John 20:24-29

Now Thomas, called the Twin, one of the twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. The other disciples therefore said to him, "We have seen the Lord." So he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and put my hand into His side, I will not believe." And after eight days His disciples were again inside, and Thomas with them. Jesus came, the doors being shut, and stood in the midst, and said, "Peace to you!" Then He said to Thomas, "Reach your finger here, and look at My hands; and reach your hand here, and put it into My side. Do not be unbelieving, but believing." And Thomas answered and said to Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Thomas, because you have seen Me, you have believed. Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have believed."

Incorruptible but Touchable

The Lord's body that made its entrance to the disciples through closed doors was the same as that which issued before the eyes of people from the Virgin's closed womb at His birth.

Is it surprising that He who was now going to live forever made His entrance through closed doors after His resurrection, who on His coming in order to die made His appearance from the unopened womb of a virgin?

But because the faith of those who beheld it wavered concerning the body they could see, He showed them at once His hands and His side, offering them the body that He brought in through the closed doors to touch.

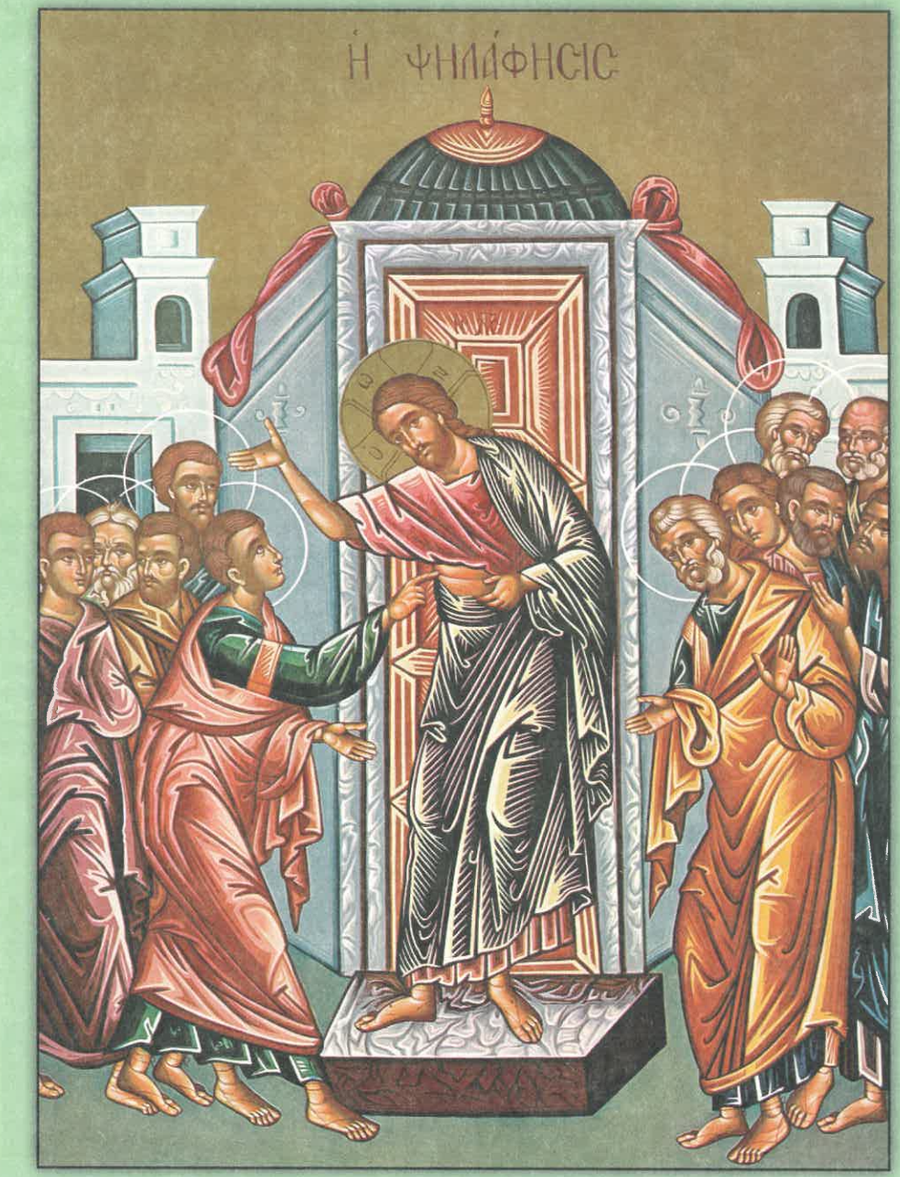
By this action He revealed two wonderful and, according to human reason, quite contradictory things. He showed them that after His resurrection His body was both incorruptible and yet could be touched ... .

By showing us that it is incorruptible, He would urge us on toward our reward, and by offering it as touchable He would dispose us toward faith.

He manifested Himself as both incorruptible and touchable to show us that His body after His resurrection was of the same nature as ours but of a different sort of glory.

St. Gregory the Great

Thomas Sunday



Icon of Saint Thomas and the Lord

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Office Hours
Monday - Friday
8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
(Closed noon-1pm for lunch)

Sunday Services
Orthros 8:30 AM
Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Orthros Liturgy

Epistle
Acts
5:12-20

Gospel
John
20:19-31

Attendance
4/11/26 PM - 217
4/12/26
114

Today's Prosfora & Communion Wine

Donated by Leslie Mydock
In Loving Memory of Paul Mydock

Given by Ann Lazarides, Chris Gonzales and Erene Augustyn
In Loving Memory of Andrew Christopher (our brother)

Upcoming Memorials

April 26
1-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Barry Giamourides
Memorial & Coffee Hour - Kathryn McClure
Memorial & Coffee Hour - Anestes & Barbara Tsaftarides

May 3
Pontian Greek Genocide Memorial & Coffee Hour
40-Day Memorial - Mary (Molly) Sharish

Welcome back to Young at Heart!

Our combined May luncheon with our sister church, St. Haralambos, will be on Tuesday, May 12, 2026 @ Noon. We are fortunate to have our lunch catered by Jim & Millie Aslanides.

The menu will consist of:
Pork tenderloin – lemon potatoes – asparagus – salad – rolls & butter,
Lemonade, water, coffee, and dessert
IF OUR SENIORS PAID their 2026 dues of $15.00, the lunch will be free.
If you have not paid your 2026 dues, the luncheon will cost $17.00.

We are very pleased to announce that Christian Kellarnis, who is part of Vocal Fusion, will be our entertainment.

Please contact KAREN KOTANIDES by **MAY 4** with your reservation at **330-412-5504**

PONTIAN COFFEE HOUR MAY 3

On Sunday, May 3, we are commemorating our Pontian Genocide Memorial, followed by a coffee hour and luncheon honoring and dedicating it to a "Carnahan Reunion". We invite and welcome all our parishioners that have stories and memories to share with us all, back from the good old neighborhood of Holy Trinity.



Christos Anesti! **Thank you to all who participated in the Good Friday Luminary Project**. Your continuous support and love for our youth is greatly appreciated. Blessings to you and your families during this time of Pentecostarion. ~Dina Kalagidis Grunder

Youth & Education Ministry



Xristos Anesti From Sunday School

Sunday School celebrated Lent this year with the crafts to represent the Six Sundays of Lent. We hope you had the chance to look at the children's work that was displayed in hallway throughout Lent.

Thanks to the girls that participated as myrrh bearers during the Holy Friday service. You did a great job!

We ended this joyous season with the annual Pascha egg hunt! It was a beautiful day and the kids had so much fun! Thanks to all the families that participated. God bless our children!

Looking forward to next year!

Xristos Anesti!!!

Kelly Antonopoulos













ALL GRADUATING SENIORS: PLEASE HAVE YOUR BIO AND PICTURE INTO THE CHURCH OFFICE NO LATER THAN MAY 10, 2026! THANK YOU!



FESTIVAL BAKING SCHEDULE:



May 8 & 9 - Baklava

May 16 - Fengarakia

May 25 - Paximathia

109TH NAME DAY & ECCLESIASTICAL AWARDS BANQUET



MAY 31, 2026

TICKETS:
$30.00 per person

Celebrate with us at the 109th Name Day and Ecclesiastical Banquet on Pentecost Sunday, May 31, 2026, immediately following the Divine Liturgy. This special occasion is not only a time to honor our church's namesake but also an opportunity to come together as a community in celebration of our graduates. Enjoy a delightful banquet filled with delicious food and joyous company.

TICKETS ON SALE BEGINNING SUNDAY, MAY 3, 2026.

HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH Canton, Ohio

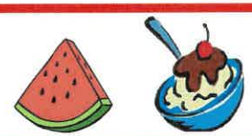


Please Join Sunday School as they host a Picnic Lunch!

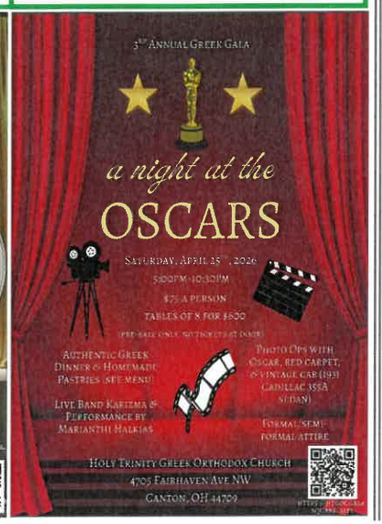
May 17th following liturgy

Please come to church to see our Sunday school children be recognized for a great year and stay for lunch and celebrate with our wonderful children.

This is our last day of Sunday school for the year and we want to treat you!







Calendar for the Week

All Services are streaming online @ *www.htgoc.net/live*

Sunday, April 19
Thomas Sunday
Parish Council Coffee Hour
Pontian Board Meeting 11:30 AM
(Downstairs)

Monday, April 20
Gala Meeting 6:00 PM

Tuesday, April 21
Parish Council 6:00 PM
Ladies Exercise 6:00 PM

Wednesday, April 22
OFFICE CLOSED - VACATION
Bible Study 11:00 AM
Great Vespers 6:00 PM

Thursday, April 23
St. George the Great Martyr
@ St. George Massillon
Orthros & Liturgy 9:00 AM
Young Adult Basketball 7:30 PM

Friday, April 24
Set Up for Gala

Saturday, April 25
A Night at the Oscars 5:00 PM

Sunday, April 26
1-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Barry Giamourides
Memorial & Coffee Hour - Kathryn McClure
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OFFICE CLOSED

The Church Office will be **CLOSED** on Wednesday, April 22, 2026 for Vacation. It will reopen at 8AM on 4/23/26.

NO CASH?
NO PROBLEM!
Scan code with smart phone to make a payment!

SCAN ME

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 God; and You called out to the Myrrh-bearing women “Rejoice”, and gave peace to Your Apostles, the One Who to the fallen grants resurrection.

Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20

Prokeimenon. Mode 4
Psalm 146.5;134.3
Great is our Lord, and great is his power.
Verse: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20

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."

The Gospel According to John 20:19-31

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.

Ἀπολυτίκιον,
Ἦχος βαρύς.

Ἐσφραγισμένου τοῦ μνήματος, ἡ ζωὴ ἐκ τάφου ἀνέτειλας Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· καὶ τῶν θυρῶν κεκλεισμένων, 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 κατῆλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ᾅδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων 5:12-20

Προκείμενον. Ἦχος δ'
ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 146.5;134.3

Μέγας ὁ Κύριος ἡμῶν, καὶ μεγάλη ἡ ἰσχὺς αὐτοῦ.
Στίχ. Αἰνεῖτε τὸν Κύριον, ὅτι ἀγαθός.

Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων 5:12-20 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, διὰ δὲ τῶν χειρῶν τῶν ἀποστόλων ἐγίνετο σημεῖα καὶ τέρατα ἐν τῷ λαῷ πολλά· καὶ ἦσαν ὁμοθυμαδὸν ἅπαντες ἐν τῇ στοᾷ Σολομῶντος. Τῶν δὲ λοιπῶν οὐδεὶς ἐτόλμα κολλᾶσθαι αὐτοῖς, ἀλλ' ἐμεγάλυνεν αὐτοὺς ὁ λαός· μᾶλλον δὲ προσετίθεντο πιστεύοντες τῷ κυρίῳ, πλήθη ἀνδρῶν τε καὶ γυναικῶν· ὥστε κατὰ τὰς πλατείας ἐκφέρειν τοὺς ἀσθενεῖς, καὶ τιθέναι ἐπὶ κλινῶν καὶ κραββάτων, ἵνα ἐρχομένου Πέτρου κἂν ἡ σκιὰ ἐπισκιάσῃ τινὶ αὐτῶν. Συνήρχετο δὲ καὶ τὸ πλῆθος τῶν πέριξ πόλεων εἰς Ἰερουσαλήμ, φέροντες ἀσθενεῖς καὶ ὀχλουμένους ὑπὸ πνευμάτων ἀκαθάρτων, οἵτινες ἐθεραπεύοντο ἅπαντες. Ἀναστὰς δὲ ὁ ἀρχιερεὺς καὶ πάντες οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ - ἡ οὖσα αἵρεσις τῶν Σαδδουκαίων - ἐπλήσθησαν ζήλου, καὶ ἐπέβαλον τὰς χεῖρας αὐτῶν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀποστόλους, καὶ ἔθεντο αὐτοὺς ἐν τηρήσει δημοσίᾳ. Ἄγγελος δὲ κυρίου διὰ τῆς νυκτὸς ἤνοιξεν τὰς θύρας τῆς φυλακῆς, ἐξαγαγών τε αὐτοὺς εἶπεν, Πορεύεσθε, καὶ σταθέντες λαλεῖτε ἐν τῷ ἱερῷ τῷ λαῷ πάντα τὰ ῥήματα τῆς ζωῆς ταύτης.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 20:19-31 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Οὔσης ὀψίας τῇ ἡμέρᾳ ἐκείνῃ τῇ μιᾷ τῶν σαββάτων, καὶ τῶν θυρῶν κεκλεισμένων ὅπου ἦσαν οἱ μαθηταὶ συνηγμένοι διὰ τὸν φόβον τῶν Ἰουδαίων, ἦλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἔστη εἰς τὸ μέσον, καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς· Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν. Καὶ τοῦτο εἰπὼν ἔδειξεν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας καὶ τὴν πλευρὰν αὐτοῦ· ἐχάρησαν οὖν οἱ μαθηταὶ ἰδόντες τὸν Κύριον. Εἶπεν οὖν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς πάλιν· Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν, καθὼς ἀπέσταλκέ με ὁ πατήρ, κἀγὼ πέμπω ὑμᾶς. Καὶ τοῦτο εἰπὼν ἐνεφύσησε καὶ λέγει αὐτοῖς· Λάβετε Πνεῦμα Ἅγιον. Ἄν τινων ἀφῆτε τὰς ἁμαρτίας, ἀφίενται αὐτοῖς, ἄν τινων κρατῆτε, κεκράτηνται. Θωμᾶς δέ, εἷς ἐκ τῶν δώδεκα, ὁ λεγόμενος Δίδυμος, οὐκ ἦν μετ' αὐτῶν ὅτε ἦλθεν Ἰησοῦς· ἔλεγον οὖν αὐτῷ οἱ ἄλλοι μαθηταί· Ἑωράκαμεν τὸν Κύριον. Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ἐὰν μὴ ἴδω ἐν ταῖς χερσὶν αὐτοῦ τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων, καὶ βάλω τὸν δάκτυλόν μου εἰς τὸν τύπον τῶν ἥλων, καὶ βάλω τὴν χεῖρά μου εἰς τὴν πλευρὰν αὐτοῦ, οὐ μὴ πιστεύσω. Καὶ μεθ' ἡμέρας ὀκτὼ πάλιν ἦσαν ἔσω οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ Θωμᾶς μετ' αὐτῶν. Ἔρχεται ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῶν θυρῶν κεκλεισμένων, καὶ ἔστη εἰς τὸ μέσον καὶ εἶπεν· Εἰρήνη ὑμῖν. Εἶτα λέγει τῷ Θωμᾶ· φέρε τὸν δάκτυλόν σου ὧδε, καὶ ἴδε τὰς χεῖράς μου. καὶ φέρε τὴν χεῖρά σου καὶ βάλε εἰς τὴν πλευράν μου, καὶ μὴ γίνου ἄπιστος ἀλλὰ πιστός. Καὶ ἀπεκρίθη ὁ Θωμᾶς, καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· Ὁ Κύριός μου καὶ ὁ Θεός μου. Λέγει αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ὅτι ἑώρακάς με πεπίστευκας, μακάριοι οἱ μὴ ἰδόντες, καὶ πιστεύσαντες. Πολλὰ μὲν οὖν καὶ ἄλλα σημεῖα ἐποίησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐνώπιον τῶν μαθητῶν αὐτοῦ, ἃ οὐκ ἔστιν γεγραμμένα ἐν τῷ βιβλίῳ τούτῳ· ταῦτα δὲ γέγραπται ἵνα πιστεύσητε ὅτι ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐστιν ὁ Χριστὸς ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ ἵνα πιστεύοντες, ζωὴν ἔχητε ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι αὐτοῦ.