








# Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian

Fr. Mike Downs

## July 20<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>20</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <b>Orthodoxy 101</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 4:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>23</b> 5:30 p.m. Paraklesis 	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> 	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <b>Orthodoxy 101</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> 5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	<b>30</b> 5:30 p.m. Paraklesis 	<b>31</b>	<b>1</b> 	<b>2</b> 

 **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, Bini, Nancy, Anna, Matt, John, Demetri, Joey, Anastasia, Georgia, Despene, Emmanuel, Georgios, Vasilios, Rachel, Alex, Hannah, Evelyn, Delbert, Peter, Chuck, Fr. Paul, Martha Ann, Lee, Alyssa, Will, Bob II, Lynn, and Regina.

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:

7/7 - 7/13 = \$1,871.10

## Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

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

## Extra Services

On Tuesday, July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 10:00 a.m. we will have a Divine Liturgy for St. Mary Magdalene.

On Wednesday, July 23<sup>rd</sup> at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Paraklesis.

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

This year's religious educator's conference will be available by Zoom. Scan the QR code below to register.

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*This conference is open to all, including teachers of Sunday Catechism, Adult Religious educators, parents and grandparents of catechism students, Parish Team Ministry leaders, and Clergy*

# Pantokrator Fundraiser



As many of you heard at our General Assembly, we will be moving forward with having the Pantokrator icon installed in the sanctuary.

If this is something you would like to support, go to this address to give online via credit card or bank transfer:

<https://onrealm.org/HTSJT/give/pantokrator>

You can also text "HTSJT pantokrator" to 73256 to give using your mobile device.

If you choose to give by check, just write "pantokrator" in the memo line. We appreciate your support as we continue working to make our church the best it can be.

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## Resurrectional Apolytikion Mode Pl. 1<sup>st</sup>

Let us the faithful give praise and worship to the Logos, \* Coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, \* born of the Virgin for our salvation; \* For of His own good will He consented \* to ascend the cross in the flesh and He endured death and raised the dead \* by His glorious resurrection. (p. 99)

## For the Prophet. Mode 4.

The angel incarnate and the Prophets' pedestal, \* the second Forerunner of the coming of Christ, Elias the glorious, \* sent down to Elisha the divine grace from heaven. \* He drives away diseases and he cleanses lepers. \* Therefore he pours out healings to those who honor him.

## 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 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)

## **St. James' Universal Letter 5:10-20**

BRETHREN, take as an example of suffering and patience the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord. Behold, we call those happy who were steadfast. You have heard of the steadfastness of Job, and you have seen the purpose of the Lord, how the Lord is compassionate and merciful. But above all, my brethren, do not swear, either by heaven or by earth or with any other oath, but let your yes be yes and your no be no, that you may not fall under condemnation. Is any one among you suffering? Let him pray. Is any cheerful? Let him sing praise. Is any among you sick? Let him call for the elders of the church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord; and the prayer of faith will save the sick man, and the Lord will raise him up; and if he has committed sins, he will be forgiven. Therefore confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous man has great power in its effects. Elijah was a man of like nature with ourselves and he prayed fervently that it might not rain, and for three years and six months it did not rain on the earth. Then he prayed again and the heaven gave rain, and the earth brought forth its fruit. My brethren, if any one among you wanders from the truth and some one brings him back, let him know that whoever brings back a sinner from the error of his way will save his soul from death and will cover a multitude of sins.

## **The Gospel According to Matthew 9:1-8**

At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.