

Divine Liturgy for St. Saba the Sanctified

Resurrectional Apolytikion – Tone 7

Thou didst shatter death by Thy Cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief; Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy. And didst bid Thine Apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Saba – Tone 8

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundred-fold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father Sabbas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Kontakion for the Preparation of Christ's Nativity – Tone 4

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to * God the Word ineffably, * Who was before all the ages. * Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing * the gladsome tidings; * with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him * Who is willing to be gazed on * as a young Child Who * before the ages is God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (5:22-6:2)

Brethren, the fruit of the Spirit is love, joy, peace, longsuffering, kindness, goodness, faith, meekness, self-control: against such there is no law. And those who belong to Christ have crucified the flesh with the passions and the lusts. If we live in the Spirit, let us also walk in the Spirit. Let us not become vainglorious, provoking one another, envying one another. Brethren, if a person is overtaken in any trespass, you who are spiritual should restore

such a one in a spirit of meekness; looking to yourself, lest you also be tempted. Bear one another's burdens, and so fulfill the law of Christ.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" As Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.



Announcements

- Pledge Cards are Still being accepted.
- Baklava Orders due tomorrow

Ways to help the church financially

There is no cost to the Church or to the parishioner for any of the following fundraisers.

1. Dillons Community Rewards-It takes less than 5 minutes to sign up online without any further action needed by the parishioner other than shopping at Dillons. Sign up using the church's number, **HY763**

<https://www.dillons.com/communityrewards>

2. AmazonSmiles-It takes less than 5 minutes to sign up online. Just remember to use AmazonSmiles instead of Amazon when ordering. Amazon donates .5% of the purchase price Sign up at

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/48-1100799>

Nativity Fast Is Here

The Nativity Fast begins on Monday, November 15th and continues through Wednesday, December 24th. It is divided into two parts. The first part is November 15th through December 20th when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine and oil) is observed on Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, with katalysis for fish, wine and oil on Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday, and Sunday. The second part is the period of the Forefeast, December 21st through 24th, when the traditional fasting discipline is observed Monday through Thursday.

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December 5, 2021

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS: Our usual Sunday service is the Divine Liturgy. While all are welcome to attend this service, we ask that you refrain from coming to receive Holy Communion unless you are of the Orthodox Faith and have properly prepared through prayer, fasting and the Sacrament of Confession.

✠ SCHEDULE ✠

Sunday December 5 St. Saba the Sanctified

- 9 am Orthros and Sunday School
- 10 am Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour
- 5:15 pm Great Vespers for St. Nicholas

Wednesday December 8 Venerable Patapius of Thebes

- 5:15 pm Great Vespers for Conception of the Theotokos followed by fasting potluck and discussion on St. Cyril's 16th & 17th Homilies. Also stream the discussion on Zoom starting at 6:30 pm

Friday December 10 Martyrs Menas, Hermogenes & Eugegraphus

- 5:15 pm Advent Paraklesis

Saturday December 11 Daniel the Stylite

- 5:45 pm 9th Hour & Great Vespers

Sunday December 12 St. Spyridon

- 9 am Orthros and Sunday School
- 10 am Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour
- 5:15 pm Vespers for Herman of Alaska & St. Lucia

Wednesday December 15 Hieromartyr Eleutherius

- 5:15 pm Advent Paraklesis followed by fasting potluck and discussion on St. Cyril's 18th Homily. Also stream the discussion on Zoom starting at 6:30 pm

Thursday December 16 Prophet Haggai

- 6 pm Advent Paraklesis at St. Mary Magdalene Chapel in Manhattan, KS.

Friday December 17 Prophet Daniel

- 5:15 pm Vespers