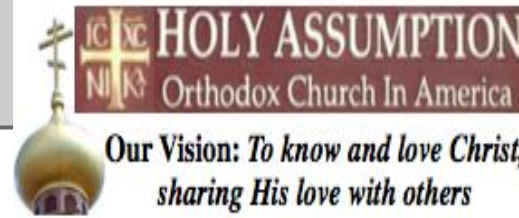


January 29 - 32nd Sunday after Pentecost, Tone 7 Sunday of Zacchaeus, Hieromartyr Ignatius the Godbearer, Bishop of Antioch New Martyrs and Confessors of Russia



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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 4 Troparion (New Martyrs of Russia)

Today the Church of Russia joyfully forms a chorus, praising her new martyrs and confessors; hierarchs and priests, royal passion-bearers, right-believing princes and princesses, venerable men and women, and all Orthodox Christians. Having laid down their life for faith in Christ during the days of godless persecution, they preserved the truth by the shedding of blood. By their protection, O long-suffering Lord, preserve our land in Orthodoxy till the end of the age.

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 3 Kontakion (New Martyrs of Russia) (Today the Virgin)

Today the new martyrs of Rus' stand in white robes before the Lamb of God, and with the angels they sing to God the hymn of victory: "Blessing, and glory, and wisdom, and praise, and honor, and power, and strength be to our God// unto the ages of ages. Amen."

Tone 7 Prokeimenon The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace. (Ps 28/29:11)

v: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord! (Ps 28/29:1)

Tone 7 Prokeimenon (New Martyrs of Russia)

God is our refuge and strength, a help in afflictions that severely befall us. (Ps 45/46:1)

EPISTLE Romans 8:28 - 39 And we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are the called according to His purpose. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; we are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.



EPISTLE Timothy 4:9-15 This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance. For to this end we both labor and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. These things command and teach. Let no one despise your youth, but be an example to the believers in word, in conduct, in love, in spirit, in faith, in purity. Till I come, give attention to reading, to exhortation, to doctrine. Do not neglect the gift that is in you, which was given to you by prophecy with the laying on of the hands of the eldership. Meditate on these things; give yourself entirely to them, that your progress may be evident to all.

Tone 7 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

v: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High. (Ps 91/92:1)

v: To declare Your mercy in the morning, and Your truth by night. (Ps 91/92:2)

Tone 4

v: The righteous cried, and the Lord heard them and delivered them out of all their troubles. (Ps 33/34:17)

GOSPEL Luke 19:1-10 Then Jesus entered and passed through Jericho. Now behold, there was a man named Zacchaeus who was a chief tax collector, and he was rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not because of the crowd, for he was of short stature. So he ran ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Him, for He was going to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and saw him, and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down, for today I must stay at your house." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. But when they saw it, they all complained, saying, "He has gone to be a guest with a man who is a sinner." Then Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Look, Lord, I give half of my goods to the poor; and if I have taken anything from anyone by false accusation, I restore fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, because he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of Man has come to seek and to save that which was lost.

GOSPEL - LUKE 21:8-19

COMMUNION HYMN

**Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps 148:1)
Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps 32/33:1) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!**

WHY DO WE BLESS CANDLES?

Fr. John McGuckin writes:
"When Christians pray, from time immemorial they have lit candles. The candle is a sign of the fire of the Holy Spirit. Their cheerful radiance (especially if at the time of prayer one dims the lights a little) becomes a little sacrament of the resurrection Grace of Christ. The flame also serves to remind us of how pure and heartfelt our prayer is meant to be, even if, at times, we are praying in a doldrum and may hardly feel any grace at all. The candle reminds us that Christ and his Holy Spirit pray in and through us, unfailingly. They see the heart's intent and always draw close in time of prayer. Their prayer (in us, through us, over us) is never dim, always luminous."

[\(Prayer Book of the Early Christians\)](#)

WELCOME VISITORS

We are delighted to have visitors with us and we pray that you will be blessed in your time with us. Holy Communion is treated with reverence, respect and preparation in the Orthodox Church. Orthodox Christians prepare with confession, prayer, and fasting. Our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to participate with us in any other ways including venerating the icons, Cross and receiving blessed bread at the conclusion of Liturgy

UPCOMING

Sunday, Jan. 29 Divine Liturgy 9:30

Wednesday, Feb. 1 Vigil for the Meeting of the Lord 6:30

Blessing of Candles

Saturday, Feb. 4 Great Vespers 5:00

Sunday, Feb. 5

9:10 Hours

9:30 Divine Liturgy

11:00 Coffee Hour

11:30 Sunday School

SUPER BOWL PARTY 6:00

COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE

Jan. 29 **Tapyrrik**, Brandon, McClellan, Mathewson

Feb. 5 **Frishkorn**, Powell, Mudrak, Miller

Feb. 12 **Kisha-Wise**, Monahan, Kisha, Byrnes

Feb. 19 St. Ann's

Feb. 26 **Huba**, Richter, Condo, Archer

March 5 **Vorkapich**, Croston, Gates

March 12 **Romano**, Blanchard, Fedorko, Nikishin

March 19 **Manos**, Manos, Hoffman, McClellan

March 26 **Wescott**, Haywood, Frishkorn, Brandon

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SUPER BOWL PARTY. SUNDAY, FEB. 5. Sign up for FOOD, FELLOWSHIP, and FOOTBALL. Bring a covered dish to share (see sign up sheet) or make a donation \$3 per person or \$5 per family. The game will be streamed in the hall and we will watch and enjoy one another's company together.

We are looking for those who feel called to be GREETERS to welcome guests during coffee hour. Please see Fr. Stacey

House Blessings! It is that time of year again! If you would like Father to come bless your house please put your name and information on the list on the candle desk in the narthex.

We are in need of someone in the parish to be take charge of the newly defined **SAFETY OFFICER** position, as defined by the new OCA policy. The new position would work closely in confidence with Fr. Stacey.

May God Grant Anastasia Ayane Grace Wagster, her parents and God parents many years following her Baptism and the beginning of her journey into the Orthodox Faith.