



# From The Ambvon

## ST MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 4. Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia, and those with him: Martyrs Theophilus—Deacon; Dorotheus, Mardonius, Migdonius, Peter, Indes, Gorgonius, Zeno; the Virgin Domna, and Euthymius (302).

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### Birthdays & Anniversaries for September

**Birthdays:** Michael Keklak (9/4); Juda Hart (9/8); Nadia Hart (9/10); Emily Hart (9/21); Gregory Krevko (9/14); Michael Jadick (9/26)

**Nameday:** Nadia/Nadezhda Macheska (9/17); Nadia/Hope Hart (9/17)

**Anniversary:**

**Baptism:**

**Travelers:**

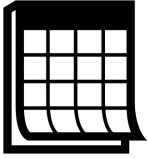
**Prospora Schedule:** We need families to start baking prospora at home

**Counting:** Please Sign up to Count for the month of August

**Visitors:** *PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR DOWNSTAIRS for an Agape Meal. Thank you to everyone who donated. Please donate what you would spend for a cup of coffee at the agape me to replenish our supplies.*

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DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: *A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from our community. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive themselves by fasting and a recent (monthly) confession..If you have questions please ask Fr Michael!*



## Service Schedule

THURS, Sep 7th: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers w/Litya  
Fri, Sep 8th: Hours @ 9:00 AM Hours, The Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos  
and Ever-Virgin Mary

SAT, Sep 9th: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers. Confession following  
SUN, Sep 10th: Hours @ 9:20 AM Hours, 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5.  
Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos. Sunday before Elevation.

WED, Sep 13th: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers w/Litya  
THURS, Sep 14th: Hours @ 9:00 AM Hours, The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life  
Giving Cross



## Announcements

### Upcoming Parish & Diocesan Events

**Silent Prayers and Confession:** Every Wednesday 11:00AM - 1:30PM or you can make an appt for confession.

**Monthly Panikhida:** September 30th 4pm. Please submit the name of family members you would like to be remembered.

**Inquirers/Catechumen/Continuing ED Class:** Every Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm. COME AND LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH!

**Bible Study:** Every Thursday 11am - Noon. Bring a sack Lunch. We will start with Romans chapter 1.

**Church Work Day:** Every Friday is Church Maintenance day. Come help! Please come and help maintain the Church and its grounds.

**Heavenly Host Program:** Natasha Coyoy is our coordinator. Need to schedule a date for a briefing.

**Parish Council Meeting: 03Sept23 All are invited. (Every first Sunday of the Month)**  
Please come and see the great things our parish council is doing and the vision we have. The Annual Parish census is coming up and is due to the chancery in October. Please visit our website to review our bylaws. To be a voting member I need a statement of Intent signed by you and the commitment to God and His church by Time, Talent, Treasure, Confession, & Communion.

**Registration** - Please continue to sign up on the website to receive the weekly emails. We are going live with our services! Please go to the website to register for our youtube channel.

**Pasta Dinner** - Nov 11th, Veterans Day. Please see Tamara Wytovich to help Volunteer.

## *Parish Prayer List*

**NEWLY DEPARTED:** *Matushka Dolores Donlick (7/28);*

**DEPARTED:** *Nancy Jurnak (9/7); Mary Shrive 9/30;*

**Please remember in your prayers LIVING**

Ill-afflicted *Archpriests John Nightingale & Theodore Orzolek*

**Servants of God** *Barbara Sevensky, Bernie & Beverly Elko, Sandra Condon, Marie Pasternak, Ann Tyrpak, Sandy & Danny Pregmon, Walter Pritchuk, Michael & Euphemia Keklak; Elizabeth Jackson; Justin Kane; Maria & Vitaliy Rakovsky; Ekaterina & Anna; Joe & Kelly Cigna; George, Natasha, & Rosa Coyoy; Paul & Ann Newmeyer; Mat. Emilia, Blaise, Maximus, Rodion, Savina Shepherd; Joseph, Emilia, Judah, Nadezda, & Silas Hart; Eli & Paula Stavisky, Helen Wytovich, Tammy Wytovich, Charissa & Daniel Voroziichak, Nadia Macheska, Paulette Ezbiansky,*

**All those caring for the sick and suffering at this time throughout the world, especially our families and friends:** *Christine Sevensky, Mike Jadick, Margaret Pregmon, Daniel Jones, Matushka Paula Soucek; Alexander Horek; The child of God Abigail and Nathan.*

### **How Much is my tithe**

Weekly	2%	4%	5%	10%
<b>\$200</b>	\$4	\$8	\$10	\$20
<b>\$500</b>	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$50
<b>\$750</b>	\$15	\$30	\$37	\$75
<b>\$1000</b>	\$20	\$40	\$50	\$100
<b>\$1500</b>	\$30	\$60	\$75	\$150

**WEEKLY GIVING UPDATE:** We thank you for your continued giving in gratitude for all that our loving God does for each of us, for His Holy Church, **and** all the blessings we receive through her.

**August Income:** \$7,969.00 tithes/donations only  
12,771.62/140,307.37 PC will consolidate and invest monies in OCIIF.

**Expenditures:** \$22,997.10

**Bank Balance:** \$244,366.32

**Weekly Cost to Keep the Church Open:** \$3,225.62

**Monthly Cost to Keep the Church Open:** \$12,902.49



**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16:13-24**

**Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42**

### *From the Saints & Teachers*

#### **1 Corinthians 16:13–14 (ACCS 1-2 Co): 16:13 Stand Firm in Faith**

**Stand Firm. Ambrosiaster:** They were to be watchful, in case they were secretly attacked in their faith. They were to stand firm, being bold in confessing what they had been taught. They were to be strong in both word and deed, because it is the right combination of these which enables people to mature. **Commentary on Paul's Epistles.**

#### **16:14 Do Everything in Love**

**All Troubles Avoidable by Love. Chrysostom:** If love had been present, the Corinthians would not have been puffed up, they would not have divided into factions, they would not have gone to law before heathens, or indeed at all. If there had been love in the church, that notorious person would not have taken his father's wife, they would not have looked down on their weaker brethren, and they would not have boasted about their spiritual gifts. **Homilies on the Epistles of Paul to the Corinthians 44.2.**

#### **Matthew 21:33 (ACCS Mt 14-28): 21:33 A Householder Planted a Vineyard**

**Hear Another Parable. Chrysostom:** This parable suggests many things: God's providence had been at work toward them from the outset; their disposition was murderous from the beginning; nothing had been neglected of whatever pertained to an attentive care for them. even when prophets had been slain, God had not turned away from this people but had sent them his very Son; it is now clear that the God of both the New and the Old Testaments is one and the same; we know that the Son's death will effect great blessings; we here learn that they were to endure extreme punishment for the crucifixion; here we learn of the calling of the Gentiles and the turning aside of the unbelieving Jews.

He presents this parable after the previous one that he may show the charge to be even greater in this case and highly unpardonable. In what way? Although the Jews had received so much care from God, they were now found to be worse than harlots and publicans, and that by a wide margin. **The Gospel of Matthew, Homily 68.1.**