

*Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.*

*Dormition*

**TONE 2**

Neither the tomb, nor death could hold the Theotokos, who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. For being the Mother of Life, she was translated to life by the One who dwelt in her virginal womb.

*Prokeimenon*

**TONE 7:** The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

**Vs.** Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

**Another TONE 3 (The Song of the Theotokos):** My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior!

**The First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 1:10 – 18**

*Epistle*

*Now I plead with you Brethren:* by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you. Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name. Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other. For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

*Alleluia*

*It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High!*

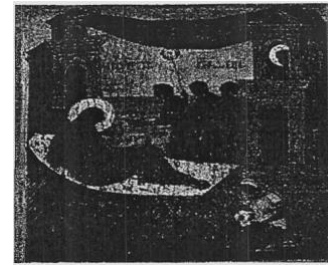
*v. To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night.*

*v. Arise, O Lord, into Thy resting place, Thou and the ark of Thy holiness.*

**Matthew 14:14-22**

*Gospel*

At that time, as Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them and healed their sick. When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food." But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat." And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." He said, "Bring them here to Me." Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes. So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained. Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.



*Schedule*

**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

11:00 A.M. Panikhida – Nancy Rydgig (1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)

**Saturday, August 24, 2024**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, August 25, 2024**

9:00 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> 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**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, September 1, 2024**

9:00 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, September 7, 2024**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, September 8, 2024**

*Nativity of the Virgin Mary*

*124<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of our Parish*

9:30 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

11:30 A.M. Festal Luncheon

*Celebrating our Parish Anniversary;*

*honoring the Society of*

*Myrrhbearing Women*

**Friday, September 13, 2024**

7:00 P.M. Vespers with Great

*Doxology*

**Saturday, September 14, 2024**

*Exultation of the Life-giving Cross*

**STRICT FAST DAY**

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

**416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060**

**Sunday, August 18, 2024**

*8<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Martyrs Florus and Laurus of Ilyria*

[www.nativityofthevirgin.com](http://www.nativityofthevirgin.com)

*"In church, I am truly as if in heaven upon earth; here I see the images of the Lord, of the Most Pure Mother of God, of the holy Angels; here is God's throne, here is the Life-giving cross, here is the eternal Gospel, that word of God, by which all things were created; here are the images of the Saints; I feel myself in the visible presence of God, of His Mother, of the heavenly powers, and of all the Saints. This is truly heaven on earth; here I know that I am, and feel myself indeed a member of Christ and of His Church, especially during the celebration of the most heavenly Liturgy and the Communion of the Holy Mysteries of the Body and Blood of Christ. O, how I ought to live, think, feel, speak, in order to worthily be in this heaven on earth! I ought to live worthily of the high calling for which I am called by the grace of the much endowing God. How I ought to live, in what meekness, humility, purity, abstinence, in order to worthily name my Lady, the Most Pure Mother of God, my Master, the Lord of glory! Lord, make me worthy of such an abode! I desire to live worthily of the Christian calling, but I find no power in myself to attain this; sin unceasingly tempts and wars against my soul. Call undoubtingly in the simplicity of your heart upon the Lord God, also upon the Angels and the Saints, who by the grace of God and through their association or"*

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

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

**Those in the life to come**

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

*"union with God, and the simplicity of their being, most speedily, with the rapidity of lightning, both hear and fulfil our prayers in accordance with the will of God." My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

**Troparia**

*Resurrection*

**-tone 7**

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death! To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise! For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, to proclaim that Thou art Risen, granting the world great mercy!

*Dormition*

**-tone 7**

In giving birth thou didst preserve thy virginity, in falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. Thou wast translated to life, O Mother of Life, and by thy prayers, thou doest deliver our souls from death.

*Martyrs*

**-tone 4**

Let us praise as is meet, O you faithful, the most comely, radiant and divinely wise martyrs: Most blessed Florus and all venerable Laurus, who proclaimed to all the uncreated Trinity. Suffering unto bloodshed, they were adorned with brilliant crowns. Entreat Christ our God to save our souls.

**Kontakia**

*Resurrection*

**-tone 7**

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

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

*Martyrs*

**-tone 8**

Today all the world honors in glory the divinely wise Florus and Laurus, as pious martyrs who suffered for Christ. Through their prayers may we receive grace and mercy and be delivered from calamity and temptation, and from wrath and sorrow on the Day of Judgment.