

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, California.

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* [Matt. 17:20].

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

All of the classes offered, and homilies (sermons) given during Divine Liturgies will appear on YouTube at “Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church”:
<http://www.youtube.com/@joyofallwhosorrow00> (Please Subscribe to our channel!)

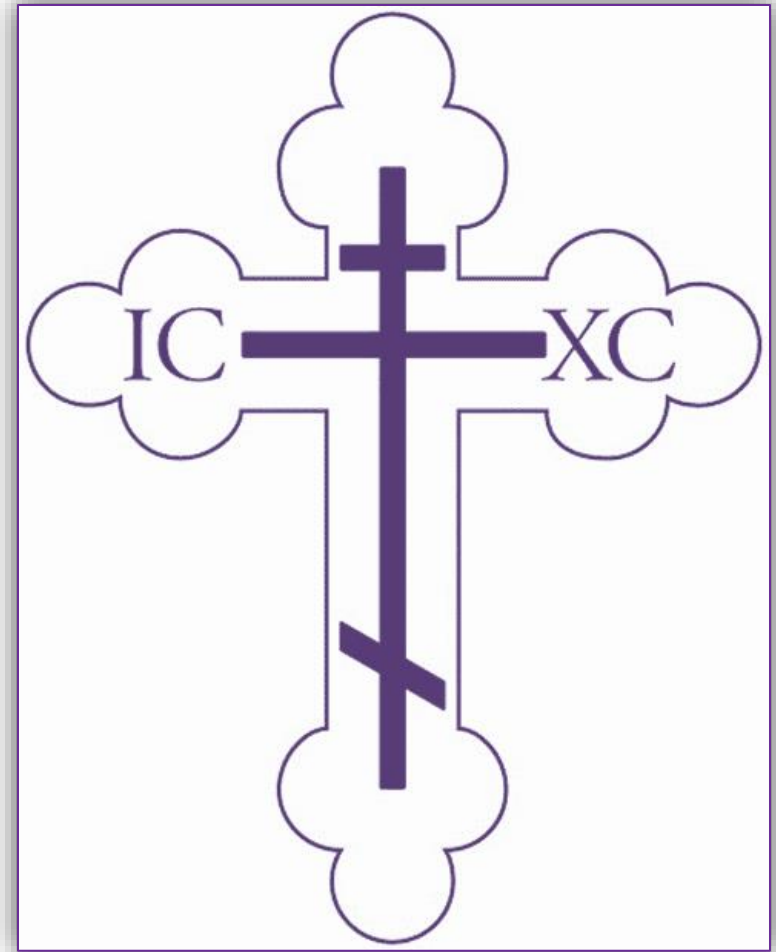
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JOY OF ALL WHO SORROW ORTHODOX CHURCH (OCA)

Church Bulletin & Announcements
April 8-21, 2024



WELCOME!

FACE MASKS: All are welcomed to wear face masks at our worship services if that makes them 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 on Facebook. Feel free to *like* and *follow* Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church, Marina Del Rey, CA, on Facebook: @JoyOrthodoxLA. The bookstore also has its own Facebook page to *follow*: Facebook@ArchangelMichaelOrthodoxBookstore.

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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.**

DURING GREAT LENT: *The Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts* will take place on Wednesday evenings, starting at 6:30 p.m., and on Friday mornings at 7:00 a.m.

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. Ask choir members or altar servers for assistance.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: April 8-21, 2024

Monday, April 8 Lenten Fast (Oil & Wine Permitted)
6:00 p.m. Akathist for St. Moses the Ethiopian Live on Facebook

Wednesday, April 10 **VISITING PRIEST: Father Dionisie**
6:30 p.m. **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** Live on Facebook
No Studies in the Faith Class Tonight

Thursday, April 11 Lenten Fast (no meat, fish, dairy, eggs, or olive oil)
6:15 p.m. Akathist to St. Marcarius

Friday, April 12 Lenten Fast (no meat, fish, dairy, eggs, or olive oil)
5:00 p.m. Akathist to Great Martyr Catherine Live on Facebook
5:30 p.m. Great Compline “ ”

Saturday, April 13 *Commemoration of the Departed*
8:00 a.m. Matins & Hours Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m. **Divine Liturgy** (followed by Panikhida) “ ”
5:00 p.m. Resurrection Vigil “ ”

Sunday, April 14 *4th Sunday of Great Lent: St. John of the Ladder*
10:00 a.m. **Divine Liturgy** Live on Facebook
Tone: 4 Epistle: Heb. 6:13-20 **Gospel:** Mark 9:17-31
2:00 p.m. **Parish Council Meeting via Zoom**

Monday, April 15 Lenten Fast (no meat, fish, dairy, eggs, or olive oil)
6:00 p.m. Akathist for St. Moses the Ethiopian Live on Facebook

Tuesday, April 16 Lenten Fast (no meat, fish, dairy, eggs, or olive oil)
7:00 a.m. **Matins** for the 5th Week of Great Lent, Live on Facebook

Wednesday, April 17 Lenten Fast (Oil & Wine Permitted)
7:00 a.m. **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m. **Full Canon of St. Andrew of Crete** “ ”

Thursday, April 18 Lenten Fast (Oil & Wine Permitted)
6:15 p.m. Akathist to St. Macarius Live on Facebook

Friday, April 19 Lenten Fast (Wine Permitted, but No Oil)
7:00 a.m. **Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts** Live on Facebook
5:00 p.m. Akathist to St. Catherine “ ”
5:30 p.m. Great Compline “ ”

Saturday, April 20 *Saturday of the Akathist*
8:00 a.m. Matins & Hours Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m. **Divine Liturgy** “ ”
5:00 p.m. Resurrection Vigil “ ”

Sunday, April 21 *5th Sunday of Great Lent: Saint Mary of Egypt*
10:00 a.m. **Divine Liturgy** Live on Facebook
Tone 5 Epistle: Heb. 9:11-14 **Gospel:** Mark 10:32-45

ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ **6-DAY ICON PAINTING WORKSHOP: July 22-27, 2024 (Mon.-Sat.)**
 This is a wonderful opportunity to learn how to paint a traditional Byzantine icon at the instruction of expert iconographer Theodore Papadopoulos, who is instructing this year in several countries. For more information, please contact Sophia at (310) 968-3913. Course fee: \$780. Materials included.
- ❖ **HOLY UNCTION SERVICE (SACRAMENT), THURS., APRIL 25:**
 This annual service will begin at 6pm and will last approximately 3 hours.
- ❖ **PALM SUNDAY: APRIL 28 / PASCHA (EASTER SUNDAY): MAY 5**
 During *Holy Week* (April 28-May 4) there are scheduled services morning and evening of each day. On Monday-Wednesday at 6:30am and 6:30pm. For Holy Thursday: 7am *Hours*, and 6:30pm *Mystical Supper*, and 8pm *The 12 Gospels Service*. On Friday: 9am *Royal Hours*, and 6pm *Vespers*, and 8pm *Matins w/Lamentations*. On Saturday, 8am *Baptisms* followed by *Vesperal Liturgy*, 11:15pm *Pascha Baskets Blessed*, 11:20pm *Midnight Office*, and *Paschal Matins & Liturgy* starting at 12:00 midnight. *Vespers & Picnic* on Sunday.
- ❖ **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 *Joy of All Who Sorrow Orthodox Church* in both sources (possibly still listed in Culver City).