

Martyrs

tone 1

Having received the good calling, divinely-wise One, thou didst abandon the cult of evil men, not fearing their tortures, glorious Agathonicus. Therefore, thou hast inherited good things, and worthily received the incorruptible crown with thy fellow martyrs.

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 8: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

Vs. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

Another tone 3 (Feast): My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior!

The First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 3:9 – 17

Epistle

Brethren: For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building.

According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

Alleluia

Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

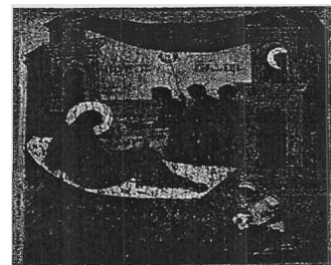
v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!

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

Matthew 14:22-34

Gospel

Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God." When they had crossed over, they came to the land of Gennesaret.



Schedule

Saturday, August 28, 2021

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, August 29, 2021

Beheading of St. John the Baptist (Strict Fast Day)

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 4, 2021

Annual Golf Tournament – NO VESPERS

Sunday, September 5, 2021

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, September 7, 2021

Eve of Feast of Nativity

6:00 P.M. Vespersal Liturgy

Saturday, September 11, 2021

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, September 12, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Monday, September 13, 2021

Eve of Feast of Exultation of the Cross

7:00 P.M. Vespers with Great Doxology

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 18, 2021

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, September 19, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

1:00 P.M. Wedding – Andrew Konan and Janice Kren

Saturday, September 25, 2021

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, August 22, 2021

9th Sunday After Pentecost; After Feast of the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-virgin Mary, the Mother of God; Martyr Agathanicus of Nicomedia and his companions

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

"As light, air, and water are found together and mutually penetrate each other and, at the same time, do not intermingle, each of them remaining what it was before; the light - remainig light, the air - air, and the water - water, each entirely preserving its own particular properties, but the substance forming one matter, so also, in a somewhat similar manner, the Persons of the Most Divine Trinity are always found together, and are not seperated from each other. The Father is in the Son, and the Son in the Father, whilst the Holy Ghost proceedeth from the Father and resteth in the Son. But at the same time each Person has Its own particular properties; God the Father is not begotten, not created, does not proceed; the Son is begotten; the Holy Ghost proceeds from the Father, whilst the substance of the three Persons is one, a Divine, incomplex substance. This similarity is based upon the words of our Lord Jeus Christ Himself, Who calls Himself the Light of the world, and thus speaks of the Holy Ghost, comparing It in Its actions to the element water: "He that believeth on Me, as the scripture hath said, out of his belly shall flow rivers of living water. But this spake He of the Spirit, which they that believe on Him should receive (St. John 7:38, 39)." He also compared the Holy Ghost to the air or wind: "The wind bloweth where it listeth, and thou hearest the sound thereof, but canst not tell whence it cometh and whither it goeth; so is everyone that is born of the Spirit (St John 3:8)." The Holy Church sings of the"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Donna	John	Mark
Gergory	Sarah	Angela
Archpriest James	Altan	Elijah
Matushka Susan	Natalia	Sophia
The Dank Family	Diana	Matushka Tanya
Karen	Reader Nicholas	Mary
Michael	Melanie & CTBB	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Lucia	Paul	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Priest Patrick	Anthony	Archprst John Zabinko (BP)
Xenia	Amy	Mat. Margaret Zabinko (BP)
Judy	Michael	Matthew Zabinko (BP)
Archprst Michael <i>Kuzara</i>	Joseph	Priest Josef (BP)
Jacob	Andrew	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Charlotte	Magdalene	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Michael	Subdeacon Charles	Deacon Paul (BP)
Emily	Deborah Michael	Deacon Peter (BP)
Susan	Laverne	Gabriel (BP)
Carlos	Victor	Marie (BP)
Geraldine	Wilma	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
Maryanne	Michael	Paul
Andrew	April	Mary
Bridget	Joseph	Nicholas
Deborah	Michael	Andrew
Timothy	Barb	Anthony
Jane	Barbara	Christopher
		Jackie

Those in the life to come

Archpriest Michael	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS	Ioan
Ann	Archpriest Vladimir	Ana
Protopresbyter Leonid	Child Maven	Steven
Steven	Viorel	Robert
<u>Galina</u>	Ioan	
Archpriest Thomas	Maria	

"Holy Ghost: "To the Holy Ghost belongs every all-saving cause: on whomsoever He, through worthiness doth breathe, He quickly taketh him from earthly things (From the burial Service of a Priest)." It is the same to the Lord to give flesh to any creature He likes, either to an animal or a plant, as it would be to me to make a garment or clothing and put it on myself: "Thou hast clothed me with skin and flesh, and hast fenced me with bones and sinews (Job 10:11)." And what an infinite multitude and variety of material the Lord has, out of which He, the Creator, creates various clothing, of various shapes for His creatures (animals, birds, fishes, reptiles, insects)! And us He will eventually clothe with light, like unto of the sun in his kingdom! "Upon thy right hand did stand the queen in a vesture of gold (Psalm 45:10)." "Then shall the righteous shine forth, as the sun in the kingdom of their Father (St. Matthew 13:43)." And now we are clothed with the earth, water, air, warmth - such is our present clothing. And how wisely and conveniently all these elements are made and brought into union in our being! It is not heavy, and it is comely. O, Most-wise and Almighty Artist! Life-giving Artist! How beautiful, suitable, and animate is everything that Thou hast created! At Thy Will even the dust is animate, the dust moves!" *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

Troparia

Resurrection

TONE 8

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

Dormition

TONE 7

In giving birth thou didst preserve thy virginity, in falling asleep thou didst 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

Thy holy martyr Agathonicus and his companions, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!

Kontakia

Resurrection

TONE 8

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy Rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

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