

*Martyrs*  
**STONE 2**

You received grace from on high, all-praised martyrs, and you intercede for those in the midst of temptations! Therefore, holy ones, you freed a young woman from bitter death. You are indeed the glory of Edessa and the joy of the world!

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

*Nativity of the Virgin Mary*  
**STONE 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*

**STONE 6:** O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!  
Vs. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me!

**The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 2:4 – 10**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* But God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

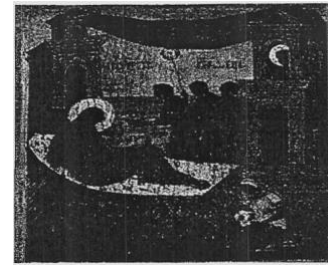
*Alleluia*

*He that dwelleth in the aid of the Most High shall abide under the protection of the God of heaven.  
v: He shall say to the Lord: Thou art my protector and my refuge, my God. In Him will I trust!*

**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*

**Friday, November 20, 2020**

\* 7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, November 21, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, November 22, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Coffee Hour*

**Friday, November 27, 2020**

6:00 P.M. Panikhida 40 Days

for Metropolitan Theodosius

7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, November 28, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, November 29, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Coffee Hour*

**Friday, December 4, 2020**

7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, December 5, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, December 6, 2020**

*St. Nicholas*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Coffee Hour*

**Friday, December 11, 2020**

7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, December 12, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Mtg.

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, December 13, 2020**

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

**416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060**

**Sunday, November 15, 2020**

*23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Holy Martyrs and Confessors Gurias, Samonas, and Abibus of*

*Edessa; Ven. Paisii Velichkovsky*

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“The Word is our Creator and our God. Every word of His is truth and deed. Such also should our own word be, for we are created after the image of God; likewise the word of all speaking creatures should be truth and deed (such was the word of good tidings of the Archangel to Zacharias, to the Virgin Mary); and thus it is also with the angels and Saints; but in the Devil, who fell away from God, only a shadow of thought remains, and his word is without truth, without the reality of the deed – a lie, a phantom; and as a truthful word, being an image of the God the Word, and being derived from Him, is life, so the lying word of the Devil, being his image, is death. Falsehood is necessarily death, for the death of the soul is naturally caused by that which has itself fallen from life into death. One cannot eat and drink and smoke continually. One cannot turn human life into constant eating, drinking, and smoking (although there are men who do eat, drink, and smoke almost uninterruptedly); and thus the spirit of evil has turned life into smoking, and made the mouth, which ought to be employed in thanking and praising the Lord, into a smoking furnace. The less and lighter the food and drink you take, the lighter and more refined your spirit will become. O ye of little faith! Do not doubt in Mine”

## Prayer Requests

### Those in this earthly life

Constance	Marie	Protopresbyter Michael
David	Michael	Protopresbyter Radomir
Kristine	Dymphna & CTBB	Met. HERMAN (BP)
George	Justin	Arprt Joseph (BP)
Layla	Hope	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Kimberly	Nicholas	Arprst John Zabinko (BP)
Delilah	Subdeacon Charles	Mtk Mrgaret Zabinko (BP)
Cheryl	Deborah	Matthew Zabinko
Geraldine	Michael	Priest Josef (BP)
Cheryl	Laverne	Archpriest Vladimir (BP)
Linda	Deacon Matthew	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Anthony	Dnsa. Christine	Archpst Christopher (BP)
Frank	Abigail	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Jeri	Aidan	Archpriest Myron (BP)
Frank	Eve	Deacon Paul (BP)
Cheryl	Cynthia	Deacon Paul (BP)
John	Victor	Matushka Trudi (BP)
Courtney	Wilma	Matushka Snezana (BP)
Marsha	Michael	Helen (BP)
Dennis	April	Theodore (BP)
Magdalene	Joseph	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
Joseph	Michael	Paul
April	Barb	Mary
Kim	Barbara	Nicholas
David	Mark	Anne (Crowell)
Adina	Angela	Anna (Prochko)
Christopher	Elijah	Andrew
Nathan	Sophia	Anthony
David	Matushka Tanya	Christopher
Reader George	Mary	Jackie

### Those in the life to come

Robert (*A friend of Bob Butchkos*)  
Anna (*Prochko*)  
Matushka Elizabeth *Kachur*  
Met. THEODOSIUS  
Archpriest Thomas

"omnipotence. I have created every soul and all flesh, and I am the God of spirits and of all flesh. "For the spirit shall come forth from Me, and every breath which I have created (Isaiah 42:5, 6 This is the exact translation of the Slavonic version. The English is as follows: "For the spirit should fail before Me, and the souls which I have made.")" "I have made the earth, and created man upon it; I, even My hands, have stretched out the heavens, and all their host have I commanded (Isaiah 45:12)." "Thou shalt do no murder." Amongst others, doctors murder by their ignorance of the sick man's illness when they prescribe him injurious medicines. Those also commit murder who will not have a doctor to attend them or another person who is ill and requires the doctor's help. Those commit murder who irritate a sick man to whom any irritation may be fatal - for instance, a consumptive person - and thus hasten his death. Those commit murder who, through avarice or any other bad reason, delay in affording the doctor's help to a sick person, or in giving bread to the hungry. One meets with distorted hearts in some men. At the celebration of the sacraments they breathe unbelief and insensibility, moral impotency or mockery, disturbance, and diabolical fear! During the illness of those near to them one is also struck by their insensibility and even diabolical malignancy. They consider their sick brother as superfluous in the world, and inwardly think "There will be more room for me if he dies," not reflecting that every man - and they themselves - may perhaps die tomorrow, and not pitying the sufferer in their hearts as their own member." *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

#### TROPARIA

*Resurrection*

#### TONE 6

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave; seeking Thy Most Pure Body, Thou didst capture hell, not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord Who didst rise from the dead, glory to Thee!

*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.

*Martyrs*

#### TONE 5

Christ our God, Thou hast granted us the miracles of Thy holy martyrs Gurias, Samonas and Abibas, as a stronghold and protection. Through their prayers, strengthen those in authority in every good deed, for Thou alone are merciful and the Lover of mankind!

Kontakia

*Resurrection*

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty Hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race; He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.