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SEPTEMBER 29, 2024

AFTERFEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE CROSS

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Epistle Readings

2 Corinthians 1:24-2:1
Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel Readings

Matthew 22:2-14
Mark 8:34-9:1

**Christ is in our midst!
He is and ever shall be!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

Let us, the faithful praise and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born for our salvation from the Virgin; for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh, to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion (Cross)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance. Grant victories to the Orthodox Christians over their adversaries. And by virtue of Thy Cross, preserve Thy habitation!

Kontakion (Resurrection)

Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior, shattering its gates as Almighty, Resurrecting the dead as Creator, and destroying the sting of death. Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of Mankind, And we all cry to Thee: O Lord, save us!

Kontakion (Cross)

As Thou wast voluntarily raised upon the cross for our sake, grant mercy to those who are called by Thy Name, O Christ God; make all Orthodox Christians glad by Thy power, granting them victories over their adversaries, by bestowing on them the Invincible trophy, Thy weapon of Peace

Kontakion (St. Luke)

Let us praise the godly Luke: he is the true preacher of piety, the orator of ineffable mysteries and the star of the Church; for the Word, Who alone knows the hearts of men, chose him, together with wise Paul, to be a teacher of the gentiles!

First Anniversary of the Groundbreaking for our New Church

God bless everyone for their continuing prayers, donations and good will. Glory to God!

Welcome to all guests via livestream and those in person today. We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan.

Memory Eternal - Večnaja Pamjat

We pray for Fr. Leonty of St. Tikhon's Monastery 40 days since his repose. With the Saints give rest, O Christ, to the soul of Thy servant.

Addictions Recovery Support Network – Monday, September 30, 7pm on Zoom

The monthly support ministry is designed to help relieve suffering from addiction, both for those actively addicted to a substance or a behavior and for those affected by someone else's use or behavior. It is hosted by St. Nicholas Cathedral and free.

Meeting ID: 210 068 7480; Password: 208156. Information: samanthacath@yahoo.com

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, October 2 on Zoom at 7PM

Come join in as we learn about the Sacrament of Marriage as taught in Fr. Alexander Schmemmann's "For the Life of the World". Fr. John will email his notes and the Zoom link.

St. Matthew's Annual Oktoberfest & Multicultural Festival– Fri.-Sun., Oct. 4-6

- St. Matthew's in Columbia, MD will host its [Oktoberfest](#) this coming Friday 5-10PM. Join them for outdoor dining and dancing, wine & beer garden, and live Polka music.
- A [Multicultural Festival](#) follows on Saturday and Sunday with Greek, Slavic, Lebanese, Romanian, Ethiopian and American food, live entertainment, children's area and vendors. The events will be held under tents rain or shine: 7271 Eden Brook Drive Columbia, MD.

St. Katherine's Fall Greek Festival – Friday-Sunday, October 4-6 [Festival](#) flyer

St. Katherine Orthodox Church invites us to come enjoy their homemade Greek food and pastries, and their live Greek music and dancing: 3149 Glen Carlyn Rd., Falls Church VA.

First Saturday of the Month – October 5

- [Men's Prayer Breakfast](#): 9AM Men are invited for coffee & conversation on faith matters.
- [Great Vespers](#): 5PM Come and be blessed by the scripture readings, hymns and prayers.

Baptismal Divine Liturgy – Sunday October 6 at 10:30AM

Next Sunday Jason Mousavi will receive the Sacraments of Holy Baptism and Chrismation during the Divine Liturgy. It will be a joy to welcome him into the Orthodox Church.

First Sunday of the Month – October 6

- [Potluck Coffee Hour](#): Please bring a main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share.
- [Food for the Hungry](#): Please bring canned and boxed foods for the C-CAP Food Pantry.

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

God bless Jovan Glomazic (12), Fr. John and Popadija Kitty's granddaughter Bella (17), Nevenka and Milorad Milosevich, and Youssef Zaki on their birthdays. Many years!