

## 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, also in Culver City, which housed a small, often-used sanctuary, in a cozy 1,200 square foot building. The bookstore continues to stock hundreds of books, icons, lampadas, incense and burners, as well as gift items from around 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 resided in its third location (on Sepulveda Boulevard in Culver City), and has moved to its fourth, now in Marina Del Rey, CA, just north of the 90 Freeway.** We are 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* [Mat 17:20].

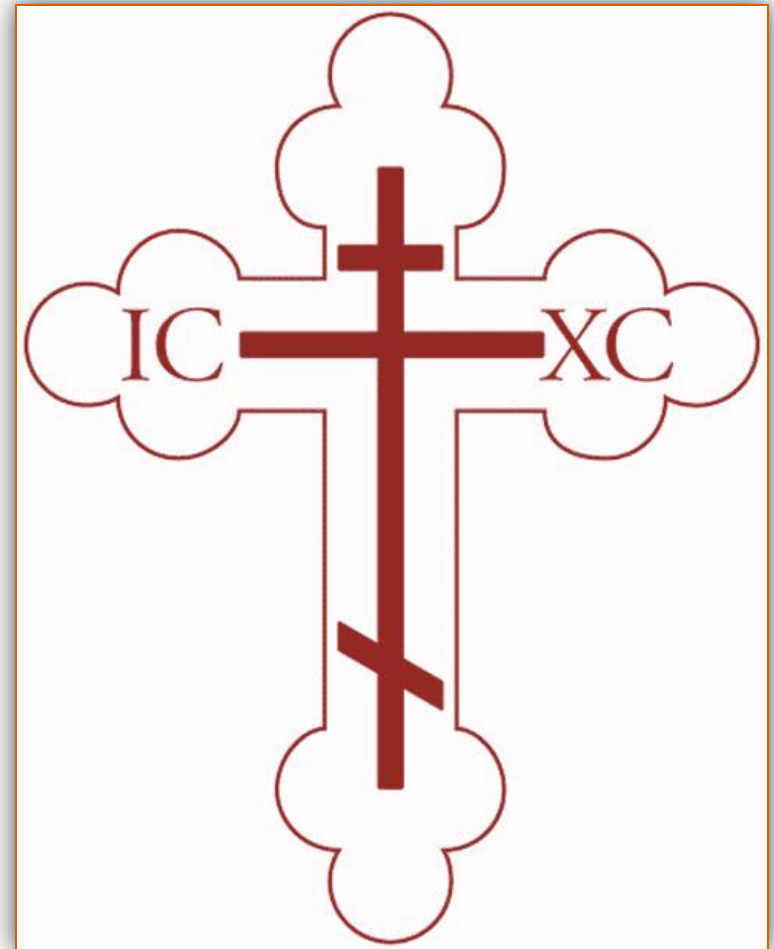
You will find us on Facebook @JoyOrthodoxLA. Please “like” and “follow” to view our many live-streamed services and classes. We also have a YouTube page where you will find various postings. Simply **Subscribe** and click on the bell to receive notices of video postings.:  
[https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Az7XYmlHUIbiDY-AomD\\_A](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Az7XYmlHUIbiDY-AomD_A)

Joy of All Who Sorrow (OCA) & Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore  
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[www.joyofallwhosorrow.org](http://www.joyofallwhosorrow.org)

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

**Church Bulletin & Announcements**  
**September 18 – October 1, 2023**



**WELCOME!**

## Church Bulletin & Announcements, Sept. 18 – October 1, 2023

**FACE MASKS:** Please feel free to wear a face mask in our worship services if that makes you feel more comfortable, and for the safety of all who attend. We ask that you stay home if you are sick. Thank you for keeping our church safe from harm!

**ONGOING CHURCH SERVICES AND EVENTS:** We continue to live-stream our services and classes on Facebook. Feel free to *like* and *follow* Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church, Culver City, CA, on Facebook: @JoyOrthodoxLA. The bookstore also has its own Facebook page to *follow*: Facebook@ArchangelMichaelOrthodoxBookstore

Our Website: [www.joyofallwhosorrow.org](http://www.joyofallwhosorrow.org)

**SUNDAY DIVINE LITURGY BEGINS AT 10:00 a.m.** All Sunday and weekday services are held at 4161 Lincoln Blvd., Marina Del Rey, CA, 90292.

**BOOKSTORE HOURS:** Bookstore hours are Wed.-Saturday, 1:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m., and on Sundays until 2:00 p.m. Off-hours visits can also be arranged by calling Matushka Deborah at 310-849-9451. Additionally, the bookstore is open and available after all services in the church. Feel free to ask choir members or altar servers for assistance.

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: September 18 – October 1, 2023

<b>Monday, September 18</b>	<i>Prophet Zachariah &amp; St. Elizabeth (St. John Baptist's Parents)</i>		
7:00 a.m.	Matins (Sts. Zachariah & Elizabeth)	Live on Facebook	
<b>Tuesday, September 19</b>	<i>Miracle of Archangel Michael at Chonae</i>		
7:00 a.m.	Matins (Archangel Michael)	Live on Facebook	
<b>Wednesday, Sept. 20</b>	Fast Day; Oil & Wine Permitted		
6:00 p.m.	<b>VIGIL: NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS</b> Live on Facebook No "Studies in the Faith" Class Tonight		
<b>Thursday, September 21</b>	<b>GREAT FEAST: NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS</b>		
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (Sts. Joachim & Anna, 1 <sup>st</sup> C)	"	"
<b>Friday, September 22</b>	Fast Day; Oil & Wine Permitted		
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b> (Sts. Joachim & Anna 1 <sup>st</sup> C)	Live on Facebook	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (Saturday before the Exaltation)	"	"
<b>Saturday, September 23</b>	<i>Saturday before the Exaltation of the Cross</i>		
7:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook	
8:30 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	"	"
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil	"	"
<b>Sunday, September 24</b>	<i>Afterfeast of the Nativity (Sunday School: Approx. 10:20)</i>		
10:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook	
	Tone 7 Epistle: II Cor 6:3-10 Gospel: Mat. 25:14-30		
<b>Monday, September 25</b>	<i>Leave-taking of the Nativity of the Theotokos</i>		
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook	

<b>Tuesday, September 26</b>	<b>Vigil tonight for the Great Feast: Exaltation of the Cross</b>		
6:00 p.m.	<b>VIGIL</b>	Live on Facebook	
<b>Wednesday, Sept. 27</b>	<b>GREAT FEAST: EXALTATION OF THE CROSS</b>		
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (Gr. Martyr Nicetas +372)	"	"
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas the Wonderworker	"	"
7:00 p.m.	<b>"Studies in the Faith" Class Tonight</b>		

<b>Thursday, September 28</b>			
6:00 p.m.	Compline	Live on Facebook	
<b>Friday, September 29</b>	Strict Fast		
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (Sts. Sophia, Faith Hope, Charity)	Live on Facebook	
<b>Saturday, September 30</b>	<i>Saints Sophia and her children: Faith, Hope, Love</i>		
7:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook	
8:30 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	"	"
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil	"	"
<b>Sunday, October 1</b>	<i>Holy Prophet and God-Seer Moses +15<sup>th</sup> Century B.C.</i>		
10:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook	
	Tone 8 Epistle: Gal. 2:16-20 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1		

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **WEDNESDAY 7p.m. "STUDIES IN THE FAITH" CLASSES:** Now in Session!
- ❖ **HOW TO SET UP DONATIONS USING "ZELLE" OR "TITHELY":** For *no-fee* Zelle instructions, go to: <https://www.zellepay.com/how-it-works> and for Tithely: <https://get.tithe.ly/start>. We are listed as *Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church* with both sources (Zelle still has us in "Culver City).
- ❖ **TO MAKE A CONFESSION APPOINTMENT:** call Father John Tomasi at 310-749-0524
- ❖ **SUNDAY SCHOOL IS NOW IN SESSION:** These short classes will take place during the sermons every Sunday morning, starting at approximately 10:20 a.m., for children of all ages.
- ❖ **SEPTEMBER GREAT FEAST DAYS:**  
***Nativity of the Theotokos***—Wed/Thurs, Sept. 20-21, 6pm Vigil, and 7am Liturgy  
***Exaltation of the Cross***—Tues/Wed, Sept. 26-27, 6pm Vigil, and 7am Liturgy