

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.

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

Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to Colossians 3:4 – 11

Brethren: Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Alleluia

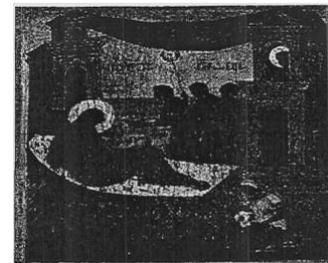
v: God gives vengeance to me, and subdues people under me!

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

Matthew 25:14-30

Gospel

The Lord said this parable: “The Kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them. And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey. Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents. And likewise he who had received two gained two more also. But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord’s money. After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them. So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, ‘Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.’ His lord said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you faithful over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’ He also who had received two talents came and said, ‘Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.’ His lord said to him, ‘Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.’ Then he who had received the one talent came and said, ‘Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed. And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.’ But his lord answered and said to him, ‘You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gathered where I have not scattered seed. So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest. Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.”



Schedule

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

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 19, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, February 20, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, February 21, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, February 26, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, February 27, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, February 28, 2021

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, January 31, 2021

34th Sunday After Pentecost; Holy

Wonderworkers and Unmercenaries Cyrus and John, and with them Marytrs Athanasia and her daughters: Theoctiste, Theodotia, and Eudoxia, at Canopus in Egypt

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“You do not want to pray for the man whom you hate and despise; but you must do so against your wish, and have recourse to the great Physician, because you yourself are spiritually sick of the malady of malice and pride; your enemy or the one whom you despise is also sick; pray that the meek Lord may teach you meekness and patience, that He may teach and strengthen you to love your enemies, and not only your well wishers; that He may teach you to pray sincerely for the evilly-disposed as well as for the well-disposed.

Someone, when, during prayer, he became languid and feeble in mind and body, and longed to sleep, roused himself by the following inward question: With Whom art thou conversing, my soul? And after this, by vividly representing the Lord before him, he began to pray with great feeling and tears; his blunted attention was sharpened, his mind and heart were enlightened, and he himself wholly revived. This shows what it is to represent the Lord God vividly to ourselves, and to walk in His presence! If - he went on to say - my soul, thou darrest not converse languidly and carelessly with men above thyself in station, in order not to offend them, then how darrest thou converse”

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

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

Those in the life to come

Jason	Theresa	Marioara
Archimandrite Alexander	Melba	<u>Valentin</u>
Cynthia	Archpriest Rodion	Archpriest Thomas
Peggy	Archpriest Eugene	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Archpriest Joseph	Nadine	
Archpriest Daniel	Harry	

"languidly and carelessly with the Lord? Lord, how shall I glorify Thee? How shall I praise Thee for Thy power, for the miracles of healing by means of Thy Holy Mysteries, manifested upon me and many of Thy servants, to whom I, an unworthy one, have administered these Thy holy, heavenly, life-giving Mysteries after the sacrament of penitence. They confess before me Thy power, Thy goodness, loudly proclaiming to all that Thou hast stretched out Thy wonder-working hand over them and raised them up from the bed of sickness, from their death-bed, when no one expected that they would live; and then, after the communion of Thy life-giving, Body and Blood, they soon revived, were healed, and felt upon them at the very same hour and day Thy life-giving Hand. And I, Lord, the witness of Thy deeds, have not hitherto praised Thee in the hearing of all for the strengthening of the faith of Thy servants, and even do not know how and when to praise Thee, for every day I am occupied with some kind of work. Create Thyself a name, Lord, as Thou hast done; glorify Thyself, Thy name, Thy Mysteries." *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.

Unmercenary Healers & Martyrs

TONE 5

Thou hast given us the miracles of Thy martyrs, Cyrus and John, as an invincible rampart; through their prayers, frustrate the plans of the heathens, and strengthen the faith of the Orthodox Christians, for Thou alone are good and lovest mankind.

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.

Unmercenary Healers & Martyrs

TONE 3

Having received the gift of miracles through divine grace, O saints, you work wonders in the world unceasingly. You remove all of our passions through your invisible surgery, divinely-wise Cyrus and glorious John, for you are truly divine physicians.