

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.:

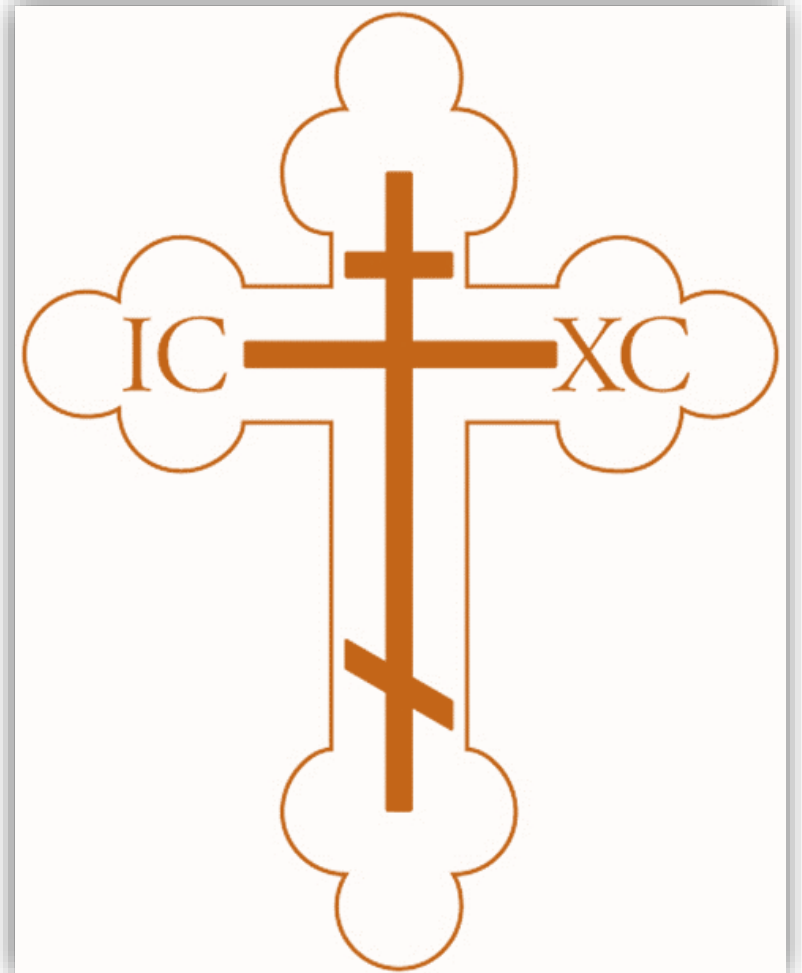
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JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

Church Bulletin & Announcements
March April 4-16, 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: April 4-16, 2022

Monday, April 4 *Lenten Fast*
6:30 p.m. Akathist to Archangel Michael Live on Facebook

Tuesday April 5 *Tonight: Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete, 6:30 p.m.*
6:30 p.m. *Great Canon of St. Andrew (transferred from Wed. night)*

Wednesday April 6 ***ANNUNCIATION VIGIL TONIGHT***
7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m. *Annunciation of the Holy Theotokos Vigil* “ “

Thursday, April 7 ***ANNUNCIATION (Fish, Oil, & Wine Permitted)***
7:00 a.m. Vesperal Divine Liturgy Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m. Akathist to Archangel Gabriel “ “

Friday, April 8 *Lenten Fast*
7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m. Akathist to the Theotokos “ “

Saturday, April 9 *Saturday of the Akathist*
7:00 a.m. Matins & Hours Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy “ “
5:00 p.m. Resurrection Vigil “ “

Sunday, April 10 *Sunday of Saint Mary of Egypt*
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Live on Facebook
Tone: 1 **Gospel:** Mark 10:32-45 **Epistle:** Heb 9:11-14
2:00 p.m. **Parish Council Meeting, via Zoom**

Monday, April 11 *Strict Lenten Fast*
6:30 p.m. Akathist to Archangel Michael Live on Facebook

Tuesday, April 12 *Strict Lenten Fast*
7:00 p.m. **OCF Zoom Bible Class**

Wednesday April 13 *Strict Lenten Fast*
6:00 p.m. Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook
7:30 p.m. **“Studies in the Faith” Class** “ “

Thursday, April 14 *Strict Lenten Fast*
6:00 p.m. Akathist to the Saint Nicholas

Friday, April 15 *Strict Lenten Fast*
7:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m. **THE SACRAMENT OF UNCTION**

Saturday, April 16 *Lazarus Saturday*
7:00 a.m. Matins & Hours Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy “ “
5:00 p.m. Resurrection Vigil “ “

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- o **HOLY WEEK SERVICES:** See special schedule for all services.
- o **OUR UPCOMING MOVE:** Our new owner has requested that we vacate by May 30, 2022. We have a very possible new location nearby, and are awaiting their final acceptance for a 2-year lease.
- o **General Lenten Fasting Rules:** No meat, dairy, or fish. Shellfish & squid are ok. Olive oil and wine allowed 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.*