

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].

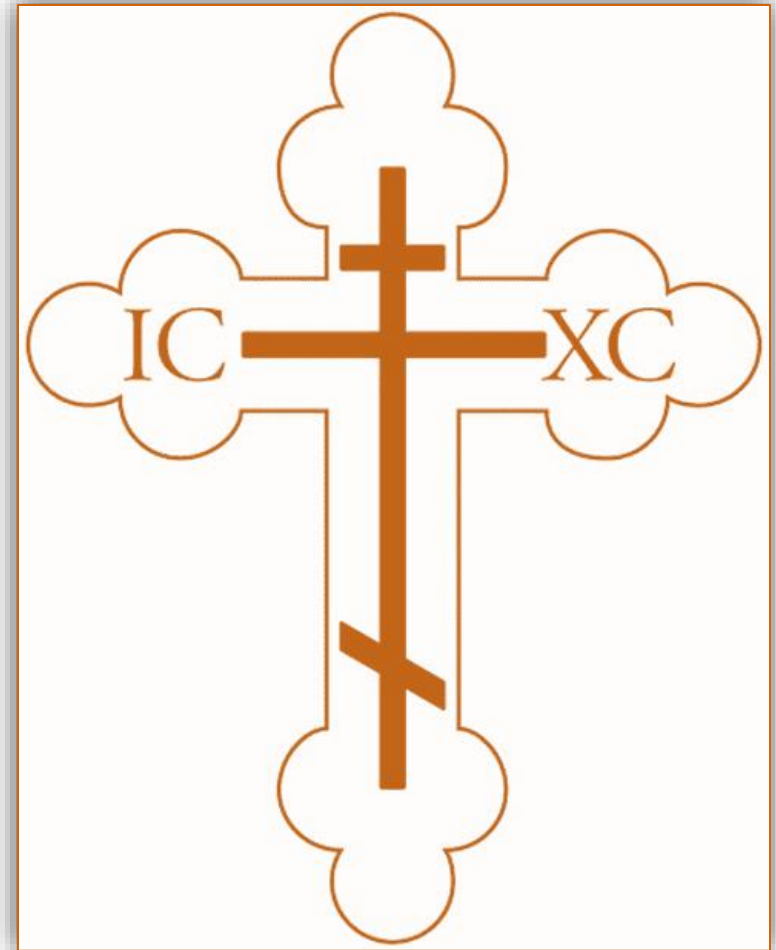
You will find us on Facebook @JoyOrthodoxLA. Please “like” and “follow” to view our many live-streamed services and classes. We also have a YouTube page where you will find various postings. Simply **Subscribe** and click on the bell to receive notices of video postings.:
https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC3Az7XYmlHUIbiDY-AomD_A

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JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

Church Bulletin & Announcements
September 4-17, 2023



WELCOME!

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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

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 4-17, 2023

Monday, September 4	<u>A BLESSED LABOR DAY TO ALL!</u>	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (<i>Apodosis of Dormition</i>)	Live on Facebook
Tuesday, September 5	<i>Apodosis of Dormition</i>	
7:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
Wednesday, Sept. 6	Fast Day; Oil & Wine Permitted	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (<i>Apostle Bartholomew</i>)	Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas the Wonderworker	" "
7:00 p.m.	<u>"Studies in the Faith" Class Tonight</u>	
Thursday, September 7	<i>Apostle Bartholomew</i>	
7:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (<i>Vladimir Icon of the Theotokos</i>)	" "
Friday, September 8	Fast Day; Oil & Wine Permitted	
7:00 a.m.	Matins (<i>Vladimir Icon</i>)	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (<i>St. Poemen the Great</i>)	" "
Saturday, September 9		
7:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	" "
10:00 a.m.	Panikhida	
12:00 p.m.	<u>GUEST SPEAKER: Mother Efrema from the Monastery of St. Silouan the Athonite in Romania, "On Repentance"</u>	
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil	" "
Sunday, September 10	<i>St. Moses the Black +400 (Sunday School Resumes Today)</i>	
10:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
	Tone 5 Epistle: II Cor 1:21-2:4 Gospel: Mat. 22:1-14	
1:00 p.m.	<u>Vigil for the Beheading of Holy Glorious John the Baptist</u>	

Monday, September 11	<u>The Beheading of Holy Glorious John the Baptist</u>	
7:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
Tuesday, September 12	<i>St. Alexander Nevsky Relics 1724 ; St. Daniel of Moscow Relics</i>	
7:00 a.m.	Matins	Live on Facebook
Wednesday, Sept. 13	Fast Day; Oil & Wine Permitted	
6:00 p.m.	<u>Vespers (Church New Year)</u>	Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas the Wonderworker	" "
7:00 p.m.	<u>"Studies in the Faith" Class Tonight</u>	

Thursday, September 14 CHURCH NEW YEAR		
7:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers <i>Martyr Mamas & Parents 3rd C.</i>)	" "
Friday, September 15	Strict Fast	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers (<i>Hieromartyr Anthimus +302</i>)	Live on Facebook
Saturday, September 16	<i>Hieromartyr Anthimus +302</i>	
7:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	" "
5:00 p.m.	Resurrection Vigil	" "
Sunday, September 17	<i>Holy Prophet and God-Seer Moses +15th Century B.C.</i>	
10:00 a.m.	<u>Divine Liturgy</u>	Live on Facebook
	Tone 6 Epistle: II Cor. 4:6-15 Gospel: Mat. 21:23--46	

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ❖ **WEDNESDAY 7p.m. "STUDIES IN THE FAITH" CLASSES:** Now in Session!
- ❖ **WELCOME, MOTHER EFREMA!** She has graciously agreed to come to our church on Saturday, Sept. 9, at 12:00pm, to talk about the all-important topic of *Repentance, Addiction, and Forgiveness*. Please don't miss this event!
- ❖ **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 at 310-749-0524
- ❖ **THE CHURCH NEW YEAR, SEPTEMBER 1/14, 2023:** According to Holy Tradition, Christ entered the synagogue on September 1/14 to announce His mission to mankind (Luke 4:16-22). Quoting Isaiah 61:1-2, the Savior proclaimed, "The spirit of the Lord is upon Me; because He has anointed Me to preach the gospel to the poor; He has sent Me to proclaim release to captives, and recovering of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord..." Tradition also says that the Hebrews entered the Promised Land in September. [oca.org]
- ❖ **UPCOMING FEAST DAYS:**
Nativity of the Theotokos—Wed/Thurs, Sept. 20-21, 6pm Vigil, 7am Liturgy
Exaltation of the Cross—Tues/Wed, Sept. 26-27, 6pm Vigil, 7am Liturgy