



Welcome to our Visitors: We are honored to have you come to worship with us. You may find the worship of the Ancient Church rather different. If you are unfamiliar with the worship of the Byzantine Church, simply listen to the Liturgy and allow the rest of the congregation to carry you in worship. We understand Communion to be an act of the unity

of our Faith; however, while we work towards it, this unity regrettably does not now exist. Therefore, only baptized Catholics in the State of Grace are permitted to participate in Holy Communion.

DIVINE LITURGY & PARISH SCHEDULE

Sun. 27th 7TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 10 am Living & Deceased Parishioners
 Mon. 28th 6 pm Blessed repose + Michael & Mary
 Regella (Andrew Regella & family)
 Tues. 29th 6 pm Blessing to David Henry
 (Jan Washicko)
 Wed. 30th 6 pm Blessed Repose to Religious & Priests
 (Dennis & Sally Rock)
 Thur. 31st No Liturgy
 Fri. 1st No Liturgy
 Sat. 2nd 9 am Blessing to Ned Henry
 (Jan Washicko)
 Sun. 3rd 8TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST
 10 am Living & Deceased Parishioners

Weeklong Candle Intentions

ETERNAL LIGHT: *Special Intentions of Sanctuary Group*

CHRIST: *Blessings to Fr. Brian Escobedo and Parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Albuquerque*

CHRIST: *Blessed Repose Glynn Pennington* (Jill Morse)

THEOTOKOS: *Special Intention* (Helen Bruce)

THEOTOKOS: *Blessings to Veronica Donovan*
 (Janice Washicko)

CHRIST ENTHRONED: *Blessings to Fr. Robert Rankin and Parishioners of St. Melany*

Blessings to Fr. Michael Sidun and the Parishioners of St. Blessed Theodore

Candle Intentions can be requested by filling out an envelope found in the Narthex. Donation is \$4.00

OUR ALTAR SERVERS

Marc Brown, Erik Cline, Anthony Gath, Greg Gath, Marcus Cabrera, Ian Ward, Liam Ward, Nigel Ward, & Jonny Weil

THE VOCATION TRAVELING ICON is at the home of the Brown Family. Please join your prayers with theirs that the Lord will bless His Holy Church with more priests, monks and religious.

Prayer Request

Please remember in your prayers: Carol Pasmant, Richard Sesma, Deanna Keefe, Jean Mayo (Rita's Mother), Rita Pipta and Robert Pipta, Ron Lowery & Family, Libby Distefano and her sister Margret, Alex Vida, Roland N Stock, Susan Dovin, Evdokiya Obushko, Robert M. Weil and Kay Weil, Janet Lambert and Jimmy Moran and Dolores Demko, Gilbert & Sally Pasmont. That the Lord have mercy and save His people undergoing persecution in Pakistan, Iraq, Iran, Syria, Egypt and other lands.

The Holy Father's Prayer intentions for August: Refugees. That refugees, forced by violence to abandon their homes, may find a generous welcome and the protection of their rights.

Oceania. That Christians in Oceania may joyfully announce the faith to all the people of that region

PLEASE PRAY FOR THOSE IN OUR MILITARY: Jerelle Hamaker, Allen Latimer, Dennis Lloyd, Scott Nale, Michael Perko, Matt Reynolds, Robert Skopeck Jr.

Epistle/Cantor Schedule

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| 7/27/2014 | Marc Brown | Romans 15:1-7 |
| 8/03/2014 | REHEARSAL | 9:00 - 9:45 am |
| | George Petyo | 1 Corinthians 1:10-18 |
| 8/10/2014 | Steve Kopko | 1 Corinthians 3:9-17 |

Tithes, Gifts & Finances: 20 July, 2014

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| Tithes | \$2,781.00 |
| Youth | 12.15 |
| Candles | 9.00 |
| Hawaiian Luncheon | 156.00 |
| Sanctuary Fund | 262.00 |
| Principal Reduction | 335.00 |
| Total | \$3,555.15 |

Orange County Catholic Prayer Breakfast All are invited to the annual Orange County Catholic Prayer Breakfast held on the Christ Cathedral campus, Thursday, September 25th from 6:30 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. The presenting keynote speaker at this year's event will be Timothy Gray, Ph.D., president and founding member of the Augustine Institute. Rosary and Mass will be held in the Arboretum and Cathedral campus tours will be available immediately following. Tickets are \$40 per person, or a table of twelve is \$480. To register please visit call 949-556-4258 or www.ocatholicprayerbreakfast.com.

POLISH AMERICAN DAY Sunday, August 3, 2014.
Hosted by Polish National Alliance at the Pope John Paul II
Polish Center. From 2 pm -6 pm. General Admission is
\$8.00.

THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS The feast of the **Dormition** or **Falling-asleep of the Theotokos** is celebrated on the fifteenth of August, preceded by a two-week fast. This feast, which is also sometimes called the **Assumption**, commemorates the death, resurrection and glorification of Christ's mother. It proclaims that Mary has been "assumed" by God into the heavenly kingdom of Christ in the fullness of her spiritual and bodily existence.

As with the nativity of the Virgin and the feast of her entrance to the temple, there are no biblical or historical sources for this feast. The Tradition of the Church is that Mary died as all people die, not "voluntarily" as her Son, but by the necessity of her mortal human nature which is indivisibly bound up with the corruption of this world.

The Eastern Church teaches that Mary is without personal sins. In the Gospel of the feast, however, in the liturgical services and in the Dormition icon, the Church proclaims as well that Mary truly needed to be saved by Christ as all human persons are saved from the trials, sufferings and death of this world; and that having truly died, she was raised up by her Son as the **Mother of Life** and participates already in the eternal life of paradise which is prepared and promised to all who "**hear the word of God and keep it.**" (*Luke 11:27-28*)

The services of the feast repeat the main theme, that the Mother of Life has "passed over into the heavenly joy, into the divine gladness and unending delight" of the Kingdom of her Son. (Vesper verse) The Old Testament readings, as well as the gospel readings for the Vigil and the Divine Liturgy, are exactly the same as those for the feast of the Virgin's nativity and her entrance into the Temple. Thus, at the Vigil we again hear Mary say: "**My soul magnifies the Lord and my Spirit rejoices in God my Saviour.**" (*Luke 1:47*) At the Divine Liturgy we hear the letter to the Philippians where St. Paul speaks of the self-emptying of Christ who condescends to human servitude and ignoble death in order to be "highly exalted" by God his Father. (*Philippians 2:5-11*) And once again we hear in the Gospel that Mary's blessedness belongs to all who "**hear the word of God and keep it.**" (*Luke 11:27-28*)

Thus, the feast of the **Dormition of the Theotokos** is the celebration of the fact that all men are "highly exalted" in the blessedness of the victorious Christ, and that this high exaltation has already been accomplished in Mary the Theotokos. The feast of the Dormition is the sign, the guarantee, and the celebration that Mary's fate is the destiny of all those of "low estate" whose souls magnify the Lord, whose spirits rejoice in God the Saviour, whose lives are totally dedicated to hearing

and keeping the Word of God which is given to men in Mary's child, the Saviour and Redeemer of the world.

Finally it must be stressed that, in all of the feasts of the Virgin Mother of God in the Church, the Catholic Christians celebrate facts of their own lives in Christ and the Holy Spirit. What happens to Mary happens to all who imitate her holy life of humility, obedience, and love. With her all people will be "blessed" to be "more honorable than the cherubim and beyond compare more glorious than the seraphim" if they follow her example. All will have Christ born in them by the Holy Spirit. All will become temples of the living God. All will share in the eternal life of His Kingdom who live the life that Mary lived.

In this sense everything that is praised and glorified in Mary is a sign of what is offered to all persons in the life of the Church. It is for this reason that Mary, with the divine child Jesus within her, is called in the Byzantine Tradition the **Image of the Church**; for the assembly of the saved is those in whom Christ dwells.

It is the custom to bless flowers on the feast of the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos. Please bring flowers to the Liturgies.



THE DORMITION FAST

For the first fourteen days of August each year, the Byzantine Church traditionally entered into a strict fast period in honor of the Mother of God, the Virgin Mary. St. John of Damascus, one of the great Eastern fathers, pointed out that when the Blessed Virgin Mary became the Mother of God and gave birth to Christ, the Redeemer of Mankind, she became the mother of mankind.

Knowing that she holds such a high place in the Kingdom of Heaven and that she is eternally present at the throne of God interceding for mankind, we, as good Byzantine Christians, must pray for her love, guidance, and protection. We must never forget to ask for her intercessions in times of sickness and danger, and we must constantly thank her for her care and her prayers in our behalf. During this fourteen day fast period, the Eastern Church encourages the Paraclesis Service be prayed in honor of the Mother of God. (Copies can be picked up at the door.)

The Fast in preparation for the Dormition of the Holy Theotokos began on August 1st and concludes on August 14th. From the Typicon: "The traditional rule for the Dormition Fast is a strict abstinence from August 1-14, with the usual mitigations for Saturdays, Sundays, and the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6th). It is, therefore, observed as the Great Fast. The Ruthenian Metropolia has identified this period as a penitential season (Canon 880, 2). **The observation of this fast from food is voluntary.**"

TASTE OF HAWAI'I IS TODAY!!!! Immediately following the Liturgy!



Huli Huli Chicken, Hawaiian Sticky rice, Oahu Macaroni Salad, And Special Maka'ai Pineapple Cake Tickets: \$12 Adults and Children (4-12) \$6.

Just like being in Waikiki!!

FINDING MEANING IN SUFFERING— A Retreat for Medical Professionals

Endow and the Catholic Medical Association of the Diocese of Orange invite all medical professionals to a special retreat on "Finding Meaning in Suffering." Reflect with Pope Saint John Paul II on the message of joy and hope in suffering. Christ Catholic Cathedral (in the Cathedral Cultural Center Freed Theater) August 9, 2014 9:00 am-2:00 pm Cost: \$80

To Register for this event go to www.EndowGroups.org and click the 'Events Tab.' You'll find a link to this event there.

SECURITY: "It is not a matter of lack of Faith, but of being mindful of our responsibility as good stewards, accountable to the Bishop and parishioners for the material and spiritual patrimony of the church," was Father James' explanation for obtaining bids to add security cameras and an alarm system for parish hall. Father, Steve Kopko and George Washicko have met with representatives of a couple companies to obtain bids.

Why? There have been a few incidences this summer that makes it necessary to take seriously the security of the property: attempted break-in of the Church in May and the breaking into of the T-Mobile station last weekend. The thieves stole all the copper wiring and a set of keys, which included a key to the parish hall. T-Mobile sent out a locksmith to re-key the door.

LET THERE BE LIGHT: Thanks to George Washicko, his brother Tom, and nephew Mark for working in the summer heat to add the outdoor lighting on our gorgeous tile work, the Triumph of the Holy Cross. Although we have many fine pieces of art, the tile-work is truly tremendous. Now, with the addition of this extra lighting

our whole neighborhood will be able to view the tiles clearly at night.

DATES TO REMEMBER:

AUGUST 9TH PSALLITE DEO CHAMBER CHOIR CONCERT Korean parish choir to sing Classical Catholic music at Annunciation 7:30 pm (More info next week)

AUGUST 17TH UKRAINIAN DINNER Stuffed Cabbage and all the fixings



SEPTEMBER 27TH ANNUNCIATION CRAFT AND VINTAGE FAIR 9AM - 4 PM.

Volunteers needed to make this a success. If you can help setting up, greeting people, baking or selling home made bake goods, etc. please speak to Father of Nina Erickson.



CZESTOCHOWA ICON: International campaign for Life **AUGUST 16**

- 8 am Mass at St. Martin de Porres (19767 Yorba Linda Blvd, Yorba Linda)
- 9:30 am – 2pm Communal Prayer (OUTSIDES, 700 S. Tustin Ave, Orange)
- 3 pm Procession, Communal Prayer (Pope John Paul II Center, 3999 Rose Drive, Yorba Linda)
- 7 pm Polish Mass with Act of Entrustment to Our Lady of Czestochowa
- 10 pm -6:30 am Overnight Public Prayer Vigil (St. Martin)
- AUGUST 17**
- 1:30 -4 pm Communal Prayer – Multilingual Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

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