

Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom

Saint John Chrysostom died in the city of Comana in the year 407 on his way to a place of exile. He had been condemned by the Empress Eudoxia because of his daring denunciation of the vices ruling over Constantinople. The transfer of his venerable relics was made in the year 438, thirty years after the death of the saint during the reign of Eudoxia's son emperor Theodosius II (408-450).

The emperor, overwhelmed by the entreaties of Saint Proclus, gave his consent and gave the order to transfer the relics of Saint John. But those he sent were unable to lift the holy relics until the emperor realized that he had sent men to take the saint's relics from Comana with an edict, instead of with a prayer. He wrote a letter to Saint John, humbly asking him to forgive his audacity, and to return to Constantinople. After the message was read at the grave of Saint John, they easily took up the relics, carried them onto a ship and arrived at Constantinople.

In the morning the coffin was brought to the Church of the Holy Apostles. The people cried out, "Father, take up your throne." Then Patriarch Proclus and the clergy standing by the relics saw Saint John open his mouth and say, "Peace be to all." Many of the sick were healed at his tomb.

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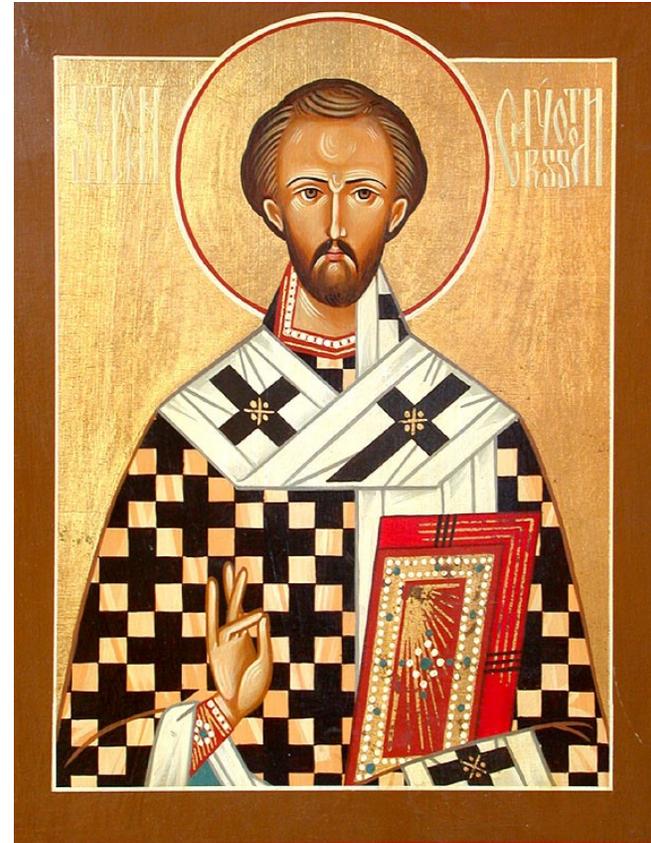
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Sunday, January 27th, 2019

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and Confessors of Russia*

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Readings

Epistle Colossians 3:12-16; Hebrews 7:26-8:2
Gospel Matthew 25:14-30; John 10:9-16

Tone 2 Troparion (Resurrection)

When Thou didst descend to death, O Life immortal, Thou didst slay hell with the splendor of Thy Godhead. And when from the depths Thou didst raise the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out:// "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to Thee!"

Tone 8 Troparion (St John Chrysostom)

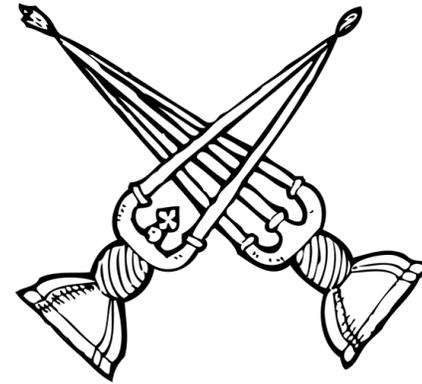
Grace shining forth from thy lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe. It has shown to the world the riches of poverty; it has revealed to us the heights of humility. Teaching us by thy words, O Father John Chrysostom, // Intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

Tone 2 Kontakion (Resurrection)

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

Tone 1 Kontakion (St John Chrysostom)

Most glorious John Chrysostom, the Church of Constantinople greatly rejoiced, receiving the gift of thy holy relics; keeping them as a treasure of great price. Through thine intercession, // they bring the grace of healing to those who praise thee in hymns.



This Week at St. Herman's

Sunday, January 27th - *Translation of the Relics of St. John Chrysostom*

- 8:00 AM - Matins
- 9:30 AM - Divine Liturgy
- Coffee Hour in the parish hall

Tuesday, January 29th- *Translation of the Relics of the Hieromartyr Ignatius the God-Bearer*

- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers for the Three Holy Hierarchs

Wednesday, January 30th- *Three Holy Hierarchs*

Fish Wine & Oil

- 6:45 AM - Coffee and Books

Thursday, January 31st- *Unmercenary Saints Cyrus and John*

- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers for St. Bridget

Friday, February 1st- St. Bridget

- 7:00 PM - Vigil for the Meeting of the Lord in the Temple

Saturday, February 2nd - *Meeting of the Lord in the Temple*

- 9:00 AM - Divine Liturgy
- 7:00 PM - Great Vespers with Archbishop Benjamin