

## History of the *Joy of All Who Sorrow* Orthodox Church on the Westside of Los Angeles, CA

The *Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church* was born out of love for God and a desire to serve the Westside neighborhoods of Los Angeles. The mission began in Venice Beach as the *Bookstand on the Strand*, which evolved into a one-car garage chapel for worship. An influx of communicants and ever-expanding hope for a permanent Orthodox presence on the Westside drew many to embrace this effort. Soon the mission grew into a two-car garage chapel at the home of Fr. John Tomasi, and eventually landed on a busy street in Culver City, CA.

In 1999, the *Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore* was established in Culver City, which housed a small, often-used sanctuary, in a 1,200-sq. foot building. The bookstore continues to stock hundreds of books, icons, lampadas, incense and burners, as well as gift items from across the globe. In the autumn of 2000, the Orthodox Church in America (OCA) formally accepted the mission under its wing with its new name: *Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church*.

For the last 12 years, the *Joy of All Who Sorrow* parish has resided in its current rented facility on Sepulveda Boulevard in Culver City, and is always hoping to find a permanent location that will allow our parish to expand and grow perpetual roots in the Los Angeles area. People of all ages come into our community to pray for one another and for the world in these challenging times. Benefactors, as founders in this endeavor, are welcomed to contribute! No gift is too small, for we believe that with “faith as a grain of mustard seed....nothing shall be impossible unto you [Mat 17:20].”

You can find us on Facebook @JoyOrthodoxLA. Please “like” and “follow” to view our many live-streamed services and classes. We also have a YouTube page where you will find various postings. Simply **Subscribe** and click on the bell to receive notices of video postings.:

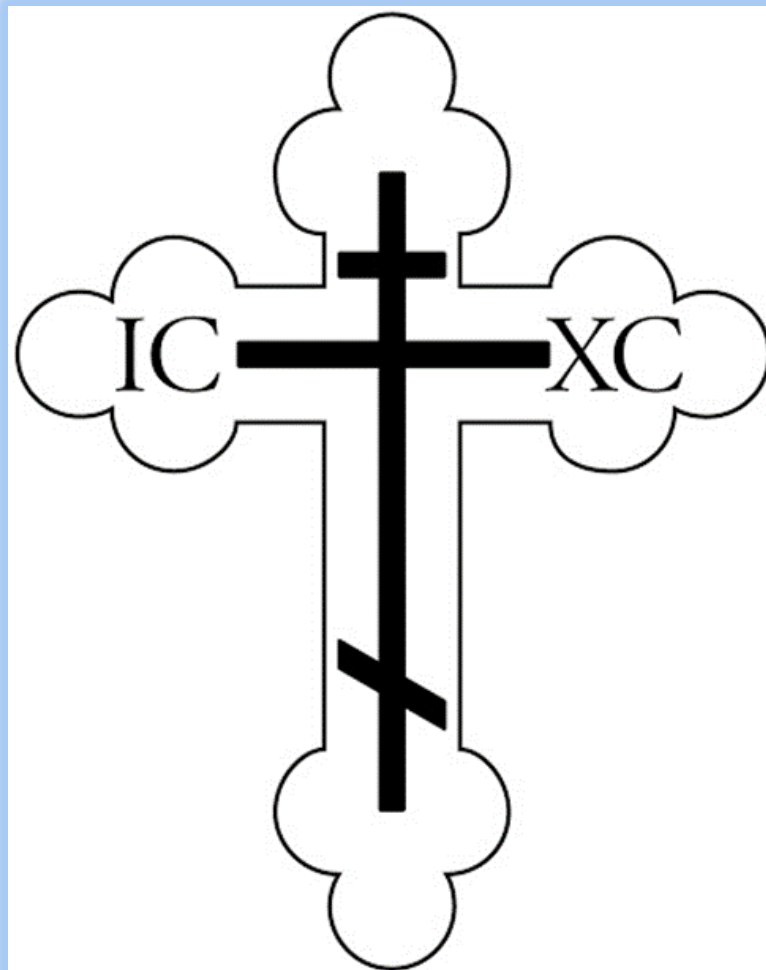
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**Joy of All Who Sorrow (OCA) & Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore**  
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Church/Bookstore: 310-391-9911 To Leave a Message: 310-849-9451  
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## JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

**Church Bulletin & Announcements**  
**July 14-31, 2021**



**WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!**

**CURRENTLY, ALL PLACES OF WORSHIP IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE ALLOWED TO HOLD INDOOR SERVICES, as long those not vaccinated for COVID 19 wear face masks in the Church. With this in mind, we have decided to have everyone wear a mask in our worship services, for the safety of all who attend.** Face masks and hand sanitizer will be provided at the front door and at the side entrance to the church. Please stay home if you are sick. Thank you for keeping our church members and visitors safe from harm!

**ONGOING CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS:**

We will continue to live-stream the services and classes on Facebook. Please *like* and *follow* Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church in Culver City, CA, on Facebook:

**Facebook@JoyOrthodoxLA.**

The bookstore also has its own Facebook page that you can *like* and *follow*:

**Facebook@Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore**

**SUNDAY SERVICES WILL START AT 9:00 A.M.**

Physical distancing practices will be followed as the need arises.

**THE BOOKSTORE HOURS WILL VARY IN JULY:**

Bookstore hours are generally 1-7pm Wednesday—Saturday, and on Sunday until 2pm., but call 310-391-9911 first for any changes, especially during July 2021. For those who would like to arrange for off-hours visits to the bookstore, call Reader Michael at 310-736-7184.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: July 14-31, 2021**

<b>Wednesday, July 14</b>	<i>Strict Fast Day</i> —No dairy, eggs, fish, meat, oil
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Robe of the Theotokos</i> ) Indoor & Live on Facebook
7:00 p.m.	“ <b>Studies in the Faith</b> ” Class (taught by Reader Steven) “
<b>Thursday, July 15</b>	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>Friday, July 16</b>	<i>Fast Day</i> —Oil & Wine Permitted
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Royal Martyrs of Russia</i> ) Livestreamed on Facebook
<b>Saturday, July 17</b>	
8:00 a.m.	Matins, 1 <sup>st</sup> Hour, Typica Indoor & Live on Facebook
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil ( <i>Sts. Elizabeth &amp; Barbara</i> ) “ “
<b>Sunday, July 18</b>	<b>Guest Priest: Father Dionisie (Thank you, Father!)</b>
9:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> Indoor & Live on Facebook
	<b>(Fr. John out of town until Thursday, July 22, 2021)</b>
<b>Wednesday, July 21</b>	<i>Fast Day</i> —Fish, Oil & Wine Permitted
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Pancratios</i> ) Indoor & Live on Facebook
7:00 p.m.	“ <b>Studies in the Faith</b> ” Class (taught by Reader Steven) “
<b>Thursday, July 22</b>	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice

<b>Friday, July 23</b>	<i>Fast Day</i> —Oil & Wine Permitted
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Olga; GrMytr Euphemia</i> ) Indoor & Live on Facebook
<b>Saturday, July 24</b>	<i>St. Olga of Russia; Great Martyr Euphemia</i>
7:00 a.m.	Matins & 1 <sup>st</sup> Hour Indoor & Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> “ “
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil (“ <i>3-Hands</i> ” Icon) “ “
<b>Sunday, July 25</b>	<i>(Lydia &amp; Children will be visiting!)</i>
9:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> Indoor & Live on Facebook
<b>Tuesday, July 27</b>	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Holy Prince Vladimir</i> ) Indoor & Live on Facebook
<b>Wednesday, July 28</b>	<i>Fast Day</i> —Fish, Oil & Wine Permitted
7:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> Indoor & Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Athenogenes &amp; Companions</i> ) “ “
7:00 p.m.	“ <b>Studies in the Faith</b> ” Class (taught by Reader Steven) “
<b>Thursday, July 29</b>	
7:00 p.m.	Choir Practice
<b>Friday, July 30</b>	<i>Strict Fast Day</i> —No dairy, eggs, fish, meat, oil
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Martyrs Emilian &amp; Hyacinth</i> )
<b>Saturday, July 31</b>	<i>(Martyrs Emilian &amp; Hyacinth)</i>
7:00 a.m.	Matins & 1 <sup>st</sup> Hour Indoor & Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> “ “
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil ( <i>St. Seraphim of Sarov</i> ) “ “

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- ❖ **FATHER JOHN WILL BE OUT OF TOWN: Monday, July 5, thru Friday, July 9, and Tuesday, July 13 thru Thursday, July 22 (Father Dionisie will serve Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 18.)**
- ❖ **“Studies in the Faith” Classes in July:** All of the 7:00 p.m. Wednesday night classes in July will be taught by Reader Steven Ridgill. Thank you, Steven, for your love and care, and for taking the time to shepherd Christ’s flock!
- ❖ **The Children’s Religious Education Program:** Mimi has graciously taken over this vigorous job. Thank you, Mimi, and special thanks to Eleni and others who have served so faithfully in this.
- ❖ **To make a Confession Appointment:** Call Fr. John at 310-749-0524. Confessions are commonly heard on Friday from 4 to 7 p.m. and during Saturday evening vigil.