

News from St. Nick's **Sunday, May 22, 2022**

The Fifth Sunday After Pascha **Sunday of the Samaritan**

Apostolic Reading: [Acts 11: 19-30](#)

Gospel: [John 4: 5-42](#)

Tone 4 • Resurrection Gospel 7

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

LITURGY FOR STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN: There will be Divine Liturgy at 10 am on Saturday, May 21 to celebrate the Feast of Sts. Constantine & Helen.

MEMORY ETERNAL! This Sunday we will celebrate a Memorial Service for **Cristian V. Dumitriu**, fallen asleep 40 days. We ask our loving Lord to comfort his mother, Mrs. Maria Dumitriu, sister, Roxana Herzog and family, and that Cristian find rest where there is no pain, grief, or sighing, but life which does not end!

PROJECT MEXICO: This summer, [James Stamoulis](#) will participate in the [Project Mexico](#) ministry and asks for your support. Since 1988, Project Mexico has been building safe, secure and weather-tight homes for impoverished families across Northern Mexico. "I will be working just outside of Tijuana constructing homes for these families over the course of four days. These homes are built entirely with volunteer labor and once complete, they are provided so that these families can build a brighter future for themselves and their children. ***I would truly appreciate any donation toward this trip!*** Every little bit counts. Thank you so much for your support!"

AROLA CONGRESS: This past weekend **Preotasa Claudia** attended the AROLA (Association of the Romanian Orthodox Ladies Auxiliaries of the Americas) Congress of the Metropolia that was held in Michigan. His Eminence Metropolitan Nicolae expressed appreciation to her for her leadership on the Executive Committee. ***"A special moment followed when His Eminence***

Nicolae offered the American Metropolitan Cross to Preoteasa Claudia Aileni, in appreciation and gratitude for the love, work and sacrifice offered in the service of the AROLA Association in times of peace and in times of crisis, as President of the Association. Here is the text of an [article](#) detailing the events of the weekend.

CALLING ALL GRADUATES: It's the season when we want to recognize the graduates from among our Church family. If you or someone you know will be graduating, please [email](#) us the following information so they may be included:

- Full name of graduate
- Parents' names
- Where they are graduating from
- Note any honors or distinctions
- Future educational or career plans

UKRAINIAN RELIEF: The [Saint Paraskeva Orthodox Charity](#) in partnership with our Metropolia is working with the Archdiocese of Suceava and Rădăuți to support Ukrainian war refugees in transit or intending to stay in Romania. This region of Romania is one of the major entry points for persons fleeing the invasion of Ukraine. Funds collected will assist the monasteries and parishes in the diocese that have set up more than 500 fully equipped shelters. If you would like to learn more about this effort and contribute, please [click here for the website of Saint Parascheva Charity](#) or go to their [Facebook page](#).

OUR ON-LINE GIVING SYSTEM HAS BEEN UPGRADED! Please check it out by [clicking here](#), or by using the [ON-LINE](#) link on the left menu of our parish homepage. You may use this option to submit one-time or recurring payments.

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE COUNCIL OF EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCHES has scheduled a General Assembly on **Monday, May 23, 2022 at 6:15 pm** at Holy Trinity Nursing Center. We need a couple people from our parish to attend the meeting. For more information speak with Fr. Vasile or Tim Rucho. (Masks are required in the facility.)

ALL THINGS ORTHODOX is a weekly show hosted by Fr. Christopher Stamas of St. Spyridon Cathedral. Fr. Chris interviews people active in the life of the Church on questions of faith and action. It is aired on the **Worcester Cable channel 194** on **Mondays** at 7 pm, **Saturdays** at 8 pm and **Sundays** at 9 pm. Also look for it on the Cable website: [wccatv.com](#), or the **Worcester TV** Roku app.

ORDER FREE COVID TESTS: Every home in the U.S. is eligible to order a 3rd round of free at-home covid-19 test kits offered by the Federal Government. To do so, simply complete this [online form](#).

ORTHODOX FOOD CENTER

Saturday, June 4 from 9 am prompt until about 12 noon is our parish's responsibility to staff the Orthodox Food Center. In recent years our crew of volunteers has dwindled, and we really need new people to commit themselves to this ministry of our Church. For more information, contact [Nicole Apostola](#) and view the [descriptive guide](#). In the words of St. John Chrysostom, "Feeding the hungry is a greater work than raising the dead."

NOTES FROM HOLY TRINITY

LOBBY CEILING RENOVATION - Our lobby's ceiling has been replaced as we continue our efforts to improve building maintenance.

COVID 19 REHABILITATION UNIT - In coordination with our medical director, we have a dedicated team of registered nurses and patient care technicians who are caring for 3 short-term Covid patients. There is one Covid-positive staff member who is quarantined at home. We remain vigilant in all cleaning and safety procedures.

VACATION HELP FOR CAREGIVERS - Now is the time to start planning for short-term relief for primary caregivers traveling for a vacation. Holy Trinity can schedule several days or weeks of care for your loved one. For more information, email info@holytrinityrehab.org.

WE NEED YOUR EMAIL - It is our objective to send out our monthly newsletter by email to reduce our cost of printing. If you would like to receive the newsletter hot-off-the-press, please forward your email to dmillhofer@holytrinityrehab.org.

DIVINE LITURGY - The Divine Liturgy is celebrated each Wednesday morning at 9:30 am for our residents. We welcome volunteers and visitors who would like to attend.

STAY CONNECTED - Please follow us on social media:

- <https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinityNursingandRehabilitationCenter/>
- <https://www.instagram.com/holytrinityrehab/>

JOB OPENINGS - We invite you to be part of a team where you are encouraged to see the value in every person and build connections. To join our award-winning team and advance your career, for a full listing and detailed job descriptions of our openings, visit: <https://www.holytrinityrehab.org/employment/>

NEWSLETTER - Here is the link to the [May Newsletter](#).

ORTHODOX LINKS

[Romanian Orthodox Metropolia of the Americas](#)

[Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of North and Central America](#) (Assembly of Bishops)

[International Orthodox Christian Charities](#) (IOCC)

[Orthodox Christian Mission Center](#) (OCMC)

[Orthodox Christian Radio Network](#) (OCN)

[Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches of Central Mass.](#) (CEOC)

DATES TO REMEMBER

Mon, May 30 Memorial Day
Sat, June 4 Staff Orthodox Food Center
Sat, June 11 Saturday of the Souls
Sun, June 12 Pentecost

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