








# Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian



Fr. Mike Downs

## June 28<sup>th</sup>, 2026

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 8:45 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy 	29 Clergy Laity	30 Clergy Laity	1 Clergy Laity 	2 Clergy Laity	3 	4
5 8:45 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy	6	7	8 5:30 Paraklesis 	9	10 	11

 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](mailto:frmike@holytrinityjackson.org) or call the church office.

## Weekly Collections

Below are the General Fund collections for last week:

6/15 - 6/21 = \$1,769.50.

## Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

The parish council leads serving as greeters for this Sunday are Michael Fowler and Malissa Zouboukos.

## Extra Services

On Wednesday, July 8<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. we will have Paraklesis.



## National Clergy Laity Conference

Fr. Mike will be out of the office from June 29<sup>th</sup> to July 4<sup>th</sup>. During this time he will be

in Cleveland, OH for the National Clergy Laity Conference. Aside from voting in plenary sessions for the national budget and other issues, the exhibits will also present many new materials being offered by the Archdiocese to further support ministries in the parishes. If you need anything during this time, Fr. Mike can be reached by email.

### Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode 3.

Let the heavens rejoice; let the earth be glad, \* for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. \* He trampled down death by death \* and became the first born of the dead. \* From the depths of Hades, \* He delivered us \* and granted to the world great mercy. (p. 95)

### 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 of the Theotokos Mode 2.**

The protection of Christians unshameable, \* intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, \* do not turn from \* the prayerful cries of those who are in sin, \* instead, come to us for you are good; \* your loving help bring unto us, \* who are crying in faith to you: \* Hasten to intercession \* and speed now to supplication \* as a protection for all time, \* Theotokos, for those who honor you. (p. 111)

## **The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 6:18-23**

Brethren, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## **The Gospel According to Matthew 8:5-13**

At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with

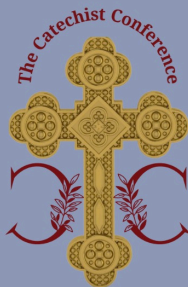
Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

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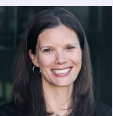
July 25 | Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Charlotte, NC



### Rev. Father Panayiotis Papageorgiou

**Ambassadors of Christ: "Let your Light Shine in Front of Men..."**

Father Panayiotis was born in Cyprus and holds degrees in Chemical Engineering from City College of New York and the University of Notre Dame, a Master of Divinity from Holy Cross, and a Ph.D. in Early Christian Studies from The Catholic University of America. He has served as a priest in the United States and Cyprus for 38 years and has taught Orthodox theology in Cyprus, Jerusalem, Canada, and the United States. For the past 20 years he has been the pastor of Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church in Marietta, Georgia. He is the author of Homilies on Romans by St. John Chrysostom, Volume 1 and CEO of the online ministry Trisagion Films. He is married to Presvytera Catherine and they have two children and two grandchildren.



### Dr. Ann Mitsakos Bezzerides

**Faith that Sticks for Life: Strategies for Engaging Every Student**

Dr. Ann Mitsakos Bezzerides is the Executive Director of the Cross Road Institute and Director of the Office of Vocation & Ministry at Hellenic College Holy Cross, where she teaches Youth Ministry and oversees the Certificate in Youth and Young Adult Ministry and Leadership. She has edited and contributed to two essay collections, *Christ at Work: Orthodox Christian Perspectives of Vocation and Eastern Orthodox Christianity and Higher Education*. She is also the co-author of *Find Your Telos: Discover What Orthodox Young Adults & Parishes Can Create Together*. Her work focuses on vocation, youth ministry, and leadership within the Orthodox Church. She holds degrees from Middlebury College (BA), St. Vladimir's Seminary (M.Div), and Boston College (PhD).

August 1 | Saint Mark Greek Orthodox Church, Boca Raton, FL



### Father Anthony Salzman

**Theology in Color | Making a Scratch Board Icon Workshop**

Father Anthony Salzman graduated from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology Summa Cum Laude in 1989. He spent the next 6 years studying the Art of Byzantine Iconography under Master Iconographer Kosta Philotidis in Thessaloniki, Greece. He is serving the Church of St. Philothea Greek Orthodox Church in Watkinsville, Ga., since 1999. He is married to Christine and has two sons, Stephanos and Maximos and two grandchildren Amalia and Silas.



### Dr. Eve Tibbs

**Seeing the Gospel: A Festival of Icons and Their Meaning  
Teaching the Twelve Great Feast through Icons**

Dr. Eve Tibbs is the author of *A Basic Guide to Eastern Orthodox Theology: Introducing Beliefs and Practices* and *Seeing the Gospel: An Interpretive Guide to Orthodox Icons*. Dr. Tibbs currently serves as a member of the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches representing the Ecumenical Patriarchate. She is the Ministry Lead for Adult Christian Education and a member of the Metropolis Council of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco.

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