

Venerable Athanasius of Athos
Uncovering of the Relics of Sergius of Radonezh

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Welcome! We are honored that you have joined us in our celebration of the Lord's resurrection this day.

If you are a first time visitor to our parish, we invite you to sign our guest book. If you have a question, a prayer request, or any need, please speak with Fr. Marty, or with any parish member.

For our friends present with us who are not Orthodox Christians, please note that we have specific disciplines regarding receiving Communion. We ask that you refrain from going to Communion until you have spoken with Fr. Marty and understand our discipline and piety regarding this sacrament and its implication for responsibility towards and membership in the Orthodox Church. The bread and wine offered after communion and the bread offered at the end of the service is available to all.

If you are an Orthodox Christian from another parish who has prepared in accordance with your discipline, and have a blessing from your home priest to do so, we invite and encourage you to partake of Holy Communion.

This booklet contains the variable hymns and readings specific to today. Please feel free to take it with you. There are coil-bound booklets with the text for the Divine Liturgy – if you find it useful, please feel free to take one of those as well, with our compliments.

We also hope you will stay and join us in our coffee and fellowship hour, which immediately follows the service. We want the opportunity to get to know you, and for you to get to know us. Again, welcome!

Regular services:

Great Vespers, Saturday at 6:30pm

Confession, immediately following Great Vespers, other times by appointment.

Third and Sixth Hour Prayers, Sunday at 9:40am

Divine Liturgy, immediately following the hours.

Music Rehearsals, Saturday at 6:00pm

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Resurrectional Troparion – Tone 4

When the women Disciples of the Lord
learned from the Angel the joyous message of the Resurrection,
they cast away the ancestral curse
and elatedly told the Apostles:
“Death is overthrown!
Christ God is risen,//
granting the world great mercy!”

Troparion for St. Sergius – Tone 8

From your youth you received Christ into your soul, O ven'rable one,
and above all desired to leave behind the turmoil of the world.
You courageously settled in the wilderness, where you raised children
in obedience, the fruits of humility.
Thus, as an abode of the Trinity, you enlightened all who approached
in faith and granted healing to all.//
Our Father Sergius, pray to Christ God that our souls may be saved!

Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit,

Kontakion for St. Sergius, Tone 8

Having risen from the earth today and shining like the sun,
your precious and incorrupt relics are as fragrant flowers, scented with
miracles,
granting healing to all the faithful, and making glad your flock which you
wisely gathered and tended.
Now as you stand before the throne of the Trinity, entreat God's help and
grace for them and for all Orthodox Christians,
so that we may sing: “Rejoice, divinely-wise Sergius!”

now and ever and unto ages of ages, amen

Resurrectional Kontakion, Tone 4

My Savior and Redeemer
as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains.
He has shattered the gates of hell,
and as Master,//
He has risen on the third day!

Epistle: (103) – Romans 10:1-10 and (213) – Galatians 5:22-6:2 (for the saint)

Deacon: Let us attend! *Priest:* +Peace be unto all!

Reader: And with your spirit!

Deacon: Wisdom!

Prokeimenon, Tone 4

Reader: The Prokeimenon, in the 4th Tone, O Lord, how manifold are Your
works; in wisdom have You made them all.

Choir: O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all.

Reader: Bless the Lord, O my soul! O Lord, my God, You are very great!

Choir: O Lord, how manifold are Your works; in wisdom have You made them all.

Reader: In the seventh tone, Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Choir: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Deacon: Wisdom!

Reader: **The Reading from the Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans.**

Deacon: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, my heart's desire indeed, and my prayer to God for Israel is, that they may be saved. For I bear them record that they have a zeal for God, but not according to knowledge. For they, being ignorant of God's righteousness, and seeking to establish their own righteousness, have not submitted themselves to the righteousness of God. For Christ is the fulfillment of the law unto righteousness to everyone that believes. For Moses wrote of the righteousness which is of the law, "that the man that shall do those things shall live by them." But the righteousness which is of faith speaks in this way, "Do not say in thy heart, 'Who shall ascend into heaven?'" (that is, to bring Christ down from above) or, "'Who shall descend into the deep?'" (that is, to bring up Christ again from the dead). But what does it say? "The word is near thee, even in thy mouth and in thy heart" (that is, the word of faith, which we preach): that if thou shalt confess with thy mouth the Lord Jesus and believe in thine heart that God hath raised Him from the dead, thou shalt be saved. For with the heart one believeth unto righteousness, and with the mouth confession is made unto salvation.

Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, gentleness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control. Against such there is no law. And they that are Christ's have crucified the flesh with its passions and lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not be desirous of vainglory, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a man is overtaken by any fault, you, who are spiritual, restore such a one in a spirit of meekness, considering thyself lest thou also be tempted. Bear ye one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ

Priest: + Peace be unto you.

Alleluia: Tone 4

Reader: **And to Your spirit.** In the 4th Tone: Alleluia! Go forth, prosper and reign, for the sake of meekness, righteousness and truth!

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: For You love righteousness, and hate iniquity.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Reader: In the Sixth Tone, Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

Choir: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Gospel: (28) – Matthew 8:28-9:1 and (24) – Luke 6:17-23 (Saint)

Priest: Wisdom! Let us Attend! Let us hear the Holy Gospel! Peace be with you all!

Choir: And with your spirit.

Deacon: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. **Matthew**.

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Deacon: Let us Attend!

At that time, when Jesus had come to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, there met Him two demon-possessed men, coming out of the tombs, exceedingly fierce, so that no one could pass that way. And suddenly they cried out, saying, "What have we to do with You, Jesus, You Son of God? Have You come here to torment us before the time?" Now a good way off from them there was a herd of many swine feeding. So the demons begged Him, saying, "If You cast us out, permit us to go away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So when they had come out, they went into the herd of swine. And suddenly the whole herd of swine ran violently down the steep place into the sea, and perished in the water. Then those who kept them fled; and they went away into the city and told everything, including what had happened to the demon-possessed men. And behold, the whole city came out to meet Jesus. And when they saw Him, they begged Him to depart from their region. So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.

At that time, Jesus stood on a level place with a crowd of His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear Him and be healed of their diseases, as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were healed. And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from Him and healed them all. Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, For yours is the kingdom of God. Blessed are you who hunger now, For you shall be filled. Blessed are you who weep now, For you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, And when they exclude you, And revile you, and cast out your name as evil, For the Son of Man's sake. Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven.

Choir: Glory to You O Lord, Glory to You.

Please join us in our fellowship hour immediately following the dismissal!
