

KONTAKIA

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

Martyrs
TONE 6

Leaving all earthly armies, you cleaved to the Master in Heaven, O Forty prize-winners of the Lord; for passing through fire and water, O blessed Martyrs, as is meet, you received glory from Heaven, and a multitude of crowns.

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

Triodion
TONE 6

O Master, Guide to wisdom, Bestower of prudence, Instructor of the foolish, and Defender of the poor: make firm my heart and grant it understanding. O Word of the Father, give me speech, for behold, I shall not restrain my lips from crying out to Thee: "Have mercy, have mercy on me who have fallen."

TONE 8: Pray and make your vows before the Lord our God!

vs. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

Another (Martyrs) TONE 5: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever!

Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Romans 13:11 – 14:4

Brethren: do this, knowing the time, that now it is high time to awake out of sleep; for now our salvation is nearer than when we first believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Therefore let us cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk properly, as in the day, not in revelry and drunkenness, not in lewdness and lust, not in strife and envy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to fulfill its lusts. Receive one who is weak in the faith, but not to disputes over doubtful things. For one believes he may eat all things, but he who is weak eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to judge another's servant? To his own master he stands or falls. Indeed, he will be made to stand, for God is able to make him stand.

Alleluia

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

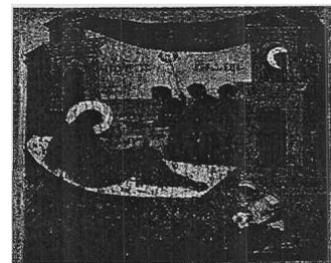
v: To declare Thy mercy in the morning and Thy truth by night.

v: Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth! Sing of his name, give to Him glorious praise!

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew 6:14-21

Gospel

At that time, the Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father will also forgive you. But if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. Moreover, when you fast, do not be like the hypocrites, with a sad countenance. For they disfigure their faces that they may appear to men to be fasting. Assuredly, I say to you, they have their reward. But you, when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, so that you do not appear to men to be fasting, but to your Father who is in the secret place; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you openly. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy and where thieves break in and steal; but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust destroys and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there your heart will be also."



Schedule

Monday, March 7 –
Thursday, March 10, 2022

7:00 P.M. Great Compline with the Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Friday, March 11, 2022

6:00 P.M. Presanctified Liturgy

Saturday, March 12, 2022

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, March 13, 2022

Sunday of Orthodoxy

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, March 16, 2022

6:00 P.M. Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, March 18, 2022

7:00 P.M. Vespers with Panikhida

Saturday, March 19, 2022

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

3:30 P.M. Church School

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, March 20, 2022

St. Gregory Palamas

10:00 A.M. Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, March 23, 2022

6:00 P.M. Presanctified Liturgy

Thursday, March 24, 2022

7:00 P.M. Vigil (Compline with Matins)

Friday, March 25, 2022

Annunciation

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, March 6, 2022

37th Sunday After Pentecost; Expulsion of Adam and Eve from Paradise; Sunday of Forgiveness

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

"That they all may be one, as Thou, Father, art in me, and I in Thee, that they also may be one in us (St. John 17:21)." What separates us from God and each other? Money, food, and drink - this dust, this dross, this corruption. Why? Because we have not living Christian trust and faith in God. We do not know, or we forget, that man's true life is love for God and his neighbor. Setting our life upon dust and trusting it, we do not render to the Heavenly Father the glory that is due to Him, by putting our whole trust in Him, by casting all our care upon Him, as His faithful children in Christ should do. "If then I be a Father, where is Mine honor (Malachi 1:6)?" Where is your trust in Me? Where is your love for Me? Where is your detachment from earthly, corrupt things, and your hearty desire for the heavenly, spiritual, and eternal ones? While I live, then the flesh is mine own, because my spirit lives in it; but when I die, the flesh is no longer mine, but belongs to God and to the earth: "The earth is the Lord's and all that therein is (Psalm 24:1)." "For dust thou art and unto dust shalt thou return (Genesis 3:9)." "Whoso eateth My flesh, and drinketh My blood (St. John 6:54)." These words also signify that I myself wholly dwell in these two forms of the communion - in the flesh and blood; that they are mine by their close association with me, as the flesh and blood"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Justin	Patricia	Barbara
Joseph	Reader Nicholas	Mark
Joyce	Diana	Angela
Candace	Presbyteria Rene	Elijah
Maria	Priest Joseph	Sophia
Archbishop PAUL	Ioannis	Matushka Tanya
Andrew (<i>Craig Rydgig</i>)	Ioannis	Mary
Larry	Michael	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Franklyn	Catechumen Peter	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Jacob	Natalia	Archpriest John (BP)
Ann	Theresa	Matushka Margaret (BP)
Mark	Subdeacon Andrew	Matthew (BP)
Alexander	Lori Ann	Priest Josef (BP)
Nicholletta	Deborah	Archpriest Michael (BP)
Christine	Timothy	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Chelsea	Amy	Deacon Paul (BP)
Farrah	Michael	Deacon Peter (BP)
Nolan	Joseph	Deacon Michael (BP)
Chuck (<i>Causey</i>)	Andrew	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Garret	Magdalene	Mary (BP)
Daniel	Subdeacon Charles	Zoe (BP)
Alexandria	Deborah	Noah (BP)
Karen	Michael	Marie (BP)
Andrew	Victor	Paul
Kevin	Wilma	Mary
William	Michael	Nicholas
Kristine	April	Andrew
Michael	Joseph	Anthony
Tatiana	Michael	Christopher
Devin	Barb	Jackie

Those in the life to come

Valery	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Matushka Carol	Archpriest Vladimir
Vera	Galina
<u>Joanna</u>	
Archpriest Thomas	

"of the man, with the soul of the man dwelling in them; for the soul penetrates all the body and all the blood. How many times death entered into my heart, communicating its beginning to the body also an innumerable number of times! And yet the Lord delivered me from this state of death, was merciful to me with unspeakable mercy, and gave me new life. O, how full of gratitude to the Lord my heart should be! "If the Lord had not helped me, it had not failed, but my soul had been put to silence (Psalm 94:17)." Our flesh becomes depressed and downcast when it is subjected to any infirmities; whilst when it is in good health and enjoys carnal pleasures, then it rejoices, leaps, and gets beyond itself. We must pay no attention to the delusive feelings of the flesh, and, in general, must disdain every carnal amusement and delight; we must bear with equanimity the afflictions and maladies of the flesh, take courage and set our trust upon God. Why is impatience in some small, unimportant matter, one single movement of the heart towards impatience, already a sin and is immediately inwardly punished? Likewise, why is every momentary movement of the heart towards sin considered as a sin and immediately punished? Because impatience in a small matter is an earnest of impatience in great and important matters; for the soul of man is incomplex, and one single inclination of the heart towards sin is already a sin. And therefore, as every small, unimportant sin leads to great ones, it is always punished at its very beginning and must be crushed. "Thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy Lord (St. Matthew 25:21)." And how great are these many things! "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man the things which God hath prepared for them that love Him (1 Corinthians 2:9)." *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.

Martyrs

TONE 1

For the sake of the sufferings of Thy Saints, which they endured for Thee, O Lord, we entreat Thee to heal all our infirmities, O Lover of mankind.