

Holy Cross Church Parish Bulletin

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Services Schedule:

Join us Every Sunday to praise the Lord! Orthros: 8:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 9:30 a.m.

The Lord's Day – Sunday Before the Feast of the Lights (Theophany)

Tone: plagal 1st

Eothinon: 8th

Hymns of the Day

Entrance Hymn

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλουῖα.

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, singing to You, Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal First Mode

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠεδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. For in His goodness He was pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh and to undergo death, and to raise up those who had died, by His glorious Resurrection.

Apolytikion for Forefeast of the Theophany in the Fourth Mode

Ἐτοιμάζου Ζαβουλῶν, καὶ εὐτρεπίζου Νεφθαλεὶμ. Ἰορδάνη ποταμέ, στήθι ὑπόδεξαι σκιρτῶν, τοῦ βαπτισθῆναι ἐρχόμενον τὸν Δεσπότην. Ἀγάλου ὁ Ἀδὰμ σὺν τῇ Προμήτορι, μὴ κρύπτετε ἑαυτοὺς, ὡς ἐν Παραδείσῳ τὸ πρῖν, καὶ γὰρ γυμνοὺς ἰδὼν ὑμᾶς ἐπέφανεν, ἵνα ἐνδύσῃ τὴν πρώτην στολήν, Χριστὸς ἐφάνη, τὴν πᾶσαν κτίσιν, θέλων ἀνακαινίσαι.

Be you ready, Zabulon; prepare yourself, O Nephtholim. River Jordan, stay your course and skip for gladness to receive the Sovereign Master, Who comes now to be baptized. O Adam, be glad with our first mother, Eve; hide not as you did of old in Paradise. Seeing you naked, He has appeared now to clothe you in the first robe again. Christ has appeared, for He truly wills to renew all creation.

Apolytikion for the Church in the First Mode

Σῶσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεῦσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting our rulers to prevail over adversaries, and protecting Your commonwealth by Your Cross.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

Ἐν τοῖς ρεῖθροις σήμερον τοῦ Ἰορδάνου, γεγονῶς ὁ Κύριος, τῷ Ἰωάννῃ ἐκβοᾷ. Μὴ δειλιάσης βαπτίσαι με, σῶσαι γὰρ ἤκω, Ἀδὰμ τὸν πρωτόπλαστον.

In the running waters of the Jordan River, on this day the Lord of all cries to John: Be not afraid and hesitate not to baptize Me, for I am come to save Adam, the first-formed man.

ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑΤΑ ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

Πρὸς Τιμόθεον β' 4:5-8

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, νῆφε ἐν πᾶσιν, κακοπάθησον, ἔργον ποιήσον εὐαγγελιστοῦ, τὴν διακονίαν σου πληροφορήσον. Ἐγὼ γὰρ ἤδη σπένδομαι, καὶ ὁ καιρὸς τῆς ἐμῆς ἀναλύσεως ἐφέστηκεν. Τὸν ἀγῶνα τὸν καλὸν ἠγωνίσαι, τὸν δρόμον τετέλεκα, τὴν πίστιν τετήρηκα· λοιπὸν, ἀπόκειται μοι ὁ τῆς δικαιοσύνης στέφανος, ὃν ἀποδώσει μοι ὁ κύριος ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ἡμέρᾳ, ὁ δίκαιος κριτῆς· οὐ μόνον δὲ ἐμοί, ἀλλὰ καὶ πᾶσιν τοῖς ἠγαπηκόσιν τῆν ἐπιφάνειαν αὐτοῦ.

EPISTLE READING

Timothy 4:5-8

Timothy, my son, always be steady, endure suffering, do the work of an evangelist, fulfil your ministry. For I am already on the point of being sacrificed; the time of my departure has come. I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith. Henceforth there is laid up for me the crown of righteousness, which the Lord, the righteous judge, will award to me on that Day, and not only to me but also to all who have loved his appearing.

ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

Κατὰ Μᾶρκον 1:1-8

Ἄρχῃ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, υἱοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ. Ὡς γέγραπται ἐν τοῖς προφήταις, ἰδοὺ ἐγὼ ἀποστέλλω τὸν ἄγγελόν μου πρὸ προσώπου σου, ὃς κατασκευάσει τὴν ὁδὸν σου ἔμπροσθέν σου· φωνὴ βοῶντος ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, ἐτοιμάσατε τὴν ὁδὸν Κυρίου, εὐθείας ποιεῖτε τὰς τρίβους αὐτοῦ, ἐγένετο Ἰωάννης βαπτίζων ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ καὶ κηρύσσων βάπτισμα μετανοίας εἰς ἄφεσιν ἁμαρτιῶν. Καὶ ἐξεπορεύετο πρὸς αὐτὸν πᾶσα ἡ Ἰουδαία χώρα καὶ οἱ Ἱεροσολυμίται, καὶ ἐβαπτίζοντο πάντες ἐν τῷ Ἰορδάνῃ ποταμῷ ὑπ' αὐτοῦ ἐξομολογούμενοι τὰς ἁμαρτίας αὐτῶν. Ἦν δὲ ὁ Ἰωάννης ἐνδεδυμένος τρίχας καμήλου καὶ ζώνην δερματίνην περὶ τὴν ὀσφὺν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐσθίων ἀκρίδας καὶ μέλι ἄγριον. Καὶ ἐκήρυσσε λέγων· ἔρχεται ὁ ἰσχυρότερός μου ὀπίσω μου, οὗ οὐκ εἰμι ἰκανὸς κύψας λῦσαι τὸν ἱμάντα τῶν ὑποδημάτων αὐτοῦ· ἐγὼ μὲν ἐβάπτισα ὑμᾶς ἐν ὕδατι, αὐτὸς δὲ βαπτίσει ὑμᾶς ἐν Πνεύματι Ἁγίῳ.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 1:1-8

The beginning of the Gospel of Jesus Christ, the Son of God. As it is written in the prophets, 'Behold, I send my messenger before your face, who shall prepare your way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight.' John was baptizing in the wilderness, preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins. And there went out to him all the country of Judea, and all the people of Jerusalem; and they were baptized by him in the river Jordan, confessing their sins. Now John was clothed with camel's hair, and had a leather girdle around his waist, and ate locusts and wild honey. And he preached, saying, "After me comes he who is mightier than I, the thong of whose sandals I am not worthy to stoop down and untie. I have baptized you with water; but he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit."

WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

"Pride is when we trust in ourselves, in our mind, our strength, when we think we are more capable than someone else, better, more beautiful, more virtuous, more pleasing to God. Then it is certain that we are overcome by the ugly sin of pride, from which may God, who humbled Himself for our salvation, preserve us. Let us humble ourselves, brethren, because a proud man cannot be saved. Let us weep for our sins here, so we can rejoice forever in the next life, for after we leave this world everyone will forget us. Let us not hope in men, but only in God." – *Elder Paisius of Sihla*

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Orthros: 8:00am – Vespers: 6:00pm (every day)

Feast Days: 8:15 am Orthros – 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

JANUARY / ΙΑΝΟΥΑΡΙΟΥ 2021

Monday/Δευτέρα 4 – Synaxis of the 70 Apostles & St. Nikiforos the Leper/ Σύναξις των Εβδομήκοντα Αποστόλων και Αγίου Νικηφόρου του Λεπρού

Tuesday / Τρίτη 5 – 8:15 am Great Hours for Theophany / Μεγάλες Ώρες των Θεοφανείων
6:30 pm Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil for Theophany & Greater Sanctification of the Waters /
Εσπερινή Θ. Λειτουργία Αγ. Βασιλείου των Θεοφανείων και Μέγας Αγιασμός

Wednesday / Τετάρτη 6 – Theophany & Procession to the Shore / Τα Θεοφάνεια και λιτάνευση στην Παραλία

Thursday / Πέμπτη 7 – Synaxis for St. John the Baptist/ Σύναξις Αγίου Ιωάννου του Βαπτιστού

Friday / Παρασκευή 8 – St. George Chozebite & St. Domnica / Αγίου Γεωργίου Χοζεβίτου και Αγ. Δομνίκης

Monday/Δευτέρα 11 – Saint Theodosios/ Αγίου Θεοδοσίου του Κοινοβιάρχου

Wednesday/Τετάρτη 13 – 10:00 am Supplication Service / Παράκλησις

ANNOUNCEMENTS / ΑΝΑΚΟΙΝΩΣΕΙΣ

“Orthodox Life Discussion and Bible Study”

All Parishioners are invited to come and learn more about the Bible
& their Orthodox Christian Faith

Every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of each month from 7-8pm.

Next Meetings: Jan 13 & 20, Feb 3 & 17

“Disciples of Christ”

Open for ages 18-33 (married or single)

Are you serious in learning more about your Christian Faith?

Then join the “Disciples of Christ”

Every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month from 8:30-9:30pm.

Next Meetings: Jan 5 & 19, Feb 2 & 16

“Feeding the Homeless Ministry”

Sponsored by the **Holy Cross Brooklyn Outreach Center**

Come feed and clothe the homeless on NYC - Every 3rd Friday of each month

Gathering time at the Church Hall is 8:30pm

Prepare food packets, toiletries, and clothing and distribute food to the homeless

Donations and Volunteers are needed!

Next Meetings: Jan 15, Feb 19

“Adult Sunday School Classes”

Do you know all that there is to know about your Orthodox Faith?

Join our Adult Sunday School Classes. **Every Last Sunday of the Month.**

Upstairs in Church immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

The Next Class will be on Dec. 27 and the topic will be: **“Church and Worship”**.

“Holy Cross Christian Movie Night”

Watch a movie with a Christian Theme while sharing dinner
and your Faith with fellow parishioners

Every 1st Tuesday of every month from 6:30-8:30pm at the Church Hall

Next Movie on January 19th is “Indivisible” Check the Movie Trailer at:

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