

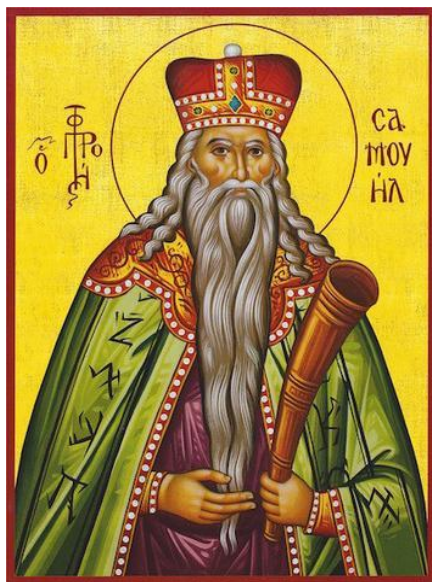


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# SAINT INNOCENT ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**August 20, 2017**  
*11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost*  
*Afterfeast of the Dormition of the Theotokos*  
*Prophet Samuel*



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## *Troparion and Kontakion for Sunday, August 20, 2017*

### **Tone 2      Troparion      (Resurrection)**

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You destroyed hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out://“O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!”

### **Tone 1      Troparion      (Dormition)**

In giving birth you preserved your virginity. In falling asleep you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. You were translated to life O Mother of Life, // and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death.

### **Tone 2      Troparion      (Prophet Samuel)**

We celebrate the memory of your prophet Samuel, O Lord; through him, we beseech you: “Save our souls!”

### **Tone 2      Kontakion      (Resurrection)**

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You, // and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

### **Tone 8      Kontakion      (Prophet Samuel)**

You were a precious gift given to God before your conception. You served Him like an angel from your infancy, O blessed one. You were granted the charism to announce beforehand future things. Therefore, we cry to you: “Rejoice, Samuel, Prophet of God and great high priest.”

### **Tone 2      Kontakion      (Dormition)**

Neither the tomb, nor death, could hold the Theotokos, who is constant in prayer and our firm hope in her intercessions. For being the Mother of Life, // she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her virginal womb.

**Epistle: I Corinthians 9:2-12**

**9** If I am not an apostle to others, yet doubtless I am to you. For you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. <sup>3</sup>My defense to those who examine me is this: <sup>4</sup>Do we have no right to eat and drink? <sup>5</sup>Do we have no right to take along a believing wife, as *do* also the other apostles, the brothers of the Lord, and Cephas? <sup>6</sup>Or *is it* only Barnabas and I *who* have no right to refrain from working? <sup>7</sup>Who ever goes to war at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard and does not eat of its fruit? Or who tends a flock and does not drink of the milk of the flock? <sup>8</sup>Do I say these things as a *mere* man? Or does not the law say the same also? <sup>9</sup>For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox while it treads out the grain." Is it oxen God is concerned about? <sup>10</sup>Or does He say *it* altogether for our sakes? For our sakes, no doubt, *this* is written, that he who plows should plow in hope, and he who threshes in hope should be partaker of his hope. <sup>11</sup>If we have sown spiritual things for you, *is it* a great thing if we reap your material things? <sup>12</sup>If others are partakers of *this* right over you, *are* we not even more? Nevertheless we have not used this right, but endure all things lest we hinder the gospel of Christ.

**Gospel: Matthew 18:23-35**

**18** <sup>2</sup>Therefore the kingdom of heaven is like a certain king who wanted to settle accounts with his servants. <sup>24</sup>And when he had begun to settle accounts, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents. <sup>25</sup>But as he was not able to pay, his master commanded that he be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and that payment be made. <sup>26</sup>The servant therefore fell down before him, saying, 'Master, have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>27</sup>Then the master of that servant was moved with compassion, released him, and forgave him the debt. <sup>28</sup>"But that servant went out and found one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and he laid hands on him and took *him* by the throat, saying, 'Pay me what you owe!' <sup>29</sup>So his fellow servant fell down at his feet and begged him, saying, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you all.' <sup>30</sup>And he would not, but went and threw him into prison till he should pay the debt. <sup>31</sup>So when his fellow servants saw what had been done, they were very grieved, and came and told their master all that had been done. <sup>32</sup>Then his

master, after he had called him, said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you begged me. <sup>33</sup>Should you not also have had compassion on your fellow servant, just as I had pity on you?' <sup>34</sup>And his master was angry, and delivered him to the torturers until he should pay all that was due to him. <sup>35</sup>"So My heavenly Father also will do to you if each of you, from his heart, does not forgive his brother his trespasses."

### **Many Years!**

Birthdays	August	24 Nadia Stephens 26 Eric Olson
Anniversaries	August	20 Peter & Olga Uchakin

#### ***Announcements for Sunday August 20, 2017:***

- Today we will have a brief parish update during coffee hour.
- Please keep Kimberly Guest in your prayers this week she is having surgery.
- This Wednesday we will be present at Mercer Church days. If you would like to come and possibly meet college students let Fr. Theophan know.

***We welcome all visitors to our Divine Liturgy this morning.***

There are green service booklets in the entrance area of our Church that will help you follow along with the service if you like. While Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to join us in venerating the cross and receiving the Holy Bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

Please join us for coffee hour