

THE EPISTLE

Reader: *In the 5th Tone: Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and shalt preserve us from this generation and for evermore.*

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and shalt preserve us from this generation and for evermore.

Reader: *Save me, O Lord for a righteous man there is no more.*

Choir: Thou, O Lord, shalt keep us and shalt preserve us from this generation and for evermore.

Reader: *In the 4th Tone: Wondrous is God in His saints, the God of Israel.*

Choir: Wondrous is God in His saints, the God of Israel.

Reader: *The Reading is from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Hebrews: [Hebrews 9:11-14 (§321 ctr); Galatians 3:23-29 (§208)]*

THE GOSPEL

Reader: *Alleluia in the 5th Tone: Of Thy mercies, O Lord, will I sing forever. Unto generation and generation will I declare Thy truth with my mouth.*

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reader: *For Thou hast said: Mercy shall be built up for ever, in the heavens shall Thy truth be established.*

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Reader: *In the 1st Tone: With patience I waited patiently for the Lord, and He was attentive unto me, and He hearkened unto my supplication.*

Choir: Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Gospel [*Mark 10:32-45 (§47); Luke 7:36-50 (§33)*]

WORD FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Pay attention carefully. After the sin comes the shame; courage follows repentance. Did you pay attention to what I said? Satan upsets the order; he gives the courage to sin and the shame to repentance.

+ St. John Chrysostom

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We are a parish of the Russian Orthodox Church Abroad, and all are welcome to worship with us! Our services are in English. Please join us for lunch downstairs after the service.

April 1/14, 2019

Fifth Sunday of Great Lent St. Mary of Egypt

This Week's Schedule

Tonight	Pan-Orthodox Vespers St. George – Niagara Falls, NY	5:00 pm
Tuesday	Matins/Hours	7:00 pm
Wednesday	Ninth Hour and Typica Presanctified Liturgy	7:00 am 7:30 am
Friday	Matins	6:00 pm
Saturday	Baptism Divine Liturgy – Lazarus Saturday Confession Vigil (Distribution of Palms)	8:00 am 9:00 am 4:00 pm 5:00 pm
Sunday	Hours and Divine Liturgy <i>Meal in Trapeza – Fish, Wine and Oil Allowed</i> Bridegroom Matins	9:00 am 6:00 pm

TROPARIA

Resurrection - Tone 5: Let us, O faithful, praise and worship the Word / Who is co-unoriginate with the Father and the Spirit, / and Who was born of the Virgin for our salvation; / for He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh / and to endure death, // and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

St. Theodore Stratelates – Tone 4: By true strategy, O trophy-bearer / thou wast an illustrious general of the Heavenly King, O Theodore. / For thou didst wisely arm thyself with the weapons of faith, / and didst utterly annihilate the hordes of demons, / and didst prove a victorious athlete, / wherefore with faith // we ever call thee blessed.

St. Theodore the Tyro – Tone 2: Great are the triumphs of faith! / The holy martyr Theodore rejoiced in a fountain of flame as in refreshing water. / For having been made a whole burnt offering by fire, / he was offered as a sweetbread to the Trinity, // By his prayers, O Christ God, save our souls.

St. Mary of Egypt – Tone 8: In thee, O Mother, was preserved unimpaired that which is according to God's image, / for thou hast taken up the Cross and followed Christ. / By thine actions thou hast taught us to despise the flesh, for it passes away, / but to care for the soul, which is a thing immortal; // and so thy spirit, holy Mary, rejoiceth with the angels.

KONTAKION

Resurrection – Tone 5: Unto hades, O my Savior, didst Thou descend, / and having broken its gates as one omnipotent, / Thou, as Creator, didst raise up the dead together with Thyself. / And Thou didst break the sting of death, / and didst deliver Adam from the curse, O Lover of mankind. / Wherefore, we all cry unto Thee: // Save us, O Lord.

St. Theodore Stratelates – Tone 2: Armed with faith and courage of soul, / and having taken in thy hand the Word of God as a spear, / thou didst conquer the enemy, / O glory of martyrs, Theodore. // With them cease not to intercede with Christ God for us all.

St. Theodore the Tyro – Tone 8: Having received the faith of Christ in thy heart as an inner shield, / thou didst overcome all the opposing forces, O great champion, / and thou hast been crowned with a heavenly crown, O Theodore, // for thou art eternally invincible.

St. Mary of Egypt – Tone 3: Thou who once of old wast filled with all manner of fornication, / art now seen today to be a bride of Christ by thy repentance. / Thou didst love and emulate the life of the angels. / By the Cross thou didst annihilate the hordes of demons; / for this cause thou art a bride now in the kingdom of the heavens, // O Mary, thou all-modest one.

Theotokos – Tone 6: O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, / O mediation unto the Creator unailing, / disdain not the suppliant voices of sinners, / but be thou quick, O good one, to help us who in faith cry unto thee; / hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, // thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

PARISH NEWS

- ❖ **Nameday:** We those who are celebrating namedays this week. May God grant you many years!
 - Larissa Samatowka
 - Gabriella Damiano
 - Gabriel (Robert) Dendy
 - Mary Jo Keenan
- ❖ **Parish Council:** There will be a brief Parish Council meeting today following the Divine Liturgy.