

Entrance of Theotokos into the Temple

TONE 4

Today is the prelude of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. The Virgin appears in the temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her: "Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

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

Kontakia

TONE 5

Resurrection

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty; resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O lover of Man, and we all cry to Thee: O Lord, save us!

Now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Entrance of Theotokos into the Temple

TONE 4

The most pure Temple of the Savior; the precious Chamber and Virgin; the sacred Treasure of the glory of God, is presented today to the house of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, therefore, the angels of God praise her: "Truly this woman is the abode of heaven."

Prokeimenon

TONE 5: Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation for ever!

Vs. Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly.

Another (Theotokos) TONE 3: My soul magnifies the Lord, and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.

The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Galatians 6:11 – 18

Epistle

Brethren: See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Alleluia

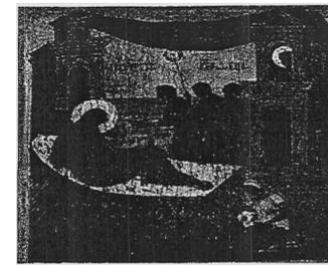
I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation.

v: For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens.

v: Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline thine ear.

The Gospel according to Apostle and Evangelist St. Luke 12:16-21

The Lord said this parable: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" "But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' "So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."



Schedule

Saturday, November 27, 2021

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, November 28, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 4, 2021

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 5, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 11, 2021

3:00 P.M. Parish Council

Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 12, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 18, 2021

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 19, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, December 24, 2021

10:00 A.M. Royal Hours

1:00 P.M. Vespers of

St. Basil the Great

5:00 P.M. Vigil of Christmas

(Compline & Matins)

Saturday, December 25, 2021

The Nativity in the flesh of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, December 26, 2021

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, January 1, 2022

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, November 21, 2021

22nd Sunday After Pentecost; Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

"Preserve a meek and peaceable disposition towards your brother, even when he cunningly or artfully, or somehow unintentionally deprives you of all you possess. Show then that you love God's image in him more than anything earthly and perishable, that your "charity never faileth (1 Corinthians 13:8)." "Of him that taketh away thy goods ask them not again (St. Luke 6:30)." "And if any man will sue thee at the law and take away thy coat, let him have thy cloak also (St. Matthew 5:40)." Do not let the enemy shame you for laying your hopes upon such earthly dust as money and food, more than upon God, but shame him himself by your firm trust in God and in His Holy Word. For "man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceedeth out of the mouth of God (St. Matthew 4:4)." Mark: "by every word." For every word of the Lord Creator can support your life, just as every word can create and transform thousands of creatures. "For He spake and it was done; He commanded and it stood fast (Psalm 32:9)." Thus at His word He brought from non-existence into being the myriads of the immortal heavenly hosts, and having sanctified them by the Holy Ghost, strengthens and supports them in their being. Do not foolishly lower the dignity of your immortal spirit by vainly trusting in earthly dust. Say, "My trust is in God," or "The Father is my trust, the Son is my refuge, the Holy Ghost is my protection. O, Holy Trinity, glory to Thee (Prayer of St. Johannices, from the Evening Prayers of the Russian Church)." And yet how many of us become irritated and lose their temper when they are deprived, not of their last coin, but only of some"

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Judah	Catechumen Peter	Mark
Karen	Natalia	Angela
Helen	Hope	Elijah
Pamela	Justin	Sophia
Sarah	Dymphna	Matushka Tanya
Raymond	Nicholas	Mary
Stephanie	Theodora	Met. HERMAN (BP)
David	Theresa	Archpriest Basil (BP)
Hanna	Subdeacon Andrew	Archpriest Andrew (BP)
Jacob	Lori Ann	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Leah	Deborah	Archprst John Zabinko (BP)
Emily	Timothy	Mat. Margaret Zabinko(BP)
Neil	Amy	Matthew Zabinko
Ben	Michael	Priest Josef (BP)
Sam	Joseph	Arprst. Michael <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
Elizaveta	Andrew	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Emily	Magdalene	Deacon Paul (BP)
Reader Nicholas	Subdeacon Charles	Deacon Peter (BP)
Diane	Deborah	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Ray	Michael	Marie (BP)
Jane	Laverne	Zoe (BP)
Sandy	Victor	Paul
Nancy	Wilma	Mary
Stephanie	Michael	Nicholas
Julie	Michael	Andrew
Emily	April	Anthony
Elana	Joseph	Christopher
Miriam	Barb	Jackie
	Barbara	

Those in the life to come

Tyler
Brian
Archpriest Thomas
Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Archpriest Vladimir

"small part of by no means their last property! How much agitation, anger, bile, bitter reproaches, murmuring, sometimes even curses! Righteous God! Can this dross called money, or this food and drink produce such storms in our Christian souls, in us who know the words of our sweetest Savior? "Take no thought for your life, what ye shall put on. Behold the birds of the air, they sow not, neither do they reap, nor gather into barns; yet your Heavenly Father feedeth them. But seek ye first the Kingdom of God and His righteousness, and all these things shall be added unto you (St Matthew 6:25, 26, 33)." Or: "A man's life consisteth not in the abundance of the things which he possesseth (St. Luke 12:15)." My God! to what have we come? In what are we better than heathens in our mode of life? Where is our faith, our trust in God, our love for our neighbor? O, pride of Satan! O, what shame is ours! Heavenly Father! Thou who knowest what things we have need of, and givest them to us before we ask Thee (St. Mathew 6:8), have mercy upon us unfaithful, ungrateful, and evil-natured ones. Lord, we hear Thy merciful words: "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee (Hebrews 13:5);" but being daily tempted by earthly blessings, we do not heed them, and transgress Thy will. Do not fear bodily privations, but fear spiritual privations. Do not fear, do not be faint-hearted, do not be irritated when you are deprived of money, food, drink, enjoyments, clothes, dwelling, even of your body itself; but fear when the enemy deprives your soul of faith, of trust, and love for God and your neighbor; when he sows hatred, enmity, attachment to earthly things, pride, and other sins in your heart. "Fear not them [men] which will kill the body, but are not able to kill the soul (St. Matthew 10:28)."" *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

Troparia
Resurrection
TONE 5

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, Co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His Glorious Resurrection.