

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will return to our post-Coffee Hour classes today!

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Mon. Aug. 14		DORMITION FAST BEGINS
Fri. Aug. 18	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Sat. Aug. 19	10 am	Transfiguration Liturgy
	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 20	8 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Aug. 26	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 27	8am	Divine Liturgy
	5 pm	Great Vespers
Mon. Aug. 28	10 am	Dormition Liturgy
Sat. Sept. 2	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 3	8am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Sept. 9	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 10	8am	Divine Liturgy



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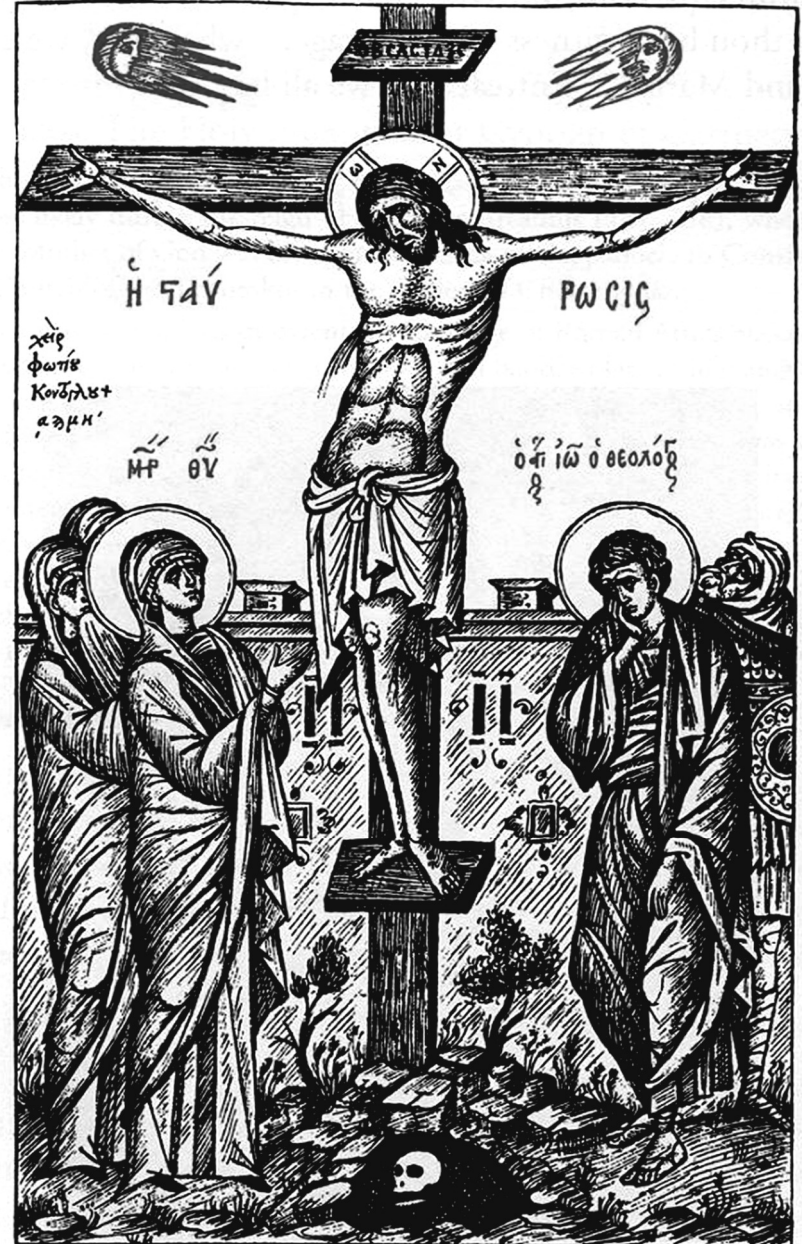
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SUN. AUG. 13, 2023 FOREFEAST OF THE PROCESSION OF THE CROSS TONE 1



Prokeimenon in Tone 1 (Ps 33)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on Thee!
v. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous! Praise befits the just!

In the 7th Tone

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His Saints.

1 CORINTHIANS 4:9-16 ; ROMANS 8:28-39

Brethren, for I think that God has displayed us, the apostles, last, as men condemned to death; for we have been made a spectacle to the world, both to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ! We are weak, but you are strong! You are distinguished, but we are dishonored! To the present hour we both hunger and thirst, and we are poorly clothed, and beaten, and homeless. And we labor, working with our own hands. Being reviled, we bless; being persecuted, we endure; being defamed, we entreat. We have been made as the filth of the world, the offscouring of all things until now. I do not write these things to shame you, but as my beloved children I warn you. For though you might have ten thousand instructors in Christ, yet you do not have many fathers; for in Christ Jesus I have begotten you through the gospel. Therefore I urge you, imitate me.

Brethren, we know that all things work together for good to those who love God, to those who are called according to His purpose. For whom He foreknew, He also predestined to be conformed to the image of His Son, that He might be the firstborn among many brethren. Moreover whom He predestined, these He also called; whom He called, these He also justified; and whom He justified, these He also glorified. What then shall we say to these things? If God is for us, who can be against us? He who did not spare His own Son, but delivered Him up for us all, how shall He not with Him also freely give us all things? Who shall bring a charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies. Who is he who condemns? It is Christ who died, and furthermore is also risen, who is even at the right hand of God, who also makes intercession for us. Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written: "For Your sake we are killed all day long; We are accounted as sheep for the slaughter." Yet in all these things we are more than conquerors through Him who loved us. For I am persuaded that neither death nor life, nor angels nor principalities nor powers, nor things present nor things to come, nor height nor depth, nor any other created thing, shall be able to separate us from the love of God which is in Christ Jesus our Lord.+

Alleluia in Tone 1 (Ps 18)

God gives vengeance to me and subdues people under me!
He magnifies the salvation of the king, and deals mercifully with His Christ, with David and his seed forever!

And In the 4th tone

Blessed is the man that fears the Lord, that greatly delights in His commandments!

GOSPEL: MATT. 17:14-23 ; LUKE 21:12-19

At that time, when they had come to the multitude, a man came to Him, kneeling down to Him and saying, Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and suffers severely; for he often falls into the fire and often into the water. So I brought him to Your disciples, but they could not cure him. Then Jesus answered and said, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long shall I be with you? How long shall I bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked the demon, and it came out of him; and the child was cured from that very hour. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" So Jesus said to them, "Because of your unbelief; for assuredly, I say to you, if you have faith as a mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible for you. However, this kind does not go out except by prayer and fasting. Now while they were staying in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is about to be betrayed into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and the third day He will be raised up. And they were exceedingly sorrowful.

The LORD said, "before all these things, they will lay their hands on you and persecute you, delivering you up to the synagogues and prisons. You will be brought before kings and rulers for My name's sake. But it will turn out for you as an occasion for testimony. Therefore settle it in your hearts not to meditate beforehand on what you will answer; for I will give you a mouth and wisdom which all your adversaries will not be able to contradict or resist. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relatives and friends; and they will put some of you to death. And you will be hated by all for My name's sake. But not a hair of your head shall be lost. By your patience possess your souls.+



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This fall will mark the 5th anniversary for the
GreatMartyr Euphemia Orthodox Theological Academy.

Founded in 2018, originally to provide training and education for men seeking ordination to the diaconate in the Vicariate for Palestinian/Jordanian Orthodox Christian Communities in the United States under the Patriarchate of Constantinople, the Academy now boasts students in 24 countries, and ordained graduates in multiple jurisdictions, including the Patriarchates of Jerusalem, Antioch, Alexandria, Greece, Serbia, and ROCOR.

Many of our own Arizona clergy - both deacons and priests, and some lay Bible instructors - are graduates of the GMEOTA program. Many homeschooling parents have taken courses and graduated as well. GMEOTA has courses in Old and New Testament Scripture, Church History, Canon Law, Patristics, Moral theology, Dogmatic theology, comparative theology, and more!

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See Fr. John if you have any questions!



**FOR GOD SO
LOVED THE WORLD
THAT HE GAVE HIS
ONE AND ONLY SON,
— THAT WHOEVER —
BELIEVES IN HIM
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JOHN 3:16

FEAST OF FAITH

The celebration, fasts, and glorifications of Orthodoxy

Procession of the Holy Cross

The origin of this Feast is best explained in the Greek Horologion of 1897: "Because of the illnesses which occur during the month of August, it was customary at Constantinople to carry the Precious Wood of the Cross in procession throughout the city for its sanctification, and to deliver it from sickness."

On the eve (July 31), the Cross was removed from the imperial treasury and placed it upon the Holy Table of the Great Church of Hagia Sophia (which is dedicated to Christ, the Wisdom of God).

From August 1 until the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, there was a procession throughout the entire the city, and then the Cross was placed where all the people could venerate it.

In the Russian Church this Feast is combined with the remembrance of the Baptism of Rus on August 1, 988. In the "The order of services for the holy, catholic, and apostolic Great Church of the Dormition," which was compiled in 1627 by order of Patriarch Philaret of Moscow and All Rus, there is a similar explanation of the Feast:

"On the day of the Procession of the Precious Cross there is a Cross Procession with the Sanctification of Water, for the enlightenment of the people, in all the towns and places."



Knowledge of the day of the actual Baptism of Rus is preserved in the Chronicles of the XVI century: "The Baptism of the Great Prince Vladimir of Kiev and of all Rus took place on August 1."

In the current practice of the Russian Church, the service of the Lesser Sanctification of Water on August 1 takes place either before or after Liturgy. Because of the Blessing of Water, this first Feast of the Savior in August is sometimes called "the Savior of the Water." Along with the Blessing of Water, there may also be a Blessing of Honey (thus it is also called "the Savior of the Honey)," because on this day, the newly-gathered honey is blessed and tasted.

Glory to God for All Things!

