

## 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 over 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 westside of Los Angeles. 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 will 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.:

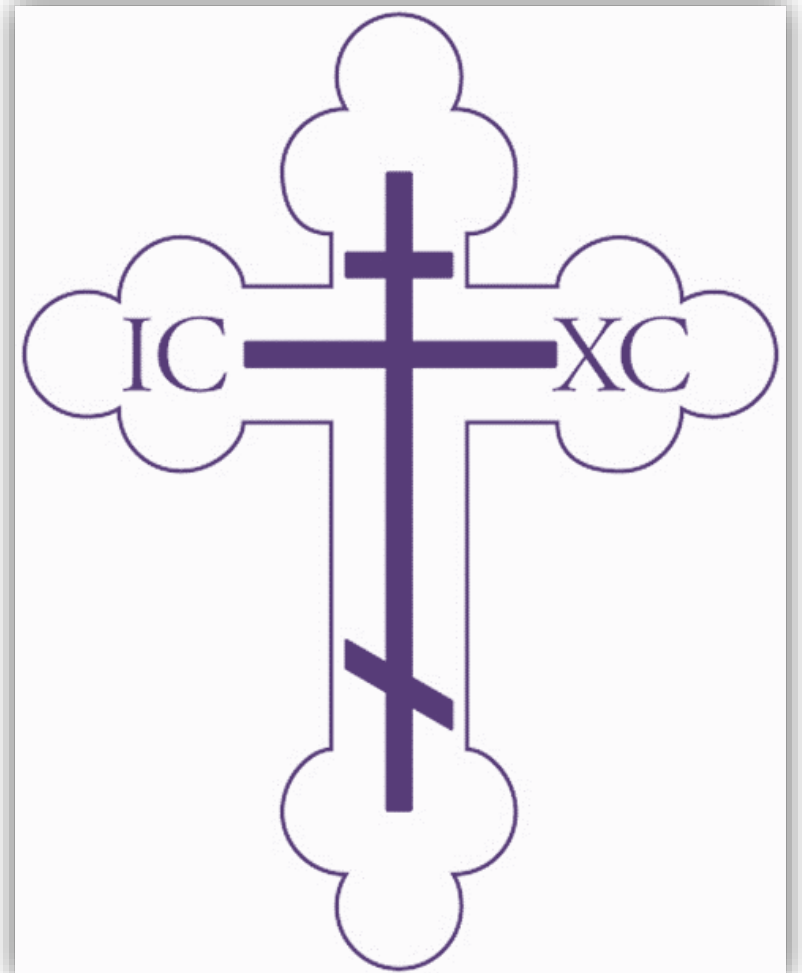
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**Joy of All Who Sorrow (OCA) & Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore**  
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## JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

**Church Bulletin & Announcements**  
**March 20-April 3, 2022**



**WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH!**

**CURRENTLY, ALL PLACES OF WORSHIP IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE ALLOWED TO HOLD INDOOR SERVICES, with masks being optional. Please feel free to wear a face mask in our worship services, if you would like.**

Face masks and hand sanitizer will be provided at the front door and at the side entrance to the church. Thank you for keeping our church members and visitors safe from harm by staying home if you are sick or suspect you may have Covid-19.

**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@ArchangelMichaelOrthodoxBookstore**

**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, simply call Matushka Deborah at 310-849-9451.

**SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: March 20-April 3, 2022**

**Sunday, March 20** *Sunday of the St. Gregory Palamas*  
**10:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**Tone: 6 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12 Epistle: Heb 1:10-2:3**

**Monday, March 21** *Man of God showing at Cinemark, Howard Hughes, 7pm*  
**7:00 a.m.** Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**5:30 p.m.** Akathist to Archangel Michael Live on Facebook

**Wednesday March 23** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**7:00 a.m.** Akathist to Saint Nicholas Live on Facebook  
**6:00 p.m.** Presanctified Liturgy “ “  
**7:30 p.m.** **“Studies in the Faith” Class** “ “

**Thursday, March 24** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**6:00 p.m.** Vespers (*St. Theophanes of Sigriane*) “ “

**Friday, March 25** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**7:00 a.m.** Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**6:00 p.m.** Akathist to the Theotokos “ “

**Saturday, March 26** *Commemoration of the Departed*  
**7:00 a.m.** Matins & Hours Live on Facebook  
**8:30 a.m.** Divine Liturgy (followed by Panikhida) “ “  
**5:00 p.m.** Resurrection Vigil “ “

**Sunday, March 27** *Sunday of the Veneration of the Precious Cross*  
**10:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**Tone: 7 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 Epistle: Heb 4:14-5:6**

**Monday, March 28** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**6:30 p.m.** Akathist to Archangel Michael Live on Facebook

**Wednesday March 30** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**7:00 a.m.** Akathist to Saint Nicholas Live on Facebook  
**6:00 p.m.** Presanctified Liturgy “ “  
**7:30 p.m.** **“Studies in the Faith” Class** “ “

**Thursday, March 31** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**6:00 p.m.** Vespers (*St. Cyril of Jerusalem*) Live on Facebook

**Friday, April 1** *Strict Lenten Fast*  
**7:00 a.m.** Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**6:00 p.m.** Akathist to the Theotokos “ “

**Saturday, April 2** *Commemoration of the Departed*  
**7:00 a.m.** Matins & Hours Live on Facebook  
**8:30 a.m.** Divine Liturgy (followed by Panikhida) “ “  
**5:00 p.m.** Resurrection Vigil “ “

**Sunday, April 3** **(Happy Birthday Father John!)** *Sunday of the Ladder*  
**10:00 a.m.** Divine Liturgy Live on Facebook  
**Tone: 8 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31 Epistle: Heb 6:13-20**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- o **Man of God movie:** This very special movie will be shown Monday, March 21, at Cinemark Howard Hughes in Culver City, 7pm.
- o **General Lenten Fasting Rules:** No meat, dairy, fish, or olive oil on weekdays, but shellfish & squid are allowed. Olive oil and wine are permitted on Saturdays and Sundays.
- o **To Make a Confession Appointment:** Call Fr. John, 310-749-0524.
- o **PLEASE NOTE: THE CHURCH HALL OFTEN SERVES AS AN OVERFLOW DURING SERVICES,** and we must strive to keep all areas of the building clean, quiet, prayerful during the Divine Liturgy and any other services. *Also, OCA policy states that children must be supervised in and around the Church at all times.*