



HOLY TRINITY EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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January 2, 2011

Forefeast of the Theophany, Sunday before the Theophany, Rest of Venerable Seraphim Wonderworker of Sarov

EPISTLE: 2 Timothy 4:5-8 and Galatians 5:22-6:2

GOSPEL: Mark 1:1-8 and Luke 6:16-23

Troparion (*Resurrection*)

Tone 7

By Thy Cross, Thou didst destroy death!
To the thief, Thou didst open Paradise!
For the myrrhbearers, Thou didst change
weeping into joy!
And Thou didst command Thy disciples, O
Christ God,
to proclaim that Thou are risen,
granting the world great mercy!

Troparion (*Forefeast*) **Tone 4**

Prepare, O Zebulon,
and adorn yourself, O Naphtali!
River Jordan, cease flowing,
and receive with joy the Master coming to
be baptized!
Adam, rejoice with our First Mother,
and do not hide yourself as you did of old in
Paradise;
for having seen you naked,
He has appeared to clothe you with the first
garment.
Christ has appeared to renew all creation.

Troparion (*St. Seraphim*) **Tone 4**

You loved Christ from your youth, O blessed
one,
And, longing to work for Him alone, you
struggled in the wilderness in constant
prayer and labor.

With penitent heart and great love for Christ
you were favored by the Mother of God.
Therefore we cry to you:
"Save us by your prayers, venerable
Seraphim, our father!"

Kontakion (*Resurrection*) **Tone 7**

The dominion of death can no longer hold
men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and
destroying its powers!
Hell is bound, while the prophets rejoice
and cry:
The Savior has come to those in faith!
Enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!

Kontakion (*St. Seraphim*) **Tone 2**

Forsaking the beauty as well as the
corruption of this world,
you settled in the monastery of Sarov, O
Saint.
There you lived an angelic life,
becoming for many the way to salvation.
Therefore, Christ has glorified you, Father
Seraphim,
enriching you with abundant healing and
miracles.
So we cry to you: "Save us by your prayers,
venerable Seraphim, our father!"

Kontakion (*Forefeast*) **Tone 4**

Today the Lord enters the Jordan and cries
out to John:
"Do not be afraid to baptize me.

For I have come to save Adam, the first-
formed man."

Prokeimenon (Tone 6): O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance!!

Verse: To Thee, O lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent towards me!

Prokeimenon (Tone 7): Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints.

Communion Hymn: Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! The
righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. Alleluia,
Alleluia, Alleluia.

The **Polikhronion** for the Diocese of New York and New Jersey: Our Lord and Father, the Most
Blessed JONAH, Archbishop of Washington, Metropolitan of All-America and Canada, His
Grace MICHAEL, Bishop of New York and the Diocese of New York and New Jersey, our
rector and the faithful of this Holy Temple, and all Orthodox Christians, O Lord, preserve
them for many years!

BIRTHDAYS

Miruna Barnoschi – January 2

Mihal David – January 6

Coffee Hour: This week: Maria Sklannik and Lillian Oana
Next week: Paula Brush and Ann Pilot

Church Cleaning: January 2 – January 15 – Lydia Sklannik and Maria Sklannik

Alaska Basket: One dollar for the support of the Church of Alaska. Thank you!

Feast of the Theophany

We celebrate the feast of the Theophany on **January 6**. We celebrate the Baptism of our Lord
and Savior Jesus Christ by St. John the Baptist in the River Jordan. We also bless water.
January 5 is a strict fast preceding the feast. Please listen for the schedule of services.