

SUNDAY, JULY 25, 2010 9TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 8. The Dormition of the Righteous Anna, mother of the Most-holy Theotokos. Holy Women Olympias (Olympiada)—(408-410) the Deaconess, of Constantinople, and the Virgin Eupraxia of Tabenna (413). Ven. Makáry, Abbot of Zheltovódsk and Unzha (1444). Commemoration of the Holy 165 Fathers of the Fifth Ecumenical Council (553).

TROPARIA

(Tone 8) Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings! O Lord, our Life and Resurrection: glory to Thee!

(Tone 4) Divinely-wise Anna, you carried in your womb the pure Mother of God who gave life to our Life. Therefore, you are now carried joyfully to the inheritance of heaven, to the abode of those who rejoice in glory, // where you seek forgiveness of sins for those who faithfully honor you, ever-blessed one.

(Tone 4) In truth you were revealed to you flock as a rule of faith, a model of meekness, and teacher of abstinence, so you won the heights by humility, and riches by poverty, O Holy Father Nicholas, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

KONTAKION

(Tone 2) We celebrate the memory of the progenitors of Christ, and with faith we ask their help, that deliv'rance from every affliction be granted to those who cry out: // “Be with us, O God, Who in Your good pleasure glorified them!”

The Prokeimenon in the Eighth Tone: Pray and make your vows / before the Lord our God!
v. In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.

THE EPISTLE OF THE HOLY APOSTLE PAUL TO THE GALATIANS (4:22-31)

Brethren: For it is written that Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and one by a free woman. But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise. Now this is an allegory: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written, “Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and shout, you who are not in travail; for the children of the desolate one are many more than the children of her that is married.” Now we, brethren, like Isaac, are children of promise. But as at that time he who was born according to the flesh persecuted him who was born according to the Spirit, so it is now. But what does the scripture say? “Cast out the slave and her son; for the son of the slave shall not inherit with the son of the free woman.” So, brethren, we are not children of the slave but of the free woman.

Alleluia, Tone 8

v. Come let us rejoice in the Lord! Let us make a joyful noise to God our Savior!

v. **Let us come before His face with thanksgiving; let us make a joyful noise to Him with songs of praise!**

THE GOSPEL ACCORDING TO SAINT MATTHEW (14:22-34)

Then Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying, "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

COMMUNION HYMN:

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!
July 25, 2010

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR THE HEALTH & BLESSINGS OF

Health of my sister Prosia Bayoff.....	Helen Velikoff
Happy Anniversary & God's blessings David & Marla Houser, David & Kris George, Emil & Mary Harrison.....	Stojan & Mira Prusac
Health & Blessings Evdokia Ponomarenko, Nick Ponomarenko, Chris Hogg, Nadja & Sean Berneche, Teri & Jeremy Hogg.....	Lucy Hogg
Health & God's blessings Olga Haw & Family, Flossie Bayoff, Oginsky, Miculka, Kuptz & Phillips Families, Sick & shut-ins of St. Nicholas, Happy Birthday Emil Harrison.....	Anne Smith
Special Intention my grandson Mark Zambito in Providence Hospital-Novu, Annie & Vinny Zambito, Diane, Arthur Zambito & Family, Maggie, Nancy & Ken Laycock, Pat Miculka, Gloria Zelenko, Gladys Edwards, Carol Alden, Olga Elasiivich, Anne Smith.....	Anne Smith
Special Intention.....	J. Tome
David Tome, Michael Berkey, Anna Branoff, Flossie Bayoff, Alex Ruggieri, John & Gloria Zelenko, Ted Weston, Fr. David, Gladys Edwards, My family & friends.....	J. Tome
Health & Blessings Nancy Krigner.....	Johnny Kantor & Jo Ann Havens
Health & God's blessings Nancy Krigner.....	Rosemary Vuckovich
<u>ETERNAL LIGHT</u>	
Birthday greetings to Robert & Richard Elieff with God's blessings.....	Mom, Nancy & Family

CANDLE INTENTIONS FOR ALL THOSE IN BLESSED REPOSE

Dr. Harold Mallon-Blessed Repose-Memory Eternal..... Joseph & Dorothy Goodman
Carl Smith & our son, Mary Rice, Bill Rogers, Louis Gejoff, Jean Bulman,
Pete Sugar..... Anne Smith
Newly Departed Evangelia Sfetkides Rosemary Vuckovich
Newly Departed Angie Sfetkides Harold & Laurie Brock

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all of our friends and visitors to St. Nicholas. Please join us for coffee and donuts in the parish hall following the veneration of the cross.

A special welcome to the confirmation class and their mentors from Kirkridge Presbyterian Church in Grand Blanc.

Thank you to everyone who worked the Festival. A special thank you to those who put in countless hours preparing for the festival wither it be cooking, baking, stapling and counting raffle ticket, beautifying the grounds or helping to set-up your help is greatly and deeply appreciated by all.

Festival Profit: We hope to have a final tally on the Festival by the end of the week. We still have some bills that have not been turned in and paid.

Congratulations to our Raffle winners: \$1,000.00: Gabe Paul; \$500.00: Sarah Neely; \$100.00: Elva Paul, Bob & Peggy Russell, Gaylyn Close, Nada Radakovich and John Borkovich.

Adult Education: the 6th of eight classes will be held on Tuesday, July 27 at 6:30pm at Assumption. The theme for this “Orthodoxy 101” class will be: End of Life Decisions; Euthanasia, Cremation & Orthodox Funeral.

Sons & Daughters of St. Nicholas your help will be needed on Friday, July 30 at 12 noon to enjoy lunch and then at 1 pm to change the candle globes from green to blue and the altar and icon stand cloths from green to blue in preparation for the feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos. Please join us and enjoy food and fellowship as well!

Monthly Bulletin Prep We will be preparing the August bulletin on Wednesday, July 28 at 10am. Your help would be greatly appreciated.

Memory Eternal Evangelia Sfetkides fell asleep in the Lord early this morning, Saturday, July 24, 2010 at University Hospital in Ann Arbor. Her funeral arrangements are as follows:

Sunday, July 25
at Swartz Funeral Home
Hill Road
5-8 pm Visitation

Monday, July 26
at Swartz Funeral Home
Hill Road
3-9 pm Visitation
7:00 pm Parastas

Tuesday, July 27
at Saint Nicholas Church
10 am Visitation
11 am Funeral
Interment at Evergreen Cemetery

May our Lord grant her blessed repose and memory eternal.

Schedule of services for the week of July 25

Saturday, July 31

11:00 am

Wedding of Angelle Most & Dan Erickson

4:30 pm

Great Vespers followed by Confessions

Sunday, August 1

9:30am

10th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Third Hour

10:00 am

Divine Liturgy

Sunday Offerings for July 18, 2010

<i>Weekly Income</i>	
<i>Weekly Offering Envelope*</i>	<i>\$776.00</i>
<i>Children's Envelopes</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Cemetery Maintenance</i>	<i>\$ 1.00</i>
<i>Charity Plate</i>	<i>\$ 5.00</i>
<i>Charity Envelope</i>	<i>\$ 1.00</i>
<i>Diocesan Support</i>	<i>\$ 1.00</i>
<i>OCA Envelope</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Candle Fund</i>	<i>\$ 154.85</i>
<i>Kitchen/Coffee – Festival Luncheon</i>	<i>\$0.00</i>
<i>Seminarian Fund</i>	<i>\$ 1.00</i>
<i>Loose Offering</i>	<i>\$85.00</i>
<i>Kiosk</i>	<i>\$ 0.00</i>
<i>Total Income</i>	<i>\$1,024.85</i>
<i>Avg. Weekly Budget</i>	<i>\$3,743.49</i>
<i>+/- Budget</i>	<i>-\$2,718.64</i>

<i>Income to date</i>	<i>\$117,920.80</i>
<i>Expense to date</i>	<i>\$121,398.19</i>
<i>+/- to date</i>	<i>- \$3,477.39</i>

*19 envelopes were received averaging \$40.84 per envelope.
59 people were in attendance