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## Bulletin for Sunday, May 13, 2018 *Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!*



Sunday of the Blind Man  
Κυριακή ΣΤ' τοῦ Τυφλοῦ

## THIS WEEK'S SERVICES AND EVENTS

<b>Wednesday, May 16<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>Apodosis of Pascha</i> <i>Bible Study</i> <i>Paraklesis to the Theotokos</i> <i>Orthodox Spirituality Class</i>	9:00am-10:00am Divine Liturgy 10:15am-11:15am 6:00pm-7:00pm 7:00pm-8:00pm
<b>Thursday, May 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<i>Feast of the Ascension</i>	8:00am-9:00am Matins 9:00am-10:00am Divine Liturgy

For those visiting an Orthodox Church for the first time, we welcome you and thank you for praying with us. When it comes time for the receiving of Holy Communion from the Chalice, please be aware that Holy Communion is a sign of the unity of our faith and is only offered to Baptized or Chrismated Orthodox Christians. All present are welcome to partake of the *antidoro* (blessed bread), which is distributed at the end of the service. If you are interested in learning more about the Orthodox Faith, please see Fr. John after the service or make an appointment through the Cathedral office.

### SUPPORT OUR CATHEDRAL ... BECOME A STEWARD IN 2018!

We encourage you to share your time, talents, and treasure as active stewards of the Cathedral. Please take the time to prayerfully submit a Stewardship Pledge Card and to contribute to the financial needs of our Cathedral. For more information, please visit [www.thecathedralnyc.org](http://www.thecathedralnyc.org) or contact the Cathedral office.

### NOTES FROM THE OFFICE

**Introduce your business or service to the entire parish.** We have various advertising opportunities in the **CathedralLife** Magazine. Our issues are read by our parishioners and friends who live and operate their businesses in the five boroughs and the Tri-State Area. Please contact the office for details [212-288-3215](tel:212-288-3215)

### YOUTH MINISTRIES

Our Youth Ministries continue to grow. For additional information about becoming involved, please contact Sotiri Michalatos ([sotiri@thecathedralnyc.org](mailto:sotiri@thecathedralnyc.org)) or visit our website ([www.thecathedralnyc.org](http://www.thecathedralnyc.org)).

HOPE (4-6 years old), JOY (7-12 years old), and GOYA (13-18 years old): The next meeting will be on Friday, May 18th from 6pm-7:30pm in the Undercroft.

### CATHEDRAL CONNECT BOOK DRIVE

**The Book Fairies Drive-** Do you have books lying around collecting dust? Consider donating your gently used book to a meaningful cause! For more information contact Cathedral Connect at [connect@thecathedralnyc.org](mailto:connect@thecathedralnyc.org)

*When:* TODAY, May 13th

*Where:* Collection boxes will be at the Chiotes Hall

*Accepting:*

\*New and gently used books and e-readers (baby through adult levels)

\*Unwanted magazines published in 2017/2018

\*Unwanted CDs and DVDs

Collected books will be distributed to high poverty schools and organizations across metropolitan New York.

### ARCHDIOCESAN CATHEDRAL PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY

Please join us for our annual SPRING LUNCHEON on Tuesday, May 15<sup>th</sup>. It is promised to be an amazing event! For more information please visit: <http://www.ac-philoptochos.com/>

### THE CATHEDRAL GALA

SAVE THE DATE: June 1<sup>st</sup>! Please join us for our annual Cathedral GALA. The event will be held at the New York Athletic Club, 180 Central Park South. Come support our Cathedral and be part of an amazing night! Check flyer for more information.

### PRIMETIMERS MEETING

All seniors of our community are welcome to join us on Wednesday, May 23<sup>rd</sup> at noon for lunch and a great time!

For more information, please email Pauline Kotsilimbaskotsi@gmail.com

### MESSAGE FROM OUR SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School will meet today, Sunday, May 13<sup>th</sup>

### THE CATHEDRAL SCHOOL WILL HOST AN OPEN HOUSE ON THURSDAY, MAY 17TH AT 6PM-8PM

At our Open House, you will hear from our Head of School, meet our faculty, current students, parents and admissions representatives. Learn about our rigorous and yet nurturing, tradition-rich curriculum and programming and tour of facility. Located on the Upper East Side of New York City, the Cathedral School is a college preparatory, coeducational independent school for Nursery-8th grade. Since 1948, The Cathedral School has provided a world-class education to its students with rigorous academics and outstanding programs in arts, citizenship, peer leadership, and foreign language.

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## SCRIPTURE READINGS

### Epistle Readings

Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34.

IN THOSE DAYS, as we apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

### Gospel Readings

John 9:1-38

At that time, as Jesus passed by, 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. We 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?" And 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 man?" 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.