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**Sunday January 27, 2019** 35th SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST – Tone 2. Translation of the Relics of St.  
John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople (438).  
New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia.

## **This Week's Schedule**

Wednesday 1/30 Little Angels 9:30 a.m.

Thursday 1/31 Study Group 10 :00 a.m.

Friday 2/1 Vespers w/ Litiya Presentation of the Lord

Saturday 2/2 **Presentation of the Lord at the Temple**

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m. (blessing of candles)

*\*followed by special choir rehearsal\**

Great Vesper 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 2/3 Hours 8:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

*followed by Coffee Hour*

## **Reader Schedule**

<u><b>DATE</b></u>	<u><b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>EPISTLE</b></u>
Jan-27	SOUDER	PECK	PECK
Feb 2	MEETING OF THE LORD		
Feb-3	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	FINCK
Feb-10	WALES	WALES	WALES

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 2 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,  
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.  
And when from the depths You raised the dead,  
all the powers of heaven cried out://  
“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

### **Tone 8 Troparion**      *(St John Chrysostom)*

Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the  
universe.  
It has shown to the world the riches of poverty;  
it has revealed to us the heights of humility.  
Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom,//  
Intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

### **Tone 2 Kontakion**      *(Resurrection)*

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior,  
seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb!  
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with  
You,//  
and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

### **Tone 1 Kontakion**      *(St John Chrysostom)*

Most glorious John Chrysostom,  
the Church of Constantinople greatly rejoiced, receiving the gift of  
your holy relics;  
keeping them as a treasure of great price.  
Through your intercession,//  
they bring the grace of healing to those who praise you in hymns.  
“Rejoice, splendid adornment of the Prophets!”

### **Tone 2 Prokeimenon**

The Lord is my strength and my song; He has become my  
salvation. (*Ps 117/118:4*)

*v: The Lord has chastened me sorely, but He has not given me over to death. (Ps 117/118:18)*

**Tone 1 Prokeimenon (St John Chrysostom)**

*My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be understanding. (Ps 48/49:3)*

**Epistle Colossians 3:12-16**

*Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do.*

*But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful.*

*Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.*

**Hebrews 7:26-8:2 (St John Chrysostom)**

*For such a High Priest was fitting for us, who is holy, harmless, undefiled, separate from sinners, and has become higher than the heavens; who does not need daily, as those high priests, to offer up sacrifices, first for his own sins and then for the people's, for this He did once for all when He offered up Himself.*

*For the law appoints as high priests men who have weakness, but the word of the oath, which came after the law, appoints the Son who has been perfected forever.*

*Now this is the main point of the things we are saying: We have such a High Priest, who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in the heavens, a Minister of the sanctuary and of the true tabernacle which the Lord erected, and not man.*

**Tone 2**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!*

*v: May the Lord hear you in the day of trouble! May the name of the God of Jacob protect you! (Ps 19/20:1)*

*v: Save the King, O Lord, and hear us on the day we call! (Ps 19/20:9)*

## **Tone 2**

*v: The mouth of the righteous shall proclaim wisdom, and his tongue shall speak of judgment. (Ps 36/37:30)*

### **Gospel Matthew 25:14-30**

*For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them.*

*And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.*

*Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents.*

*And likewise he who had received two gained two more also.*

*But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money.*

*After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them.*

*So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.'*

*His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

*He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.'*

*His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'*

*Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed.*

*And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.'*

*But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.*

*So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.*

*Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents.*

*For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.*

*And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'*

John 10:9-16 (*St John Chrysostom*)

*I am the door. If anyone enters by Me, he will be saved, and will go in and out and find pasture.*

*The thief does not come except to steal, and to kill, and to destroy. I have come that they may have life, and that they may have it more abundantly. I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd gives His life for the sheep.*

*But a hireling, he who is not the shepherd, one who does not own the sheep, sees the wolf coming and leaves the sheep and flees; and the wolf catches the sheep and scatters them.*

*The hireling flees because he is a hireling and does not care about the sheep.*

*I am the good shepherd; and I know My sheep, and am known by My own.*

*As the Father knows Me, even so I know the Father; and I lay down My life for the sheep.*

*And other sheep I have which are not of this fold; them also I must bring, and they will hear My voice; and there will be one flock and one shepherd.*

## **Communion Hymns**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)

The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. (*Ps 111/112:6b-7a*)

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

## **This Week's Announcement**

***Welcome to the Newly Illumined*** This morning we welcome into the Church Jonathan David Finck by the sacraments of Baptism and Chrismation. Jonathan is the son of Catalina and Jeremy Finck. May our Lord may grant the newly illumined Jonathan and his family, health, long life and Many Blessed Years!

***Meeting of the Lord in the Temple*** The feast of the Presentation or Meeting of the Lord in the Temple takes place forty days following the Nativity of Jesus (Feb. 2). The feast celebrates Christ's fulfillment of the Law of Moses calling for all the first born; whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, be consecrated to God. At this time, we also see His mother Mary undergo the ritual purification offering the sacrifices prescribed in the Law. In the feast Christ's encounters, the Elder Simeon who had long awaited His coming, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, leads the Messiah into the Temple. We will celebrate the feast this Friday evening Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with Vespers and Saturday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. Join us!

***Special Choir Rehearsal*** On Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> following the liturgy for the feast we will be offering a special choir rehearsal. The rehearsal is for both current and non-choir persons, so all are invited. We will have a small coffee hour for all participants. Please consider offering yourself to our choir ministry.

***Study Group*** Our study group will resume this Thurs. Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m. We will continue with the 5<sup>th</sup> chapter of St. Matthew.

***Mission Service March 17*** St. Michaels will be hosting a Lenten Mission Service (Orthodoxy Sunday) on Sunday March 17 at 4:00 p.m. We are asking for volunteers to help organize and put the meal together. We will need everyone's help as we will be hosting The Philadelphia Clergy Brotherhood as well as the faithful from our surrounding area. Please email Alice Morjana at [namorjana@aol.com](mailto:namorjana@aol.com) or see Alice to let her know you can help.

***Lenten retreat March 22-23*** St. Michaels will be hosting a Lenten retreat with guest speaker and author Dr. Philip Mamalakis. We would like to invite the surrounding churches to share in this retreat therefore we need volunteers to help organize this two-day event for Friday evening and Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be more details to follow on Dr. Mamalakis' agenda. Please see Jeff Kendall or Alice Morjana to volunteer.

***Parish Giving*** We continue to progress to the diocesan proportional giving of 10% of our operating budget to the National and Diocesan Church. The yearly National and Diocesan Assessments are determined based on the parish approved budgets. As a result of the approved 2019 parish budget for St. Michael's and moving to a level 4 Tithing, the

annual assessment for each adult over 18 will be \$189 per year. This can be paid at one time or easier quarterly payments of \$47.25. Envelopes are available in the Narthex if you wish to use them as a reminder. Thank you for your continued support.

### *Wisdom from the Holy Fathers*

*"Let us not be resentful or faint-hearted when something unexpected happens to us, but allow Him, who knows all these things well, to test our soul in the fire for as long as He wants; for He does this in the interest and for the benefit of those being tested...A physician is a physician not only when he bathes and feeds the sick man...but even when he cauterizes and cuts...Knowing therefore that God is more tender-loving than all physicians, do not enquire too curiously about His therapy or ask Him for an explanation of it."*

*~ St. John Chrysostom*

*"Patience adorns the soul with diamonds which are not of the earth but belong to the Jerusalem that is above. Patience is a sweet word. Patience is a sweet breath. Patience is an invincible weapon. Patience is a priceless adornment of man. Patience is a blessing of God."*

*~ from the Spiritual Counsels of St. Raphael in "Modern Orthodox Saints, v. 10"*

*"We must give thanks for all things to the Lord, Who has rightly given us difficulties that we may learn patience, which is more beneficial than comforts, and ennobles the soul."*

*- St. Moses of Optina (1782-1862)*

*Living Without Hypocrisy: Spiritual Counsels of the Holy Elders of Optina 4*

**Prayers for the Departed:** Virginia Sekerak Marie Holowatch, Maria Proch, Mark Gundersen, John Berket, George Sarmousakis, Alfred Mokhiber.

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. Deacon James Carpenter, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Benjamin, Patrica, Lubov Baldychev, Stephanie Hojnicky, Michael Sinovich, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Catalina Mary Finck, Infant John David Finck

**Prayers for Catechumen:** Robert Jaquette

**Prayers for Women and the Child to be born:** Ruth Kendall, Bisrat Gabriel

<b>Date</b>	<b><u>Coffee Hour</u></b>	<b><u>Service Duty</u></b>	<b><u>Church Cleaner</u></b>	<b><u>Library</u></b>
<b>27-Jan</b>	Hamwi/Morjana	Telep/Baldychev	S. Peck	Maloney
<b>3-Feb</b>	Najemy/Kendall	Bunitsky/Morjana	N. Carey	Gundersen
<b>10-Feb</b>	Bacuta/Fravel	Riley/Riley	Baldychev/Shatley/	Farrell
<b>17-Feb</b>	Pacienza/George/Grishin	Sulpizi/Finck	Suplizi	Skomorucha
<b>24-Feb</b>	J. Peck/Weins	Hojnicky/Souder	Riley	Maloney