

Feasts and Commemorations for this Week

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 13th Sunday of Matthew Mark 16:1-8 I Corinthians 16:13-24 Matthew 21:33-42	27 14th Monday after Pentecost II Corinthians 12:10-19 Mark 4:10-23	28 14th Tuesday after Pentecost II Corinthians 12:20-21:13:1-2 Mark 4:24-34	29 Beheading of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John Matthew 14:1-13 Acts 13:25-33 Mark 6:14-30	30 14th Thursday after Pentecost Galatians 1:1-3:20-24:2:1-5 Mark 5:1-20	31 The Placing of the Honorable Sash of the Most Holy Theotokos Hebrews 9:1-7 Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	1 Ecclesiastical New Year I Timothy 2:1-7 Luke 4:16-22
Wine / Oil Allowed	Fish Allowed	Strict Fast	Cheese / Dairy Allowed			

Prayer List:

Please keep the following intentions in your prayers this week:

- For our kids and their teachers and school staff as they begin the new school year.
- For Irene Cantos, mother of Fr. Earl, who broke her arm in a fall.
- For Fr. Earl, who had surgery on 8/25 to remedy his sleep apnea.
- For our inquirers and catechumens, as they continue their discernment process, that the Spirit will open their hearts and minds and guide them.
- For Ilayda Eleni Gelisen, newly illumined, and her family

Save the Dates!

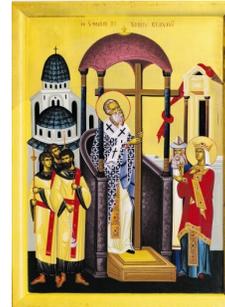
- 8/26 Readers Orthros 9:00a, Divine Liturgy 10:00a with Fr. Virgil
Memorial service for the deceased of the parish and Orthodox friends and relatives.
- 9/1 Ecclesiastical New Year begins
Flagstaff Family Food Center volunteering 3:30p-6:00p
Vespers 5:00p (Orthodoxy 101 cancelled), Confessions ~6:15p
- 9/2 Orthros 9:00a, Divine Liturgy 10:00a with Fr. Earl.
- 9/8 Nativity of the Theotokos
Second highway pickup/cleanup, meeting 8am in Holy Cross parking lot.
Orthodoxy 101 Class 5:00p-6:15p @ church, Confessions ~6:15p
- 9/9 Orthros 9:00a, Divine Liturgy 10:00a with Fr. Earl.
- 9/15 Parish Open House 1:00p- 6:00pm, Blessing of Sunday School
Orthodoxy 101 Class 5:00p -6:00p @ church, Confessions ~6:15p
- 9/16 Orthros 9:00a, Divine Liturgy 10:00a with Fr. Earl.
Church School starts 9:15am—Exaltation of the Holy Cross celebrated
- 9/20 Parish Council Meeting 6:30p @ church

Refer to e-mailed Parish Updates for additional events and details.

Children and young adults ages 8-18

If you would like to participate in reciting epistles, psalms and other readings during the Divine Liturgy or other services, please contact Jaci Norton and let her know! Your participation is highly desired and a great way to support the church!

No previous experience required!



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Services Schedule:
Orthros 9:00 AM
Divine Liturgy 10 AM

Bulletin for Sunday, August 26, 2018
13th Sunday of Matthew

Hymns of the Day

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Fourth Mode

Let all things above in heav'n rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death, and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us, and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy.

Apolytikion for Martyrs Adrian and Natalie in the Third Mode

Thou didst deem that Faith which hath salvation to be riches never lost or plundered. Thou forsookest thy fathers' impiety, and thou didst follow thy Master, becoming rich in His divine gifts, O glorious Adrian. With the godly-minded Natalie, who emboldened thee, entreat Christ God, O Martyr, that our souls be saved.

Holy Cross Church Apolytikion in the First Mode

Save, O Lord Your people, and bless Your inheritance; grant victory to the faithful against the adversaries of the Faith, and protect Your people by the power of Your Cross.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

In your holy birth, Immaculate One, Joachim and Anna were rid of the shame of childlessness; Adam and Eve of the corruption of death. And so your people, free of the guilt of their sins, celebrate crying: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos, who nourishes our life."

Epistle Reading

The Reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 16:13-24

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicos, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Gospel Reading

13th Sunday of Matthew

The Reading is from Matthew 21:33-42

The Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"

Saints and Feasts Commemorated

13th Sunday of Matthew

Icon of the Mother of God of Vladimir



In all probability, the icon of the Mother of God of Vladimir was painted in Constantinople. In the twelfth century, Patriarch Luke Chrysoberges sent it to Kiev to Great Prince Yuri Dolguy. The icon was kept in the convent at Vyshgorod, whence the holy Prince Andrew of Bogoliubovo brought it to Vladimir. The icon is one of the most venerated in Russia, having been carried by princes in military campaigns, prayed before by rulers for the welfare of the people, and flocked to by the faithful of all walks of life. At the election of the metropolitans and patriarchs, the names of the candidates were placed before this holy icon, and

after prayer, the lot chosen; Patriarch Tikhon the Confessor was elected this way. The icon is celebrated also on June 23 and May 21, the last feast being established to commemorate the deliverance of Moscow in 1521 from the onslaught of the Tartar Khan Makhmet-Girei.

The Holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalie



The holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalie confessed the Christian Faith during the reign of Maximian, in Nicomedia, in the year 298. Adrian was a pagan; witnessing the valor of the Martyrs, and the fervent faith with which they suffered their torments, he also declared himself a Christian and was imprisoned. When this was told to his wife Natalie, who was secretly a believer, she visited him in prison and encouraged him in his sufferings. Saint Adrian's hands and feet were placed on an anvil and broken off with a hammer; he died in his torments. His blessed wife recovered part of his

holy relics and took it to Argyropolis near Byzantium, and reposed in peace soon after.

Our Righteous Father Joseph