

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

St. Anthony

TONE 2

Thou didst reject the tumult of this life and live thy life to the end in solitude, imitating the Baptist in every way. With him we honor thee, most venerable Anthony, foundation of the Fathers

Now and ever and unto 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 7: The Lord shall give strength to His people! The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

v: Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

Another (St. Anthony) TONE 7: Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Colossians 1:12 – 18

Brethren: Giving thanks to the Father who has qualified us to be partakers of the inheritance of the saints in the light. He has delivered us from the power of darkness and conveyed us into the kingdom of the Son of His love, in whom we have redemption through His blood, the forgiveness of sins. He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn over all creation. For by Him all things were created that are in heaven and that are on earth, visible and invisible, whether thrones or dominions, or principalities or powers. All things were created through Him and for Him. And He is before all things, and in Him all things consist. And He is the head of the body, the church, who is the beginning, the firstborn from the dead, that in all things He may have the preeminence.

Alleluia

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

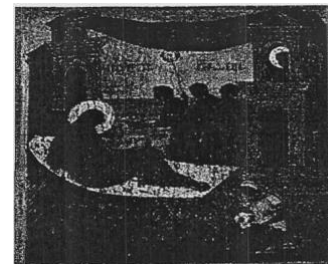
v: To declare Thy mercy in the morning and Thy truth by night.

v: Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

Luke 18:18-27

Gospel

Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.'" And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."



Schedule

Friday, January 22, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, January 23, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, January 24, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 29, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, January 30, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, January 31, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Monday, February 1, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Tuesday, February 2, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 5, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, February 6, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, February 7, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Annual Meeting to follow

Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 12, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, February 13, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, February 14, 2021

Zacchaeus Sunday

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, January 17, 2021

32nd Sunday After Pentecost; Venerable and Godbearing Father St. Anthony the Great

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"Sin, instead of any arguments which it has not on its side, acts of violence, by wounding, by stinging us inwardly, by pouring into us the burning poison of sin. Blessed is he who despises all earthly things, and who is wounded by the love of God, by heavenly love. But how few such men there are amongst the fallen sons of Adam! Who is not wounded and struck by the shafts of the passions, of gain and honors? And, *vice versa*, in whom are there the shafts of true love for God and his neighbor? The shafts of the passions and of sensual things have driven out the shafts of God's love, and do not leave room for them. For some persons these two elements are daily fighting against each other, and alternately thrust each other, whilst in others there is not even a struggle; the earthly shafts reign wholly in some, stifling the heavenly ones; such, for instance, is the case with those who are greedy of gain, who are sensual, greedy of honors, drunkards, deceivers, murderers, fornicators, adulterers, etc. O, when will our hearts be wholly inflamed with love for the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost, for the Life-giving God the Trinity, Who has commanded us to keep His commandments?" Why do we trouble and torment ourselves at not receiving some treasure which we had expected, or at losing it? Because that which we expected or"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Glenda	Reader George	Matushka Tanya
Elizaveta	Marie	Mary
Molly	Michael	Protopresbyter Michael
Marc	Dymphna & CTBB	Protopresbyter Radomir
Kathy	Justin	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Alexandra	Hope	Archpriest James
Michael	Nicholas	Arprt Joseph (BP)
Patricia	Subdeacon Charles	Archpriest Emilian (BP)
Nicu	Deborah	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Mariana	Michael	Arprt John Zabinko (BP)
Anna	Laverne	Mtk Mrgaret Zabinko (BP)
Diana	Priest Matthew	Matthew Zabinko
Clifton	Matushka Christine	Priest Josef (BP)
Subdeacon Andrew	Abigail	Archpriest Vladimir (BP)
Theresa	Aidan	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Amy	Eve	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Michael	Cynthia	Deacon Paul (BP)
Joseph	Victor	Matushka Snezana (BP)
Andrew	Wilma	Helen (BP)
Constance	Michael	Theodore (BP)
David	April	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
John	Joseph	Paul
Courtney	Michael	Mary
Magdalene	Barb	Nicholas
David	Barbara	Andrew
Adina	Mark	Anthony
Ioan	Angela	Christopher
Dina	Elijah	Jackie
David	Sophia	

Those in the life to come

Theresa	Marioara
Melba	Valentin
Archpriest Rodion	<u>Steven</u>
Archpriest Eugene	Archpriest Thomas
Nadine	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Harry	

"which we have lost was the idol of our heart, because our heart has withdrawn itself from the Lord, the Source of living waters, Who Alone can fill and give peace to it. Let us cling to God with our whole heart, and no earthly loss, no non-fulfilment of the expectation of any earthly good - such as, for instance, money, marks of distinction, and others, which are outward and perishable things - will grieve us. Let us learn to live and inward life. Let us turn our thoughts to the highest blessings, to the heavenly recompense which is alone desirable, true, and makes those who obtain it truly happy. We are generally delighted at fine, bright, warm weather, and like to talk about it; but in the heavenly abodes of the angels and saints the brightness, healthfulness, and freshness are incomparably greater. Why, then, do we not care to speak of the inmates of those dwellings, of that life, of that brightness, of that blessedness? Joyful, life-giving, and bright is the sun, but the light of God's countenance, which angels and the souls of the righteous rejoice in, is still more joyful, life-giving, and bright. "Make us to be numbered with Thy saints in glory everlasting. O Lord, save They people and bless Thine inheritance: govern them, and lift them up for ever (From the Te Deum Laudamus)."" *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!

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. Anthony

TONE 4

Thou didst imitate the ways of zealous Elijah, and followed the straight path of John the Baptist. Thou didst become a desert dweller and strengthen the world by thy prayers. Father Anthony, intercede with Christ God that our souls may be saved.

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!