

*Now and ever, and unto the ages of ages. Amen.*

*Cross*  
**TONE 4**

As Thou wast voluntarily raised upon the cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Thy Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power, granting them victories over their adversaries, by bestowing on them the Invincible trophy, Thy weapon of Peace.

*Prokeimenon*

**TONE 7 (Sunday After):** Extol the Lord our God; / worship at His footstool for it is holy!  
vs. The Lord reigns; let the people tremble!

*In the place of the Trisagion (i.e. “Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us!”) We sing:*

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, and Thy Holy Resurrection we glorify! (After each – we make a full prostration – head to the ground and stand back up)

**The First Epistle of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Corinthians 16:13 – 24**

*Epistle*

*Brethren:* Watch, stand fast in the faith, be brave, be strong. Let all that you do be done with love. I urge you, brethren – you know the household of Stephanas, that it is the first fruits of Achaia, and that they have devoted themselves to the ministry of the saints – that you also submit to such, and to everyone who works and labors with us. I am glad about the coming of Stephanas, Fortunatus, and Achaicus, for what was lacking on your part they supplied. For they refreshed my spirit and yours. Therefore acknowledge such men. The churches of Asia greet you. Aquila and Priscilla greet you heartily in the Lord, with the church that is in their house. All the brethren greet you. Greet one another with a holy kiss. The salutation with my own hand – Paul’s. If anyone does not love the Lord Jesus Christ, let him be accursed. O Lord, come! The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

*Alleluia*

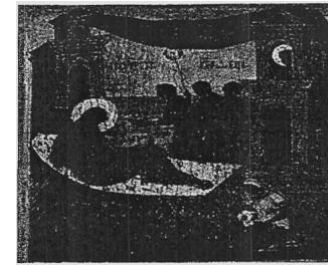
*Remember Thy congregation which Thou hast purchased of old.*

*v: God is our King before the ages; He hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth.*

**Matthew 21:33 - 42**

*Gospel*

The Lord told this parable: “There was a certain landowner who planted a vineyard and set a hedge around it, dug a winepress in it and built a tower. And he leased it to vinedressers and went into a far country. Now when vintage-time drew near, he sent his servants to the vinedressers, that they might receive its fruit. And the vinedressers took his servants, beat one, killed one and stoned another. Again, he sent other servants, more than the first, and they did likewise to them. Then last of all he sent his son to them, saying, ‘They will respect my son.’ But when the vinedressers saw the son, they said among themselves, ‘This is the heir. Come, let us kill him and seize his inheritance.’ So they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. Therefore, when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those vinedressers?” They said to Him, “He will destroy those wicked men miserably, and lease his vineyard to other vinedressers who will render to him the fruits in their seasons.” Jesus said to them, “Have you never read in the Scriptures: ‘The stone which the builders rejected has become the chief cornerstone. This was the Lord’s doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes’?”



*Schedule*

**Sunday, September 19, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

1:00 P.M. Wedding – Andrew Konan and Janice Kren

**Saturday, September 25, 2021**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, September 26, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Tuesday, September 28, 2021**

8:30 A.M. Pieroghies

**Saturday, October 2, 2021**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 3, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, October 9, 2021**

3:00 P.M. Parish Council Meeting

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 10, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Monday, October 11, -**

**Wednesday, October 13**

*Diocessn Assembly Broadview Heights, Ohio*

**Saturday, October 16, 2021**

*NO VESPER*

**Sunday, October 17, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Reader’s Service

**Saturday, October 23, 2021**

5:00 P.M. Vespers

**Sunday, October 24, 2021**

10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy

**Saturday, October 30, 2021**

9:00 A.M. Parish Clean-up

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

**Orthodox Church**

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

**Sunday, September 19, 2021**

*13<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost; Afterfeast of the Cross; Martyrs Trophimus, Sabatius, and*

*Dorymedon*

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“Do not have any partiality, not only either for food and drink, for dress, for a spacious and richly decorated dwelling, for the luxurious furniture of your house, but not even for your health, do not even have the least partiality for you life, give up all your life to the Will of the Lord, saying: “for, to me to live - is Christ and to die - is gain (Philippians 1:21).” “He that hateth his life in this world, shall keep it unto life eternal (St. John 12:25).” Attachment to the temporary life, to one’s own health, leads to many deviations from God’s Commandments, to the indulgence of the flesh, to breaking the fasts, to evading the conscientious fulfilment of the duties connected with our service, to despondency, impatience, irritability. Never sleep before saying evening-prayers, lest your heart should become gross from ill-timed sleep, and lest the enemy should hinder it by a stony insensibility during prayer. “Be sober, be vigilant (1 Peter 5:8).” “Watch and pray, that ye enter not into temptation (St. Matthew 26:41).” “Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of Man cometh (St. Matthew 25:13).” “Watch ye therefore: for ye know not when the master of the house cometh, at even, or at midnight, or at the cock-crowing, or in the morning: lest coming suddenly He find you sleeping. And what I say unto you I say unto all, Watch (St. Mark 13:35,37).” Pray, my brethren, to the Mother of God when the storm of enmity and malice bursts forth in your house. She, Who is all-merciful and all-powerful, can easily pacify the hearts of men. Peace and love proceed from the one”

**Prayer Requests**

**Those in this earthly life**

David	The Dank Family	Barb
Adina	Karen	Barbara
Catechumen Peter	Michael	Mark
Natalia	Lucia	Angela
Michael	Priest Patrick	Elijah
Joan	Xenia	Sophia
Joan	Judy	Matushka Tanya
Francis	Archprst Michael <i>Kuzara</i>	Mary
Margarette	Michael <i>Dougherty</i>	Met. HERMAN (BP)
Hope	Andrew	Archpriest Moses (BP)
Justin	Bridget	Archprst John Zabinko (BP)
Dymphna	Deborah	Mat. Margaret Zabinko(BP)
Nicholas	Timothy	Matthew Zabinko
Theodora	Natalie	Priest Josef (BP)
Mary	Melanie	Matushka Virginia (BP)
Subdeacon Gregory	Paul	Archpriest Gregory (BP)
Patricia	Anthony	Deacon Paul (BP)
Theresa	Amy	Deacon Peter (BP)
Subdeacon Andrew	Michael	Deacon Nicholas (BP)
Lori Ann	Joseph	Sophia
Matushka Trudi	Andrew	Debbie (BP)
Priest Theodore	Magdalene	Gabriel (BP)
Peter	Subdeacon Charles	Marie (BP)
Rebecca	Deborah	Melinda <i>Kuzara</i> (BP)
Alexandra	Michael	Paul
David	Laverne	Mary
Marie	Victor	Nicholas
Reader George	Wilma	Andrew
Donna	Michael	Anthony
Gregory	April	Christopher
Archpriest James	Joseph	Jackie
Matushka Susan	Michael	

**Those in the life to come**

Michael	<u>Protopresbyter Leonid</u>
Archpriest Anastasy	Archpriest Thomas
Archpriest Sergei	Metropolitan THEODOSIUS
Theodore	Archpriest Vladimir
Archpriest Michael	Child Maven
Ann	

"God, as from their Source, and Our Lady - in God, as the Mother of Christ the Peace, is zealous, and prays for the peace of the whole world, and above all - of all Christians. She has the all-merciful power of driving away from us at Her sign the subcelestial spirits of evil - those ever-vigilant and ardent sowers of enmity and malice amongst men, whilst to all that shall have recourse with faith and love to Her powerful protection, She soon speedily gives both peace and love. Be zealous yourselves also in preserving faith and love in your hearts; for if you do not care for this, then you will be unworthy of the intercession for you - of the Mother of God; be also most fervent and most reverent worshippers of the Mother of the Almighty Lord; for it is truly meet to bless Her - the ever-blessed; the entirely spotless Mother of our God, the highest of all creatures, the Mediatrix for the whole race of mankind. Strive to train yourself in the spirit of humility, for She Herself was more humble than any mortal, and only looks lovingly upon the humble. "He hath regarded the low estate of His handmaiden" (said She to Elisabeth, of "God, Her Savior (St. Luke 1:47,48)."" *My Life in Christ - St. John of Kronstadt*

**Troparia**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 4**

When the women disciples of the Lord learned from the angel the joyous message of Thy Resurrection; they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the apostles: death is overthrown! Christ God is Risen, granting the world great mercy.

*Cross*

**TONE 1**

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance! Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries and by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation.

*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 8**

God praised in Trinity has glorified a trinity of martyrs: Trophimus, Sabbatius, and Dorymedon. By their faith, they overthrew the adversary. Through their prayers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us.

**Kontakia**

*Resurrection*

**TONE 4**

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earthborn from their chains. He has shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has Risen on the third day!

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

*Martyrs*

**TONE 8**

As the foundation of athletes and the confirmation of piety the Church honors and glorifies thy brilliant suffering, wise and glorious Trophimus, ever-praised and blessed athlete. Together with thy fellow sufferers, ask cleansing for those who hymn thee, for thou art invincible.