

Tone 5 Troparion (Resurrection)
Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word,
co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit,
born for our salvation from the Virgin;
for He willed to be lifted up on the Cross in the flesh,
to endure death,
and to raise the dead//
by His glorious Resurrection.

Tone 4 Troparion (Entrance of Mary into the Temple)
Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.
The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.
Let us rejoice and sing to her:
“Rejoice, O Fulfillment//
of the Creator’s dispensation!”

Tone 4 Troparion (St. Catherine)
By thy virtues as by rays of the sun thou didst enlighten the unbelieving
philosophers,
and like the most bright moon thou didst drive away the darkness of
disbelief from those walking in the night;
thou didst convince the queen, and didst also chastise the tyrant,
God-summoned bride, blessed Catherine.
Thou didst hasten with desire to the heavenly bridal chamber of the fairest
Bridegroom Christ,
and thou wast crowned by Him with a royal crown//
Standing before Him with the Angels, pray for us who keep thy most
sacred memory!

Glory... Tone 5 Kontakion (Resurrection)
Thou didst descend into hell, O my Savior,
shattering its gates as Almighty,
resurrecting the dead as Creator,
and destroying the sting of death.
Thou hast delivered Adam from the curse, O Lover of man,//
and we cry to Thee: “O Lord, save us!”

Now and Ever... Tone 4 Kontakion (Feast)
The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the angels of God praise her://
“Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!”

Church Cleaner.....
Mykhaylyuk - week of 11/24 for 12/1/24

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Galatians 6:11-18 (Epistle)

Brethren, see with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation. And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

Luke 13:10-17 (Gospel)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And behold, there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity eighteen years, and was bent over and could in no way raise herself up. But when Jesus saw her, He called her to Him and said to her, “Woman, you are loosed from your infirmity.” And He laid His hands on her, and immediately she was made straight, and glorified God. But the ruler of the synagogue answered with indignation, because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath; and he said to the crowd, “There are six days on which men ought to work; therefore come and be healed on them, and not on the Sabbath day.” The Lord then answered him and said, “Hypocrite! Does not each one of you on the Sabbath loose his ox or donkey from the stall, and lead it away to water it? So ought not this woman, being a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan has bound – think of it – for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath?” And when He said these things, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the multitude rejoiced for all the glorious things that were done by Him.



2025 Photo Directory
Photos Being Taken TODAY!



We will continue taking family photographs for our upcoming 2025 photo directory. The photo area will be set up in the church narthex (entry) following coffee fellowship.. There will also be the opportunity to update your information for the directory.

SMOC News and Events Schedule

- **Bible Study** is meeting every **Tuesday at 10:30 am**, in person and also on Zoom (see link in Saturday email).
- **Adult Education class** is meeting every **Wednesday** after Daily Vespers at **6:00 pm**.
- **Choir Practice** will be held **TODAY at noon**. The next choir practices will be on Sunday, December 16 and December 22. All those interested in singing with the choir are welcome to attend!
- **Saturday, December 7, at 2:00 pm - Christmas Tree Decoration, Christmas Crafts, Hot Chocolate, and Caroling:** On Saturday, December 7, we will prepare the Church for the Nativity season, setting up our large Christmas Tree in the church nave, and the small tree in the church hall. All of the kids and families are especially invited! We will meet at 2:00 pm, to make some ornaments, to decorate the trees, sing some carols, and have some Hot Chocolate and snacks. **Vespers will then begin at 3:30 pm or a bit later, rather than the usual 5:00 pm.**
- **Catechism Classes** in preparation for Pascha 2025 will begin on **Sunday, December 15**. Class will be from 12:00 - 2:00 pm.
- On **Monday, December 18**, our parish is **sponsoring a meal at House of Hope, women and children shelter**, also here in Green Bay. There will be no in-person volunteering for this meal, as this shelter is high security, but **earmarked donations would be helpful** toward the catered meal our parish will be sponsoring. So please consider donating specifically for the meal for these women and their children in need.
- **Save the Dates!**
 - **Winter Book Club on Zoom:** Mark your calendars! We will begin our annual winter Zoom book club on **Thursday, January 2**. This year, we will be reading "The Orthodox Way." - **Available in the SMOC Bookstore now! See the Saturday email for more details!**
 - **Big Room Makeover** will start on **Friday, Jan. 24** and continue on **Saturday, Jan. 25**. We will plan to clean, repair and prep for painting on Friday. On Saturday, we will paint and hopefully set up the room in its new configuration of Library and overflow seating for Herrick Hall. Can you help with this project? More details to follow.
 - **The Annual Meeting** will be held on **Sunday, February 2**, following Divine Liturgy. More Details to follow.

Liturgical Schedule
St. Matthew Orthodox Church, Green Bay

◆ Please see full Liturgical Schedule online at www.smocgb.com

Wednesday, November 27, **NO Daily Vespers (Thanksgiving)**
 Saturday, November 30, 5:00 PM Great Vespers
 Sunday, December 1, 8:30 AM Matins & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
 Wednesday, December 4, 6:00 PM Daily Vespers
 Saturday, December 7, **3:30 PM** Great Vespers (**Christmas Tree & Carols at 2:00 pm**)
 Sunday, December 8, 8:30 AM Matins & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Liturgical Schedule
St. Macrina Chapel, Waupaca

Saturday, December 7, 9:10 Hours & 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
 (in Waupaca)
 Saturday, December 14, 6:00 PM Great Vespers (in Waupaca)
 Sunday, December 15, 9:30 Hours & 9:50 AM Typica (in Waupaca)
 Tuesday, December 24, 3:00 PM Nativity Vigil (in Waupaca)

Liturgical Schedule
Holy Transfiguration Chapel, Sister Bay
Next service will be in March - In Sister Bay

ADOPT A FAMILY and FOOD FOR PANTRIES

This year our parish is again sponsoring buying Christmas gifts for a local family in need through the **Adopt a Family** drive. **Please sign up at the table in the narthex! Sunday, December 8 will be the last Sunday to bring in your gifts!**

Food for Pantries....As you may know, our local pantry in Green Bay and the Pantry in Appleton could use extra help right now in keeping their shelves stocked. Please bring in your non perishable food items and leave them in Herrick Hall.

Thank you for your support!

Advent Fast

The Advent Fast began on Friday, November 15. The 40 days before the Nativity of Christ are kept as a fasting period. It is a less rigorous fast than Great Lent. Please ask Fr. John if you have any questions.