



# HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Parish Newsletter

New Parish Center: 20937 Ashburn Rd., #110, Ashburn, VA May 2019

### MAY—DAY 14 HOURS, NIGHT 10

- 5 Sun SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE PASCH (OF THE CROSS): ANTI-PASCHA, GOSPEL CONCERNING THOMAS (JOHN 20.19+)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Warden**
- 11 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 12 Sun THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE PASCH (OF THE CROSS): GOSPEL CONCERNING THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN AND JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA (MARK 15.43+)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Wayland**
- 18 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 19 Sun FOURTH SUNDAY: GOSPEL CONCERNING THE PARALYTIC (John 5.1–15)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Adams**
- 25 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 26 Sun FIFTH SUNDAY: GOSPEL CONCERNING THE SAMARITAN WOMAN (John 4.5–42)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Belinsky**
- 29 Wed *566th Anniversary of the Fall of Constantinople-New Rome*

■ In 1453 it was a Tuesday. After an intense seven-week siege that began on April 6. Nine thousand Christian soldiers *versus* 100,000 Moslem Turks, 150 ships, and high-tech Hungarian canon the Empire could not afford. The City's population: 40,000—down from what was once a million. Mehmed II the Conqueror—all of 21 years of age—enters the Great Church of Christ—*Agia Sophia*—and desecrates it, his horse mounting the church's silver altar table. Poor saint Theodosia, virgin martyr, whose name-day it was.

### JUNE—DAY 15 HOURS, NIGHT 9

- 1 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 2 Sun SIXTH SUNDAY: GOSPEL CONCERNING THE MAN BORN BLIND (John 9.1–38)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Busenberg**
- 5 Wed Eve of the Ascension  
7:00 p.m. Vespers with the Divine Liturgy—*followed by a pot-luck meal*
- 6 Thu ASCENSION OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST
- 8 Sat 6:00 p.m. Great Vespers
- 9 Sun SUNDAY VII: GOSPEL CONCERNING THE MESSAGE ENTRUSTED (John 17.1–13)  
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy—**Coffee Hour: Ellmore**

■ After 10 days of the [Ascension], when **the 50th day** from the first Sunday arrives, you are to have **a great feast**; for on it, at the third hour, the Lord Jesus sent us the gift of the Holy Spirit...  
—Apostolic Constitutions, Syria (ca. 380 A.D.)

■ "I hope to spend some time with you, if the Lord permits. But I will stay in Ephesus **until Pentecost**, for a wide door for effective work has opened for me, and there are many adversaries."  
—1 Corinthians 16.7–8 [57 A.D.]

■ Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus... for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, **on the day of Pentecost**.  
—Acts 20.16 [58 A.D.]



Saint Theodosia of Constantinople, May 29, virgin-martyr ca. 717 A.D.

**Remember, O Lord, those who bring offerings and do good in your holy churches, and those who remember the poor. And send forth your mercies <sup>Ps. 16.7</sup> upon all of us.**

Over these next weeks please shop for the following groceries—and similar item—as opportunity allows, and bring them to church with you.

- Apple or cinnamon cereals
- Peanut butter and jelly
- Pancake Mix
- Graham crackers
- Granola bars
- Apple sauce (shelf stable)
- Pasta and Sauce
- Tuna
- Macaroni and cheese
- Canned corn
- Canned chicken noodle soup
- Canned ravioli

For additional information, please ask our coordinator Pamela Wayland.

**Our Parish Feast is coming up on June 26. Please give some thought to what we might do to celebrate after the Festal Liturgy.**