

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

*Saint Innocent*

**TONE 2**

Thy life, holy father Innocent, Apostle to our land, proclaims the dispensation and grace of God! For laboring in dangers and hardships for the Gospel of Christ thou wast kept unharmed and wast exalted in humility. Pray that He may guide our steps in the way we should go.

*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 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!

**Another (Saint Innocent) TONE 1:** My mouth shall speak wisdom and the meditation of my heart shall be understanding.

**The Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 4:6 – 15**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* for it is God who commanded the light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed – always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, *"I believed and therefore spoke,"* we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God.

*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!*

*v: The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom and his tongue shall speak of judgment.*

**Luke 7:11 - 16**

*Gospel*

*At that time:* it happened, the day after, that Jesus went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us"; and, "God has visited His people."



*Schedule*

**Monday – Wednesday, October 7-9, 2024**

*Annual Diocesan Assembly,  
Mogadore, OH*

**Saturday, October 12, 2024**

*5:00 P.M. Vespers*

**Sunday, October 13, 2024**

*9:15 A.M. Church School*

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

*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy*

**Friday, October 18, 2024**

*7:00 P.M. Vespers*

**Saturday, October 19, 2024**

*Soul Saturday*

*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy*

*1:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting*

*5:00 P.M. Vespers*

**Sunday, October 20, 2024**

*9:15 A.M. Church School*

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

*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy*

**Saturday, October 26, 2024**

*9:00 A.M. Parish Clean-up*

*5:00 P.M. Vespers*

**Sunday, October 27, 2024**

*9:15 A.M. Church School*

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

*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy*

**Saturday, November 2, 2024**

*NO VESPERS*

**Sunday, November 3, 2024**

*10:00 A.M. Readers' Service*

**Friday, November 8, 2024**

*6:00 P.M. Vespers at St. Michael*

*the Archangel in St. Louis, MO*

**Saturday, November 9, 2024**

*Feast of the Archangels*

*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy at St*

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, October 6, 2024**

*15<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Glorification of St. Innocent Metropolitan of Moscow, Enlightener of the Aleuts, Apostle to America*

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*"We ought not to grieve or become irritated at anything because, by frequent vexation and irritability, we form the morally and physically very injurious habit of irritability, whilst by bearing opposition with equanimity we form the good and useful habit of enduring everything calmly and patiently. Many occasions for vexation may arise in this life through our innumerable mutual imperfections, and if we were to become irritated upon every such occasion, our life could not last more than a few months. Besides, matters cannot be set right by vexation and irritation, but, on the contrary, only become worse. Therefore, it is better to be always calm, even always full of love and respect for morally sick humanity, or to speak more particularly in regard to our friends, relatives, and subordinates. For man is not an angel, and, besides, our life is so constituted that we sin daily and almost involuntarily, even though we do not wish: "For the good that I would, I do not; but the evil, which I would not, that I do (Romans 7:19)." And the Lord taught us to look indulgently upon the frequent negligences and falls of men, having said: "Forgive us our debts, as we forgive our debtors (St. Matthew 6:12)." "All things whatsoever ye would that men should do to you, do ye even so to them (St. Matthew 7:12)."*

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

Kevin	Catechumen Athanasius	Elaine
Bonnie	Alex	Victor
Deborah	Julia	Wilma
Daria	Martha	Michael
Archpriest George	David	April
Marina	Adina	Joseph
William	Subdeacon Paul	Michael
Larissa	Judith	Barb
Mark	Peter	Barbara
Devon	Rebecca	Mark
Vao	Reader Stephen	Angela
Elizabeth	Priest Andrew	Elijah
Edmund	Popadija Joan	Sophia
Jill	Ruth	Kathy
Ben	Subdeacon Andrew	Matushka Tanya
Kelly	Theresa	Mary
Elyssa	Lori Ann	Archpriest John
Brad	Eva	Matushka Margaret
Mike	Catechumen Mary	Matthew
Savannah	Alexandra	Priest Josef
Elizabeth	Mary Magdalene	Archpriest Michael
Jan	Diana	Reader Peter
Terrence	Barbara	Patricia
Iran	Julia	Matushka Virginia
Reza		

**Those in the life to come**

Matushka Anna	Matushka Olga	
Iran	Archpriest Thomas	Francis
Timothy	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS	Jean
Carol	Archpriest Vladimir	Edward
Rodney	Archbishop PAUL	<b>Nancy</b>
Christopher	Archimandrite Innocent	Magdalene
<u>Demetrius</u>	Olga	John

*"And who of us does not wish that others should behave indulgently and patiently to him in his needs, stumblings and falls, negligences and omissions? This is why the apostle also teaches us long-suffering and indulgence: "Charity," says the Apostle Paul, "suffereth long, and is kind ... is not easily provoked, thinketh no evil, rejoiceth not in iniquity, beareth all things ... and never faileth (1 Corinthians 13:48)." Free thinkers and atheists say that religion, the Church, the Divine service, the sacraments and rites, were invented by men in order to keep people in fear and submission, and to maintain morality, and, perhaps, also in order to collect revenues from them. This is how God's mercy and His wonderful ordering for our salvation, the very incarnation, sufferings and death of the Son of God for our sakes are blasphemed by the ignorant and free thinkers who have lost the fear of God. But look upon their life; how do they live, and do they live long? Having lost their strength and health in dissipation and drunkenness, they become prematurely aged, decrepit, dull, fall ill and die." 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.

*Saint Innocent*

**TONE 4**

O Holy Father Innocent in obedience to the will of God thou didst accept dangers and tribulations bringing many peoples to the knowledge of truth. Thou hast shown us the way, now by thy prayers help lead us into the Kingdom of Heaven.

**Kontakia**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 6**

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.