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# **Troparion (Tone 3)**

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

# **Troparion (Tone 1)**

O <u>Lord</u>, save Your <u>people</u> and bless Your in<u>her</u>itance! <u>Grant</u> victories to the Orthodox <u>Chris</u>tians over their <u>ad</u>versaries; and by <u>vir</u>tue of Your Cross,//preserve Your habitation!

# **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.

# **September 15, 2013**

11th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 2.
THE NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY,
THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY.
Sunday before Elevation.

## **Kontakion (Tone 4)**

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

# Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Living: George Rachko, Emma Burychka, Lena Robovitsky, Marie Fortner, Nancy Rabik, Stacey, Witiak family. May God Grant Them Many Years!

**Departed:** John Pellack, Nancy Starecky, John Libak, Jr., Taisia Drobish, Harry Wyshosky. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!** 

# **Upcoming Services**

Saturday Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m.

Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.

#### I Corinthians 15:1-11

Moreover, brethren, I declare to you the gospel which I preached to you, which also you received and in which you stand, by which also you are saved, if you hold fast that word which I preached to you — unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you first of all that which I also received: that Christ died for our sins according to the Scriptures, and that He was buried, and that He rose again the third day according to the Scriptures, and that He was seen by Cephas, then by the twelve. After that He was seen by over five hundred brethren at once, of whom the greater part remain to the present, but some have fallen asleep. After that He was seen by James, then by all the apostles. Then last of all He was seen by me also, as by one born out of due time. For I am the least of the apostles, who am not worthy to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and His grace toward me was not in vain; but I labored more abundantly than they all, yet not I, but the grace of God which was with me. Therefore, whether it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

#### Matthew 19:16-26

Now behold, one came and said to Him, "Good Teacher, what good thing shall I do that I may have eternal life?" So He said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. But if you want to enter into life, keep the commandments." He said to Him, "Which ones?" Jesus said, "You shall not murder,' You shall not commit adultery,' You shall not steal,' You shall not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother,' and, 'You shall love your neighbor as yourself.' "The young man said to Him, "All these things I have kept from my youth. What do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you want to be perfect, go, sell what you have and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful, for he had great possessions. Then Jesus said to His disciples, "Assuredly, I say to you that it is hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. And again I say to you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. When His disciples heard it, they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

#### Weekly Financial Statement (09.08.13)

Attendance: unreported

Money In: unreported

Money Out: unreported

Net Total: unreported

#### **Announcements**

#### Christians in the Middle-East

Please pray for all of our brothers and sisters who are suffering and dying in Syria, Egypt, and beyond. These Christians are under immense pressure.

## **Shoprite Gift Cards**

If you grocery shop at Shoprite, please see David Pellack. He is selling Shoprite gift cards from which we receive a percentage back from every sale.

## 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary

As a reminder, our 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary will be the weekend of October 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>, 2013.

#### **Bible Study**

The next Bible Study will be on Thursday, September 26 at church at 6:00 p.m.. We plan to read parts of and discuss Joshua. Please note that there will be a theology course offered, which will begin during the Nativity Fast. Stay tuned!

#### **Church School**

Our first class of this school year will begin on September 29, following the Divine Liturgy.