

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sat. Sept. 16	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 17	8am	Divine Liturgy w/Anniversary of founding of All Saints of North America
Wed. Sept. 20	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Thurs. Sept. 21	10 am	Festal Liturgy Nativity of the Theotokos
Sat. Sept. 23	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Sept. 24	8am	Divine Liturgy
Tues. Sept. 26	6:30 pm	Great Vespers
Wed. Sept. 27	10 am	Festal Liturgy Exaltation of Holy Cross
Sat. Sept. 30	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Oct. 1	8am	Divine Liturgy

SEE THE INSERT FOR INFORMATION ABOUT  
NEXT WEEK'S FESTAL ANNIVERSARY

PRAY FOR PEACE AND FOR EACH OTHER



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ALL SAINTS OF  
ORTHODOX NORTH AMERICA  
CHURCH



SUN. SEPT. 10, 2023

ST. MOSES THE BLACK OF SKETE

TONE 5





**Prokeimenon in Tone 5 (Ps 12)**

Thou, O Lord, shalt protect us and preserve us from this generation forever!

Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any that is godly!

**EPISTLE: 2 CORINTHIANS 1:21-2:4**

**B**RETHREN, now He who establishes us with you in Christ and has anointed us is God, who also has sealed us and given us the Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. Moreover I call God as witness against my soul, that to spare you I came no more to Corinth. Not that we have dominion over your faith, but are fellow workers for your joy; for by faith you stand. But I determined this within myself, that I would not come again to you in sorrow. For if I make you sorrowful, then who is he who makes me glad but the one who is made sorrowful by me? And I wrote this very thing to you, lest, when I came, I should have sorrow over those from whom I ought to have joy, having confidence in you all that my joy is the joy of you all. For out of much affliction and anguish of heart I wrote to you, with many tears, not that you should be grieved, but that you might know the love which I have so abundantly for you.+

**Alleluia in Tone 5 (Ps 89)**

I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy Truth from generation to generation.

Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever, and my Truth will be prepared in the heavens!

**GOSPEL: MATTHEW 22:1-14**

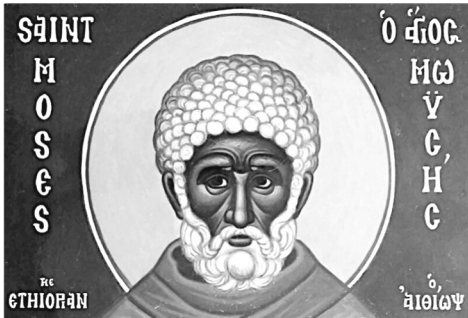
**T**HE LORD SAID THIS PARABLE: "The kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who arranged a marriage for his son, and sent out his servants to call those who were invited to the wedding; and they were not willing to come. Again, he sent out other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, See, I have prepared my dinner; my oxen and fatted cattle are killed, and all things are ready. Come to the wedding.' " But they made light of it and went their ways, one to his own farm, another to his business. And the rest seized his servants, treated them spitefully, and killed them. But when the king heard about it, he was furious. And he sent out his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned up their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy. 'Therefore go into the highways, and as many as you find, invite to the wedding.' So those servants went out into the highways and gathered together all whom they found, both bad and good. And the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to see the guests, he saw a man there who did not have on a wedding garment. So he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the servants, 'Bind him hand and foot, take him away, and cast him into outer darkness; there will be weeping and gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen.+



# SAINTS ALIVE

## St. Moses the Ethiopian

St. Moses lived in Egypt during the fourth century. He was an Ethiopian, and because of his bad character and great physical strength, a band of brigands chose him as their leader. They were feared because of their many evil exploits, including murders and robberies. People trembled at the mere mention of



his name. Moses the brigand spent several years leading a sinful life, but through the great mercy of God he repented, left his band of robbers and went to one of the desert monasteries. Here he wept for a long time, begging to be admitted as one of the brethren. The monks were not convinced of the sincerity of his repentance, but the former robber would neither be driven away nor silenced. He continued to implore that they accept him. Saint Moses was completely obedient to the Igumen and the brethren, and he poured forth many tears of sorrow for his sinful life. After a certain while Saint Moses withdrew to a solitary cell, where he spent his time in prayer and the strictest fasting. Long into his monastic life, the saint was ordained a priest, and labored for fifteen years at that rank, and gathered 75 disciples around himself.

When the saint reached the age of 75, he warned his monks that soon brigands would descend upon the skete and murder all those who remained there. The saint blessed his monks to leave, in order to avoid violent death. His disciples begged the saint to leave with them, but he replied: "For many years now, I have awaited the time when the words spoken by my Master, the Lord Jesus Christ, should be fulfilled: 'All who take up the sword, shall perish by the sword'" (Matt. 26: 52). After this, seven of the brethren remained with Saint Moses, and one of them hid nearby during the attack of the robbers. The robbers killed Saint Moses and the six monks who remained with him. Their death occurred about the year 400.

**Glory to God for All Things!**

NATIONAL PREPAREDNESS MONTH

## Week 2: Build a Kit with Everyone in mind



**Being prepared means having your own food, water and other supplies to last for several days. A disaster supply kit is a collection of basic items your household may need in the event of an emergency.**



### Assemble Your Disaster Supply Kit

Visit [bit.ly/EmergencySupplyList](https://bit.ly/EmergencySupplyList) for a list of the items you should include in your kit. Don't forget to consider what unique needs your family might have. Store the items in airtight plastic bags and put your entire disaster supply kit in one or two easy-to-carry containers such as plastic bins or a duffel bag.



### Maintaining Your Kit

After assembling your kit, remember to maintain it so it's ready when needed: keep canned food in a cool, dry place, store boxed food in tightly closed plastic or metal containers, replace expired items as needed, re-think your needs every year and update your kit as your family's needs change.



### Storing Your Kit

Since you do not know where you will be when an emergency occurs, prepare supplies for home, work and cars. Make sure all family members know where the kit is kept and have it ready in case you have to leave your home quickly. Keep a "grab and go" kit of emergency supplies at your work and in your car.

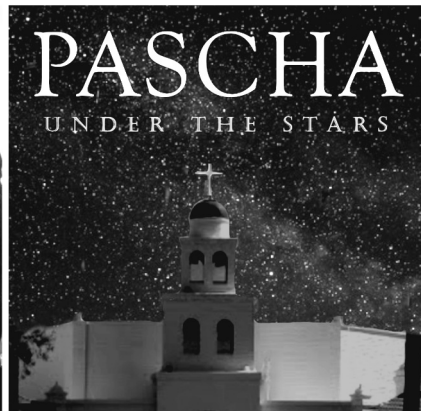
Visit [ArizonaOrthodox.com/READY](https://ArizonaOrthodox.com/READY) for additional information, resources, checklists, and more for building your family or agency disaster supply plan.



ALL SAINTS  
OF NORTH AMERICA

## NEXT SUNDAY IS THE 6TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE FOUNDING OF OUR PARISH!

As you know, a lot has happened in that 6 years! We have grown and weathered it all! We have founded, and helped establish, 6 mission parishes, established an online Orthodox academy for the training of clergy, had our several of our men ordained to Holy Orders, remained open with a full cycle of liturgical services without fail during the Covid crisis, and our online Catechism is used by clergy, parishes, and inquirers all over the world!



# CELEBRATE WITH US!

Next week, we want to coordinate a extra special meal for everyone at our weekly fellowship hour. **For this, we need your help.**

**Please see Mka Mary Macpherson or Patricia Rudolph TODAY to coordinate our offerings.**

