SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

April 18, 2021

Saints Cyril and Methodius
Byzantine Catholic Church

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Rev. Fr. Vasyl Sokolovych
Parochial Administrator
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Sunday
9:00 and 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy
(If unable to attend in person, our Divine Liturgy
is streamed via our Facebook page.)

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Call the parish office (919-239-4877) to make an appointment or to speak with Fr. Vasyl (908-404-0777).

SSCM CHURCH/HALL SCHEDULE

The St. Nicholas Mission celebrate their Divine Liturgy in our church every Saturday at 4:00 PM.
The Eritrean Orthodox celebrate their Divine Liturgy in our church from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of the month.
The Coptic Orthodox celebrate their Divine Liturgy in our church from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of the month.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Our Parish Pastoral Council (PPC) meets the second Tuesday of every month. If you have any questions or concerns you would like addressed at the next meeting, please contact one of the members: Mike Carpenter, Marie Taylor, Paul Tooley, Lance Morgan, Dan Pope, Lou Gigliotti and Mike Sapsara.

SUNDAY, APRIL 25th - PARISH 30TH ANNIVERSARY PICNIC CELEBRATION

After the 11:00 AM Divine Liturgy, our Parish family will gather in fellowship at the Marla Dorrel Park - 111 Thurston Drive in Cary (behind Lowe’s Foods in the Wellington Park Shopping Center) to celebrate our 30th Parish Anniversary. More details will be emailed soon.
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If you are new to our area or just visiting, please stop and introduce yourself. We are happy you are joining us to share in the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. If you do not have a church home, or your church is not a home for you, we warmly invite you to become part of our parish family.

If you wish to register with our parish, please email Michelle Rubush at sscyrilmethodius@gmail.com

CHRIST IS RISEN!
INDEED HE IS RISEN!
SLAVONIC: CHRISTOS VOSKRESE! VOISTINNU VOSKRESE!

Please remember in your prayers:
Jerry and Holly Kingery; Lance Morgan; John Patrick Rose; Rachel Blair; David Hoover; Cameron Shuey; Dale Blair; Bernadette’s parents and aunts: Andrew, Etta, Martha and Yolanda; Father Mark and family; Father Vasyl and family.

Please pray for the repose + of the souls of our faithful departed:
+Elizabeth Macario; +Luke Morgan, +Natalie and John Morgan, +Rev. Fr. Richard Rohrer, +Gloria Shuey

In Blessed Repose, Grant O Lord, Eternal Rest to the Soul of Your Departed Servants and may their Memory be Eternal.

In spite of the pandemic, the maintenance of our church continues and bills must be paid. Thanks to all who continue to serve our church with their time, talent, and treasure. Thanks to Michelle to keep us informed, and for her efforts to accommodate families in the church for Liturgy. Thanks to all for your cooperation.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHURCH CLEANING
We need more volunteers so no one is cleaning more than once every three months. Please use the Sign-Up Genius which was sent via email to respond. Volunteers may do the cleaning anytime during the week when the church is not in use. Please send an email to the church if you are able to participate in this very important ministry for our church. Thank you to our current volunteers!

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Our annual Easter egg hunt will be Sunday, April 18th, between liturgies, from 10:30 to 11:00 AM. The eggs will be hidden in different areas for specific age groups. This year the eggs will be empty, and the kids will exchange their gathered eggs for a bag of goodies! Bring your child’s Easter baskets, or the kids can use a plastic bag to collect eggs.
FATHER VASYL’S MESSAGE FOR SUNDAY OF THE MYRRH-BEARERS

Following the example of the Apostles and myrrh-bearing women, we must all carry the Good News of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, carry Christ to others through love and forgiveness, and thereby bring peace and eternal life. We sometimes demand good performance of Christian duties from others. We want to push people to God. We want to bring them closer to the Lord by the force of our will. But we ourselves are not close to God; we do not have God’s peace and love in our hearts. We want to give to others what we do not have. We demand what we often do not do. We neglect personal prayer, we miss worship, and we rarely partake of the Holy Mysteries. For peace to be shared between people, to have a peaceful life, that peace must first be obtained. And true peace comes from God. To be able to give peace to other people, we must first be close to God, live with God in love, according to God’s commandments. We must be filled with God’s peace before we can carry it to other people. Before we can preach, we must change our attitude toward others.

A certain monk conducted catechesis among children in an orphanage. Of course, most of these children experienced the absence of father and mother. From the lack of real parents, they created imaginary parents; such as captains on long voyages, scouts, folk heroes and more. Over time, they themselves began to believe in their own fantasies. During catechesis, the most difficult and painful question was, of course, the question of parents, although this could not avoided. One day the boy listened to an excerpt from the Old Testament and said, “You see, everyone had parents, and only I don’t have them.” Then the monk replied, “But I also have no parents. Yes, they are still alive, but when I went to the monastery, I voluntarily gave them up. And now my father is Jesus Christ, the mother of the Blessed Virgin. So let each of you say from today that he is no longer an orphan, but his father is Jesus Christ, and his mother is the Blessed Virgin.” This reality affected the children. They became much calmer and gentler because they no longer felt alone and abandoned in this world. Their pure child souls began to feel that in Heaven they had a Heavenly Father and a Heavenly Mother who cared for them, and to whom they could tell all their child-like problems and worries.

Today we need to follow the example of the myrrh-bearing women with dignity so that we may bring into the world the Good News of the resurrection of Jesus Christ, of the victory over evil, so that it can truly change our lives. Therefore, let us worthily imitate the devotion, patience and meekness of the holy myrrh-bearing women, and inherit the fruits of their labor and their reward, which is to see Christ. In our Christian life we carry for Jesus Christ a fragrant ointment of prayer and good deeds with the hope that we will receive great spiritual joy and reward, as the pious myrrh-bearing women once received.

May the Lord bless us so that we may be worthy followers and disciples of Christ. We ask the risen Christ to send us peace of mind through our firm faith, and the joy of the Resurrection to be among us all the days of our lives! Amen.

A FACE MASK COVERING MOUTH AND NOSE MUST BE WORN DURING DIVINE LITURGY WHICH SHOULD BE REMOVED BEFORE RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION

Parishioners who are considered “high risk,” and more vulnerable to the virus should consider not attending Liturgy in the church and continue to participate via Facebook.

- Parishioners are dispensed from attending Divine Liturgy on Sunday and Holy Days.
- Please bring your own mask as the church has a limited number available.
- Social distancing (six feet) of people not living in the same household should be followed. A family living together can sit in the same area.
- Please refrain from physical contact.
- Please sanitize hands when entering and leaving church.
- There will be no Agape meal in the hall after Liturgy; please do not bring food.
- Please maintain social distancing after Liturgy and continue to wear a mask while on church property.
- A collection basket is under the Tetrapod for your weekly donation. You may also mail in your donation or donate online via our website or Tithely.
- As you approach Fr. Vasyl for communion, please state your name.

THE HALL IS CLOSED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE
Our Eparchy will be hosting monthly Byzantine Gatherings. Mark your calendars for each date. Gatherings will begin at 6:00 PM. Email contact: FrDeaconTom@gmail.com

**ANNUAL IGNITED BY TRUTH CONFERENCE**

The 18th annual Ignited By Truth Conference will be held on Saturday, April 24, 2021, 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM ET on the IBT YouTube Channel. Speakers include Dr. Scott Hahn, Fr. Michael Schmitz, Fr. Chris Alar, Matthew Leonard, Patricia Sandoval, and John Pridmore. Register at IgnitedByTruth.org for FREE access, including weekly pre-conference talks!

Another great speaker, John Pridmore, has been added!