

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

*Martyr James the Persian*

**TONE 2**

Thou didst listen to thy faithful wife and contemplated the judgment of God, holy James; thou didst despise the threats and commands of the Persians, accepting the cutting of thy body as though thou wast a vine. Therefore thou wast revealed as a martyr worthy of honor.

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

*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 7:** The Lord shall give strength to His people! / The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

Vs. Offer to the Lord, O ye sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

**The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 2:14 – 22**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

*Alleluia*

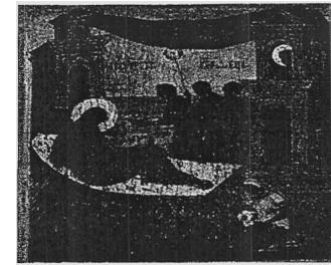
*It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High!*

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

**Luke 13:10 - 17**

*Gospel*

*At that time:* Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, “Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.” And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, “There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day.” The Lord then answered him and said, “Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?” And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.



**Schedule**

**Sunday, November 27, 2022**

11:30 Potato Peel

**Tuesday, November 29, 2022**

8:30 A.M. Peroghies

**Saturday, December 3, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, December 4, 2022**

9:30 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, December 10, 2022**

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, December 11, 2022**

9:30 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, December 17, 2022**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, December 18, 2022**

9:30 A.M. 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Friday, December 23, 2022**

10:00 A.M. Royal Hours

**Saturday, December 24, 2022**

*Eve of the Nativity of our Lord*

*God and Savior Jesus Christ*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy of St.

John Chrysostom

2:00 P.M. Vespers

5:00 P.M. Vigil (*Compline & Matins*)

**Sunday, December 25, 2022**

*Nativity in the flesh of our Lord*

*God and Savior Jesus Christ*

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, November 27, 2022**

*24<sup>th</sup> Sundays After Pentecost; Greatmartyr James the Persian*

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*"Value highly, and always preserve Christian meekness and kindness, mutual peace and love, crushing by every possible means the impulses of self-love, malice, irritability, and disturbance. Do not be disturbed and angered, when anybody tells you a falsehood to your face, or claims any unjust pretension, or speaks offensively, or boldly detects any of your weaknesses or passions, the wrongfulness of which, through your self-love, you did not suspect. Always first coolly reflect over what your opponent says to you, as well as over your own words and conduct, and, if, upon an entirely impartial consideration of your words and actions, you find them just, then let your conscience be at rest, and do not heed the words of your adversary, either remaining silent before him, or showing him his error quietly, gently, in all kindness of heart; but should you find yourself guilty of that, which your adversary detects in you, then, putting aside self-love and pride, ask pardon for your fault, and endeavor to correct yourself in the future. We are often angry with straight-forward, frank people for openly disclosing our iniquities. We ought to value such people, and forgive them, if by their bold speaking they break down our self-love. They are, in a moral sense, the surgeons who cut off, with a sharp word, the rottenness of the heart, and through arousing our self-love, they awaken, in the soul deadened by sin, a consciousness of sin and vital reaction. The Kingdom of Heaven suffereth violence, and the violent take it by force (St. Matthew 11:12)." If we do daily strive to conquer the passions, which fight"*

## Prayer Requests

### Those in this earthly life

Ron Capek	Michael	Barb
Beverly	Kenneth	Barbara
Margaret	Elizabeth	Mark
Carl	Alexandria	Angela
Ann	Julia	Elijah
Dymphna & CTBB	Sarah	Sophia
Justin	Peter ( <i>Altan Wuliji</i> )	Mary
Hope	Diana	Archpriest Moses
Nicholas	Amy	Archpriest John
Theodora	Michael	Matushka Margaret
Presbytera Irené	Joseph	Matthew
John Derr	Andrew	Priest Joseph
Cyndi	Magdalene	Archpriest Michael
Peter	Barbara	Matushka Virginia
Rebecca	Elaine	Paul
Subdeacon Paul	Victor	Mary
Judith	Wilma	Nicholas
Daja & CTBB	Michael	Andrew
Stephanie	April	Anthony
Rufus	Joseph	Christopher
	Michael	Jackie

### Those in the life to come

Steven  
Donna  
Archpriest Thomas  
Metropolitan THEODOSIUS  
Archpriest Vladimir  
Archbishop PAUL

"against us, and to gain the Kingdom of God in our heart, then the passions will tyrannically, forcibly take possession of us, will invade our soul like robbers; our attachments to earthly things will increase in proportion as our faith in heavenly blessings and love for them grows weaker and weaker; we shall enjoy rest of conscience and peace of heart more and more seldom. We must struggle in the matter of the salvation of the soul, which is more precious than anything in the world; we must count everything earthly as dross, or as a phantom, a vision, and everything heavenly, above all, the Lord Himself - as truth itself, eternal, most-blessed and unchangeable. We all love life, are anxious and strive for a happy life, and yet our life is corrupted by passions. Wherefore? Because we do not seek life where we should. To the young, and to all grown up people. Remember, that the moral law of God continually acts in the world, in accordance with which, every good is inwardly rewarded, whilst every evil is punished. Evil is accompanied by affliction and straitness of the heart, and good - by peace, joy, and expansion of the heart. This law is unchangeable: for it is the law of the unchangeable, all-holy, righteous, most-wise, and eternal God. Those who do good, or who fulfil this moral or Gospel law (which is also a moral law, only the most perfect) shall be infallibly rewarded by eternal life, while its transgressors, and those who have not repented of its transgression shall be punished by eternal torment. " 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!

### *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.

### *Martyr James the Persian* **TONE 4**

Thou didst astound all, long-suffering James, by enduring horrible tortures with great patience. As the evil assembly performed the slaughter, thou didst utter prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord. Through thy sufferings thou didst receive thy crown, and didst come to the throne of the heavenly King, Christ God. Entreat Him to save our souls!

### Kontakia *Resurrection* **TONE 7**

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: The Savior has come to those in faith! Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!