

Indiction
TONE 4

O Creator and Master of time and the ages, Triune and Merciful God of all: grant blessings for the course of this year, and in Thy boundless mercy save those who worship Thee and cry out in fear: O Savior, grant blessings to all mankind!

Prokeimenon

TONE 3: Great is our Lord and abundant in power; His understanding is beyond measure!

Vs. Praise the Lord! For it is good to sing praises to our God!

Another TONE 7 (St. Simeon): Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

The First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 9:2 – 12

Epistle

Brethren: Am I not an apostle? Am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? Are you not my work in the Lord? If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. My defense to those who examine me is this: Do we have no right to eat and drink? Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as do also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working? Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? Do I say these things as a mere man? Or does not the law say the same also? For it is written in the law of Moses, “*You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain.*” Is it oxen God is concerned about? Or does He say it altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, this is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. If we have sown spiritual things for you, is it a great thing if we reap your material things? If others are partakers of this right over you, are we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

Alleluia

To Thee, O God, a song is due in Zion; and prayers shall be lifted up to Thee from Jerusalem.

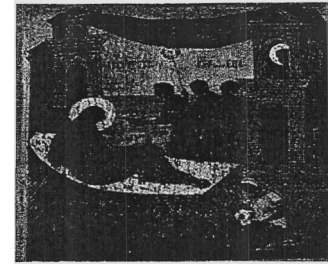
v: Thou shalt bless the crown of the year with Thy bounty.

v: Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His commandments.

Matthew 18:23 - 35

Gospel

The Lord said to His disciples: “Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, ‘Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took him by the throat, saying, ‘Pay me what you owe!’ So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him saying, ‘Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.’ And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. Then his master, after he had called him, said to him, ‘You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?’ And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses.”



Schedule

Saturday, September 7, 2019

10:00 A.M. Inquirers Class

Parish Picnic - @ Lori Billy's

Home

TBD – Vespers @ Lori Billy's

Home

Sunday, September 8, 2019

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Friday, September 13, 2019

7:00 P.M. Vespers with Doxology

and Veneration of the Cross

Saturday, September 14, 2019

Exultation of the Cross

STRICT FAST DAY

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, September 15, 2019

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Monday, September 16, 2019

9:00 A.M. Pierogies

Saturday, September 21, 2019

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Sunday, September 22, 2019

9:15 A.M. Church School

9:30 A.M. 3rd & 6th Hours

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 28, 2019

5:00 P.M. Vespers

Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Orthodox Church

416 Ewing Ave, Madison, IL 62060

Sunday, September 1, 2019

*Ecclesiastical New Year; St. Simeon the Stylite
(The Elder) and his mother Martha; St. Joshua*

Son of Nun (16th Century BC)

www.nativityofthevirgin.com

“ENDURING GOALS (continued)

- To prioritize our participation in ecumenical bodies, maintaining our faithfulness to Orthodoxy while presenting a worthy witness to other bodies, both Christian and non-Christian, and to appropriately engage civil and governmental bodies.

PILLAR FOUR: OUTREACH & EVANGELISM

“The righteous man shall flourish like the palm tree, as the cedar in Lebanon shall he be multiplied. They that are planted in the house of the Lord shall blossom in the courts of our God. They shall still multiply in their rich old age and they shall enjoy every good thing, so as to proclaim that upright is the Lord our God, and that there is no unrighteousness in Him. (Psalm 92:10-13)

With realistic statistics, there are about 1,000,000 Orthodox Christians of all jurisdictions in the United States, which is a very small fraction of the 325,000,000 people in the country. In North America as a whole, the general population is approximately 500,000,000. Since 1794, the Orthodox Church in America, in her various ecclesiastical incarnations, has seen the establishment of over 700 communities on this continent, with numerous new missions planted since the granting of autocephaly in 1970. Over the last 10 years, the Mission Planting Grant Program has distributed over \$1,000,000 to new communities throughout this continent. Along with all this positive development and growth, there have been parallel”

Prayer Requests

Those in this earthly life

Aaron	Priest Bob	Barb
Benjamin	Reader Stephen	Barbara
Patricia	Nancy	Mark
Reader Peter	Elizaveta	Angela
Patricia	Michaela	Elijah
Michael	Terrence	Sophia
Emily	Mary	Matushka Tanya
Jacob	Mason	Archpriest John
Jenna	Jennifer	Matushka Margaret
Duke	Michael	Matthew
David	Craig	Protopresbyter Radomir
Linda	Maryann	Archbishop NIKON
Chloe	Charles	Archpriest Joseph
Matushka Barbara	David	Archpriest Moses
Archdeacon Joseph	Marie	Priest Josef
Matushka Nina	Reader George	Matushka Virginia
Juliana	Catechumen Kristine	Archpriest Vladimir
Michael	Janet	Archprst Christopher <i>Phillips</i>
Paul	Catechumen Shannon	Deacon Paul
Dorothy	Adina	Matushka Victoria
Naomi	David	Deacon Mark
Marie	Andrew	Helen
Michael	Christine	Theodore
Subdeacon Andrew	Matushka Larissa	Vasilios
Theresa	Zoe	Paul
Lori Anne	Archpriest John	Mary
Joe	Victor	Nicholas
Wendy	Wilma	Anne
Richard	Michael	Andrew
Joyce	April	Anthony
Cynthia	Joseph	Christopher
Maryann	Michael	Jackie

Those in the life to come

Lisa	Lucille	Dorothy
Archpriest John	Archpriest Steven	<u>Joanne</u>
Hal	Patrick	Archpriest Thomas
	Cleta	

"challenges: certain dioceses and parishes have faced great changes in demographics and environment leading to decline, in addition to major shifts in people's openness to the Gospel of Jesus Christ, in some areas in the form of self-proclaimed incomprehension or even outright hostility. Such a situation has placed pressure on us to develop strategies and plans for the expansion of the mission of the Church. Often, however, such pressure is born out of the anxiety and fear that we feel when we see our shrinking parish populations or lament that our children and grandchildren are no longer in the Church. We look to Western confessions with their well developed mission and evangelism programs and are tempted to implement similar programs even if we know that they will not yield any fruit in our Orthodox context. The reality is that none of those strategies and programs will be effective if they are divorced from the spiritual and liturgical life, and if they do not serve to convey and share the reality of the healing that we have received in Christ." *Of What Life do We Speak? Four Pillars for the Fulfillment of the Apostolic Work of the Church – The Most Blessed Tikhon, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of all America and Canada*"

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!

Indiction

TONE 2

O Creator of the universe, Thou hast appointed times by Thine own power; bless the crown of this year with Thy goodness, O Lord. Preserve in safety Thy rulers and Thy cities: and through the intercessions of the Theotokos, save us!

St. Simeon

TONE 1

Thou wast a pillar of patient endurance, having imitated the forefathers, O Venerable One: Job in suffering, and Joseph in temptations. Thou didst live like the bodiless ones while yet in the flesh, O Simeon, our Father. Beseech Christ God that our souls may be saved.

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.

St. Simeon

TONE 2

Seeking the things of the Highest, and having made thy pillar a fiery chariot, thou wast joined to the heights. Therefore, thou hast become a companion to the angels, O Venerable One, and with them thou art praying incessantly to Christ God for us all.