











# Holy Trinity St. John the Theologian

Fr. Mike Downs

## August 10<sup>th</sup>, 2025



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>10</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <b>Parish Council Meeting</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b> 5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	<b>13</b> 5:30 p.m. Paraklesis	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	<b>16</b>
						
<b>17</b> 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy <b>First Day of Sunday School</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> 4:30 p.m. Women's Bible Study	<b>20</b> 5:30 p.m. Paraklesis	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</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, Regina, Nan, and TJ.

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.

### **Parish Council Leads/Greeters**

The parish council leads serving as greeters for this Sunday are TJ Hare and Ted Thompson.

### **Memorial**

This Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup>, we will have a memorial for Vasilios Nikolis. May his memory be eternal.

### **Extra Services**

On Wednesday, August 13<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Paraklesis.

On Friday, August 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 a.m. we will have a Divine Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos.

On Wednesday, August 20<sup>th</sup> at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Paraklesis.

## **Sunday School Pool Party**

On Sunday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m. we will have a pool party for all of our Sunday School students as we kick off the new academic year. All students are invited to join us at Heather Hontzas' house for this time of fun and fellowship. We will look forward to seeing them there.



### **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)

### **Apolytikion of the Feast Grave Mode**

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing  
to Your disciples Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us,  
sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the  
intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of light. Glory to You.

### **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  
illuminated 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. Grave Mode.**

Upon the mountain You were transfigured, \* and Your disciples beheld Your glory as far as they were able, O Christ our God; \* so that when they would see You crucified \* they might understand that Your Passion was deliberate, \* and declare to the world that in truth \* You are the Father's radiance.

## **St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:9-17**

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw - each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

## **The Gospel According to Matthew 14:22-34**

At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying "Take heart, it is I; have no fear."

And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.