

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN



Icon of Jesus Healing the Paralytic Man



St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Parish

Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Liturgical Schedule:

Sat.	Apr	20	Theodore the Hairshirt Wearer -Venerable
			5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sun.	Apr	21	SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN
			9:00 am Matins
			10:00 am Divine Liturgy for the parishioners and + Devon Hoover by St. Germain Family
Mon.	Apr	22	Theodor Sykiot Venerable
Tues.	Apr	23	George - Great Martyr
			8:30 am Divine Liturgy
Wed.	Apr	24	Mid - Pentecost
			8:30 am Divine Liturgy
Thurs.	Apr	25	Mark Apostle - Evangelist
			8:30 am Divine Liturgy
Fri.	Apr	26	Basil of Amasea Bishop - Martyr
			8:30 am Divine Liturgy
Sat.	Apr	27	Simeon Bishop - Martyr
			5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sun.	Apr	28	SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN
			9:00 am Matins
			10:00 am Divine Liturgy for the parishioners

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(Jn 5:1-15)

Some time later, Jesus went up to Jerusalem for one of the Jewish feasts. Now in Jerusalem, by the Sheep Gate, there is a pool that in Hebrew is called Bethesda. It has five porticos, and in these a large number of invalids used to lie, people who were blind, lame, and paralyzed, waiting for the movement of the water. For occasionally an angel of the Lord would come down into the pool and stir up the water. The first one into the pool after each such disturbance would be cured of whatever disease he had.

A man who was there had been an invalid for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there and was aware that he had been ill for a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to get well?" The invalid answered him, "Sir, I have no one to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up. While I am still on my way, someone else steps into the pool ahead of me." Jesus said to him, "Rise! Take up your mat and walk!" Immediately, the man was cured, and he took up his mat and began to walk.

Now that day was a Sabbath. Therefore, the Jews said to the man who had been cured, "Today is the Sabbath. It is not lawful for you to carry your mat." He replied, "The man who cured me said to me, 'Take up your mat and walk!' " They asked him, "Who is the man who told you to take it up and walk?" But the man who had been cured did not know who it was, for Jesus had disappeared into the crowd that was there.

Later, Jesus found him in the temple and said to him, "See, you have been made well. Do not sin anymore, so that nothing worse happens to you." The man went away and told the Jews that Jesus was the man who had made him well.

The angel exclaimed to her, * full of grace: *

"Rejoice, O Pure Virgin; * again I say, rejoice! * Your Son is risen from the grave on the third day * and has raised the dead. * Let all nations rejoice!"

Shine in splendor, * O new Jerusalem! * For the glory of the Lord * is risen upon you, O Sion; * sing with joy and rejoice! * And you, pure Theotokos, * rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.

Weekly Collections

4/14/2024

*"My return to the Lord for
all His goodness to me"*

Offertory \$ 1360.00

Holy Days \$ 50.00

Candles \$ 5.00

Others \$ 0.00

E-donations \$ 305.75

Total: \$ 1720.75

We thank You for Your
big generosity!

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Confessions: Before each Divine Liturgy in the sacristy or by appointment

Baptisms: Arrange six weeks in advance

Weddings: Arrange six months in advance. Bride or groom must be a member of the parish

Communion: Monthly for sick and shut-ins. Call the church for scheduling

The Cure of Baptism Foreshadowed

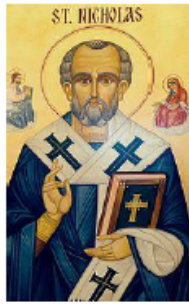
What manner of cure is this? What mystery does it signify to us? For these things are not written carelessly, or without a purpose, but as a figure and type they show in outline things to come, in order that what was exceedingly strange might not, by coming unexpectedly, do harm among the many the power of faith. What then is it that they show in outline? A Baptism was about to be given, possessing much power, and the greatest of gifts, a Baptism purging all sins and making men alive instead of dead. These things then are foreshown as in a picture by the pool, and by many other circumstances. And first is given a water which purges the stains of our bodies, and those defilements which are not, but seem to be, as those from touching the dead, those from leprosy, and other similar causes; under the old covenant one may see many things

done by water on this account. However, let us now proceed to the matter in hand.

First then, as I before said, He causes defilements of our bodies, and afterwards infirmities of different kinds, to be done away by water. Because God, desiring to bring us nearer to faith in Baptism, no longer heals defilements only, but diseases also. For those figures which came nearer [in time] to the reality, both as regarded Baptism, and the Passion, and the rest, were plainer than the more ancient. ... And this miracle was done in order that men, learning that it is possible by water to heal the diseases of the body, and being exercised in this for a long time, might more easily believe that it can also heal the diseases of the soul.

St. John Chrysostom

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Clinton Township, MI

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Христос Воскресе! Воистину Воскресе!

Announcements for Sunday, April 21, 2024: Sunday of the Paralytic

This Sunday, April 21st — Adult Enrichment Session: All adult parishioners are invited to a special educational talk, after Liturgy this Sunday, April 21st. **The topic will be: “Some scientific facts about the Crucifixion and Resurrection of Jesus Christ.”** Our middle and high school students are also invited to participate, as are any friends, family members, or guests that you would like to invite to come with you.

Parish Clean-up Day- Saturday, May 4th: On Saturday, May 4th, we will do some “spring cleaning” both inside and outside our church and hall. Please consider coming and lending a hand this year, if you can, as your help goes a long way towards keeping our church looking beautiful and welcoming. We will start at approximately 9am. Lunch will be provided.

Adult Formation Opportunities—This coming week *God With Us +Online+* offers two free Webinars for you:

- **This Monday, April 22nd at 7:00pm: Byzantine Church & Culture: The Grace, Splendor, History, and Culture of Byzantium.** Explore the influences that formed, in the cauldron of first-millennium Constantinople, the Byzantine Church and its unique and profound perspective on the great truths of our Christian faith by reading Archbishop Joseph Raya’s text with Fr. Deacons Anthony Dragani and Robert Klesko!
- **This Thursday, April 25th, at 7:00pm: The second of a two-part webinar series entitled Great Women of the Bible: Inspiring Women of Faith and Models of Holiness.** The Bible is full of stories of women who have borne witness to their faith and courage in challenging and pivotal moments in salvation history. These women inspire and model for us the call to holiness and greatness in the life of the Church. Join Biblical scholar, Dr. Sandra Collins, as we explore their stories!

There is no cost to attend these webinars, but you must pre-register online at godwithusonline.org.

Eparchy of Parma Stewardship Appeal 2023-24 (Parish Goal: \$7,400; Status as of 4/3/24: \$5,715): Christ is Risen! Those who practice stewardship have a keen sense of what it means to give back to God. A good steward has gratitude and knows everything is from our Lord. We need to reflect on what we have done with our life, our time, our talent, and our opportunities. How did we care for God’s blessings we have received? If you have not donated yet, please prayerfully consider how you can help the Eparchy financially this year. Visit parma.org to donate. Thank you for your generosity!

Non-perishable Food Collection: To assist those in need, we are accepting donations of canned and other non-perishable foods. Please place any donations in, on, or next to the black plastic bin that is located in the vestibule. Thank you!

Happy Anniversary this week to Paul and Rose Shubeck (4/24)! May God grant you many more happy, healthy, and blessed years together!

Happy Birthday this week to Rachel Pawluszka (4/25)! May God grant you many more years of peace, health, and happiness!

From elsewhere within the Eparchy of Parma:

The 7th Annual Gala of the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch—Saturday, May 25th. This fundraiser gala will take place at St. Joseph Byzantine Catholic Church's social hall in Brecksville, OH. The Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch in Burton, OH, operates solely on the charity and generosity of the faithful with this being their one big fundraiser that allows it to stay open. To purchase tickets, please call 216-272-6790, or please visit: <https://www.parma.org/shrine-of-mariapoch>.

2024 ByzanTEEN Rally - Registration is Live! This year's National ByzanTEEN Rally will be at the University of San Diego, June 27-30. It will be a time for fun, fellowship and faith for the future of our Church, featuring keynote speakers Fr. Chris Zuger from the Eparchy of Phoenix, Mother Iliana of Christ the Bridegroom Monastery, and Trent Horn of Catholic Answers. The cost of the weekend is \$380. FINANCIAL HELP for Parma Byzanteens is available. To register as a teen participant or chaperone, please visit: <https://archpitt.org/byzan-teen-youth-rally-2024>. To inquire about financial help, see Fr. Mykhailo.

Fourth Annual Young Adult Retreat. "Can You Walk the Walk?" is the topic of this year. Everyone between 18 and 35 years of age is invited. July 25th – 28th, Marblehead, OH. For reservation or more information visit byzantineyoungadults.com or call/text at 440-720-4679

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