

Week Schedule

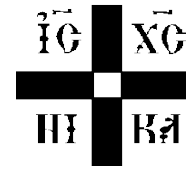
Tuesday	Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m.
Wednesday	Festal Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.
Saturday	Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m. Confessions following Vespers
Sunday	Reading of Hours, 9:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy</i>

Synaxis of the Three Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom: During the eleventh century, disputes raged in Constantinople about which of the three hierarchs was the greatest. Some preferred St Basil (January 1), others honored St Gregory the Theologian (January 25), while a third group exalted St John Chrysostom (November 13).

Dissension among Christians increased. Some called themselves Basilians, others referred to themselves as Gregorians, and others as Johnites.

By the will of God, the three hierarchs appeared to St John the Bishop of Euchaita (June 14) in the year 1084, and said that they were equal before God. "There are no divisions among us, and no opposition to one another."

They ordered that the disputes should stop, and that their common commemoration should be celebrated on a single day. Bishop John chose January 30 for their joint Feast, thus ending the controversy and restoring peace.



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Call to arrange sacraments, services, instruction, counseling, home visits, sick calls.

Troparion (Tone 3)

Let the heavens rejoice! Let the earth be glad! For the Lord has shown strength with His arm. He has trampled down death by death. He has become the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell, and has granted to the world//great mercy.

Troparion (Tone 1)

Let us who love their words come together and honor with hymns the three great torch-bearers of the triune Godhead: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom! These men have enlightened the world with the rays of their divine doctrines. They are sweetly flowing rivers of wisdom, filling all creation with springs of heavenly knowledge//Ceaselessly they intercede for us before the Holy Trinity.

Kontakion (Tone 3)

On this day You rose from the tomb, O Merciful One, leading us from the gates of death. On this day Adam exults as Eve rejoices; with the Prophets and Patriarchs//they unceasingly praise the divine majesty of Your power.

January 30, 2011

**36th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —
Tone 3. Synaxis of the Ecumenical Teachers
and Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory
the Theologian, and John Chrysostom. New
Martyrs and Confessors of Russia.**

Kontakion (Tone 2)

O Lord, You have taken up to eternal rest and to the enjoyment of Your blessings the divinely-inspired heralds, the greatest of Your teachers, for You have accepted their labors and deaths as a sweet-smelling sacrifice//for You alone are glorified in Your saints.

Prayers for The Faithful and Departed

Dn. Peter Skoog, Lena Robovitsky, Albert, Kavalkovich, Ronnie Kavalkovich, Barbara and Norman Andrews, Emelie Albrecht, Katie Simion and Fred, Sharon, Witiak family, Albert, Catherine, Kevin, John, Marc, Patricia, Riley family, newborn Mia, Lila, John and Marissa. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

William (Bill), James Leddy, Anna Mackiewicz, Jan Kon, Susan Dacey, James and Barbara, Rabik family. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

Epistle Reading

I Timothy 1:15-17

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief. However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading

Matthew 15:21-28

Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region and cried out to Him, saying, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed." But He answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she cries out after us." But He answered and said, "I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, "Lord, help me!" But He answered and said, "It is not good to take the children's bread and throw it to the little dogs." And she said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered and said to her, "O woman, great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire." And her daughter was healed from that very hour.

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 should approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Church Telephone Number

Our church's telephone number is 215-468-3535. If there is inclement weather, do please call the number and wait for the answering machine. If church is canceled, it will be announced on the machine.

Church Education

Do remember that the last Sunday of the month is devoted to our church education. We'll continue to address suffering and Christ following the Divine Liturgy.

Annual Meeting

The parish council has scheduled our the church annual meeting for Sunday February 6. Please make every effort to be present at the Divine Liturgy and meeting this day.

Council Meeting

There is a brief council meeting today in order to prepare for next week's annual meeting. If you would like to propose anything for next week's agenda, please say so today.