

Excerpt from a Semon of St. Augustine of Hippo

We know, brothers and sisters, that Christ died once for us; the Just One for sinners, the Lord for slaves, the free man for captives, the doctor for the sick, the blessed for the wretched, the wealthy for the needy, the seeker for the lost, the redeemer for those that had been sold, the shepherd for the flock, and what is more astonishing than all that, the creator for the creature; preserving, all the same, what he always is, handing over to death what he has become; God unnoticed, man manifest; giving life by his strength, dying in his weakness; unchanging in godhead, subject to suffering in the flesh; as the apostle puts it, who was handed over for our misdeeds, and rose again for our justification (Rom 4:25).

That this happened once, you know very well. And yet this solemnity repeats it as the years go round, as though it happened more often, though the truth cries out with so many voices from scripture that it happened only once. You see, the truth shows that in actual fact it happened once, but the solemnity renews it for loving hearts by celebrating it regularly. The truth opens up to us what happened, as it happened; while the solemnity, by celebrating past events, not by enacting them, does not permit them to pass away.

“Let us Attend!”



CHRIST IS RISEN! INDEED HE IS RISEN!

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GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA

HOLY PASCHA — THE RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST. Beginning of the Pentecostarion.

Epistle: Acts 1:1-8

Gospel: John 1:1-17

Bright Week Schedule

Fast Free Week

- **Bright Monday, 13 April 2026 9:30AM. Divine Liturgy, Cross Procession with Resurrection Gospels, Community Paschal Meal in the Church Hall.**
- **Bright Tuesday, 14 April 2026. 9AM Paschal Hours, Procession with Resurrection Gospels. 6PM Paschal Vespers**
- **Bright Wednesday, 15 April 2026. 9:30AM Funeral of Danielle Ann Shepuk. 6PM Paschal Vespers**
- **Bright Thursday, 16 April 2026. 9AM Paschal Hours, Procession with Resurrection Gospels. 6PM Paschal Vespers**
- **Bright Friday, 17 April 2026. 9AM Paschal Hours with Procession with Resurrection Gospels. 6PM Paschal Vespers**
- **Bright Saturday, 18 April 2026. 9:30AM Joint Festal Divine Liturgy, St. Nicholas Parish. 6PM Great Vespers at All Saints**

- **Sunday 19 April 2026, Sunday of St. Thomas. 9:30AM Divine Liturgy, Breaking of the Artos Followed by Agape Coffee Hour Fellowship. Blessing of the Parish Cemetery**

~ Please join us tomorrow for the continuation of our Paschal celebration with Divine Liturgy at 9:30AM. We will be joined by the faithful of St. Nicholas Church and members of the St. Tikhon's Seminary community. All are invited to a festal luncheon in the Parish Hall following the service.

~ Our thanks to all those who contributed towards Paschal flowers to beautify the Church so fully. May God richly bless you.

“Yesterday I was crucified with Him; today I am glorified with Him. Yesterday I died with Him; today I am made alive with Him. Yesterday I was buried with Him; today I am raised up with Him. Let us offer to Him Who suffered and rose again for us ourselves, the possession most precious to God and most proper. Let us become like Christ, since Christ became like us.”

~ St. Gregory the Theologian