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Epistle Acts 6:1-7

Tone 2

Gospel: Mk. 15:43–16:8

April 30th – 3rd Sunday of Pascha

of the Myrrh-bearing Women

CHRIST IS RISEN! – XPUCTOC BOCKPEC!

TODAY'S SERVICES:

Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 3rd Sunday of Pascha of the Myrrh-bearing Women

SERVICES FOR THE WEEK:

Tues. 7:30pm Bible Study – Virtual or in Person

Sun. 9:00am Divine Liturgy – 4th Sunday of Pascha

Altar Servers: Subdeacon Daniel Mazan, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy, Daniel Mazan, Bryce Buitrago

Readers: Subdeacon Thomas Bodnar, Qorey Carter, Ryan Fealy

PLEASE CONTINUE TO PRAY FOR: Nicholas Chichik, David Deli, Peter Meka, Robert Cousins, John Happy Sr., Joan Nardi, Marci Pusillo, Pani Mary Ann, Richard Hycuna, Diane Decibus Morgan, John Piropato, John Zelenak, Hilda Zuccaro, Thomas Zuccaro, Joseph Nardi, Olga Piropato, Nancy Grabie, Mary Wrubleski, Margaret York, Ronald York, Ann Holoob, Bruce Wadiak, Patty Tucker, Raymond Wizna, Catherine Ann Bylinski, Kathleen Ward, Olivia Zazworsky, Andrew, Christopher, Sarah, David, Alexander, Joseph, John, Kirsten, John, David, Joe, and Cathie. & children Timothy, Mary, Oskar, Tessa, Robert, Jacob, and Jonathan, remembering all the sick, the suffering, those in hospitals and nursing homes, and all the men and women in the US Military, especially Subdeacon Vitaly and Subdeacon James, who serve our country and all of us. Please keep them in your prayers daily, asking God's protection upon them all.

HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO: Maria Decibus, Tommy Zuccaro and Caroline Balazs and all those celebrating birthdays or special intentions, may the Lord grant you all "Many Blessed Years, Mnohaya Lita!"

Adult Bible Study: We are reviewing 2 Kings Chapters 7-12. All are welcome to attend, even if you have never come before.

AKATHIST OF THE MOTHER OF GOD, PANTANASSA: (MAY 24th) I ask that you continue to send me the names of your family and friends who are afflicted by cancer so that we can pray for them. – **Rejoice, O Queen of All, heal our sicknesses by your prayers!**

The Myrrh-bearing Women - There are eight women who are generally identified as the myrrh-bearers. Each of the four Gospels gives a different aspect of the roles of these eight women at the cross and at the tomb on Easter morning, perhaps since the eight women arrived in different groups and at different times. The eight are: **Mary Magdalene; Mary, the Theotokos (the Virgin Mary); Joanna; Salome; Mary the wife of Cleopas (or Alphaeus); Susanna; Mary of Bethany; Martha of Bethany.**

Of the eight, the first five are the more prominent and outspoken. The last three are included according to tradition. Five of these women were also very wealthy; the women of means were Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and Mary and Martha of Bethany.

A confusing aspect in Gospel references to these women is that two of the Marys had a son named James. Mary, the wife of Alphaeus, was the mother of James, one of the Twelve Apostles; the Virgin Mary was the step-mother of James, the Lord's brother (Matthew 13:55, Galatians 1:19).

These eight women had been together a lot during Jesus' three-year public ministry. Mary Magdalene, Joanna, Susanna, and others (Luke 8:3) are described as providing for Jesus out of their possessions (that is, acting as deaconesses). These same women had faithfully followed him from Galilee and had come up with him to Jerusalem (Matthew 27:55, Mark 15:40-41, and Luke 23:55).

ALL EMERGENCIES: PLEASE MAKE SURE TO CALL FATHER JAMES for any and all emergencies – for hospital, nursing home, or home visitations. PLEASE call his Cell number 732-619-3259, if necessary, please leave a voice message, Father will return your call. THANK YOU.