

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

Holy Martyr Euplus

TONE 1

When the love of Christ was thine only defense, thou didst stand in the midst of thy fight and say: I endure this struggle willingly and with confidence! Thou didst rejoice, O Euplus, to offer thy head to the sword and so complete thy course!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Transfiguration

TONE 7

On the mountain wast Thou transfigured, O Christ God, and Thy disciples beheld Thy glory as far as they could see it; so that when they would behold Thee crucified, they would understand that Thy suffering was voluntary, and would proclaim to the world that Thou art truly the Radiance of the Father.

Prokeimenon

TONE 6: O Lord, save Thy people / and bless Thine inheritance!

Vs. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

Another TONE 7 (Feast): O Lord, how manifold are Thy works! In wisdom hast Thou made them all!

The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans 15:1 – 7

Epistle

Brethren: We then who are strong ought to bear with the scruples of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each of us please his neighbor for his good, leading to edification. For even Christ did not please Himself; but as it is written, “*The reproaches of those who reproached You fell on Me.*” For whatever things were written before were written for our learning, that we through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures might have hope. Now may the God of patience comfort you to be like-minded toward one another, according to Christ Jesus, that you may with one mind and one mouth glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore receive one another, just as Christ also received us, to the glory of God.

Alleluia

He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven.

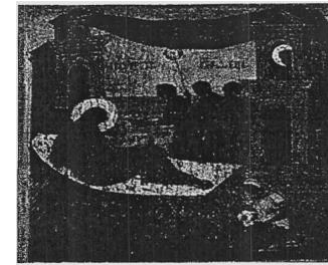
v. He shall say to the Lord: Thou art my protector and my refuge, my God. In Him will I trust!

v. The heavens are Thine; the earth also is Thine.

Matthew 9:27-35

Gospel

At that time, Jesus departed from there, two blind men followed Him, crying out and saying, “Son of David, have mercy on us!” And when He had come into the house, the blind men came to Him. And Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then He touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith let it be to you.” And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly warned them, saying, “See that no one knows it.” But when they had departed, they spread the news about Him in all that country. As they went out, behold, they brought Him a man, mute and demon-possessed. And when the demon was cast out, the mute spoke. And the multitudes marveled, saying, “It was never seen like this in Israel!” But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the ruler of the demons.” Then Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every sickness and ever disease among the people.



Schedule

Sunday, August 11, 2024

11:00 A.M. Panikhida – Archpriest Thomas Succarotte (9th Anniversary 8/8/2015)

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

6:30 P.M. Vespers at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Town & Country

Thursday, August 15, 2024

Feast of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos

8:30 A.M. Orthros

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Town & Country

Saturday, August 17, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, August 18, 2024

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

11:00 A.M. Panikhida – Nancy Rydgig (1st Anniversary)

Saturday, August 24, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, August 25, 2024

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, August 28, 2024

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Thursday, August 29, 2024

Beheading of St. John the Baptist
STRICT FAST

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday August 31, 2024

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, August 11, 2024

7th Sunday After Pentecost; Holy Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus of Catania

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

“The theatre lulls the Christian life to sleep, destroys it, communicating to the life of Christians the characters of the life of heathens. “They all slumbered and slept (St. Matthew 25:5)”; this disastrous sleep is produced, amongst other things, also by the theatre. And what besides? The sciences, taught in the spirit of heathenism, worldly cares carried to excess, love of gain, ambition and sensuality. The theatre is the school of the world, and of the Prince of this world - that is, the Devil, but sometimes he is transformed into an angel of light (2 Corinthians 11:14) in order to more easily tempt people who are not far-seeing, he sometimes introduces an apparently moral play on to the stage, but this is done in order that everybody should proclaim and repeat that the theatre is a most moral institution, and that it is not less worth frequenting than the church, and even, perhaps more so, because in church everything is the same, whilst in the theatre there is a variety of plays, scenery, costumes and actors. In order to test yourself, whether you love your neighbor in accordance with the Gospel, pay attention to yourself at the time when others offend you, abuse you, mock at you, or do not render you the respect due to you, and which is customary in social intercourse, or when your subordinates err against the rules of the service,”

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Priest Scott	Gregory	Diana
Cletus	Reader Stephen	Barbara
Priest Tiberiu	Donald	Julia
Preoteassa Margarette	Elyssa	Elaine
James	Michael	Victor
Natalie	Sandy	Wilma
Nathan	Magdalen	Michael
Dawn	Ben	April
Daniel	Kelly	Joseph
Candace	Brad	Michael
Sophie	Helen	Barb
Benjamin	Matushka Sandra	Barbara
Emily	Alexios	Mark
David	Martha	Angela
Pastor Doug	Kyra	Elijah
Pastor Kerry	Andrew	Sophia
Richard	Sergei	Matushka Tanya
Haley	Archpriest Basil	Mary
Stacy	Ruth	Archpriest John
Priest Andrew	Subdeacon Andrew	Matushka Margaret
Popadija Joan	Theresa	Matthew
Kristine	Lori Ann	Priest Josef
George	Eva	Archpriest Michael
Deborah	Catechumen Mary	Reader Peter
Louis	Alexandra	Patricia
Claudia	Mary Magdalene	Matushka Virginia

Those in the life to come

Cathy	Archbishop PAUL	Magdalene
Marsha	Archimandrite Innocent	John
<u>Archpriest Alexis</u>	Olga	
Matushka Olga	Francis	
Archpriest Thomas	Jean	
Metropolitan THEODOSIUS	Edward	
Archpriest Vladimir	Nancy	

"and are negligent. If you remain calm on such occasions, are not filled with the spirit of enmity, hatred, impatience - if you continue to love these persons as much as previously, before their offences or negligence, then you do love your neighbor in accordance with the Gospel; but if you become irritable, angry, agitated, then you do not do so. "If ye salute your brethren only, what do ye more than others (St. Matthew 5:47; St. Luke 6:32)?" As we are strangers, sojourners, and travelers to the heavenly kingdom, we must not burden ourselves with worldly cares, nor become attached to earthly blessings, riches, pleasures, honors, in order that these cares and attachments should not hinder us in the hour of death, nor make it shameful. The Christian, even here on earth, must accustom himself to live the heavenly life; in fasting, in renunciation, in prayer, love, meekness, gentleness, patience, courage, and mercy. How hard will the hour of death be to the man who in his lifetime made his idols of money, or food and drink, or earthly honors! In that hour none of these things shall serve him, whilst his heart, being strongly attached to them, does not possess the true treasure, which would give him life, that is virtue. And therefore, in order to die more easily - and we must all die - we must not love anything in the world. "And having food and raiment, let us be therewith content (1 Timothy 6:8)."" My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt

Troparia

Resurrection

TONE 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave; seeking Thy Most Pure Body, Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee!

Transfiguration

TONE 7

Thou wast transfigured on the Mount, O Christ God, revealing Thy glory to Thy disciples as far as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light shine upon us sinners! Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to Thee!

Hieromartyr Deacon Euplus

TONE 4

Thy holy martyr Euplus, O Lord, through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through his intercessions, save our souls!

Kontakia

Resurrection

TONE 6

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty Hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race; He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.