

**St. Nicholas Serbian Orthodox Church**  
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**Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women**

**Tone 2 Tropar (Resurrection)**

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You slew hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

**Tone 2 Tropar (Pentecostarion)**

The noble Joseph, when he had taken down Your most pure Body from the Tree, wrapped it in fine linen and anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb. But You rose on the third day, O Lord, granting the world great mercy.

**Tone 2 Troparion (Pentecostarion)**

The Angel came to the myrrhbearing women at the tomb and said: “Myrrh is fitting for the dead; but Christ has shown Himself a stranger to corruption! So proclaim: ‘The Lord is risen, granting the world great mercy.’”

**Tone 2 Kondak (Pentecostarion)**

You commanded the Myrrhbearers to rejoice, O Christ God. By Your Resurrection, You stopped the lamentation of Eve, the first mother. You commanded them to preach to Your Apostles: “The Savior is risen from the tomb!”

**Tone 8 Kondak (Pascha)**

You descended into the tomb, O Immortal, You destroyed the power of death. In victory You arose, O Christ God, proclaiming: “Rejoice!” to the Myrrhbearing Women, granting peace to Your Apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

**Epistle** - Acts 6:1-7, **Gospel** - Mark 15:43-16:8

**Alleluia Verses**

v. O Lord, You have been gracious to Your land; You have turned back the captivity of Jacob. (*Ps. 84:1*)  
v. Mercy and truth are met together, righteousness and peace have kissed each other. (*Ps. 84:10*)

**Instead of It is Truly Meet - Tone 1**

The Angel cried aloud to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; and again I say Rejoice. Your Son has truly risen from the grave on the third day.

Arise, shine! Arise, shine, O new Jerusalem! Shine! For the glory of the Lord has risen upon you. Zion, exult and be glad now. O pure Mother of God, rejoice, celebrating the resurrection of Christ your Son!

**Instead of We Have Seen the True Light** - Christ is Risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life.

**Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!**  
**Hristos Voskrese! Vaistinu Voskrese!**

## Announcements

- **Upcoming Schedule** - Link here <https://www.stnicholasmonroeville.org/service-schedule/>

- **Invitation to Church Slava - May 18**

Dear Friends and Family,

We are delighted to invite you to join us in celebrating the Church Slava, a cherished tradition that brings our community together in faith and fellowship. This joyous occasion will be held at St. Nicholas on Sunday May 18, 2025.

Please join us for Brunch immediately after Liturgy in celebrating this special day filled with prayer, music, and the warmth of community. We will be recognizing and honoring this year's Kum and Kuma, Dan and Elaine Vucelich as well as graduates of our Sunday School.

Please RSVP to Evonne Cunningham at <mailto:office@stnicholasmonroeville.org> or call her at 724.599.0927. Don't miss this brunch with breakfast and lunch items, including made-to-order omelets by the Pribanic Brothers.

We look forward to sharing this meaningful tradition with you and creating lasting memories.

In the Risen Lord,

Father Stefan and the Church Board

- **Church Picnic!** - Save the date! August 10th will be our annual church picnic. More information to follow soon.
- **Patio Wall Commemorative Plaques** - The St. Nicholas men's club, "Klub Karadjordje" is taking reservations for purchase of our beautiful commemorative plaques. Only 27 remaining for sale. What better way to honor or commemorate your family, kumovi, or friends and support your church at the same time. Order today for spring/summer installation. For purchase information contact Steve Popovich 412-327-9197.
- **Important Outreach** - Parishioners who know of an ill, homebound member, or caregiver to an ill person from the St. Nicholas Parish and would like them to receive a "Get Well" or "Thinking of You" card from the parish, please call Tootsie at 412-372-8064. We thank you for your help in this important matter.