

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.

All Saints of North America

TONE 3

Today the choir of Saints who were pleasing to God in the lands of North America now stands before us in the Church and invisibly prays to God for us. With them the angels glorify Him, and all the saints of the Church of Christ keep festival with them; and together they all pray for us to the Pre-Eternal God.

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

The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans 2:10 – 16

Epistle

Brethren: glory, honor, and peace to everyone who works what is good, to the Jew first and also to the Greek. For there is no partiality with God. For as many as have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and as many as have sinned in the law will be judged by the law (for not the hearers of the law are just in the sight of God, but the doers of the law will be justified; for when Gentiles, who do not have the law, by nature do the things in the law, these, although not having the law, are a law to themselves, who show the work of the law written in their hearts, their conscience also bearing witness, and between themselves their thoughts accusing or else excusing them) in the day when God will judge the secrets of men by Jesus Christ, according to my gospel.

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: Rejoice in the Lord and be glad, O you righteous.

Matthew 4:18-23

Gospel

At that time: Jesus, was walking by the Sea of Galilee, saw two brothers, Simon called Peter, and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. Then He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." They immediately left their nets and followed Him. Going on from there, He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee, and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets. He called them, and immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all kinds of sickness and all kinds of disease among the people.



Schedule

Saturday, June 24, 2023

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, June 25, 2023

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, June 28, 2023

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Thursday, June 29, 2023

*Feast of the Chief of the Apostles
Peter & Paul*

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 1, 2023

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, July 2, 2023

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 8, 2023

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, July 9, 2023

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, July 11, 2023

8:30 A.M. Peroghies

Saturday, July 15, 2023

NO VESPERS

Sunday, July 16, 2023

9:30 A.M. Reader's Service

Saturday, July 22, 2023

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, July 23, 2023

9:00 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, June 18, 2023

*2nd Sunday After Pentecost; All Saints of North
America*

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

"When your heart is touched by thoughts of fornication, or impurity, evil, or blasphemy, or when thoughts of malice, envy, avarice, covetousness, gluttony, darken, wound, and oppress you, then say to yourself, with firm, heartfelt conviction, that all this is an imagination of the Devil, and all such ideas and thoughts shall immediately vanish. Blessed is he that "speaketh the truth from his heart (Psalm 15:2, 3)." Tortured will be he who imagines or thinks of evil and sin in his heart! "Tribulation and anguish upon every soul of man that doeth evil (Romans 2:9)." Despise the carnal delight of sin, for it is a provocation, of the perishable flesh. When a thought of doubt in the truth comes to you, say, that this thought is an illusion, whilst the truth remains - eternal truth. What am I? Upon the one side sin, an abyss of sin, all opposition to my God the Creator and Worker of everything, deserving of every condemnation and torment; upon the other, entire poverty in every virtue and infirmity for every virtue. So deeply have I fallen and become corrupt and impotent. Without my Savior I can do nothing in accordance with His Word and in accordance with mine own innumerable experiences. He has created me, soul and body; He has reared me; He has educated my faculties; He still continues to accomplish everything that is good within me if I do anything good, whilst I of myself am only evil. But, my Creator and my Redeemer, Thou hast created me; I am Thy creature, Thy servant. Direct me and fulfil Thy will through me. Grant me Thy grace, that I may entirely subdue my"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Timothy	Zachary	Michael
Debra	Dymphna & CTBB	Barb
Mark	Justin	Barbara
Lori	Hope	Mark
Kyle	Nicholas	Angela
Megan	Theodora	Elijah
Philip	John	Sophia
Lori Ann	Cyndi	Matushka Tanya
Matushka Jenna	Diana	Mary
Priest Jacob	Michael	Archpriest Moses
Michael	Joseph	Archpriest John
John	Andrew	Matushka Margaret
Aaron	Magdalene	Matthew
Priest Joseph <i>Strzelecki</i>	Barbara	Priest Joseph
Presbytera Irené	Rebecca	Archpriest Michael
Archpriest Christopher	Nancy	Matushka Virginia
Yulia	Maria	Paul
Patrick	Elaine	Mary
Shawn	Victor	Nicholas
Gabriella	Wilma	Andrew
Catechumen Rebecca	Michael	Anthony
Marie	April	Christopher
Michael	Joseph	Jackie
Patricia		
Reader Michael		<i>All of our Father, Grandfathers, godfathers, and spiritual fathers</i>
Michelle		
Mikaela		

Those in the life to come

Amy	Archbishop PAUL
Harold	
Michael	
<u>Richard</u>	<i>All of our Father, Grandfathers, godfathers, and spiritual fathers</i>
Archpriest Thomas	
Metropolitan THEODOSIUS	
Archpriest Vladimir	

"will to Thy will, for I cannot do this without Thy grace. Thou, my Shepherd, pasture me. Thou, my Savior, save me. Thou, my light, enlighten me. Thou, my strength, strengthen me. "What fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness, and what communion hath light with darkness (2 Corinthians 6:14)?" Not the slightest. "The thoughts of the wicked are an abomination to the Lord (Proverbs 15:26)," and the Lord withdraws Himself from the heart in which such thoughts nestle. This we feel in our own selves. And therefore, in order that the Lord may unite Himself with anybody, it is necessary that that man should be perfectly free from the impurity of sin and be adorned with virtues, or that he should believe in the Lord Jesus Christ, Who took upon Himself the sins of the whole world; that he should acknowledge his sins, should sincerely condemn them, considering them foolish, and that he should ask with all his heart to be forgiven them, firmly intending not to sin again in future. It was in this manner that all the saints were united with the Lord and became holy. How holy therefore must be our Lady, the Mother of God, with Whom God the Word Himself, the Light everlasting, was most truly united: "the true light, Which lighteneth every man that cometh into the world (St. John 1:8)," whom "the Holy Ghost came upon," and whom "the power of the Most High overshadowed (St. Luke 1:35)!" How holy and most holy must be our Lady, the Mother of the Lord, Who became the temple of God, not made with hands, and was entirely penetrated, in all Her thoughts, feelings, words, and deeds, by the Holy Ghost, and from Whose blood the Creator Himself made flesh for Himself?" 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.

All Saints of North America

TONE 8

As the bountiful harvest of Thy sowing of salvation, the lands of North America offer to Thee, O Lord, all the saints who have shone in them. By their prayers keep the Church and our land in abiding peace through the Theotokos, O most Merciful One