

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.

KONTAKIA

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

Expulsion of Adam from Paradise

tone 6

Master, Teacher of wisdom, Bestower of virtue, thou dost teach the thoughtless and protect the poor: Strengthen and enlighten my heart. Word of the Father, let me not restrain my mouth from crying to Thee: Have mercy on me, a transgressor, O merciful Lord!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

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

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

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

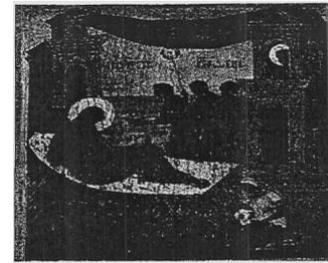
v: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High!

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

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

Sunday, March 14, 2021

Forgiveness Sunday

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Followed immediately by

Forgiveness Vespers

Monday, March 15 –

Thursday, March 18, 2021

7:00 P.M. Great Compline with

Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Friday, March 19, 2021

6:00 P.M. Presanctified Divine

Liturgy

Saturday, March 20, 2021

9:00 Baptism Theodora

Brannon

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, March 21, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, March 24, 2021

6:00 P.M. Presanctified Liturgy

7:30 P.M. Vigil – Annunciation

Thursday, March 25, 2021

Annunciation

6:00 P.M. Vespers with Divine

Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

Friday, March 26, 2021

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Saturday, March 27, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, March 28, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, March 31, 2021

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Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

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*40th Sunday After Pentecost; Forgiveness
Sunday; Expulsion of Adam from Paradise;*

Venerable Benedict of Nursia

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"In everything and at every time strive to please God and think of the salvation of your soul from sin and from the Devil, and of its adoption by God. On rising from your bed, make the sign of the Cross and say: "In the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Ghost," and also: "Vouchsafe, O Lord, to keep us this day without sin and teach me to do Thy Will (From the Great Doxology at Matins)." While washing, either at home or at the baths, say: "Purge me with hyssop, Lord, and I shall be clean; wash me and I shall be whiter than snow (Psalm 51:7)." When putting on your linen, think of the cleanliness of the heart, and ask the Lord for a clean heart: "Create in me a clean heart, O God (Psalm 51:16)!" If you have made new clothes and are putting them on, think of the renewal of the spirit and say: "Renew a right spirit within me"; laying aside old clothes, and disdaining them think with still greater disdain of laying aside the old man, the sinful, passionate, carnal man; tasting the sweetness of bread, think of the true Bread, which gives eternal life to the soul – the Body and Blood of Christ – and hunger after this bread – that is long to communicate of it oftener; drinking water, tea, sweet-tasted mead or any other drink, think of the true drink that quenches the thirst of the soul inflamed by"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Gabriella	Justin	Matushka Tanya
Damon	Hope	Mary
Peter	Nicholas	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Rebecca	Subdeacon Charles	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Marinette	Deborah	Archprst. John Zabinko (BP)
Deborah	Michael	Mat. Margaret Zabinko (BP)
Clarita	Laverne	Matthew Zabinko
Elizabeth	Priest Matthew	Priest Josef (BP)
Melanie & CTBB	Matushka Christine	Archpriest Peter (BP)
Paul	Abigail	Archpriest Vladimir (BP)
Anthony	Aidan	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Janice	Eve	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Andrew	Victor	Deacon Paul (BP)
Amy	Wilma	Matushka Snezana (BP)
Michael	Michael	Helen (BP)
Joseph	April	Theodore (BP)
Andrew	Joseph	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
Magdalene	Michael	Paul
David	Barb	Mary
Reader George	Barbara	Nicholas
Marie	Mark	Andrew
Michael	Angela	Anthony
Theodora	Elijah	Christopher
Dymphna	Sophia	Jackie

Those in the life to come

David	Archpriest Thomas
Clara	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Irene	
Archpriest John	
Maryann	
<u>Protopresbyter Daniel</u>	

"passions - of the most-pure and life-giving Blood of the Savior; resting during the day, think of the eternal rest, prepared for those who wrestle and struggle against sin, against the subcelestial spirits of evil, against human injustice or rudeness and ignorance; lying down to sleep at night, think of the sleep of death, which sooner or later will unfailingly come to all of us, of that dark, eternal, terrible night, into which all impenitent sinners will be cast; meeting the day, think of the nightless day, eternal, most bright - brighter than the sunniest earthly day - the day of the kingdom of Heaven, at which all those will rejoice who have striven to please God, or who have repented before God from their whole life during this temporary life; when you are going anywhere, think of the righteousness of spiritually walking before God and say: "Order my steps in Thy word and let not any iniquity have dominion over me (Psalm 119:133);" when doing anything, strive to do it with the thought of God, the Creator, who has made everything by His infinite wisdom, grace, and omnipotence, and has created you after His image and likeness; when you receive or have any money or treasure, think, that our inexhaustible Treasury, from which we derive all the treasure of our soul and body, the ever-flowing Source of every blessing is - God, thank Him with all your soul and do not shut up your treasures within yourself, lest you shut the entrance of your heart to the priceless and living treasure - God; but distribute part of your property amongst those who are in want to the needy, to your poor brethren, who are left in this life so that you may prove upon them your love, your gratitude to God and be rewarded for this by God in eternity; when you see the white glitter of silver, do not be allured by it, but think that your soul should be white and should shine with Christ's virtues; when you see the glitter of gold, do not be allured by it, but remember that your soul ought to be purified as gold is, by fire, and that the Lord desires to make your yourself shine like the sun, in the eternal, bright kingdom of His Father, that you will see the sun of Righteousness - God, the Trinity, the Most-Holy Virgin, the Mother of God, and all the heavenly powers and Saints, filled with ineffable light and shining with the light poured upon them." *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!