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# January 14, 2018

**THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST – Tone 7.** Leavetaking of the Theophany. St. Sava I, first Archbishop of Serbia (1237). The Holy Fathers slain at Sinai and Raithu: Isaiah, Sabbas, Moses and his disciple Moses, Jeremiah, Paul, Adam, Sergius, Domnus, Proclus, Hypatius, Isaac, Macarius, Mark, Benjamin, Eusebius, Elias, and others (4th-5th c.). St. Nina (Nino), Equal-to-the-Apostles and Enlightener of the Georgians (355). St. Joseph Analytinus of Raithu (4th c.). Ven. Theodulus, son of Ven. Nilus of Sinai (5th c.). Ven. Stephen, Abbot of Chenolakkos Monastery near Chalcedon (8th c.).

EPISTLES: 1 Tim 1:15-17: A faithful saying. GOSPELS: Luke 18:35-43: A blind man is healed.

**PARISH FOCUS GROUPS:** Parish focus groups will be meeting over the next few weeks to discuss a vision for our parish. If you haven't signed up, you can do so in the back of the church, or see any of the parish council for more information.

HOLY WATER: On the Feast of Theophany, we celebrated the Great Blessing of Waters. Holy water is available to take home from the font, and will be available all year in the side alcove if you need more.

COFFEE HOUR: This week: Olympia & Family Next week: Johnson

House BLESSINGS: House blessings are underway: if you haven't set up a time to have your home blessed, please see Fr Joel.

**ANNUAL MEETING:** We're planning the annual parish meeting for Sunday, February 11. Please plan to attend!

**UPCOMING BAPTISM:** Thaddeus Brown will be baptized before the Liturgy on Sunday, February 28. Please plan to join us for the festive day!

LIVING:	Mary & Susan	Zachary	Micah, Danielle, &	Priest John	Alexandr
Apr Timothy H	John & Carmine	Helena	Family	Apr Alexander	Ron
Apr Herman S	Nathan	Natasha, Lena, Vera,	Gregory & Ashley	Priest William	John
Apr Sergius K	Leah	Sergei	Petruta	Apr Stephen M	Eleanor
Apr Thomas E	Helen	Caleb	Ivan	Pdn Keith	Harold
Apr John R	Lindsey	Danielle	Elizabeth	Pdn Gregory	
Apr Patrick C	Elizabeth	Larry, Mark, Katie	Anastasia	Dn Mark	Alfred
Pr James & Family	Mary	Ann	Galina	Rdr Gregory	Edward
Pr Seraphim	Joe A	Dorothy	Michael	Daniel	Michael
Pr Adam S & Angie	Daniel	Ronald	Jenny, Gina, Paula	Ada	Mat Julianna
Pr Christopher	Andrew & family	Sheryl & Lacey	Kim	Lillian	Mario
Mother Raphaela	Carol	Alexander, Angela,	Annemarie	Joseph	Robert
Mother Christophora	Elizabeth	Anton	Christopher	Marie	James
Mat Joanna B	David	Peter	Michael	Joseph	
Mat Katya	Shirley	Gregory & Ann	Paul & Joan	Laura	Wilhelmina
Mat Mary G	Christina	Raymond	Children: Anthony, Mia,	Martha	Barbara
Mat Rebekah	Jim & Kim	Vincent	Isabel, Bear, Victoria,	Stanley	Sr Theophano
Mat Ellen	Rachel	Photini	Iva Bell, Panagiotis,	Taissia	Walter
Pani Amy	Constantine & Maria	Robert	Ada, Grace, Elias, Jack,	Steluța	Martha
Joshua	Gaetan	Dianna	Everett, Thomas, Logan	Theophan	Olga
Brittany	Christine	Elizabeth	Seminarians: Dcn Ivan,	Lynda	Hilarion
Gretchen	Samuel	John	Rdr Robert	Florence	
Marianne	Lisa	Felicia		James	Priscilla
Terrence	Lyudmila	Tom	REPOSED:	James R	Newly Reposed:
Helen	Nickolay	Vladimir	Apr John U	Vasily	Ann
Judy	Anetta	Lou	Priest Matthew	Mordecai	Bp Mark

## PRAYER SCROLL

BY THE NUMBERS: Last Collection: \$1076. MTD: \$1076.

### PRAYER FOR CHURCH GROWTH

Again, we pray to Thee, O Lord our God, that Thou wouldst renew us and this parish by the Power of the Holy Spirit. Fill us with love and longing for Thee. Grant that we would seek not our own will, but to do Thy will in all things and to be willing to lay down our lives out of love for Thee and for our neighbor. Draw thirsty souls to this place and remove their spiritual blindness, granting them through Thy grace to see the beauty of Thy Holy Glory in this place. Fill this community with new life, spiritual vigor, and an insatiable desire to live godly and holy lives. Forgive us all of our sins as we fall down before Thee. Bring us all to a greater repentance and to an amendment of our lives as we look to Thee, the only merciful and loving Lord, Who calls all to salvation. We beg Thee, our merciful Lord, hear us, grant all of these petitions and all of our requests unto salvation: we pray Thee, hearken and have mercy.

## SCHEDULE FOR THIS WEEK

With Daily Readings

Sunday, January 14: 9:10 AM Hours, 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy and Social Hour • 1 Tim 1:15-17; Luke 18:35-43 Monday, January 15: No services • James 2:14–26; Mark 10:46–52 Tuesday, January 16: 8:30 AM Morning Prayer • James 3:1–10; Mark 11:11–23 Wednesday, January 17: 8:30 AM Matins • Hebrews 13:17–21; Luke 6:17–23; James 3:11–4:6; Mark 11:22–26 Thursday, January 18: 9 AM Divine Liturgy (Sts Athanasius and Cyril) • James 4:7–5:9; Mark 11:27–33 Friday, January 19: 8:30 AM Morning Prayer • 1 Peter 1:1–2, 10–12, 2:6–10; Mark 12:1–12 Saturday, January 20: 6 PM Great Vespers • Heb 13:17–21; Luke 6:17–23; 1 Thess 5:14–23; Luke 17:3–10 Sunday, January 21: 9:10 AM Hours, 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy and Social Hour • 1 Tim 4:9–15; Luke 19:1–10 Confessions are heard before and after Vespers, after Morning Prayers Tuesday–Thursday, or by appointment.

## WEEKLY HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 14

Troparion, Tone 7 (*Resurrection*) By Your <u>Cross</u> You destroyed <u>death</u>. To the thief You opened <u>Paradise</u>. For the <u>Myrrhbearers</u> You changed weeping into joy. And You commanded Your disciples, O <u>Christ</u> God, to pro<u>claim</u> that You are <u>risen</u>,// granting the <u>world</u> great <u>mercy</u>.

Troparion, Tone 1 (*Theophany*) When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest. For the voice of the Father bore witness to You, calling You His Beloved Son; and the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, You have revealed Yourself// and have enlightened the world, glory to You!

Kontakion, Tone 7 (Resurrection)

The do<u>min</u>ion of death can no longer hold mankind <u>captive</u>, for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its <u>powers</u>. Hell is <u>bound</u>, while the Prophets rejoice and cry: "The Savior has come to <u>those</u> in faith;// enter, you <u>faithful</u>, into the Resur<u>rection!</u>" <u>Kontakion, Tone 4 (Theophany)</u> Today You have shone forth to the <u>world</u>, O Lord, and the light of Your countenance has been <u>marked</u> on us. Knowing You, we sing Your <u>praises</u>: "You have come and re<u>vealed</u> Yourself,// O unapproachable Light."

#### Prokeimenon, Tone 7

- The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace.
- v: Offer to the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!
- Another, Tone 4: Blessed is He that comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us.

### Alleluia, Tone 4

- v: Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God, bring to the Lord young rams.
- v: The voice of the Lord is upon the waters; the God of glory thunders, the Lord , upon many waters.
- Another, Tone 7 v: It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Your Name, O Most High.

### Instead of "It it Truly Meet..."

Magnify, O my soul, the most-pure Virgin Theotokos, more honorable than the heavenly hosts.

No tongue knows how to praise you worthily, O Theotokos;

even Angels are overcome with awe praising you.

But since you are good, accept our faith;

for you know our love inspired by God.

You are the defender of Christians, and we magnify you.

#### Communion Hymns

The grace of God has appeared for the salvation of all men. Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest! Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### SAINTS OF THE DAY

Saint Nino (Nina), Equal to the Apostles and Enlightener of Georgia was born in the very late Third Century, although the details of her birth and early life are unclear, with different sources giving different accounts. In a vision, she received a blessing from the Mother of God to preach the Gospel in Georgia, and after this vision she awoke holding a cross made of grapevines as a token of the blessing. (Some say that St. Nino tied the crossed grapevines with her own hair, while others say that the hair also came from the Mother of God. In either case, this grapevine-and-hair cross is a treasured Christian symbol in Georgia.) She belonged to a group of virgins who were martyred in Armenia, with St. Nino alone escaping. Arriving in Georgia, she converted many to the Christian faith by her preaching and miracles. She even won over the Georgian queen Nana to the Christian faith, provoking the anger of the king, Mirian III. The king himself was converted after he became lost in the woods and was saved by a desperate prayer to the "God of Nino." After his conversion, King Mirian set about making Georgia into one of the world's first Christian kingdoms. These roots of Christianity established in Georgia through St Nino's preaching continue to bear fruit in that country today: Georgia is home to a particularly ancient and beautiful expression of the Orthodox Christian faith, with distinctive forms of chant and iconography, and a rich history of saints from St Nino's time to the present day.