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May Liturgical Schedule / Information:

CHRIST IS RISEN! **INDEED, HE IS RISEN!**

Midfeast of Pentecost: (18 May - Wednesday)

Norris / Moore Wedding:

3:00pm (28 May - Saturday) St. John the Baptist Orthodox Church



Looking Ahead: (June)

Ascension of Our Lord (2 June - Thursday)

Holy Pentecost (12 June - Sunday)

Nativity of St. John the Baptist (24 June - Friday)

Apostles (Saints Peter & Paul) Fast Begins (20 June)

Holy Apostles Peter and Paul (29 June - Wednesday)



This is the Day which the Lord has made, Let us rejoice and be glad in it!





May Liturgical News & Notes:

- Blessing of Graves will take place on Sunday May 1st (St. Thomas Sunday) following the Coffee Hour, approximately 12:30pm (weather permitting).
- Father Andrew will be out of town the weekend of May 12th through May 16th. Fr. Daniel Rohan will celebrate the Divine Liturgy on Sunday May 15th. There will be NO Great Vespers on Saturday May 14th. In the event of a pastoral care emergency during Father's Andrew's absence please contact Deacon David Gemmel (330 965-9005 (Home) 330 881-4201 (Cell)).

Feast of Mid-Pentecost

On Wednesday after the Sunday of the Paralytic, the Feast of Mid-Pentecost is celebrated, which marks the halfway point between Pascha and the Feast of Pentecost.

Mid-Pentecost is one of the Feast days of Jesus in the Orthodox Church and is dedicated to the Wisdom of God, that is, of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. This day combines the themes of Easter and the Descent of the Holy Spirit on the other while paving the way for



glory of the Ascension of Jesus, which is celebrated after 15 days. The fact that the feast is the midpoint of the two great feasts reminds the Christians of the Jewish adjective used to refer to Jesus, 'Messiah', which is translated in Greek as $X\rho\iota\sigma\tau\delta\varsigma$ ('anointed').

