

## Holy Scripture Lessons for the Day

### Epistle Lesson: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Now in those days, when the number of the disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by the Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. <sup>2</sup> Then the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples and said, "It is not desirable that we should leave the word of God and serve tables. <sup>3</sup> Therefore, brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business; <sup>4</sup> but we will give ourselves continually to prayer and to the ministry of the word. <sup>5</sup> And the saying pleased the whole multitude. And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit, and Philip, Prochorus, Nicanor, Timon, Parmenas, and Nicolas, a proselyte from Antioch, <sup>6</sup> whom they set before the apostles; and when they had prayed, they laid hands on them. <sup>7</sup> Then the word of God spread, and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

### Gospel Lesson: Gospel According to St. Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

<sup>43</sup> Joseph of Arimathea, a prominent council member, who was himself waiting for the kingdom of God, coming and taking courage, went in to Pilate and asked for the body of Jesus. <sup>44</sup> Pilate marveled that He was already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him if He had been dead for some time. <sup>45</sup> So when he found out from the centurion, he granted the body to Joseph. <sup>46</sup> Then he bought fine linen, took Him down, and wrapped Him in the linen. And he laid Him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock, and rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. <sup>47</sup> And Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph observed where He was laid. <sup>1</sup> Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. <sup>2</sup> Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. <sup>3</sup> And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" <sup>4</sup> But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away-for it was very large. <sup>5</sup> And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. <sup>6</sup> But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. <sup>7</sup> But go, tell His disciples-and Peter-that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you. <sup>8</sup> So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

**Parish Council to Meet Tuesday Evening.** Our parish council will have its regular monthly meeting this coming Tuesday at 5:30 PM in the Community Room at the Father Fred Foundation, 826 Hastings Street. Everyone is welcome to join us for this meeting. Reports have been distributed electronically to council members who are asked to read them prior to the meeting. The council meets at the Foundation because the facility has technology that supports teleconferencing that will allow them to include Bob Underwood who is in Florida, in the discussions. Council members that cannot attend the meeting are encouraged to give their apologies to Judy Weston, council secretary, prior to the meeting.

*Devote yourself to stillness and know that I am God - Psalm 45:10 (LXX)*

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### PARISH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

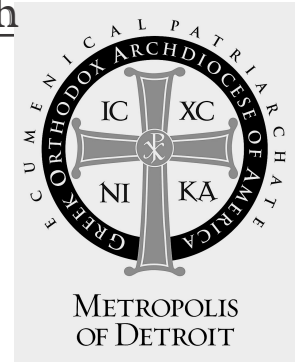
Sunday, 18 April	<b>3rd Sunday of Pascha. The Holy Myrbearers</b> 9 AM Orthros 10 AM Liturgy of St. Chrysostomos Memorial Service for the Repose of the Soul of H. E. +Iakovos, Archbishop of North and South America 11:15 AM Church School 11:30 AM Fellowship Hour
Monday, 19 April	<b>St. Paphnoutios the Martyr</b>
Tuesday, 20 April	<b>St. Theodore the Trichinas</b> 5:30 PM Monthly Parish Council Meeting at the Father Fred Foundation
Wednesday, 21 April	<b>St. Ianouarios the Martyr and Companions</b> Fast Day-Wine and Oil Permitted
Thursday, 22 April	<b>St. Theodore the Sykeote</b>
Friday, 23 April	<b>St. George the Great Martyr and Trophy Bearer</b> Fast Day-Wine and Oil Allowed Father will be serving at Sault Ste. Marie Today
Saturday, 24 April	<b>St. Elizabeth the Wonderworker</b> Father will be serving at St. George's Church in Sault Ste. Marie for their patronal Feast. Liturgy begins at 10 AM followed by a festival dinner. Please Note: No ves- pers or choir rehearsal this evening
Sunday, 25 April	<b>4th Sunday of Pascha.</b> 9 AM Orthros 10 AM Liturgy of St. Chrysostomos 11:15 AM Church School 11:30 AM Spring Parish General Assembly and Fellowship Hour

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**Special Memorial Service for the Repose of the Soul of H. E. + IAKOVOS.** Saturday, April 10th marks the close of a blessed chapter in the history of the Holy Archdiocese of America for it is the 5th Anniversary of the falling asleep of Archbishop Iakovos of thrice blessed memory. From the moment he arrived on the shores of this nation in the Spring of 1939, His Eminence labored long and hard, leading our community from its immigrant roots into the mainstream of American society. A champion of civil and religious rights throughout the years, he faithfully served with distinction and exemplary dedication as Primate of North and South America for over 37 years and truly, in the words of St. Paul he *fought the good fight, he finished the race, he kept the faith* (2 Timothy 4:7). In recognition of this Anniversary, we are complying with a request of H.E. DEMETRIOS, Archbishop of America that we offer a 5 year Memorial Service beseeching the Almighty to grant eternal rest to the soul of this tireless worker in the Vineyard of our Lord. Let this be not only an opportunity to pray for his eternal repose but also an occasion to thank God for blessing our Church with such a distinguished clergyman who touched the lives of countless individuals. May his memory be eternal!

**We Are Proud of You, Katie!** Our entrant, Katie Long, acquitted herself well at the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival which was held at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Ann Arbor yesterday. She was one of twelve junior level competitors representing parishes from Michigan within the Metropolis of Detroit. From this field, three competitors were selected to move on to another round of speeches to be given in Cincinnati culminating in the National competition which will take place in New York City in June. This represents our parish's first ever participation in this event as well as Katie's first attempt at scholarships and prizes that are part of the competition. While not one of the three to go on to higher level competition, our parish expresses its sincere thanks to Katie for participating in this event and encourages her to make another attempt next year when this rolls around.

**Yiayia's Attic Sale.** Our local Ladies Philoptochos Chapter will hold a garage sale on Saturday, May 15. With Spring upon us it's a good time to do that cleaning and sorting out of things that need a new home. Gently used furniture, framed pictures, antiques, clean and in good shape towels and sheets, lamps, house wares, books, CDs, DVDs, tools, toys, and women's accessories (purses, scarves, jewelry) are needed. Please no clothes or shoes. Drop off times and days will be announced soon. Please contact Helen Knapp or Nikki Sobkowski with questions or to volunteer.

**Blood Drive at Father Fred's This Month.** Michigan Blood will be conducted a collection drive at the Father Fred Foundation on 826 Hastings Street on Monday, 26th April between the hours of 3 and 7 PM. Persons interested in donating are asked to make an appointment by phoning 935-3030. Walk-ins are welcome and an appointment is not necessary but preferred. Donors are asked to bring photo ID and make sure that they eat and drink prior to donating. For more information go to [www.miblood.org](http://www.miblood.org).

**Empty Bowls Event 18th April.** Between 11 AM and 2 PM today citizens of Traverse City will join together at the Haggerty Center on Front Street in order to participate in a function sponsored by the Fresh Food Partnership to raise awareness of hunger issues within our community. The emergency food distribution system here in Traverse City served over 255,000 individuals in 2009. Proceeds raised from this event are

"put to work" by the Fresh Food Partnership, a coalition of nonprofit organizations and volunteers (of which the Father Fred Foundation is a member) working to buy and distribute locally grown fruits and vegetables from area farmers to local food pantries for people in need, thereby fighting hunger while supporting local agriculture and reinvesting dollars into the local economy. Last year well over 600 people joined together for a simple yet delicious meal of soup, bread and beverages while entertained by music. Everyone that attended the event was invited to select a hand-made ceramic bowl donated by a local artist or student as a reminder of all the empty bowls in the world.

Empty Bowls™ is an internationally recognized program available for individual communities to sponsor in an effort to raise hunger awareness and to help feed the hungry within their own community. The fundraising concept has a second mission as well, to advocate for arts education and involve students in community service. Learn more at <http://www.emptybowls.org>. Tickets are \$15 and are available for purchase at [Oryana Natural Foods Market](#), [ArtCenter Traverse City](#), [LIAA](#) or at the door on the day of the event.

**Spring General Assembly Meeting Announced.** The parish will have its Spring assembly on Sunday April 25 after the Holy Liturgy. There will be an auditors report given as well as a review of the bylaws with the changes that were voted upon at the Fall general assembly meeting. There are two proposed changes that will be considered for ratification at this meeting. **The first is to formally change the bylaws to reflect our new name.** The second change is in regard to the definition of a quorum at our assemblies. It is proposed that the amendment read: Section 4.3. A quorum of stewards is required for the General and Spring Assembly. A quorum shall consist of (OLD - 33% of the membership eligible to vote) **NEW - 50% of eligible membership in attendance plus one.** In addition, we would like to promote discussion of a potential building project for the parish- as this was a concern expressed by many coming out of our strategic planning exercise. More information will be forthcoming in the bulletin, web site and after services on this exciting endeavor.

**Metropolitan (Rose City) Camp Applications Available.** Camping season will be upon us soon and the Diocesan camp located in Rose City is once again accepting applications for campers. Located in Rose City (MI), approximately 3 hours north of Detroit, the camp is set in a beautiful and peaceful setting, in the heart of the Huron National Forest. With three unique camp programs (for older teens, for youth ages 7-15, and for young adults), the camp welcomes almost 400 campers and over 100 staff throughout the different weeks each summer. Camperships are available for those who cannot afford the camp fees. For more information please see the promotional information in our community center or visit them at their web site <http://www.detroit.goarch.org/mdsc/>

**Sault Ste. Marie Church Celebrates Feast.** St. George Church there will be celebrating their patronal feast on Saturday, 24 April with the Holy Liturgy at 10 AM followed by a festival dinner and fellowship. Everyone is invited to join the community as they celebrate the name day of the parish. Father Iakovos will be celebrating the liturgy for the community. On the 23rd, he will be involved in a burial service for one of the venerable members of the parish. For more information, please speak with Father Iakovos.