

PRAYERS ARE REQUESTED FOR ...

The health and salvation of –

Abducted Bishops Paul & John	Pauline
Bishop-Elect Irenei	Ann
Hieroschemamonk Ambrose	Stefan
Archpriest Ian	John
Archpriest Eugene	Vivian
Archpriest Seraphim	Jung Sook
Protodeacon Alexis	Thomas
Deacon John	Cheyenne
Reader Aleksei	Nancy
Monk Philaret	Randall
Matushka Elizabeth	Rose
Matushka Mary	Don
Virginia	Norma
Kapitolina	
John • Jacqueline	
Euphrosynos	
John • Samuel	
Dionysius	
Catechumen Rebecca	

The repose and salvation of –

Shamassy Marie (August 18)

Please let Father know if there are any names you would like added to the list.

This Saturday, August 27 – 5:30 PM Great Vespers + Confession

Tuesday, August 30 – 6:00 PM Akathist, potluck, & visit with sisters of St Elizabeth Convent

Saturday, Sept. 10 – 9:00 AM Parish Strategic Planning + 5:30 PM Great Vespers

Saturday, Sept. 24 – 9:00 AM Parish Strategic Planning + 5:30 PM Great Vespers

A mission parish under the omophorion of His Eminence Benjamin, Archbishop of San Francisco and the Diocese of the West, Orthodox Church in America



ST TIKHON ORTHODOX
CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday, August 21, 2016

Apostle Thaddeus; Afterfeast of the Dormition



In the Confessor by Sergey Miloradovich (1915)

Sunday Hours & Divine Liturgy at 9:10 AM, followed by agape potluck
Other services as announced

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Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy

Saint Thaddeus was by descent a Hebrew, and he was born in the Syrian city of Edessa. The holy Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy must be distinguished from St Jude, also called Thaddeus or Levi, who was one of the Twelve Apostles.

When he came to Jerusalem for a feastday, he heard the preaching of John the Forerunner. After being baptized by him in the Jordan, he remained in Palestine. He saw the Savior, and became His follower. He was chosen by the Lord to be one of the Seventy Disciples, whom He sent by twos to preach in the cities and places where He intended to visit (Luke. 10: 1).

After the Ascension of the Savior to Heaven, St Thaddeus preached the good news in Syria and Mesopotamia. He came preaching the Gospel to Edessa and he converted King Abgar, the people and the pagan priests to Christ. He backed up his preaching with many miracles (about which Abgar wrote to the Assyrian emperor Nerses). He established priests there and built up the Edessa Church.

Prince Abgar wanted to reward St Thaddeus with rich gifts, but he refused and went preaching to other cities, converting many pagans to the Christian Faith. He went to the city of Beirut to preach, and he founded a church there. It was in this city that he peacefully died in the year 44.

***Also this week:** Martyr Agathonicus of Nicomedia and his companions (August 22); Leavetaking of the Dormition; Martyr Lupus, slave of St Demetrius of Thessalonica (August 23); Hieromartyr Eutychius, disciple of St. John the Theologian (August 24); Holy Apostle Titus of the Seventy, Bishop of Crete (August 25); Martyrs Adrian, Natalia, and 33 companions (August 26); Ven. Pamen the Great (August 27).*

** “regular” fasting this week **

Epistle: I Corinthians 3:9-17 (Sunday)

Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34 (Sunday)

Troparion – Tone 8 (Resurrection)

Thou didst descend from on *high*, O Merciful One! /
Thou didst accept the *three*-day burial to free us from our sufferings! ///
O Lord, our Life and Resurrection: glory to Thee!

Troparion – Tone 1 (Feast)

In giving birth thou didst preserve thy virginity. /
In falling asleep thou didst not forsake the world, O Theotokos. /
Thou wast translated to life O Mother of Life, ///
And by thy prayers thou dost deliver our souls from death.

Troparion – Tone 3 (Apostle)

O holy *apostle* Thaddæus, /
Intercede with our merciful God, /
That He may grant to our souls /
The remission /// Of *our* transgressions.

Kontakion – Tone 8 (Resurrection)

By rising from the *tomb*, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. /
Eve exults in *Thy* Resurrection, ///
And the world celebrates Thy Rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Kontakion – Tone 4 (Apostle)

The Church has thee, O apostle Thaddæus /
As a brightly shining star, illumined by thy miracles, ///
Saving those who with faith honor thy [holy] memory.

Kontakion – Tone 2 (Feast)

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, /
Who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. /
For being the Mother of Life, she was translated to life ///
By the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.