

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

# Christ is born! Glorify Him!

Be sure to pick up your 2024 ASONA Parish Calendar today!

Thurs. Jan 18	9 am 6 pm	Royal Hours Theophany Vesp. Liturgy Theophany <i>w/ Great Blessing of Waters</i>
Fri. Jan. 19	8 am	Theophany Typika Service
Sat. Jan. 20	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Jan. 21	9 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Jan 27	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Jan 28	9 am	Divine Liturgy



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## ALL SAINTS OF ORTHODOX NORTH AMERICA CHURCH



SUN. JAN. 14, 2023

SUNDAY BEFORE THEOPHANY

TONE 7





**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 1st Tone**

My mouth shall speak wisdom, and the meditation of my heart shall be understanding!

EPISTLE: 2 TIM. 4:5-8; COL. 2:8-12; HEB. 7:26-8:2

**B**rethren, as for you, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

**B**rethren, see to it that no one makes a prey of you by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in him the whole fulness of deity dwells bodily, and you have come to fulness of life in him, who is the head of all rule and authority. In him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of flesh in the circumcision of Christ; and you were buried with him in baptism, in which you were also raised with him through faith in the working of God, who raised him from the dead.



**IMPORTANT DATES TO KEEP IN MIND**

*Pre-Lent begins at the end of February!*

Tues. Feb. 6	Feast of St. Xenia of St. Petersburg
Thurs. Feb. 15	Feast of the Meeting of the Lord
Sun. February 18	Zacchaeus Sunday
Sun. February 25	Publican and Pharisee Sunday
Sun. March 3	Prodigal Son Sunday
Sun. March 10	Meatfare Sunday
Sun. March 17	Cheesefare Sunday
March 18-22	First Week of Great Lent
Sun. March 24	Triumph of Orthodoxy Sunday
Sun. March 31	St. Gregory Palamas Sunday
Sun. April 7	Veneration of the Cross Sunday
Sun. April 14	St. John of the Ladder Sunday
Sun. April 21	St. Mary of Egypt Sunday
Sun. April 28	Palm Sunday
April 29-May 4	Holy Week
Sat. May 4	Holy Saturday/Paschal Vigil
Sun. May 5	PASCHA



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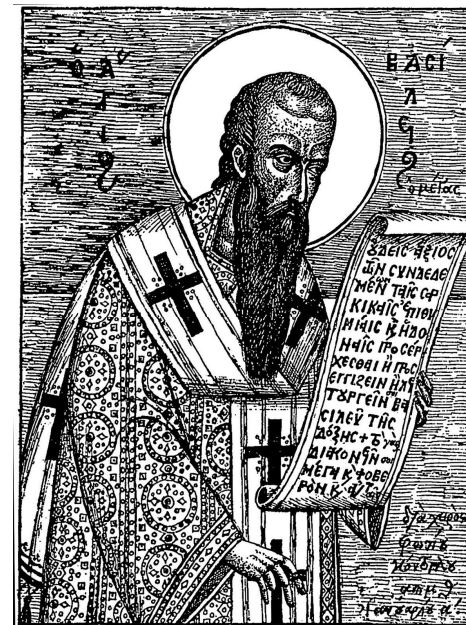
**B**rethren, For it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

**Alleluia in the 8th Tone**

God be gracious unto us and bless us, and make His face to shine upon us, and have mercy on us.

O Shepherd of Israel attend, Thou that leadest Joseph like a sheep!

The mouth of the righteous shall meditate wisdom, and his tongue shall speak of judgment!



GOSPEL: MARK 1:1-8; LUKE 2:20-21,40-52; 6:17-23

**T**he beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in Isaiah the prophet, "Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight--" John the baptizer appeared in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

**I**n those days, the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. And at the end of eight days, when he was circumcised, he was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before he was conceived in the womb. And the child grew and became strong; he was filled with wisdom, and the grace of God was on him. Every year Jesus' parents went to Jerusalem for the Festival of the Passover. When he was twelve years old, they went up to the festival, according to the custom. After the festival was over, while his parents were returning home, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem, but they were unaware of it. Thinking he was in their company, they traveled on for a day. Then they began looking for him among their relatives and friends. When they did not find him, they went back to Jerusalem to look for him. After three days they found him in the temple courts, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions. Everyone who heard him was amazed at his understanding and his answers. When his parents saw him, they were astonished. His mother said to him, "Son, why have you treated us like this?"

Your father and I have been anxiously searching for you." "Why were you searching for me?" he asked. "Didn't you know I had to be in my Father's house?" But they did not understand what he was saying to them. Then he went down to Nazareth with them and was obedient to them. But his mother treasured all these things in her heart. And Jesus grew in wisdom and stature, and in favor with God and man.

**A**t that time, Jesus came down with them and stood on a level place, with a great crowd of his disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and Jerusalem and the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear him and to be healed of their diseases; and those who were troubled with unclean spirits were cured. And all the crowd sought to touch him, for power came forth from him and healed them all. And he lifted up his eyes on his disciples, and said: "Blessed are you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God. "Blessed are you that hunger now, for you shall be satisfied. "Blessed are you that weep now, for you shall laugh. Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, on account of the Son of man! Rejoice in that day, and leap for joy, for behold, your reward is great in heaven; for so their fathers did to the prophets.+

*(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:)*

**All of Creation rejoices in you,**

O full of Grace,

The assembly of angels and the race of men,

O Sanctified Temple and Spiritual Paradise,

The glory of virgins

From whom God was incarnate and became a man

All of Creation rejoices in you,

O Full of Grace,

Glory to you!