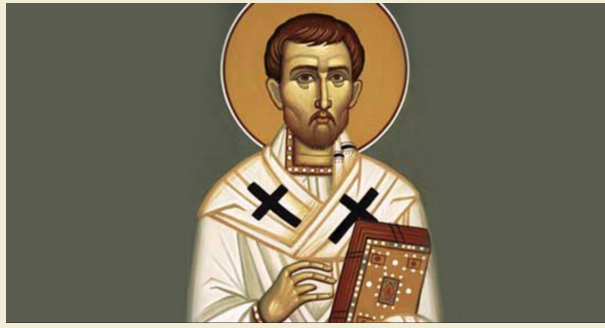


ST. TIMOTHY ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday
April 3,
2022



Tone 8
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Fourth Sunday of Great Lent

Commemoration of John Climacus, Author of “The Ladder”

Abbot Nikitas the Confessor of Medikion * Venerable Joseph the Hymnographer
New-Martyr Paul the Russian

Resurrectional Apolytikion in Tone Eight

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion for the Holy Cross in Tone One

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 hundredfold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father John Climacus, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion of St. Timothy in Tone Four

O holy apostle Timothy, master of unctio n measured in all thy deeds, clothed with an upright conscience as befits a priest, thou has drawn ineffable truths from Paul the vessel of election; thou has kept the faith and completed a course equal to his, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Kontakion for Sundays in Great Lent in Tone Eight

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

The Epistle

The Lord will give strength to His people. Bring unto the Lord, ye sons of God, bring unto the Lord glory and honor.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (6:13-20)

Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since He could swear by no one greater, He swore by Himself, saying, “Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee.” And thus, having patiently endured, he obtained the promise. For people indeed swear by what is greater, and in every dispute of theirs the oath is final for confirmation. So when God, being minded to show more abundantly to the heirs of the promise the immutability of His counsel, He interposed it with an oath, that by two immutable things—in which it is impossible for God to lie—we might have a strong consolation, we, who have fled for refuge to lay hold of the hope that is set before us; a hope, which we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and entering into “that which is within the veil,” where Jesus entered as a Forerunner on our behalf, having become a High Priest “forever according to the order of Melchizedek.”

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (9:17-31)

At that time, a man came to Jesus, kneeling down and saying unto him, “Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit. And wherever it seizes him, it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked Thy Disciples to cast it out, and they were not able.” And Jesus answered them, “O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to Me.” And they brought the boy to Him; and when the spirit saw Jesus, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, “How long has he had this?” And he said, “From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if Thou canst do anything, have pity on us and help us.” And Jesus said to him, “If you can believe, all things are possible to him who believes.” Immediately the father of the child cried out and said with tears, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!” And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, “You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again.” And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, “He is dead.” But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when Jesus had entered the house, His Disciples asked Him privately, “Why could we not cast it out?” And Jesus said to them, “This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting.” They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And Jesus would not have anyone know it; for He was teaching His Disciples, saying to them, “The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him; and after He is killed, He will rise on the third day.”

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THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

- Monday - Parish Open, 9am to 1pm
- Tuesday - Parish Open, 9am to 1pm; Sisterhood Coffee Hour, 11:00am
- Wednesday - Little Compline wLife of St. Mary, 6:00pm
- Thursday - Parish Open, 9am to 1pm; Presanctified Divine Liturgy, 6:00pm
- Friday - Little Compline with Akathist, 6:00pm
- Saturday - Great Vespers, 6:00pm
- Sunday - Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

CURRENT & UPCOMING EVENTS

- Saturday April 16th**, Lazarus Saturday
- Sunday April 17th Palm Sunday**, Baptism and Chrismation & Divine Liturgy, 7:30am; Bridegroom Matins, 5:00pm
- Wednesday April 20th** Holy Unction Service, 6:00pm
- Thursday April 21st** Passion of the Gospels, 6:00pm
- Friday April 22nd** Royal Hours & Typika, 9:00am; Taking Down of the Cross, 2:00pm; Matins and Lamentations, 6:00pm
- Saturday April 23rd** Divine Liturgy, 9:00am; Rush Procession, Paschal Matins & Divine Liturgy with festal potluck to follow, 8:30pm
- Bookstore will be open 1/2 hour after the start of the Agape meal until 12:45pm.
- The parish will be open **Monday, Tuesday and Thursday's** from **9am to 1pm** . If you wish to host an event during the week (bible study, book club, coffee hour, etc) or want to come by for a cup of coffee please reach out to Parish Secretary January Al-Zouhbi @ 214.392.7009.
- Week of April 3rd** Sun abstain meat, fish, dairy & eggs; Mon-Fri strict fast; Sat abstain meat, fish, dairy & eggs.
- Mercy Mission Food Drive for Solano/Contra Costa Food Drive **now through the end of Pascha**. Any donations of non-perishable food items are appreciated, bins are located in the refectory. No glass, expired or perishable items please.

Prayer List

For Health and Physical Healing....Linda McKee, pain; Victoria Haskins, friend and parish co-founder, ongoing heart issues; Hugh Christianson, son of Fr John/Kh Barbara, black widow bite and still on antibiotics; Mona Shamieh, ill and on oxygen; Lena Steed; Ksenia Lin, recovering from mass removal

For Strength and Comfort....Regina and her son Wesley, acquaintance of Renae Holland, husband reposed unexpectedly and selling personal items to survive; Family of Anna Mantalvanos, Ourania (Gary) and Antonis; Khourey and Sousou Families

For Mental and Emotional Health....Crawford Family (Arthur, Angeliq, Currie, Monique, Illiana); Cindy, sister of Kh Barbara

For Ukraine and the end of this devastating war, especially for Fr John/Kh Barbara's bookkeeper Larisa and her family in Eastern Ukraine...Valerie, Olga, Alexie, Artemis, Nadia, Ilyia, Nikita, Elena, Danila, Tatiana, Yulia, Sergei, Andrei, Lilly, Zema, Irina, Volodimir, Alexander, Marina and Natasha. Pray especially for the shipments containing needed medicines and supplies to be let through by the Russian forces so Layrissa's mother can receive her diabetes medication she ran out of; Ukrainian Refugees near Mount Herman who are seeking shelter

Please submit specific prayer requests to admin@sttimothy.us and include the following: First Name, Last Name, and the Specific Prayer request. Out of respect to our parishoners, family members and friends please ensure you have received authorization from the person or their immediate family.

Welcome Guests

Guests are always welcome to worship with us! We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about Holy Orthodoxy or our parish. If you are an Orthodox Christian, and are prepared through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

His Eminence, **Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York & Metropolitan of all North America**

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Please contact Father John with any pastoral needs or questions.