

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, July 18, 2021

Saturday Vespers, 7:00 pm • Sunday Matins & Liturgy, 8:30 am The Holy Fathers of the Council of Chalcedon



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Hymns of the Day, immediately after the Small Entrance:

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3): Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion for the Holy Fathers (Tone 8): Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

Kontakion to the Theotokos (Tone 2): O undisputed intercessor of Christians, O Theotokos who is unrejected by the Creator: Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith, for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who didst ever intercede for those who honor thee.

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

For the Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

Sing praises to God, sing praises; sing praises to our King, sing praises! Clap your hands, all peoples; shout to God with loud songs of joy! /Ps. 46:6, 17

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans (6:18-23)

Having been set free from sin, you became slaves of righteousness. I speak in human terms because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you presented your members as slaves of uncleanness, and of lawlessness leading to more lawlessness, so now present your members as slaves of righteousness for holiness. For when you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. What fruit did you have then in the things of which you are now ashamed? For the end of those things is death.

But now having been set free from sin, and having become slaves of God, you have your fruit to holiness, and the end, everlasting life. For the wages of sin is death, but the gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE GOSPEL

For the Sunday of the Holy Fathers of Chalcedon

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (5:14-19)

The Lord said to His disciples: "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father Who is in heaven.

Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them, but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, until heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."



"Give your children a solid spiritual foundation, and they will be content with whatever they have. Deprive them of a life in Christ, and they will be miserable even in the midst of great wealth."

~ His Eminence, Metropolitan JOSEPH

:: THE COUNCIL OF CHALCEDON ::

Fr. Thomas Hopko

At the fourth council [of Chalcedon, in 451 AD], the well-known formulation was made which says that Jesus Christ, the incarnate Son and Word of God is one person (or hypostasis) having two full and complete natures: human and divine. Inspired particularly by the letter of Saint Leo, the Pope of Rome, the fourth council insisted that Jesus is exactly what God the Father is in

relation to His divinity. This was a direct reference to the Nicene Creed which claims that the Son of God is "of one essence with the Father," which simply means that what God the Father is, the Son is also: Light from Light, True God from True God. And the council insisted as well that in the incarnation the Son of God became exactly what all human beings are, confessing that Jesus Christ is also "of one essence" with all human beings in respect to His humanity. This doctrine was and is



defended as teaching nothing other than the apostolic faith as recorded in the Gospels and the New Testament writings, for example, those of the Apostle Paul:

Though He was in the form of God, He did not count equality with God a thing to be clung to, but emptied Himself, taking on the form of a servant, being found in the likeness of men. And being found in human form He humbled Himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. (Phil 2.6–8)

The critical words in the definition of faith of the Council of Chalcedon are the following:

Following the holy fathers we teach with one voice that the Son of God and our Lord Jesus Christ is to be confessed as one and the same [Person], and He is perfect in Divinity and perfect in Humanity, true God and true Man, of a rational soul and [human] body consisting, of one essence with the Father as touching His Divinity and of one essence with us as touching His Humanity; made in all things like unto us, with the exception of sin only; begotten of His Father before all ages according to His Divinity: but in these last days, for us men and for our salvation, born [into the world] of the Virgin Mary, Theotokos, according to His Humanity. This one and the same Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son [of God] must be confessed to be in two natures, without mixture and without change, without separation and without division [i.e., without fusing together Divinity and Humanity so that the proper characteristics of each are changed or lost; and also without separating them in such a way that there might be considered to be two Sons and not One Son only] and that without the distinction of natures being removed by such

union, but rather that the peculiar property of each nature being preserved and being united in one Person and Hypostasis, not separated or divided into two persons, but one and the same Son and only begotten, God the Word, our Lord Jesus Christ, as the Prophets of old have spoken concerning Him [e.g., the Immanuel of Is 7.14], and as Jesus Christ has taught us, and as the Creed of the fathers has delivered to us.

A number of Christians did not accept the Council of Chalcedon and broke communion with those who did accept it. They did so because they thought that the council had in fact resurrected the wrong doctrine of Nestorius by insisting on the "two natures" after the incarnation, however strongly and firmly the "union" of the two natures was insisted upon. These Christians were called the monophysites (from the term meaning "one nature" after the incarnation), and they continue until today in separation from the Chalcedonian Orthodox in the Coptic, Ethiopian and Armenian churches. ...

Whatever the future may hold by God's grace, however, it is still the firm teaching of the Orthodox Church that the Council of Chalcedon is in strict adherence with the anti-Nestorian doctrines of Saint Cyril and the third ecumenical council in Ephesus. The virtue of the fourth council, in the Orthodox view, is that it defines very clearly the fact that when the Son of God was born as a man from the Virgin Mary, Theotokos, He did not cease to be God or change in His Divinity, while becoming a complete and perfect man in His incarnate Humanity. For salvation itself requires the perfect union of Divinity and Humanity in the one Person of Jesus Christ; union where God is God and Man is Man, and yet where the two become one in perfect unity: without fusion or change, and without division or separation.

(From The Orthodox Faith Vol. I: Doctrine and Scripture)

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:

- Saturday, July 17: Intro to Orthodoxy class, 6pm; Great Vespers, 7pm.
- Sunday, July 18: Teen SOYO event at the Wagners, after Liturgy and coffee hour

This week:

- Confession, anointing, and other pastoral services will be available after every listed service, or by appointment with Fr. Andrew.
- Tuesday through Friday mornings: Morning prayers, 9am.
- Wednesday, July 21: Vespers for St Mary Magdalene, 7pm.
- Saturday, July 24: Vespers, 7pm.
- Sunday, July 25: Matins, 8:30am; Divine Liturgy, 9:30am. Note our return to our regular coffee hour routine (see Volunteer Schedule below).

Later this summer:

- July 23-24: Virtual Archdiocese Convention. See more information at www.antiochianevents.com/convention.
- Friday, Aug. 6: Festal Matins (9am) & Divine Liturgy (10am) at Holy Transfiguration Church in Warrenville, with Bishop Anthony. All are invited, but please let Fr. Andrew know if you plan to attend, so the church can have a head count.
- Saturday, Aug. 14: Vespers at St. Mary Church in Palos Heights, for their patronal feast
- Sunday, Aug. 22: After Divine Liturgy and coffee hour, we will have a visit and presentation from Nathan and Gabriella Hoppe on their ministry in Albania.

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE FOR ST. PIUS V SCHOOL

Once again we here at All Saints are having our annual school supplies drive for St. Pius V School from Sunday, July 4 to Sunday, August 1, 2021. St. Pius is a needy Catholic school on the west side of Chicago that has received donations from us in past years. This year the principal has recommended that we give our donations in monetary form so that she can purchase exactly what the school needs, so we will be collecting funds for the school instead of school supplies. When you donate in check form, please make it out to *All Saints Church* and on the memo line state that it is for St. Pius. If you have any questions about this project, please contact Pat K.

CHILDREN IN THE CHURCH

We are grateful and blessed to have so many children of all ages in our church community! To reiterate a long-standing All Saints guideline, any adult in the church has the authority to correct any child who may be misbehaving or doing something dangerous (playing in the street or alley, for instance). Obviously this should be done respectfully and in love.

Also, now that we are back to regular coffee hours, I know many of us parents have different standards as to how much and what our children should eat. Let us do our best, please, to take our own kids through the line and regulate their portions. Many thanks!

Volunteer Schedule

| Date | Reader | Prosphora | Greeter | Coffee | Food |
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| Sun., July 18 | Joseph L | Dn Walid | Domtille | Zach C | L-P |
| Sun., July 25 | Jerry C | Sandy A | Sandy A | Alina S | R-Z |
| Sun., Aug. 1 | Michelle C | Octavian | Azizeh | Lydia | A-F |
| Sun., Aug. 8 | Polycarp | Pat K | Domitille | Zach C | G-K |
| Sun, Aug. 15 Dormition | Doug J. | Domitille | Sandy A. | Domitille | L-P |
| Sun, Aug. 22 | Jim K. | Cristina | Azizeh C. | Alina S | R-Z |
| Sun, Aug. 29 St. John the Baptist | Paul K. | Dn. Walid | Nancy L. | Lydia A. | A-F |

Please note our regular coffee hour rotation will resume Sunday, July 4. As we've done in the past, the church will be divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). So if your last name begins with A through F, please bring something simple to share for coffee hour on July 4, and we'll go through the alphabet from there.

Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. For now, please, let's all pitch in and help.

Also, if you are providing holy bread for Liturgy, or food/snacks for coffee hour, please feel free to provide a list of names (living and departed) of your family members or friends, to be read at the Great Entrance on that day.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JULY 18-24, 2021

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Sunday, July 18: Holy Fathers of the Council of Chalcedon

Luke 24:1-12 / Romans 6:18-23 / Matthew 5:14-19

Monday, July 19: St. Macrina the Righteous

Exodus 11 / Romans 12:1-21 / Matthew 12:9-14

Tuesday, July 20: Holy Prophet Elijah

3 Kingdoms 17:1-23 / James 5:7-20 / Luke 4:22-30

Wednesday, July 21: Holy Prophet Ezekiel

Ezekiel 34:11-31 / Romans 14:1-23 / Matthew 12:33-45

Thursday, July 22: St. Mary Magdalene, Myrrh-Bearer and Equal-to-the-Apostles

John 20:11-18 / Romans 15:1-33 / Matthew 12:46-50

Friday, July 23: Hieromartyr Apollinaris, Bishop of Ravenna

Exodus 12 / Romans 16:1-16 / Matthew 13:1-9

Saturday, July 24: Great Martyr Christina of Tyre

Romans 8:14-21 / Matthew 9:9-13

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