

HOLY RESURRECTION ORTHODOX CHURCH

Mary Street, Belle Vernon, PA
(Serving the faithful of Belle Vernon and surrounding areas)

***Christ is Risen! Christos Anesti! Christos Voskrece!
Al-Maseeho Qam! Hristos a Inviat!***

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Epistle Reading: Acts 11:19-26, 29-30 **Gospel Reading:** John 4:5-42
Next Week: Acts 16:16-34 **Next Week:** John 9:1-38

*Take time to read the scriptures to prepare your heart and mind for Sunday's Liturgy.

Services	Sun. May 22 nd	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman 5th Sunday of Pascha	
		Memorial prayers will be offered on behalf of the servant of God, <i>Robert Smolcic (Uncle and Godfather to Father)</i>	After Liturgy
	Sat., May 28 th	Great Vespers and Holy Confession	7 pm
	Sun. May 29 th	Sunday of the Blindman 6th Sunday of Pascha	
		Church School Divine Liturgy	9:15 am 10 am

Announcements: PLEASE NOTE: Due to the untimely death of Father Sam's beloved Uncle and Godfather, grave blessings will be postponed until next Sunday following Coffee Hour.

NEXT SUNDAY, we will finish the grave blessings. We will celebrate a Memorial for our Beloved Departed at the Cross in front of the Church doors and then proceed to the Belle Vernon Cemetery to finish blessing the graves of family members and former parishioners. We will then proceed to the West Newton cemetery. Please let Father know soon of other locations so arrangements can be made.

NEXT SUNDAY will be the last day of Church School.

PLEASE NOTE: We will be transitioning to our **summer start time of 9:30 a.m. on June 5, 2011.**

As we are all cleaning and sprucing up during these rainy Spring days, consider donating your unwanted treasures to the Church. Planning for the Summer Flea Market is now underway. The dates

for this event are **June 10th and 11th.** *All items need to be brought to the church by May 29th.* There will be a pre-sale on **Sunday, June 5th** after Liturgy. If you need someone to pick up your items at home, let Fran Sabo know. If you would like to help out either Friday or Saturday, your assistance would be greatly appreciated! Also, any donations of bake goods for these two days would be welcome! Thanks as always for your generosity!

2011 Graduates – It's hard to believe that next month will signal that another academic school year will be coming to a close. Don't forget to let Fr. Sam know of our 2011 Graduates so that they can be recognized during Divine Liturgy in the beginning of June. Please leave their name(s) at the candlestand. Thanks!

FEAST DAY OF THE HOLY MARTYR BASILISCUS

Basiliscus was in prison with his kinsman St. Theodore the Tyro along with Eutropius and Cleonimus. When these men were crucified as martyrs, Basiliscus was spared martyrdom was taken back to prison, where he asked God with tears that He would not deprive him of a martyr's death for His sake. After he prayed at length, the Lord Jesus appeared to him and promised to fulfill his desire, sending him to his village to say farewell to his mother and brothers. Thereupon the new governor, Agrippa, arrived and sent to have Basiliscus brought from the village immediately. On his way to the city of Amasea, the Lord worked great wonders through His martyr, bringing many of the people to faith in Christ. Agrippa ordered the martyr to offer sacrifice to the idol, Apollyon. Basiliscus said, Apollyon means Destroyer and with fervent prayer, he knocked the idol to dust and burned the temple with fire from heaven. The terrified Agrippa attributed this all to magic, and ordered that Basiliscus be beheaded with the sword. Agrippa immediately became insane and in his madness went to the place of execution, found a little of the martyr's blood in the dust and smeared it on himself under his belt, being restored to health by it. Having come to his senses, he was baptized. Later a citizen of Comana built a church over the martyr's place of execution and many of the sick found healing there.

The James C. Stump Funeral Home sponsored this week's bulletin.

