

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

*Martyr Poleuctus*

**TONE 4**

When the Savior bowed his head in the Jordan, the heads of the dragons were crushed; when Polyuektos was beheaded, the deceiver was put to shame.

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

*Theophany*

**TONE 4**

Today Thou hast appeared to the universe, and Thy light, O Lord, has shown on us who with understanding praise Thee. Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, O Light unapproachable.

*Prokeimenon*

**TONE 1 (Sunday After):** Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee.

*v: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just!*

**Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Ephesians 4:7 – 13**

*Brethren:* But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift.

Therefore He says:

*“When He ascended on high,  
He led captivity captive,  
And gave gifts to men.”*

(Now this, “*He ascended*” – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

*Alleluia*

*v:* 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.

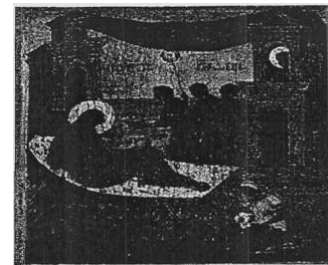
**The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 4:12-17**

*Gospel*

Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee. And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet saying:

*“The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali,  
By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan,  
Galilee of the Gentiles:  
The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light,  
And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death  
Light has dawned.”*

From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, “Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand.”



**Schedule**

**Saturday, January 15, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, January 22, 2022**

3:30 P.M. Church School

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, January 23, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, January 29, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, January 30, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Tuesday, February 1, 2022**

7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Wednesday, February 2, 2022**

*Feast of the Meeting of our*

*Lord in the Temple*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, February 5, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, February 6, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Immediately followed by the*

*Annual Meeting*

**Saturday, February 12, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, February 13, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, February 19, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, February 20, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, February 26, 2022**

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, January 9, 2022**

*29<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Sunday After  
Theophany; Martyr Poleuctus of Melitene in  
Armenia*

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“The Holy Ghost accomplishes all wonders and miracles. By the same Spirit power is given to one, and to another works of power. You have only to speak with faith, and need have no anxiety as to the fulfilment of the word; the Holy Ghost will care for this. Believe firmly that you always think, feel, speak, move, and act in God – so to say, in His bosom: “Dwelleth in Me and I in him (St. John 6:56).” He has enclosed you upon all sides; He penetrates and knows you. “Thou hast beset me behind and before, and laid Thine hand upon me (Psalm 139),” says the holy prophet and king David. The Mother of God, all the holy angels and all the saints are also in God. What is, therefore, nearer, who can, therefore, be more closely associated with believing Christians than the angels and saints? Therefore, call upon God Himself, the Lord of everything, as well as upon His saints, with faith, hope and love, asking them to intercede before God for you; ask the angels and saints to pray to God for you as you would ask living persons anything for yourself – standing face to face with them, firmly believing that they too stand face to face with your heart. Always think that you are accused, poor, needy, blind and naked without God, that God is everything to you: He is your righteousness, your sanctification, your riches, your raiment, your life, your breath – everything. The body and the Blood”

## Prayer Requests

### Those in this earthly life

Reader Simeon	David	Lucy	Timothy Deacon Peter (BP)
Alexei	Carol	Victoria	Amy Deacon Michael (BP)
Beverly	Patricia	Austin	Michael M. Virginia (BP)
Ron	Richard	Tony	Joseph Mary (BP)
John	Ava	Jaylyn	Andrew Marie (BP)
Vicky	Liliana	Christina	Magdalene Paul
Sarah	Alexander	John	Sbdcn Charles Mary
Christine	Lauren	Marshall	Deborah Nicholas
Rachel	Sheila	Cecilia	Michael Andrew
Bob	Christopher	Michael	Laverne Anthony
Virginia		Margie	Victor Christopher
Alexandra		Hope	Wilma Jackie
Xenia		Justin	Michael
Nita		Dymphna	April
Michael		Nicholas	Joseph
Vera		Theodora	Michael
George		Presbytera Rene	Barb
Basil		Priest Joseph	Barbara
Chuck		Ioannis	Mark
Nicholas		Ioannis	Angela
Diana		Robert	Elijah
Elizabeth		Bette	Sophia
Kenneth		Conrad Family	Matushka Tanya
Alexandria		Claudia	Mary
Julia		Karyn	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Sarah		Debbie	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Philip		Andrew	Archpriest John (BP)
Nicholas		Catechumen Peter	Matushka Margaret (BP)
Megan		Natalia	Matthew (BP)
Judith		Theresa	Priest Josef (BP)
Subdeacon Paul		Subdeacon Andrew	Archpriest Michael (BP)
Peter		Lori Ann	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Rebecca		Deborah	Deacon Paul (BP)

### Those in the life to come

Bill	Ethan	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Joyce	Austin	Archpriest Vladimir
Cheryl	Paul	Galina
Claudia	Antonio	
Archpriest Igor	<u>Michael</u>	
John	Archpriest Thomas	

"of Christ are pre-eminently body and blood, because in each smallest particle of the Body and the Blood rests the entire Christ-God, filling every part. It is not so in the human body. In the Body and the Blood of Christ every particle, every drop is Christ entire, ever indivisible, One and the Same. What is mercy? Mercy is to love our enemies, to bless those who curse us, to do good to those who hate us, who do us harm, who drive us away, to defend those who are persecuted, and so on." *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

### Troparia

*Resurrection*

**TONE 4**

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection; they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: death is overthrown! Christ God is Risen, granting the world great mercy.

*Theophany*

**TONE 1**

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. for the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, Who hast revealed Thyself and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee.

*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.

*Martyr Poleuctus*

**TONE 4**

Thy holy martyr Polyektos, O Lord, through his suffering 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 4**

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earthborn from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has Risen on the third day!