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Christ is Risen!

May 3, 2026

Sunday of the Paralytic



Sunday, May 3rd
Sunday of the Paralytic

9:00 a.m. [*Divine Liturgy\(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)*](#)

Wednesday, May 6th

6:00 p.m. [*Daily Vespers/Adult Education \(Virtual Only – Click for Zoom Link\)*](#)

Thursday, May 7th

8:30 a.m. *Divine Liturgy*

Saturday, May 9th

5:00 p.m. *Vespers*

Sunday, May 10th
Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

9:00 a.m. [*Divine Liturgy\(In-Person/Virtual - Click for Zoom Link\)*](#)

Welcome

Welcome to all those visiting All Saints! Please join us for Fellowship after Liturgy!

Graveside Blessings

If you wish to have a graveside blessing for loved ones, please contact Fr Constantine. 860-278-6387.

Thank You

Thank you to Mark Ranstead and company for removing the old freezer and reorganizing the existing freezers in the church hall.

Theology Café

The next gathering of the Theology Café will be May 26, 2026 - all are welcome, bring a friend - 7:30 PM at 107 Elizabeth St., Hartford CT. *Please RSVP to Amy Hayashida. Thank you!*

Adult Education

Please note that Adult Education will resume on Wednesday, May 6th. We will be covering chapters 25-29 (p.112-135) in the *Winter Pascha*.

Name Tag Sunday – June 7th

Get to know your brothers and sisters! Next Name Tag Sunday, June 7th and the first Sunday of every other month going forward, we will be asking everyone to wear a Name Tag, so that we can get to know one another better. Name tags and markers will be available as you enter church.

Parish Council Meeting

Next Parish Council Meeting will be Tuesday, May 12th at 6:30 p.m. in person at All Saints.

Fellowship Hour 2026

Reminder that Fellowship Hour is a time to break the fast and have Fellowship with our brothers and sisters. Please try to keep foods to finger foods, for easy setup and cleanup. Hosts and Hostesses needed for Fellowship Hours – please see the clipboard/sign-up sheet at the coffee window – please sign up for a Sunday or two that are convenient for you! Any questions, *please see Monica Kapral. Thank you!*

Church Metrics – Memory Eternal!

*Rudolph Kunnett – 5/3/79; Anthony Nazaruk – 5/3/84; Philip Malick – 5/6/66; John Scarchuk – 5/6/00;
Leo Kastancuk – 5/9/83*

Commemorations

Living:

Mary, Elaine, Margaret, Roger, Mark, Susan, Stephanie, Sophia, Patty Ann, Richard, David, Joseph, Andy, Marsha, Elizabeth, Eugenia, Alexander, Kristina, Maria, Jeremy, Alexei, Lewelyn, Ekaterina, Marina, Mariam, Joseph, Patricia, Patrick, Sharon, Deborah, Darlene, Frank, Harry, Caryl, Janet, James, Arielle, Heather, Jeanne

Departed:

Deacon Joseph, Mike, Alison, Argia, Wayne, Margaret, Larry, Jozef, Jozef, Raisa, Krystyna, Tedeusz, Joseph, Michael, John, Vera, Michael, Marina, Constantin, Tatiana, Sergei, Anastasia, Nicholas, Louise, Walter, Anna, Nancy, Paul, Robert, Marcia, Leonard, Josephine, Helen, Jennie, Harry, Susan, Carol, Janice

Troparion/Kontakion

Troparion — Tone 3

Let the heavens rejoice, / let the earth be glad, / for the Lord has shown strength with His arm. / He has trampled down death by death. / He has become the first born of the dead. / He has delivered us from the depths of hell, / and has granted to the world / great mercy.

Kontakion — Tone 3

By Your divine authority, O Lord, / as You raised up the paralytic of old, / so raise up my soul, paralyzed by sundry sins and unseemly acts; / so that being saved I may cry: / “Glory to Your power, O compassionate Christ!”

Epistle: Acts 9:32-42

Now it came to pass, as Peter went through all parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, “Aeneas, Jesus the Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed.” Then he arose immediately. So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood by him weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. But Peter put them all out, and knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, “Tabitha, arise.” And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. Then he gave her his hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

Gospel according to John 5:1-15

After this there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, which is called in Hebrew, Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered Him, “Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming, another steps down before me.” Jesus said to him, “Rise, take up your bed and walk.” And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, “It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed.” He answered them, “He who made me well said to me, ‘Take up your bed and walk.’” Then they asked him, “Who is the Man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk’?” But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, “See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you.” The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.

Sunday of the Paralytic

On the Fourth Sunday of Pascha, the Church remembers the man who lay paralyzed at the Sheep Pool in Jerusalem for thirty-eight years, waiting for someone to put him into the pool. The first person to enter the pool after an Angel troubled the water would be healed of his infirmities, but someone always entered the pool before him. Seeing the man, the Lord felt compassion for him and healed him. The Lord healed the paralytic during the days of the Passover, when He had gone to Jerusalem for the Feast, and He remained there teaching and working miracles. According to Saint John the Theologian, this miracle took place on the Sabbath.

Many miracles in the Old Testament involve water. On their forty year journey to the Promised Land, the Hebrews camped at Rephidim, but there was no water for them to drink. The people murmured against Moses, asking him why he had led them out of Egypt. God told Moses to strike the rock at Horeb. Then water came out of it so that everyone could drink (Exodus 17:6).

In the Canon for the Paralytic, the Angel who stirred the water in the Sheep Pool is identified as the Archangel Michael. Some of the Troparia call him "Leader of the Angels," and "Supreme Commander" (Ode 1). In Ode 3 we ask him to "protect us from falling into the passions of life." In Ode 6, we ask Saint Michael to guide us on the paths of life." In Ode 8, we ask him to pray with all the Bodiless Hosts, that we may be granted deliverance from our offenses, correction of our life, and the enjoyment of eternal blessings.

Outreach Opportunitites

The Village (See attached flyer)

Thank you to all those that brought in items for the upcoming Community Baby Shower at The Village. Items were delivered this past Tuesday and they were extremely thankful for our gifts and generosity. God Bless!



Donations to The Village – Baby Shower Collection

From All Saints Orthodox Church
205 Scarborough Street, Hartford, CT 06185

4 Boxes of Diapers
3 Smaller packages of Diapers
10 Breast Milk Storage Bags – 100 in each bag
25 packages of wipes, 2 smaller packages of wipes
24 blankets
2 bottles of shampoo
1 bottle baby oil
1 diaper rash cream
1 diaper rash ointment
1 pair small crocs
2 packages - hair ties, bows etc.
1 package of 4 baby spoons
2 rattle rings
1 nose/ear cleaner
18 pacifiers
3 burp cloths
18 bibs
4 hand knitted hats
33 packaged onesies
53 pairs of socks
26 outfits
1 child book
Misc. stuffed animals

Thank You!

The Village, our neighbor on Albany Avenue, is in need of Personal Hygiene items. Are you looking to make a difference in our community? Please see flyer below for items we were asked to collect!

Please leave your donations in the marked boxes on the “Donation Table” in the Church Hall. We will be collecting, until June 30th. Any questions, please contact Cathy Vargas. Thank you for your donations!

Reminder – Feed a Friend – Sunday – May 10th

Please put your lunches into refrigerator in the Church Hall (Thank You!)

Help the poor, the hungry, the homeless, and the victims of domestic abuse here in the Greater Hartford region by giving them something that’s hard to come by: A Free Lunch! We’ll deliver bagged lunches to Loaves and Fishes in Hartford, beginning today and every second Sunday of each month, who has numerous men, women, and children, who will appreciate the food you provide and the love that you show in making it. This is a great opportunity to get your kids to help and discuss with them the words of Christ: “When I was hungry, you fed me....”

To participate - Make & bring a brown-bag lunch to Church which includes all of the following:

- 1) Sandwich,
- 2) Piece of Fruit
- 3) Bag of Chips/pretzels
- 4) Canned/Bottled Drink &
- 5) Desert (pudding, cookie, etc.)

Important Note: For the purpose of uniformity, please include all/only the items above.

Also PLEASE write type of sandwich (and the presence of any allergens) on bag.

Foodshare

There is a basket for donations of nonperishable food items for Foodshare in the “Donations Corner” in the Church Hall! We are also in need of brown bags with handles. Also, please avoid food items in glass containers. *Please remember to thank God for your blessings by helping those in need. God Bless and Thank you!*

If you are in need of home health care services, contact Valrie Harris. 860-833-7834

Father Michael – Great Entrance



Children's Icon Procession



April Birthdays



DONATIONS FOR PASCHA FLOWERS

Walter Alesevich
Greg and Mira Belekewicz

John and Yekaterina Collins
Marsha Coombs

Thomas and Gail Denisky

Marion Hancock
Svetlana Ikonnikova
Anita Karsky
Mark and Monica Kapral
Nino Kavteladze
Dan Mucha
Michael Stenko
Mary Beth Stenko
Dave and Cathy Vargas

Memory of Alesevich, Kozulko, and Kosh Families
Memory of Samuel Slota, Peter Symochko
and Joan Rossiter
Memory of Dimitiy Stanidav, Misty and all Family members
Memory of Kevin Kinsbury
Memory of Mary and Daniel Mainstruck
Memory of Michael and Nina Andrenyak
Memory of George, Alice and Gregory Denisky
Memory of Theophil and Nina Begansky
Memory of Baran, Malick and Hancock Families
Memory of all Family Members
Memory of Aleksandra and Anton Nazaruk
Memory of Michael B and Leslie Kapral
Memory of Shotiko, Angelina, Gregori, and Eldasi
Memory of Michael Mucha
Memory of Stenko, Selepak, Holik and Chukalochak Families
Memory of Fajvan and Zazula Families
Memory of Henry and Valentina Romanovsky
Memory of Patricia and Austin Vargas

Memory Eternal!



For more than 200 years, The Village has been dedicated to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children.

CALL TO ACTION: *The Village, our neighbor on Albany Avenue, is in need of Personal Hygiene Items! Are you looking to make a difference in our community? We are looking for donations of the following items:*

Feminine Hygiene Products – both tampons and pads

Soap – Bars and Pump

Shampoo – any and all brands and sizes

Deodorant – men/women – any and all brands

Toothpaste – any and all brands and sizes

Toothbrushes – Individually wrapped – not generic lots

Shaving Cream – any and all brands and sizes

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Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!

Please Note

Any photos taken at Church events may be used on the Church website or Facebook page. If you have any questions on this, please see or contact Father Constantine. <https://www.oca.org/files/PDF/official/2018-1024-socialmediaguidelines-clergy-lay-leaders.pdf>