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Saturday Great Vespers @ 4:00 p.m. :: Sunday Orthros @ 9:00 a.m. & Divine Liturgy @ 10:00 a.m.



July 7, 2024





ALL SAINTS OF NORTH AMERICA GREAT-MARTYR KYRIAKI OF NICOMEDIA & SECOND SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

VENERABLE THOMAS OF MT. MALEON



DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM (TONE 1 / EOTHINON 2)

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION TONE 1

(p.91)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF ALL SAINTS OF AMERICA TONE 4

We offer unto Thee, our Father in Heaven, the first fruits of sanctity sown in this new land; the blessed Elder Herman of Alaska, the martyrs Father Juvenaly and Peter the Aleut, the holy hierarchs Metropolitan Innocent, Patriarch Tikhon, Archbishop John, Bishops Nicolai and Raphael, the righteous priest Yacov and Alexis, and all Thy saints, known and unknown, who have shown forth in America. Fill Thy Church with heavenly joy, grant peace to Thy land and to Thy Holy Church, and sanctify all those who worship Thee. Through the intercessions of the Theotokos and all Thy saints, O Most Merciful One.

APOLYTIKION FOR ST. KYRIAKI TONE 5

Thou didst prove an auspicious and pleasing sacrifice, a holy off'ring, O valiant prizewinner Kyriaki, when thou broughtest thy Creator thine own spotless soul; which Christ in turn hath glorified, for through thee, He poureth forth divine gifts and endless graces upon the faithful who praise thee, since He is the Friend of man.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JAMES TONE 4

(p.26)

As a disciple of the Lord, O righteous one, thou hast received the Gospel. As a Martyr thou art never turned away. As the Brother of God, thou hast boldness. As a hierarch thou canst intercede. Do thou intercede with Christ God that He save our souls.

ORDINARY KONTAKION TONE 2

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

THE EPISTLE READING

(For St. Kyriaki)

God is wondrous in His saints. Bless God in the congregations.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (3:23-4:5)

Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the Law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the Law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth His Son, to redeem those who were under the Law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

THE GOSPEL READING

(For the Second Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, He saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow Me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father, and followed Him. And He went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the Kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

WELCOME!

We welcome all our visitors and are eager to share our faith with you! Please join us for coffee hour and take a few moments to fill out the VISITORS INFORMATION CARD that is found in the narthex

As a friendly reminder, only Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and recent confession may approach the Holy Chalice to receive Holy Communion.

Confession is available after Divine Liturgy, as well as before or after Vespers on Saturday evenings. You can also Contact Fr. Steven to set up an appointment.

SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

Wednesday, July 10 @ 6 PM – Great Vespers for the Great Martyr Euphemia

@ 7 PM – Catechumen Class (in person)

Thursday, July 11 @ 10:30 AM – St. Maria of Paris Ladies' Prayer Group (via Zoom)

Your Prayers are Requested:

REMEMBER, O LORD: The Catechumens: Olga, Gabriel, Anthony, Marina, Gabriel, Elias, Xenia; Suffering Orthodox Christians of Ukraine and Palestine; Khouria Christine, Andrew, Theodore, Elizabeth, James, Tiffany, Sarah, Mary, Carmen-Mariana, David-Michael, Robert-Gabriel, Kenneth, Rosetta, Cecelia, Mandi, Evan, Sarina, Shelby, Leo, Tamara, Photini, Joey, John, Megan, Brittany, Samuel, Edward, Helen, Angelina, Thomas, Elizabeth, Randy, Megan, Lindsey, Susan, Joshua, Clint, Michael, Lilah, Ellen, Pam, Anastasia, Marino, Kristen, Brendan, Jerome, Nectaros, Nelia, Roger, Leah, Joe, Gabriel, Spenser, Panayiota, Graham, Jeanette, Crystal, Franny, Maria, Shirley, Benjamin, Anne, Russell, Mitzi, Pam, Susan, Cindy, Dan, Juan, Josh, Hollie and family, Melinda, Pasquale, Crystal, Patricia, Michael, Elaine, Corly, Thomas, James, Pani Sue, Priest Frederick, Penelope, Sheryl, Tina, Logan, Thomas, Basil, Mary, Jacob, Chloe, Patti, John, Diana, Barbara, Joy, Mary, Helen, Newly-departed Archpriests Basil and James, All Orthodox who perished in Ukraine and Palestine

PLEASE REMEMBER ALL OF THE MEMBERS OF ST. JAMES

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