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Icon of Saints Irenaeus, Lupus and Callinicus -- August 23rd

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After Liturgy Today: 40-day memorial for Kathy Tomaz

Divine Liturgy

Hymns

Troparion of the Resurrection (tone 4): The Women disciples of the Lord heard from the Angels the joyful news of the resurrection, and casting away the ancestral sentence, they announced with pride to the Apostles: Death is vanquished, Christ God is risen! And has bestowed great mercy upon the world.

Troparion of the Dormition: In giving birth, you have preserved your virginity and in falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Mother of God. You have passed to life being the Mother of Life. Through your intercession, save our souls from death

Troparion of St. George: O Great among the saints and glorious martyr, George, since you are a deliverer of captives and a defender of the poor, a doctor for the sick and a noble attendant to kings, intercede for us to Christ God, that he may save our souls!

Kontakion of the Dormition: Neither death nor the tomb could hold the Mother of God, our watchful Protectress and our unfailing hope. Since she is the Mother of Life. Christ who dwelt in her ever-virginal womb lifted her up to the eternal life.

Prokimenon: How great are your works, O Lord! In wisdom you have wrought them all.

Stichon: Bless the Lord, O my soul! You are very great indeed, O Lord my God!

Apostolic Reading: 1 Cor 2:6-10

Gospel: The Wicked Tenants, Mt 21:33-42

Prayer List

Please remember—All those who are sick and in need: Natalie Herder, Walter Lourdes Najera Herder (family of Katerina Lessard), Nick Lagendfield, Barb Moden (sister of Jan Taylor), Edin Najera, Sandy Rabuse (godmother of Katerina Lessard), the Rebholz family, Eva Saseen (Theresa and Janelle Herro's niece), Ken Schmitt (brother-in-law of Brian Harden), Geri Spankowski. For those who have died: Kathy Tomaz. For the people of the Middle East.

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Schedule for this Week

Saturday: *Beheading of St. John the Forerunner*

Sunday *Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost*

10:30am Divine Liturgy

Congratulations and Happy Birthday to Michel Aboul-Zelof (8/26) and Said Audi (8/29). May God grant you many years!

Coming Up

September 26th and 27th: Doors Open Milwaukee

Stewardship

Last Sunday: donations=\$1,086.19; ordinary collections=\$265; candles=\$3. Thanks for your generosity!

Owed to eparchy (assessment, retirement and medical insurance; last updated August 9, 2026): \$54,612.89.

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Wisdom from the Bishop of Lyons

One should not seek among others the truth that can be easily gotten from the Church. For in her, as in a rich treasury, the apostles have placed all that pertains to truth, so that everyone can drink this beverage of life. She is the door of life.

He who shall preserve the life bestowed upon him, and give thanks to Him Who imparted it, shall receive also length of days forever and ever. But he who shall reject it, and prove himself ungrateful to his Maker, inasmuch as he has been created, and has not recognized Him Who bestowed the gift upon him, deprives himself of the privilege of continuance forever and ever. And, for this reason, the Lord declared to those who showed themselves ungrateful towards Him: “If you have not been faithful in that which is little, who will give you that which is great? (cf.

Lk. 16:11) indicating that those who, in this brief temporal life, have shown themselves ungrateful to Him Who bestowed it, shall justly not receive from Him length of days forever and ever.

We have learned the plan of our salvation from no one else other than from those through whom the gospel has come down to us. For they did at one time proclaim the gospel in public. And, at a later period, by the will of God, they handed the gospel down to us in the Scriptures-to be the ground and pillar of our faith.

He who was the Son of God became the Son of man, that man ... might become the son of God.

The glory of God is the human person fully alive.

St. Irenaeus of Lyons

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