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# ST. CYRIL VI MONTHLY BULLETIN

## CHURCH'S SEASON:

HOLY WEEK & BRIGHT SATURDAY APRIL 28- MAY 4 HOLY RESURRECTION FEAST MAY 5 THOMAS SUNDAY MAY 12

ALL ARE WELCOME HOLY BIBLE STUDY Sunday May 19 @ 5pm St Athanasius House

**NEWS** 

+ St Cyril Community would like to congratulate Gabriella Dous on her College Graduation on May 9th. May God bless her future endeavors and bestow upon her great success!

+ Wishing all moms a very Happy Mother's Day on May 12th

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"For God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Corinthians 9:7)

"Today the Angels leap with joy and all of the Heavenly Powers rejoice, elated because of the salvation of mankind. If because of the repentance of a single person there is joy in Heaven and earth, mores o is this true because of the salivation of the world. Today did Christ liberate the nature of man from the tyranny of the devil and restored it to its previous nobility. *St. John Chrysostom, A Homily on the Holy Pascha* 

#### **SERVICE TIMES**

\*services with an asterisk wil be at St. Athanasius' House\*

Vesper Prayers: Friday, May 10 - 6:00pm Friday, May 24 6:00pm

Divine Liturgy: Saturday, May 11- 8:30am Saturday, May 25- 8:30am

#### JOYFUL 50 DAYS

+ In the Orthodox Tradition, the Holy "50" days are the days from the Feast of Resurrection to the Feast of Pentecost, including the Feast of Ascension in between.
+ This entire period is fifty days of joy, so there are no fasts or prostrations. It is a unique stretch in the Coptic year in how the church worships due to the reduced asceticism.

+ We have gone through the journey of asceticism, self-control, and tears of repentance. It is now time to rise up in the spirit and rejoice in our resurrection with Him. This journey teaches us to not lose hope during the long stretch of toiling in repentance as it ends in the return to Christ and the joy of victory and resurrection.

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