



St. Moses the Black Orthodox Church

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Sunday, July 21, 2021

Dormition of Righteous Anna, mother of the Theotokos & Fifth Sunday of Matthew

Righteous Mothers Olympias, deaconess of Constantinople; Eupraxia of Tabenna

If you are fully vaccinated, you are not required to wear a mask in the church. Feel free to remove your mask and sing.

After the Little Entrance, chant the apolytikia in the following order:

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR (Page 118 in the Spiral Bound Book) *Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.*

APOLYTIKION FOR THE DORMITION OF ST. ANNA IN TONE FOUR *O Godly-minded Anna, thou didst give birth unto God's pure Mother who conceived Him Who is our Life. Wherefore, thou hast now passed with joy to thy heavenly rest, wherein is the abode of them that rejoice in glory; and thou askest forgiveness of sins for them that honor thee with love, O ever-blessed one.*

APOLYTIKION TO ST. MOSES THE BLACK *Dweller of the desert and angel in the body, you were shown to be a wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Moses. You received heavenly gifts through fasting, vigil, and prayer: healing the sick and the souls of those drawn to you by faith. Glory to Him who gave you strength! Glory to Him who granted you a crown! Glory to Him who through you grants healing to all!*

KONTAKION OF THE DORMITION OF ST. ANNA IN TONE TWO (Thou soughtest the heights**) We celebrate now * the mem'ry of Christ's ancestors, * while asking their help * with faith, that we may all be saved * from all manner of tribulation as we fervently cry aloud: * Be Thou with us, O Lord our God, * Whose pleasure it was to glorify them both.**

THE EPISTLE (For the Dormition of St. Anna)

God is wondrous in His saints. In the churches, bless ye God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (4:22-27)

Brethren, Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman. But the one from the handmaid is born according to the flesh; whereas the one from the freewoman is through the promise. These things are an allegory, for these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for bondage, which is Hagar. For Sinai, which corresponds to Hagar, is a mountain in Arabia, and resembles the present Jerusalem, for she is in bondage with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is the mother of us all. For it is written, "Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and cry out, you who are not in travail: For many are the children of the desolate, much more than of her who has a husband."

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.

UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Tuesday, July 27, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, July 28, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Saturday, July 31, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, August 1, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy - Dormition Fast Begins

Monday, August 2, 2021 - 5:00 PM - Paraklesis

Tuesday, August 3, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, August 4, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Thursday, August 5, 2021 - 5:00 PM - Great Vespers for the Feast of Transfiguration

Friday, August 6, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Matins and Liturgy for the Feast of Transfiguration

Saturday, August 7, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, August 8, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Monday, August 8, 2021 - 5:00 PM - Paraklesis

Tuesday, August 10, 2021 - 7:30 AM - Weekly Liturgy

Wednesday, August 11, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Weekly Vespers

Thursday, August 12, 2021 - 5:00 PM - Paraklesis

Saturday, August 14, 2021 - 6:00 PM - Great Vespers

Sunday, August 15, 2021 - 9:30 AM - Matins and Divine Liturgy

Sunday, August 15, 2021 - SAVE THE DATE - Annual Parish Meeting following Liturgy

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

LIVING— Metropolitan Boulous, Archbishop Johana, Archpriest Jason & Family, Archpriest Anthony & Family, Archpriest James, Kh. Linda, Kh. Vanessa, Archpriest Moses, Matuska Magdalena, Priest Martin, Kh. Melinda, Majesta, Priest Joseph, Kh. Arleen, Justin, Cristopher, Pres. Beth, Hieromonk Alexi, Deacon John, Shimashee Brenda, Deacon Abraham, Shimashee Laurie, The Sisterhood of the Transfiguration Monastery, The Seminarian Paul, The Seminarian Alexandros, Rachel, Caroline, Melania, Sister Janice, Sister Janice, Newly Illumined Andrea, Brandon, Isabella, Marcella, Peter, Julitta, David, Jerrel, Moses, Xenia, Thekla, Tracy, Joshua, Dustin, Amera, Adam, Moses, Hanni, The Khalil Family, Michael, Maria, Ana, Mary, Macrina, Tobiah Basil, Ron, Arbutus, Chelsea and Ryan, Pani Kathy, Donna, Tina, Tracy, Diane, Carletta, Angela, Tyra, Gabriel, Staci & Kyle, Antoine, Rhonda, Daniel, Emma, Deborah, Gus, Marianne, James, Cathy, Daniel, James, Taili, Angela, Ted, John, The students of the Pitt/CMU/Duquesne/Waynesburg OCF, Alexandra, Nadine, Elise, Katherine, Anthony, Steven, Tommy, Joanna, Alexis, Juliana, Judah, Nikola, Katherine, Mark, Sophie, Abbie, Katie, Wayne, Kathy, Samuel, Karen & Family, Vicky, Tarra and Family, Gabby, Ashley & Family, Nicole, Jason, Kyle, Noah, Jim and Robin, John, Oxanna, Willie Jean, Yeshi, Abel, Abeba and Family, Isaias, Samuel, Sharon and Family, Nashwa Family, Thomas, Maher, Marion, Nezla, Maria, Jennifer, Michael and Family, Laray, Carmen, Andy, Courtney & Family, Irene & The Zervos Family, Peggy and Justin, Mary and John, Charles and Diane

DEPARTED – Newly Departed Archpriest George, Newly Departed June, Newly Departed Rose Ellen, Newly Departed LemLem, Newly Departed Marie, Essa

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

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