Protection of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Church



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Great Vespers: 6pm Saturdays

Divine Liturgy: 10am Sundays

Confession is available before or after Vespers or by appointment

Welcome visitors! Please join us in the parish hall after Divine Liturgy for coffee hour.

November 8, 2026

Holy Archangel Michael and the other Bodiless Hosts

Today Catechumens will depart for class in the hall when dismissed.

The Order of the Baptismal Liturgy

*We begin in the narthex with the Making of a Catechumen, then process into the nave and begin Divine Liturgy. The **baptismal waters** are blessed, the initiate is anointed with the **Oil of Gladness**, then **baptized**. He is given his baptismal garment as we sing:*

Tone 8 – Troparion of Vesting
Grant unto me the robe of light,
O Most Merciful Christ our God,
who clothe Yourself with light as with a garment!

*Then the **Beatitudes** with the **Little Entrance**. We sing the **Hymns of the Day** while the initiate finishes dressing.*

HYMNS OF THE DAY

Tone 6 – Resurrectional Troparion
The Angelic Powers were at Your tomb;
the guards became as dead men.
Mary stood by Your grave,
seeking Your most pure body.
You captured hell, not being tempted by it.
You came to the Virgin, granting life.
O Lord, Who rose from the dead,//
glory to You.

Tone 4 – Patronal Troparion
Today the faithful celebrate the feast with joy,
illumined by your coming, O Mother of God.
Beholding your pure image we fervently cry to you:
Encompass us beneath the precious veil of your protection.
Deliver us from every form of evil
by entreating Christ, your Son and our God//
that He may save our souls.

Tone 4 – Troparion for the Bodiless Powers
O Commanders of the heavenly hosts,
we who are unworthy beseech you:
by your prayers encompass us beneath the wings of your
immaterial glory,
and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry out to you://
"Deliver us from all harm, for you are the Commanders of the
Powers on high!"

Tone 6 – Resurrectional Kontakion
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.

Tone 2 – Kontakion for the Bodiless Powers
Commanders of God's armies
and ministers of the divine glory,
princes of the bodiless angels
and guides of mankind;
ask for what is good for us, and for great mercy,//
O Supreme Commanders of the Bodiless Hosts.

Tone 3 – Patronal Kontakion
Today the Virgin stands in the midst of the Church,
And with choirs of saints she invisibly prays to God for us.
Angels and bishops worship.
Apostles and prophets rejoice together,//
Since for our sake she prays to the eternal God.

*The initiate is anointed with **Holy Chrism**. Then the priest leads a procession around the baptismal font as we sing:*

Instead of the Trisagion:
As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ: Alleluia!

SCRIPTURE READINGS

Tone 5 – Resurrection Prokeimenon (Psalm 27)

O Lord, save Your people, / and bless Your inheritance!

Tone 4 –Prokeimenon for the Bodiless Powers (Psalm 103)

He makes His Angels spirits, / and His ministers a flame of fire!

Epistle: Ephesians 2:4-10 (Sunday)

Brethren: God, who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.

Hebrews 2.2-10 (Bodiless Powers)

Brethren: If the word spoken through angels proved steadfast, and every transgression and disobedience received a just reward, how shall we escape if we neglect so great a salvation, which at the first began to be spoken by the Lord, and was confirmed to us by those who heard Him, God also bearing witness both with signs and wonders, with various miracles, and gifts of the Holy Spirit, according to His own will?

For He has not put the world to come, of which we speak, in subjection to angels. But one testified in a certain place, saying: "What is man that You are mindful of him, or the son of man that You take care of him? You have made him a little lower than the angels; You have crowned him with glory and honor, and set him over the works of Your hands. You have put all things in subjection under his feet."

For insofar as He put all in subjection under him, He left nothing that is not under him. But now we do not yet see all things put under him. But we see Jesus, who was made a little lower than the angels, for the suffering of death crowned with glory and honor, that He, by the grace of God, might taste death for everyone. For it was fitting for Him, for whom are all things and by whom are all things, in bringing many sons to glory, to make the captain of their salvation perfect through sufferings.

Romans 6.3-11 (Baptism)

Brethren: Do you not know that all of us who have been baptized into Christ Jesus were baptized into His death? We were buried, therefore, with Him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life.

For if we have been united with Him in a death like His, we shall certainly be united with Him in a resurrection like His. We know that our old self was crucified with Him, so that the sinful body might be destroyed, and we might no longer be enslaved to sin. For He who has died is freed from sin. But if we have died with Christ, we believe that we shall also live with Him. For we know that Christ, being raised from the dead, will never die again; death no longer has dominion over Him. The death He died, He died to sin once for all, but the life He lives, He lives to God. So, you also must consider yourselves dead to sin and alive to God in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: Luke 8.41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him.

Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of Jesus' garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped.

And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?"

When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?'"

But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me."

Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately.

And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace."

While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher."

But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well."

When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping."

And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise."

Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Luke 10.16-21 (Bodiless Powers)

Jesus said to His disciples: "He who hears you hears Me, he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me."

Then the seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Your name.”

And He said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from heaven. Behold, I give you the authority to trample on serpents and scorpions, and over all the power of the enemy, and nothing shall by any means hurt you. Nevertheless, do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you, but rather rejoice because your names are written in heaven.”

In that hour Jesus rejoiced in the Spirit and said, “I thank You, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that You have hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes. Even so, Father, for so it seemed good in Your sight.”

Matthew 28.16-20 (Baptism)

At that time, the eleven disciples went to Galilee, to the mountain to which Jesus had directed them. And when they saw Him, they worshiped Him; but some doubted. And Jesus came and said to them, “All authority in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you; and behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”

We Remember in Prayer

N.Dep. Elisa Cox
Elizabeth Stanko
Mary Ann Witek
Archpr. Peter Bodnar
Ev. Mem. Joakim Kathovetz (’25)
Antonina Nastoff (1943)
Anastasia Sofronoff (1977)
Joseph Chicos (1985)
Anthony Dubowsky (2005)
Paul Van Sickle (2025)

Health & Salv.	Maja	Ezra
Mat. Cynthia	Gerald	James
Hierom. John	Janet	Rebecca
Mat. Anne	Gerald	Jesse
Valer	Rebecca	Autumn
Nun Theodora	Christopher	James
Claudia	Moses	John
Mary Ann	Helena	Jacob
Raymond	James	Carol
Edward	Elijah	Jamie
Betsy	Lydia	Kyleigh
Klaudia	Nina	Lauren

Kyle
Carolynn
Amelia
Aaron
Marcietta
Charles
Rosemary
Nicholas
Meagan
Stephanie
Robin
Leonardo
Yelena
Anastasia
Christine
Jaroslava
Cameron
Regina
Matthew
Cindy
Patricia
Charlette
Rita
Kenneth
Alla
Maria
Ethan

Logan
Joseph
Mamie
Mary
Kimberly
Michael
Anastasia
Michal
Carlos
Sarah
Anika
Gabriel
Kyle
Louis
Noni
Melissa
Solomon
Atlas
Katharine
Cody
Heidi
Elizabeth
Don
Michelle
Natalie
Vickie
Rhonda

Irina
Victoria
Cyan
Vitaly
Ilona-Maria
Katerina
Nadia
Derek
Lidia
Abigail
Marina
Colin
Gladiola
Angelia
Charlotte
Kaitlin
Jackson
Olga
Sergei
Jana
Veronica
Miriana
Charlie
Arianna & unborn
Kira & unborn
Cecilia
Patricia

To add the name of a loved one recently departed or on the anniversary of their repose, or someone living and in particular need of prayer, please speak to Fr Jacob.

Special Petition at the Augmented Litany:

We pray, O Lord our God, for all those who suffer from acts of war, especially the victims in Ukraine, Russia, Israel, Palestine, Iran and the Middle East. We pray for Your peace and Your mercy in the midst of the great suffering of Your people. Vouchsafe to accept the prayers of the Church, so that by Your goodness, peace may return to all peoples; O Lord, hearken and have mercy.

*At "Blessed be the name of the Lord…" the newly-illumined comes forward with his sponsors to receive **Ablution** and **Tonsure**.*

Announcements

For **Bible Study tomorrow**, read **Genesis 1-4.**

Our Annual Winter Coat Drive runs through Sunday, November 20. Please donate new or lightly used coats, hats, & gloves.

Book Store Pre-Order for Christmas cards. Please see Tiffany if you will be ordering Christmas Cards from the bookstore this year (10 pack is $15).

Starting this Sunday, coffee hour will be **potluck unless otherwise announced.** Please bring something simple to share.

All are warmly invited to a **Thanksgiving meal in the parish hall** on Thanksgiving Day, shortly after the Divine Liturgy. The parish O-Club will provide the turkey, and those attending are encouraged to bring a side dish or dessert to share. To help us plan, please RSVP as soon as possible, preferably by Sunday, November 22, to Nicholas Revak. 312-593-8278 or nmrevak78@gmail.com

Mark Your Calendars

Nov 9: **Bible Study** @ 7pm

Nov 10: **Men's Breakfast** at Pappas' in Crown Point @ 7:30am

Nov 13: **Family Play Date** in the parish hall @ 10am

Nov 15: **Beginning of Advent**

Nov 20: **Red Cross Blood Drive,** 11am-5pm
Vigil for the Entrance of the Theotokos @ 6pm

Nov 21: **Divine Liturgy for the Entrance of the Theotokos** @ 9am
Catechism @ 4:30pm

Nov 26: **Divine Liturgy of Thanksgiving** @ 9am
O-Club Thanksgiving Dinner (approx. 12pm)

Dec 5: **St Nicholas celebration** & **Church decoration** @ 10am

Last Week's Gifts to the Lord: $6,128

Glory to God for all things!