

Announcements

- Coat for Kids concludes today. See Scott Condo regarding last minute donations.
- Please return pledge cards to Dave Vorkapich by December 3rd.
- Hieromonk Herman from St. Tikhon's Monastery will be lecturing at our parish on the topic of daily prayer, tonight at 6:00pm. Fr. Herman will run a short workshop for those wishing to improve their reading skills for the divine services at 4:30pm.
- Prospora Making Workshop, October 28, 10am. RSVP to Mary-Ann Frischkorn (mmfkorn@gmail.com).

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| <p><u>Birthdays</u> Scott Haywood 10/5 Pam Vorkapitch 10/5 Jacob Huba 10/14 Cindy Fedorko 10/17 Stacey Manos 10/21 Joanne Mailat 10/25 Albertina Mathewson 10/28 Zane Blanchard 10/30</p> | <p><u>Coffee Hour</u> Oct. 15, <u>Tapyrik</u>, Byrnes, Nikishin, B. Miller Oct. 22, <u>Mathewson</u>, Mudrak, Powell Oct. 29, <u>Monahan</u>, Kisha, Kisha-Wise, Wagster</p> |
| <p><u>Upcoming</u> Monday, October 16th 6:00pm Parish Council Wednesday, October 18th 6:30pm Daily Vespers Saturday, October 21st 5:00pm Great Vespers Sunday, October 22nd 9:10 Hours 9:30 Divine Liturgy</p> | <p><u>Fr. John's Parish Wishlist</u> -Refinishing of 2nd chalice (approximately \$300) [Ask Father why it should be refinished!] <i>Make Checks Payable to "Fr. John's Wishlist"</i></p> |

Holy Assumption Orthodox Church Diocese of the Midwest (OCA)

*To Know and Love Christ,
Sharing His Love with Others*



Sunday, October 15, 2017
19th Sunday after Pentecost/Tone 2
Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council
Venerable Euthymius the New

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Tone 2 Troparion (Resurrection)

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal,
You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead.
And when from the depths You raised the dead,
all the powers of heaven cried out://
“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

Tone 8 Troparion (Fathers)

You are most glorious, O Christ our God!
You have established the Holy Fathers as lights on the earth.
Through them You have guided us to the true Faith.//
O greatly compassionate One, glory to You!

Tone 2 Kontakion (Resurrection)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior,
seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb!
The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with
You,//
and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

Tone 6 Kontakion (Fathers)

The Son who shone forth from the Father
was ineffably born, two-fold in nature, of a woman.
Having beheld Him, we do not deny the image of His form,
but depict it piously and revere it faithfully.
Thus, keeping the True Faith,//
the Church venerates the icon of Christ Incarnate.



Epistle *2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9 Hebrews 13:7-16 (Fathers)*

Gospel *Luke 8:5-15* *John 17:1-13 (Fathers)*

Visitors, please know that Holy Communion is reserved for Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves by fasting, prayer, and Confession. We sincerely welcome you. If you have any questions, please speak with one of our greeters, or with Fr. John after the service.

Interpretation of the Divine Liturgy

St. Nicholas Cabasilas

“The Holy Anaphora”

“Let us stand aright. Let us stand with fear. Let us attend. Let us offer the holy oblation in peace,” the priest urges. In other words: “Let us stand firmly in all we confessed in the Creed, without being shaken by the heretics. Let us stand with fear, because there is a great danger of us being deceived. Thus when we firmly remain in faith, then let us offer our gifts to God with peace.”

At that point the believers must have in their minds the Lord’s words: “If you bring your gift to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you,... first be reconciled to your brother, and then come and offer your gift” (see Matt. 5:23-24).

So once the priest elevates the believers’ souls and the trains of thought from the earthly things to heavenly things, he begins the Eucharistic prayer. Thus he imitates the first Priest, Christ, who thanked God the Father before handing over the mystery of the divine Eucharist.

He also glorifies Him now and hymns Him together with the Angels. He expresses gratitude to Him for all the benefactions He has done for us from the beginning of creation. He thanks Him especially for His Only begotten Son’s coming into the world and for handing over of the mystery of the divine Eucharist. He furthermore narrates what is related to the Mystical Supper, repeating the Lord’s words themselves: “Take, eat.... Drink of it all of you,” (Matthew 26:26-27).

After the priest says, “So remembering this saving commandment and everything which has happened for us, that is, the crucifixion, the burial, the three-day resurrection, the ascension to Heaven, the enthronement at the right hand of the Father, the second and glorious coming again,” he concludes with the exclamation: “Thine own of Thine own we offer unto Thee, in all and for all...we hymn You, we bless You, we thank You, O Lord, and we beseech You, our God.”

With these words it is as if he is telling the heavenly Father, “We are offering You, our God and Father, that same offering which your Only Begotten Son Himself offered to You. In offering it, we thank You, because He also, in offering it, thanked You. We are not adding anything of our own to this offering of gifts. Because these gifts are not our own work, but Your own creations. Neither is this manner of worship our own invention, but You taught it to us and You urged us to worship You in this manner. For this reason, all that we are offering You is completely Your own.”