

Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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

Troparion (Tone 6)

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)

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, Who hast revealed Thyself//and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee.

Kontakion (Tone 6)

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.

January 11, 2015

31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6.

Afterfeast of the Theophany. Ven.

Theodosius the Great, the Cenobiarch (529).

Sunday after Theophany.

Kontakion (Tone 8)

Planted in the courts of thy Lord, thou didst blossom beautifully with virtue, and didst increase thy children in the desert, showering them with streams of thy tears, O chief shepherd of the divine flock of God. Therefore, we cry to thee: Rejoice, O Father Theodosius!

Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Living: Peggy Walker, Margaret Pellack, David Pellack, Hlen Riley, Daniel Riley, Emelie Albrecht, Barbara Parks, Mary Herbert. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

Departed: Helen Glovach, John C. Slivak, John O'Shura, Kevin Parks. **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.

Fellowship and coffee hour follow the Divine Liturgy.

Ephesians 4:7-13

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, And gave gifts to men." (Now this, "He ascended" – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ;

Matthew 4:12-17

Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee. And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, By the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, And upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

Weekly Financial Statement (01/04/15)

Attendance: 35

Money In: \$1640.00

Money Out: -\$3265.66

Net Total: -\$1625.66

Announcements

Theology Course

Our next meeting is scheduled for January 20, at church at 6:00 p.m. We'll read closely St. Gregory of Nyssa's *The Life of Moses*.

Bible Study

The next Bible Study is January 27, at church at 6:00 p.m. We'll read the Gospel of St. John.

Annual Meeting

Our parish's annual meeting will be on January 25, 2015. Please look for the budget one week beforehand. There will be a council meeting on January 18 to prepare.

Coat Drive

Please remember that we are now collecting new and gently used coats for our annual coat drive to benefit our neighborhood. Please feel free to bring coats to the church's basement.

Archpastoral Visit

His Grace, Bishop MARK, will visit us next Sunday to lead the Divine Liturgy.