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4th Sunday after Pentecost Uncovering of the Relics of Ven. Sergius of Radonezh

Christ is in our midst: he is and forever shall Be. The question that was asked by the Lord to peter even three times! Peter do you love me? This very question is also directed to all of us! In a world full of selfishness and pride! Can we really answer yes Lord, you know all things, and you know that I love you. I can't emphasis this point enough! How can we answer yes to love God whom we haven't seen but can't love our neighbor whom we do see? Let all our actions be driven by that love, for God and neighbor. So we can truly say .yes lord I love you, and Glory to you in all things.

Tone 3 Troparion (Resurrection)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world// great mercy.

Tone 8 Troparion (Ven. Sergius)

From thy youth thou didst receive Christ into thy soul, O ven'able one, and above all didst desire to leave behind the turmoil of the world. With courage thou didst settle in the wilderness, where thou didst raise Children in obedience, the fruits of humility. Thus, as an abode of the Trinity, thou didst enlighten all who approached in faith, granting healing to all.// O our Father Sergius, pray to Christ God that our souls may be saved!

Troparion Saint George You were Bound for Good Deed.....

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 3 Kontakion (Resurrection)

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs// they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power.

Tone 8 Kontakion (Ven. Sergius)

Having risen from the earth today and shining like the sun, thy precious and incorrupt relics are as fragrant flowers, scented with miracles, granting healing to all the faithful, and making glad thy flock which thou didst wisely gather and tend. Now as thou standest before the throne of the Trinity, entreat God's help and grace for them and for all Orthodox Christians, so that we may sing: Rejoice, O divinely-wise Sergius!

Kontakion Saint George: God RaisedNow and ever...Steadfast protectors

Tone 3 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises! (Ps 46/47:6) v: Clap your hands, all peoples! Shout to God with loud songs of joy! (Ps 46/47:1)

Tone 7 Prokeimenon (Ven. Sergius)

Precious in the sight of the Lord / is the death of His saints. (Ps 115/116:15)

Epistle Romans 6:18-23 Galatians 5:22-6:2 (Ven. Sergius)

Tone 3 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! v: In Thee, O Lord, have I hoped; let me never be put to shame!

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(Ps 30/31:1) v: Be a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me! (Ps 30/31:2)

Tone 6 *v. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments. (Ps 111/112:1)*

Gospel Matthew 8:5-13 Luke 6:17-23 (*Ven. Sergius*)

Communion Hymn Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! *(Ps 148:1)* The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. *(Ps 111/112:6b-7a)*
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Quotes from the Saints

***"If you want to serve God, prepare your heart not for food, not for drink, not for rest, not for ease, but for suffering, so that you may endure all temptations, trouble and sorrow. Prepare for severities, fasts, spiritual struggles and many afflictions, for "by many afflictions is it appointed to us to enter the Kingdom of Heaven" (Acts 14,22); 'The Heavenly Kingdom is taken by force, and the who use force seize it.' (Matt 11:12)+ **St. Sergius of Radonezh**

***But I say to you, the Lord says, love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, pray for those who persecute you. Why did he command these things? So that he might free you from hatred, sadness, anger and grudges, and might grant you the greatest possession of all, perfect love, which is impossible to possess except by the one who loves all equally in imitation of God.

+ST.Maximus the Confessor

prayers for the livings: Abbot Tryphon, Sam and his Family ,Anne, Peter, Juan, Juan, Ruth, Debrutu, Elena,Hellen,Denise ,Michaela, Elizabeth Daniel, Daphne, Gregory and Mary, Anastasia, Joseph, Isidoros, Vaso, Angela, Nick, Nick, Sonya and Dragosh, Timothy, Eric & Betsy and their Children ,Zayden,Mark, Mother suzanna, fr.Leonid ,Daniel, Fadi, Michael,Eva,Lori, Anastsia & peter.And all those who are suffering from social injustice, rioting and the resent pandemic

Prayers for the Departed: all the orthodox that lies here and there sleep in the Lord.

Reminder

***Fr. Arkadi , will be performing the divine liturgy this Sunday . Glory to GOD in all Things!

*** Please keep in mind all the Guidelines from our Bishop, and county. This is a time to be vigilant in prayers and NOT relaxed. It is very easy to spread anger and Chaos in this world, it's a lot harder and requires discipline to gather and unite. (But that is exactly where the fruits of the Holy Spirit is found) look the fields are ready for harvest but the workers are few!!!!

*** **The maximum occupancy for now is @25 people please be courteous in observing this. You can always come back and receive Holy Communion at the end of the liturgy provided you have been prepared!**

*****FACE MASK IS MANDATORY! Thank you for your understanding!**

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PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS AS YOU ENTER THE CHURCH!

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Inlight of Governor Newsome's announcement on the opening of churches, His Eminence wanted to make sure you read and abide by the following instructions:

- 1) Everyone who is in the church for services must have their temp. taken that morning. Anything 100.4 and above will require them to refrain from entering.
- 2) The priest should step back from the altar table as far as possible once the gifts have been transferred and especially once they have been uncovered, approaching only when required (like at the consecration) and then stepping back.
- 3) A mask must be worn by the priest when giving communion.
- 4) The faithful are required to wear masks while in church except when receiving communion.
- 5) Should there be someone who balks at this, the priest should stop the service until that person leaves or dons a mask. No one has a right to endanger others.
- 6) Should it be discovered that someone who has attended has become symptomatic, the parish must close and refrain from holding services for two weeks. So, it is in everyone's interest to keep things as safe as possible.
- 7) As you enter the church, please use the hand sanitizer, refrain from kissing the Icons directly as well as kissing the priest's hand and each other.
- 8) In compliance with the civil authority, we are required to keep attendance @25% of capacity. Should we reach the limit? Dear brothers and sisters, I'm asking your understanding and cooperation in leaving and then return for Holy Communion at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy once the people present had left! **ASELOUTLY NO COFFEE HOUR OR SOCIALIZING AT THE END OF THE DIVINE LITURGY**
- 9) inside the Church family with children should stay together and adults to remain 6feet a part.

Thank you my brothers and sisters for your understanding and cooperation in this matter! We all need to remain vigilant in prayers and by the grace of God we will get through this together.