

## **Kontakia**

*Resurrection*

### **TONE 8**

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, and the world celebrates Thy Rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

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

*Martyrs*

### **TONE 4**

Urged on by the commandments of God, with patience, you cleansed your souls from all defilement. You reached perfection as spiritual athletes; you renounced sacrifice to idols. Imitating Christ, you were slain with a spear, most blessed Paramon and Philoumenus. Always fervently intercede with Christ on behalf of the world.

*Now and ever, and unto the 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 8:** Pray and make your vows / before the Lord our God!

**Vs.** In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

### **The Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians 4:1 – 6**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* I, therefore, the prisoner of the Lord, beseech you to walk worthy of the calling with which you were called, with all lowliness and gentleness, with longsuffering, bearing with one another in love, endeavoring to keep the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called in one hope of your calling; one Lord, one faith, one baptism; one God and Father of all, who is above all, and through all, and in you all.

*Alleluia*

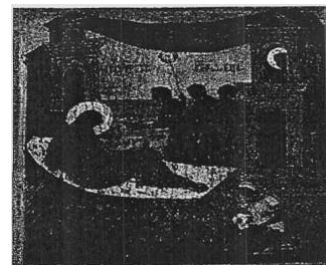
*Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!*

*v: Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!*

### **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**

#### **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

#### **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**

*Repose of St. Herman of Alaska*

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

#### **Friday, December 18, 2020**

6:00 P.M. Panikhida – 11<sup>th</sup>

Anniversary of repose of

Archbishop JOB

7:00 P.M. Vespers

#### **Saturday, December 19, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

#### **Sunday, December 20, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

#### **Thursday, December 24, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Royal Hours

1:00 P.M. Vespersal Liturgy of

St. Basil

5:00 P.M. Vigil (*Compline and*

*Matins*)

#### **Friday, December 25, 2020**

## **Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, November 29, 2020**

*25<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Martyr Paramon  
and 370 Martyrs in Bythinia*

[www.nativityofthevirgin.com](http://www.nativityofthevirgin.com)

“God preserve you from grudging the sacrifice of your material possessions to the Lord Himself, to His Most-pure Mother, or to any other of God’s Saints, thus preferring matter to the spirit. Beware lest your property lead to your destruction. You ought to firmly believe that instead of corruptible blessings, the Lord or His saints will bestow incorruptible ones upon you; instead of temporal blessings, eternal ones; for instance: spiritual light, the forgiveness of sins, the gifts of the Holy Ghost – which are infinitely above any material gifts. Lavish joyfully your possessions in sacrifice to the Lord and His Saints. If you send money for this purpose through anyone else’s hands, be sure that it will reach its destination; and if people embezzle your sacrifice to the Lord, then the Lord you God will call such people to account, and not a single mite will be lost, but it will bring you a gift –proportionate to your faith and heart’s disposition – from the Lord, who is the God of all gifts, especially to those who offer Him their heart’s sacrifices. God’s Saints are represented in their inward actions as listening to the inward Guest, Who works within them – the Lord – venerating Him, smiling from inward sweetness and tenderness, and enjoying heavenly rest. “Ye are now returned unto the Shepherd and Bishop of your souls (1 Peter2:25).”

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

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

**Those in the life to come**

Patriarch Irinej	Mary Margaret	Robert ( <i>A friend of Bob Butchkos</i> )
Svetlana	Mikhail	Anna ( <i>Prochko</i> )
Ernest	Bill	<u>Matushka Elizabeth Kachur</u>
Louise	James	Archpriest Thomas
Rita	Helen	Met. THEODOSIUS

"God created matter in order that it should change and be transformed in innumerable ways in accordance with the Creator's thought. The purpose of matter is to manifest diversely to creatures and in creatures His Omnipotence and mercy, that He may act beneficially through it upon animate creatures, and especially upon those who are reasonable and clothed with flesh. Worthless is the charity of the man who bestows it unwillingly, because material charity is not his, but God's gift, whilst only the disposition of the heart belongs to him. This is why many charities prove almost worthless, for they were bestowed unwillingly, grudgingly, without respect for the person of our neighbor. So also the hospitality of many persons proves worthless because of their hypocritical vain glorious behavior to their guests. Let us offer our sacrifices upon the altar of love to our neighbor, with heart-felt affection: "for God loveth a cheerful giver (2 Corinthians 9:7)."" *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

**TROPARIA**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 8**

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three-day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, 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 4**

Thy holy martyrs Paramon and Philoumenus and those with them, O Lord, through their sufferings have received incorruptible crowns from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, they laid low their adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through their intercessions, save our souls!