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Sunday, October 2, 2022

Saturday Vespers, 7:00pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am

Second Sunday of St. Luke's Gospel • Hiero-Martyr Cyprian



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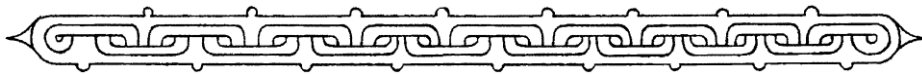


Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 7): Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion for St. Cyprian (Tone 4): By choosing the Apostles' way of life, thou hast succeeded to their throne. Inspired by God, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation through the practice of virtue. After teaching the Word of Truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith to the very shedding of thy blood, O Hieromartyr Cyprian. Entreat the Lord our God to save our souls.

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 Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Lord will give strength to His people. Bring unto the Lord, ye sons of God, bring unto the Lord glory and honor.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:1-10)

Brethren, since we are fellow workers, we entreat you also not to receive the grace of God in vain. For He says, "At an acceptable season I hearkened unto thee, and in a day of salvation I helped thee"; behold, now is "the acceptable season"; behold, now is "the day

of salvation”; giving no occasion of stumbling in anything, that the ministry is not blamed, but in everything commending ourselves, as ministers of God, in much patience, in afflictions, in necessities, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in vigils, in fasts, in purity, in knowledge, in longsuffering, in kindness, in the Holy Spirit, in love unfeigned, in the word of truth, in the power of God; by the weapons of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by glory and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and, behold, we live; as chastened, and not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

THE GOSPEL

For the Second Sunday of Luke

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (6:31-36)

The Lord said: “I say to you that hear: love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your cloak do not withhold your coat as well. Give to everyone who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again. And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them.

If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

Today:

- **All-church potluck meal and annual meeting**, after Liturgy

This week at All Saints:

- **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday:** Morning prayers, 9am.
- **Wednesday, Oct. 5:** Vespers, 7pm.
- **Saturday, Oct. 8:** Vespers at 7pm.
- **Next Sunday, Oct. 9:** Orthros at 8:30am and Divine Liturgy at 9:30am, followed by coffee hour and church school for all ages.

ALL-CHURCH ANNUAL MEETING: Our annual membership meeting will take place today after Divine Liturgy. At this meeting we will hear updates from the priest and ministry leaders of our church, vote on the upcoming year's budget and approve new parish council members. Any questions may be directed to Fr. Andrew or Jeneson.

TOUCHSTONE FALL CONFERENCE: *Something Wicked this Way Comes: Diabolical Fantasies and the Mystery of the Real.* This will be held Oct. 13-15 at Trinity International University in Deerfield. Speakers this year include Rod Dreher, Carl Trueman, Allan Carson, Hans Boersma, and Jack Phillips of the Masterpiece Cakeshop, whose refusal to craft a “wedding” cake for two men ended with a victory at the U.S. Supreme Court.

Members and friends of All Saints Church are invited to attend at a discounted rate! Register at www.touchstonemag.com/allsaints/.

JEWELRY SALE: Our friend Jane Hebel would like to invite all the ladies of All Saints to a jewelry sale at her building, The Breakers at Edgewater Beach. Join her in the Marine room **Saturday, Oct. 22 from 11am to 2pm.**

RSVP to Jane by phone or email (no texts): hebel.jane@gmail.com or 773-334-2362. Cost is \$5 for parking, for 4 hours. Young girls and babies are welcome. All proceeds will benefit our church!

ANCIENT FAITH CALENDARS. If anyone would like to order an Orthodox calendar from Ancient Faith, please contact Jane (hebel.jane@gmail.com) who can place orders with our church discount. The regular calendars for 2023 have the theme “Saints

and Martyrs of the Church,” and are available to us for \$10. Their children’s calendar “Windows to Heaven” are \$20. Please see Jane for more information, or if you have any questions.

ALL SAINTS EVE: Mark your calendars for **Monday, October 31, beginning at 5:30pm!** And as is our custom, we are currently taking nominations for Saint of the Year. Please submit the names of your favorite saints to Richard C. for possible inclusion in our annual booklet and festivities!

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun Oct 2	Doug J	Dn Walid	Sandy A	Lydia A	<u>Potluck</u>
Sun Oct 9	Jim K	Sandy A	Azizeh C	Domitille	G-K
Sun Oct 16	Paul K	Debbie K	Domitille	Alina S	L-P
Sun Oct 23	Jason L	Pat K	Nancy L	Zach C	R-Z
Sun Oct 30	Joseph L	Domitille	Sandy A	Lydia A	A-F

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.

SAINT CYPRIAN was a pagan and a native of Antioch. From his early childhood his misguided parents dedicated him to the service of the pagan gods. From the age seven until he was thirty, Cyprian studied at the leading centers of paganism: on Mount Olympus; in the cities of Argos and Tauropolis; in the Egyptian city of Memphis; and at Babylon. Once he attained eminent wisdom in pagan philosophy and the sorcerer's craft, he was initiated into the pagan priesthood on Mount Olympus. Having discovered great power by summoning unclean spirits, he beheld the Prince of Darkness himself, speaking with him and receiving from him a host of demons to serve him.

After returning to Antioch, Cyprian was revered by the pagans as a prominent pagan priest, amazing people with his ability to cast spells, to summon pestilence and plagues, and to conjure up the dead. He brought many people to ruin, teaching them to serve the demons, and how to cast magic spells.

THE HOLY VIRGIN JUSTINA lived in Antioch. After turning her own father and mother away from the error of paganism and leading them to faith in Christ, she dedicated herself to the Heavenly Bridegroom and spent her time in fasting and prayer. When a young man proposed marriage to her, the saint refused, for she wished to remain a virgin. Her suitor Aglaias sought Cyprian's help. He said that he would arrange for Justina's heart to become filled with lust for the young man. No matter what Cyprian tried, he accomplished nothing, since the Saint overcame all the wiles of the devil by prayer and fasting.

Cyprian sent an unclean spirit to attack the holy virgin, and to arouse carnal passions in her, but she overcame them by the power of the Sign of the Cross, and by fervent prayer to the Lord.

Even though one of the demons, and Cyprian himself, assumed various guises by the power of sorcery, they were unable to influence Saint Justina, who was guarded by her firm faith in Christ. All the spells were dissipated, and the demons fled at the mention of Justina's name.

Cyprian, in his rage, sent down pestilence and plague upon Justina's family and upon the entire city, but this was thwarted by her prayer. The sorcerer brought tribulation not only upon Justina and her family, but upon the entire city as well. Rumors spread that the city was being punished because Justina would not wed Aglaias. Several people went to her and demanded that she marry Aglaias so that Cyprian would not punish them with more afflictions. Justina calmed them and assured them that soon the misfortunes which Cyprian caused with the help of the demons would



end. Saint Justina prayed to God, the power of the demons was destroyed, and everyone was healed of their illnesses and afflictions.

People began to praise Christ, and to mock Cyprian and his sorcery. Convinced that the devil was powerless against the Sign of the Cross, and trembled at the name of Christ, Cyprian came to his senses and realized that he had been corrupted by becoming a sorcerer, and participating in every sort of wickedness, doing harm to others and deceiving them. He killed many with his spells and potions, and he murdered many men and women as sacrificial offerings to the demons. He was already a partaker of the portion of the demons, and if he had died at that moment, he would have been cast into the depths of Hell. The Lord, however, in His infinite compassion, saved him from the abyss.

Saint Cyprian saw that the devil whom he served was afraid of Christ. The Evil One admitted that he was unable to conquer the maiden because he was afraid of "a certain sign" upon her.

"If you take fright at even the mere shadow of the Cross and if the mere name of Christ makes you tremble," said Cyprian, "then what will you do when Christ Himself stands before you?"

The devil then threw himself upon the pagan priest and attempted to beat and strangle him. For the first time, Saint Cyprian tested the power of the Sign of the Cross and the name of Christ, guarding himself from the fury of the Enemy. Afterward, he went to the local bishop in profound repentance, and threw all of his books into the flames. The very next day, he went into the church, and did not want to leave it, even though he had not yet been baptized.

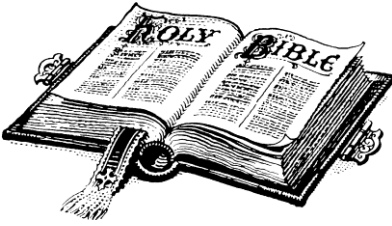
By his efforts to follow after righteousness, Saint Cyprian understood the great power of faith in Christ, making up for more than thirty years of service to Satan.

Saint Cyprian eventually became a bishop, and converted so many pagans to Christ that in his diocese no one was left to offer sacrifice to idols, and the pagan temples fell into disuse. Saint Justina withdrew to a monastery and was chosen as its Superior.

During the persecution under Emperor Diocletian, Bishop Cyprian and Saint Justina were arrested and brought to Nicomedia, where after horrible tortures they were beheaded with the sword. Saint Cyprian, fearful that the holy virgin's courage might falter if she saw him put to death, asked for time to pray. Saint Justina inclined her neck and was beheaded first.

After seeing the torments of Saint Justina, a soldier named Theoktistos fell at Cyprian's feet and declared himself a Christian, and he was beheaded with them.

The Hieromartyr Cyprian, the Virgin Martyr Justina, and the Martyr Theoktistos suffered for Christ at Nicomedia in the year 304.



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

OCTOBER 2-8, 2022

ADAPTED FROM THE
LECTIONARY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE

Sunday, October 2: Hieromartyr Cyprian and the Virgin Martyr Justina

Luke 24:12-35 / 2 Corinthians 6:1-10 / Luke 6:27-36

Monday, Oct. 3: St. Dionysios the Areopagite

1 Samuel 23 / Acts 17:16-34 / Luke 6:6-11

Tuesday, Oct. 4: St. Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens

1 Samuel 24 / Ephesians 3:1-7 / Luke 6:12-19

Wednesday, Oct. 5: Martyr Charitina

1 Samuel 25 / Ephesians 3:8-13 / Luke 6:20-26

Thursday, Oct. 6: Holy Apostle Thomas & St. Innocent of Alaska

1 Samuel 26 / Ephesians 3:14-21 / Luke 6:37-42

For St. Thomas: 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 / John 20:19-31

Friday, Oct. 7: Sergius & Bacchus the Great Martyrs of Syria

1 Samuel 27 / Ephesians 4:1-10 / Luke 6:43-49

Saturday, Oct. 8: St. Pelagia the Righteous

Ephesians 4:11-24 / Luke 7:1-10

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