



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church
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Sunday, December 3, 2017
Twenty-sixth Sunday after Pentecost & Fourteenth Sunday of Luke

*The Holy Prophet Zephaniah; Martyrs Agapios, Seleukos and Mamas;
Venerable Theodoulos, Eparch of Constantinople; Hieromartyr Gabriel, bishop of Ganos and Prusa;
New-martyr Angelis of Chios; Venerable Cosmas of St. Anne Skete on Athos*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

- Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.

KONTAKION OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY IN TONE THREE

Today the Virgin cometh to the cave where she will give birth in an ineffable manner to the Word Who is before all the ages. Rejoice, therefore, O universe, when thou hearest it heralded: Glorify Him, with the angels and the shepherds, Who chose to be seen as a new-born babe, the God Who is before all the ages.

THE EPISTLE

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (5:8-19)

Brethren, walk as children of light—for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true—and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore, it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore, do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:35-43)

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

SERVICE SCHEDULE

December 9th – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

December 10th – 9:30 AM – Matins, Divine Liturgy and Children's Education Program

December 16th – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

December 17th – 9:30 AM – Matins, Divine Liturgy and Children's Education Program

December 23rd – 5:00 PM – Great Vespers

December 24th – 9:30 AM – Matins, Divine Liturgy and Children's Education Program

PRAYER LIST - Please contact Pres. Kristina Abernathy via email at Kristina.nicole@me.com or via text or call at 724.493.7213 to add living or departed names to the prayer list.

LIVING– *Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest Elias, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Archpriest Patrick, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Joseph, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Hiromonk Michael, The Sisterhood of St. Nina Monastery, Gregory, Justin, Christopher, The Seminarian Joseph, Rebecca, The Seminarian Paul, Rodger, Joyce, Sister Janice, The Painter Family, The Boozer Family, The Wells Family, The Horne Family, The Focus Family, Pearl, Brandon, Isabella, Ashley, Carmen, Timothy, Marcella, Cassie, George, Eva, The Elderkin Family, Billy, Leisa, John, Mogakolaiti, Emery, Kane, Beverly, Jace and Family, Ericka, Ryder, Chris, Maria, Melanie, Jann, Tamaira, Jann, Holly, Joshua, Noah, Tara, Laura, Tracey, Louise, Peter, Julita, Marika, Mary, John, Akxanna, Nicholas, David, Christina, Isaiah, Hunter, Marquis, Nathan, Brooklin, Dylan, Amera, Adam, Moses, Tiffany, Victoria, Tyra, Robert, James-Brian, Steven, George, Daniel, Subdeacon Nathaniel, Thom*

DEPARTED – *Bishop Antoun, Archpriest John, Kh. Stephanie, Kh. Joanne, Monica, Andre, Joey, Stephon, Calvin, Bern, Gregory, Efthimios, Helen, Daniel*

CONFESSIONS and HOUSE BLESSINGS By Appointment - Please contact Rev. Paul Abernathy via calling at 412.254.6281 to schedule confession or a meeting.

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