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REGULAR SCHEDULE OF WORSHIP:

Saturdays: Great Vespers 7:00pm-8:00pm

Confession 8:00pm-9:00pm (by Appointment only)

Sundays: 9:00am-12:00pm

(9:00am Orthros & 10:30am Divine Liturgy)

Agape Coffee Hour 12:00pm-2:00pm

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The Power of Love!

By: Abbot Tryphon of All-Merciful Saviour Orthodox Monastery - Vashon Island, Washington.

“It is easier for feeble straw to resist a mighty fire than for the nature of sin to resist the power of love. We must cultivate this love in our souls, that we may take our place with all the saints. For through their love for their neighbor, they were all pleasing to God.” These words are made all the more powerful since they were uttered by none other than Saint Elizabeth the New Martyr, Queen Victoria’s granddaughter, convert to Orthodox Christianity, and founder of an urban convent in Moscow. She was brutally martyred by the Bolsheviks in 1918, even after she and her nuns had used their nursing skills to minister to these same Bolsheviks, during the bloody battles of the Russian Revolution. It was love that activated their commitment to bring aid to even those who were destroying churches and monasteries, murdering bishops, priests, and monastics, and who ultimately would murder all of them. It is this same love, given birth in Christ, that empowers us to love even our enemies.

On August 28 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our **Righteous Father Moses of Ethiopia**: Moses was at first an escaped slave and the leader of a robber band because of his great physical strength and recklessness. Suddenly his conscience was filled with remorse and repentance for his crimes. Moses left the band, went to a monastery and gave himself entirely to obedience to his spiritual father and to the rule of the monastery. With the help of his spiritual father, Isidore, and with great struggling, fasting and all-night vigils, Moses was finally healed from the lustful thoughts, imaginings and dreams visited on him by the demon. As a priest, Moses founded a monastery of his own, and had 75 disciples. He foresaw his own death, as barbarians were coming to attack the monastery. Moses told his disciples to flee but that he must perish—for he had himself once done violence—according to the words: “all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword” (Matt. 26:52). Moses died and a shining wreath descended upon him.

Vespers is Every Saturday at 7:00pm except for the following dates:

September 3 & 24 at 6:00pm (instead of 7:00pm) at St. Nicholas Church

September 10 at 6:00pm with Metropolitan JOSEPH (at St. George Church) No Vespers at St. Nicholas

September 17 at 6:00pm with Metropolitan JOSEPH (at St. Mary's Church) No Vespers at St. Nicholas

THE HOLY EPISTLE (1 Corinthians 4:9-16)

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

يَا إِخْوَةَ، أَنَّ اللَّهَ أَبْرَزَنَا نَحْنُ الرُّسُلَ آخِرِينَ كَأَنَّنا مَحْكُومٌ عَلَيْنَا بِالْمَوْتِ. لِأَنَّنا صِرْنَا مَنظَرًا لِلْعَالَمِ لِلْمَلَائِكَةِ وَالنَّاسِ. نَحْنُ جُهَالٌ مِنْ أَجْلِ الْمَسِيحِ وَأَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَحُكَمَاءُ فِي الْمَسِيحِ! نَحْنُ ضِعْفَاءُ وَأَمَّا أَنْتُمْ فَاقْوِيَاءُ! أَنْتُمْ مُكْرَمُونَ وَأَمَّا نَحْنُ فَبِلَا كَرَامَةٍ! إِلَى هَذِهِ السَّاعَةِ نَجُوعٌ وَنَعَطُشٌ وَنَعْرَى وَنُكْمٌ وَنَلِيسَ لَنَا إِقَامَةٌ وَنَتَعَبُ عَامِلِينَ بِأَيْدِينَا. نَشْتَمُ فَنُبَارِكُ. ضَطَهْدُ فَنَحْتَمِلُ. يُفْتَرَى عَلَيْنَا فَنَعِظُ. صِرْنَا كَأَفْذَارِ الْعَالَمِ وَوَسَخَ كُلُّ شَيْءٍ إِلَى الْآنِ. لَيْسَ لِكِي أَحْجَلَكُمُ أَكْتَبُ بِهَذَا بَلْ كَأَوْلَادِي الْأَحْبَاءِ أَنْذِرْكُمْ. لِأَنَّهُ وَإِنْ كَانَ لَكُمْ رَبَوَاتٌ مِنَ الْمُرْتَشِدِينَ فِي الْمَسِيحِ لَكِنْ لَيْسَ أَبَاءُ كَثِيرُونَ. لِأَنِّي أَنَا وَلَدْتُكُمْ فِي الْمَسِيحِ يَسُوعَ بِالْإِنْجِيلِ. فَاطْلُبْ إِلَيْكُمْ أَنْ تَكُونُوا مُتَمَثِّلِينَ بِي.

THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Matthew 17:14-23)

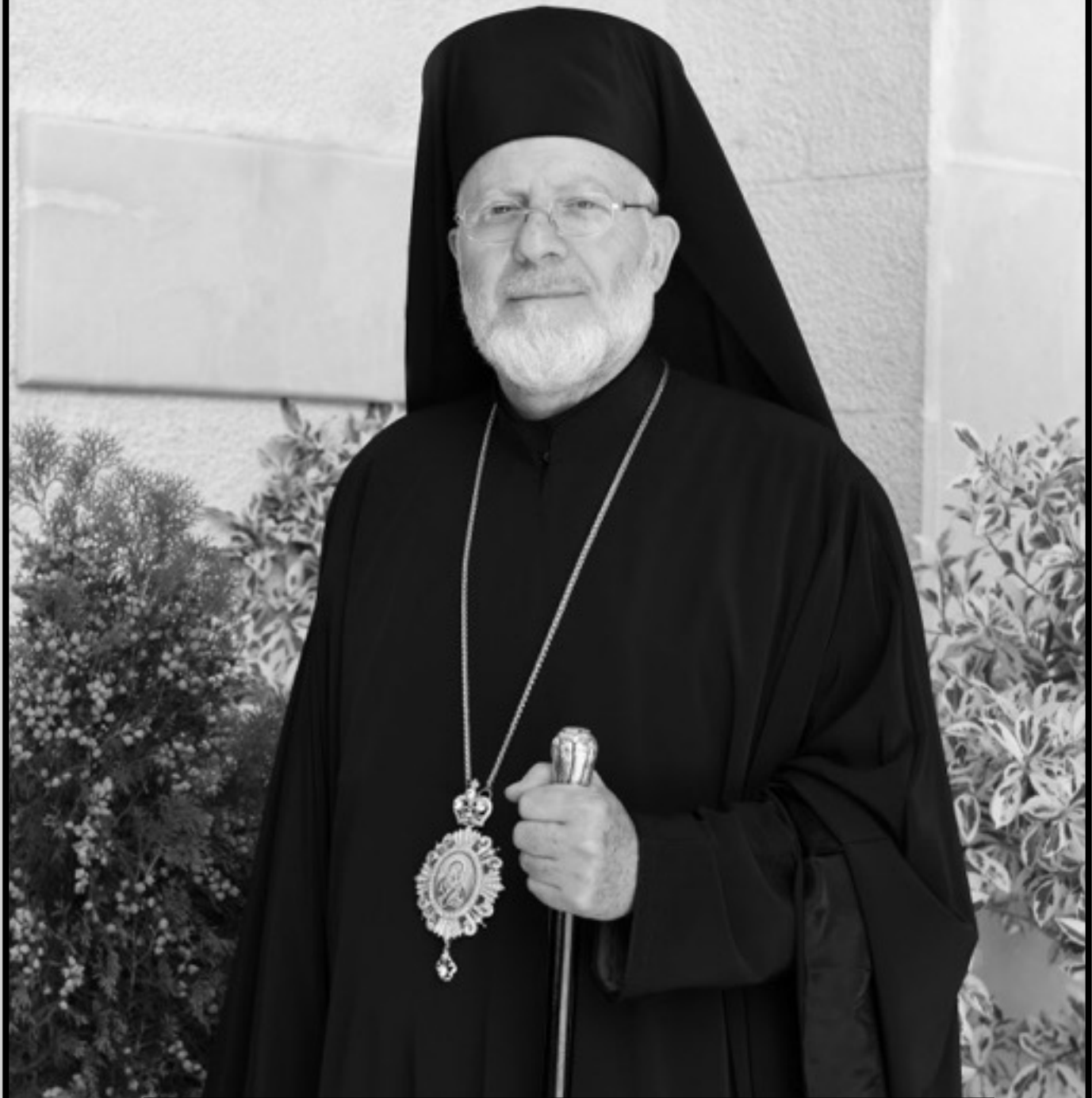
At that time, a man came up to Him and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

فِي ذَلِكَ الزَّمَانِ تَقَدَّمَ إِلَى يَسُوعَ رَجُلٌ جَاتِيًا لَهُ وَقَايِلًا: ((يَا سَيِّدُ ارْحَمِ ابْنِي فَإِنَّهُ يُصْرَعُ وَيَتَأَلَّمُ شَدِيدًا ، وَيَقَعُ كَثِيرًا فِي النَّارِ وَكَثِيرًا فِي الْمَاءِ. وَأَحْضَرْتُهُ إِلَى تَلَامِيذِكَ فَلَمْ يَقْدِرُوا أَنْ يَشْفُوهُ)). فَاجَابَ يَسُوعُ وَقَالَ: ((أَيُّهَا الْجِيلُ غَيْرُ الْمُؤْمِنِ الْمُتَنَوِّي إِلَى مَتَى أَكُونُ مَعَكُمْ؟ إِلَى مَتَى أَحْتَمِلُكُمْ؟ قَدِّمُوهُ إِلَيَّ هَهُنَا!)) فَانْتَهَرَهُ يَسُوعُ فَخَرَجَ مِنْهُ الشَّيْطَانُ. فَشَفِيَ الْغُلَامُ مِنْ تِلْكَ السَّاعَةِ. ثُمَّ تَقَدَّمَ التَّلَامِيذُ إِلَى يَسُوعَ عَلَى انْفِرَادٍ وَقَالُوا: ((لِمَاذَا لَمْ نَقْدِرْ نَحْنُ أَنْ نُخْرِجَهُ؟)) فَقَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: ((لِعَدَمِ إِيمَانِكُمْ. فَالْحَقُّ أَقُولُ لَكُمْ: لَوْ كَانَ لَكُمْ إِيمَانٌ مِثْلُ حَبَّةِ خَرْدَلٍ لَكُنْتُمْ تَقُولُونَ لِهَذَا الْجَبَلِ: انْتَقِلْ مِنْ هُنَا إِلَى هُنَاكَ فَيَنْتَقِلُ وَلَا يَكُونُ شَيْءٌ غَيْرٌ مُمَكِّنٍ لَدَيْكُمْ. وَأَمَّا هَذَا الْجِنْسُ فَلَا يَخْرُجُ إِلَّا بِالصَّلَاةِ وَالصَّوْمِ)). وَفِيمَا هُمْ يَتَرَدَّدُونَ فِي الْجَبَلِ قَالَ لَهُمْ يَسُوعُ: ((ابْنُ الْإِنْسَانِ سَوْفَ يُسَلَّمُ إِلَى أَيْدِي النَّاسِ فَيَقْتُلُونَهُ وَفِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّلَاثِ يَقُومُ)).

Today's Memorial Service is for the departed servant of God:

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