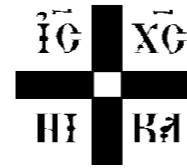
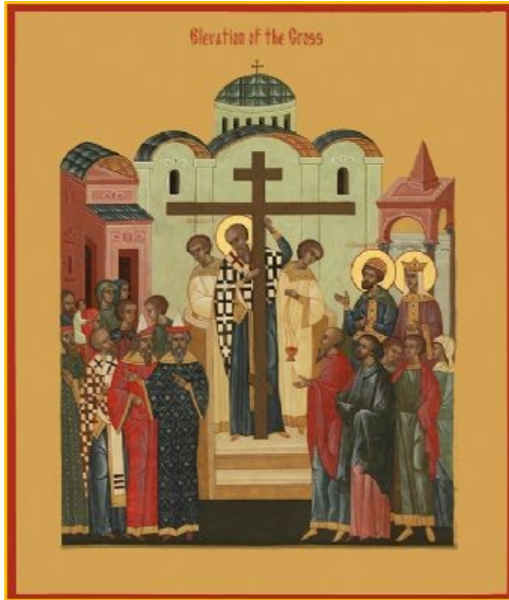


## Weekly Schedule

<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m.</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Festal Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.</b> Conception of the Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John
<b>Friday</b>	Acathisto de Maria, 6:00 p.m.
<b>Saturday</b>	Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m. Confessions following Great Vespers
<b>Sunday</b>	Reading of Hours, 9:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy</i>

From September 15 until the Leavetaking, we sing "O come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O son of God crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia" at weekday Liturgies following the Little Entrance.



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**September 20, 2009**  
**15th Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Tone 6**

Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross  
Sunday after the Elevation of the Cross

### **Troparion (Tone 6) (Resurrection)**

The angelic powers were at Thy tomb /  
the guards became as dead men / Mary  
stood by Thy grave / seeking Thy most  
pure Body / Thou didst capture hell / not  
being tempted by it / Thou didst come to  
the Virgin, granting life // O Lord who  
didst rise from the dead: glory to Thee.

### **Troparion (Tone 1) (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!

### **Kontakion (Tone 4) (Eustathius)**

Your holy martyr Eustathius and his wife  
and sons, O Lord, through their sufferings  
have received incorruptible crowns from  
You, our God. For having Your strength,  
they laid low their adversaries,  
and shattered the powerless boldness of  
demons. // Through their intercessions,  
save our souls!

### **Kontakion (Tone 6) (Resurrection)**

When Christ God the Giver of Life, raised all  
of the dead from the valleys of misery with  
His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection  
on the human race. //  
He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the  
Life, and the God of all.

### **Kontakion (Tone 2) (Eustathius)**

Having openly imitated the Passion of Christ,  
and having eagerly drunk of His cup, O  
Eustathius, you became a partaker and fellow-  
heir of His glory, // receiving divine forgive-  
ness from on high from the God of all.

### **Prayers for The Faithful and Departed**

John, Helen, Julie, McCartney family,  
Witiak family. **May God Grant Them  
Many Years!**

Paul, John, Helen, Lenard, Alan. **May  
Their Memories Be Eternal!**

### **Epistle Reading**

#### **2 Corinthians 4:6-16**

For it is the God who commanded light to shine out of darkness, who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Jesus Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, that the excellence of the power may be of God and not of us. We are hard-pressed on every side, yet not crushed; we are perplexed, but not in despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed—always carrying about in the body the dying of the Lord Jesus, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our body. For we who live are always delivered to death for Jesus' sake, that the life of Jesus also may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So then death is working in us, but life in you. And since we have the same spirit of faith, according to what is written, "I believed and therefore I spoke," we also believe and therefore speak, knowing that He who raised up the Lord Jesus will also raise us up with Jesus, and will present us with you. For all things are for your sakes, that grace, having spread through the many, may cause thanksgiving to abound to the glory of God. knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified. But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

### **Gospel Reading**

#### **John 22:35-36**

Then one of them, a lawyer, asked Him a question, testing Him, and saying, Teacher, which is the great commandment in the law? Jesus said to him, "'You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind.' This is the first and great commandment. And the second is like it: 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' On these two commandments hang all the Law and the Prophets. While the Pharisees were gathered together, Jesus asked them, saying, "What do you think about the Christ? Whose Son is He?" They said to Him, "The Son of David." He said to them, "How then does David in the Spirit call Him 'Lord,' saying: The LORD said to my Lord, Sit at My right hand, Till I make Your enemies Your footstool"? If David then calls Him 'Lord,' how is He his Son? And no one was able to answer Him a word, nor from that day on did anyone dare question Him anymore.

### **Welcome to our Visitors!!**

A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for our Fellowship Hour in the Church Hall . **Please note: Only those Orthodox Christians that have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession of sins may approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

#### **Fr. Moses Berry**

Fr. Moses Berry will speak at our parish on Monday, September 28, at 7:00pm, about Orthodox Christian outreach to the African-American community. All are welcome to attend.

#### **Ladies' Lunch**

Our new Women's Ministry will be holding a lunch/social on Saturday, November 14. All women of our parish and any of their lady friend and relatives are most welcome to attend. Please see our President, Debbie, for more details.

#### **Cleaning and Coffee Hour Ministry**

Thank you to all who have volunteered their time and talents to clean our church and to feed our parish community. Sign-up sheets for the next weeks are downstairs.

#### **Zoo Outing**

Thank you to all who helped to organize our youth outing to the zoo! If you would have any ideas for future youth events, please do see Fr. Matthew and/or Sandra.