

PRAYER  
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# The Dormition Fast

August 1 - 14

Grow in your relationship  
with the Theotokos and  
Jesus Christ.



St. Matthew the Evangelist  
Orthodox Church

**August 18 & 19, 2023**

Father Sergius Bowyer  
Abbot of St. Tikhon's Monastery

Friday, August 18  
6:00 - Prayer service with icon of St Anna  
7:00-8:30 - First Session

Saturday, August 19  
9:30 - Registration, Continental Breakfast  
10:30-12:00 - Second Session  
12:00 - 1:00 - Lunch Provided  
1:00-2:00 - Personal prayer  
2:00-3:30 - Third Session  
4:30 - Vespers

The miraculous icon of St. Anna,  
the Mother of the Holy Virgin Mary  
will be at St. Matthew's for  
veneration.

Fr. Bowyer will speak on his book  
**Acquiring the Mind of Christ:**  
*Embracing the Vision of the Orthodox Church*

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# The Wonderworker

Monthly Bulletin for  
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*Welcome to our parish. We invite you to worship with us again.*

**August, 2023**

**Glory to Jesus Christ!  
Slava Isusu Khristu!**

**Glory Forever!  
Slava na viki!**

## Schedule of Services

(July 30—September 3, 2023)

### Sunday, July 30

The Eighth Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone 7;  
The Holy Apostles Silas and Silvanus of the Seventy, and  
those with them: Crescens, Epenetus, and Andronicus  
10:00 a.m.—The Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth  
Panakhida for +John & Julia Hendricks

### Sunday, August 6

The Ninth Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone 8; The  
Holy Transfiguration of Our Lord God and Savior Jesus  
Christ  
9:30 a.m.—The Public Chanting of the Prayers of Preparation for  
the Holy Mystery of Repentance Followed by an Examination  
of Conscience and Concluded by Absolution  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth for the  
Kalenak Family  
Blessing Grapes and First Fruits  
Holy Anointing Мирванія

### Sunday, August 13

The Tenth Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone 1;  
Final Day of the Holy Transfiguration. Translation of the  
Relics of St. Maximos the Confessor  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

### Tuesday, August 15

The Falling-Asleep (Dormition) of Our Most-Holy Lady the  
Birthgiver-of-God and Ever-Virgin Mary  
10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

Blessing Grapes and First Fruits  
Holy Anointing Мирования

**Sunday, August 20**

**The Eleventh Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone 2;  
The Sixth Day of the Holy Dormition. The Holy Prophet  
Samuel (11<sup>th</sup> c. B.C.)**

10:00 a.m.—The Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

**Sunday, August 27**

**The Twelfth Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone 3;  
Our Venerable Father Poemen the Great (ca. 450); Hosius  
the Confessor, Bishop of Cordova (359)**

10:00 a.m.—The Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

**Sunday, September 3**

**The Thirteenth Sunday after Pentecost, Resurrectional Tone  
4; The Holy Bishop-Martyr Anthimus of Nicomedia, and  
those with him; St. Phoebe, Deaconess at Cencreae**

9:30 a.m.—The Public Chanting of the Prayers of Preparation for  
the Holy Mystery of Repentance Followed by an Examination  
of Conscience and Concluded by Absolution

10:00 a.m. - Divine Liturgy of St. John the Golden-Mouth

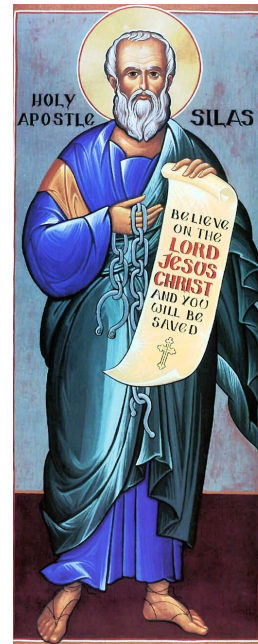
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**August Milestones - Birthdays:** 1, Fr. Dennis Kristof; 6, Kaylee Ann Hartman; 7, Marian Largent & Nina Kostryk; 12, Naser (Victor) Hanna; 15, Thaissa Santos; Stacey Kuzda; 26, Farhan (Frank) Hanna; Nestor Kostryk; 29, Tetianna Ruggles Price. **Anniversaries:** 9, Vladimir Swerchowsky & Maryann Liguore; 31, Fr. Dennis & Pani Barbara. May our Good God grant them and their families peace, health, salvation, and longevity for many blessed years, на многая і благая літа!

The **35th Annual Lakewood Community Festival** is set for for **Saturday, September 9** from 11a to 5p at Madison Park, 13029 Madison Avenue. We will have a booth again this year. Please let a Council member know of your willingness to participate.

**TODAY'S FEAST:** The **Holy Apostles of the Seventy: Silas, Sylvanus, Crescens, Epaeetus, and Andronicus** were disciples of the Savior.

The Disciple from the Seventy, St. Silas, was a respected figure in the original Church at Jerusalem, "of the chief men among the brethren" (Acts 15:22). The Council of the Apostles was convened at Jerusalem in the year 51 to deal with the question, whether it be necessary for Christians converted from among the Gentile-pagans to observe the (Old Testament) Mosaic Law (the Law-code contained in the Pentateuch, or Torah, the first five books of the Old Testament). The Apostles afterwards sent a message with Paul and Barnabas to the Christians in Antioch in which they reported that this apostolic council declared that Gentile Christians of pagan origin were free from having to observe the prescripts of the Mosaic Law. But it was prescribed for them, nonetheless, that they refrain of partaking of foods offered to idols, from things strangled and from blood, to refrain from fornication, and from all else that would be inappropriate for a Christian (Acts 15:20-29). Together with SS. Paul and Barnabas, the Council of the Apostles sent along members of the Jerusalem Church, SS. Silas and



Jude, to explain the message in greater detail, since they both were filled with the grace of the Holy Spirit. St. Jude thereafter was sent back to Jerusalem, but St. Silas remained at Antioch and zealously assisted St. Paul, the Apostle to the Gentiles, on his missionary journeys preaching the Gospel. They visited Syria, Cilicia, and Macedonia.

In the city of Philippi they were accused of inciting unrest among the people, and for this they were arrested, thrashed with canes, and then thrown into prison. At midnight, when the holy saints were at prayer, a strong earthquake suddenly occurred, their chains fell off from them and the doors of the prison opened. The prison guard, supposing that the prisoners had fled, wanted to kill himself, but was stopped by the Apostle Paul. Then, trembling, he fell down at the feet of the saints, and with faith accepted their Good-News (Gospel) about Christ. He then led them out of the prison and took them to his own home, where he washed their wounds, and

was baptized together with all his household.

From Philippi SS. Paul and Silas proceeded on to the cities of Amphypolis, Apollonia and Thessalonika. In each city they made new converts to Christ and built up the Church.

At Corinth the Holy Disciple Silas was ordained bishop, and he worked many a miracle and signs and finished his life there.

The Holy Disciple Sylvanus preached the Word of God together with the chief Apostles Peter and Paul. In his First Ecumenical Epistle, the Holy Apostle Peter makes mention of him: "By Silvanus, a faithful brother as I regard him, I have written briefly to you, exhorting and declaring that this is the true grace of God; stand fast in it." (1 Pet 5:12). St. Sylvanus was made bishop at Thessalonika and died a martyr there having undergone many a sorrow and misfortune for the Lord's sake.

The Holy Apostle Paul makes mention of the Holy Disciple Crescens in his Second Epistle to Timothy (2 Tim 4:10), saying that Crescens had gone preaching to Galatia. He was made bishop there and afterwards preached the Word of God in Gaul (modern-day France). In the city of Vienna (modern-day Austria) the holy Disciple Crescens established his student Zacharius as bishop. Having returned to Galatia, he died a martyr under the Roman Emperor Trajan (98-117).

The Holy Disciple Epaeetus was made bishop at Carthage. In his Epistle to the Romans, the holy Apostle Paul writes: "Greet my beloved Epaeetus, who was the first convert in Asia for Christ." (Rom 16:5).

The Disciple Andronicus is mentioned also in this same Epistle by the Apostle Paul: "Greet Andronicus and Junias, my kinsmen and my fellow prisoners; they are men of note among the apostles, and they were in Christ before me." (Rom 16:7). The Holy Disciple Andronicus was bishop in Pannonia (modern-day Hungary) (SS. Andronicus and Junia are also commemorated on May 17).