

GENERAL SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Feast-Day Liturgy at 9:00am

Sunday Liturgy at 10:00am

Vespers Service on Saturdays: 5:00pm

Vespers Service on the eve of a Feast-Day: 5:00pm



Schedule of Upcoming Church Services

Sunday, October 15

Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

WISDOM OF THE HOLY FATHERS

When you decide to embark on a good deed, you must first prepare yourself for the trials that you will encounter. Because, when the enemy sees you beginning to fervently live a God-pleasing life, he usually attacks with various and terrible trials that will render you cowardly and make you abandon your good intention.

And it is by God's concession that you will be confronted by trials, so that you will persistently knock on the door (of His mercy) - for fear of the sufferings, but also that the remembrance of Him may be rooted inside you so that you may approach Him with your prayers, thus sanctifying your heart through the incessant remembrance of Him.

And when you do invoke Him, He will hearken to you, so that you will thus learn that God is the One Who redeems you, and will then feel the presence of Him Who had fashioned you, strengthening and protecting you, because the shelter and the providence of God embrace all men. However, these things do not become visible, except only to those who have cleansed themselves of sin and who continuously concentrate on God. God's help and providence are in fact exceptionally revealed, when those cases suffer extreme trials for the sake of the truth, because then they are able to feel it very clearly, by the sense of the Nous.

+St. Isaac the Syrian

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October 8, 2023

18th Sunday after Pentecost

Epistle Reading: 2 Cor. 9:6-11

Gospel Reading: Luke 5:1-11

Liturgical Message

The Lord flees glory, which all the more pursues Him. When the crowd pressed against Him, He entered the boat, so that from the boat He could teach those standing on the shore, and everyone would be in front of Him, rather than some coming towards Him from behind. And when He had finished teaching the people, He did not leave the owner of the boat without payment, but gave him a two-fold benefit: He bestowed on him an abundance of fish, and He made him His disciple.

Marvel at how wisely the Lord arranges our salvation, drawing to Himself each one by means of the things that are his own and with which he is familiar. As He had attracted the Magi with a star, so now He draws the fishermen by means of fish. Behold the gentleness of Christ, how He does not command, but requests, that Peter put out from land. Behold also the obedience of Peter, how he welcomes into his boat a man whom he did not know, and obeys Him in everything.

When the Lord tells him to launch out into the deep, Peter does not become exasperated and leave Him, nor does he reply, "I have toiled the whole night and gained nothing, and now I should obey you and do it all again?" Peter said nothing like this, but instead, *At Thy word I will let down the net.* Such was the warmth of his trust even before he had faith. And he caught so great a number of fish that he was not able to haul them in, and he beckoned to his companions in the other boat. He calls them with a signal, because his astonishment at the catch was so great that he could not even speak. Out of great reverence for Jesus, Peter begs Him not to remain in the boat, and calls himself a sinner who is not worthy to be with Him.

+Blessed Theophylact of Ochrid

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FIFTH ANNUAL KETTLE COOK-OFF

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023



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Fourth Fall Bible Studies Session

Monday, October 9, 2023, at 7:00pm

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Saturday, October 14, 2023

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