

St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church

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Sunday November 22 , 2020 24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. Afterfeast of the Entry Into the Temple. Apostles of the Seventy Philemon and Archippus, Martyr Apphia, wife of Philemon and Equal-to-the-Apostles, and Onesimus, disciple of St. Paul (1st c.). Martyrdom of St. Michael, Prince of Tver’ (1318). Rt. Bto. Yaropolk, in Baptism Peter, Prince of Vladimir in Volyn’ (1086). Virgin Martyr Cecilia and the Holy Martyrs Valerian, Tiburtius and Maximus at Rome (ca. 230). Martyr Procopius the Reader, at Cæsarea (303).

This Week’s Schedule

Saturday 11/28 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 11/29 25th Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Please Note Services will also stream Online

Reader Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>3RD HOUR</u>	<u>6th Hour</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>
Nov-22	No Hours (Reception of Catechumen)		CAREY
Nov-29	PECK	PECK	LEWIS
Dec-6	DORAZIO	BUNITSKY	PECK
Dec-13	LEWIS	SKOMORUCHA	LEWIS

Hymns and Prayers

Tone 7 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

By Your Cross You destroyed death.
To the thief You opened Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers You changed weeping into joy.
And You commanded Your disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that You are risen,//
granting the world great mercy.

Tone 4 Troparion *(Feast)*

Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.
The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.
Let us rejoice and sing to her:
“Rejoice, O Fulfillment//
of the Creator’s dispensation!”

Tone 3 Troparion *(Apostles)*

Holy Apostles Philemon, Archipus, Apphia, and Onesimus,
entreat the merciful God//
to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!

Tone 7 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:
“The Savior has come to those in faith;//
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!”

Tone 2 Kontakion *(Apostles)*

Let us praise the Apostles of Christ,
who illumine the ends of the earth like all-radiant stars:
glorious Philemon and dedicated Archippus,
Onesimus, together with Mark and Apollos, and the all-wise Apphia.
Let us cry to them://
“Unceasingly pray for us all!”

Tone 4 Kontakion *(Feast)*

The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the angels of God praise her://
“Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!”

Tone 7 **Prokeimenon** *(Resurrection)*

The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless His people with peace. *(Ps. 28:11)*

*V. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!
(Ps. 28:1a)*

Tone 3 Prokeimenon *(Song of the Theotokos)*

My soul magnifies the Lord, / and my spirit rejoices in God my Savior.
(Lk. 1:46-47)

Epistle Ephesians 2:14-22

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord,

in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Tone 7

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to YourName, O Most High. (Ps. 91:1)

V. To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Ps. 91:2a)

Tone 8

V Hearken, O daughter, and see, and incline your ear! (Ps. 44:9a)

Gospel Luke 12:16-21

Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully.

And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?'

So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods.

'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry."'

But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?'

So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:

Tone 4

The angels beheld the entrance of the Pure One and were amazed. //
How has the Virgin entered into the Holy of Holies?

Since she is a living Ark of God
let no profane hand touch the Theotokos.
But let the lips of believers unceasingly sing to her,

praising her in joy with the angel's song: //
"Truly, you are more exalted than all, O pure Virgin!"

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps. 148:1*)
I will receive the cup of salvation and call on the name of the Lord. (*Ps. 115:4*)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

This Week's Announcements

Welcome to the Newly Chrismated Welcome to our newest member Edward (John) Jones. Edward (John) was welcomed into the Church prior to Liturgy this morning by the sacrament of Chrismation. May our Lord grant the newly Chrismated John Many Blessed Years!

The Nativity Fast This is just a reminder that the Nativity Fast is now upon us (Nov. 15th). The fast continues until the Nativity of our Lord (Dec. 25th). The celebration of the feast of the Nativity of Christ in the Orthodox Church is patterned after the celebration of the feast of the Lord's Resurrection. A fast of forty days precedes the feast, with special preparatory days announcing the approaching birth of the Savior. Thus, on Saint Andrew's Day (November 30) and Saint Nicholas Day (December 6) songs are sung to announce the coming birthday of the Lord: 'Adorn yourself, O Cavern. Make ready, O Manger. O Shepherds and wisemen, bring your gifts and bear witness. For the Virgin is coming bearing Christ in her womb' (Vesperal Hymn of Saint Nicholas Day). Please try and make an effort!

Annual All Parish Meeting will be December 6th, 2020 We will hold our annual parish meeting on Sunday, Dec 6th, 2020. We will have options for both in person and streaming participation. We will email the annual budget and parish reports the week prior to the meeting. We ask continued patience going forward. Please pray for our Parish Council as we navigate the pandemic safely.

No Study Group this Week Our Study group will take a break this week for Thanksgiving. We will resume on Thursday Dec. 3 at 10:00 a.m. with

chapter 15 of St. Matthew. Our group will still meet online. All are welcome to join us!

Online Streaming Help We are currently look for help with our live streaming services. Please see Thaddeus (Scott) Lewis if you are willing to help.

Book Study “The Life of Moses” by St. Gregory of Nyssa Our book study. We will meet one more time on Dec. 2 at 7:30 p.m. to discussion the book, “The Life of Moses”, by St. Gregory of Nyssa. We will meet on Zoom and all are welcome to participate.

Sacraments for Those Staying Home Recognizing the need for many to quarantine due to the deadliness of the pandemic, Fr. Barnabas is available to meet individually on Wednesdays and Fridays to offer Confession and Communion for those still at home. Fr. Barnabas is also willing to meet in other creative ways , like on your porch, to assure everyone remains connected. Please email or call the office to set up a time for the Sacraments.

Questions Everyone Should ask themselves Before coming to In-Person Worship: Do you have a fever, cough, shortness of breath, and or trouble breathing? Persistent pain, pressure or tightness in chest? Any recent loss of taste/smell or gastrointestinal upset? Any contact with anyone with C-19? **If you answer YES to any of these questions you should stay at home.**

Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

"It is sinful to give up to sadness. We are exiles on earth. Exiles do not wonder at insult and injury. We are under God's penance and a penance consists of privations and difficulties. We are ill in soul and body and bitter medicine is useful for the ill."

St Theophil of the Kiev Caves

“Inasmuch as you pray with all your soul for the one who has slandered you, so much will God reveal the truth to them who have believed the slander”

St. Maximus the Confessor

“It’s not an abundance of words that supplicate God, but a pure soul which manifests good deeds.”

St. John Chrysostom

“God loves us more than a father, mother, friend, or any else could love, and even more than we are able to love ourselves.”

St. John Chrysostom

“If from one burning lamp someone lights another, then another from that one, and so on in succession, he has light continuously. In the same way, through the Apostles ordaining their successors, and these successors ordaining others, and so on, the grace of the Holy Spirit is handed down through all generations and enlightens all who obey their spiritual shepherds and teachers.

St. Gregory Palamas

“God permits tribulations and adversities to befall people- even the saintly- so that they may persist in humility. But if we harden our hearts against adversities and tribulations, he also hardens these tribulations against us. On the other hand if we accept them in humility and with a contrite heart, God will mingle tribulation with mercy.”

St. Isaac the Syrian

Prayers for the Departed: Metropolitan Theodosius, Barbara Hicks,

Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need: Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Myra Kovalak, Lemlem Resat, Olga Riley, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke Wales, Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, Stephanie Hojnicky, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, Elizabeth Melnik, Alexandra Grishin, Sam Sylvest, Paula Daubert, Elizabeth Clause, Jamie Clause, David Telep

Prayers for Catechmens Kristin Mackenzie, Edward Jones, Shawn & Jennifer Vojaisek, Andrew Ashton

Date	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>
22-Nov	Telep/Baldychev	Farrell
29-Nov	Bunitsky/Morjana	Clause/Whalen
6-Dec	Riley/Riley	Skomorucha/Lewis/M Kiflemarian

Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind

Family Promise Nov. 30th

Feast of St. Nicholas Dec. 6th

Annual Parish Meeting Dec. 6th

Nativity of our Lord Dec. 25th