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**Sunday October 4th, 2020** 17th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 8. Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens (1st c.). Uncovering of the Relics of St. Gurias, first Archbishop of Kazan, and St. Varsonúphy (Barsanuphius), Bishop of Tver' (1595). Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Kazan' (1976). Rt. Blv. Prince Vladimir Yaroslavich, Prince of Novgorod (1052). Ven. Helladius and Onesimus of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves – 12th-13th c.). Ven. Ammon, Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves – 13th c.).

### **This Week's Schedule**

**Thursday 10/8** No Study Group

**Saturday 10/9** Great Vespers 5:00 p.m.

**Sunday 10/10** 18<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

*\*Please Note Services will also stream Online\**

### **Reader Schedule**

<u><b>DATE</b></u>	<u><b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b></u>	<u><b>EPISTLE</b></u>
Oct-4	Confession Prayers		LEWIS
Oct-11	Third & Sixth Hours		PECK
Oct-18	Third & Sixth Hours		RILEY
Oct-25	Third & Sixth Hours		CAREY

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 8 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

You descended from on high, O Merciful One!  
You accepted the three day burial  
to free us from our sufferings!//  
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

### **Tone 1 Troparion**      *(Hieromartyr Hierotheus)*

We the faithful all praise Hierótheus, the disciple of Paul,  
Hierarch of Athens,  
the world's teacher and a preacher of the Faith,  
who revealed to us Christ's Mysteries  
and poured forth streams of godly doctrine.//  
His life was well-pleasing to God, Who is greatly merciful.

### **Tone 8 Kontakion**      *(Resurrection)*

By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam.  
Eve exults in Your Resurrection,//  
and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful  
One!

### **Tone 8 Kontakion**      *(Hieromartyr Hierotheus)*

Hierarch of Athens, we praise you for you have instructed us in  
awesome and ineffable things,  
and you were revealed to be a divinely-inspired writer of hymns.  
Pray that we be delivered from every kind of sin, so that we may  
cry to you://  
Rejoice, divinely-wise Father Hierotheus!

### **Tone 8**      **Prokeimenon**      *(Resurrection)*

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God! (*Ps 75/76:11*)

*v: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel. (Ps 75/76:1)*

## **Epistle 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.*

### **Tone 8**

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

*v: Come, let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior! (Ps 94/95:1)*

*v: Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise! (Ps 94/95:2)*

## **Gospel Luke 6:31-36**

*And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them.*

*And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same.*

*And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back.*

*But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High.*

*For He is kind to the unthankful and evil.*

*Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.*

### **Communion Hymn**

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

## *This Week's Announcements*

***Diocesan News and Update*** This past Friday the clergy from the Diocese of Eastern PA met via Zoom with His Eminence Archbishop MARK. During this meeting His Eminence encouraged clergy and parishes to ease some restrictions and move towards our more traditional activities, practices, and schedule. His Eminence reported that, “*By the grace of God, we have had no issues within any of our parishes. That being said, the negative effects of mitigation measures, fear, anxiety, isolation, depression and lack of social interaction need our attention... If we have learned nothing else during the last several months, hopefully, we have learned that we need each other. We need to be in one another’s presence, and we need healthy interaction.*”

Therefore, heeding this call from our Archpastor, we will, in the coming weeks, be taking steps to safely go back to more familiar Liturgical and Social activities. Fr Barnabas will try to meet briefly with the parish council this week to formulate a plan to safely resume some of our normal activities and practices. We will provide more information to everyone as it comes available. Again, please continue to pray for and support our parish and diocese as we face these challenging times.

***In Person Worship*** We are continuing with limited in person worship. We are also streaming our services for those who are still at home. Next week we will invite parishioners alphabetically “A”- “M”. All are asked, for now, to continue to follow procedures.

***Outdoor Coffee Hour*** Archbishop MARK is encouraging parishes to have simplified outdoor coffee hour with social distancing. Fr. Barnabas hopes to arrange outdoor coffee hour in the next couple weeks. Please see the enclosed attachment of the October monthly calendar. Participation and preparation for coffee hour will be voluntary. We hope to have more details for everyone soon.

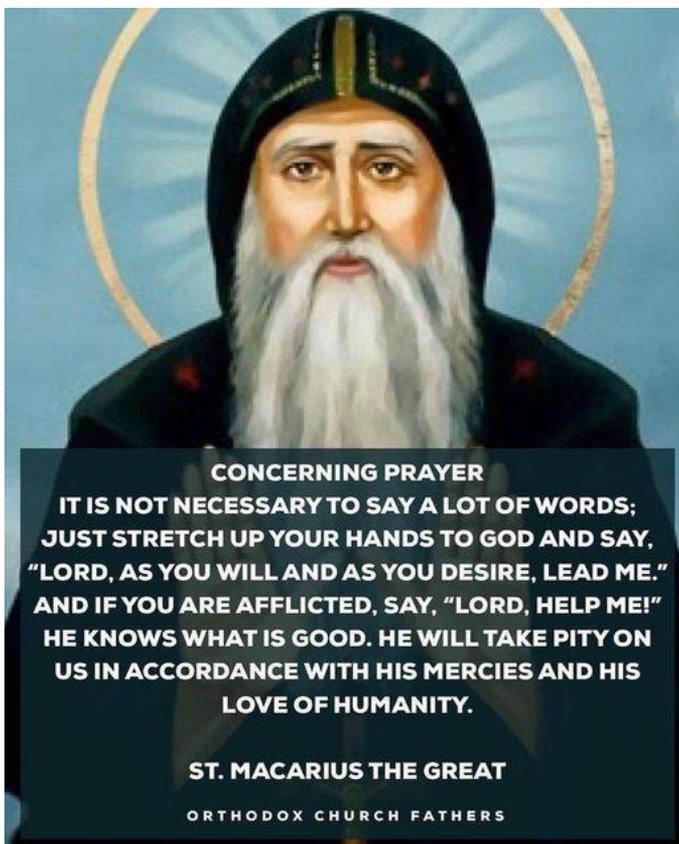
***No Study Group this Week*** Our Study group continued this past Thursday with five of us reading and discussing Matthew chapter 12 and 13. Our study group will *not* meet this Thursday, Oct. 8<sup>th</sup>. We will resume the following Thursday Oct. 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. Our groups will still meet online. All are welcome to join us!

***Book Study “The Life of Moses” by St. Gregory of Nyssa*** On Wednesday evenings at 7:30 p.m. during the month of October, Fr. Barnabas will be offering a book study. We will be reading and

discussion the book, “The Life of Moses”, by St. Gregory of Nyssa. ***The start of our book study will be postponed one week and now begin on Oct.14<sup>th</sup>*** . We will meet on Zoom and all are welcome to participate.

***Confessions following Vespers*** Fr. Barnabas will be going back to the hearing individual confessions on Saturday evenings following Vespers. We will still be offering confession with social distancing.

**Questions Everyone Should ask themselves Before coming to In-Person Worship:** Do you have a fever, cough, shortness of breath, and or trouble breathing? Persistent pain, pressure or tightness in chest? Any recent loss of taste/smell or gastrointestinal upset? Any contact with anyone with C-19? **If you answer YES to any of these questions you should stay at home.**



*Prayers for the Departed:*, Barbara Hicks, David Rex

*Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:* Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Mat. Myra Kovalak, Lemlem Resat, Olga Riley, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, Stephanie Hojnicky, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Albert Shock, Elizabeth Melnik, Alexandra Grishin, Sam Sylves, Paula Daubert, Elizabeth Clause

*Prayers for Catechmens* Kristin Mackenzie, Edward Jones. Cole McElmurry, Shawn & Jennifer Vojaisek

	<u>Service Duty</u>	<u>Church Cleaner</u>
<b>4-Oct</b>	Sulpizi	Skomorucha/Lewis/M Kiflemarian
<b>11-Oct</b>	Hojnicki/Najemy	S. Peck
<b>18-Oct</b>	Telep/Baldychev	Carey
<b>25-Oct</b>	Bunitsky/Morjana	Baldychev/Shatley/Sylvest

**Upcoming Dates to Keep in Mind**

Book Study “The Life of Moses” Oct. 7<sup>th</sup>

Nativity Fast Begins Nov. 15<sup>th</sup>

Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple Nov. 21<sup>st</sup>