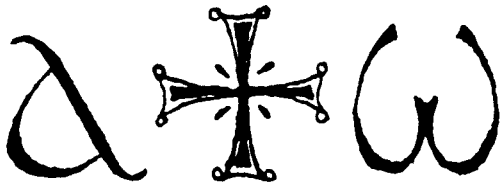


SYNAXIS OF THE ARCHANGELS



All the Angels, according to the Apostle Paul, are ministering spirits, - sent forth to minister to them who shall be heirs of salvation - (Heb. 1:14). God set them as overseers of every nation and people, and guides to that which is profitable (Deut. 32:8); and while one Angel is appointed to oversee each nation as a whole, one is also appointed to protect each Christian individually. He commands them to guard them that hope on Him, that nothing should harm them, neither should any evil draw nigh to their dwelling (Ps. 90:10-12). In the Heavens they always behold the face of God, sending up to Him the thrice-holy hymn and interceding with Him in our behalf, seeing they rejoice over one sinner that repents (Esaias 6:2-3; Matt. 18:10; Luke 15:7). In a word, they have served God in so many ways for our benefit, that the pages of Holy Scripture are filled with the histories thereof. It is for these reasons that the Orthodox Catholic Church, wisely honouring these divine ministers, our protectors and guardians, celebrates today the present Synaxis that is, our coming together in assembly for their common feast to chant their praises, especially for the Archangels Michael and Gabriel, who are mentioned in the Scriptures by name. The name Michael means "Who is like God?" and Gabriel means "God is mighty." The number of Angels is not defined in the divine Scriptures, where Daniel says that thousands of thousands ministered before Him, and ten thousands of ten thousands attended upon Him -(Dan. 7:10). But all of them are divided into nine orders which are called Thrones, Cherubim, Seraphim, Dominions, Powers, Authorities, Principalities, Archangels, and Angels.



To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*

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Commemoration of: Synaxis of the Archangels & the other Bodiless Powers; Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel & Barachiel

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Angelike thinamis (Resurrection Hymn) Tone 6

Ton uranion stration (Archangels) Tone 4
*O Chief Commanders of the heavenly armies, * we the unworthy ones entreat you in earnest, * that you might with your supplications fortify us, * guarding us who run to you and beneath the protection * of the pinions of your immaterial glory, * and who with fervor shout: Deliver us, * from every danger, as Captains of the hosts on high.*

Tou Stavrou Sou (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8
Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross, and like Paul having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which forever You guard in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone are the lover of mankind.

Kontakion

O katharotatos naos Tone 2
Behold the temple of the Savior, His precious bridal chamber. Behold the virginal and sacred vessel of God's glory. Today she enters into the house of the Lord, bearing within her the grace of the Holy Spirit. For this, the angels proclaim: She is indeed the heavenly tabernacle.

Epistle Reading Hebrews 2:2-1-
BRETHREN, if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

Gospel Reading

Luke 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Activities & Announcements

Today

7th Sunday of Luke; Philoptochos Meeting 12 p.m. in Conference Room; Adult Religious Education: "Biblical Basis for the Trinity" with Dr. Robert Arakaki 12 to 12:40 p.m.

***Best wishes to the James Family: Alan, Rebecca and Gregory as Alan has been stationed to Fort Main in Baltimore. Today is their last Sunday. We wish them "Aloha" as they begin their lives in a new place!

This Week

MON, 11/9– St. Nektarios of Aegina: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
THU, 11/12– Volunteers needed to cut and cup Baklava 9:30 a.m.; Parish Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.
FRI, 11/13– St. John Chrysostom: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
SUN, 11/15– 8th Sunday of Luke; Fall General Assembly; No Adult Religious Education today;

Upcoming Events

✱ **Sunday School Honors our Veterans and Military Families**– Sunday, November 16th.