks. Mark your calendars and invite family and friends for the 10:30AM Divine Liturgy and Slava Prayers followed by a luncheon and celebration.

God Grant You Many Years!

May God bless Annika Bidy, Chris and Javier Little on their birthdays this week, and also Jeff and Jennifer Castiglione on their 4th wedding anniversary! Mnogaja Ljeta!