

## 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!)

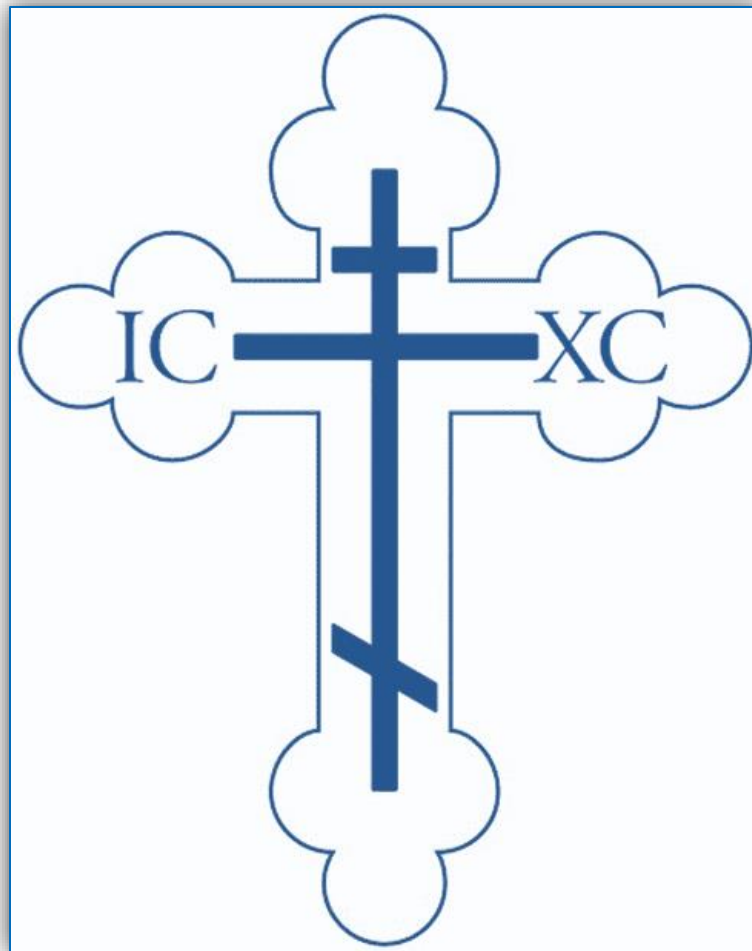
Joy of All Who Sorrow (OCA) & Archangel Michael Orthodox Bookstore  
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**[www.joyofallwhosorrow.org](http://www.joyofallwhosorrow.org)** // facebook@JoyOrthodoxLA

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

**Church Bulletin & Announcements**  
**May 13-25, 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](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. Ask choir members or altar servers for assistance.

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & CLASSES: May 13—25, 2024

<b>Monday, May 13</b>	<i>Apostle James Zebedee &amp; St. Ignatius (Brianchaninov)</i>	
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Moses the Black	“ “
<b>Tuesday, May 14</b>	<i>Radonitsa (“Day of Rejoicing”: Visits to Cemeteries)</i>	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Sts. Boris &amp; Gleb +907</i> )	Live on Facebook
<b>Wednesday, May 15</b>	Fast Day—Fish, Oil & Wine Permitted	
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Theodosius, Kiev Caves +1074</i> )	“ “
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas the Wonderworker	“ “
7:00 p.m.	<b>“Studies in the Faith” Class Tonight, by Fr. John</b>	
<b>Thursday, May 16</b>		
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Marcarius	Live on Facebook
<b>Friday, May 17</b>	Fast Day—Oil & Wine Permitted	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Great Martyr Irine +2<sup>nd</sup> C.</i> )	Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to Great Martyr Catherine	“ “
<b>Saturday, May 18</b>	<i>Great Martyr Irine +2<sup>nd</sup> Century</i>	
8:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook
8:30 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	“ “
5:00 p.m.	Vigil ( <i>Myrrh-bearing Women Sunday</i> )	“ “

<b>Sunday, May 19</b>	<i>Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women</i>	
10:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook
	Tone 2 Epistle: Acts 6:1-7 Gospel: Mark 16:9-20	
<b>Monday, May 20</b>		
6:00 p.m.	<b>Vigil (St. John the Theologian)</b>	Live on Facebook
<b>Tuesday, May 21</b>	<i>Holy Apostle and Evangelist John the Theologian</i>	
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy</b>	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	<b>Vigil (Transl. of Relics of St. Nicholas)</b>	“ “
<b>Wednesday, May 22</b>	Fast Day—Fish, Oil & Wine Permitted	
7:00 a.m.	<b>Divine Liturgy (St. Nicholas)</b>	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Apostle Simon Zealot</i> )	“ “
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Nicholas the Wonderworker	“ “
7:00 p.m.	<b>“Studies in the Faith” Class Tonight, by Fr. John</b>	
<b>Thursday, May 23</b>		
7:00 a.m.	Matins ( <i>Apostle Simon +1<sup>st</sup> C.</i> )	Live on Facebook
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>Sts. Cyril &amp; Methodius +9<sup>th</sup> C.</i> )	“ “
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Marcarius	“ “
<b>Friday, May 24</b>	Fast Day—Fish, Oil & Wine Permitted	
6:00 p.m.	Vespers ( <i>St. Epiphanius +403</i> )	Live on Facebook
6:30 p.m.	Akathist to St. Catherine	“ “
<b>Saturday, May 25</b>	<i>St. Epiphanius of Cyprus +403 &amp; St. Germanus +740</i>	
7:00 a.m.	Matins & Hours	Live on Facebook
5:00 p.m.	Vigil ( <i>Sunday of the Paralytic</i> )	“ “

### ANNOUNCEMENTS & UPCOMING EVENTS

- ❖ **ICON PAINTING WORKSHOP, Monday, July 22- Saturday, July 27:** Time is running out to sign up for this incredibly special 48-hour event. Expert iconographer Theodoros Papadopoulos from Greece will be here to teach how to paint a traditional Byzantine Icon (for more information, visit: <https://theodoreicons.com>). The Cost of \$780 covers the materials, including gesso board, pigments, brushes, etc. Beginners with no painting experience, along with painters and artists of all levels, are welcomed to attend!
- ❖ **POTLUCK SUNDAY BRUNCH, EVERY SUNDAY:** For those who can, please bring a dish to share for our Sunday Agape Meals, which take place after Divine Liturgy on Sundays. It’s a wonderful time to visit with our parish community members. We do not have a stove upstairs, so if you bring something hot, please try to wrap it to keep it warm.
- ❖ **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).