

ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Sunday, March 13, 2022

Saturday Vespers, 7pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am Triumph of Orthodoxy



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Hymns of the Day, immediately after the Small Entrance:

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 5): Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh to suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion for the Triumph of Orthodoxy (Tone 2): Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Wherefore, with thankfulness we cry aloud to thee: Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

Kontakion to the Theotokos for the Sundays of Lent (Tone 8): O Champion Leader, to thee I offer thanks of victory! O Theotokos, thou hast delivered me from terror. As thou hast invincible power, O Theotokos, thou truly can set me free from all danger. Set me free and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O bride without bridegroom!

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 First Sunday of Great Lent

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (11:24-26, 32-40)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of the Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he looked to the recompense of reward.

And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Sampson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and all the prophets, who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, and turned to flight armies of the aliens. Women received their dead by resurrection, and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. And others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy, wandering in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, having obtained a witness through their faith, did not receive the promise, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

THE GOSPEL

For the First Sunday of Great Lent

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see."

Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."



:: THE SYNODIKON OF ORTHODOXY ::

Recited by the faithful each year on the first Sunday of Lent

As the Prophets beheld, as the Apostles have taught, as the Church has received, as the Teachers have dogmatized, as the universe has agreed, as grace has shown forth, as truth has revealed, as falsehood has been dissolved, as Wisdom has presented, as Christ has awarded:

Thus we declare, thus we assert, thus we preach Christ our true God, and honor His Saints in words, in writings, in thoughts, in sacrifices, in churches, in Holy Icons;

On the one hand worshiping and reverencing Christ as God and Lord;

And on the other hand honoring His saints as true servants of the same Lord of all, and accordingly offering them veneration.

This is the Faith of the Apostles; this is the Faith of the Fathers; this is the Faith of the Orthodox; this is the Faith which has established the universe!

THE GREAT PROKEIMENON

Who is so great a God as our God? Thou art the God who workest wonders. (Psalm 76:14)



Announcements and upcoming Events

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

This week:

- **Tonight:** Triumph of Orthodoxy Vespers, 6:30pm, <u>at St. George Orthodox</u> <u>Church</u> (1220 S. 60th Court, Cicero). All are encouraged to come pray with other Orthodox Christians from all over the Chicago area. This is especially important given current events!
- Tuesday, March 15: Parish council meeting, 7:30pm.
- Wednesday, March 16: Presanctified Liturgy, 7pm. Potluck meal will follow.
- Friday, March 18: Akathist Service to the Theotokos, 7pm, at St. George Church in Cicero.
- Saturday, March 19: Soul Saturday Divine Liturgy, 10am. Please bring a list of names of departed family members and loved ones for commemoration. Vespers, 7pm.

LENTEN COIN BOXES

Please take a "Food for Hungry People" coin box from the greeters' table! These are supplied each Lent by the Fellowship of St. John the Divine, in accordance with our archdiocese, to feed the hungry around the world. Please use these boxes all during Lent and turn them in at Pascha to be blessed. Please replace the coins with a check marked "For the Poor" in the memo line, or submit paper money. If you have any questions, contact Pat K.

"You shall give to him freely, and your heart shall not be grudging when you give to him; because for this the LORD your God will bless you in all your work and in all that you undertake. For the poor will never cease out of the land; therefore I command you, You shall open wide your hand to your brother, to the needy and to the poor, in the land." (Deuteronomy 15:10-11)

TRIUMPH OF ORTHODOXY VESPERS

Our Chicago pan-jurisdictional **Triumph of Orthodoxy Vespers** will be held at St. George Church in Cicero, Sunday evening, March 13, at 6:30pm. Guest preacher will be His Grace Bishop Maxim of the Serbian Orthodox Church.

"MAN OF GOD" MOVIE

We don't normally recommend movies during Lent, but a new Orthodox film on the life of St. Nektarios of Aegina will have several Chicago-area showings March 21 and 28. Go to https://www.fathomevents.com/events/Man-of-God for details and to order tickets.

:: LETTER FROM METROPOLITAN JOSEPH ::

For the Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 13, 2022

Brother Hierarchs, Reverend Clergy, and Beloved Faithful in Christ:

Greetings and blessings to you in the name of our great God and Savior, Jesus Christ! As we reach the end of the first week of Great Lent, I pray that God will give all of you good strength to complete the course of the Fast with firm devotion and spiritually enriching temperance.

Today we celebrate the triumph of the true Faith over the heresy of iconoclasm and over all other false teachings that have threatened to undermine the glorious gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ—"the Faith once and for all delivered to the saints" (Jude 3). The Church's perennial struggle against heresy is one reason why theological education is so crucial. Without well-educated clergy capable of teaching the Faith, such rabbit trails of human foolishness would have led us far astray from the path of salvation. The Church cannot survive without knowledgeable and wise priests, who bring God's saving words to us—the divine law that brings life. This is a particular ministry of priests, and God's people hunger for it, as the Holy Prophet Malachi says: "The lips of a priest will maintain knowledge, and [the people] will seek the law from his mouth because he is a messenger of the Lord Almighty" (2:7).

Every year on the Sunday of Orthodoxy, we ask you to contribute in support of our seminarians who are preparing for ministry in the holy priesthood. These young men have turned their backs on lucrative worldly careers and accepted God's calling to serve His people. Many come with wives and children to support. As an archdiocese, we have always joined together to help shoulder this burden and support our seminarians, providing them with scholarships and housing aid.

Once again, I ask you to donate generously in support of our seminarians and their families. Through your gifts you will help prepare these men to be the spiritual leaders of the next generation, proclaiming God's saving word and leading us on the path of salvation. Let us stand by them now, just as they will stand with us for many years to come.

Wishing you all a soul-profiting remainder of the Fast, I remain,

Yours in Christ,

+JOSEPH Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of all North America

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prosphora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun, Mar 13 Orthodoxy	Joseph L	Dn Walid	Dave B	Alina S	R-Z
Wed, Mar 16 Presanctified		Cristina P	Azizeh C	n/a	Potluck
Sun, Mar 20 St Gregory	Richard C	Sandy A	Domitille	Zach C	A-F
Thurs, Mar 24 Annunciation	Doug J	Debbie K	Sandy A	n/a	Potluck
Sun, Mar 27 Holy Cross	Michelle C	Pat K	Azizeh C	Lydia A	G-K

For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour. If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves.

Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. And of course, things go faster when we can all pitch in and help.





DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MARCH 13-19, 2022

ADAPTED FROM THE LECTIONARY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE

Sunday, March 13: Triumph of Orthodoxy

Luke 24:12-35 / Hebrews 11:24-40 / John 1:43-51

Monday, March 14: Holy Father Benedict of Nursia

Hebrews 4:1-10 / Mark 3:1-12

Isaiah 4:2-5:7 / Genesis 3:21-4:7 / Proverbs 4:1-22

Tuesday, March 15: Holy Apostle Aristobulos of the Seventy, Bishop of Britain

Hebrews 4:11-16 / Mark 3:13-27

Isaiah 5:7-16 / Genesis 4:8-15 / Proverbs 5:1-15

Wednesday, March 16: Sabine the Martyr of Egypt

Hebrews 5:1-14 / Mark 3:28-35

Isaiah 5:16-30 / Genesis 4:16-26 / Proverbs 5:15-6:3

Thursday, March 17: St. Patrick, Enlightener of Ireland

Hebrews 6:1-8 / Mark 4:1-20

Isaiah 6:1-13 / Genesis 5:1-24 / Proverbs 6:3-20

Friday, March 18: St. Cyril of Jerusalem

Hebrews 6:9-20 / Mark 4:21-34

Isaiah 7:1-14 / Genesis 5:32-6:8 / Proverbs 6:20-7:1

Saturday: Memorial Sabbath

1 Thessalonians 4:13-17 / John 5:24-30

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