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MAY 7, 2023
**SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC
REPOSE OF ST. ALEXIS TOTH**
FOURTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA

Epistle Reading
Acts 9:32-42

Gospel Reading
John 5:1-15

**CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD, TRAMPLING DOWN DEATH BY DEATH,
AND UPON THOSE IN THE TOMBS BESTOWING LIFE!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world great mercy.

Troparion (St. Alexis)

O righteous Father Alexis, our heavenly intercessor and teacher, divine adornment of the Church of Christ, entreat the Master of All to strengthen the Orthodox Faith in America, to grant peace to the world and to our souls great mercy!

Kontakion (St. Alexis)

Let us, the faithful, praise the Priest Alexis, a bright beacon of Orthodoxy in America, a model of patience and humility, a worthy shepherd of the flock of Christ! He called back sheep who had been led astray and brought them by his preaching to the Heavenly Kingdom.

Kontakion (Pentecostarion)

By Thy divine intercession, O Lord, as Thou didst raise up the Paralytic of old, so raise up my soul, paralyzed by sins and thoughtless acts; so that being saved I may sing to Thee: "Glory to Thy power, O compassionate Christ!"

Memory Eternal

We pray for long-time St. Luke member Victor Lumovich on the 14th anniversary of his falling asleep. Grant blessed repose, O Lord, to the soul of Thy servant. Večnaja pamjat +

Welcome to all guests with us by livestream and in person. We invite you to join us at 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.

First-Sunday-of-the-Month Food for the Needy – Today

Thank you for contributing to our First-Sunday-of-the-Month charity program. Financial donations may also be made to the Food Pantry online at www.ccapwinchester.org.

Sisterhood Meeting – Today

All women of the parish may join in a brief Sisterhood meeting after Coffee Hour to discuss Spring events including the Sisterhood Slava on June 4.

Schedule Change: Orthodoxy 201 – Tuesday, May 9 on Zoom at 7PM

The Orthodoxy 201 discussion group meets this week on Tuesday instead of Wednesday. "The Gospel of John: Beholding the Glory" by Fr. Lawrence Farley is our study. Fr. John will email his review and Zoom link. Join us!

FOCUS North America - DC Chapter Meeting – Thursday, May 11 at 8:30PM on Zoom

The FOCUS DC chapter will have an online Quarterly Meeting this Thursday to collaborate on outreach and youth ministries. See Louise Romanchak or Donna Karabin for contacts.

Monthly Men's Prayer Breakfast – Saturday, May 13 at 9AM

All men of the parish are welcomed to the May Prayer Breakfast on Saturday the 13th at 9AM for faith discussions and fellowship.

Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) Banquet – Saturday, May 13 at 5PM

Reminder: The OCMC annual banquet is this Saturday at St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church at 3149 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041. Vespers service begins at 5PM and the dinner will be at 6:30PM. Go to www.ocmc.org/DC-Banquet for tickets.

Mother's Day Memorial Prayers and Brunch- Sunday, May 14

- Next Sunday, we will pray for our departed mothers, grandmothers, godmothers and others. Add names to the Mother's Day Prayer List at the candle table.
- The gentlemen of the parish invite everyone to a Mother's Day Brunch next Sunday following Divine Liturgy.

2023 Memorial Day Pilgrimage at St. Tikhon's Monastery – Friday-Monday, May 26-29

Join with hierarchs, clergy and the faithful at the annual [St. Tikhon's Pilgrimage](http://www.sttikhon.org) at the monastery and seminary in Waymart, PA. Come for part or all to attend services and hear guest speakers from Essex, England. The Myrrh-streaming Hawaiian Iveron Icon will be there for prayers and anointing. "Come, pilgrim, and walk in the footsteps of the Saints!"

God Grant You Many Years!

God bless Reader David and Kathy Lumovich on their wedding anniversary, and Lily Eve Kecman, Rick Costello, Bratislav and Alexandar Saranac on their birthdays. Mnogaja ljeta!