



St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church

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***Sunday August 1, 2021 6th SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST – Tone 5. Procession of the Honorable Wood
of the Lifegiving Cross of the Lord (First of the three “Feasts
of the Savior” in August). Holy Seven Maccabean Martyrs:
Abimus, Antoninus, Gurias, Eleazar, Eusabonus, Alimus,
and Marcellus, their mother Solomonina, and their teacher,
Eleazar (166 B.C.).***

This Week’s Schedule

Thursday 8/5 Eve of Transfiguration Great Vespers & Litiya 7:00 p.m.

Friday 8/6 Transfiguration of our Lord

Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

followed by the blessing of the first fruits

Saturday 8/7 Great Vespers 5: 00 p.m.

Sunday 8/8 7th Sunday of Pentecost

Peck Baptism 8:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Followed by Coffee Hour

Please Note Services will also stream Online

Reader Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>3RD HOUR</u>	<u>6th Hour</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>
Aug 1	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY
Aug 6	TRANSFIGURATION		
Aug 08	LEWIS	DORAZIO	LEWIS
Aug 15	SKOMORUCHA	GEORGE	WALES

Hymns and Prayers

Tone 5 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,
to endure death,
and to raise the dead//
by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 1 Troparion *(Cross)*

O Lord, save Your people,
and bless Your inheritance!
Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians
over their adversaries;
and by virtue of Your Cross,//
preserve Your habitation!

Tone 1 Troparion *(Maccabees)*

We beseech You, O Lover of mankind,
to accept in supplication
the suffering which the Saints endured for You, O Lord,//
and heal all our infirmities!

Tone 5 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

You descended into hell, O my Savior,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
You have delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man,//
and we cry to You: “O Lord, save us!”

Tone 2 Kontakion *(Maccabees)*

Seven pillars of the Wisdom of God
and seven lampstands of the divine Light,

all-wise Maccabees, greatest of the martyrs before the time of the martyrs,//
with them ask the God of all to save those who honor you!

Tone 4 Kontakion (Cross)

As You were voluntarily raised upon the Cross for our sake,
grant mercy to those who are called by Your Name, O Christ God;
make all Orthodox Christians glad by Your power,
granting them victories over their adversaries//
by bestowing on them the invincible trophy, Your weapon of peace!

Tone 6 Prokeimenon (Cross)

O Lord, save Your people, / and bless Your inheritance! (Ps. 27:9a)

V. To You, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me! (Ps. 27:1a)

Tone 4 Prokeimenon (Maccabees)

The Lord has shown the wonders of His will / to the saints who are in
His land. (Ps. 15:3a)

Epistle Romans 12:6-14

Having then gifts differing according to the grace that is given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, let us prophesy in proportion to our faith; or ministry, let us use it in our ministering; he who teaches, in teaching; he who exhorts, in exhortation; he who gives, with liberality; he who leads, with diligence; he who shows mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be without hypocrisy. Abhor what is evil. Cling to what is good. Be kindly affectionate to one another with brotherly love, in honor giving preference to one another; not lagging in diligence, fervent in spirit, serving the Lord; rejoicing in hope, patient in tribulation, continuing steadfastly in prayer; distributing to the needs of the saints, given to hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse.

1 Corinthians 1:18-24 (Cross)

For the message of the cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God.

For it is written:

Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world?

For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe.

For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness,

but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Tone 4

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. *Remember Your congregation, which You have gotten of old! (Ps. 73:2)*

V. *God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth. (Ps. 73:13)*

Tone 4

V. *The righteous cried and the Lord heard them, and He delivered them from all their afflictions. (Ps. 33:17)*

Gospel Matthew 9:1-8

So He got into a boat, crossed over, and came to His own city.

Then behold, they brought to Him a paralytic lying on a bed. When Jesus saw their faith, He said to the paralytic, "Son, be of good cheer; your sins are forgiven you."

And at once some of the scribes said within themselves, "This Man blasphemes!"

But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts?"

For which is easier, to say, 'Your sins are forgiven you,' or to say, 'Arise and walk'?

But that you may know that the Son of Man has power on earth to forgive sins” – then He said to the paralytic, “Arise, take up your bed, and go to your house.”

And he arose and departed to his house.

Now when the multitudes saw it, they marveled and glorified God, who had given such power to men.

John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35 (Cross)

Therefore, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, “Crucify Him, crucify Him!” Pilate said to them, “You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him.”

The Jews answered him, “We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God.”

Therefore, when Pilate heard that saying, he was the more afraid, and went again into the Praetorium, and said to Jesus, “Where are You from?” But Jesus gave him no answer.

Then Pilate said to Him, “Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?”

Jesus answered, “You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin.”

When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha.

Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, “Behold your King!”

But they cried out, “Away with Him, away with Him! Crucify Him!”

Pilate said to them, “Shall I crucify your King?” The chief priests answered, “We have no king but Caesar!”

Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led Him away.

And He, bearing His cross, went out to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha, where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center.

Now Pilate wrote a title and put it on the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS.

Then many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin.

Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene.

When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!"

Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home.

After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!"

So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit.

Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away.

Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him.

But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs.

But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out.

And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe.

Communion Hymn

The light of Your countenance has shone on us, O Lord. (*Ps. 4:7a*)

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (*Ps. 32:1*)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

This Week's Announcement

The Feast of the Transfiguration This Friday we will celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord. This feast commemorates our Lord's transfiguration before his disciples on Mt. Tabor. In His Transfiguration He reveals His glory to the disciples. In Him they (and we) now see for themselves the glory of God present in the person of Christ. Be sure to make plans for the coming fast and feasts. Great Vespers for the feast will be Thursday evening, Aug. 5 at 7:00 p.m. and then Friday, Aug. 6th, Divine Liturgy at 9:30 a.m. followed by the blessing of first fruits.

Memory Eternal We regret to announce the falling asleep in the Lord of Pearl Minnich. Visitation and funeral services will be Monday Aug. 2 at 10 a.m. and 11 a.m. respectively. Burial will take place at All Saints Cemetery. May the servant of God Pearl's memory be eternal!

Dormition Fast and August Feast Days The liturgical calendar once again comes to its close in August with the fourth and final fasting season of the Church year as well as two major feasts. Every year the Orthodox Church sets aside the first fourteen days of August in honor of the Virgin Mary. This fast period begins on August 1st and peaks on August 15th, when the Church gathers to celebrate the great feast of the Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Theotokos. On Aug 6th, the Church celebrates the feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord. This feast commemorates our Lord's transfiguration before his disciples on Mt. Tabor. In His Transfiguration He reveals His glory to the disciples. In Him they (and we) now see for themselves the glory of God present in the person of Christ. Please plan to join us for these major feasts as we make our way to the end of yet another liturgical year.

Parish Council & Church School Teachers Our parish council is looking at our ministry needs for this Fall. We are planning on a robust return to our normal Fall activities which include Church School for our youth and our All Parish Meeting. St. Michael's needs volunteers to serve as teachers for our Church School and Council members to serve in parish administration. One particular need that will be coming available is our parish treasurer's position. Please prayerfully consider serving in either or both of these parish ministries. If interested in teaching or helping with Church School, please see Fr. Barnabas. If you would like to serve on parish council, please see Mark Bunitsky or Jeff Kendall. Thanks to all who continue to serve Christ's Holy Church.

Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

"...The life of the parents is the only thing that makes good children. Parents should be very patient and 'saint-like' to their children. They should truly love their children. And the children will share this love! For the bad attitude of the children, the ones who are usually responsible for it are their parents themselves. The parents don't help their children by lecturing them and repeating to them 'advices', or by making them obeying strict rules in order to impose discipline. If the parents do not become 'saints' and truly love their children and if they don't struggle for it, then they make a huge mistake. With their wrong and/or negative

attitude the parents convey to their children their negative feelings. Then their children become reactive and insecure not only to their home, but to the society as well... ”

St Porphyrios of Kavsokalyvia (1906-1991)

Prayers for the Departed: Pearl Minnich

Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need: Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Daniel Kovalak, 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, Ned Minnich, Jessica Bunitsky, Ellen Gundersen

Prayers for Catechmens John Hill, Kendreia Rhine

Date	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>
1-Aug	J. Peck/Shatley	Bunitsky/Morjana	Riley
8-Aug	Whalen	Riley/Riley	Hines
15-Aug	Grishin/Pacienza	Sulpizi	Bunitsky/ Finck
22-Aug	Wojciechowsk/Dorazio	Hojnicky/Najemny	Farrell

Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind

Dormition Fast Aug. 1-15th

Feast of the Transfiguration.....Aug. 6th

Dormition of the Theotokos.....Aug. 15th

Church New Year.....Sept. 1st