Saturday & Sunday, January 9-10, 2021

Saturday Liturgy, 10:00 am • Saturday Vespers, 7:00 pm
Sunday Matins, 8:30 am • Sunday Divine Liturgy, 9:30 am

Weekend after Theophany

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VARIABLE HYMNS

**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 6):** When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb. And the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou who art risen from the dead. O Lord, glory to Thee!

**Troparion for Theophany (Tone 1):** When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, worship of the Trinity wast made manifest; for the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truth of His word. O Christ our God who hast revealed Thyself and hast enlightened the world: Glory to Thee!

**Kontakion for Theophany (Tone 4):** Today Thou hast shown forth to the world, O Lord, and the light of Thy countenance has been marked on us. Knowing Thee, we sing Thy praises. Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, O unapproachable Light!

**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.
THE EPISTLE READING
Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.
The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (6:10-17)

Brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

THE GOSPEL READING
The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (4:1-17)

At that time, Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. And he fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterward he was hungry. And the tempter came and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread.” But he answered, “It is written, ‘Man shall not live by bread alone, but by every word that proceeds from the mouth of God.’”

Then the devil took him to the holy city, and set him on the pinnacle of the temple, and said to him, “If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down; for it is written, ‘He will give his angels charge of you,’ and ‘On their hands they will bear you up, lest you strike your foot against a stone.’” Jesus said to him, “Again, it is written, ‘You shall not tempt the Lord your God.’”

Again, the devil took him to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world and the glory of them; and he said to him, “All these I will give you, if you will fall down and worship me.” Then Jesus said to him, “Be gone, Satan! For it is written, ‘You shall worship the Lord your God and him only shall you serve.’” Then the devil left him, and behold, angels came and ministered to him.

Now when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulon and Naphtali, so that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: “The land of Zebulon and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles—the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned.” From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, “Repent, for the kingdom of Heaven is at hand.”
Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

This weekend at All Saints:

- Children’s church school begins today, after Divine Liturgy.
- **Fr. Pat’s Zoom Bible class**, Sunday at 2pm.

This week:

- Fr. Andrew will be available most of the week for church visits, sacraments, or pastoral visitations. Please call, email, or text to set up an appointment.
- **Tuesday through Friday**: Morning Prayers, 9am.
- **Wednesday, Jan. 13**: Compline prayers and chant class, 7pm. *Our new chant class will be taught by Paul S. If you would like to learn more about the services of Vespers and Matins, and the basics of Byzantine chant, please join us!*
- **Saturday, Jan. 16**: Divine Liturgy, 10am; “Orthodoxy 101” class, 6pm; Vespers, 7pm.
- **Sunday, Jan. 17**: St. Anthony the Great. Matins, 8:30am; Divine Liturgy, 9:30am.

A NOTE OF THANKS FROM FR. ANDREW AND KH. PATTY

Many thanks for all of your cards, gifts, and Christmas greetings! We deeply appreciate your generosity and look forward to many more Christmases with you here at All Saints. God’s blessings to one and all!

HOUSE BLESSINGS

**From Fr. Andrew**: Blessed Theophany! Please remember that all Orthodox Christian homes should be blessed by a priest at least once a year. Contact me or Fr. Patrick to schedule your house blessing at your convenience, and know that you are under no obligation to have a meal or gift for the priest. I have no problem stretching these blessings out over the entire year, especially this year due to concerns over COVID.

How should you prepare your home for the blessing?

- All who dwell in the home should make every effort to be present.
- Turn off all televisions, radios, or any other distractions.
- Light a candle in front of at least one icon (preferably the usual place of prayer).
- Provide a list of names, living and departed, for the priest to commemorate.
CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

From JoAnne T.: This weekend, we will be removing the Christmas tree and most of the decorations. Please stay after either Saturday’s or Sunday’s Divine Liturgy if you are able to help!

WEEKLY CLEAN-UP

From Melissa W.: As a friendly housekeeping reminder, please ensure the nursery and playroom are tidied up when you are finished using these rooms. Thank you also for keeping food out to keep pests away!

TEEN SOYO

The teens of our church will be meeting following church school on January 17, to eat lunch and play games. Please RSVP to Melissa W. if your teen can attend.

CHICAGO MARCH FOR LIFE

On January 23, the annual March for Life will begin at St John Cantius Catholic Church at 1pm, and plans to caravan through the city, ending up at the Southside Pregnancy Center. Please RSVP to Melissa W. AND the website listed below if your teen or family can attend!

The March for Life will also be collecting diapers to donate to the moms. Even if you cannot attend, feel free to bring diapers in all sizes to the church by January 22 to be donated.

Need more info? Check out www.MarchForLifeChicago.org
St. John Chrysostom on the Temptations of the Lord

“At that time, Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil” (Matt. 4:1)

[This takes place] after the descent of the Spirit, after the voice from above, “This is My Beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased.” What was marvelous, it was of the Holy Spirit! For this, he here says, “led Him up.” For since with a view to our instruction He both did and underwent all things; He endures also to be led up there, and to wrestle against the devil: in order that each of those who are baptized, if after his baptism he have to endure greater temptations may not be troubled as if the result were unexpected, but may continue to endure all nobly, as though it were happening in the natural course of things.

Yea, for therefore you took up arms, not to be idle, but to fight. For this cause neither does God hinder the temptations as they come on. First, these temptations teach you that you have become much stronger. Second, that you may continue modest neither be exalted even by the greatness of your gifts, the temptations having power to repress you. Third, in order that that wicked demon, who is for a while doubtful about your desertion of him, by the touchstone of temptations may be well assured that you have utterly forsaken and fallen from him. Fourth, that you may in this way be made stronger, and better tempered than any steel. And fifth, that you may obtain a clear demonstration of the treasures entrusted to you.

For the devil would not have assailed you, unless he had seen you brought to greater honor! Hence, for example, from the beginning, he attacked Adam, because he saw him in the enjoyment of great dignity. For this reason he arrayed himself against Job, because he saw him crowned and proclaimed by the God of all.

How then can our Lord say: “Pray that you enter not into temptation”? This is why we do not see Jesus simply “going up,” but “led up.” He signifies by this that we ought not of ourselves to leap upon it, but being dragged thereto, to stand manfully.

And see where the Spirit led Him up, when He had taken Him: not into a city and forum, but into a wilderness. That is, He being minded to attract the devil, gives him a handle not only by His hunger, but also by the place. For then most especially does the devil assail, when he sees men left alone, and by themselves…. When he sees us with others and banded together, he is not equally confident, and makes no attack. Wherefore we have the greatest need on this very account to be flocking together continually, that we may not be open to the devil's attacks.
## Volunteer Schedule

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DAILY BIBLE READINGS
JANUARY 10–16, 2021
ADAPTED FROM THE
ST. JAMES DAILY DEVOTIONAL GUIDE

Sunday, Jan 10: St. Gregory of Nyssa
Psalms 95, 25, 27 / Genesis 10
Hebrews 3:12-19 / Matthew 4:1-17

Monday, Jan. 11: Righteous Theodosius the Cenobiarch
Psalms 95, 26, 28, 31 / Genesis 11
Hebrews 4:18-25 / Matthew 4:18-25

Tuesday, Jan. 12: Martyr Tatiana of Rome
Psalms 29, 30, 33 / Genesis 12
Hebrews 5:1-14 / Matthew 5:1-12

Wednesday, Jan. 13: Hilary of Poitiers
Psalms 34, 35 / Genesis 13
Hebrews 6:1-12 / Matthew 5:13-20

Thursday, Jan. 14: St. Nina, Enlightener of Georgia
Psalms 36, 110, 32, 38 / Genesis 14
Hebrews 7:1-10 / Matthew 5:21-32

Friday, Jan. 15: St. John the Hut-Dweller
Psalm 37 / Genesis 15
Hebrews 6:13-20 / Matthew 5:33-48

Saturday, Jan. 16: Precious Chains of the Apostle Peter
Psalms 40, 110, 39, 41 / Genesis 16
Hebrews 7:11-28 / Matthew 6:1-15