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St Thomas Sunday

Some icons depicting this event are inscribed "The Doubting Thomas." This is incorrect. In Greek, the inscription reads, "The Touching of Thomas." The Slavonic inscription is, "The Belief of Thomas." When Saint Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts.

This day is also known as "Antipascha." This does not mean "opposed to Pascha," but "in place of Pascha." Beginning with this first Sunday after Pascha, the Church dedicates every Sunday of the year to the Lord's Resurrection. Sunday is called "Resurrection" in Russian, and "the Lord's Day" in Greek.

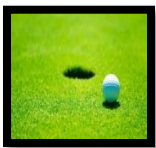
SCRIPTURE READING: Epistle: Acts 5: 12-20 Gospel: John 20:19-31

BAPTISMS- Welcome to our newest member of the St. Elijah Serbian Orthodox Church through the Mysteries of Baptism and Crismation **MIKO ALFONSO KOSANOVICH** baptized Saturday, April 22, 2017. Honored Kumovi Nick and Carla Kosanovich.

Thank you to all who donated Easter Eggs to be passed out to our parishioners. Also thanks to all of you who helped prepare our church for the Easter weekend. It is very much appreciated and beautifully decorated.

DAN RALICH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT IS THIS SATURDAY April 29th - **BLACKHAWK GOLF COURSE**
REGISTRATION AT 7:00 AM WITH COFFEE AND DONUTS IN THE PAVILLION

TEE OFF 8:00 AM *Scramble Event*



GRAND BUFFET on Saturday is open to everyone!

Donation: \$16 for adults and \$5 for students

Approximate serving time: 2:00 pm



Not a golfer, or not able to attend, then you may support us in the following ways: Become a **Hole Sponsor** for a donation of \$50 for one hole or \$100 for three holes. You may also donate gifts for the drawing or give a **Monetary Donation** to help defray or costs.

WHAT IS A GOLF TOURNAMENT WITHOUT GOLFERS?

If you golf and did not sign-up to Golf in your very own Church Tournament there is still time to do so. Our final count has to be called in on TUESDAY MORNING. So, call your friends get a team together and have a relaxing day out on the golf course at Blackhawk! Contact Rich Chesla for a form TODAY or call 724-774-7324 or call the Center at 724-375-9894.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS save the dates:

SATURDAY, APRIL 29TH ST. ELIJAH CHURCH'S 12TH ANNUAL DAN RALICH MEMORIAL GOLF TOURNAMENT-BLACKHAWK GOLF COURSE All parishioners may join us for the Grand Buffet Lunch at 2:00 p.m. donation \$16

SATURDAY, MAY 13TH AND MAY 14TH **SPRING FOOD FESTIVAL (BASKET DONATIONS NEEDED)**

SUNDAY, MAY 21ST **ANNUAL TEA FUNDRAISER (BASKET DONATIONS NEEDED)** See Julie Taylor

TICKETS ARE ON SALE TODAY FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY DONATION \$25

MONDAY, JUNE 12TH – THURSDAY, JUNE 15TH 40TH ANNUAL CHURCH DAY CAMP THIS YEAR'S **THEME WILL BE "WITH FAITH AND LOVE"**

PEACE BE TO YOU!

HRISTOS VOSKRESE!

CHRIST IS RISEN!

What is peace? Peace is a state of the soul at rest with God and man. Peaceableness is a virtue that disposes the soul to a calm and contented security that comes only from being a friend with God and all men... .

The very first words of Jesus Christ to His apostles, when He appeared to them after His resurrection, were: "Peace be to you. (John 20:19) This peace He offers to all men. Thus peace becomes an individual state of mind that radiates outward through an intricate web of social relationships. These relationships can reinforce and guide, but peace still remains ultimately the prerogative of the individual. An individual at peace with himself and with God becomes a dynamic force for the orderly world and society that most men desire. To be at peace with self and with God is a remarkable achievement, but to aid others, and one's children in particular, in reaching this end is the basis of true greatness. By Fr. P Buletza