

Prokeimenon

**TONE 1:** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee.  
vs. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just!

**The Act of the Holy Apostles 9:32 – 42**

Epistle

Now *in those days*: it came to pass, as Peter went through all the parts of the country, that he also came down to the saints who dwelt in Lydda. There he found a certain man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, “Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you. Arise and make your bed.” Then he arose immediately. So all who dwelt at Lydda and Sharon saw him and turned to the Lord. At Joppa there was a certain disciple named Tabitha, which is translated Dorcas. This woman was full of good works and charitable deeds which she did. But it happened in those days that she became sick and died. When they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. And since Lydda was near Joppa, and the disciples had heard that Peter was there, they sent two men to him, imploring him not to delay in coming to them. Then Peter arose and went with them. When he had come, they brought him to the upper room. And all the widows stood weeping, showing the tunics and garments which Dorcas had made while she was with them. But Peter put them all out, knelt down and prayed. And turning to the body he said, “Tabitha, arise.” And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. Then she gave her hand and lifted her up; and when he had called the saints and widows, he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed on the Lord.

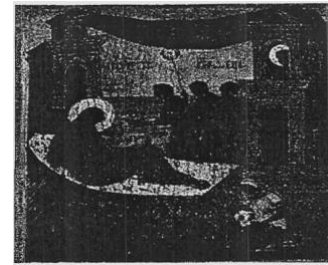
Alleluia

*I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.  
v: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.*

**John 5:1-15**

Gospel

At that time, there was a feast of the Jews, and Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate pool, which is called in Hebrew Bethesda, having five porches. In these lay a great multitude of sick people, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel went down at a certain time into the pool and stirred up the water; then whoever stepped in first, after the stirring of the water, was made well of whatever disease he had. Now a certain man was there who had an infirmity thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him lying there, and knew that he already had been in that condition a long time, He said to him, “Do you want to be made well?” The sick man answered Him, “Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is stirred up; but while I am coming another steps down before me.” Jesus said to him, “Rise, take up your bed and walk.” And immediately the man was made well, took up his bed, and walked. And that day was the Sabbath. The Jews therefore said to him who was cured, “It is the Sabbath; it is not lawful for you to carry your bed.” He answered them, “He who made me well said to me, ‘Take up your bed and walk.’” Then they asked him, “Who is the Man who said to you, ‘Take up your bed and walk?’” But the one who was healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, a multitude being in that place. Afterward Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, “See, you have been made well. Sin no more, lest a worse thing come upon you.” The man departed and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had made him well.



Schedule

**Saturday, May 21, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, May 22, 2022**

*Samaritan Woman*

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

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

11:30 A.M. Blessing of Motor  
Vehicles

**Saturday, May 28, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, May 29, 2022**

*Blind Man*

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

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Wednesday, June 1, 2022**

6:00 P.M. Vesperal Liturgy

**Thursday, June 2, 2022**

*The Feast of Ascension of our  
Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ*

**Saturday, June 4, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, June 5, 2022**

*Sunday of the Holy Fathers*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy;  
*followed by 40 day Panikhida for  
Archbishop PAUL*

**Saturday, June 11, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, June 12, 2022**

*The Descent of the Most Holy  
Spirit in the form of Fiery Tongues  
upon the Holy Apostles*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, May 15, 2022**

*4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Pascha; Sunday of the Paralytic*

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

**KNEELING PRAYERS ON PENTECOST (June 12,  
2022)**

*1. From the 2<sup>nd</sup> Kneeling Prayer Yea, O Lord, for  
Thou art the Rich Giver and Good Bestower of every  
benefit, Who grantest, most-abundantly, that which we  
ask. Thou art compassionate and merciful, Who,  
without sin, didst become a Partaker of our flesh; and  
unto them that bend their knees before Thee, Thou art  
He that bendest down out of love and compassion, and  
didst become the purification of our sins. Grant,  
therefore, O Lord, Thy compassions unto Thy people;  
hearken unto us from Thy holy Heaven; sanctify us by  
the power of Thy saving right hand; cover us with the  
shelter of Thy wings; despise not the work of Thy  
hands. Against Thee alone do we sin, but Thee alone do  
we also adore; we know not how to worship a strange  
god, neither do we stretch forth our hands to another  
god, O Master. Forgive our iniquities, and accept our  
prayers with the bending of our knees; extend unto all  
of us the hand of assistance; and receive, as acceptable  
incense, the prayer of all of us being offered up before  
Thy most-good Kingdom. O Lord, Lord, Who deliverest  
us from every arrow that flies by day: Do Thou deliver  
us also from everything that walks about in the  
darkness. Accept the lifting up of our hands as an  
evening sacrifice. And count us worthy to pass, without  
reproach, the course of the night untempted by evil  
things. Deliver us from every disturbance and dread  
that comes unto us from the devil. Grant compunction  
unto our souls, and unto our thoughts care concerning  
the strict searching out at Thy dread and righteous*

## Prayer Requests

### Those in this earthly life

Reader George (Anniv)  
Marie (Anniv)  
Bartholomew (Anniv)  
Tamara (Anniv)  
Constance (Anniv)  
David (Anniv)  
James (B'day)  
Peter  
Rebecca  
Paul  
George  
Kristine  
Patricia  
Kaitlin  
Janet (B'day)  
Janet  
Margaret  
Mary  
Terry  
Elizaveta  
Michaela  
Kathy  
Pete  
Richard  
Larry

Virginia  
Diana  
Reader Nicholas (B'day)  
Newly Illumined Peter  
Natalia  
Michael  
Amy  
Michael  
Joseph  
Andrew  
Magdalene  
Subdeacon Charles  
Deborah  
Michael  
Victor (Anniv)  
Wilma (Anniv)  
Michael  
April  
Joseph  
Michael  
Barb  
Barbara  
Mark  
Angela  
Elijah

Sophia  
Mary  
Metropolitan HERMAN  
Archpriest Moses  
Archpriest John  
Matushka Margaret  
Matthew  
Priest Joseph  
Archpriest Michael  
Archpriest Gregory  
Deacon Paul  
Deacon Peter  
Matushka Virginia  
Matushka Susan  
Mary  
Zoe  
Noah  
Marie  
Paul  
Mary  
Nicholas  
Andrew  
Anthony  
Christopher  
Jackie

### Those in the life to come

Lynn  
Protodeacon Nicodemus  
Antonina  
Archbishop PAUL  
Lauren  
Thomas  
Archpriest Thomas

Metropolitan THEODOSIUS  
Archpriest Vladimir

judgment. Nail our flesh to the fear of Thee, and mortify our earthly members, that even in the quietude of sleep we may be illumined by the contemplation of Thy judgments. And banish from us every unseemly fantasy and harmful lust. And raise us up at the time of prayers, confirmed in the Faith, and progressing in Thy commandments. Help us, save us, raise us up, and keep us O God, by Thy grace.

From the 3<sup>rd</sup> Kneeling Prayer O Christ our God, Ever-flowing, Living and Illuminating Fountain, Creating Power, Coeternal with the Father, Who hast, most-excellently, fulfilled the whole dispensation for the salvation of mankind; Who didst burst the indestructible bonds of death and hast torn apart the bolts of Hades, and hast trampled underfoot the multitude of evil spirits; Who didst offer Thyself for us, as an unblemished victim, and gavest Thy Most-pure Body as a sacrifice, untouched and inviolate by any sin, and, through that dread and indescribably priestly act hast bestowed upon us eternal life; Who, having descended into Hades, and smashed the ancient bars, didst show forth the way up unto them that sat in darkness; Who, with the allurements of divine wisdom, didst entice also the author of evil, the dragon of the abyss, and with chains of gloom didst bind him in Tartarus, and in the unquenchable fire, and didst confine him in utter darkness by Thine immeasurable might.

### Troparia

*Resurrection*

**TONE 3**

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm! He has trampled down death by death! He has become the first-born of the dead! He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted the world great mercy!

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

### Kontakia

*Feast*

**TONE 3**

By Thy divine intercession, O Lord, as Thou didst raise up the paralytic of old, so raise up my soul, paralyzed by sins and thoughtless acts; so that being saved I may sing to Thee: "Glory to Thy power, O compassionate Christ!"

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

*Pascha*

**TONE 8**

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal, Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming "Rejoice" to the Myrrhbearing women, granting peace to Thy apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.