



Saints Peter and Paul Orthodox Church

CROSSINGVILLE

Lord's Day - 01-30-2022

Glory to Jesus Christ!

Glory be forever!

32nd SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. Synaxis of the Ecumenical Teachers and Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom. Hieromartyr Hippolytus, and those with him (268-270).

Ven. Zenon the Faster, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves—14th c.). Ven. Zeno, Hermit, of Antioch, disciple of St. Basil the Great (5th c.). Martyr Theophilus the New in Cyprus (?84). Rt. Blv. Petar (Peter), King of Bulgaria (967). The “TINOS” Icon of the Mother of God (1823).

HOLY HYMNS

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 1 Troparion (Three Hierarchs)

Let us who love their words come together with hymns,
and honor the three great torch-bearers of the ^triune Godhead:
Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom!
These men have enlightened the world with the rays of their
divine doctrines. They are sweetly flowing rivers ^of wisdom,
and have filled all creation with springs of heavenly knowledge.
They ceaselessly intercede for us //
before the Holy Trinity.

Tone 4 Troparion (Three Hierarchs)

As sharers of the Apostles' life and character and teachers of the
universe, intercede with the Master of all to grant peace to the
world, // and great mercy to our souls!

Tone 7 Kontakion (Resurrection)

The dominion of death can no longer hold men 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 2 Kontakion (Three Hierarchs)

O Lord, You have taken up to eternal rest and to the enjoyment of
Your blessings the divinely-inspired heralds, the greatest of Your
teachers, for You have accepted their labors and deaths as a
sweet-smelling sacrifice, // for You alone are glorified in Your
saints.

Tone 7 Prokeimenon (Resurrection)

The Lord shall give strength to His people. / The Lord shall bless
His people with peace. (Ps. 28:11)
V. Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams
to the Lord! (Ps. 28:1a)

Tone 8 Prokeimenon (Three Hierarchs)

Their proclamation has gone out into all the earth, / and their
words to the ends of the universe. (Ps. 18:4)

Tone 7

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

HOLY SCRIPTURE

Hebrews 13:7-16 (Epistle, Hierarchs)

Remember those who rule over you, who have spoken the word of
God to you, whose faith follow, considering the outcome of their
conduct. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever.

Do not be carried about with various and strange doctrines. For it
is good that the heart be established by grace, not with foods which
have not profited those who have been occupied with them.

We have an altar from which those who serve the tabernacle have
no right to eat. For the bodies of those animals, whose blood is
brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned
outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the
people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Therefore let
us go forth to Him, outside the camp, bearing His reproach.
For here we have no continuing city, but we seek the one to come.
Therefore by Him let us continually offer the sacrifice of praise to
God, that is, the fruit of our lips, giving thanks to His name. But do
not forget to do good and to share, for with such sacrifices God is
well pleased.

1 Timothy 1:15-17 (Epistle)

This is a faithful saying and worthy of all acceptance, that Christ
Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am chief.
However, for this reason I obtained mercy, that in me first Jesus
Christ might show all longsuffering, as a pattern to those who are
going to believe on Him for everlasting life. Now to the King
eternal, immortal, invisible, to God who alone is wise, be honor and
glory forever and ever. Amen.

Matthew 5:14-19 (Gospel, Hierarchs)

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be
hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a
lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your
light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and
glorify your Father in heaven. Do not think that I came to destroy
the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill.
For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one
jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is
fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these
commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the
kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall
be called great in the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew 15:21-28 (Gospel)

Then Jesus went out from there and departed to the region of Tyre
and Sidon. And behold, a woman of Canaan came from that region
and cried out to Him, saying, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of
David! My daughter is severely demon-possessed.” But He
answered her not a word. And His disciples came and urged Him,
saying, “Send her away, for she cries out after us.” But He
answered and said, “I was not sent except to the lost sheep of the
house of Israel.” Then she came and worshiped Him, saying, “Lord,
help me!” But He answered and said, “It is not good to take the
children’s bread and throw it to the little dogs.” And she said, “Yes,
Lord, yet even the little dogs eat the crumbs which fall from their
masters’ table.” Then Jesus answered and said to her, “O woman,
great is your faith! Let it be to you as you desire.” And her
daughter was healed from that very hour.

HOLY POETRY / PRAYER

Lity for the Three Hierarchs, by Nilus of Xanthopoulos

Come, O worshippers of the heavenly Trinity,
let us praise the earthly trinity of the divine hierarchs:
Gregory, the namesake of theology,
Basil, who bears the name of the Kingdom,
and John, truly named after grace!
They are the depths of wisdom,
the ocean currents of the Spirit,
fountains ever gushing forth cascades of living water,
lustrous pearls, luminaries on earth, rudders of the Church,
trees bearing magnificent fruit, stewards of grace,
mouthpiece of my Christ, and champions of the Trinity,
from Whom they are illumined without mediation; //
and they ceaselessly intercede for our souls.

Let us, who have been enlightened through them,
faithfully praise the coals kindled from the unbearable Fire!
For, blazing in union with It, they became luminaries for the world,
being a vital strength for the poor,
by preaching and extolling in true piety the Father, the Son, and the
Holy Spirit;
Let us also say to them: //
“Rejoice, O godly-wise trinity of the Trinity!”

Let us faithfully acclaim David's threefold sling,
Solomon's scarlet cord, the Word's three-stranded lash,
The wise hierarchs: Basil the Great, divine Gregory, and John
Chrysostom;
for, having laid low the spiritual Goliath with the high Cornerstone,
they led the Faith to oneness,
enclosing it by the crimson blood of Christ.
By their teachings they drove away from the folds of Christ's divine
flock
the leaders of heresies,
those peddlers who argued over divine truths.
Even now they still confirm the faith//
and intercede with the Lord that He have mercy on our souls.

The grace of God has appeared to all men,
educating us through the three teachers,
that, adorning our ways and improving our manner of life,
we might be illumined in mind by the brightness of divine knowledge.
Therefore we cry: "O Holy Trinity, O Lord of all,
by the prayers of Your three Pastors,
preserve Your flock in peace, in safety, and free of anguish,//
and save us, for You are the Lover of man!"

O Trinity, holy and worthy of adoration,
glory to Your wise providence!
For, from among men, You have granted men three great luminaries,
who shine with the light of Your perfect knowledge,
spreading the radiance of Your saving and holy will.
Through them, the inhabited earth is enriched with the light of
knowledge,
seeing Your glory clearly;
and it eagerly seeks Your blessed Kingdom,
urging us to be obedient to their divine teachings.
Do You Yourself, as the all-merciful God,
heed their prayers on our behalf,//
and save our souls, O Lover of man!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit;

Having assembled together, O lovers of the feasts,
let us praise with song the hierarchs of Christ and fame of the Fathers,
the towers of the Faith and teachers and guardians of the faithful!
Let us say:

"Rejoice, most wise Basil, luminary and immovable pillar of the
Church!

Rejoice, Gregory the Theologian, heavenly mind and greatest high
priest!

Rejoice, John, of golden words, brilliant and distinguished preacher
of repentance!"

Wherefore, O thrice-blessed Fathers,
cease not always to intercede with Christ//
for us who with faith and love celebrate your all-sacred and divine
feast.

now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

HOLY WORDS

"All who have lived according to God still live unto God, though they have
departed this life. For this reason, God is called the God of Abraham,
Isaac and Jacob, since He is the God, not of the dead, but of the living (cf.
Mt. 22:32)."

— St. Gregory the Theologian, Oration XXI

"It is better to choose a commendable war than peace which separates from
God. The faith which I was taught by the Holy Fathers which I taught at
all times without adjusting according to the times, this faith I will never
stop teaching; I was born with it and I live by it."

— St. Gregory the Theologian

"When you sit down to eat, pray. When you eat bread, do so thanking
Him for being so generous to you. If you drink wine, be mindful of Him
who has given it to you for your pleasure and as a relief in sickness. When
you dress, thank Him for His kindness in providing you with clothes.
When you look at the sky and the beauty of the stars, throw yourself at
God's feet and adore Him who in His wisdom has arranged things in this
way. Similarly, when the sun goes down and when it rises, when you are
asleep or awake, give thanks to God, who created and arranged all things
for your benefit, to have you know, love and praise their Creator."

-St. Basil the Great, from Homily V.

Pay attention carefully. After the sin comes the shame; courage follows
repentance. Did you pay attention to what I said? Satan upsets the order;
he gives the courage to sin and the shame to repentance. + St. John
Chrysostom, Homily 8

Do not be ashamed to enter again into the Church. Be ashamed when you
sin. Do not be ashamed when you repent. Pay attention to what the devil
did to you. These are two things: sin and repentance. Sin is a wound;
repentance is a medicine. Just as there are for the body wounds and
medicines, so for the soul are sins and repentance. However, sin has the
shame and repentance possesses the courage. + St. John Chrysostom,
Homily 8

Let us give thanks to God continually. For, it is outrageous that when we
enjoy His benefaction to us in deed every single day, we do not
acknowledge the favor with so much as a word; and this, when the
acknowledgment confers great benefit on us. He does not need anything of
ours, but we stand in need of all things from Him.

In point of fact, thanksgiving adds nothing to Him, but it brings us closer
to Him. For if, when we recall the benefactions of men, we are the more
warmed by affection for them; much more, when we continually bring to
mind the benefits of the Master towards us, shall we be more earnest with
regard to His commandments.

For this cause Paul also said, Be ye thankful. For the best preservative of
any benefaction is the remembrance of the benefaction, and a continual
thanksgiving for it.

+ St. John Chrysostom, Homily 25, [*Homilies on the Gospel of St. Matthew*](#)

Pray with out ceasing...

PLEASE INCLUDE

THESE OUR BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN YOUR DAILY

PRAYERS: Those in need -Newly Illumined Bridget, Fr. Andrew, Fr.
Isaac, Fr. David, Fr. Anthony, Fr. Joseph, Fr. Zachariah, Iguman
Patrick, Hieromonk Herman, Fr. Dusan, Fr. Christopher, Prez.
Alexandria, Mat. Gail, Mat. Donna, Mat. Pirsilla, Mat. Trudi, John,
Judy and her child, Boris, Tamara, Olga, Susan, Ron, Karen, Mary B.
Margret, Bill S., Lexi, John, Nickolas, Timothy, Preston, Olivia, Jesse,
Grace Delani, Jeremiah, Sandy, William, Steve A., Anna, Sally, Noah,
Annisatita...

The Homebound Mary G, Valentina

Travelers - Dankos, Mathewsons

Catechumen/Inquirers- Matthew, Katherine, Abigail, Caris, Josiah,
Bethany, Christian, Brenda, Don, David and Family...

Special requests... Paul, Gilbert, Joanne, Phyllis, Anthony, Ian, Paul,
James, Sean, Liam, Bill, Wesley, Kim, Margaret, Loren, Julia, Shelby,
Janet, Lynn, Margret. Helen, Dan, Jonathan, Donna, Nicholas, Maya,
Mia, Charles, Gregory, Donna, Don. Laura, Brenda Laken, Bob, My,
Mojave, Maxwell, Gary, Bill...

Departed : Priest Anastacy, Marie Guidus, Vincent, Richard, George,

**John Sasala is home, please keep him in your prayers
as he recovers.**

Parish Services and Activities

(Calendar changes see website)

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Today Divine Liturgy - Coffee Hour -, Music Class, CGS1 All other
classes (Sled riding)

Tues. Feb. 1st - Great Vespers with blessing of candles - 6:00pm

Wed. Feb. 2nd - Divine Liturgy for The Presentation of the Lord -
9:30am

*This will be a family Liturgy with members participating in altar
service, reading, singing in the choir, being in the procession,
preparing flowers or helping someone. The Liturgy will be followed by
a dish to pass luncheon, and a short talk on St. John Chrysostom and
the holy hierarchs. Then sled riding, for the younglings and some
discussion time for the Adults, so bring a sled and warm clothes.*

UPCOMING PRE/LENTEN SERVICES

Feb. 25th VESPERAL LITURGY with remeberances for reposed 6pm

Mar. 6th FORGIVNESS SUNDAY

Mar. 7-10 Mon.-Thurs. CANON OF ST ANDREW -6PM

Mar. 11th PreSanctified Liturgy- 6pm