

*Sunday of the
Myrrh-Bearers
St. John the
Evangelist
Tone 2*

*1 John 1:1-7
Mark 15:43-16:8*

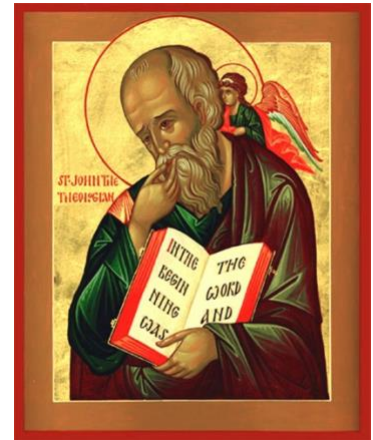
*Homily by
Protodn. Pat Lamb*

*Epistle Reader:
Steve Templeton*

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

Weekly Bulletin

*Sunday, May 8, 2022
And the Days Following*



O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.

Parish Events and News

Please remember to pay for your Pascha Feast (\$20) – [LINK](#) to Donate page.

Coffee Hour News and Update

Beginning in June we would like to expand the Coffee Hours Groups and Hosts to include everyone in the Church. If you need to opt out of bringing a snack and/or helping to host once every few months, please call the Church Office or email stjohnalaska@aol.com this week and ask not to be on the list. This gathering time after Liturgy is very important to our parish and also to guests who are with us on Sundays. Everyone participating makes the work lighter and more enjoyable for all.

Time to Honor Those Graduating Please Submit Names This week



Do you have a High School Graduate this year or have you graduated from College? Please submit your name, degree and a photo if you wish to share. Email the Church Office at stjohnalaska@aol.com. The church would like to honor these students with their hard and faithful work.

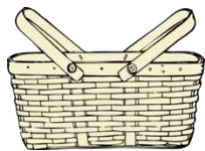
St. John's Summer Youth Corps 2022

Each summer the Cathedral hires several young adults (14+) to do the work needed at the Cathedral, surrounding buildings, and their ~55 acre campus. We call this group our Summer Youth Corps, and their tasks vary widely based on what is needed that year. This might include everything from hauling firewood, finishing decks and siding, cleaning carpets, building fences, maintaining trails and much more!



You can be part of a long tradition that takes pride in the upkeep of St. John's campus while making money and gaining work experience. More information and applications are available online at www.stjohnalaska.org/youth-corps

GOOD WORKS BASKET



Alaska Adoption Services (AAS) is a non-profit Child Placement Agency working with adoptive and birth families across Alaska. In addition to being the only domestic infant adoption agency in the State, in their partnership with the Office of Children Services, AAS is also able to help legally free children and youth within the foster care system find permanency through adoption. The professional staff provides families with the education, support, compassion, and legalities of the process to help ensure positive outcomes. Recently AAS started a Diaper Pantry and are currently campaigning to stock the pantry for Alaska families in need.....and WE CAN HELP!

How We Can Help: For the next several weeks St. Johns can fill our GOOD WORKS BASKETS with diapers and wipes! Their highest needs, in order, are for diaper wipes, pull-ups, and diapers, sizes 5, 6, and 4. For more information about Alaska Adoption Services please check out their website. Questions about this drive? Contact Sydney Ihde at 907 854-5517

Atrium

This will be the last Sunday for Levels 2 & 3 and May 15th will be the last Sunday for Level 1.

News from the Antiochian Women President, Charmaine Darmour

CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

I've got a wonderful presentation to share with you & for you to share with the women of your parish family!

Our May Sowing Bee will be next Wednesday - May 11th - at 7pm, CA time.

We are happy to announce our Guest Speakers are V. Rev Nabil & Kh Elaine Hanna of St Nicholas Cathedral - Los Angeles, CA.

They are speaking on: **PASCHA'S OVER....NOW WHAT?**

The presentation will air live, on our Facebook page - but be sure to tell others - since our page is fully public, you do NOT need to have a Facebook account to view -- Also -- as with our prior Sowing Bee presentations - if you aren't able to catch it live - the recording will be available on our Facebook page under the "videos" tab.

ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN DLAW
SOWING BEE
PLANTING SEEDS OF
WISDOM, HOPE & LOVE



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Kh Elaine Hanna
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Los Angeles, CA
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Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

“Checking In” with Each Other

Is there something you'd like to share? Please email stjohnalaska@aol.com

Pascha Photos 2022

Photos submitted by parishioners – A link to our Website Photo Album [Pascha 2022](#).

Shower for Katya

*Bridal Shower for Katya Jenkins
Saturday, May 14 at 11am
Saint James House*

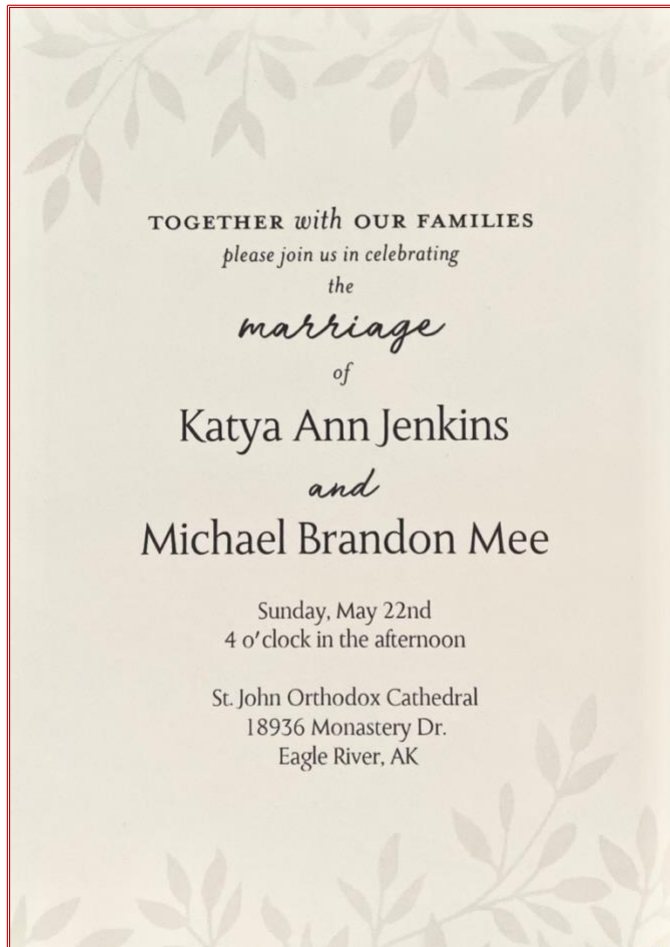
Click [Here](#) for Bridal Registry

Come help us celebrate Katya!

If anyone wants to contribute to a larger gift for Katya,
please contact Cara Fletes
(907) 854-6632.



Jenkins / Mee Wedding



*Katya Ann Jenkins
and*

*Michael Brandon Mee
Sunday, May 22nd at 4pm*

Katya & Michael are registered at [Amazon.com](#) and [Zola.com](#), but they also appreciate any thoughtful "off-registry" gifts.

Needed for the Upcoming Weddings

If you have any folding tables and/or folding chairs that you would be willing to lend, if necessary, for use at the May wedding receptions (Katya-May 22 and Mary Ruth-May 29), please call or text Amy Jenkins (907-315-5554) or email iwishicouldgo@yahoo.com with your information. Thank you!

Dates to Remember



Coffee Hour This Sunday Group 2 - May 8, 2022

Hosts Families: Keener / Kendall

Snacks: S. Alvarez, Cook, Dyal, Haines, Hoyt, Jenkins Families, Keener, D & M Kendall, Labrecque, K & J Medders,

Each family in the assigned Group should bring snacks to serve at least four families.

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**Next Sunday - May 15, 2022**

**Group 3: Hosts: Kies / Peters**

*Snacks: Amundson, Curry, Finkler, E & H Johnson, Kies, Lamb, K. Medders, Peters, Saur, Streff, Snider, Sturdevant, Tsyver, Wasile*

## Birthdays This Week



May 8 - Jeff Hunter

May 12 - Ian Johnson

May 9 - Bethany Dunaway

May 13 - Meghan Jones

May 10 - Michael Saur

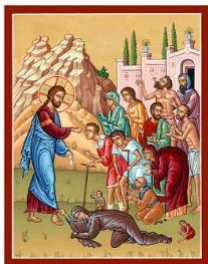
**M A N Y Y E A R S !**

## Anniversaries This Week



Mark & Theresa Agnew - May 11, 2019

Jesse & Andrea Stiehr - May 14, 2000



## Remembering in Prayer

*Karina Lindblom*

*Jennifer Medders*

*Eloise Lamb*

*Preston Collier*

*Mary Ann Northey*

*Margaret Grasse*

*Jan Northey*

*Myles Kelly*

*Teri Van Dyke*

*Those suffering from Covid*

## Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



\* Infant - Lazarus Frizelle - 5/1/2008

\* Abner Picon - 5/1/2016

\* Presbyter Garland Peters 5/6/1979

**M E M O R Y E T E R N A L !**



## *Thursday Reading Group*

The Thursday Readers will meet at JoAnn Webster's home at 10am.

## *Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month*

For the Month of **MAY** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:  
**Saturday, May 22.** Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



## **Bear Aware**

This beautiful hearty black bear was seen Tuesday Afternoon, May 3<sup>rd</sup> off of  
Monastery Dr. - Fletes' Property.

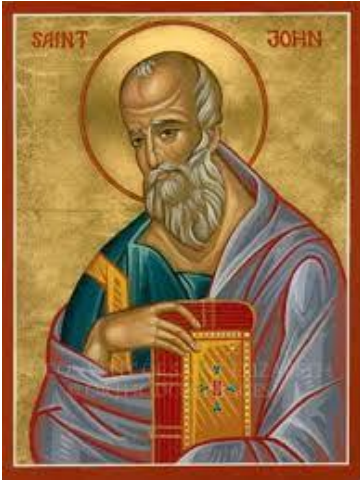
*(Has he been eating your birdseed or left out garbage? ☺)*



*Photo Credit - Mary Fletes - Taken from the Senior Chugiak Bus*

## THE SYNAXARIA

### John the Evangelist / Myrrhbearers



On May 8, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Venerable Arsenios the Great and we celebrate the Synaxis of the Holy Dust, that is, the Manna, that rose up from the grave of the holy and glorious Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian, the Virgin and Beloved Bosom Friend of Christ.

#### *Verses*

*Mankind receives not food, but health, from the manna of your grave, O friend of Jesus.*

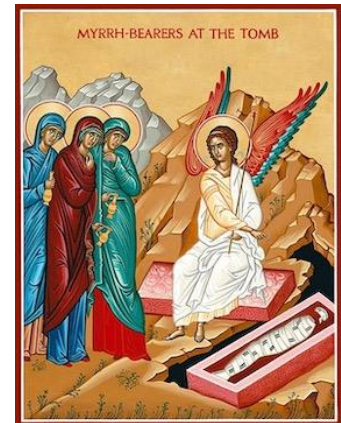
*On the eighth, they adorn the Son of Thunder's grave with roses.*

When John was over one hundred years old, he took seven of his disciples, went outside the town of Ephesus and ordered them to dig a grave in the form of a cross. After that, the elder laid down in this grave and was buried. Later on, when the faithful opened John's grave, they did not find his body. On May 8, of every year, dust rose from his grave and healed many of the sick of various diseases.

On this day, the second Sunday after Pascha, we celebrate the feast of the holy Myrrh-bearing women. We also make commemoration of Joseph of Arimathea, who was a secret disciple of Christ, and of Nicodemus, who was a disciple by night.

#### *Verses*

*The women disciples bring myrrh unto Christ;  
And we bring a hymn unto them as if it were myrrh.*



The women went to Christ's tomb on Holy Pascha to anoint His body, only to discover it empty. We know the names of only eight of these women: Mary the Theotokos, the "mother" of James and Joses, who were actually the sons of Joseph the Betrothed from his previous marriage; Mary Magdalene; Mary, the wife of Cleopas; Joanna the wife of Chuza; Salome the mother of the sons of Zebedee; Susanna; and Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus.

Joseph of Arimathea was a rich and noble man, and a member of the Privy Council of Jerusalem. He dared to ask Pilate for the undefiled body of our Savior, which he took and buried in his own new tomb. Accompanying Joseph to the sepulcher was Nicodemus, a Jerusalemite who was one of the leaders of the Pharisees. Nicodemus brought 100 pounds of myrrh and aloes to scent and embalm the body of Christ.

By the intercessions of Your saints, O God, have mercy on us and save us.

