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31st Sunday after Pentecost Afterfeast of the Theophany Sunday after the Theophany St. Gregory, Bishop of Nyssa[St. Dometian, Bishop of Melitene]

Christ is in our midst, he is and forever shall be. Blessed after feast of Theophany, dear brothers and sisters. It's with great sadness that I have to inform you, that Fr. Arkadi's last day at our parish will be this Sunday. He needs to take care of his aging mom, and consequently he need to be closer to her. Best wishes to Fr. Arkadi, we will definitely miss you and matushkah. Thank you sincerely for all your help. I will be working closely with Fr. Dionisie and I hope and pray we can get another priest to help out until such a time when we can get our permanent Priest. As Saint Luke remind us, nothing ever happen apart from the will of God. We will remain faithful, and continue praying for the Lord to have mercy on us.

Tone 6 Troparion (Resurrection)

The Angelic Powers were at Thy tomb; the guards became as dead men. Mary stood by Thy grave, seeking Thy most pure body. Thou didst capture hell not being tempted by it. Thou didst come to the Virgin, granting life. O Lord, Who didst rise from the dead, // glory to Thee.

Tone 1 Troparion (Feast)

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, Who hast revealed Thyself // and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee.

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Gregory)

In truth thou wast revealed to thy flock as a rule of faith, an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence; thy humility exalted thee; and thy poverty enriched thee. O Hierarch Father Gregory, entreat Christ our God // that our souls may be saved!

Troparion Saint George You were Bound for Good Deed.....

Glory to the Father and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Tone 6 Kontakion (Resurrection)

When Christ God, the Giver of Life, raised all of the dead from the valleys of misery with His mighty hand, He bestowed resurrection on the human race. // He is the Savior of all, the Resurrection, the Life, and the God of all.

Tone 1 Kontakion (St. Gregory)

Thou didst keep watch with the eyes of thy soul, O holy bishop, revealing thyself as a watchful pastor for the world. With the staff of thy wisdom and thy fervent intercession, thou didst drive away all heretics like wolves, // and didst preserve thy flock free from harm, O most wise Gregory.

Tone 4 Kontakion (Feast)

Today Thou hast shone forth to the world, O Lord, and the light of Thy countenance has been marked on us. Knowing Thee, we sing Thy praises: "Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, // O unapproachable Light."

Kontakion Saint George: God RaisedNow and ever...Steadfast protectors

Tone 1 Prokeimenon (Sunday After)

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Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us / as we have set our hope on Thee! (Ps. 32:22) V. Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps. 32:1)

Epistle (224-ctr) Ephesians 4:7-13 (Sunday After)

Tone 5 Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia! V. I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever; with my mouth I will proclaim Thy truth from generation to generation. (Ps. 88:1-2) V. For Thou hast said: Mercy will be established forever; Thy truth will be prepared in the heavens. (Ps. 88:3)

Gospel (8) Matthew 4:12-17 (Sunday After)

(Instead of "It is truly meet...", we sing:) Magnify, O my soul, the most pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts! No tongue knows how to praise thee worthily, O Theotokos; even angels are overcome with awe praising thee. But since thou art good, accept our faith; for thou knowest our love inspired by God! Thou art the defender of Christians, and we magnify thee.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! (Ps. 148:1)

Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous; praise befits the just! (Ps. 32:1) Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

Quotes from the Saints

**The purpose of God's Providence is to unite, by means of right faith and spiritual love, people who have been separated by evil. To this end the Savior also suffered for us, "in order to gather together the children of God who were scattered." (John 11:52)(St. Maximus Confessor,

**Some people by the word freedom understand the ability to do whatever one wants ... People who have the more allowed themselves to come into slavery to sins, passions, and defilements more often than others appear as zealots of external freedom, wanting to broaden the laws as much as possible. But such a man uses external freedom only to more severely burden himself with inner slavery. True freedom is the active ability of a man who is not enslaved to sin, who is not pricked by a condemning conscience, to choose the better in the light of God's truth, and to bring it into actuality with the help of the gracious power of God. This is the freedom of which neither heaven nor earth are restrict.(St. Philaret of Moscow

prayers for the livings: The Newly Illumined Child of God Luca Nicholas, Grace and her parents, Abbot Tryphon, the child of God Monika, Nick, Sam, Marleen and thier Family, Anne, Ruth, Debrutu, Alex, Janice, Nick & Kaily, Mike, Joe Elijah, Elizabeth, Daniel, Daphne, Gregory and Mary, Vaso, Angela, Nick, Sonya and Dragosh, Timothy, Eric & Betsy and their Children, Mark, Zayden, JoJo, Michael, Eva, And eva, Sandra and Al, Sharalyn, Mat Nina.

Prayers for the Departed: all the orthodox that lies here and there sleep in the Lord, especially the servant of God Arch Bishop David, and the handmaiden of God Lynn, and Protodeacon Benjamin, Fr. Rodion

REMINDER

*** this is the last Sunday Fr. Arkadi will be with us , Iwe thank you very much for everything you have done for us you and Matushkah will always be in our thoughts and prayers

***FACE MASK IS MANDATORY! As well as social Distancing! We are still Operating at 25% of capacity with NO Coffee Hour. Should you have any questions please don't hesitate to call me.

*** Please see Attached pledge form for 2021(the Lord Bless)

*** on January 16th2021, at 3:00pm we will have our annual membership meeting. With Father Matthew Tate Presiding (via Zoom) a link had been sent I will remind you all as we get closer.