

HOLY TRINITY ORTHODOX CHURCH

~ a Pan-Orthodox parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese ~

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York
and Metropolitan of all North America

His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Miami
Archpriest Joseph Bittle, Pastor



THIRD SUNDAY OF LUKE

THOMAS THE APOSTLE CALLED "THE TWIN"

INNOCENT, APOSTLE TO THE AMERICAS

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Preparing to Worship the Thrice-Holy God

Upon Entering the Church

I will come into thy house in the multitude of thy mercy;
and in thy fear I will worship toward thy holy temple.

(Ps. 5:7)

A Prayer before Holy Communion

O Sovereign Lord Jesus Christ, our God,
who alone hast authority to forgive men their sins:
overlook in thy goodness and love for mankind all my offences
whether committed with knowledge or in ignorance;
and make me worthy to receive without condemnation
thy divine, glorious, spotless, and life-giving Mysteries,
not for punishment, nor for an increase of sins, but for purification and sanctification and as a
pledge of the life and the kingdom to come,
as a protection and help, and for the destruction of enemies,
and for the blotting out of my many transgressions.
For thou art a God of mercy and compassion and love for mankind, and to thee we send up
glory, to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

(St. John of Damascus)

A Word for Newcomers

A warm welcome to all those worshipping with us at Holy Trinity! If you are from a non-Orthodox background you may see many new and unfamiliar things. Rest assured that everything has a solid biblical foundation and a long history among Christian people. Please join us for coffee after the service. And feel free to ask Fr. Joseph any questions you may have.

About receiving Holy Communion: The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist, or Lord's Supper, to be – among other things – the paramount expression of Christian unity. Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a formal unity with all the dogma and practice and discipline of the Orthodox Church, **non-Orthodox** guests do not receive Holy Communion. **Orthodox** communicants are reminded that we approach the Chalice with due preparation including recent Confession, keeping the appointed fasts of the Church, and appropriate prayers of *preparation* for the reception of Holy Communion and *thanksgiving* after.

DIVINE LITURGY of ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM

Variable Hymns and Readings



FIRST ANTIPHON

*Verse: It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy name,
O Most High.*

Refrain: Through the prayers of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Verse: To proclaim in the morning Thy mercy, and Thy truth by night.

Verse: Upright is the Lord our God, and there is no unrighteousness in Him.

Glory to the . . . Now and Ever . . .

SECOND ANTIPHON

Verse: The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty;

the Lord is clothed with strength and He hath girt Himself.

Refrain: O Son of God, who arose from the dead, save us who sing to Thee.
Alleluia.

Verse: For He established the world which shall not be shaken.

Verse: Holiness becometh Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days.

Glory to the . . . Now and ever . . . Only begotten Son ...

THIRD ANTIPHON

The Beatitudes: In Thy kingdom remember us, O Lord,
when thou comest in Thy kingdom.

Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are those who mourn, for they shall be comforted.

Blessed are the meek, for they shall inherit the earth.

Blessed are those who hunger and thirst after righteousness,
for they shall be filled.

Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy.

Blessed are the pure in heart, for they shall see God.

Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called the sons of God.

Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness sake,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when men shall revile you and shall persecute you
and shall say all manner of evil against you falsely for my sake;
Rejoice and be exceedingly glad, for great is your reward in heaven.

AFTER LITTLE ENTRANCE

Troparion for 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. Thomas the Apostle (Tone 3)

O holy Apostle Thomas, intercede with our merciful God to grant our souls
forgiveness of sins.

Troparion for Pentecost, patronal feast of the parish (Tone 8)

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, who hast revealed the fisherman as most wise, by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit; through them Thou didst draw the world into Thy net. O Lover of Man, glory to Thee!

Kontakion for Theotokos (Tone 2)

O undisputed intercessor of Christians, O mediatrix 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.

EPISTLE: Second Corinthians 6:1-10 *(16th after Pentecost)*

Brethren, working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

GOSPEL: St. Luke 7:11-16 (*3rd Sunday of Luke*)

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and many of His disciples and a great crowd went with Him. As He drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” And He came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And Jesus said, “Young man, I say to you: arise.” And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited His people!”



Parish Fall Retreat will take place the evening of Nov. 1 and the morning of Nov. 2, and will be led by V. Rev. Fr. Stephen Rogers, pastor emeritus of St. Ignatius, Franklin, TN, who will speak on the theme “*God’s Gardens.*”

Friday Evening

Session One: “*Eden: Man’s Purpose and Calling*”

Saturday Morning

Session Two: “*Gethsemane: The Transformative Power of Suffering*”

Session Three: “*Eden Replanted: The Church as Paradise Restored*”

Our annual **Fall Picnic** will be Sunday, November 3. As usual the children are invited to dress-up in costume as a beloved saint or holy Bible character.

Our second annual **St. Nicholas Festival** will be December 7. Additionally, **Bishop NICHOLAS** will be with us to enjoy the festival and celebrate the services that weekend.

All Saints of North America Tropar

Tone 1



The first fruits of sanc-ti-ty sown in this new land we of-fer to



Thee our Fa-ther in hea-ven; the bless-ed asce-tic Her-man of A-la-ska and



Ho-ly Hi-er-arch Inn-o-cent, A-post-le to A-me-ri-ca, to-ge-ther with the Mar-tyrs the



Priest Ju-ven-al-y and the A-le-ut Pe-ter, and the un-known ho-ly men and wo-



men who did wit-ness to Thy name in A-me-ri-ca. Fill Thy Church with He-ven-ly



joy. Grant peace to our land and sanc-ti-fy all those who wor-ship Thee through the



prayers of the The-o-to-kos and of all Thy saints O most Mer-ci-ful One.

THIS WEEK

Fast Days: Wednesday and Friday

Monday, October 7 Martyrs Sergios and Bacchos in Syria; Hieromartyr Polykhronios; Priest Julian; Venerable John the hermit and those with him; Venerable Sergios of Nurma

Tuesday, October 8 Venerable Pelagia the penitent; Virgin-martyr Pelagia of Antioch; Martyr Taisia of Egypt; Hieromartyr Artemon; Venerable-martyr Ignatios of Prodromou Skete on Athos; Venerable Philotheos, patriarch of Constantinople; Martyr Ignatios of Bulgaria

Wednesday, Oct. 9 Apostle James, son of Alpheos; Venerable Andronikos and Athanasia of Egypt; Venerable Poplia the confessor of Antioch; Righteous Forefather Abraham and his nephew the Righteous Lot; Stephen the Younger, king of Serbia; Dionysios, bishop of Paris

6:00 pm Vespers

Thursday, October 10 Martyrs Eulampios and Eulampia at Nicomedia; Venerable Theophilos the confessor of Bulgaria; Venerable Ambrose of Optina

Friday, October 11 Apostle Philip the deacon, of the Seventy; Venerable Theophanes, the branded; Nektarios, Arsakios, Philotheos and Sisinius, patriarchs of Constantinople; Venerable Jonah

Saturday, October 12 Martyrs Probos, Andronikos and Tarachos at Tarsus; Cosmas the hymnographer, bishop of Maiuma

6:00 pm Great Vespers

6:45 pm Confessions

Sunday, October 13 LORD'S DAY - Martyrs Karpos, Papylos, Agathodoros, and Agathonika at Pergamos; Martyr Benjamin the deacon; Martyr Florentios of Thessalonika; New Virgin-martyr Chrissa (Zlata) of Meglin in Bulgaria

9:00 am Church School

9:00 am Orthros

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

11:30 am Coffee Hour

12:30 pm Children's Music Class

Life Chain today, October 6, from 2:00 – 3:00 pm. Holy Trinity participants will stand together at the intersection of Bowman and Chenal on the Southwest Corner by Taco Bell, lining up south on Bowman Rd.