

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

DORMITION FAST BEGINS TODAY

Thurs. Aug. 18	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Fri. Aug. 19	10 am	Divine Liturgy for Transfiguration
Sat. Aug. 20	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 21*	11 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Aug. 27	10 am	Holy Baptisms
	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 28	11 am	Dormition Liturgy
Sat. Sept. 3	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 4	11 am	Divine Liturgy
Tues. Sept. 6	6:30 pm	ASONA Bible Study
Sat. Sept. 10	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 11	11 am	Divine Liturgy
Tues. Sept. 13	6:30 pm	ASONA Bible Study
Sat. Sept. 17	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 18	11 am	BACK TO CHURCH SUNDAY

Please remember in your prayers Rdr Joseph Scott MacPherson who is scheduled to be ordained to the Holy Diaconate in San Francisco on **Sunday August 21**



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SUN. AUGUST 14, 2022

SEVEN MACCABEAN MARTYRS

TONE 8





THE BIBLE IN THE CHURCH

ASONA FALL BIBLE STUDY

Tuesday nights - 6:30 –8 pm

Starting Tuesday September 6, we will begin our fall Bible Study.

In this Bible study we will not only cover important information about the Bible as a book, and the text itself, but its history, and canonicity.

Then we will delve deeply into how the Church uses the Bible, and identify the references, types, allegories, and echoes of many aspects of Christian Sacramental life.

Please RSVP by email: frjohn@arizonaorthodox.com
Put in Subject: ASONA Bible Class

Coming Soon!

Back to Church Sunday

On this Sunday, we welcome new visitors and old visitors on a special day to make first timers feel especially welcome.

**Back to Church Sunday
is on Sun. Sept. 18th this year**

Spouse Class

A Saturday Seminar

For those looking for future husbands and wives
Life lessons, questions and answers from
a successful Orthodox Christian couple

What will we talk about?

Dating, Courting, Marriage, Weddings, Finances, Work,
Career, Sex, Intimacy, and overcoming your own baggage!

Train your child up in the way he should go

A Saturday Seminar

For Parents and those preparing to be parents
On the raising, forming, and educating of
Orthodox Christian children in the 21st Century

If you have interest in any of these, please see Fr. John

put it on the cross. And the writing was: JESUS OF NAZARETH, THE KING OF THE JEWS. When many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, Greek, and Latin. Now there stood by the cross of Jesus His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Cleopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus therefore saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing by, He said to His mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then He said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour that disciple took her to his own home. After this, Jesus, knowing that all things were now accomplished, that the Scripture might be fulfilled, said, "I thirst!" So when Jesus had received the sour wine, He said, "It is finished!" And bowing His head, He gave up His spirit. Therefore, because it was the Preparation Day, that the bodies should not remain on the cross on the Sabbath (for that Sabbath was a high day), the Jews asked Pilate that their legs might be broken, and that they might be taken away. Then the soldiers came and broke the legs of the first and of the other who was crucified with Him. But when they came to Jesus and saw that He was already dead, they did not break His legs. But one of the soldiers pierced His side with a spear, and immediately blood and water came out. And he who has seen has testified, and his testimony is true; and he knows that he is telling the truth, so that you may believe.

THE LORD SAID, "Therefore whoever confesses Me before men, him I will also confess before My Father who is in heaven. But whoever denies Me before men, him I will also deny before My Father who is in heaven. Do not think that I came to bring peace on earth. I did not come to bring peace but a sword. For I have come to 'set a man against his father, a daughter against her mother, and a daughter-in-law against her mother-in-law'; and 'a man's enemies will be those of his own household.' Now it came to pass, when Jesus finished commanding His twelve disciples, that He departed from there to teach and to preach in their cities."+

GLORY TO THEE, O LORD, GLORY TO THEE!

Prokeimenon in Tone 6 (Ps 28)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance!
To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me.

And in the 4th Tone (Prokemenon of the Maccabees - Ps. 15:3)

On behalf of the saints that are in His land; He hath wrought all His desires in them.

EPISTLE: 1 COR. 3:9-17; 1:18-24: HEBREWS 11:33-12:2

BRETHREN, for we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw -- each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

BRETHREN, for the message of the Cross is foolishness to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written: Where is the wise? Where is the scribe? Where is the disputer of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of this world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world through wisdom did not know God, it pleased God through the foolishness of the message preached to save those who believe. For Jews request a sign, and Greeks seek after wisdom; but we preach Christ crucified, to the Jews a stumbling block and to the Greeks foolishness, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

BRETHREN, who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword,

out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented- of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, **did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us.** Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.+

Alleluia in Tone 4 (Ps. 73)

Remember Thy congregation, which Thou hast gotten of old!
God is our King before the ages; He has worked salvation in the midst of the earth.

And in the 4th Tone (Ps 33)

The righteous cried and the Lord heard them, and He delivered them from all their afflictions.

GOSPEL: MATTHEW 14:22-34:

JOHN 19:6-11; 13-20; 25-28; 30-35 ; MATT. 10:32-36; 11:1

AT THAT TIME, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to

them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

IN THOSE DAYS, when the chief priests and officers saw Him, they cried out, saying, "Crucify Him, crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "You take Him and crucify Him, for I find no fault in Him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and according to our law He ought to die, because He made Himself the Son of God." Therefore, when Pilate heard that saying, he was the more afraid, and went again into the Praetorium, and said to Jesus, "Where are You from?" But Jesus gave him no answer. Then Pilate said to Him, "Are You not speaking to me? Do You not know that I have power to crucify You, and power to release You?" Jesus answered, "You could have no power at all against Me unless it had been given you from above. Therefore the one who delivered Me to you has the greater sin." When Pilate therefore heard that saying, he brought Jesus out and sat down in the judgment seat in a place that is called The Pavement, but in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Now it was the Preparation Day of the Passover, and about the sixth hour. And he said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" But they cried out, "Away with Him, away with Him! Crucify Him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King?" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar!" Then he delivered Him to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus and led Him away. And He, bearing His cross, went out to a place called the Place of a Skull, which is called in Hebrew, Golgotha, where they crucified Him, and two others with Him, one on either side, and Jesus in the center. Now Pilate wrote a title and