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Vol. 80 No. 1868 **Sunday, August 27th, 2023**

The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost

Fore-feast of the Dormition

Divine Liturgy/Choir Sunday – 9:00 am

Panachida for ***+The Very Reverend Protopresbyter Michael Rosco*** offered by Fr Robert and Pani Kathy
+John Martich (Birthday Remembrance) offered by his daughters;
+Donna Zizan offered by Vivian Slachta; and ***+Alberta Hanak*** offered by Mrs. Kimberly Granito

Resurrection Tone 3: Tropar & Kondak: pages 87-89

Epistles: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Gospels: Matthew 19:16-26

Vespers for the Feast of the Dormition of the Birth-giver of God – 4:00 pm

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Services for the week of August 27th

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Monday, August 28, 2023

The Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos (The Birthgiver of God)

Blessing of Flowers

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Panachida for ***Deacon James Janiac*** offered by Willie Colgan; ***+John and Mary Kohan and departed family members of Dolores Mirilovich; Joseph and Elizabeth Mirilovich and departed family of Alex Mirilovich*** offered by Dolores Mirilovich (Perpetual)

Tropar & Kondak: Pages 169-172

Epistle: Philippians 2:5-11

Gospel: Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

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Sat. 9/02 … No vespers Scheduled

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Sunday, September 3rd, 2023

The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost

The Apostle Thaddaeus of the Seventy

Divine Liturgy/ Choir Sunday: 9:00 am

Panachida for ***+Bernie Buczak*** (8th Anniversary) offered by Fr. Robert and Pani Kathy; ***+Paul and Colleen Parlock*** offered by the Family ***+Frank and Bernadine Evanisko*** offered by daughter, Gaynell Shrift; ***+Alberta Hanak*** offered by Mrs. Sue Dressicks; ***+Mark Andrew Kesselak***, and ***+Donna Zizan*** offered by Nick and Wendy Slachta

Tropar & Kondak: Tone 4 - Pages 90-92

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42

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Services for the Week of September 3rd

Wed. 9/06 … Moleben to Saint Nectarios with holy anointing……6:00 pm

Sat. 9/09 … Great Vespers……6:00 pm

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Sunday, September 10th, 2023

The Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Saint Moses the Black of Scetis

Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am Sunday School 10:20 am – 11:15am

Panachida for ***+Susan Semancik*** (Birthday Remembrance) offered by family; ***+David Mirilovich*** offered by the family; ***+Julia Mikolaj*** offered by husband Andrew, daughter, Phyliss and granddaughter, Helen; ***+Basil, Theresa, Dorothy, George, and Michael Kovalik***; and ***+John, Catherine, George, Anna, Michael, and Anna Holovach***

Resurrection Tone 5 - Tropar & Kondak: pages 93-95

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 1:21-2:4 Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

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Bible Study begins Tuesday, September 13th @ 6:30 pm

We will be studying Saint Paul's Letter to the Ephesians

Joins us either here in our Cathedral Auditorium or via "Zoom"

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THE ETERNAL LAMP – is offered the week of August 27th in memory of ***John Homyak Jr. by Carol Devine.***

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THE ALTAR & SACRAMENTAL TABLE FLOWERS – The Altar and Tetrapod were beautified with flowers in honor of ***the Marriage of Dominic and Halee Leade*r.**

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ACRY UP-COMING EVENTS



ACRY convention September 1-4, 2023

ACRY meeting September 7, 2023 at 7:00 pm

Visiting nursing homes October, 2023

Basket Party, Saturday, December 2, 2023

Cookie sale Saturday December 16, 2023

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CATHEDRAL PICNIC DAY

Games, 50/50, music, fun and food! Sunday, September 17, 2023 after Divine Liturgy at the New Seminary Banquet Hall. Sign in sheet will be in the Cathedral Auditorium. The last day to sign up is September 10, 2023. There will be a brief update regarding the Educational Center.

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Our New Candelabrum Box



Lighting Candles

Lighting candles is an important part of Orthodox worship. We light them as we pray, making an offering to accompany our prayers. Orthodox typically light candles when coming into the church - and that is usually the best time to light them, but there are times when candles should not be lit. It is not proper to light candles during the Epistle or Gospel readings, during the Little or Great Entrances, and the sermon.

Traditionally tapered candles are made of pure beeswax. The use of beeswax candles represents the purity and plasticity of the soul. In comparison, candles in glass holders traditionally employ oil rather than wax. Many of the non-beeswax candles made today are not made of wax at all, using instead a kind of petroleum product. These are especially pernicious in that they often give off an oily odor and always create a horrid amount of soot on walls.

12 symbolisms of lighting candles in Church.

St. Symeon gives these six symbolisms:

1. The candle symbolizes the purity of the soul because it is purely made from beeswax.
2. Since we can easily carve anything into a candle, the candle symbolizes how our soul can be easily imprinted (with good or bad).
3. The candle symbolizes God's Grace as wax is made from blooming flowers that give forth fragrance.
4. Just as the candle gives food to the flame, so by Theosis (our nature is made into flame that burns sin and gives light)
5. The candle symbolizes the light of Christ which gives light in the darkness.
6. The candle symbolizes the light and peace that every Christian must have. When the candle burns it enlightens and comforts mankind giving light in the darkness.

Our Holy Father Nicodemus of Mount Athos gives us these 6 explanations:

1. We light candles for the glory of God who is the true and only light that enlightens every man.
2. We light candles to disperse the darkness of the night to comfort ourselves from the fear of darkness.
3. We light candles to show the joy that is in our hearts.
4. We light candles to honor saints and martyrs of our Faith just as early Christians lit candles at the graves of the martyrs.
5. We light candles to symbolize our good works, as the Lord says, "Thus let your light shine before men that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in the heavens."
6. We light candles for the forgiveness of sins of both those who light the candles and of those for whom the candles are lit. For this reason, in churches in many places, there are separate candle stands for the living and other ones for the dead.

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Steve Martyak
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Jessica McLaughlin
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Kira Pronin
Alexxa Lowery
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