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***Sunday August 15, 2021 8th SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST – Tone 7. The Dormition (“Falling
Asleep”) of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-
Virgin Mary .***

This Week’s Schedule

Saturday 8/21 Great Vespers 5: 00 p.m.

Sunday 8/22 9th Sunday after Pentecost

Hours 8:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

Followed by Coffee Hour

Please Note Services will also stream Online

Reader Schedule

DATE	3RD HOUR	6th Hour	EPISTLE
Aug 15	SKOMORUCHA	GEORGE	WALES
Aug 22	WOJCIECHOWSKI	PECK	PECK
Aug 29	VOJACSEK	SKOMORUCHA	CAREY
Sep 05	RILEY	RILEY	RILEY

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 1 Troparion *(Feast)*

In giving birth you preserved your virginity.
In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos.
You were translated to life O Mother of Life,//
and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

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 *(Feast)*

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos,
who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions.
For being the Mother of Life,//
she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

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 1 Corinthians 1:10-18

Now I plead with you, brethren, by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that you all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that you be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment.

For it has been declared to me concerning you, my brethren, by those of Chloe's household, that there are contentions among you.

Now I say this, that each of you says, "I am of Paul," or "I am of Apollos," or "I am of Cephas," or "I am of Christ."

Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul?

I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius, lest anyone should say that I had baptized in my own name.

Yes, I also baptized the household of Stephanas. Besides, I do not know whether I baptized any other.

For Christ did not send me to baptize, but to preach the gospel, not with wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect.

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.

Philippians 2:5-11 *(Feast)*

Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ Jesus, who, being in the form of God, did not consider it robbery to be equal with God, but made Himself of no reputation, taking the form of a bondservant, and coming in the likeness of men.

And being found in appearance as a man, He humbled Himself and became obedient to the point of death, even the death of the cross.

Therefore God also has highly exalted Him and given Him the name which is above every name,

that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, of those in heaven, and of those on earth, and of those under the earth,

and that every tongue should confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Tone 7

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

V. It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, 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. Arise, O Lord, into Your rest, You and the Ark of Your sanctification! (Ps. 131:8)

Gospel Matthew 14:14-22

And when Jesus went out He saw a great multitude; and He was moved with compassion for them, and healed their sick.

When it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, "This is a deserted place, and the hour is already late. Send the multitudes away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves food."

But Jesus said to them, "They do not need to go away. You give them something to eat."

And they said to Him, "We have here only five loaves and two fish." He said, "Bring them here to Me."

Then He commanded the multitudes to sit down on the grass. And He took the five loaves and the two fish, and looking up to heaven, He blessed and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples; and the disciples gave to the multitudes.

So they all ate and were filled, and they took up twelve baskets full of the fragments that remained.

Now those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children.

Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28 (Feast)

Now it happened as they went that He entered a certain village; and a certain woman named Martha welcomed Him into her house.

And she had a sister called Mary, who also sat at Jesus' feet and heard His word.

But Martha was distracted with much serving, and she approached Him and said, "Lord, do You not care that my sister has left me to serve alone? Therefore tell her to help me."

And Jesus answered and said to her, "Martha, Martha, you are worried and troubled about many things.

But one thing is needed, and Mary has chosen that good part, which will not be taken away from her."

And it happened, as He spoke these things, that a certain woman from the crowd raised her voice and said to Him, "Blessed is the womb that bore You, and the breasts which nursed You!"

But He said, "More than that, blessed are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

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

The Angels, as they looked upon the Dormition of the Virgin,
were struck with wonder,
seeing how the Virgin went up from earth to heaven.

The limits of nature are overcome in you, O Pure Virgin:
for birthgiving remains virginal, and life is united to death;
a virgin after childbearing and alive after death,
you ever save your inheritance, O Theotokos.

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 Announcement

Welcome to the Newly Chrismated Welcome to the newly Chrismated John Hill, Chrismated this morning. May our Lord bless and keep John for many blessed years!

Parish Council & Church School Teachers We are looking at our ministry needs for the Fall. And are planning on a robust return to our normal Fall activities. These activities include Church School for our youth and election of officers at 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 essence of sin consists not in the infringement of ethical standards but in falling away from the divine eternal life for which man was made and to which, by his very nature, he is called."

Archimandrite Sophrony "The Monk of Mt. Athos"

'Obedience to the commandments is the resurrection of the dead, for by nature life follows upon virtue.'

St. Thalassios the Libyan

"We must not despair when we struggle and continuously see nothing but the slightest progress. We all do nearly nothing — some a little more, some a little less. When Christ sees our little effort, He gives us an analogous token; and so our "nearly nothing" becomes valuable, and we can see a little progress. For this reason we must not despair, but hope in God"

(Elder Paisios, 20th Century Staretz of Mt. Athos)

...In preparing for battle, do not think that you will always be victorious. Often there will be only hardship that will bring nothing but affliction. You will often see that with each desire to be careful, slips and blunders steal by and creep in. Know ahead of time that this is the way things are. You will encounter them, but do not be afraid. You are seeing all of this now beforehand; do not expect the life ahead to be anything other than one in the midst of all kinds of hostility, worries and misfortunes.

Provide yourself with only one thing, strong courage: no matter what happens, stay with what you have begun. This alone must now be established and set for life by commitment and by steadfast perseverance. No matter how life goes, whatever successes and failures there are, you should give all of this over to God's will."

St. Theophan the Recluse "The Spiritual Life"

'We carry about with us impassioned images of the things we have experienced. If we can overcome these images we shall be indifferent to the things which they represent. For fighting against the thoughts of things is much harder than fighting against the things themselves, just as to sin in the mind is easier than to sin through outward action.'

St. Maximos the Confessor

"Beloved Christians, you and your children shall appear at that Judgment of Christ, and you shall give account for them to the just Judge. He will not ask you whether you have taught you children the arts or whether you have taught them to speak French, or German, or Italian, but whether you have taught them to live as Christians."

St. Tikhon of Zadonsk

'He who is gentle in God's sight is wiser than the wise; and he who is humble in heart is stronger than the strong. For they bear the yoke of Christ with spiritual knowledge.'

St. Mark the Ascetic

Prayers for the Departed: Newly 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, Kendreia Rhine

Date	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>
15-Aug	Grishin/Pacienza	Sulpizi	Bunitsky/ Finck
22-Aug	Wojciechowsk/Dorazio	Hojnicki/Najemy	Farrell
29-Aug	Clause	Telep/Baldychev	Hines
5-Sep	Riley	Bunitsky/Morjana	Clause/Whalen

Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind

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

Nativity of the Theotokos.....Sept. 8

Elevation of the Holy Cross.....Sept. 14