

St. Nicholas

TONE 3

Thou hast revealed thyself, O saint, in Myra as a priest, for thou hast fulfilled the Gospel of Christ by giving up thy soul for thy people, and saving the innocent from death. Therefore thou art blessed as one become wise in the grace of God.

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

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

TONE 4

By thy Nativity, O most pure Virgin, Joachim and Anna are freed from barrenness; Adam and Eve from the corruption of death. And we, thy people, freed from the guilt of sin, celebrate and sing to thee: The barren woman gives birth to the Theotokos, the Nourisher of our Life.

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!

Another (St. Nicholas) TONE 7: The righteous one shall rejoice in the Lord and shall set his hope on Him.

The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 5:9 – 19

Epistle

Brethren: (for the fruit of the Spirit is in all goodness, righteousness, and truth), finding out what is acceptable to the Lord. And have no fellowship with the unfruitful works of darkness, but rather expose them. For it is shameful even to speak of those things which are done by them in secret. But all things that are exposed are made manifest by the light, for whatever makes manifest is light. Therefore He says: “Awake, you who sleep, arise from the dead, and Christ will give you light.” See then that you walk circumspectly, not as fools but as wise, redeeming the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be unwise, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not be drunk with wine, in which is dissipation; but be filled with the Spirit, speaking to one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody in your hearts to the Lord.

Alleluia

God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me!

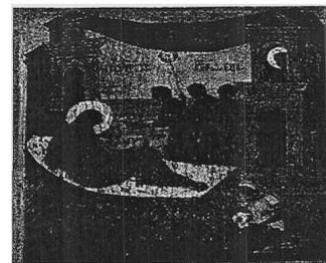
v: He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with David, His anointed, and His seed forever.

v: Thy priests shall be clothed with righteousness and Thy saints shall rejoice!

Luke 17:12 - 19

Gospel

At that time Jesus, as He: entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!” So when He saw them, He said to them, “Go, show yourselves to the priests.” And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, “Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner?” And He said to him, “Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well.”



Schedule

Friday, December 11, 2020

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, December 12, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Mtg.

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 13, 2020

Repose of St. Herman of Alaska

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, December 18, 2020

6:00 P.M. Panikhida – 11th

Anniversary of repose of

Archbishop JOB

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, December 19, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 20, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Thursday, December 24, 2020

10:00 A.M. Royal Hours

1:00 P.M. Vesperal Liturgy of

St. Basil

5:00 P.M. Vigil (*Compline and*

Matins)

Friday, December 25, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, December 26, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 27, 2020

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Thursday, December 31, 2020

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, December 6, 2020

*26th Sunday After Pentecost; St. Nicholas the
Wonderworker of Myra in Lycia*

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“The enemy acts destructively upon men's hearts, amongst other ways, through outward nature, as upon Job - by means of winds, water, and fire. Houses are sometimes burnt down through the wiles of the enemy; houses are submerged and vessels sunk; winds blow down and destroy buildings; or else in wet weather, through damp and gases, the enemy uses his craft upon our inward parts, oppressing us with heaviness, and striking us with an apathetic coldness to everything true and holy. O, how many and diverse are the wiles of the prince of the powers of the air, and how difficult it is sometimes to distinguish them! The corrupted man continually wishes to eat and drink, to continually satisfy his sight, hearing, smell, and feeling; carnal men satisfy themselves with dainty food and drink, fine sights, music, smoking, magnificent edifices, and outward splendor. But the adornment of holy objects raises our souls to God, and is therefore not only sinless, but holy and edifying, as also sacred singing, the fragrance of incense, the magnificence and splendor of the ornaments of the temple and all its vessels. All these, being destined to serve to the glory of God and to arouse pious feelings, are not sinful, but holy. But there, in the world, everything ministers to the carnal, corrupted man, and estranges from God. The corrupt heart seeks”

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Joe	Jeri	Frank	Elijah
Roger	Frank	Cheryl	Sophia
Dan	John	Kim	Matushka Tanya
Marie	Courtney	David	Mary
Paul	Marsha	Adina	Protopresbyter Michael
Vicky	Dennis	David	Protopresbyter Radomir
Michelle	Magdalene	Reader George	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Mikhail		Marie	Arprt Joseph (BP)
Steven		Michael	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Amy		Dymphna & CTBB	Arprt John Zabinko (BP)
Michael		Justin	Mtk Mrgaret Zabinko (BP)
Joseph		Hope	Matthew Zabinko
Andrew		Nicholas	Priest Josef (BP)
Peter		Subdeacon Charles	Archpriest Vladimir (BP)
Rebecca		Deborah	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Subdeacon Paul		Michael	Archpst Christopher (BP)
Judith		Laverne	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Carter		Deacon Matthew	Archpriest Myron (BP)
Jonah		Dnsa. Christine	Deacon Paul (BP)
Nancy Ann		Abigail	Deacon Paul (BP)
Debbie		Aidan	Matushka Snezana (BP)
Constance		Eve	Helen (BP)
David		Cynthia	Theodore (BP)
Kristine		Victor	Melinda Kuzara (BP)
George		Wilma	Paul
Layla		Michael	Mary
Kimberly		April	Nicholas
Delilah		Joseph	Andrew
Cheryl		Michael	Anthony
Geraldine		Barb	Christopher
Cheryl		Barbara	Jackie
Linda		Mark	
Anthony		Angela	

Those in the life to come

Anne (Crowell)	Mary Margaret	Robert (A friend of Bob Butchkos)
Patriarch Irinej	Mikhail	Anna (Prochko)
Svetlana	Bill	<u>Matushka Elizabeth Kachur</u>
Ernest	James	Archpriest Thomas
Louise	Rita	Met. THEODOSIUS Monk Anthony

"impure carnal sensations, and everything there satisfies it. The corrupt mind seeks knowledge corresponding to its corruption, and is there satisfied. The corrupt imagination and memory also seeks images corresponding to them, and are there satisfied. But we Christians are "new creatures (2 Corinthians 5:17)," or "a chosen generation (1 Peter 2:9)," a new people, "created in righteousness and true holiness (Ephesians 4:24)," after God. We must divest ourselves of the old man and his works, and must fight against his desires and lusts. When you are reading a long form of prayer aloud in the presence of a large concourse of people, then the enemy tries to disconcert your heart and to quench the words on your lips by the thought, that the people do not understand many words, and that it is a useless waste of time to read such prayers. This is evidently foolishness. For what of the Holy Ghost, the Instructor in all truth? Does He remain inactive, does He not enlighten all human hearts? Have you not yourself experienced the enlightenment of your heart by the Holy Ghost? Formerly you did not understand some of the words and expressions, and then suddenly the Holy Ghost opened your mind so that you might understand these hitherto incomprehensible words and expression - and such a light suddenly enlightens your heart; be assured that the same also happens with others. Read with a steadfast heart, without any hurtful auspiciousness. Sow the seed - God will give the growth." *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

TROPARIA

Resurrection

TONE 1

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews; while the soldiers were guarding Thy Most Pure Body; Thou didst rise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. The powers of heaven therefore cried to Thee, O Giver of Life: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ! Glory to Thy Kingdom! Glory to Thy Dispensation, O Thou Who lovest mankind.

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

TONE 4

Thy Nativity, O Virgin, has proclaimed joy to the whole universe! The Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God, has shone from thee, O Theotokos! By annulling the curse, He bestowed a blessing. By destroying death, He has granted us eternal life.

St. Nicholas

TONE 4

In truth thou hast been revealed to thy flock as a rule of faith, an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence; thy humility exalted thee; thy poverty enriched thee. Hierarch Father Nicholas, entreat Christ our God that our souls may be saved.

Kontakia

Resurrection

TONE 1

As God, Thou didst rise from the tomb in glory, raising the world with Thyself. Human nature praises Thee as God, for death has vanished! Adam exults, O Master! Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage, and cries to Thee: Thou art the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!

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