

*Hieromartyr Hierotheus*

**tone 1**

We the faithful all praise Hierótheus, the disciple of Paul, Hierarch of Athens, the world's teacher and a preacher of the Faith, who revealed to us Christ's Mysteries and poured forth streams of godly doctrine. His life was well-pleasing to God, who is greatly merciful.

**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.*

*Hieromartyr Hierotheus*

**tone 8**

Hierarch of Athens, we praise thee for thou hast instructed us in awesome and ineffable things, and thou wast revealed to be a divinely-inspired writer of hymns. Pray that we be delivered from every kind of sin, so that we may cry to thee: "Rejoice, divinely-wise Father Hierótheus."

*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.

**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 Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 6:16 – 7:1**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be my people." Therefore "Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you." "I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the Lord Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

*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 6:31 - 36**

*Gospel*

*The Lord said to His disciples:* "Just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.



**Friday, October 9, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, October 10, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 11, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

**Friday, October 16, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, October 17, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

3:00 P.M. Parish Council

Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 18, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

**Friday, October 23, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, October 24, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 25, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

**Friday, October 30, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

**Saturday, October 31, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, November 1, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Coffee Hour

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, October 4, 2020**

*17<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens (1<sup>st</sup> Century); Martyrs Gaius, Faustus, Eusebius, and Chaeremon of Alexandria*

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"When you are saying your prayers - and especially if you have a rule of prayer according to a book - do not hurry from one word to another without feeling its truth, without laying it to your heart, but always strive to feel with your heart the truth of that which you say. Your heart will oppose this - sometimes by slothfulness and stony insensibility to that which you are saying, sometimes by doubt and unbelief, by a kind of inward fire and oppression, sometimes by distraction and deviation of the mind to earthly objects and cares, sometimes by the remembrance of the offences of your neighbor, and by a feeling of revenge and hatred towards him, sometimes by the representation of worldly pleasures, or the representation of pleasure derived from reading novels and, in general worldly books. Do not be self-loving; conquer your heart, and offer it to God as an acceptable sacrifice: "My son, give Me thine heart (Proverbs 23:26)," and your prayer will unite you to God and all heaven, and you will be filled with the Spirit, and the fruits of the Spirit: righteousness, peace, joy, love, meekness, long-suffering, and hearty compunction. You want to finish your rule of prayer quickly, in order to give rest to your weary body? Pray fervently, and you"

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

Maryann	John	Angela
Tonya	David	Elijah
Kevin	Constance	Sophia
Kassie	Sarah	Matushka Tanya
Kennedy	Hope	Mary
Kya	Andrea	Protopresbyter Radomir
King	John	Met. THEODOSIUS (BP)
Tommy	Sarah	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Christian	Sarah	Arprt Joseph (BP)
Olga	Magdalene	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Basil	Dymphna & CTBB	Arprst John Zabinko (BP)
Tamara	Justin	Mtk Mrgaret Zabinko (BP)
David	Hope	Matthew Zabinko
Adina	Nicholas	Priest Josef (BP)
Earnest	Sarah	Archpriest Vladimir (BP)
Adam	Subdeacon Charles	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Jessica	Deborah	Archpst Christopher (BP)
Ella	Michael	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Lilly	Laverne	Archpriest Myron (BP)
Lincoln	Deacon Matthew	Deacon Paul (BP)
Mark	Dnsa. Christine	Deacon Paul (BP)
David	Abigail	Matushka Trudi (BP)
Reader George	Aidan	Matushka Snezana (BP)
Marie	Eve	Helen (BP)
Ted	Cynthia	Theodore (BP)
Mia	Victor	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
New Illumined Infant Ann	Wilma	Paul
Andrew	Michael	Mary
Sarah	April	Nicholas
Emily	Joseph	Anne (Crowell)
Michael	Michael	Anna (Prochko)
Jacob	Barb	Andrew
Wayne	Barbara	Anthony
Diane	Mark	Christopher

**Those in the life to come**

Chuck	James
Tatiana	Archpriest Thomas
Anna	
Ted	

"will sleep the most peaceful, quiet, and healthy sleep. Do not hurry, then, nor say your prayers anyhow; by half-an-hour's prayer you will gain three whole hours of the soundest sleep. Are you hurrying to get to the place of your service or your work? *Get up earlier; do not sleep so long; and pray fervently - you will thus obtain tranquility, energy, and success in your work for the whole day. Is your heart impatient to go to vain, worldly matters? Master it; let its treasure be not earthly vanity, but God, and not to worldly vanity so that you may not be covered with shame in the day of sickness, and in the hour of death, like him who was rich in worldly vanity and poor in faith, hope, and love. If you do not pray as I have said, then you will neither prosper in life, nor in faith, nor in spiritual understanding. The Lord Jesus Christ had not where to lay His head during His earthly life (St. Matthew 8:20), yet He had in Himself His own life and the life of all (St. John 3:36; 5:26; 11:25; 14:6), whilst rich men build themselves magnificent palaces and live in them; but alas, with such brilliant surroundings they have not true life in their hearts, they cannot even enjoy their vanity; they feel dull and oppressed in their beautiful palaces, so that many rich men and high dignitaries would willingly exchange their palaces for the poor man's cottage if they could only acquire his peace of heart. In order to be perfectly pleasing to God, we must also for His sake be perfectly indifferent to our flesh; for instance, when during prayer, notwithstanding our slothfulness and strong inclination to sleep, we force ourselves not to yield to it, then we are indifferent to our flesh. The martyrs and ascetics had this perfect indifference for their flesh" 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.