

Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian

Fr. Mike Downs

November 24th, 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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8:45 Orthros 10:00 Liturgy		4:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study				11:00 a.m. Stewpot
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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: Collier, Dora, John, Despina, Bini, Nancy, Anna, Larry, Mary, Matt, Demitri, Pat, Frank, George, Dot, Joey, Anastasia, Georgia, Despene, and Bob.

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

Weekly Collections

Below are the General Fund collections for last week:

11/11 - 11/17 = \$2,910.45

Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

The parish council leads serving as greeters for this Sunday are Michaele Glisson and Jonathan Hontzas



Extra Services

On Wednesday, December 4th, we will have a Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. for St. Barbara and a Paraklesis at 5:30 p.m.

On Friday, December 6th at 10:00 a.m. we will have a Divine Liturgy For St. Nicholas.



Stewpot

As we head into the holiday season we have an opportunity follow the commandments of Christ by ministering to those most in need. On November 30th at

11:00 a.m. we will meet at 1100 West Capitol Street in Jackson to assist with feeding the hungry at Stewpot Ministries. We will look forward to seeing you there.





Our Men's Bible Study started back up on Tuesday, November 19th at 5:30 p.m. at Broad Street Baking Company and Cafe at Banner Hall, 4465 I-55 Suite #101, Jackson, MS 39206. We will continue to meet on a biweekly basis, alternating with the Women's Bible Study.

We will be working our way through Know the Faith by Rev. Michael Shanbour. It can be downloaded free of charge on the Ancient Faith store.





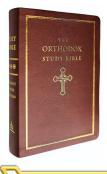
Belhaven Singing Christmas Tree

On Friday, December 6th we will meet at Ellen Hontzas' house at 5:00 p.m. before departing for the Belhaving Singing Christmas Tree.

This is a great experience for all of the children of our community and we will look forward to seeing them there for this annual tradition.







Women's Bible Study

Our Women's Bible Study continues to have good participation and provide a positive experience for the women in our community. They will continue to meet on a biweekly basis and encourage all of the women of our community to join them for this time of study and fellowship.



As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

Apolytikion. Mode 4.

Today is the prelude of God's good pleasure, and the proclamation of humanity's salvation. In the temple of God, the Virgin is presented openly, and in herself she announces Christ to all. Let us, then, with a great voice cry aloud to her: "Rejoice, you are the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

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 4. You who were lifted.

The Savior's most pure and immaculate temple, the very precious bridal chamber and Virgin, who is the sacred treasure of the glory of God, on this day is introduced into the House of the Lord, and with herself she brings the grace in the divine Spirit. She is extolled by the Angels of God. A heavenly tabernacle is she.

St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Gospel According to Luke 18:18-27

At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' " And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."