## August, 2016

Sunday, August 28 15th Sunday after Pentecost

Our Venerable Father Moses the Black (c. 400); Our Holy Father Augustine, Bishop of Hippo (430); the Holy Martyr Gebre Michael, Illuminator of Ethiopia (1855). The Synaxis of Our Venerable Fathers of the Monastery of the Caves at Kyiv Who Repose in the Further Caves. Passing into Eternal Life (1952) of Sister Lavrentia (Harasymiv) of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Khyriv and Confessor of the Toms'k Region.

Tone 6. Matins Gospel IV.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Service in Tone 6. Scripture readings of the Fifteenth Sunday: **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians §176 [4:6-15]. **Gospel:** Matthew §92 [22:35-46].

Monday, August 29

The Beheading of the Honorable and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John.

Dark vestments. Service for August 29. Scripture readings of the Feast: **Epistle:** Acts §33[13:25-33]. **Gospel:** Mark §24 [6:14-29].

Tuesday, August 30

Our Holy Fathers and Patriarchs of Constantinople Alexander (336), John (577), and Paul the Younger (784). Bright vestments. Weekday service for Tues. Scripture readings of the Sixteenth Tuesday: **Epistle:** Galatians §212 [5:11-21]. **Gospel:** Mark §28 [7:5-16].

Wednesday, August 31

+The Placing of the Precious Sash of Our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God in Calcoprateia (942).

Blue vestments. Service for August 31. Scripture readings for the Mother of God: **Epistle:** Hebrews §320 [9:1-7]. **Gospel:** Luke §54 [10:38-42, 11:27-28].

## September 2015

Thursday, September 1

+Beginning of the Indiction, that is, the New Year; Commemoration of Our Holy Father Symeon the Stylite (459) and His Mother Martha; and the Synaxis of the Most Holy Mother of God of Miasenes.

Bright vestments. Service for September 1. Scripture readings for the Indiction: **Epistle:** 1 Timothy §282 [2:1-7]. **Gospel:** Luke §13 [4:16-22].

Friday, September 2

The Holy Martyr Mamas (275); and Our Venerable Father John the Faster, Patriarch of Constantinople (595). Dark vestments. Weekday service for Friday. Scripture readings of the Sixteenth Friday: **Epistle:** Ephesians §217 [1:7-17]. **Gospel:** Mark §32 [8:1-10].

Saturday, September 3

The Holy Priest-Martyr Anthymus, Bishop of Nicomedia (303); Our Venerable Father Theoctistus, fellow-ascetic of

the Great Euthymius (467).

Dark vestments. Weekday service for Saturday.

Scripture readings of the Sixteenth Saturday: **Epistle:** 1 Corinthians §146 [10:23-28]. Gospel: Matthew §101 [24:34-44].

Sunday, September 4

16th Sunday after Pentecost The Holy Priest-Martyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch (250); the Holy Prophet Moses who saw God.

Tone 7. Matins Gospel V.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Service in Tone 7. Scripture readings of the Sixteenth Sunday: **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians §181 [6:1-10]. Gospel: Matthew §105 [25:14-30].

Monday, September 5 The Holy Prophet Zachary and Elizabeth, parents of John the Baptist.

Civil Holiday: Labor Day

Bright Vestments. Weekday service for Mon. Scripture readings of the Seventeenth Monday: **Epistle:** Ephesians§219 [1:22-2:3].

Gospel: Mark §48 [10:46-52].

Tuesday, September 6

Commemoration of the miracle performed at Colossus in Chone by the Archangel Michael; and the Holy Martyr Eudoxius and his companions (284-305); and Our Venerable Father Archipus.

Bright Vestments. Weekday service for Tues. Scripture readings of the Seventeenth Tuesday:

**Epistle:** Ephesians §222 [2:19-3:7]. **Gospel:** Mark §50 [11:11-23].

Wednesday, September 7

The Fore-feast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Mother of God; the Holy Martyr Sozon (304).

The Holy Priest Martyr Autonomus.

Bright vestments. Service of the Fore-feast of the Nativity. Scripture readings of the Seventeenth Wednesday:

**Epistle:** Ephesians §223 [3:8-21]. **Gospel:** Mark §51 [11:23-26].

In the evening: Solemn vespers with Vigil.

Note: On a Sunday or holy day nearest to today - 32nd anniversary of the death of Patriarch Joseph Cardinal Slipyj in 1984 - one of the bination Divine Liturgies is to be offered for the repose of his soul, following the Liturgy, a panakhyda is to be offered. (Cf. Stamford Diocesan Memorandum No. 472/92)

Thursday, September 8

**THE NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY, THE MOTHER** OF GOD AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY. Pochaiv Icon of the

Mother of God (1559). Blue vestments. Service for the Nativity; including proper Hirmos.

Scripture readings for the Nativity: **Epistle:** Philippians §240 [2:5-11]. **Gospel:** Luke §54 [10:38-42, 11:27-28].

Friday, September 9

Post-feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God; the Holy and Righteous Forebears of God Joachim and Anna; and the Holy Martyr Severian (321-23).

Blue vestments. Service for September 8, including proper Hir-

Scripture readings of the Seventeenth Friday: **Epistle:** Ephesians §226 [4:17-25].

Gospel: Mark §53 [12:1-12].

Saturday, September 10

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Saturday before the Exaltation of the Cross; Post-feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God; the Holy Martyr Menodora, Metrodora and Nymphodora (303-11).

Blue vestments. Service for September 8, including proper Hirmos. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, Communion Hymn of the Saturday before the Exaltation and of the Nativity. Proper Hirmos of the Nativity.

Scripture readings for the Saturday before the Exaltation:

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians §126 [2:6-9]. **Gospel:** Matthew §39 [10:37-11:1].

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Sunday before the Exaltation of the Cross; Post-feast of the Nativity of the Mother of God; Our Venerable Mother Theodora of Alexandria (474-91).

Tone 8. Matins Gospel VI.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 8); Tropar of the Nativity (September 9); Glory: Kondak of the Nativity; Now: Resurrection Kondak. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, Communion Hymn of the Sunday before the Exaltation and of the Nativity. Proper Hirmos of the Nativity.

Scripture readings of the Sunday before the Exaltation:

**Epistle:** Galatians § 215 [6:11-18]. **Gospel:** John §9 [3:13-17].

Monday, September 12

Leave-taking of the Feast of the Nativity of the Most Holy Mother of God; the Holy Priest-Martyr Autonomus (284-305). Blue vestments. Service for September 8, including proper Hir-

Scripture readings for Monday: **Epistle:** Ephesians §227 [4:25-32] (18th Week after Pentecost). Gospel: Mark §48 [10:46-52] (17th Week after Pentecost).

Tuesday, September 13

Commemoration of the Dedication of the Holy Church of the Resurrection of Christ Our God (335); the Fore-feast of the Exaltation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross; the Holy Priest-Martyr Cornelius the Centurion.

Bright vestments. Tropar of Dedication; Tropar of the Fore-feast; Glory: Kondak of the Dedication; Now: Kondak of the Fore-feast; the balance of propers of Dedication.

Scripture readings for the Dedication: **Epistle:** Hebrews §307 [3:1-4]. Gospel: Matthew §67 [16:13-18].

In the evening: Solemn Vespers with Vigil.

Wednesday, September 14 **THE UNIVERSAL EXALTATION OF THE PRECIOUS AND** LIFE-GIVING CROSS.

Note: Today is a day of abstinence. We may not eat meat (Statutes, c. 476 2:4).

Note: The Cross is decorated and - during Matins, after Great Vespers, or just prior to the Liturgy – placed on the tetrapod for veneration (cf. Dolnytskyj, *Typik*, pp. 120-127).

Dark vestments. Service for September 14. Scripture readings for the Exaltation:

**Epistle:** 1 Corinthians §125 [1:18-24]

**Gospel:** John §60 [19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35]

**After the Liturgy:** Veneration of the Cross. **Thursday, September 15** 

Post-feast of the Exaltation of the Cross; the Holy Great-Martyr Nicetas (374).

> Note: Observe the following Typikon, including veneration of the Cross and proper Dismissal, until the final day of the postfeast, September 21.

Dark vestments. First Antiphon of the Exaltation; Usual Third Antiphon with Second Antiphon refrain of the Exaltation; Tropar and Kondak of the Cross; Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, Hirmos and Communion Hymn of the Exaltation.

Scripture readings for Thursday: Epistle: Ephesians §232 [5:33-6:9] (18th Week after Pente-

Gospel: Mark §52 [11:27-33] (17th Week after Pentecost).

Friday, September 16

Post-feast of the Exaltation.

The Holy, Great Woman-Martyr Euphemia the All-Praised. Dark vestments. Follow Typikon for September 15.

Scripture readings for Friday:

Epistle: Ephesians §234 [6:18-24] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Gospel: Mark § 53 [12:1-12] (17th Week after Pentecost).

Saturday, September 17

Post-feast of the Exaltation of the Cross; the Holy Martyr Sophia, and Her Three Daughters Faith, Hope and Love.

Dark vestments. Follow *Typikon* for September 15. Scripture readings for the Saturday after Exaltation: Epistle: 1 Corinthians §Mid-125 [1:26-29]. Gospel: John §30 [8:21-30].

Sunday, September 18 **Pentecost** 

18th Sunday after

Sunday after the Exaltation of the Cross; Our Venerable Father Eumenes, Bishop of Gortyna, Wonderworker.

Tone 1. Matins Gospel VII.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Tropar (Tone 1); Exaltation Tropar; GLORY: Resurrection Kondak; NOW: Exaltation Kondak. Prokimen, Alleluia Verses, Hirmos and Communion Hymn of the Exaltation.

Scripture readings of the Sunday after the Exaltation:

**Epistle:** Galatians §203 [2:16-20]. **Gospel:** Mark §37 [8:34-9:1].

Monday, September 19

The Holy Martyrs Trophimus, Sabbatius, and Dorymedontus (276-82).

Dark vestments. Follow Typikon for September 15. Scripture readings for Monday:

**Epistle:** Philippians §235 [1:1-7] (19th Week after Pentecost). **Gospel:** Luke §10 [3:19-22] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Tuesday, September 20

The Holy Great-Martyr Eustathius and Those with Him (276-82); the Holy Martyrs and Confessors for the Faith, the Grand Prince Michael, and His Nobleman Theodore, Wonderworkers of Chemihiv (1245).

Dark vestments. Follow Typikon for September 15. Scripture readings for Tuesday:

Epistle: Philippians §236 [1:8-14] (19th Week after Pente-Gospel: Luke §11 [3:23-4:1] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Wednesday, September 21

The Leave-taking of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross; the Holy Apostle Condratus of Magnesia (249-52). Dark vestments. Follow typikon for Sept. 15. Scripture readings for Wednesday:

Epistle: Philippians §237 [1:12-20] (19th Week after Pente-Gospel: Luke §12 [4:1-15] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Note: After venerating the Cross after the Liturgy, remove it from the tetrapod (Dolnytskyj, Typik, p. 128).

Thursday, September 22

The Holy Priest-Martyr Phocas, Bishop of Sinope (98-117); the Holy Prophet Jonah (786-46 BC); the Venerable Jonah the Presbyter, Father of Theophanes, Composer of Canons, and Theodore the Branded.

Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Thursday.

Scripture readings for Thursday:

Epistle: Philippians §238 [1:20-27] (19th Week after Pente-Gospel: Luke §13 [4:16-22] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Friday, September 23

The Conception of the Honorable and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John.

Bright vestments. Service for Forerunner John (Tuesday). Scripture readings for St. John the Baptist: **Epistle:** Galatians §210 [4:22-31]. **Gospel:** Luke §2 [1:5-25].

Saturday, September 24
The Holy First-Martyr and Equal-to-the-Apostles Thekla.
Dark vestments. Weekday Service for Saturday.
Scripture readings for Saturday:
Epistle: 1 Corinthians §164 [15:58-16:3] (19th Week after Pentecost).
Gospel: Luke §15 [4:31-36] (18th Week after Pentecost).

Sunday, September 25
19th Sunday after Pentecost
The Venerable Mother Euphrosyne.
Tone 2. Matins Gospel VII.

Bright vestments. Resurrection Service in Tone 2. Scripture readings of the Nineteenth Sunday: **Epistle:** 2 Corinthians §194 [11:31-12:9]. **Gospel:** Luke §26 [6:31-36].

