



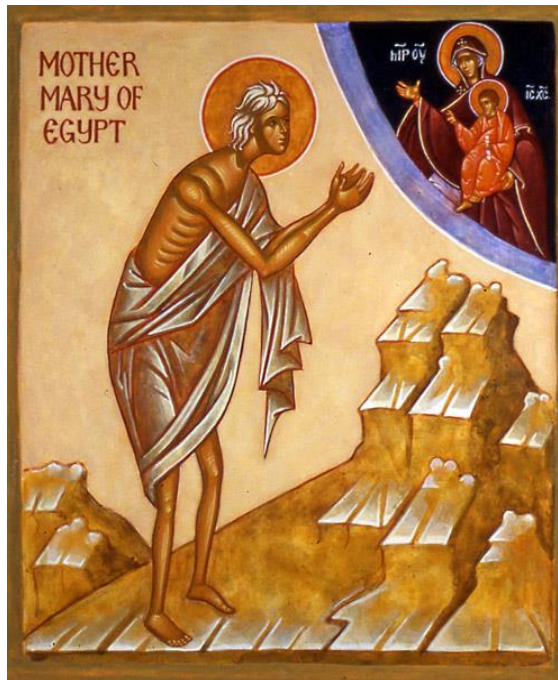
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# SAINT INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH

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April 2, 2017

*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Great Lent  
Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt*



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## *Troparion and Kontakion for April 2, 2017*

### **Tone 8      Troparion      (*Resurrection*)**

You descended from on high, O Merciful One! You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!//O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

### **Tone 8      Troparion      (*St. Mary of Egypt*)**

The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Mother, for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. By so doing, you taught us to disregard the flesh for it passes away; but to care instead for the soul, for it is immortal.//Therefore your spirit, O holy Mother Mary, rejoices with the angels.

### **Tone 3      Kontakion      (*St. Mary of Egypt*)**

Having been a sinful woman, you became through repentance a bride of Christ. Having attained angelic life, you defeated demons with the weapon of the Cross.//Therefore O most glorious Mary, you are a bride of the Kingdom.



### ***Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14***

**9** But Christ came as High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation. Not with the blood of goats and calves, but with His own blood He entered the Most Holy Place once for all, having obtained eternal redemption. <sup>13</sup> For if the blood of bulls and goats and the ashes of a heifer, sprinkling the unclean, sanctifies for the purifying of the flesh, <sup>14</sup> how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered Himself without spot to God, cleanse your conscience from dead works to serve the living God?

### ***Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29      (*St. Mary of Egypt*)***

**3** But before faith came, we were kept under guard by the law, kept for the faith which would afterward be revealed. <sup>24</sup> Therefore the law was our tutor *to bring us* to Christ, that we might be justified by faith. <sup>25</sup> But after faith has come, we are no longer under a tutor. <sup>26</sup> For you are all sons of God through faith in Christ Jesus. <sup>27</sup> For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. <sup>28</sup> There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. <sup>29</sup> And if you *are* Christ's, then you are Abraham's seed, and heirs according to the promise. Christ came *as* High Priest of the good things to come, with the greater and more perfect tabernacle not made with hands, that is, not of this creation.

***Gospel: Mark 10:32-45***

10 Now they were on the road, going up to Jerusalem, and Jesus was going before them; and they were amazed. And as they followed they were afraid. Then He took the twelve aside again and began to tell them the things that would happen to Him: <sup>33</sup>“Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem, and the Son of Man will be betrayed to the chief priests and to the scribes; and they will condemn Him to death and deliver Him to the Gentiles; <sup>34</sup>and they will mock Him, and scourge Him, and spit on Him, and kill Him. And the third day He will rise again.” <sup>35</sup>Then James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came to Him, saying, “Teacher, we want You to do for us whatever we ask.” <sup>36</sup>And He said to them, “What do you want Me to do for you?” <sup>37</sup>They said to Him, “Grant us that we may sit, one on Your right hand and the other on Your left, in Your glory.” <sup>38</sup>But Jesus said to them, “You do not know what you ask. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, and be baptized with the baptism that I am baptized with?” <sup>39</sup>They said to Him, “We are able.” So Jesus said to them, “You will indeed drink the cup that I drink, and with the baptism I am baptized with you will be baptized; <sup>40</sup>but to sit on My right hand and on My left is not Mine to give, but *it is for those* for whom it is prepared.” <sup>41</sup>And when the ten heard *it*, they began to be greatly displeased with James and John. <sup>42</sup>But Jesus called them to *Himself* and said to them, “You know that those who are considered rulers over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great ones exercise authority over them. <sup>43</sup>Yet it shall not be so among you; but whoever desires to become great among you shall be your servant. <sup>44</sup>And whoever of you desires to be first shall be slave of all. <sup>45</sup>For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give His life a ransom for many.

***Gospel: Luke 7:36-50 (St. Mary of Egypt)***

7 Then one of the Pharisees asked Him to eat with him. And He went to the Pharisee’s house, and sat down to eat. <sup>37</sup>And behold, a woman in the city who was a sinner, when she knew that Jesus sat at the table in the Pharisee’s house, brought an alabaster flask of fragrant oil, <sup>38</sup>and stood at His feet behind Him weeping; and she began to wash His feet with her tears, and wiped them with the hair of her head; and she kissed His feet and anointed them with the fragrant oil. <sup>39</sup>Now when the Pharisee who had invited Him saw this, he spoke to himself, saying, “This Man, if He were a prophet, would know who and what manner of woman this is who is touching Him, for she is a sinner.” <sup>40</sup>And Jesus answered and said to him, “Simon, I have something to say to you.” So he said, “Teacher, say it.” <sup>41</sup>“There was a certain creditor who had two debtors. One owed five hundred denarii, and the other fifty. <sup>42</sup>And when they had nothing with which to repay, he freely forgave them both. Tell Me, therefore, which of them will love him more?” <sup>43</sup>Simon answered and said, “I suppose the one whom

he forgave more." And He said to him, "You have rightly judged." <sup>44</sup> Then He turned to the woman and said to Simon, "Do you see this woman? I entered your house; you gave Me no water for My feet, but she has washed My feet with her tears and wiped them with the hair of her head. <sup>45</sup> You gave Me no kiss, but this woman has not ceased to kiss My feet since the time I came in. <sup>46</sup> You did not anoint My head with oil, but this woman has anointed My feet with fragrant oil. <sup>47</sup> Therefore I say to you, her sins, which are many, are forgiven, for she loved much. But to whom little is forgiven, the same loves little." <sup>48</sup> Then He said to her, "Your sins are forgiven." <sup>49</sup> And those who sat at the table with Him began to say to themselves, "Who is this who even forgives sins?" <sup>50</sup> Then He said to the woman, "Your faith has saved you. Go in peace."



*Many Years!*

2	Mili Haynes
3	Ruxana Malcoci
5	Andrew Lloyd
6	Elijah Lee
8	Dmitry Uchakin
9	Peter Uchakin

*Announcements for Sunday, April 2, 2017*

- Fr. Herman will have an informal class today following the Divine Liturgy.
- We are taking up a special collection for St. Tikhon's Monastery, so please be sure to include the monastery in your donations.
- We will have a Baptismal Liturgy on Lazarus Saturday, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Next Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, is Palm Sunday. Vigil for the Feast is at 6:00PM on Saturday evening, April 8<sup>th</sup>.
- Fr. Theophan's class on Genesis, *Finding Ourselves in the Fall*, concludes next Sunday, April 9<sup>th</sup>, at 12:30pm.

*We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy this morning.*

There are green service booklets in the entrance area of our Church that will help you follow along with the service if you like. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving the Holy Bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Please join us for coffee hour in the Parish Hall