

Assumption of the Holy Virgin Orthodox Church

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Sunday, October 9, 2022 | 17th Sunday After Pentecost

Tone 8 – Glorification of St. Tikhon, Patriarch of Moscow and
All Russia, Enlightener of North America (1986, Sep 26 O.S.)
+ Holy Apostle James (Jacob), Son of Alphaeus (1st c.)

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Weekly Schedule

Tuesday: October 11 - Bible Study at 6:30PM on the ZOOM media platform ONLY!!!

[PLEASE NOTE: During the Winter Season (October thru March), Bible Study will only be conducted online. There will be no in-person classes in the church basement during these months. Thank you for your understanding.]

Saturday: October 15 – Great Vespers at **4:00PM!**

Sunday: October 16 – Holy Fathers of 7th Ecumenical Council
Reading of Hours – 9:30am
Divine Liturgy – **10:00am**
Fellowship Coffee Hour to follow the Divine Liturgy

Texts for the Liturgical Service

Troparion (Tone 8)

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! / Thou didst accept the three day burial / to free us from our sufferings! // O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to thee!

Troparion (Tone 1 – Saint Tikhon)

Chosen by God in a turbulent time, / thou hast glorified God in complete holiness, / and attained greatness through humility, / showing forth the power of God through simplicity and piety. / Thou didst lay down thy life for the Church and her people, / O holy Confessor and Patriarch, Father Tikhon. / Pray to Christ God with Whom thou wast also crucified, // that He may save our souls!

Kontakion (Tone 8)

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrected Adam. / Eve exults in Thy Resurrection, / and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Kontakion (Tone 2 – Saint Tikhon)

A gentle manner adorned thee: / thou didst show kindness and compassion to those who repented; / thou wast firm and unbending in confessing the Orthodox Faith, / and zealous in loving the Lord. / O holy Hierarch of Christ and Confessor Tikhon, / pray for us that we may not be separated from the love of God, // which is of Christ Jesus, our Lord!

Prokeimenon (Tone 8)

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord our God!
v. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

Another Prokeimenon (Tone 1 – Saint Tikhon)

My mouth shall speak wisdom; / the meditation of my heart shall be understanding

Epistle Reading: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." Therefore Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Alleluia (3x's) (Tone 8)

- v. Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! Alleluia (3x's)
- v. Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! Alleluia (3x's)
- v. The mouth of the righteous shall proclaim wisdom, and his tongue shall speak of judgment. Alleluia (3x's) [TONE 2].

Gospel Reading: Luke 7:11-16

Now it happened, the day after, that He went into a city called Nain; and many of His disciples went with Him, and a large crowd. And when He came near the gate of the city, behold, a dead man was being carried out, the only son of his mother; and she was a widow. And a large crowd from the city was with her. When the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." Then He came and touched the open coffin, and those who carried him stood still. And He said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." So he who was dead sat up and began to speak. And He presented him to his mother. Then fear came upon all, and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has risen up among us"; and, "God has visited His people."

Communion Hymn:

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise him in the highest!
The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance! He shall not fear evil tidings! Alleluia (3x's)

*[Note: The readings for the Glorification of Saint Tikhon are as follows:
Epistle – Luke 7:11-16 and Gospel – John 10:9-16]*



Announcements

A Warm Welcome to all of our visitors & guests who worshiped with us today and who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us in the church basement for our Fellowship and Coffee Hour.

Announcements

The Fall Parish Meeting will be held on Sunday, October 23, 2022 after Divine Liturgy in the church basement. This is Notice #2 of 3.

According to Article IV, Section 2, Subsection A. of the Parish By-Laws, notice of all Annual and General Parish Meetings shall be announced in the Parish Bulletin and read by the Parish Rector from the amvon on three consecutive Sundays preceding the date of the Meeting. This meeting the parish will elect parish council members for the 2023-2024 term for the positions of Vice-President (currently Brett McKenna), Treasurer (currently Ken Kavalkovich), and Trustee (Odd Year Term) (currently Ronald Homa). Please make every effort to be in attendance and support the parish!

Taking Collections for the parish's Advent Project and Saint Nicholas Fair

We are collecting new items and unused items (PLEASE, nothing used!) for sale at the Saint Nicholas Fair. We are also accepting crafts and baked goods for sale. Please see. Matushka Janine if you would like to help donate. Matushka Janine will have a sign-up sheet for baked goods. Proceeds from the Saint Nicholas Fair are earmarked for the HVAC Project

The Charity Committee will be taking collections of coats and food products for the parish's Advent Project. Please see Matushka Janine as to what items are needed for the Advent Project. Thank You!

AMAZON SMILE!

When ordering online on Amazon.com, please make sure to click on Amazon Smile and select our church - Assumption of the Holy Virgin Russian Orthodox Church - to have a small percentage of your purchases (0.5%) to be contributed to our church. For more information on the Amazon purchase process, please speak with any member of the parish council. Thank You!

2023 Saint Tikhon's Monastery Calendar - Taking orders now:

The parish will once again be ordering 2023 calendars from Saint Tikhon's Monastery. As a result from a generous benefactor, a donation was made to the church to cover the cost of one calendar per household for parishioners of the church.

If you wish to order additional calendars besides the one that will be ordered for your household, there is a sign-up sheet posted on the bulletin board downstairs to do so.

The cost for additional 2023 St Tikhon's calendars is \$6 per calendar. The deadline for ordering these calendars will be: Sunday, November 6, 2022!

Announcements (cont.)

Candles and Prayers for the Faithful and Departed

Health for the Living:

Melanie Albrecht offered by Nina Patterson

May God Grant Them Many Blessed Years!

Memory for the Departed:

May Their Memories Be Eternal!

Vigil Cross Candles – 10/2/22

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Please remember in your prayers:

+ His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman (Swaiko), retired (Sep 6)

Bishop Daniel's Enthronement as 12th Hierarch of Chicago and the Midwest Diocese

Those who have been impacted by both Hurricanes Ian and Fiona!!

Miriam Parsells (baptized Sep 10), her parents Heather and Peter, her brothers, Luke and Theodore, and her godparents. God Grant Many Years!

Elton Andrews; Ronald Kavalkovich; Jane Kelly; Anne (Homa) Killoran; Sheba Patton; Dr. Gale Rutan; Joseph Rabik; Peter Witiak; and all those who are serving in our Armed Forces!

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Sidewalk Repair Donations (Week of October 2)

Sidewalk Repair Block Donation – \$0 from the Candy Sale

Announcements (cont.)

Please ensure that your Mobile Phone is set to Silent (or at least set on vibrate) during the Divine Liturgy! Thank You!!!

*******Special weekly collections taken after Gospel or Sermon*******

In addition to our general collection, the parish takes a special collection each week to fund certain parish projects. By the action taken at the Fall General Parish Meeting held back on Sunday, October 10, 2021, the parish body approved that the special collection for the first three Sundays of the month be earmarked towards the repairing/fixing/replacing of the roofs of both houses that the parish owns (now known as the Row House Fund).

The fourth Sunday (and fifth, when it occurs) the special collection will be earmarked towards Charity.

This new collection schedule began back on Sunday, October 17, 2021.
Please be generous with your offering. Every little bit counts. Thank You!

Cash Flow Activity (September/October)

<u>Week of Sun Sep 25 to Sat Oct 1</u>	<u>September Month (Unaudited)</u>
Attendance: 30	33 (average)
Funds In: \$ 3,486.26	\$ 9,926.17
Funds Out: \$ 1,382.00	\$ 7,133.70
Net Surplus/(Deficit): \$ 2,104.26	\$ 2,292.47

Thank you all for your continuous offerings to maintain the parish!

Shop Rite Gift Cards: If you need to purchase Shop Rite Gift Cards, please see either David Pellack or Ken Kavalkovich to secure them. Your purchase of a Shop Rite Gift Card is an additional fundraising project that helps support the church at no additional expense to the purchaser.

Calendar of Events

- 1st Sunday of each month** – Monthly Panikhida immediately after Divine Liturgy.
- 2nd Tuesday of each month** – Bible Study at 6:30pm in church basement.
- 2nd Sunday of each month** – Property Committee Meeting after Divine Liturgy.
- 3rd Sunday of each month** – Currently no permanent event is scheduled.
- 4th Sunday of each month** – Currently no permanent event is scheduled.
- Last Thursday of each month** – Book Club at 6:30pm on ZOOM media platform.
- 5th Sunday of each quarter** – Quarterly Parish Council Meeting after Liturgy.

Readers Schedule:

	<u>Today (Oct 9)</u>	<u>Next Week (Oct 16)</u>
3 rd Hour:	David Pellack	Dr David Albrecht
6 th Hour:	Reader Mark Klus	Michael Spack
Epistle:	Subdeacon Daniel Kavalkovich and David Pellack	Reader Mark Klus and Dr David Albrecht

Fellowship Coffee Hour & Cleaning Teams:

If you have volunteered to host coffee hour, please check which Team you are on and when your Team is hosting coffee hour on the calendar printout which is located in the white/clear 3-ring binder located on the display case outside of the office room.

NOTE: The following Sundays are coffee hour bye-weeks where there is no team scheduled. There will be coffee available, just no food or meal:

No Coffee Hour Bye-Weeks Scheduled Any Time Soon

Please continue to check our parish website, social media pages, and your emails regularly for updated information on the parish regarding parish services & events in October 2022.

Tuesday, October 11 – Bible Study on the ZOOM media platform at 6:30PM

Sunday, October 23 after Divine Liturgy – Fall General Parish Meeting!

Thursday, October 27 – Book Club at 6:30pm on the ZOOM media platform. (Please check your email Inbox (or Spam folder) from Monday, September 19 around 11:25AM for more details & viewing information)

ATTENTION Parishioners: Collection of articles will begin this weekend for both the parish's upcoming Advent Project and for the Saint Nicholas Festival.



Apostle James, son of Alphaeus [October 9th]

Holy Apostle James the son of Alphaeus one of the Twelve Apostles, was the brother of the holy Evangelist Matthew. He heard the Lord's words and witnessed His miracles. After the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle James Alphaeus and the Apostle Andrew the First-Called (November 30), made missionary journeys preaching in Judea, Edessa, Gaza, Eleutheropolis, proclaiming the Gospel, healing all sorts of sickness and disease, and converting many to the path of salvation. Saint James finished his apostolic work in the Egyptian city of Ostrachina, where he was crucified by the pagans.

Righteous Forefather Abraham [October 9th]

The Righteous Forefather Abraham lived around 2000 B.C. His story is found in the Book of Genesis, Chapters 12-25.

God told Abraham that all the nations of the earth would be blessed in his seed (Genesis 22:18), and ordered him to leave his home and his relatives and go to Canaan, the country between the Mediterranean and Jordan. Because God gave this land to Abraham and his posterity (Genesis 12:7), it became known as "the Promised Land."

Abraham and Lot are also commemorated with Christ's ancestors according to the flesh on the Sunday of the Holy Forefathers (between December 11 and 17).

Righteous Lot [October 9th]

The Righteous Forefather Abraham ("Father of a multitude") and his nephew Lot ("veil") lived around 2000 B.C.

The Righteous Lot is regarded as the progenitor of the Moabites and the Ammonites. He lived in Sodom with his wife and two daughters, a righteous man living in the midst of wicked people. The citizens of Sodom despised him as a newcomer, and also hated him for his upright life, hospitality, and obedience to God.

Lot's efforts to turn them from their wickedness only increased their wrath. As fire consumed the city, Lot and his family were led to safety by an angel.

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