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September 12-13, 2020
Saturday Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am • Saturday Vespers, 7:00 pm
Sunday Divine Liturgy, 9:30 am
The Exaltation of the Holy Cross

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VARIABLE HYMNS OF THE DAY

Second Antiphon: Save us, O Son of God, who wast crucified in the flesh; we who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Entrance Hymn: Exalt ye the Lord our God, and worship at His footstool; for He is holy. Save us, O Son of God, who wast crucified in the flesh; we who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Troparion for the Holy Cross (Tone 1): O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

Kontakion for the Holy Cross (Tone 4): Do Thou, who of Thine own good will was lifted up upon the cross, O Christ our God, bestow Thy bounties upon the new nation which is called by Thy Name; make glad in Thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in Thine aid a weapon of peace and a trophy invincible.

Troparion of All Saints (Tone 4): Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Trisagion Hymn: Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, O Master; and Thy Holy Resurrection we glorify!

THE EPISTLE

For the Saturday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Sing praises to our God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises! Clap your hands, all peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy! (Psalm 46)

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (2:6-9)

Brethren, among the mature we do impart wisdom, although it is not a wisdom of this age or of the rulers of this age, who are doomed to pass away. But we impart a secret and hidden wisdom of God, which God decreed before the ages for our glorification. None of the rulers of this age understood this; for if they had, they would not have crucified the Lord of glory. But, as it is written, “What no eye has seen, nor ear heard, nor the heart of man conceived, what God has prepared for those who love him.”
THE GOSPEL
For the Saturday before the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (10:37-11:1)
The Lord said, "He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me. He who finds his life will lose it, and he who loses his life for my sake will find it. He who receives you receives me, and he who receives me receives him who sent me. He who receives a prophet because he is a prophet shall receive a prophet's reward, and he who receives a righteous man because he is a righteous man shall receive a righteous man's reward. And whoever gives to one of these little ones even a cup of cold water because he is a disciple, truly, I say to you, he shall not lose his reward." And when Jesus had finished instructing His twelve disciples, He went on from there to teach and preach in their cities.

THE EPISTLE
Sunday: For the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

Exalt the Lord our God, and worship at His holy mountain; for the Lord our God is holy! The Lord reigns; let the peoples tremble. (Psalm 98)

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (1:18-24)
Brethren, the word of the Cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, “I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart.” Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

THE GOSPEL
Sunday: For the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35)
At that time, the chief priests and the elders of the people took counsel against Jesus to put Him to death. And they came to Pontius Pilate saying, “Crucify Him, crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Take Him yourselves and crucify Him, for I find no crime in Him.” The Jews answered him,
“We have a law, and by that law He ought to die, because He has made Himself the Son of God.” When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, “Where art Thou from?” But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to Him, “Wilt Thou not speak to me? Knowest Thou not that I have power to release Thee, and power to crucify Thee?” Jesus answered him, “You would have no power over Me unless it had been given you from above.”

When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called “The Pavement”, and in Hebrew, “Gabbatha.” Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, “Behold your King!” They cried out, “Away with Him, away with Him, crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar.” Then he handed Him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led him away, and He went out, bearing His own Cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew “Golgotha.” There they crucified Him, and with Him two others, one on either side, with Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the Cross; it read, “Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews.” Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.

Now standing by the Cross of Jesus were His mother, and his mother’s sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother, and the Disciple whom He loved standing near, He said to His mother, “Woman, behold, your son!” Then He said to the Disciple, “Behold, your mother!” And from that hour the Disciple took her to his own home.

After this, Jesus, knowing that all was now fulfilled, said, “It is finished”; and He bowed His head and gave up the spirit.

Since it was the day of Preparation, in order to prevent the bodies from remaining on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. So the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first, and of the other who had been crucified with him; but when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and at once there came out blood and water. He who saw it has borne witness—his testimony is true.
Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

This week and upcoming events:

- Confession, anointing, travel blessings, etc. will be available before and after all services, or by appointment.
- **Saturday**: September Parish Council meeting, 5:30pm, immediately before Vespers.
- **Sunday**: Fr. Pat’s Zoom Bible Class at 1pm. If you miss it live, audio recordings are available at the new website patrickhenyreardon.com.
- **Saturday, Sept. 19**: Divine Liturgy, 10:00am; Vespers, 7:00pm.
- **Next Sunday, Sept. 20**: Divine Liturgy, 9:30am.

A note from the Kishlers: Many thanks to all of you for welcoming us back to the All Saints community with your prayers, kind words, support, meals, and hospitality. We are happy that our good Lord and the Antiochian Archdiocese have decided to bring us back home, and we look forward to serving you and worshipping with you for many years to come!

Elevation of the Holy Cross: This weekend, we will celebrate Divine Liturgy twice: Saturday, Sept. 12 at 10am and Sunday, Sept. 13 at 9:30. Our ladies’ president JoAnne T. requests that we bring basil plants to church on Saturday and Sunday before the Holy Liturgy.

COVID precautions at All Saints: To help minimize our gathering sizes and to provide a smaller setting for those who are “at-risk” or otherwise uncomfortable with larger gatherings, Fr. Andrew will normally be offering two Divine Liturgies each weekend (unless otherwise noted), Saturday and Sunday mornings, and Vespers on Saturday evenings. Saturday’s Liturgy will usually be restricted to 30-40 people by appointment.

We are also cleaning and sanitizing all surfaces and high-traffic areas between services. Father is sanitizing the communion spoon between families, and the clergy and altar servers will be wearing masks at certain points during the service when distancing is not possible.

Please do your best to maintain six-foot distancing between non-family members, and note that the wearing of face-coverings is strongly encouraged by our Antiochian Archdiocese. This is true for all liturgical services, meetings, coffee hours, and other events. Overflow seating is available downstairs if distancing becomes impossible. There is a speaker system downstairs so you can still hear the Liturgy.

And please, if you have any COVID-related symptoms stay home. Please feel free to reach out to either Fr. Andrew or Fr. Patrick if you desire to receive any sacraments privately throughout
the week, particularly those who are ill, elderly, at-risk, or otherwise unable to attend the weekend services.

Many thanks for your patience, understanding, and prayers during these strange times. As the world around us seems more confused, fearful, and chaotic than ever, we need Christ’s Holy Church and everything she offers all the more! At Metropolitan Joseph’s insistence, we will continue to offer prayers, services, and sacraments, although with necessary precautions. Please pray for the mission of the Church, for good health, for an end to the virus and the lockdowns, and for peace and reconciliation in the midst of social unrest.

**September Volunteer Schedule**

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Church Finances – July 2020

Bring the full tithes into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house; and thereby put me to the test, says the Lord of hosts, if I will not open the windows of heaven for you and pour down for you an overflowing blessing.” (Malachi 3:10)

September Birthdays and Anniversaries

Please let Father Andrew know if we are missing anyone.

Sept. 2: Laurel R. • Sept. 3: Jolynn R., Teresa W.
Sept. 5: Fr. Andrew and Patty Kishler
Sept. 6: Dennis & Mercedes Hanks
Sept. 8: Daniel S. • Sept. 9: Herbert O.
Sept. 12: Paul S. • Sept. 17: Monica C.
Sept. 21: Josiah A.
Sept. 22: Alice I., Michael L. Brian & Bonnie K.
Sept. 23: Rebecca L.
Sept. 24: Mercedes H.
Sept. 25: George Valentin & Monica C.
Sept. 27: Ysobel G.
Sept. 28: Paul K.
Sept. 29: Lydia A.
Daily Bible Readings
Sept. 13–19, 2020

Sunday, Sept. 13: St. Cornelius the Centurion
3 Kingdoms 8:22-30 / Proverbs 3:19-34 / Proverbs 9:1-11
Mark 16:9-20 / Galatians 6:11-18 / John 3:13-17

Monday, Sept. 14: Exaltation of the Holy Cross
Exodus 15:22-16:1 / Proverbs 3:11-18 / Isaiah 60:11-16

Tuesday, Sept. 15: Great Martyr Nikitas
Colossians 1:24-2:1 / Matthew 10:16-22

Wednesday, Sept. 16: Great Martyr Euphemia
2 Corinthians 6:1-10 / Luke 7:36-50

Thursday, Sept. 17: St. Sophia and her three daughters Faith, Hope, and Love
Galatians 3:23-4:5 / Mark 6:30-45

Friday, Sept. 18: Eumenius the Wonderworker, Bishop of Gortynia
Galatians 4:8-21 / Mark 6:45-53

Saturday, Sept. 19: St. Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury
1 Corinthians 1:26-2:5 / John 8:21-30

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The Right Reverend Bishop Anthony, Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest
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