





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 Pacing 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 the soul of George Kretsedemas, husband of Sophia, father of Georgia Padilla, Tina St. Cyr, Effie Cecchini, Plato Kretsedemas and Nicholas Kretsedemas, and brother to Demetrios Kretsedemas (in addition to many other family) who fell asleep in the Lord the evening of 8/29. May his memory be eternal!
- For our kids and their teachers and school staff as they begin the new school year.
- For Irene Cantos, mother of Fr. Earl, as she recovers from her fall and broken arm.
- For Ilayda Eleni Gelisen, newly illumined, and her family
- For our inquirers and catechumens, as they continue their discernment process, that the Spirit will open their hearts and minds and guide them.

Save the Dates!

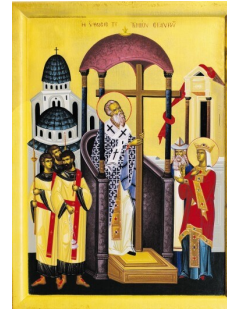
- 9/2 Orthros 9:00a, Divine Liturgy 10:00a with Fr. Earl.
- 9/7 Viewing (6:00p) and Trisagion (7:00p) for George Kretsedemas
Norvel Owens Mortuary
- 9/8 Nativity of the Theotokos
Funeral for George Kretsedemas 9:00a @ our Lady of Guadalupe Church
Second highway pickup/cleanup, meeting 8:00a in Holy Cross 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

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14th Sunday of Matthew

Hymns of the Day

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal First Mode

Eternal with the Father and the Spirit is the Word, Who of a Virgin was begotten for our salvation. As the faithful we both praise and worship Him, for in the flesh did He consent to ascend unto the Cross, and death did He endure and He raised unto life the dead through His all glorious resurrection.

Apolytikion for Martyr Mammias in the Fourth Mode

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received the prize of the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

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 Second Letter to the Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee.

But I call God to witness against me - it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

Gospel Reading

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The Reading is from Matthew 22:2-14

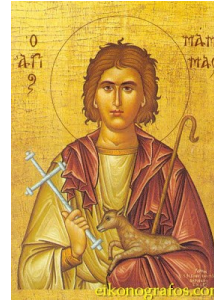
The Lord said this parable, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests.

But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Saints and Feasts Commemorated

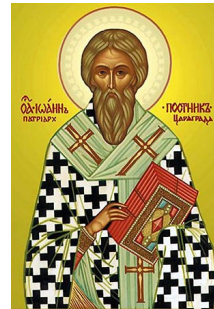
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Mammas the Martyr

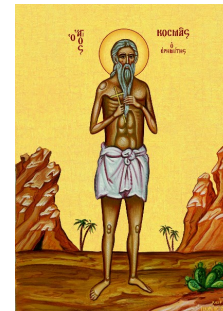


Saint Mammas was from Gangra of Paphlagonia. He was born in prison, where his parents were suffering for Christ's sake and ended their lives. He was named Mammas because, after he had long remained without speaking, he addressed his foster mother Ammia as "mamma." He contested for Christ about the year 275.

John the Abstainer, Patriarch of Constantinople

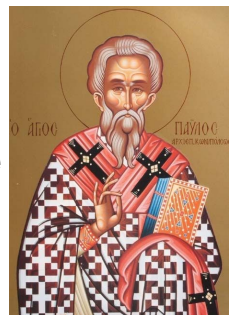


Saint John became Patriarch during the reign of Tiberius, in the year 582, governed the Church for thirteen years and five months, and reposed in peace in 595. It was during this Patriarch's reign, in the year 586, that the title "Ecumenical Patriarch," not used before this, came to be instituted.



Cosmas the Hermit

Paul, Patriarch of Constantinople



Ammon & Aeithalas the Martyrs of Thrace