



Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian



Fr. Mike Downs

June 7th, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
7 8:45 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Sunday School End of Year Party	8	9	10	11 4:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study	12	13
14	15 7:00 p.m. Parish Ministries Zoom Seminar	16 5:30 Men's Bible Study	17 5:30 Paraklesis	18	19	20
Strict Fast Fish Allowed Dairy Allowed Wine and Oil Allowed						

Welcome Visitors

We extend a warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We would like to remind you that Holy Eucharist is reserved for those who have been baptized or chrismated in the Orthodox Church and have prepared themselves to receive the Eucharist. All visitors are welcome to receive the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

Prayer List

Please keep the following individuals in your daily prayers: Emmanuel, Georgios, Vasilios, Rachel, Hannah, Evelyn, Delbert, Peter, Chuck, Martha Ann, Lynn, Regina, Nan, Liddell, Thomas, Lori, Larry, Andrew, Linda, Dot, Mary, and Aubrey.

To add names to our community prayer list for 40 days of prayer, submit them to frmike@holytrinityjackson.org or call the church office.

Weekly Collections

Below are the General Fund collections for last week:

5/25 - 5/31 = \$1,036.95.

Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

The parish council leads serving as greeters for this Sunday are Malissa Zouboukos and Ben Wise.

Extra Services

On Wednesday, June 17th at 5:30 p.m. we will have Paraklesis.

A banner for a webinar series set against a background of an ornate church interior. On the left is a circular logo with a cross and the text 'CATHOLIC PARISH LEADERSHIP'. The text '2026 OPL MONTHLY WEBINAR SERIES' is centered. Below it, the title 'Expanding the Living Parish' is written in a large, elegant font, followed by the subtitle 'Discerning, Leading, and Embracing'. At the bottom left, a dark blue box contains the text '2026 WEBINARS MONDAYS AT 5:00 PM (PDT)'. A glowing orange heartbeat line runs across the bottom of the banner.

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Expanding the Living Parish
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MONDAYS AT 5:00 PM (PDT)

MONDAY, JUNE 15, 2026

5:00 PM PDT | 8:00 PM EDT

**ELEMENTS OF A THRIVING PARISH
EMPOWERING PARISH MINISTRIES**

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**SCAN TO
REGISTER**

This month's session builds directly on the shared learning, tools, and parish experiences cultivated over the past several years through Metropolis of Boston's Thriving Congregations Initiative (TCI). Drawing from real examples from participating parishes, we will explore the key characteristics that contribute to parish health: a robust spiritual life, clear vision, and an awareness of the surrounding community. Particular attention will be given to how parishes can move from maintaining programs to empowering ministries that invite ownership, foster relationships, and extend the life of the Church beyond Sunday services. Through practical insights and stories, this webinar will help clergy and lay leaders identify where their parish stands today and how to take concrete, attainable steps toward deeper engagement, stronger ministries, and long-term vitality within the life of the Church.



Sunday School

POOL PARTY

SUNDAY 7th JUNE

3:00-5:00 PM

The Hontzas House
109 Serontina Road
Madison, MS 39110

Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode Pl. 4.

From on high You descended, Most Merciful, * for us You condescended to a three day burial *to set us free from the passions.
* O Lord our resurrection and our life, * glory to You! (p. 105)

For the Saints Mode 4.

Your Church is arrayed in the holy blood of Your Martyrs who witnessed throughout the world, as though in purple and fine linen. Through them she cries to You, Christ our God, "Send down to Your people Your tender love, grant peace from above to Your commonwealth, and to our souls Your great mercy."

Of the Parish Church Mode Pl. 4.

O blessed are you, o Christ our God. Who by sending down the Holy Spirit upon them, made the fishermen wise and through them illumined the world, and to you, the universe was ever drawn all glory to You, o Lord.

Of the Parish Church Mode 2.

Apostle beloved of Christ God hasten to deliver a defenseless people, for He who allowed you to recline on his breast will allow you bowing in intercession. Implore Him o Theologian to disperse the adversary, and grant us His peace and abundant mercy.

Kontakion Mode Pl. 4th.

O Planter of creation, Lord, to You does the entire world bring as an offering the God-bearing martyr Saints, as being nature's first fruits. At their earnest entreaties, keep Your Church in a state of profoundest peace, through the Theotokos, O Lord abundantly merciful.

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2

Brethren, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

The Gospel According to Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."