

Announcements

Guidelines

With the blessing of Archbishop Alexander and following the eight-week plan announced on April 11, our parish will open fully on June 6. In anticipation of this joyous conclusion, parishioners are encouraged to apply any prudence that in their cases may be applicable.

In the meantime, a limited number of people will be permitted to attend services. All will need to sign-up in advance and follow the instructions. Services are live-streamed at www.facebook.com/stsavaatx

All Saints Summer Camp, July 5-9 — Registration is Open

Our theme this year is "Take a Hike! Journey with the Saints!": Throughout the week, we will hear the stories of remarkable men and women that dedicated their lives totally to Christ. Our prayer is that our campers will leave summer camp with a deeper understanding and realization of the presence and place of the Saints in the Church, and a desire to follow their examples at home, school, university, and beyond.

Ages: **8-18** (through H.S. Seniors) Location: **Camp Akiva - Point, TX**
Register today at www.allsaintssummercamp.org. Payment can also be made online. Registration and camp payment is due by June 1st.

Joyous Feast!

Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!

Христос воскрес! Воистину воскрес!

Χριστός ανέστη! Ἀληθῶς ανέστη!

¡Cristo ha resucitado! ¡En verdad ha resucitado!

Christus resurrexit! Resurrexit vere!

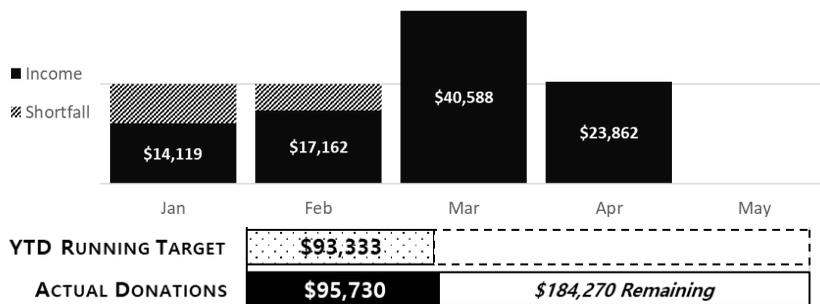
CHRISTUS IST AUFERSTANDEN! ER IST WAHRHAFTIG AUFERSTANDEN!

Hristos a învîiat! Adevărat a învîiat!

Christos tensiou! Bahake tensiou! Kristos Tenestwal! Bergit Tenestwal!

Kriste agsdga! Cheshmaritad agsdga!

2021 Parish Income (General Fund)



As approved at our annual parish meeting on January 17, the 2021 budget target is \$280,000 or an average of \$23,333 per month. This excludes designated donations that might be made toward alms, flowers, the St Sava Kitchen ministry, and capital campaigns.

St. Sava Orthodox Church

MAKING DISCIPLES OF OUR NEIGHBORS

Schedule

Great and Holy Friday (April 30)

8:00am—Royal Hours

3:00pm—Vespers of the Un-nailing of Christ from the Cross

6:30pm—Lamentation Matins

Great and Holy Saturday (May 01)

9:30am—Vespers Divine Liturgy (*by sign-up only*)

11:00pm—Paschal Nocturns and Procession

Sunday (May 02)

GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA: THE GLORIOUS RESURRECTION OF OUR LORD AND GOD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST

12:00am—Paschal Matins and Divine Liturgy (*by sign-up only*)

2:30am—Blessing of Baskets and Festivities

2:00pm—Agape Vespers and Reading of Paschal Gospel

Bright (Renewal) Monday (May 03)

9:30am—Paschal Divine Liturgy of Bright Monday

Bright (Renewal) Thursday (May 06)

6:30pm—Lord of Spirits podcast discussion group

Bright (Renewal) Saturday (May 08)

4:00pm—Inquirers' Class (*blended online/in-person*)

5:00pm—Great Vespers

6:00pm—Confession

Sunday (May 09)

Anti-Pascha: St. Thomas Sunday

9:30am—Divine Liturgy (*by sign-up only*)

11:30am—Tailgate Coffee Hour

Wednesday (May 12)

6:30pm—Daily Vespers

7:00pm—Confession



SAINT SAVA

ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, May 02, 2021

GREAT AND HOLY PASCHA

The Feast of Feasts

The Holy and Glorious Resurrection of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ

St. Athanasius the Great of Alexandria (373)

Our Parish Rector, **Fr. Photius Avant**, may be reached by phone at **(972) 612-3881** or email to fatherphotius@gmail.com.

Visit our website at stsavaoca.org to keep up to date with the church calendar, Fr. Photius' sermons, upcoming events, photos and more!

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HOLY PASCHA

THE RESURRECTION
OF OUR LORD AND SAVIOR JESUS CHRIST.

[Beginning of the Pentecostarion]. St. Athanasius the Great, Patriarch of Alexandria (373). Translation of the Relics of the Holy Passionbearers Boris and Gleb (in Baptism Roman and David—1072 and 1115). St. Athanasius of Lubensk, Patriarch of Constantinople (1654). Martyrs Hesperus, Zoë, and their sons, Cyriacus and Theodulus, at Attalia (2nd c.). St. Boris (in Baptism Michael), Prince of Bulgaria (906-907).

Hymns

*Christ is risen from the dead,
Trampling down death by death,
And upon those in the tombs
Bestowing life!*

(Paschal Troparion)

*Before the dawn Mary and the women
Came and found the stone rolled away from the tomb.
They heard the angelic voice: 'Why do you seek among
the dead as a man the one who is everlasting light?*

*Behold the clothes in the grave.**Go and proclaim to the world: The Lord is risen.**He has slain death, as he is the Son of God,
Saving the race of men.'*

(Hypakoe of Pascha)

*The angel cried to the Lady full of grace:
'Rejoice, O pure Virgin. Again, I say: Rejoice.
Thy Son is risen from his three days in the tomb.*

*With himself he has raised all the dead.**Rejoice, all ye people.'*

(Megalyarion of the 9th Ode)

Romans 6:3-11 (*Epistle, Paschal Vigil Liturgy*)

Or do you not know that as many of us as were baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? Therefore we were buried with Him through baptism into death, that just as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, even so we also should walk in newness of life. For if we have been united together in the likeness of His death, certainly we also shall be in the likeness of His resurrection, knowing this, that our old man was crucified with Him, that the body of sin might be done away with, that we should no longer be slaves of sin. For he who has died has been freed from sin. Now if we died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him, knowing that Christ, having been raised from the dead, dies no more. Death no longer has dominion over Him. For the death that He died, He died to sin once for all; but the life that He lives, He lives to God. Likewise you also, reckon yourselves to be dead indeed to sin, but alive to God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Matthew 28:1-20 (*Gospel, Paschal Vigil Liturgy*)

Now after the Sabbath, as the first day of the week began to dawn, Mary Magdalene and the other Mary came to see the tomb. And behold, there was a great earthquake; for an angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat on it. His countenance was like lightning, and his clothing as white as snow. And the guards shook for fear of him, and became like dead men. But the angel answered and said to the women, "Do not be afraid, for I know that you seek Jesus who was crucified. He is not here; for He is risen, as He said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay. And go quickly and tell His disciples that He is risen from the dead, and indeed He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him. Behold, I have told you." So they went out quickly from the tomb with fear and great joy, and ran to bring His disciples word. And as they went to tell His disciples, behold, Jesus met them, saying, "Rejoice!" So they came and held Him by the feet and worshiped Him. Then Jesus said to them, "Do not be afraid. Go and tell My brethren to go to Galilee, and there they will see Me." Now while they were going, behold, some of the guard came into the city and reported to the chief priests all the things that had happened. When they had assembled with the elders and consulted together, they gave a large sum of money to the soldiers, saying, "Tell them, 'His disciples came at night and stole Him away while we slept.' And if this comes to the governor's ears, we will appease him and make you secure." So they took the money and did as they were instructed; and this saying is commonly reported among the Jews until this day. Then the eleven disciples went away into Galilee, to the mountain which Jesus had appointed for them. When they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and spoke to them, saying, "All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth. Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things that I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age. Amen."

Acts 1:1-8 (*Epistle, Paschal Festal Liturgy*)

The former account I made, O Theophilus, of all that Jesus began both to do and teach, until the day in which He was taken up, after He through the Holy Spirit had given commandments to the apostles whom He had chosen, to whom He also presented Himself alive after His suffering by many infallible proofs, being seen by

them during forty days and speaking of the things pertaining to the kingdom of God. And being assembled together with them, He commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the Promise of the Father, "which," He said, "you have heard from Me; for John truly baptized with water, but you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now." Therefore, when they had come together, they asked Him, saying, "Lord, will You at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?" And He said to them, "It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has put in His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be witnesses to Me in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth."

John 1:1-17 (*Gospel, Paschal Festal Liturgy*)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God. All things were made through Him, and without Him nothing was made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. And the light shines in the darkness, and the darkness did not comprehend it. There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. This man came for a witness, to bear witness of the Light, that all through him might believe. He was not that Light, but was sent to bear witness of that Light. That was the true Light which gives light to every man coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, and the world did not know Him. He came to His own, and His own did not receive Him. But as many as received Him, to them He gave the right to become children of God, to those who believe in His name: who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God. And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, and we beheld His glory, the glory as of the only begotten of the Father, full of grace and truth. John bore witness of Him and cried out, saying, "This was He of whom I said, 'He who comes after me is preferred before me, for He was before me.'" And of His fullness we have all received, and grace for grace. For the law was given through Moses, but grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.

John 20:19-25 (*Gospel, Paschal Vespers*)

Then, the same day at evening, being the first day of the week, when the doors were shut where the disciples were assembled, for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood in the midst, 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. So Jesus said to them again, "Peace to you! As the Father has sent Me, I also 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 them; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." 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."

