

## 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.:

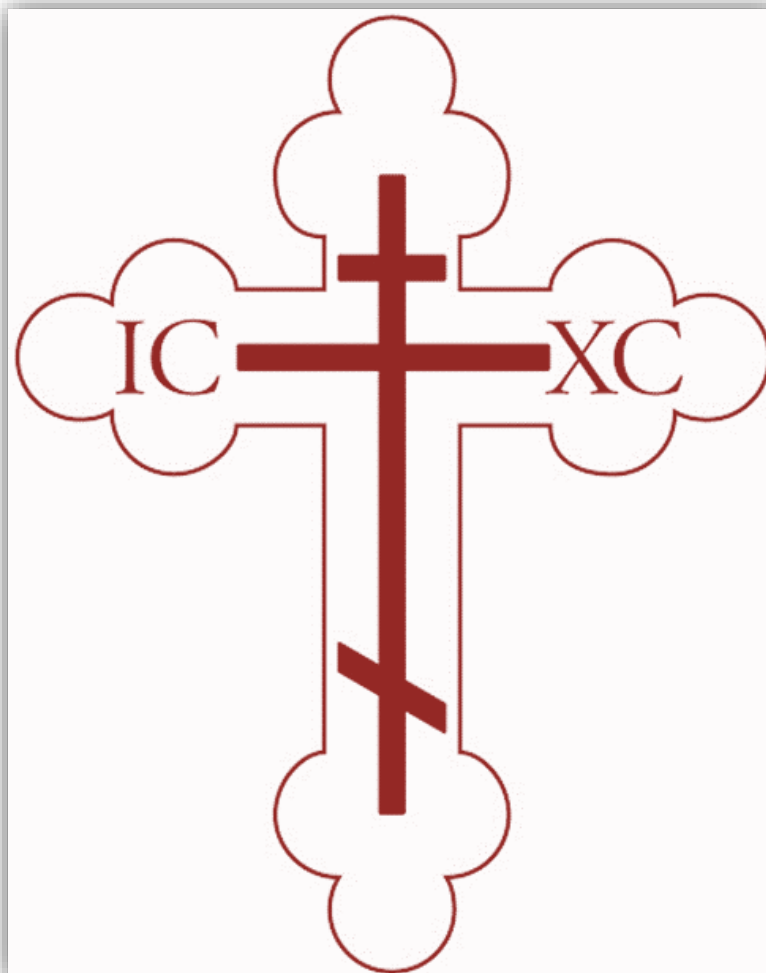
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## JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

**Church Bulletin & Announcements**  
**January 10-16, 2022**



**WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!**

**CURRENTLY, ALL PLACES OF WORSHIP IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE ALLOWED TO HOLD INDOOR SERVICES, as long everyone wear face masks in the Church. Please wear a face 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, 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 BEGIN AT 10:00 A.M.**

Physical distancing practices will be followed as the need arises.

**BOOKSTORE HOURS MAY VARY FROM TIME TO TIME**

Bookstore hours are generally 1:00 to 7:00 p.m., Wednesday—Saturday, and on Sunday until 2:00 p.m. For those who would like to double check the hours on any given day or arrange for off-hours visits to the bookstore, call Matushka Deborah at 310-849-9451.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: January 10-16, 2022**

<b>Monday, January 10</b>	Fast-Free Week		
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>17,000 Holy Innocents</i> )	Indoor and on Facebook	
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to Archangel Michael	" "	
<b>Tuesday, January 11</b>	Fast-Free Week		
7:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b>	Indoor/Live on Facebook	
5:30 p.m.	<b>Panikhida (For Oleg)</b>		
<b>Wednesday, Jan. 12</b>	Fast-Free Week		
7:00 a.m.	Matins	Indoor/Live on Facebook	
5:30 p.m.	<b>Panikhida (For Agop)</b>		
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Apodosis of Nativity</i> )	" "	
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas	" "	
7:00 p.m.	<b>"Studies in the Faith Class"</b>	taught by Fr. John Tomasi	
<b>Thursday, January 13</b>	Fast-Free Week ( <i>Apodosis of the Nativity of Christ</i> )		
7:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b>	Indoor/Live on Facebook	
6:00 p.m.	Vigil ( <i>Circumcision of the Lord &amp; St. Basil</i> )	"	

<b>Friday, January 14</b>	Fast-Free Week ( <i>Circumcision &amp; St. Basil the Great</i> )		
7:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b>	Indoor/Live on Facebook	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Seraphim of Sarov</i> )	" "	
<b>Saturday, January 15</b>	Fast-Free Week ( <i>Saint Seraphim of Sarov</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	" "	

<b>Sunday, January 16</b>	<b><i>Sunday before Theophany</i></b>
10:00 a.m.	<b><u>Divine Liturgy</u></b> Indoor & Live on Facebook
	<b>Tone 5 Epistle: II Tim 4:5-8 Gospel: Mark 1:1-8</b>
11:30 a.m.	<b><u>ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH</u>, at the Church (during brunch) and online via ZOOM</b>

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

❖ **Theophany Schedule (for January 18 & 19)**

***Wednesday, January 18:***

7:00 a.m. Royal Hours, followed by Vespers and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great & the Great Blessing of the Waters (*in Church*)

6:00 p.m. Theophany Vigil with Litya

***Thursday, January 19:***

7:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

9:00 a.m. **Blessing at the Pacific Ocean** (approx. time), just south of the Venice Pier at the end of Washington Blvd.

❖ **TOMASIS OUT OF TOWN—January 24-29, 2022:** If you need to reach us with an urgent matter, please contact Reader Michael Lujan at (310) 736-7184, or Matushka Deborah at (310) 849-9451.

❖ **To Make a Confession Appointment:** Call Fr. John at 310-749-0524.