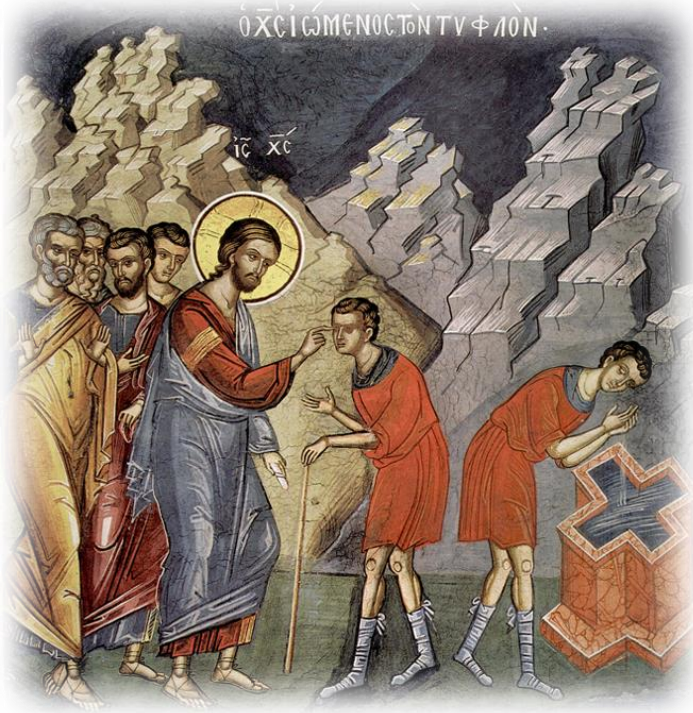


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Sixth Sunday of Pascha • The Man Born Blind



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Paschal Troparion: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Entrance Hymn: In the gathering places, bless ye God the Lord from the springs of Israel. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Apolytikion of the Resurrection (Tone 5): Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh to suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion of All Saints (Tone 4): Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people! Grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion for Pascha (Tone 8): Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal; Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming ‘Rejoice’ to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

EPISTLE READING

For the Sixth Sunday of Pascha

Prokeimenon – Psalm 11:7, 1

Do Thou, O Lord, protect us; guard us ever from this generation. Save, Lord; for there is no longer any that is godly.

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (16:16-34)

IN THOSE DAYS, as we went to prayer, that a certain slave girl possessed with a spirit of divination met us, who brought her masters much profit by fortune-telling. This girl followed Paul and us, and cried out, saying, “These men are the servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to us the way of salvation.” And this she did for many days. But Paul, greatly annoyed, turned and said to the spirit, “I command you in

the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her!” And he came out that very hour. But when her masters saw that their hope of profit was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace to the authorities.

They brought them to the magistrates, and said, “These men, being Jews, exceedingly trouble our city; and they teach customs which are not lawful for us, being Romans, to receive or observe.” Then the multitude rose up together against them; and the magistrates tore off their clothes and commanded them to be beaten with rods. When they had laid many stripes on them, they threw them into prison, commanding the jailer to keep them securely. Having received such a charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks.

But at midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them. Suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and everyone’s chains were loosed. And the keeper of the prison, awaking from sleep and seeing the prison doors open, supposing the prisoners had fled, drew his sword and was about to kill himself. But Paul called with a loud voice, saying, “Do yourself no harm, for we are all here.”

Then he called for a light, ran in, and fell down trembling before Paul and Silas. He brought them out and said, “Sirs, what must I do to be saved?” So they said, “Believe on the Lord Jesus Christ, and you will be saved, you and your household.” Then they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all who were in his house. He took them the same hour of the night and washed their stripes, and immediately he and all his family were baptized. Now when he had brought them into his house, he set food before them; and he rejoiced, having believed in God with all his household.

GOSPEL READING

For the Sixth Sunday of Pascha

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (9:1-38)

AT THAT TIME, when Jesus was passing, he saw a man blind from his birth. And His disciples asked Him, “Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his

parents, that he was born blind?” Jesus answered, “It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. I must work the works of Him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world.” As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man’s eyes with the clay, saying to him, “Go, wash in the pool of Siloam,” which means “Sent.” So he went and washed and came back seeing.

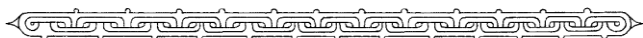
The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, “Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?” Some said, “It is he;” others said, “No, but he is like him.” He said, “I am the man.” They said to him, “Then how were your eyes opened?” He answered, “The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, ‘Go to Siloam and wash’; so I went and washed and received my sight.” They said to him, “Where is he?” He said, “I do not know.”

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, “He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see.” Some of the Pharisees said, “This man is not from God, for He does not keep the Sabbath.” But others said, “How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?” There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, “What do you say about Him, since He has opened your eyes?” He said, “He is a prophet.”

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, “Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?” His parents answered, “We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself.” His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ, he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, “He is of age, ask him.”

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did He do to you? How did He open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already, and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become His disciples?" They reviled him, saying, "You are His disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where He comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where He comes from, and yet He opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does His will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, He could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him He said, "Do you believe in the Son of God?" He answered, "And who is He, Sir, that I may believe in Him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen Him, and it is He who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe." And he worshiped Him.



Paschal Megalynarion to the Theotokos (Tone 1): The angel cried to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, rejoice O pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself He has raised all the dead; rejoice, rejoice O ye people. Shine, shine, shine O new Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on you. Exult now, exalt, and be glad, O Zion. Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, in the resurrection of your Son.

Communion Hymn: Receive the body of Christ; taste the fountain of immortality.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services, visit www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Today:

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by last names R-Z
- Church school Book of Ruth play will follow Liturgy and coffee hour downstairs.

Monday, May 18: Bible Bowl study (online), 6pm.

There will be no Tuesday morning prayers this week at All Saints.

Wednesday, May 20:

- Morning prayers for the Leave-Taking of Pascha, 9am
- Homeschool classes, 10am-3pm
- Vespertal Divine Liturgy for the Ascension, 7pm, followed by a potluck dinner (non-fasting) for those who wish to stay

Thursday, May 21: Festal Orthros for the Ascension, 9am

Friday, May 22: Morning prayers, 9am

Note: our normal Wednesday/Friday fasting discipline returns this Friday.

Saturday, May 23:

- Bridal shower for Shelby Kellar, 2pm, at the Lemons' home. (See the Evite or Sarah Coleman for more details.)
- Teen Bible Bowl study, 5pm (in person), followed by dinner
- Vespers, 7pm

Next Sunday, May 24: Holy Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

- Orthros and Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by last names A-F

OTHER UPCOMING EVENTS:

- All Saints feast-day weekend with Fr. Jeremy Davis – June 6-7
- Parish Life Conference – June 17-20 (Cleveland)
- Deanery picnic – Saturday, July 11 in La Grange. All of the churches in the Chicago deanery are sponsoring together this day

of food, fellowship, and fun. We are seeking volunteers from All Saints; please see Eric and Cristina Pope.

MISSION TEAM CHICAGO had previously announced a benefit dinner for Orthodox missions on Tuesday, June 2. This event has unfortunately been postponed, and will eventually be rescheduled. Further updates will be published when available.

volunteer schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun May 17 <i>Blind Man</i>	Joseph L	Sephora	Azizeh	<i>volunteer</i>	R-Z
<u>Wed May 20</u> <i>Ascension</i>	Rich C	Debbie K	Richard B	<i>N/A</i>	Potluck
Sun May 24 <i>Holy Fathers</i>	Michelle	Pat K	Nancy L	Zach C	A-F
Sun May 31 <i>Pentecost</i>	Sdn. Joseph	Domitille	Tobey	Lydia A	G-K
Sun June 7 <i>All Saints</i>	Jim K	Cristina P	Domitille	Domitille	L-P
Sun Jun 14	Paul K	Dn Walid	John O	<i>volunteer</i>	R-Z
Sun Jun 21	Steve K	Sarah C	JoAnne T	Zach C	A-F
Sun Jun 28	Joseph L	Sephora	Azizeh	Lydia A	G-K

For Sunday coffee hour, the last names of our church members have been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.

If you have children, monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and make sure they don't take more than they can eat. Please also help your children clean up after themselves.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MAY 17-23, 2026

Daily readings for the season of Pascha come from Acts and John. Old Testament readings return to the Wisdom of Sirach, which we began reading before the Great Fast.

Sunday, May 17: Sunday of the Man Born Blind

John 20:11-18 / Acts 16:16-34 / John 9:1-38

Monday, May 18: Stephen I, Patriarch of Constantinople

Wisdom of Sirach 33 / Acts 18:18-19:10 / John 11:45-57

Tuesday, May 19: Hiero-Martyr Patrick, Bishop of Prusa

Wisdom of Sirach 34 / Acts 19:11-41 / John 14:1-11

Wednesday, May 20: Lydia of Philippi

Wisdom of Sirach 35 / Acts 20:1-27 / John 14:12-24

Thursday, May 21: The Ascension of our Lord

Isaiah 2:2-3 / Isaiah 62:10-63:9 / Zechariah 14:1-11
Mark 16:9-20 / Acts 1:1-14 / Luke 24:36-53

Friday, May 22: John-Vladimir, Ruler of Serbia

Wisdom of Sirach 36 / Acts 21:1-36 / John 14:25-31

Saturday, May 23: Mary the Myrrh-bearer, wife of Cleopas

Acts 21:37-22:29 / John 15:1-10

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