

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 3: Sing praises to our God, sing praises! / Sing praises to our King, sing praises!

Vs. Clap your hands, all ye people, shout to God with loud songs of joy!

The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians 1:11 – 19

Epistle

But I make known to you, *brethren*, that the gospel which was preached by me is not according to man, nor was I taught it, but it came through the revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former conduct in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God beyond measure and tried to destroy it. And I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my contemporaries in my own nation, being more exceedingly zealous for the traditions of my fathers. But when it pleased God, who separated me from my mother's womb and called me through His grace, to reveal His Son in me, that I might preach Him among the Gentiles, I did not immediately confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me; but I went to Arabia, and returned again to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to see Peter, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James, the Lord's brother.

Alleluia

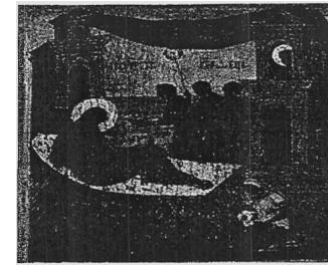
In Thee, O Lord, have I placed my hope; let me not be put to shame.

v: Be Thou a God of protection for me, a house of refuge in order to save me.

Luke 10:25 - 37

Gospel

At that time: a certain lawyer stood up and tested Him, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? What is your reading of it?" So he answered and said, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind," and "your neighbor as yourself." And He said to him, "You have answered rightly; do this and you will live." But he, wanting to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Then Jesus answered and said: "A certain man went down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and fell among thieves, who stripped him of his clothing, wounded him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a certain priest came down that road. And when he saw him, he passed by on the other side. Likewise a Levite, when he arrived at the place, came and looked, and passed by on the other side. But a certain Samaritan, as he journeyed, came where he was. And when he saw him, he had compassion. So he went to him and bandaged his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; and he set him on his own animal, brought him to an inn, and took care of him. On the next day, when he departed, he took out two denarii, gave them to the innkeeper, and said to him, "Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, when I come again, I will repay you." "So which of these three do you think was neighbor to him who fell among the thieves?" And he said, "He who showed mercy on him." Then Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."



Schedule

Saturday, November 16, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, November 17, 2024

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, November 20, 2024

7:00 P.M. Vespers

Thursday, November 21, 2024

Feast of the Entrance of the

Theotokos into the Temple

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 23, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, November 24, 2024

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 30, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 1, 2024

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Thursday, December 5, 2024

6:30 P.M. Vespers at St. Nicholas

Family Life Center

Friday, December 6, 2024

Feast of St. Nicholas the

Wonderworker

9:30 A.M. Divine Liturgy at St.

Nicholas Family Life Center

Saturday, December 7, 2024

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 8, 2024

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, November 10, 2024

*20th Sunday After Pentecost; Apostles of the
Seventy Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipoater,
Quartus, and Tertius*

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"The cross is in Christ, and Christ is on the cross; the cross is the image of the crucified Christ, the Son of God, and therefore the sign of the cross and even its shadow are terrible unto the demons, as the sign of Christ Himself as the shadow of Him, crucified. Therefore it is very important to sanctify the water by immersing the cross in it; through this it becomes healing, and drives away demons. A Christian is - the vessel of God, the temple of God, the house of God. O, how worthy of honor is the true Christian, how zealously he ought to shun every sin, and how greatly Christians ought to respect one another! The most abominable enemy endeavors to destroy love by love itself: love for God and neighbor - by love for the world, for its fleeting blessings and its corrupt, impious habits, by carnal love, by the love of riches, of honors, of pleasure, of various amusements. Therefore let us extinguish every love for this world in ourselves, and let us kindle in ourselves, by self-denial, love for God and our neighbor. Every beauty in this world (personal beauty) is only a faint, insignificant shadow of the uncreated beauty, of the unspeakable goodness of God's face; every earthly enjoyment is nothing in comparison to future delights. I pray, Lord, that the faith of Christ may penetrate into the depths"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

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| Subdeacon Andrew | Rebecca | Mary Magdalene |
| Theresa | Rebecca | Diana |
| Lori Ann | Archpriest Jonathan | Barbara |
| Michaela | Kevin | Elaine |
| Joseph | Bonnie | Victor |
| Jill | Deborah | Wilma |
| Ben | Daria | Michael |
| Kelly | Archpriest George | April |
| Elyssa | Marina | Joseph |
| Mike | William | Michael |
| Eric | Larissa | Barb |
| Michelle | Mark | Barbara |
| Yulia | Elizabeth | Mark |
| Mark | Edmund | Angela |
| David <i>Brannon</i> | Catechumen Athanasius | Elijah |
| David <i>Butchko</i> | Alex | Sophia |
| Reader George | Julia | Kathy |
| Marie | Martha | Matushka Tanya |
| Jane | David | Mary |
| Reader Simeon | Adina | Archpriest John |
| Newly Illumined Anna | Reza | Matushka Margaret |
| Marybeth | Reader Stephen | Matthew |
| Nina | Priest Andrew | Priest Josef |
| Clara | Popadija Joan | Archpriest Michael |
| Subdeacon Paul | Eva | Reader Peter |
| Judith | Catechumen Mary | Patricia |
| Peter | Alexandra | Matushka Virginia |

Those in the life to come

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| Archbishop PETER | Charles | Matushka Olga |
| Agnes | Michael | Archpriest Thomas |
| Ann | Robert | Metropolitan THEODOSIUS |
| James | Judith | Archpriest Vladimir |
| Monk Nicodemus | Julia | Archbishop PAUL |
| Mary <i>Brzuchalski</i> | Martin | Archimandrite Innocent |
| Archpriest Peter | Matthew | Nancy |
| Archpriest Dionysius | Archpriest Joseph <i>Chupek</i> | Magdalene |
| Thomas <i>Moyer</i> | <u>Matushka Anna</u> | John |

"of my heart, that Christ's Gospel may penetrate all my thoughts, feelings, words, and deeds, into all my bones and my brains, and not me only, but all men, as the universal truth, the highest wisdom, and the life eternal. "And this is life eternal, that they might know Thee, the only true God, and Jesus Christ, Whom Thou hast sent (St. John 17:3)." How fragrant are the bones of the Saints! What a wonderful perfume the relics of God's Saints emit! What a great blessing it is to gain the sweet-smelling grace of the Holy Ghost and the life eternal! Why do we run after corruption? Why have we loved the stink of sins, of poisonous passions?" My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt

Troparia

Resurrection

TONE 3

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm! He has trampled down death by death! He has become the first-born of the dead! He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted 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.

Apostles

TONE 3

Holy Apostles, Erastus, Olympas, Herodion, Sosipater, Quartus and Tertius, entreat the merciful God, to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions.

Kontakia

Resurrection

TONE 3

On this day Thou didst rise from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the prophets and patriarchs they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Thy power!

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

Apostles

TONE 2

Illumined by divine light, O holy apostles, you wisely destroyed the works of idolatry. When you caught all the pagans you brought them to the Master and taught them to glorify the Trinity.

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.