

### *Prokeimenon*

**TONE 2:** The Lord is my strength and my song. He has become my salvation.

**Vs.** The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over unto death.

**Another (St. Luke) TONE 8:** Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth and their words to the ends of the universe!

### **The Second Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 11:31 – 12:9**

#### *Epistle*

*Brethren:* The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago – whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows – such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man – whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows – how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly will I rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

#### *Alleluia*

*May the Lord hear thee in the day of trouble! May the Name of the God of Jacob protect thee!*

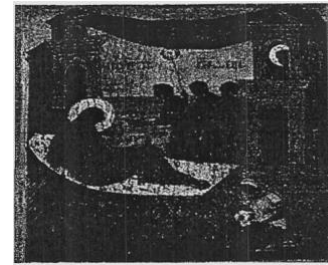
*v: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call to Thee!*

*v: The heavens shall confess Thy wonders, O Lord, and Thy truth in the congregation of the saints!*

### **Luke 8:5 - 15**

#### *Gospel*

*The Lord spoke this parable:* “A sower went out to sow his seed. And as he sowed, some fell by the wayside; and it was trampled down, and the birds of the air devoured it. Some fell on rock; and as soon as it sprang up, it withered away because it lacked moisture. And some fell among thorns, and the thorns sprang up with it and choked it. But others fell on good ground, sprang up, and yielded a crop a hundredfold.” When He had said these things He cried, “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!” Then His disciples asked Him saying, “What does this parable mean?” And He said, “To you it has been given to know the mysteries of the kingdom of God, but to the rest it is given in parables, that ‘*Seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.*’ Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. Those by the wayside are the ones who hear; then the devil comes and takes away the word out of their hearts, lest they should believe and be saved. But the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear, receive the word with joy; and these have no root, who believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. Now the ones that fell among the thorns are those who, when they have heard, go out and are choked with cares, riches, and pleasures of life, and bring no fruit to maturity. But the ones that fell on the good ground are those who, having heard the word with a noble and good heart, keep it and bear fruit with patience.



#### *Schedule*

### **Friday, October 23, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

### **Saturday, October 24, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Panikhida Robert McBride*

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*

### **Friday, November 6, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

### **Saturday, November 7, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

### **Sunday, November 8, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Coffee Hour*

### **Friday, November 13, 2020**

\*7:00 P.M. Vespers

### **Saturday, November 14, 2020**

\*10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

5:00 P.M. Vespers

### **Sunday, November 15, 2020**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

*Coffee Hour*

## **Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

### **Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, October 18, 2020**

*19<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke*

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

“When you see that anyone, through the efforts of the Devil, is wholly possessed with one single vain, earthly subject, deeply grieves about it, constantly speaks of it, and thereby vexes you, do not become irritated about it, but be firmly assured that it is a spiritual malady coming from the enemy; be gentle and kind to the sick man, and immediately turn with calm, serene faith to God in prayer, and say the following to the holy Icon not made with human hands: “To Thy most pure Icon we bow down, O Good One, praying for forgiveness of our sins, Christ our God; for of Thine own will Thou didst condescend to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and thereby to deliver Thy creatures from the yoke of the enemy. Therefore we thankfully cry unto Thee: Thou, Our Savior, hast filled all things with joy, Thou Who camest to save the world. Consider thyself also: the enemy sometimes tempts your patience too; his triumph is double if succeeds in irritating you too: understand his wiles, and mock at them. When he exerts his violence against a person who is especially near to your heart, then your heart aches to hear his foolish words expressing the attachment of his heart to earthly things. Do not be depressed, do not despair, do not grieve, do not give way to anger, “considering thyself, lest thou also be tempted (Galatians 6:1).” Call upon the Savior:”

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

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

**Those in the life to come**

Chuck	Archpriest Thomas
Tatiana	
Anna	
<u>Ted</u>	

""Savior, save us!" Do not be false to Him in any spiritual affliction, nor in any violence of the Devil and the passions. Remember that He Himself said: "Call upon Me in the day of trouble: I will deliver thee, and thou shalt glorify Me (Psalm 1:15)." The infinite power of the Lord is ever ready to come to our help; it is pleasing to the Lord of power and mercy to manifest His saving power in us. And to save us from our visible and invisible enemies. The more trivial the cause of the sorrow of the man's soul is, the more pitiable and deserving of compassion he is, for then we clearly see that the cause of it is - the Devil." *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

**TROPARIA**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 2**

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life Immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead! And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: O Giver of Life! Christ our God! 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.

*Apostle and Evangelist Luke*

**TONE 5**

Let us praise with sacred songs the holy Apostle Luke, the recorder of the joyous Gospel of Christ and the scribe of the Acts of the Apostles, for his writings are a testimony of the Church of Christ: He is the physician of human weaknesses and infirmities. He heals the wounds of our souls, and constantly intercedes for our salvation!

**Kontakia**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 2**

Hell became afraid, O Almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Thy Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with Thee! And the world, O my Savior praises Thee forever.

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

*Apostle and Evangelist Luke*

**TONE 2**

Let us praise the godly Luke: he is the true preacher of piety, the orator of ineffable mysteries and the star of the Church; for the Word, Who alone knows the hearts of men, chose him, together with wise Paul, to be a teacher of the gentiles!

*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.