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✠ ✠ ✠ Service Schedule ✠ ✠ ✠

Sunday, October 4th. **17th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 8.** Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens (1st c.). Uncovering of the Relics of St Gurias, First Archbishop of Kazan, and St Varsonuphy (Barsanuphius), Bishop of Tver’ (1595). Synaxis of the Hierarchs of Kazan (1976). Rt. Blv. Prince Vladimir Yaroslavich, Prince of Novgorod (1052). Ven. Helladius and Onesimus of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves-12th-13th c.). Ven. Ammon, Recluse, of the Kiev Caves (Far Caves-13th c.). Martyrs Gaius, Faustus, Eusebius, and Chaeremon, of Alexandria (3rd c.). Martyr Peter of Capetolis (3rd-4th c.). Martyrs Domnina and her daughters Berenice and Prosdoce of Syria (305-306). Ven. Ammon (ca.350) and Paul the Simple (4th c.) of Egypt. Martyr Adautus and his daughter, St. Callisthene, of Epjhesus (4th c.). St Stephen Stiljjanovich of Serbia (1515).

3rd and 6th Hours: 9:10 am.

Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am.

Epistle: 2 Cor. 6:16-7:1; Gospel: Luke 6:31-36.

Wednesday, October 7th.

Daily Vespers, 5:30 pm. Meal and Study Group to follow: Bishop Kallistos Ware’s *The Inner Kingdom*.

Saturday, October 10th.

Great Vespers of the Resurrection: 5:00 pm.

Sunday, October 11th. **18th Sunday after Pentecost – Tone 1. Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the 7th**

Ecumenical Council. Holy Apostle Philip of the Seventy, one of the Seven Deacons (1st c.). St Theophanes the Confessor and Hymnographer, Bishop of Nicaea (ca. 850). Ven. Theophanes, Faster, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves – 12th c.). Ven. Leo of Optina (1841). Synaxis of the Optina elders, Martyrs Zenais (Zinaida) and Philonilla, of Tarsus in Cilicia (1st c.).

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Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am.

Epistle: 2 Cor. 9:6-11; Gospel: Luke 7:11-16.

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All-Parish Meeting on Sunday October, 18, 2009

The annual all-parish meeting will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2009
after coffee hour. Please plan to attend.

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Hieromartyr Hierotheus, the Bishop of Athens

Commemorated on October 4

(from oca.org)

The Hieromartyr Hierotheus, the first Bishop of Athens, was a member of the Athenian Areopagos and was converted to Christ by the Apostle Paul together with St Dionysius the Areopagite (October 3).

The saint was consecrated by the Apostle Paul to the rank of bishop. According to Tradition, Bishop Hierotheus was present with St Dionysius at the funeral of the Most Holy Theotokos.

St Hierotheus died a martyr’s death in the first century.

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Troparian – Tone 1

We the faithful all praise Hierotheus, the disciple of Paul,
Hierarch of Athens,
the world’s teacher and preacher of the Faith,
who revealed to us Christ’s Mysteries
and poured forth streams of godly doctrine.
His life was well-pleasing to God, who is greatly merciful.

Kontakion – Tone 8

Hierarch of Athens, we praise you for you have instructed us in awesome and ineffable things,
and you were revealed to be a divinely-inspired writer of hymns.

Pray that we be delivered from every kind of sin, so that we may cry to you:

“Rejoice, divinely wise Father Hierotheus

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“Make the most of beautiful moments. Beautiful moments predispose the soul to prayer; they make it refined, noble and poetic. Wake up in the morning to see the sun rising from out of the sea as a king robed in regal purple. When a lovely landscape, a picturesque chapel, or something beautiful inspires you, don’t leave things at that, but go beyond this to give glory for all beautiful things so that you experience Him who alone is ‘comely in beauty’. All things are holy – the sea, swimming and eating. Take delight in them all. All things enrich us, all lead us to the great Love, all lead us to Christ”.

- Elder Porphyrios, *Wounded by Love – The Life and Wisdom of Elder Porphyrios*

**ICH HABE GENUG
(IT IS ENOUGH)**

Johann Sebastian Bach
Cantata BWV 82

It is enough.
I have received my Saviour, the hope of the faithful,
into my yearning arms.
It is enough.
I have gazed upon him,
and in faith have pressed Jesus to my heart;
it is enough.
Now all that I wish is that even today I may
depart this life here below.
It is enough.
It is enough.
My only consolation is that
Jesus shall be mine and that I shall be his.
I cleave to him in faith,
And like Simeon, I already gaze upon
the joys of the life beyond.
Let us go with this Man!
Ah, would that the Lord might deliver me
from the shackles of this body.

If it were already the moment for my leaving,
I would joyfully say to the world
it is enough.

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Rest in slumber, weary eyes,
close now gently and blessedly.
World, I will remain here no longer,
as there is nothing more here
that is to the benefit of my soul.
Here must I build upon suffering,
but there, there shall I gaze upon
sweet joys and tranquil rest.

My God, when will that beautiful moment come
for me to depart in peace
and to rest in the sands of the cool earth
and also there with Thee in Thy bosom?
My leave is taken.
World, good night.

I await my death in joy and expectation;
ah, if it had only already happened.
Then shall I escape the pain and distress
which bind me still to this world.

