

April 30, 2023

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

Saint of the Day: James the Apostle, Argyra the New Martyr

CHRIST IS RISEN!

WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS!!!

Thank you for worshipping with us!!! Please join us for fellowship immediately following The Divine Liturgy. For those visiting an Orthodox Church for the first time, please be aware that Holy Communion is a sign of unity of faith which is only offered to Baptized or Chrismated Orthodox Christians. All present are welcome, and encouraged, to receive the antidoron (bread given to those who do not/are not able receive Holy Communion) which is distributed at the end of the service. For those interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith, please feel free to speak with Fr. Demetri after the service.

WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE TO FOLLOW ALONG AND PARTICIPATE IN THE DIVINE LITURGY WITH THE BOOKS PROVIDED!!!

MEMORIAL SERIVCE

Ifigenia (3 years) and Agathoklis (12 years) Giotas. Coffee hour is sponsored in memory of Ifigenia and Agathoklis Giotas.

Altar candles this morning are given in memory of Gabriel Parsonidis, father of Toula Barber.

WEEK IN PREVIEW

Tue, May 2 Library Memory Project Photo ID by Zoom 7pm Wed, May 3
Bible Study in the
Library 11am

Learn to Chant in the Library 7pm

Sun, May 7 Orthros 8:45am Divine Liturgy 10am Memorial Service

Hymns Chanted Following the Small Entrance

Resurrection Hymns in the Second Tone.

Ότε κατῆλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἅδην ἐνέκρωσας τῆ ἀστραπῆ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αὶ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον Ζωοδότα Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You

Ό εύσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου καθελών, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι καθαρᾳ, είλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν μνήματι καινῷ, κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο ἀλλὰ τριήμερος ἀνέστης Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Ταῖς μυροφόροις Γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ μνῆμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς ὑπάρχει ἁρμόδια, Χριστὸς δὲ διαφθορᾶς ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος, ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ Κύριος, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

The Angel standing at the sepulcher cried out and said to the ointment-bearing women: The ointments are appropriate for mortal men, but Christ has been shown to be a stranger to decay. So go and cry aloud, The Lord has risen and granted the world His great mercy

Anthem of St. George in the Fourth Tone

Ως τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ἐλευθερωτής, καὶ τῶν πτωχῶν ὑπερασπιστής, ἀσθενούντων ἰατρός, βασιλέων ὑπέρμαχος, Τροπαιοφόρε Μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Liberator of captives and defender of the poor, physician of the sick and champion of kings, oh Trophy-bearer and Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ our God, that our souls be saved.

Seasonal/Kontakion Hymn in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

Εί καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατῆλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Acts 6:1-7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Πραξεις 6:1-7

Έν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, πληθυνόντων τῶν μαθητῶν, ἐγένετο γογγυσμὸς τῶν Ἑλληνιστῶν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑβραίους, ὅτι παρεθεωροῦντο ἐν τῇ διακονία τῇ καθημερινῇ αἱ χῆραι αὐτῶν. Προσκαλεσάμενοι δὲ οἱ δώδεκα τὸ πλῆθος τῶν μαθητῶν, εἶπον, Οὐκ ἀρεστόν ἐστιν ἡμᾶς, καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. Ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἐπτά, πλήρεις πνεύματος ἀγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὺς καταστήσωμεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης. Ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονία τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσομεν. Καὶ ἤρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρης πίστεως καὶ πνεύματος ἀγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον, καὶ Πρόχορον, καὶ Νικάνορα, καὶ Τίμωνα, καὶ Παρμενᾶν, καὶ Νικόλαον προσήλυτον Άντιοχέα, οὺς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων· καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. Καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ηὕξανεν, καὶ ἐπληθύνετο ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν μαθητῶν ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ σφόδρα, πολύς τε ὅχλος τῶν ἱερέων ὑπήκουον τῇ πίστει.

Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him

in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

<u>Μαρκον 15:43-47; 16:1-8</u>

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐλθὼν Ἰωσὴφ ὁ ἀπὸ Ἀριμαθαίας, εὐσχήμων βουλευτής, ὅς καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν προσδεχόμενος τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, τολμήσας εἰσῆλθε πρὸς Πιλᾶτον καὶ ἠτήσατο τὸ σῶμα τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. Ὁ δὲ Πιλᾶτος ἐθαύμασεν εἰ ἤδη τέθνηκε, καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος τὸν κεντυρίωνα έπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν εἰ πάλαι ἀπέθανε· καὶ γνοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ κεντυρίωνος ἐδωρήσατο τὸ σῶμα τῷ Ἰωσήφ. Καὶ ἀγοράσας σινδόνα καὶ καθελὼν αὐτὸν ἐνείλησε τῆ σινδόνι καὶ κατέθηκεν αὐτὸν ἐν μνημείω, ὂ ἦν λελατομημένον ἐκ πέτρας, καὶ προσεκύλισε λίθον ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν τοῦ μνημείου. Ἡ δὲ Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ καὶ Μαρία Ἰωσῆ ἐθεώρουν ποῦ τίθεται. Καὶ διαγενομένου τοῦ σαββάτου Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνή καὶ Μαρία ἡ τοῦ Ἰακώβου καὶ Σαλώμη ἠγόρασαν ἀρώματα ἵνα ἐλθοῦσαι άλείψωσιν αὐτόν. Καὶ λίαν πρωΐ τῆς μιᾶς σαββάτων ἔρχονται ἐπὶ τὸ μνημεῖον, ἀνατείλαντος τοῦ ἡλίου. Καὶ ἔλεγον πρὸς ἑαυτάς. Τίς ἀποκυλίσει ἡμῖν τὸν λίθον ἐκ τῆς θύρας τοῦ μνημείου; Καὶ άναβλέψασαι θεωροῦσιν ὅτι ἀποκεκύλισται ὁ λίθος• ἦν γὰρ μέγας σφόδρα. Καὶ εἰσελθοῦσαι εἰς τὸ μνημεῖον εἶδον νεανίσκον καθήμενον ἐν τοῖς δεξιοῖς, περιβεβλημένον στολὴν λευκήν, καὶ έξεθαμβήθησαν. Ὁ δὲ λέγει αὐταῖς μὴ ἐκθαμβεῖσθε Ἰησοῦν ζητεῖτε τὸν Ναζαρηνὸν τὸν έσταυρωμένον ήγέρθη, οὐκ ἔστιν ὧδε ἴδε ὁ τόπος ὅπου ἔθηκαν αὐτόν. Άλλ' ὑπάγετε εἴπατε τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ τῷ Πέτρῳ ὅτι προάγει ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν· ἐκεῖ αὐτὸν ὄψεσθε, καθώς εἶπεν ὑμῖν. Καὶ ἐξελθοῦσαι ἔφυγον ἀπὸ τοῦ μνημείου• εἶχε δὲ αὐτὰς τρόμος καὶ ἔκστασις, καὶ οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν εἶπον· ἐφοβοῦντο γάρ.



ANAGENNESIS LADIES SOCIETY

Mother's day dinner

MONDAY, MAY 15, 2023 6:00 P.M.

FILOTIMO RESTAURANT 1279 SOUTH WILLOW STREET MANCHESTER, NH

BUFFET DINNER

Salad
Lemon Chicken
Pork Souvlaki
Keftedes
Lemon Potatoes
Rice Pilaf
Green Beans

ENTERTAINMENT

RAFFLES

\$25.00 Payment by cash or check.

RSVP to

Nikki Moutsioulis 603-289-2430 or grkpwr@comcast.net

Beth in the church office 603-622-9113 or beth@stgeorgenh.org

*** Please reply by May 8. ***







Greek Celebration

Join us for a Greek Celebration at Fenway Park! Each ticket purchased through this promotion will include a special-edition Red Sox Greek Heritage jersey!



Thursday, June 1, 7:10 PM Rods vs. Rod Sox



In honor of the late great Harry Agganis

Regular Tickets

Includes Red Sox game ticket and Greek Night Jersey



VIP Tickets Includes ticket and jersey, plus reception and buffet in the Vineyard Vines Club

Net proceeds benefit the Alpha Omega Council Charities





*** DEADLINE FOR ADS IS JUNE 30! ***

For quarter-, half-, and full-page ads, please send ads by email to beth@stgeorgenh.org in PDF, TIFF, JPG, or Word format.

Option 4: Full-page ad \$300.00 Dimensions are 7.5" wide by 10" high.

Option 3: Half-page ad \$150.00 Dimensions are: 7.5" wide by 4.75" high OR 3.5" wide by 10" high.

Option 2: Quarter-page ad \$75.00 Dimensions are 3.5" wide by 4.75" high.

Option 1: Patron List \$25.00

This option lists your name on the Patrons page. Write as legibly as possible how you would like your name to appear on the page on this line:

Please make checks payable to:

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PRAYER LIST

Pondering on the words of St. Paul, "Let no one seek his own, but each one the other's wellbeing. (I Cor. 10:24).

Give rest to the weary, visit the sick, support the poor, for this is also worship. Aphahat

For any prayer concern (salvation, health, employment, stress and anxieties, etc.) please send baptismal names only to:

office@stgeorgenh.org

We may not be able to help others materially or medically, but God does hear our prayers and always asks us to pray for each other and so build up the Body of Christ (Eph. 4:11-16).

For health, recovery from illness and surgery: Fr. Nicholas, Fr. Peter, Leah, Thomas, Tom, Soultana, Nick, Maura, Ernie, Dean, Vasilios, Rigley, Zachary, Luke, Rachel, Daniel, Kathy, Helen, Elanie, Andrew, Jamie, Megan, Stephanie, Katherine, Christos, Maureen, Vasiliki, Maria, Faye, Emily, Nicole, Olivia, Georgia, Mark, Maryann, James

For comfort, spiritual help & strengthening of faith: Pres. Patricia and family, Pres. Diane, Pres. Sophia, Pres. Dianthe, Barbara, Nancy, Amantha and Family, Maddie, Dino, Nick, Connie, Amy

For couples, parents and their families: Neal and Elena, Paul – Kristin & Michael Francis, Penelope & Florence, Teddy, Alyssa and George, Tracy & family, Christina & Casey, Melanie and Michael

For those engaged to be married: Karleigh and Stavros, Katerina and Dennis

For conceiving of children:

For childbearing:

For those in the Armed Forces: Benjamin, Michael, Gabriel, Felipe

For those travelling abroad:

For those seeking employment: Lia, Jillian, Sophia

St. George Name Day Dance

May 6, 2023

7pm to 11pm

St. George Cathedral Community Center 650 Hanover Street, Manchester, NH



Tickets are \$20 per person Children under 15 Free
Come celebrate the
Name Day of St. George Cathedral

with

DJ The Salonica Boys Cash Bar Appetizers

Enjoy dancing and fun for all ages!

For more information call

John at 603-851-0961

or Toula at 603-668-6839 or
the church office 603-622-9113



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>ST. GEORGE NAME DAY DANCE</u> – Join us on Saturday, May 6 from 7pm to 11pm as we celebrate Saint George! Tickets are \$20 per person, children under 15 are free. See the enclosed flyer for more details.

<u>SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY</u> - The Spring General Assembly will be held following Divine Liturgy on Sunday May 14th.

SERVICE START TIME CHANGE ON SUNDAY SCHOOL GRADUATION SUNDAY, MAY 21 -We will recognize students in our Church School on this day. Students will receive a certificate and some classes will offer a prayer together. Please remember that on this day, Orthros/Matins will start at 8:30am and The Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30am.

<u>GREEK HERITAGE NIGHT AT THE RED SOX</u> - Thursday, June 1 is Greek Heritage Night at Fenway Park. See the enclosed flyer for more information.

EDUCATION & SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY JUNE 11- This is a call to ALL who are High School Seniors. This is a day in which all those who are graduating from High School will be recognized following the Divine Liturgy. We ask that those who are graduating provide your name, a little write up about yourself including which high school you are graduating from or if home schooled, a recent picture, your plans for the future, and your community involvement here at St. George or elsewhere.

In order to have these names appear in the Weekly Bulletin on this day, we need all the information by Sunday, June 4. If we do not have your name and this information, you will not be able to be acknowledged as a graduate in the printed weekly bulletin. Please take the time and give our office a call or better yet, send an e-mail to beth@stgeorgenh.org with all the information we are asking!

The scholarship awards program will take place in our community center following coffee hour.

<u>2023 METROPOLIS AWARD RECIPIENT</u> – We are pleased to announce that this year's St. George recipient is **Diane LaRoche**. The awards banquet will be on Sunday June 11, at Gillette Stadium, Foxboro, Ma. Reception is at 4:30 p.m. and dinner will be at 5:30 p.m. Tickets: \$100. If you would like to purchase tickets, please contact the church office at 603-622-9113. Congratulations to Diane and we thank her for many years of service to our Cathedral!

PASCHA FELLOWSHIP THANK YOU. - Thank you to all who helped make the Pascha Fellowship a success, setting up, bringing delicious dishes to share, and cleaning up. Special thanks to the *chef du maison*, John, who ensured that the lamb was roasted to perfection. Χριστός Ανέστη! Tom and Ginny

<u>UPCOMING MEMORIAL SERVICES</u> - May 7, John MacArthur (5 years); May 21, William Pappas (40 days)

-:- HE IS NOT HERE! HE IS RISEN! -:-

t the time of His Passion, our Lord seemingly stood alone against the world. Judas betrayed Him. Peter denied even knowing Him. The other Apostles ran away and hid, fearing for their safety.

Amidst this shameful display of faithlessness, the Gospel tells another tale – a story of unprecedented loyalty and devotion. This is the story of the MYRRH-BEARING WOMEN.

The Evangelists relate to us that throughout Christ's earthly ministry, He was accompanied by a small group of women, who cared for His needs and those of His small band of followers. They refused to desert their Master. Even when He endured His terrible Crucifixion, they stood in the shadow of the Cross until the end.

The loyalty of the Myrrh-Bearing Women did not stop there. Risking an encounter with the Roman soldiers assigned to guard the tomb of Christ, they bravely set out to anoint the Body of Jesus. Their sense of obligation to carry out the prescribed customs of their faith was much stronger than their fears. Little did they know that the greatest of rewards awaited them in the early hours of dawn on that first Pascha. The tomb was empty! Christ has risen, and they were the first to know this wonderful news! May the example of the Myrrh-Bearing Women inspire us to live similar lives of LOVE and SERVICE to our Savior.

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Lord's Day (Sunday) Services: Orthros/Matins: 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

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The Children's Word

"Let the little children come to me, and do not forbid them, for to such is the Kingdom of Heaven." Mark 10:14

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Who will roll away the stone?



This is a tomb, probably like the one Jesus was put in. Do you see the big stone in front of it?

You know how it is to push

something very heavy, don't you? Sometimes you don't know how you'll lift something. Sometimes, you just can't do it!

Today we remember the myrrh-bearing women. You know them, don't you?
They're the ones who woke up very early to come to Jesus Christ's tomb. They brought nice-smelling perfume to anoint Him. But they had a problem. After Jesus died on the Cross, He was put into a tomb. A big stone was

rolled in front of it so nobody could get in there. Archaeologists think that the stone probably weighed about 2,000 to 4,000 pounds—as much as a car weighs! So these women didn't know how they would move it. They said to themselves, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" But they went anyway. They wanted to do something for the Lord!

You know what happened then. When they got there, the stone had been moved away. The angel told them that Christ had risen!

Sometimes we don't know how we are going to do something. We might have a problem that we just can't work out. But when we want to do something good, God will roll away that stone for us! In other words, He will work it out. Let's learn from these women, and trust in our Lord!

WORD SEAR T Can you find these Ν T Н words in the jum-R ble? Ε Ρ M S Anoint U Feasting Joseph S R Myrrhbearers Е Preach S Resurrection C 0 K Roll S Т Stone Sunday

WHAT'S IN THE ICON?

Here is an icon of the myrrh-bearing women. It almost looks like they are asking each other, "Who will roll away the stone from the tomb?"

We know some of their names, like Mary and Joanna and Salome, but maybe there were others too!

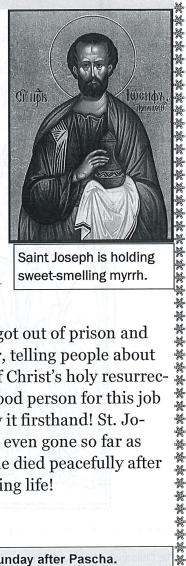


WHAT HAPPENED TO

SAINT JOSEPH OF ARIMATHEA?

Today is the Sunday of the Myrrhbearing women, but we also remember a saint who is kind of like a myrrh-bearing man!

Saint Joseph of Arimathea was a Jewish leader, but He boldly followed Christ. St. Joseph was the one who took Christ's body down from the Cross, after He had died. Joseph put the body in his own tomb, and he prepared Christ's body with sweet-smelling myrrh and spices. The other Jewish leaders found out about this and sent him to prison. Christ appeared to him when he was in jail, and showed him that He had really risen from the dead!



Saint Joseph is holding sweet-smelling myrrh.

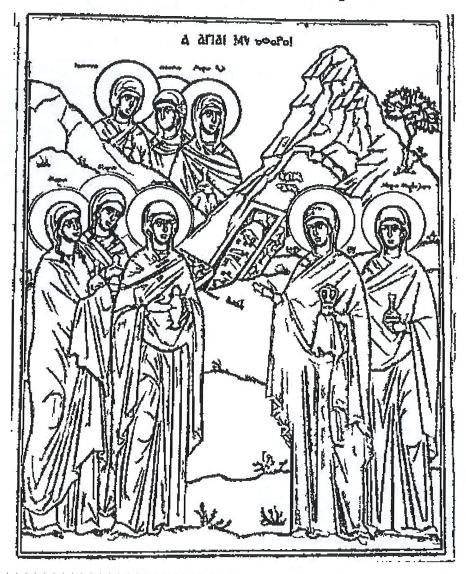
But what happened then? Eventually, Joseph got out of prison and

The ruins of an early church in England, near where St. Joseph may have been.

travelled all over, telling people about the good news of Christ's holy resurrection. He was a good person for this job because he knew it firsthand! St. Joseph might have even gone so far as Britain! There, he died peacefully after a long and amazing life!

We remember Saint Joseph today, on the 2nd Sunday after Pascha.

The Women with Myrrh



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