

YOU ARE THE TEMPLE OF GOD

Each year, the 3rd Sunday of Pascha finds our Holy Orthodox Church commemorating the MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN. These brave souls, who had followed Christ throughout His earthly ministry, were so committed to serving their Master that they were willing to challenge the authority of Rome and risk their very lives to carry out an important aspect of their Jewish tradition: the proper preparation of a body for burial.

Have you ever wondered why the Myrrh-bearers felt that this was so essential? For the Jews, the human body was considered to be a sacred vessel that needed to be treated with care - even after death. The Old Testament is filled with stories that exhibit this type of treatment for those who have departed this life. The prescribed ritual of anointing a body with oils and spices was a lengthy and costly process. The women had to return to the tomb early because Joseph of Arimathea and Nicodemus, who claimed Christ's Body from Pilate, lacked the time to complete their labors as sunset approached on that first Holy Friday.

In a Christian context, the body is treated with the same reverence. In his first letter to the Corinthians, the Apostle Paul poses this question: "Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you?" (1 Cor. 3:16) While this verse has a broad meaning relating to the unity of the entire Church, it nonetheless is viewed as comparing our bodies to a "temple" that should be cared for in a special way.

From the day of our baptism, when we "put on Christ," the Lord wishes to dwell in all of us. May we all strive to keep our "temple" pure, so that the living God will be able to be a positive force in our lives!

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ST. HARALAMBOS SUNDAY BULLETIN

May 4, 2025

SUNDAY OF OF THE MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN

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

MAY SCHEDULE

SUN MAY 4	†Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women	9:00 a.m.
MON MAY 5	Philoptochos Mother's Day Dinner	6:00 p.m.
TUE MAY 6	Greek School	5:15 p.m.
	GreekFest Committee Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU MAY 8	Dolmathaes Rolling	9:00 a.m.
	Hellenic Beginner Dancers - gym	4:30 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dancers	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dancers	6:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Alumni Dancers	7:15 p.m.
SAT MAY 10	Galaktobourekko Baking	9:00 a.m.
SUN MAY 11	†Sunday of the Paralytic	9:00 a.m.
TUE MAY 13	Greek School Pizza Party-Tri-Rm	5:15 p.m.
WED MAY 14	Parish Council Meeting	7:00 p.m.
THU MAY 15	Hellenic Beginner Dancers - gym	4:30 p.m.
	Hellenic Intermediate Dancers	5:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Senior Dancers	6:00 p.m.
	Hellenic Dancere' Meeting & Election	7:00 p.m.
SUN MAY 18	†Sunday of the Samaritan Woman	9:00 a.m.
	General Assembly - Krassas Event Ctr.	



ALTAR BOY SCHEDULE

May 4, 2025 ~ TEAM C



ATTENTION GRADUATES!

In the July/August Koinonia, we will feature our 2025 HIGH SCHOOL & COLLEGE GRADUATES.

Please submit the following information to the church office by June 8th:

Student's name, parents' names, current school, future school or place of employment, field of study and a student photo which will be returned to you.

TODAY'S MEMORIALS:

40-Day Memorial: May 4, 2025
Steve Manolakis

1yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Steven A. Armatas

1yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Dionysoula "Denise" Armatas

2yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Christos Politis

3yr memorial: May 4, 2025
Katherine Kapalko

3yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Vasilo Sklavenitis

3yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Michael Asimakopoulos

4yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Helen Armatas

7yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Helen Pantelides

8yr memorial: May 4, 2025
Dennis Kapalko

9yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Dimitrios Armatas

10yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Alexandros Armatas

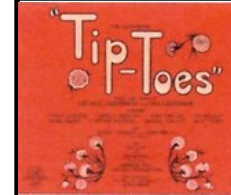
16yr Memorial: May 4, 2025
Chris Pantelides



JR GOYA FRAPPE FUNDRAISER
TODAY, MAY 4, 2025

DURING COFFEE HOUR!

\$5.00 FRAPPE



Tip-Toes

An Ohio Light Opera
Production
July 10, 2025

The roaring 1920's, Vaudeville, Palm Beach, and the Silver Liners in Jaol. The exuberant Gershwin musical **TIP-TOES** comes to the Ohio Light Opera, where, the ever naughty but nice Silver Liners will be there too.

Music and Lyrics by George and Ira Gershwin
Lunch at the Wooster Jaol Restaurant.

After-show Delight:
DRAGONFLY WINERY with light meal

COST: \$114 (tips included)
PAYMENT DUE: May 20th

Make Check Payable to:
St. Haralambos Silver Liners

For Questions, call Kathy Dieringer @ 330-265-3876

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2025 Canton Greek Fest Meeting Dates

Join the Planning Committee for the 2025
Canton Greek Fest

Meeting Schedule

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

Tuesday, May 20, 2025

Tuesday, June 3, 2025

All Meeting begin at 7pm in the Youth Room

Call Mike Fakelis (330-327-5317) or
Mike Paxos (330-327-9180)

May 4, 2025: FEAST: Third Sunday of the Paschal Season, the Myrrh Bearing Women (Mary Magdalene, Mary wife of Cleopas, Joanna wife of Chouza, Salome mother of sons of Zebedee, Mary and Martha sisters of Lazarus, and Susanna); Righteous Martyr Pelagia of Tarsus (+287); Righteous Hilarion the Wonderworker; Athanasios, Bishop of Corinth; Righteous Nikephoros the Hesychast (+1300).

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον Ἦχος β΄
Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ
τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ
δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Ἦχος β΄
Ὁ εὐσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου καθελὼν, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι καθαρᾷ
εἰλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν μνήματι καινῷ κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο· ἀλλὰ τριήμερος ἀνέστης,
Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Ἦχος β΄
Ταῖς Μυροφόροις γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ μνήμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς
ὑπάρχει ἀρμόδια· Χριστὸς δὲ διαφθορᾷ ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος· ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ
Κύριος, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ
Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος ἀείφωτος, τῆς οἰκουμένης
σοφέ, ἐδείχθης **Χαράλαμπες**· ἔλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου. ἔλυσας καὶ
εἰδώλων τὴν σκοτόμαιναν μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησίᾳ Χριστῷ. Πρέσβευε σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Κοντάκιον τοῦ Πάσχα Ἦχος πλ. δ΄
Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς
νικητὴς, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς
Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 2
When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to
death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the
netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life,
glory to You!”

Mode 2
When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph
wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on
the third day You rose, O Lord, and granted to the world the great mercy.

Mode 2
The Angel who had come to the sepulcher said to the Myrrh-bearing women, “Ointments
are appropriate for mortal men; but Christ is indeed a stranger to decay. Now go
proclaim that the Lord has risen and granted to the world the great mercy.”

Hymn of the Church
As a pillar unshaken of Christ’s holy Church, and lamp ever-burning to all the world you
emerged, O wise Haralambos; in all the world you shined, with the martyrdom you
suffered, you dispelled the dark night, of the idols, O blessed; whence, with courage do
intercede, to Christ that we may be saved.

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.



Epistle

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles.

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, “It is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word.” And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochorus, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaus, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.



Gospel

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, “Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?” And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, “Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you.” And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.