

THE STORY OF ST. THOMAS

Each year on the Sunday following the Resurrection, our Church remembers the incident involving St. Thomas, with its remarkable turning of doubt into faith. When Christ was crucified, the apostles fled in fear. For all of them, life had lost its meaning; their hopes and dreams were shattered as the Lord was laid in the tomb. But they came together Sunday evening after the crucifixion, seeking comfort in their sadness.

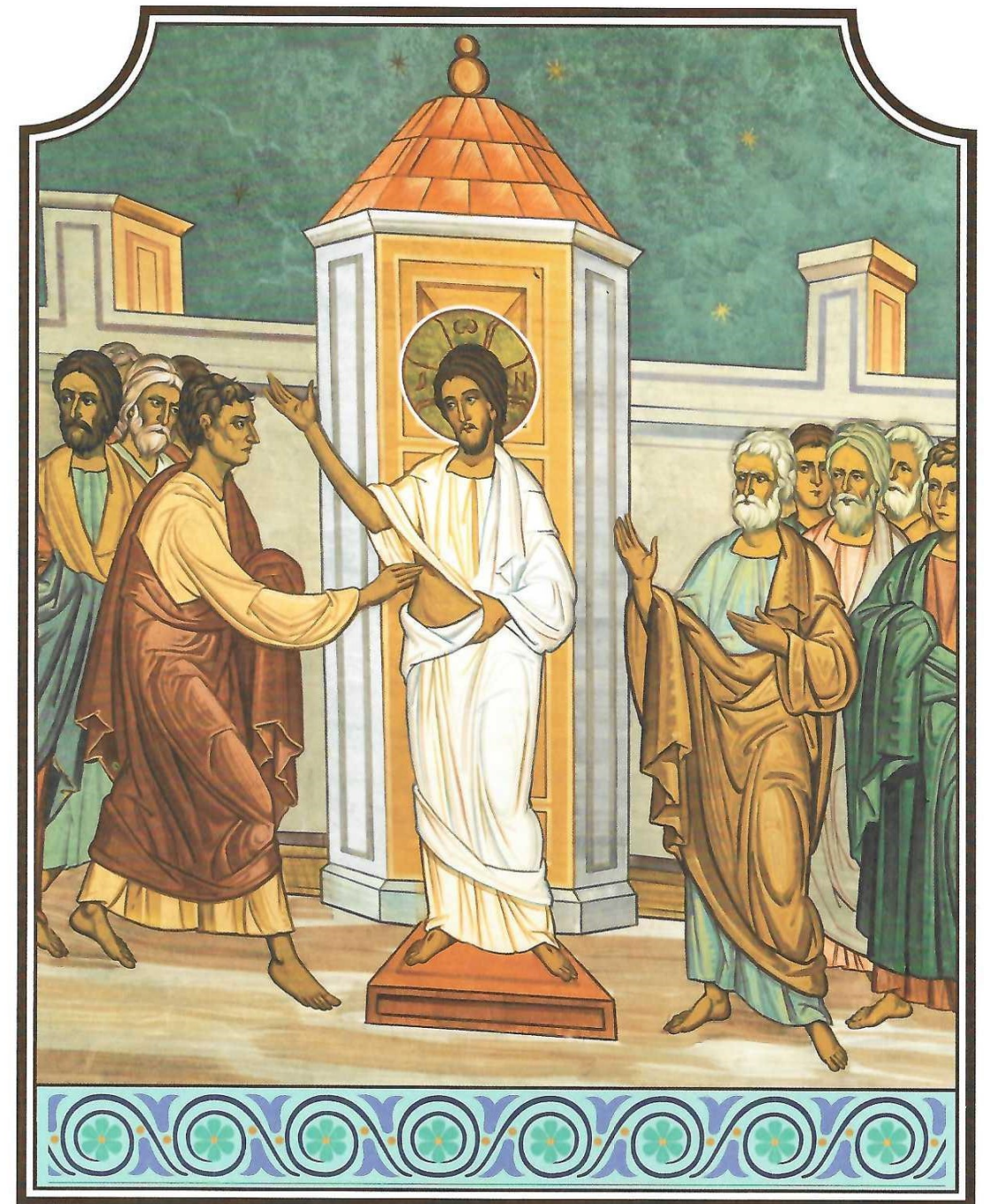
It was then that the Risen Christ suddenly appeared in their midst. They looked at Him and couldn't believe their eyes. But Jesus spoke to them, showed them His wounds, and convinced them of the reality of His presence. They rejoiced with renewed hope.

But Thomas was not present that evening. Later, when the Apostles told him the good news of the Resurrection, he replied: "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails . . . and place my hand in His side, I will not believe."

A week passed by. On the Sunday after the Resurrection, once again the apostles were gathered together. This time Thomas was there. In spite of the locked doors, the Risen Christ again suddenly appeared amongst them and greeted them with words of peace. He called Thomas to His side and had him place his fingers in the wounds and see for himself, saying: "Do not be faithless, but believing."

Thomas did as the Lord had asked. Then he fell to his knees and cried out: "My Lord and my God!" His doubts were gone, replaced by a deep and abiding faith. Jesus then responded, "Because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are they who have not seen, and yet have believed."

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

May 12, 2024

ST. THOMAS SUNDAY

Orthros 9:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy immediately following the Orthros.

MAY SCHEDULE

SUN MAY 12	†St. Thomas Sunday	9:00 a.m.
TUE MAY 14	Philoptochos Mother's Day Dinner	6:00 p.m.
WED MAY 15	Hellenic Dance Practice	5:45 p.m.
THU MAY 16	Hellenic Dance Practice	5:45 p.m.
SUN MAY 19	†Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Woman AHEPA & DOP Memorial Coffee Hour Youth Celebration Sunday	9:00 a.m.
MON MAY 20	Hellenic Dance Practice GreekFest Committee Meeting	5:45 p.m. 7:00 p.m.
TUE MAY 21	†Sts. Constantine & Helen Silver Liners' Luncheon	9:00 a.m. 11:30 a.m.
THU MAY 23	Hellenic Dance Practice	5:45 p.m.
SUN MAY 26	†Sunday of the Paralytic	9:00 a.m.
MON MAY 27	Memorial Day Trisagions Forest Hill Cemetery North Lawn Cemetery Sunset Hills	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.
THU MAY 30	Hellenic Dance Practice	5:45 p.m.



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

MAY 12, 2024
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UPCOMING TRISAGION & MEMORIAL MAY 19, 2024



40-Day Memorial ~ Sophia Usner
40-Day Trisagion ~ Tom Cazantzes

A FRIENDLY REMINDER!

Parishioners ages 18 & older, including students, should fill out a pledge card for 2024.

Please mail your signed and completed pledge card to the church office.

AHEPA FAMILY MEMORIAL COFFEE HOUR

The May 19th Coffee Hour will be sponsored by the AHEPA #59 and DOP Chloris #40.

AHEPA always welcome new members, so applications will be available in the lobby for anyone interested in joining AHEPA Chapter 59.

YOUTH CELEBRATION SUNDAY

MAY 19, 2024

TRI-ROOM ~ AFTER LITURGY

All Sunday School & Youth Group kids and their immediate family are welcome at this FREE celebration!

Enjoy chicken tenders and fries for lunch, sponsored by SUNDAY SCHOOL!

Also enjoy an ice cream sundae buffet sponsored by JOY, Jr. GOYA & GOYA!

Coming Soon...

CANTON
GREEKFEST
2024

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!
SIGN UP GENIUS

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10COE4DABAF2EA7FAC07-greekfest>



For questions call Linda Natale
330.495.8427
or your preferred area chairman

Lovin' Louisville Derby Experience Plus Bourbon Trail

July 16-18, 2024



Cost : \$660 (double occupancy)
\$620 (triple occupancy)
\$800 (single occupancy)

Includes Bus, Lodging, Tours,
3 breakfasts, 2 lunches, 2 dinners,
all gratuities, admissions and bourbon tastings.

Reservation deposit \$100 (refundable until April 26) - Balance due May 31.

Day 1: Depart: 8:00 A.M. - travel to Louisville, Kentucky, Admissions to the Louisville Slugger Museum & Bat Factory, Dinner.

Day 2: Breakfast, Tour at Churchill Downs, Tour the Museum, Guided tour of Churchill Downs, Mint Julep University and Derby Pies, Evan Williams Bourbon Experience, Dinner Buffet/Cruise aboard the Mary M. Miller

Day 3: Breakfast, Depart for Lexington, Bourbon Tour at either Woodford Reserve or James E. Pepper Distillery, Admission to Kentucky Horse Park, Depart for home and arrive home about 9:00 p.m.



The AHEPA 59 Inc. Charitable Corporation made a \$2,000 donation in November of 2023 and another \$2,000 on April 20, 2024 for the needs of the Saint Haralambos Greek School.

We are most appreciative of this generous contribution to our Greek School Program.

God bless AHEPA for their generosity.

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Android (non-apple) phone- use QR code scanner if already installed or go to Google Play Store and download.

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May 12, 2024: FEAST: Second Sunday of the Paschal Season, New or Thomas Sunday; Germanos, Patriarch of Constantinople (+740); Epiphаний, Bishop of Cyprus (+403); Righteous Theodore of Kythera; Neomartyr John.

Ἀπολυτίκιον

Ἦχος βαρύς

Ἐσφραγισμένου τοῦ μνήματος, ἡ ζωὴ ἐκ τάφου ἀνέτειλας Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· καὶ τῶν θυρῶν κεκληρισμένων, τοῖς Μαθηταῖς ἐπέστης, ἡ πάντων ἀνάστασις· Πνεῦμα εὐθὲς δι’ αὐτῶν ἐγκαινίζων ἡμῖν, κατὰ τὸ μέγα σου ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον τοῦ Πάσχα

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Αἰθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ᾗδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγγόμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

Apolytikion

Grave Mode

The tomb being sealed, You rose from the sepulcher, O Christ God, the Life. And the doors being shut, You came to the disciples, O resurrection of all. Through them You renew a right spirit within us, according to Your great mercy.

Kontakion of Pascha

Mode pl. 4

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out “Rejoice” to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

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Epistle

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles.

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon’s Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, “Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life.”



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to John.

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: “Peace be with you.” When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, “Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you.” And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them: “Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained.” Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: “We have seen the Lord.” But he said to them: “Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe.” Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: “Peace be with you.” Then He said to Thomas, “Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing.” Thomas answered Him, “My Lord and my God!” Jesus said to Him: “Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe.” Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.