BISHOP'S APPEAL 2021 UPDATE

Our parish goal is \$5,850.71. Pledged to date \$1,600.00 Balance...... \$4,250.71

4 households have responded: Lance & Sylvia Flambures, Andrew &

Ophelia Gaydos, John Phillips and Lusyana Sandoval. THANK YOU. Please give what you can to help our Eparchy. For on-line use your browser, type ephx.org, on Home page, choose Giving, then choose Donate. You may give through St. Nicholas—just drop your pledge in the collection basket on Sunday or mail it to the parish office.

HOLY ROSARY PRAYER VIGIL AGAINST ABORTION

Please join our Holy Rosary prayer vigil against abortion, every 2nd Saturday of each month at the Pomona abortion mill, located at 1550 N. Garey Ave., Pomona, from 9 to 10 a.m.. We will pray the 15 decades of the Holy Rosary and it takes about an hour. There is plenty of neighborhood city parking. Rafael is the contact person for this Parish ministry and vou can contact him at 909-680-5082 or at rafaelmarie@gmail.com

Paralytic ManMID-PENTECOST By Sr. Vassa

This week Wednesday we celebrate "Mid-Pentecost" (Меболеутпкоотń, Преполовение Пятидесятницы), which is the "midpoint" of the fifty days between Pascha and "Pentecost" (i.e., the Descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles on the 50th Day after Pascha). I'm reminded that we're in the middle of a 50-day journey right now, in case I lost focus on the Church Calendar soon after the 40-day journey of Lent ended. In the Troparion-hymn of this day, the Church taps me on the shoulder and says: Hey!! Your soul is thirsting!! Time to come back to the Fountain of Life!! And in the upcoming weeks of this season, the themes of spiritual "thirst" and "(living) water" will be prevalent in our church-services, (e.g., on the upcoming Sunday of the Samaritan Woman), as the Church leads us to re-discover our "thirst" for the grace of the Holy Spirit, which will be pouring out abundantly on all of us, as Church, on Pentecost.

Let me take note of the "thirst" I may have been neglecting lately, and take some time to "drink" at the Fountain of our Life. This morning I take pause, and open my heart to God's grace, in repentance, forgiveness, and gratitude. "If anyone thirst let him come to Me and drink!" the Lord invites me today. "O Christ God, Fountain of our life, glory to You!"

Fr. Stephen does the bulletins weekly. Email him if you need to put an church announcement in the bulletin by Thursday. ABCC72069@GMAIL.COM

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John Coffman, Lance Flambures, Lora Lopez Carson

Sunday of Paralytic Man

April 25, 2021

English: Christ is risen! / Indeed He is risen!

Spanish: Cristo ha Resucitado! En Verdad ha Resucitado!

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS PLEASE READ BISHOP THOMAS OLMSTED'S LETTER concerning Covid directives

CATHOLIC HOME MISSION COLLECTION Launched in 1998, the Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 85 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses/eparchies. The Subcommittee on the Catholic Home Missions funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the eparches for these purposes on an annual application basis. Thank you for your anticipated support.

SPECIAL PRAYER REQUESTS We join with the Saints in heaven to pray for those in need. Request Prayers: abcc72069@gmail.com Special Intention, Paul Bruckler, Gloria Brissette, Paul Basay, Margaret Geluso, Edward Lopez, Lupe Nevaré, Beatriz Perez. Thank you Lord for hearing us and sending the snow and rain this week.

DIVINE LITURGIES

DAILY SERVICES FROM ANNUNCIATION ARE LIVE STREAMED FACEBOOK.COM/STEPHEN.WASHKO

CONFESSION one half hour before all Divine Liturgies. 9:30 am on Sunday

24 SATURDAY Martyr Sabbas, p.177

HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY

Exodus 17: 8-13, Judges 5: 1-7 & Isaiah 49: 8-13

25 SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC, P 181

WEEK OF THE PARALYTIC MAN the pool of Bethesda did not have the power to heal the man paralyzed for 38 years, but the pool of the waters of baptism, touched by Christ, risen from the dead, and by the power of the Holy Spirit, have the power to heal our souls of sin and bring us to eternal life. In the fourth week after Pascha we learn of the grace of baptism.

26 MONDAY Martyr Basil, Bishop Amasea, p 181

Divine Liturgy......9:30 am
Special Intentions

27 TUESDAY Bishop-Martyr Symeon, p.181

Divine Liturgy9:30 am

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Father Stephen be in the office after 12noon.

28 WEDNESDAY MID-PENTECOST, P. 183

Divine Liturgy9:30 am
Special Intention

HOLY ROSARY come and join us for prayer...7:00 pm

Special Intention

30 FRIDAY Post-Festive & Apostle James, p. 183

Divine Liturgy.....9:30 am

Special Intention

1 SATURDAY Post-Festive of Mid-Pentecost, p. 183	
Divine Liturgy9:30 am	
Randall Mullins	
HEBREW SCRIPTURES FOR SUNDAY	
Genesis 24: 1-4, 9-51 & Ezechial 47:1-9	
2 SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN, P. 186	
Divine Liturgy1	10:00 am
For our parish family and friends	

SEMINARIAN THOMAS DONLIN just completed his first year in Theology and will be assigned to Annunciation for 6 weeks (June 14-July 26) for his on hands training in our parish for the priesthood. He is from Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Albuquerque, New Mexico. He will be also helping at St. Nicholas.

COFFEE SOCIAL



OUR TITHING AND GIFTS TO THE LORD'S HOLY TEMPLE

Our Stewardship for April 18 29 Souls in Attendance Tithes: \$461.00 Candles: \$22.00

We depend on you to support our parish. We also need your time and talents to grow as disciples of the Lord and to form a Parish Family for you and your family. Thank you for mailing your tithes to the parish office.

COFFEE SOCIAL we need you to help serve the setup and clean up.

WOMEN'S RETREAT ON-LINE we encourage all women of all ages to register for this on-line retreat for Saturday June 26, 2021 8:30am to 12:30pm. www.ephx.org/myrrhbearers under news/events. \$15 per person or \$35 per family.

PRAYER TO THE MOTHER OF GOD

Shine in splendor, all new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord is risen upon you. O Zion, now dance and be glad, and you, pure Theotokos, rejoice in the resurrection of your Son.