

E-Bulletin – St Innocent Orthodox Church

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August 15th, 2021

Today's commemorated feasts and saints:

8th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7. The Dormition (“Falling Asleep”) of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.

FEAST OF THE DORMITION



“REJOICE, I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS”

One may wonder what became of the Theotokos after her Son ascended into heaven? We know that she was entrusted to the care of the Apostle John. The Book of Acts mentions her being with the apostles on the first Pentecost when the Holy Spirit descended upon them in the form of tongues of fire. Other than that, it is thought that she spent most of her time in Jerusalem and the surrounding areas, visiting the meaningful

places that were significant in the earthly life of Christ. Sacred tradition tells us that she spent much time praying on the Mount of Olives and in the Garden of Gethsemane, asking God to take her from this world and reunite her with her beloved Son.

One day, her prayers were answered. The Archangel Gabriel appeared to her, telling her that in three days, her earthly existence would come to an end. She received this news joyfully, and returned to John's home in Jerusalem, fervently hoping to see all of the apostles one final time.

God was to fulfill her desire. All of Christ's faithful followers, with the exception of Thomas, managed to be with her when she peacefully commended her soul into God's hands. She was buried in the Garden of Gethsemane near the tombs of her parents, Joachim and Anna.

Three days later, the Apostle Thomas arrived, wanting to pay his respects to the Theotokos. When the Virgin's tomb was opened, only the winding sheet was found. Her body was not there! Later that evening, the apostles had a vision of the Mother of God, surrounded by a multitude of angelic hosts. She left them with these words: "REJOICE, I WILL BE WITH YOU ALWAYS." This is why we continue to pray to her and ask her to intercede on our behalf.

The exact age of the Theotokos at the time of her falling asleep cannot be stated definitively. The popular belief, however, is she was at least 60 years of age.

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SCHEDULE ALL SERVICES LIVE STREAMED.

Matins Gospel: Luke 1:39-49, 56 (*festal*)

Next Week's Epistle: 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 **Gospel:** Matthew 14:14-22
(*Dormition*) Philippians 2:5-11 Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

Reader: Kenneth

Today 9:30 am Liturgy

Wednesday 6:00 pm Moleben to the Theotokos with lamentations at the tomb

Saturday 5:30 pm Vespers

Sunday 9:30 am Liturgy

Next Week's Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 **Gospel:** Matthew 14:22-34

Reader: James

Office Hours: Tuesday & Thursday, 10:30 am – 12:00 noon. **Confessions:** After Saturday Vespers and by appointment.

Receiving Holy Communion: We should draw near to our Lord and God and Savior, Jesus Christ, and receive Holy Communion often. Orthodox Christians, who have prepared themselves through prayer and fasting, and are at peace with all men, and have attended the Divine Liturgy from the beginning, (or, at the very least, have not missed the Gospel), and have made a recent Confession, should draw near.

Others should diligently seek to be properly disposed and prepared as soon as possible.

Announcements:

Our Bulletins (\$60.00)
Our Altar Wine (\$40.00)

Our Altar Candles (\$40.00)

Our Altar Incense (\$20.00)

Vigil - Golgotha I (\$7.00 / wk)

Vigil - Golgotha II (\$7.00 / wk)

Vigil - Prothesis (\$7.00 / wk)

- Broncă: Gabriela, Robert, & Carmen Iuliana. Good health, & help in need. Repose: Tasiu.

- Sogokon: for the health of Zoya, Vladimir, Irina, Anastasia, Vladimir, Vladimir.

Alla Slobodskaya

Gabriela Broncă & family good health & help in our needs.

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Feast of the Dormition today. The Theotokos fast ends with Divine Liturgy this morning.

SOSI is hosting a festal luncheon today after Liturgy in honor of the feast of the Dormition. Please thank SOSI with your generous support.

Pray for Father Sergei Glagolev who is in hospice.

Adult Education is on summer break.

Lectionary. The Church Lectionary is reading 1 Corinthians and Matthew.

Coffee Hour, This Week: - Next Week: -

USEFUL INFORMATION

Donations We now have a [Tithe.ly](https://tithe.ly) page to make donating to the parish easy. Just click this link:

<https://tithe.ly/give?c=1324837>. Thank you and God bless!

Streamed serices can be viewed at our website <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/livestream> or

<https://stinnocenttarzana.org/facebook>, the streamed services are also uploaded here

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCFhqUqTl5kDekOrPPERcy5g>. The daily readings and saints may be found here: <https://stinnocenttarzana.org/dailyreadings>.

Troparion, Resurrection - Tone 7

By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death! / To the thief thou didst open paradise! / For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change weeping into joy! / And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God, / to proclaim that Thou art risen, // granting the world great mercy!

Troparion, Dormition - Tone 1

In giving birth thou didst preserve thy virginity. / In falling asleep thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos. / Thou wast translated to life, O Mother of Life, // and by thy prayers thou dost deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion, Resurrection - Tone 7

The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive, / for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers! / Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice and cry: / The Savior has come to those in faith! // Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

Kontakion, Dormition - Tone 2

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, / who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. / For being the Mother of Life, / she was translated to life // by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

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Special Intentions:

Christians of Syria, Egypt; Met. Paul, Abp. John, in captivity.

Natalya & Alla in Donetsk

sister Oksana McGovern & family

Metropolitan Onuphry of Kiev

The Sick and those in need of health:

Archbishop Benjamin; Mitred Archpriest Sergei & Matka. Jerry Glagolev, Archpriests Paul Waisanen, George Gray, Michael Regan,

Priest John Armstrong, Abbess Susanna; Protodcn Nicholas Jannakos;

Matushki Alexandra Safchuk, Elizabeth Powell, Clara Mancantelli, Suzanne Senyo; Maria Vallens, Bonnie Jean Robinson;

Monk John. Deacon Mark Story, Robert Peterson, Marios Perez, Barbara Anderson, Monika Cleenewerck.

OCA-DOW

Manya Prybyla, Gregory Theophan Hoffberg; Olga Stephanenko; Virginia, Levon; Edmund Roschak, Darka Raicevich;

Alla Miller, Mike Shinkarik, Andrew Sturmer, Stanislava; Bridget Merridy Strand, Assia Alexander, Scott T. Karen T., Andrew,

Kyra, Bill & Linda Phillips; Ed Salm; Raphael; Magdalena Elizabeth; Ludmilla, Anna, Margarita Maximova, Gayle Anne.

Our Parish

Matushka Anysia Boldireff

Lea Ann (Leah) Bochnak

Laura Bochnak

Vladimir

Anya

Laura

Manya Prybyla

Matthew, Alison.

Thaddeus Wojcik

Mildred Sturmer, Susan

Sturmer family

Patricia Hungerford, Barbara Johnson

+ Raissa Julian

Martha Yarbrough

Yarbrough family

Margaret Banescu, Vona Leslee Christie, Hope Peacock and family, Ludmila Voinescu.

Banescu family

Euphemia Marie Cox

John Ambrose Cox

George. Mihai

Maria Caratás

Mary, George Laurentiu, cancer treatment.

Florentina

Barbara, Steve

Scott & the Thompson family

Angela Apostal

Constantine Apostol

Yekaterina

Lydia

Lydia

Manya Prybyla

Emmanual Hormuzd Rassam. Hieromonk Ambrose (Young), Nicholas Juried & Amy. Priest Michael Carney.

Fr. Yousuf

Matushka Sophia Haloulakos

Protodeacon George Haloulakos

Christina Dudchenko, Dcn. Sergius Miller, Kevin, Cecilia Gonzalez-Andrieu.

Deacon Nicholas Denysenko & family

Michael Rogozik

Yulia.

Lya, Marie, Yvonne

Gay Butu

Timofey

Dilaria

Kristina DeBree

Kevin Patrick DeBree

Reader John, Catherine, Dianna Bowen.

Danks family

Jennifer, (Covid).

cousin Gayle Anne

Ruben

Richard & Yolanda Durham

Walter

Irina

Larry & Emma

Abbe Kulhanek

Anna

Elena

Maryann Meredith. Pearl Ruggiero. Sheena Wickens, Veronica Clarkson, Anna Cruz, Anna Rossiter; Ward;

Leona Wolfkill; Griselda Leon.

Diane Rhodes

Bruce Anderson, Audrey Anderson.

Subdeacon Polycarp Anderson & family

Peter Egorov

Victor & Tanya Kasman

Larry McHargue; Laura; Robert; Kenny

Anne McHargue Witz & family

Diocese of the West COVID list: Michael; Priest Joseph & Matka. Katherine Sharman & family; Helena, Mary, Jamie, Josiah, George, Andrew;

Larissa, mother of Dn Alexander Ivkin of Holy Apostles Mission in Vancouver, WA.

Other COVID sick: Abbot Seraphim & the brethren of the Monastery of the Holy Cross. Abp. Jerome of Athens, Greece. Abp. Anastasi of Albania;

Metropolitan Athanasius of Limmasol; Metropolitan Dionysiy (Porubai), the abbot of NovoSpassky (New Savior) Monastery; Bishop Foma (Mosolov)

of Pavlovo-Posadsk; Bishop Paramon (Golubka), abbot of the St. Sergius Lavra;

Archimandrite Ephraim of Vatopedi; Archpriest Alexander (Shargunov), Priest Dionisy Lobov

Those Serving in the Armed Forces

Peter, Elijah Hoffberg, Ronnie (Barnabas) Austin, Basil, Shae, Ian & Henry.

For the Health and Salvation of the servants of God:

Catechumens Wyeth Alexander, Jack Keoseyan;
newly Illumined Tiffany Thompson, sponsor Elizabeth Ciny Banescu.
newly Illumined Zlata Okunev, Artemi & Erica
New born Chelsea Claire Nordstrom
Sebastian James Siskos
Charlotte, parents Jonathan & Michaela Durham
Vitaly, Lyubov, Ella, Karen, Oksana, Valentina, Irina, Sofiya, Vladimir, Olga, Natalya, Tatyana, Irina, Elena, Evgeny.
Alla, Dmitriy Jr., Dmitriy, Igor, Elena, Juliya, Tamara, Fredi.
Elena, Marisa, Dimitrios (Jimmy), Nicholas, Alexander, Dimitrios, Dionisius.
Sherri, Nathanael, & Christopher, Amelia Marie.
Aiden Frederick Parrish, new born Micah Parrish
New born Thomas John Martin Lawman. Verity Annabelle Mary; Constance Alexandra.
Nicholas Damiano. Magdalena Elizabeth.
Elijah, parents Aika & Dmitri Goudkov
Galina.
Margarita, Christopher, John, Lauren, Ekaterina.
Catalina, Sofia, Florentina, Doina.
Thanksgiving for recovery: Roman (Ron) Vroon; Margaret Dasculu; Andrea.

Matthew & Chloe Nordstrom
Presvytera Wiborada Vickie Hoffberg Siskos & Priest Christian Siskos
Tikhvin icon donors
Alla Slobdoskaya
+ Lola Macrina
Alyssa & Cyprian Parrish
Alicia & Joshua Lawman
Stephen & Marisa Thompson
Yelena, Anna, Wolfgang
Margarita Maximova
Calugaru family
Julia Azrael; Gail Lenhoff,

Of our charity, remember in your prayers:

For the repose of the souls of the departed servants of God:

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Newly Departed Protopresbyter Leonid Kishkovsky
Newly Departed Ivan
Newly Departed Alexander
Newly Departed Valentina
Newly Departed Germogen Stephanenko
Newly Departed Florian Alexandru Niță. +July 18.
Newly Departed Svetlana
Newly Departed Petr Mamonov +July 15, 2021
Newly Departed Drew Nickerson +July 7, 2021
Newly Departed Lousin
Nun Seraphima (Anna Kremenetskaya)
Lola Macrina
Edward Michael & Joan Sutuyak
Leon Snyder
David
Deacon Hennok Soot
Aleksandr, Nataliya, Galina, Emma
Evdokiya, Anatoliy, Domnikiy, Semen, Feodosiy, Ella, Grigoriy, Nadejda, Konstantin, Svetlana,
Valentina, Anna, infant Anatoliy, Olga, Anna, Peter.
Anne Lewandowski
Marina, Alexandra, Petr, Boris, Tatiana.

OCA
Olga, Larissa, Tatiana
Marcel
Irina Jackson
Diane Rhodes
grandson Sebastian
Konstantin, Taissia, Vladimir, Ioann Kremenetsky
Tamara, Christina, Michael, Anne & family
daughters Laura & Carol, & family
Mitred Archpriest Ian & Matka. Nina MacKinnon, DOW
DoW, Matushka Mariamna Soot, Fr Stephen Soot family, Mark & Olga Soot family
Arina & Kamila
Alla Slobdoskaya
+ Raissa Dulian
Margarita Maximova

other COVID departed, Patriarch Irinej, Abp of Peć, Met of Belgrade and Karlovci, and Serbian Patriarch, Nov 22, 2020. Met. Iov (Tyvonyuk) retired of Chelyabinsk & Zlatoust; Met. Theophan of Kazan, 20 November, 2020. Met. Amfilohie, +Oct. 30, 2020. Bp. Lazarus of Borjomi in Georgia, Nov. 20, 2020. Bishop Atanasije (Jevtić) Schemabishop Petr (Karpusyuk) of Dyatlov in Belarus, June 6, 2020; Bishop Milutin of Valjevo, +March 30, 2020; Bishop Venyamin of Zheleznogorsk and Lgov, +Apr 26; Archbishop Luke al-Khoury, assistant to the Pat. of Antioch.
Archimandrite Mefody (Petrov) of Valaam, +July 22, 21. Mitred Archpriest Giorgiy Breyev, + Apr 29; Archpriest Alexander Ageikin, + Apr 21; Priest Gennady Butko, Minsk, + Apr 29; Deacon Alexander Gousev, Reno, Apr. 9; Archdeacon Evgeny Trofimov, Apr 25, Mikhail Petrukhno, + Apr 28, Trinity-St Sergius Lavra: Igumen Tikhon (Barsukov), Archimandrite Ilian (Plemenjuk), Archimandrite Lavrenty (Postnikov), and Hierodeacon Kallist (Kosulin), Hieromonk Modest (Panchenko +May 14). Archpriest Joseph Irvin +Jan 13, 21.