



# ST OLYMPIA ORTHODOX CHURCH

POTSDAM, NEW YORK 13676

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*Welcome to St. Olympia Orthodox Church,  
a young and, God willing, growing community of worshippers.*

*Our priest is Fr. Paul Fedoroff, Priest-in-Charge.  
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*Please join us for prayer and fellowship.\*\**

## Great Blessing of Waters after Liturgy

*Today the nature of the waters is sanctified:  
The Jordan is parted in two. It holds back the flow of its waters,  
as it beholds the washing of the Master.*

*Great Blessing of Waters, Stikhera*

After Sunday's Divine Liturgy, Father Paul will hold a Great Blessing of Waters service on the banks of the Grasse River, in the backyard of Cindy and Emma's home at 36 Miner Street in Canton (around 12:15pm). Park on the street and proceed around the right side of the house and down the outside stairway to the yard below. Remember to dress warmly and wear winter boots -- it's snowy!

Call or text Cindy with questions: 315-771-7579

### Upcoming Services:

**At the Norwood Church**

**January 10, 17**

**Hours: 9:10am**

**Divine Liturgy: 9:30am**

**January 9, 16**

**Vespers: 5pm**

**Great Blessing of Waters**

**January 9 After Vespers**

**January 10 After Liturgy,**

**Grasse River, Canton**

**Confessions: Saturday after  
Vespers, Sunday before  
Liturgy, otherwise by  
appointment.**

**Coffee after Liturgy!**

**\*\*Social Distancing guidelines  
must be observed.**

**St. Olympia Orthodox Church  
34 Main Street  
Norwood, NY, 13668**

### Afterfeast of Theophany

*By fire and the Spirit,  
You wash away the sin of the world.  
When the Baptist saw You coming, he was afraid.  
He trembled and cried out, saying:  
"I dare not hold Your spotless head.  
Sanctify me with Your Epiphany,  
O Master Who loves mankind!"*

Vespers, Aposticha

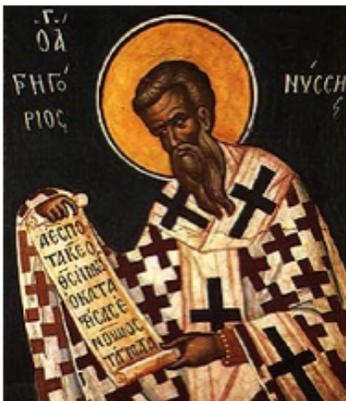


***Remember, you can get the new 2021 St. Olympia Church Calendar at our church services!***



*When You, O Lord, were baptized in the Jordan,  
the worship of the Trinity was made manifest.  
For the voice of the Father bore witness to You,  
and called You His beloved Son;  
and the Spirit in the form of a dove  
confirmed the truthfulness of His word.  
O Christ our God, You have revealed Yourself  
and hast enlightened the world, glory to You.*

### **Troparion of Theophany**



### **St Gregory of Nyssa, January 10**

*O Gregory of Nyssa,  
you were adorned with wise words and valiant deeds.  
You gladdened the faithful with your God-proclaiming voice;  
and enlightened us with knowledge  
explaining the unity of the Trinity.  
You defeated alien teachings with true doctrine;  
establishing the faith with strength.  
And now you stand before Christ with His bodiless servants:  
pray that He may grant peace and great mercy to our souls!  
Vespers, Lord I Call, Glory*

## **From His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon**

On Thursday, January 7, 2021, His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon offered the following statement:

“In the aftermath of the troubling events in Washington, DC, yesterday, may we all keep this country and one another in prayer asking the Lord to grant peace, unity, and hope to all the people of the United States of America. As the Apostle Paul exhorts us to do, “Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor” (Rom 12:9-10).

O Lord Jesus Christ, who have descended the waters of Jordan sanctifying the whole creation and offering us a new life, protect and keep this country and grant it peace, tranquility, and reconciliation!”