

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese

“... the Disciples were called Christians first in Antioch!” Acts 11:26

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SUNDAY BEFORE EPIPHANY

Martyr Gordios of Cappadocia; Prophet Malachi; Venerable Thomaidos;
 Venerable Genevieve of Paris

HYMNS AFTER THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

Troparion of the Resurrection - Tone 5

Let us the faithful praise and worship the Word, Coeternal with the Father and the Spirit. He was born from the Virgin for our salvation. He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead, by His glorious resurrection!

Troparion for Forefeast of Epiphany – Tone 4

Make ready, O Zebulon, and prepare, O Nephtali, and thou, River Jordan, cease thy flow and receive with joy the Master coming to be baptized. And thou, Adam, rejoice with the first mother, and hide not your selves as ye did of old in paradise; for having seen you naked, he appeared to clothe you with the first robe. Yea, Christ hat appeared desiring to renew the whole creation.

Titular Feast of the Church (Kontakion for Pascha) – Tone 8

You descended into the tomb O immortal; You destroyed the power of death. In victory you arose O Christ God, proclaiming ‘Rejoice’ to the myrrh-bearing women. Granting peace to Your apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

Kontakion of Epiphany – Tone 4

Today hath the Lord appeared in the courses of the Jordan, crying to John and saying, Be not dismayed at my baptism; for I have verily come to save Adam the first to be created.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **The Myrrhbearers** of are having a potluck dinner on at HROC Saturday, January 9th at 4:00pm to raise funds for a charity not yet determined. Please plan on attending and let us know if have a particular charity you’d like us to consider.
- ❖ We are planning an **OCMC trip to the Yukon River area of Alaska** August 17th - 28th. We will be teaching the basic tenets of the Faith to the Athapaskan people. Please **read the posting downstairs** for more information and see Denise Lynch if you are interested. Your application should be sent in soon. We will be having fundraisers to offset the costs involved.
- ❖ The **2010 Church Cleaning Schedule** is posted downstairs. Please volunteer to serve the church in this way if you can. Thank you.

CALENDAR

(✠ Denotes Fast Day)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<i>Jan 3</i>	<i>Jan 4</i>	✠ <i>Jan 5</i>	<i>Jan 6</i>	<i>Jan 7</i>	✠ <i>Jan 8</i>	<i>Jan 9</i>
Orthros - 8:45am Liturgy - 9:30am		Divine Liturgy for Theophany - 7:00pm	Vespers - 7:00pm			Myrrhbearers Dinner - 4:00pm Vespers - 6:00pm
<i>Jan 10</i>	<i>Jan 11</i>	<i>Jan 12</i>	✠ <i>Jan 13</i>	<i>Jan 14</i>	✠ <i>Jan 15</i>	<i>Jan 16</i>
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CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO CALENDAR OR PRAYER LIST MAY BE SENT TO 'MRB@BRIGHTSITES.COM' OR CALL 840-0120

PRAYER REMINDER

Fr. Paisius (The Academy)
 Jim Vail (St. Seraphim Brotherhood)
 Chaplain Terry Harman
 Chaplain David Rogers
 St. Moses Community
 Gertrude Parrish
 Resa Ellison
 Ellison & LaRocco Families

George
 Frank
 Allison
 Ann
 Sharon
 Cathy
 Shane
 Anthony Gonzalez

Thomas
 Kay
 Alex Mellinger
 Chris Tucker
 Joe O'Dea
 Jeff
 Trevor Butler

Orthodox Departed
 Patriarch Paul
 The Priest Daniel
 Archbishop Job

THE EPISTLE READING

II TIMOTHY 4:5-8

Prokeimenon: *O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance.
To you, O Lord, have I cried, O my God*

The Reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 4:5-8.

TIMOTHY, my son, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfill your ministry.

For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

THE GOSPEL READING

MARK 1:1-8

The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who shall prepare your way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight' John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."



WORDS OF WISDOM

“If anyone should preach to you something contrary to what the Church has received from the Holy Apostles, Fathers, and Councils, and has guarded to this present day, do not listen to him. Do not receive advice from a serpent, as Eve did, and receive death. If an angel or an emperor teaches you anything contrary to what you have received, close your ears.”

St. John Damascene