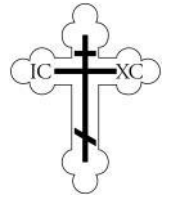


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WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sept. 4 / Aug. 22	ELEVENTH SUNDAY	of Pentecost. St. Gorazd, martyred by Nazis 1942. Hours/Typika 10 am
Sept. 5 / Aug. 23	Monday	Apodosis of Dormition. Sts. Ephraim, John, Paul, & Nicholas, mm, 1918
Sept. 6 / Aug. 24	Tuesday	St. Cosmas of Aitolos, Equal-to-the-Apostles.
Sept. 7 / Aug. 25	Wednesday	<i>Fast, OW*</i> St. Bartholomew the Apostle.
Sept. 8 / Aug. 26	Thursday	Miraculous Renewal of the Vladimir Icon of Our Lady in Harbin, China.
Sept. 9 / Aug. 27	Friday	<i>Fast</i> St. Pimen the Great of Egypt.
Sept. 10 / Aug. 28	Saturday	St. Moses the Black, monastic father in Egypt.

* *Fast, OW* means that oil and wine are allowed that day. **Fast, FOW* means fish is also allowed that day.

GULF COAST DISASTER

Our hearts and minds turn this morning to the plight of those deprived by the effects of Hurricane Katrina of their loved ones, cars, homes, livelihoods, and earthly possessions. Our Mission is poor but I call upon each member to assist the suffering here in Austin by donating his or her time (call 282-2111 to volunteer). If you meet any displaced persons from the Gulf Coast, you can share with them the number of the information hotline established just yesterday evening—the number is 974-1110. There is a special need for donations of beddings for people lodging in the convention center in South Austin, and the place to bring those donations is 3501 Ed Bluestein Blvd. Let's not forget our brothers and sisters, Orthodox and non-Orthodox, of all origins and colours and creeds. Let us show to them the love Christ showed to us when He ascended on the Cross and shed the last drop of His Blood for us sinners. Love is not a theory but is pledged in actions.

OUR TROPÆRION & KONTAKION

Troparion, tone 8. O All-Merciful Saviour, Thou Luminary like the sun: | Through the light of Thy radiance grant us eloquence, | that with pure conscience we may sing praises on Thy feast all-divine, | glorifying Thee the only-begotten Son, and the consubstantial Spirit; | for Thou givest us peace and great mercy.

Kontakion, tone 4. I committed every abomination, O All-Merciful Saviour, | and fell into the pit of despair. | Yet I groan from the depths of my heart | and cry to Thee, O Word: | Hasten, O Merciful One, | and quickly help us, | for merciful art Thou!

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please pray for the victims of Hurricane Katrina and displaced persons from Louisiana, Mississippi, and Alabama. May Our Lord and His Most Pure Mother protect, keep, visit, defend, cherish, bless, comfort, and save them all.

SCRIPTURES FOR THE WEEK

Sun. (Dormition readings): 1 Cor 9:2-12; Mt 18:23-35.

Mon. 2 Cor 5:10-15; Mt 1:9-15

Tue. 2 Cor 5:15-21; Mt 1:16-22

Wed. 2 Cor 6:11-16; Mt 1:23-38

Thu. 2 Cor 7:1-10; Mt 1:29-35

Fri. 2 Cor 7:10-16; Mt 2:18-22

Sat. 1 Cor 1:26-29; Mt 20:29-34

