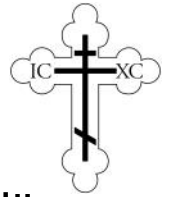




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NEWSLETTER, SUNDAY, MAY 29, 2005—CHRIST IS RISEN!

civil date / church date



WEEKLY CALENDAR

May 29 / May 16	SUN OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN.	5th Sun.of Pascha. Tone 4.	Hours/Typika 10 am
May 30 / May 17	Monday	St. Jonas, priest & wonderworker of Odessa, new-martyr.	
May 31 / May 18	Tuesday	Holy Oecumenical Councils.	
June 1 / May 19	Wednesday	<i>Fast, OW*</i>	Entry of St. Nina into Georgia.
June 2 / May 20	Thursday	Uncovering of Relics of St. Alexis, patriarch of Moscow.	
June 3 / May 21	Friday	<i>Fast, OW*</i>	Sts. Constantine & Helen, equals-to-the-Apostles.
June 4 / May 22	Saturday	Comm. of the 2nd Oecumenical Council. Vespers 6:30 pm	

** Fast, OW means that oil and wine are allowed that day.*

GENERAL MEETING OF BISHOPS

A general sobor or council-meeting of Bishops of the Russian Orthodox Church Outside Russia took place from Monday, May 23, 2005, to Thursday, May 26, in Europe. The hierarchs discussed the preparations for the All-Diaspora Russian Orthodox Council to take place in summer 2006.

Also at this meeting the case of Hieromonk Aidan (Keller) was to be discussed. There is no word yet on the results.

WORKS OF MERCY (REPEATED FROM LAST TWO SUNDAYS)

Corporal: Feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, give clothing to the naked, shelter the homeless, visit the sick, visit the imprisoned, and bury the dead. *Spiritual:* Turn back sinners, teach the ignorant, counsel the wavering, comfort the grieving, bear wrongs patiently, forgive injuries, and pray for the living and the dead.

WISH LIST

Our new mission church has a need for:

- a permanent location for a temple and rectory
- four 2-foot by 2-foot tables, 3.5 feet high, on which to place candle boxes
- a guest book for visitors to sign
- three icon stands (3.25 feet high in front, 4 to 4.5 feet high in back)
- a matching set of icons for placing on the walls
- dry wall work to separate the bathroom area
- shelves for our little bookstore

SCRIPTURES FOR THIS WEEK

Sun. Acts 9:32-42; John 5:1-15

Mon. Acts 10:1-16; John 6:56-59

Tue. Acts 10:21-33; John 7:1-13

Wed. Acts 14:6-18; John 7:14-30

Thu. Acts 10:34-43; John 8:12-20

Fri. Acts 10:44-11:10; John 8:21-30

Sat. Acts 12:1-11; John 8:31-42

ICONOSTASIS PLANS

Please take a look at the iconostasis plans which were given to All-Merciful Savior by James Mercier of our sister community in Austin, Holy Protection Russian Orthodox Church. These plans are of interest to us although our design need not be identical.

ON THE WEB ¶ ON THE STREET

Russian Orthodox Church Abroad: www.rocor.org

Diocese of Chicago & Detroit: www.chicagodiocese.org

Holy Protection Orthodox Church, 5309 Burnet Rd., Austin, TX 78756 (this church has no priest at the moment)

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church, 3617 Abrams Rd., Dallas, TX: www.orthodox.net (priest is Fr. Seraphim Holland)

Theotokos of the Life-Giving Spring Orthodox Mission, Bryan/College Station, Texas (priest is Fr. Cassian Sibley)

St. Jonah Church, 2530 Old Louetta Loop, Ste 113, Spring, TX (Houston): www.saintjonah.org (priest is Fr. John Whiteford)

St. Vladimir Orthodox Church, 24 Tidwell Rd., Houston, TX: pictures at www.saintjonah.org. (priest is Fr. Ljubomir Kupec)