



Holy Trinity

St. John the Theologian

Fr. Mike Downs

September 20th, 2026



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
20 8:45 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Hope and Joy	21 6:00 p.m. Going Away Party (Vasilios)	22 5:30 p.m. Men's Bible Study	23 5:30 p.m. Paraklesis 	24	25 	26 8:45 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
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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: Emmanuel, Georgios, Vasilios, Rachel, Hannah, Peter, Martha Ann, Lynn, Regina, Nan, Liddell, Thomas, Lori, Larry, Andrew, Linda, Dot, Mary, Aubrey, James, Ellen, Melanie, Mishra, and Cheryll, Karen, Ed, and Pete.

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:

8/31 - 9/6 = \$1,877.60.

Parish Council Leads/ Greeters

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

Extra Services

On Wednesday, September 23rd at 5:30 p.m. we will have a Paraklesis.

On Saturday, September 26th at 10 a.m. we will have a Divine Liturgy for St. John the Theologian.

Resurrectional Apolytikion. Grade Mode.

By your Cross, O Lord, * You shattered death; * to the thief You opened Paradise. * You transformed the Myrrhbearers lamentation, * and commanded Your apostles to proclaim * that You rose, Christ our God, * granting to the world * Your great mercy. (p. 103)

Apolytikion. For the Cross. Mode 1.

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting victory to the faithful over the enemy, and by Your Cross protecting Your commonwealth.

For the Saints. Mode 4.

Your Martyrs, O Lord, were worthily awarded by You * the crowns of incorruption, in that they contested for You our immortal God. * Since they possessed Your power, they defeated the tyrants, * dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. * O Christ God, at their fervent entreaties, save our souls.

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 on the cross voluntarily, * O Christ our God, bestow Your tender compassions * upon Your new community to which You gave Your name. * Cause our faithful emperors to be glad in Your power, * granting them the victories against their adversaries. * And for an ally, Lord, may they have You, * peace as their armor, the trophy invincible.

St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

The Gospel According to Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."



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GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



You are warmly invited to a

Going Away Party

Let's come together to thank Father Michael
and his family for their more than three years
of faithful service, love, and dedication to our parish.
They have been a true blessing to our church family,
and we will miss them dearly!



Monday,
September 21, 2026



6:00 PM



Vasilios

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*Please join us as we show our love and gratitude
and wish them well in their next chapter!*

