



Sunday September 16, 2018 16th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7. *Afterfeast of the Elevation of the Cross. Sunday after Elevation. Greatmartyr Euphemia the All-praised (304). Repose of St. Kiprián, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1406). St. Sebastiana, disciple of St. Paul the Apostle, martyred at Heraclea (1st c.). Martyr Melitina of Marcianopolis (2nd c.). Martyrs Victor and Sosthenes at Chalcedon (ca. 304). Ven. Dorotheus, Hermit, of Egypt (4th c.). Martyr Ludmila, grandmother of St. Wenceslaus (Viachesláv), Prince of the Czechs (927). New Martyrs Isaac and Joseph of Georgia (808).*

This Week's Schedule

Saturday 9/15 Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 9/16 Hours 8:40 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

followed by coffee hour

Reader Schedule

<u>DATE</u>	<u>3RD HOUR</u>	<u>6TH HOUR</u>	<u>EPISTLE</u>
Sep 16	WALES	WALES	WALES
Sep 23	SULPIZI	SOUDER	PECK
Sep 30	RILEY	LEWIS	FINCK
Oct 07	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	LEWIS
Oct 14	WALES	WALES	WALES

Hymns and Prayers

Tone 7 Troparion *(Resurrection)*

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.

Tone 1 Troparion *(Elevation of the Cross)*

O Lord, save Your people
and bless Your inheritance!
Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians
over their adversaries;
and by virtue of Your Cross,//
preserve Your habitation!

Tone 4 Troparion *(Great Martyr Euphemia)*

Your lamb Euphemia calls out to You, O Jesus, in a loud voice:
“I love You, my Bridegroom and in seeking You, I endure suffering.
In baptism I was crucified so that I might reign in You,
and I died so that I might live with You.
Accept me as a pure sacrifice,
for I have offered myself in love!”
Through her prayers save our souls, since You are merciful!

Tone 7 Kontakion *(Resurrection)*

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!”

Tone 4 Kontakion *(Great Martyr Euphemia)*

You completed your struggle well, all-praised Euphemia;
even after death, you pour out healing on us for our
sanctification.

We stand beside your venerable relics to honor your holy falling asleep,
that in faith we may be delivered from the weaknesses of our nature
and obtain the grace of your miracles.

Tone 4 Kontakion *(Elevation of the Cross)*

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

Tone 7 Prokeimenon

Extol the Lord our God: worship at His footstool for He is holy! (*Ps* 98/99:5)

v: The Lord reigns, let the people tremble! (Ps 98/99:1)

Epistle Galatians 2:16:20 *(Sunday after the Elevation)*

knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make myself a transgressor.

For I through the law died to the law that I might live to God.

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

We then, as workers together with Him also plead with you not to receive the grace of God in vain.

For He says: "In an acceptable time I have heard You, and in the day of salvation I have helped You." Behold, now is the accepted time; behold, now is the day of salvation.

We give no offense in anything, that our ministry may not be blamed.

But in all things we commend ourselves as ministers of God: in much patience, in tribulations, in needs, in distresses, in stripes, in imprisonments, in tumults, in labors, in sleeplessness, in fastings; by purity, by knowledge, by longsuffering, by kindness, by the Holy Spirit, by sincere love, by the word of truth, by the power of God, by the armor of righteousness on the right hand and on the left, by honor and dishonor, by evil report and good report; as deceivers, and yet true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as chastened, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing all things.

Tone 1

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v. Remember Your congregation, which You have purchased of old! (Ps 73/74:2)

v: God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth. (Ps 73/74:12)

Gospel Mark 8:34-9:1 (Sunday after the Elevation)

When He had called the people to Himself, with His disciples also, He said to them, "Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me.

For whoever desires to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it.

For what will it profit a man if he gains the whole world, and loses his own soul?

Or what will a man give in exchange for his soul?

For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him the Son of Man also will be ashamed when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

And He said to them, "Assuredly, I say to you that there are some standing here who will not taste death till they see the kingdom of God present with power."

Matthew 25:14-30

For the kingdom of heaven is like a man traveling to a far country, who called his own servants and delivered his goods to them.

And to one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one, to each according to his own ability; and immediately he went on a journey.

Then he who had received the five talents went and traded with them, and made another five talents.

And likewise he who had received two gained two more also.

But he who had received one went and dug in the ground, and hid his lord's money.

After a long time the lord of those servants came and settled accounts with them.

So he who had received five talents came and brought five other talents, saying, 'Lord, you delivered to me five talents; look, I have gained five more talents besides them.'

His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you were faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

He also who had received two talents came and said, 'Lord, you delivered to me two talents; look, I have gained two more talents besides them.'

His lord said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a few things, I will make you ruler over many things. Enter into the joy of your lord.'

Then he who had received the one talent came and said, 'Lord, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you have not sown, and gathering where you have not scattered seed.

And I was afraid, and went and hid your talent in the ground. Look, there you have what is yours.'

But his lord answered and said to him, 'You wicked and lazy servant, you knew that I reap where I have not sown, and gather where I have not scattered seed.

So you ought to have deposited my money with the bankers, and at my coming I would have received back my own with interest.

Therefore take the talent from him, and give it to him who has ten talents. For to everyone who has, more will be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who does not have, even what he has will be taken away.

And cast the unprofitable servant into the outer darkness. There will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.'

(Instead of “It is truly meet ...,” we sing:)

Tone 8

Magnify, O my soul, the most precious Cross of the Lord!

You are a mystical Paradise, O Theotokos,
who, though untilled, have brought forth Christ;
through Him the life-bearing wood of the Cross was planted on earth.
Now at its Elevation,
as we bow in worship before it, we magnify you.

Communion Hymns

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)
The light of Your countenance has shone on us, O Lord. (*Ps 4/5:6*)
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

This Week's Announcement

Parish Picnic All are welcome to join us for a Parish Family Picnic today following the Divine Liturgy. There will be food, drinks, and fun. We will also be celebrating the beginning of the church school year. Hope to see you there!

Calling all Church School Teachers We are still looking for volunteers, teachers, and substitutes for the upcoming 2018-19 church school year. All those interested in helping with church school please see Fr. Barnabas. The Moliben for the beginning of church school will be offered today as others prepare and set up for the picnic.

Memory Eternal! Marie Holowatch (Karen Hojnicky's mother) fell asleep in the Lord this past week. The services will be this evening at St. Michael's with visitation from 5:00-7:00 p.m. The funeral service will follow at 7:00 p.m. and then Monday burial at St. Tikhon's Monastery. Please remember the newly departed Marie, as well as the Hojnicky family in your prayers. May her memory be eternal!

Study Group Our Study group resumed this past Thursday. Eleven of us began reading and discussing the Gospel of St. Matthew chapter one. We will meet again this coming Thursday at 10 a.m. All are welcome to join us!

Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

'When the sly demon, after using many devices, fails to hinder the prayer of the diligent, he desists a little; but when the man has finished his prayer, he takes his revenge. He either fires his anger and thus destroys the fair state produced by prayer, or excites an impulse towards some animal pleasure and thus mocks his mind.'

St. Nilus of Sinai

"Indirectly, the devil confesses God through temptations...Sin brings humility. So it is understood that the devil plays an indirect "role" in our salvation for he reveals our infirmities, and by this helps us to grow. If he would realize how much help is to our salvation, he would trouble us less."

Elder Arsenie Papacioc+ of Romania [Temptation; Struggle]

You will say, then, to me, "Do you, who see God, explain to me the appearance of God." Hear, O man. The appearance of God is ineffable and indescribable, and cannot be seen by eyes of flesh. For in glory He is incomprehensible, in greatness unfathomable, in height inconceivable, in power incomparable, in wisdom unrivaled, in goodness inimitable, in kindness unutterable. For if I say He is Light, I name but His own work; if I call Him Word, I name but His sovereignty; if I call Him Mind, I speak but of His wisdom; if I say He is Spirit, I speak of His breath; if I call Him Wisdom, I speak of His offspring; if I call Him Strength, I speak of His sway; if I call Him Power, I am mentioning His activity; if Providence, I but mention His goodness; if I call Him Kingdom, I but mention His glory; if I call Him Lord, I mention His being judge; if I call Him Judge, I speak of Him as being just; if I call Him Father, I speak of all things as being from Him; if I call Him Fire, I but mention His anger. You will say, then, to me, "Is God angry?" Yes; He is angry with those who act wickedly, but He is good, and kind, and merciful, to those who love and fear Him; for He is a chastener of the godly, and father of the righteous; but He is a judge and punisher of the impious.'

St. Theophilus of Antioch

Prayers for the Departed: Marie Holowatch, Mat. Mary Dirga, Maria Proch, Mark Gundersen, John Berket, George Sarmousakis, Alfred Mokhiber

Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need: Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. Dimitry Perez, Fr. Deacon James Carpenter, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Lisa Weremedic, Matushka Myra Kovalak, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, , Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Lydia Kendall, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Benjamin, Patrica, Lubov, Stephanie Hojnicky, Anastacia Sarmousakis, Ioana

Prayers for Women and the Child to be born: Stephanie Riley, Catalina Mary Finck

Date	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>	<u>Library</u>
16-Sep	Parish Picnic	Sulpizi/Finck	Skomorucha/Lewis	Lewis
23-Sep	Oberto/Peck	Hojnicki/Souder	Peck/Peck	Gundersen
30-Sep	Finck	Telep/Baldychev	Baldychev/Shatley/S	Farrell
7-Oct	POT LUCK	Bunitsky/Lewis	Suplizi	Skomorucha
14-Oct	Hamwi/Morjana	Elia/Morjana	Riley	Maloney