

# SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN



*Icon of the Myrrh-bearing Women*



## St. Nicholas Byzantine Catholic Parish

### *Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!*

#### Liturgical Schedule:

|               |            |           |   |  |
|---------------|------------|-----------|---|--|
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>Artemon Priest-Martyr</b>                    |  |
|               |            |           | <b>5:00 pm</b>                                  | <b>Great Vespers</b>   |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS</b>              |  |
|               |            |           | <b>9:00 am</b>                                  | <b>Matins</b>  |
|               |            |           | <b>10:00 am</b>                                 | <b>Divine Liturgy, Myrovania</b>   |
| <b>Mon.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>Aristarchus Apostle</b>                      |  |
| <b>Tues.</b>  | <b>Apr</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>Agape, Irene, Chiona -Martyrs</b>            |  |
|               |            |           | <b>8:30 am</b>                                  | Divine Liturgy for +Cynthia Krease<br>by St. Germain Family                  |
| <b>Wed.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>Simeon of Persia Venerable</b>               |  |
|               |            |           | <b>9:00 am</b>                                  | Divine Liturgy for +Edward Baranko<br>by Richard Baranko                     |
| <b>Thurs.</b> | <b>Apr</b> | <b>18</b> | <b>John Venerable</b>                           |  |
|               |            |           | <b>8:30 am</b>                                  | Divine Liturgy for +James and Alice Patricia<br>Draper by St. Germain Family |
| <b>Fri.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>19</b> | <b>John of the ancient Cave -Venerable</b>      |  |
|               |            |           | <b>8:30 am</b>                                  | Divine Liturgy for +Terisa Longshore<br>by Greg and Myrna Olkowski           |
| <b>Sat.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>20</b> | <b>Theodore the Hairshirt Wearer -Venerable</b> |  |
|               |            |           | <b>5:00 pm</b>                                  | <b>Great Vespers</b>   |
| <b>Sun.</b>   | <b>Apr</b> | <b>21</b> | <b>SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC MAN</b>              |  |
|               |            |           | <b>9:00 am</b>                                  | <b>Matins</b>  |
|               |            |           | <b>10:00 am</b>                                 | <b>Divine Liturgy</b>  |

\*2024\*

## SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

(Mk 15:43-16:8)

At that time Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also awaiting the kingdom of God, boldly went to Pilate and requested the body of Jesus. Pilate was surprised to hear that Jesus was already dead, and he summoned the centurion to ascertain that Jesus had indeed died. When he learned from the centurion that such was the case, he turned over the body to Joseph.

Having purchased a linen shroud, he lowered Jesus from the cross, wrapped him in the shroud, and laid him in a tomb that had been hewn out of rock. He then rolled a stone against the entrance of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where the body was buried.

When the Sabbath was over, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome purchased aromatic spices so that they might go and anoint Jesus. And very early on the first day of the week, just after sunrise, they went to the tomb.

They had been asking each other, "Who will roll back the stone for us from the entrance to the tomb?" But when they looked up, they observed that the stone, which was extremely large, had already been rolled back. On entering the tomb, they saw a young man arrayed in a white robe sitting on the right hand side, and they were stunned.

He said to them, **"Do not be alarmed. You are looking for Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has been raised. He is not here. See the place where they laid him. But go forth and tell his disciples and Peter: 'He is going ahead of you to Galilee. There you will see him just as he told you.'**" Then the women emerged from the tomb and fled, overcome with trembling and amazement. They said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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

4/7/2024

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

Offertory \$ 1414.00

Holy Days \$ 100.00

Candles \$ 12.00

Others \$ 75.00

E-donations \$ 155.75

**Total: \$ 1756.75**

We thank You for Your  
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John P. Minarish, Richard Baranko and Subdeacon Phillip Dinsmore

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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

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### *The Myrrh-Bearing Women*

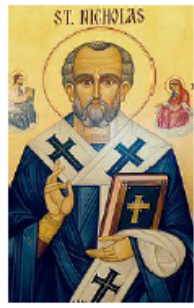
The Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women ... reminds us that the love and faithfulness of a few individuals shone brightly in the midst of hopeless darkness. It calls us to ensure that in this world love and faithfulness do not disappear or die out. It judges our lack of courage, our fear, our endless and servile rationalizations. The mysterious Joseph and Nicodemus, and these women who go to the grave at dawn, occupy so little space in the gospels. Precisely here, however, is where the eternal fate of each of us is decided.

Today, I think, we are especially in need of recovering this love and basic human loyalty. For we have entered a time when even these are being discredited by harmful concepts of the person and human life now prevailing in this world. For centuries, the world still had the weak, but still flickering and shining, glow from that faith-

fulness, love and co-suffering which was silently present at the sufferings of the Man cast aside by all. And we need to cling, as if to a last thread, to everything in our world that still thrives on the warm light of simple, earthly, human love. Love does not ask about theories and ideologies, but speaks to the heart and soul. Human history has rumbled along, kingdoms have risen and fallen, cultures have been built and bloody wars fought, but what has remained unchanging on earth and in this troubled and tragic history is the bright image of the woman. An image of care, self-giving, love, compassion. Without this presence, without this light, our world, regardless of its successes and accomplishments, would be a world of terror.

*Father Alexander Schmemmann*

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Clinton Township, MI

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***Христос Воскресе! Воистину Воскресе!***

### Announcements for Sunday, April 14, 2024: Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women

**Next Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup> — Adult Enrichment Session:** All adult parishioners are invited to a special educational talk, after Liturgy next Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>. **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.

**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](http://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 (belated) Birthday to Jordan Prodan (4/11)!** May God grant you many more years of peace, health, and happiness!

### From elsewhere within the Eparchy of Parma:

**The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Gala of the Shrine of Our Lady of Mariapoch—Saturday, May 25<sup>th</sup>.** 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 Zegger 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.

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