

# Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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

**December 08, 2013**

**24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST —**

**Tone 7. Ven. Patapius of Thebes (8th c.).**

## **Troparion (Tone 7)**

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.

## **Troparion (Tone 8)**

The image of God was truly preserved in you, O Father, for you took up the Cross and followed Christ. By so doing you taught us to disregard the flesh for it passes away but to care instead for the soul, since it is immortal. Therefore your spirit, venerable Patápius, rejoices with the Angels.

## **Kontakion (Tone 7)**

The dominion of death can no longer hold mankind 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!”

## **Kontakion (Tone 3)**

Your temple is found to be a source of healing, and the people flock to it eagerly, O saint. They seek the healing of their diseases and the forgiveness of their sins, for you are a protector for all those in need, ven' rable Patápius.

## **Prayers for the Faithful and Departed**

**Living:** Emma Burychka, Lena Robovitsky, Emelie Albrecht, Zara Albrecht, Nolan Albrecht, Ronald Kavalkovich, Kenny Kavalkovich, Albert Vincent, Kavalkovich friends and family. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

**Departed:** Carmel Flynn, Helen Gulsti. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

## **Upcoming Services**

Saturday	Great Vespers, 5:00 p.m.
Sunday	Reading of the Hours, 9:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.</i>

**Ephesians 2:14-22**

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore, you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

**Luke 17:12-19**

Then as He entered a certain village, there met Him ten men who were lepers, who stood afar off. And they lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!" So when He saw them, He said to them, "Go, show yourselves to the priests." And so it was that as they went, they were cleansed. And one of them, when he saw that he was healed, returned, and with a loud voice glorified God, and fell down on his face at His feet, giving Him thanks. And he was a Samaritan. So Jesus answered and said, "Were there not ten cleansed? But where are the nine? Were there not any found who returned to give glory to God except this foreigner? And He said to him, "Arise, go your way. Your faith has made you well."

**Weekly Financial Statement (11/17 through 11/24/13)**

Attendance: not reported

Money In: \$2312.00

Money Out: -\$1885,74

Net Total: \$426.26

**Announcements****Maryam's Baptism**

Maryam's baptism will be on Saturday, December 21, here at church at 10:00 a.m. Fr. Matthew and Matushka Jennifer would like to invite all of you to attend!

**Bible Study**

The next Bible Study will be this Thursday, December 12, at church at 6:00 p.m.. We will continue to read parts of and to discuss Acts focusing especially on St. Paul.

**Theology Course**

Please consult the sign-up sheet for the theology course I will be offering. Anyone is welcome to join the class.

**Coat Drive**

In coordination with FOCUS, our parish is organizing a coat drive this year. To this extent, if you have any new or gently used coats you would like to donate, please see Fr. Matthew or simply bring them to church. Moreover, if you would like to assist in this work, please see Fr. Matthew as well. Distribution of the coats will occur on Sunday, December 22, after services.

**Church School**

Our children will continue with their study today of Christ's Nativity.

**Church Cookbooks**

Please see Janine with regard to our parish cookbook.