

Martyr and Archdeacon Euplus of Catania (Aug 11)

The Martyr Archdeacon Euplus suffered in the year 304 under the emperors Diocletian (284-305) and Maximian (305-311). He served in the Sicilian city of Catania. Always carrying the Gospel with him, Saint Euplus preached constantly to the pagans about Christ.



Once, while he read and explained the Gospel to the gathered crowd, they arrested him and took him to the governor of the city, Calvisianus. Saint Euplus confessed himself a Christian and denounced the impiety of idol-worship. For this they sentenced him to torture.

They threw the injured saint into prison, where he remained in prayer for seven days. The Lord made a spring of water flow into the prison for the martyr to quench his thirst. Brought to trial a second time, strengthened and rejoicing, he again confessed his faith in Christ and denounced the torturer for spilling the blood of innocent Christians.

The judge commanded that the saint's ears be torn off, and that he be beheaded. When they led the saint to execution, they hung the Gospel around his neck. Having asked time for prayer, the archdeacon began to read and explain the Gospel to the people, and many of the pagans believed in Christ. The soldiers beheaded the saint with a sword.

His holy relics are in the village of Vico della Batonia, near Naples.

Text & icon <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2024/08/11/102264-martyr-and-archdeacon-euplus-of-catania>

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts 11:26)



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August 11, 2024

**AFTER-FEAST OF THE
TRANSFIGURATION OF CHRIST**

COMMEMORATIONS:

MARTYR AND ARCHDEACON EUPLOS OF CATANIA IN SICILY;
NIPHON, PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE; NEW-MARTYRS
ANASTASIOS AND DEMETRIOS OF LESBOS

DORMITION FAST

Tone 6 - Eothion 7

Orthros Gospel: St. John 20:1-10

Epistle: Romans 15:1-7

Liturgy Gospel: St. Matthew 9:27-35

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 6 - When Mary stood at thy grave, looking for thy sacred Body, angelic powers shone above thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led'st hades captive and wast not tempted thereby; thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world. O thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to thee!

APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION - Tone 7 - When, O Christ our God, Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy Disciples in proportion as they could bear it. Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.

TODAY: *Liturgy at Fort Washington Mission 9am*
ORTHROS, 8:45 a.m.
Divine LITURGY, 10 a.m.
Fr. Boniface 8 Year Memorial, 11:45 a.m.
Coffee Hour After Liturgy

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Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (Aug 18):
COFFEE HOUR:	Bagels	Marquardt-Ukraine Donation Luncheon
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Gabriela P., Gabi & Catalin	Rachel C., Gabi & Catalin
ALTAR CANDLES:	Gamble-Xenia's Birthday	- - - -
USHERS:	John N. & Chris H.	Todd Moody & Radu Chebeleu
CLEANING TEAM:	Catechumens	Justin & Kate G, Olena M., Midenas S.
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Sh Hannah; Eric M.; Christian; Zach W; Zach F	Miriam K., Conor M., Daniel C., Laura S.

Mark Your Calendar:

Dormition Fast - August 1-14
Daily Liturgy & Paraklesis

Dormition of the Theotokos
August 14-15

Beheading of John the Baptist
August 29

Ecclesiastical New Year
September 1

International Food Festival
September 20-21

Festival Packets and Flyers, and Sign-up sheets, are in the Narthex! Help spread the word, get sponsors, & sign up to help!



**AUGUST OUTREACH
COLLECTION:**
Paper Products

Pray For:

Living	Departed
N.I. Daniel	Anna
N.C. Gabriel & Tabitha	
Faithful of the Holy Land	(August Parish
Met. Onuphry and faithful	Diptychs)
of Ukraine	
Faithful of Ethiopia &	+Mary
Eritrea	+Augustine
Pr. Andrew, family, &	+Iwan
parishioners	+Victor
Elena	+Fr. Michael
Kh. Joyce	+Myron
George	+Fr. Boniface
Maria	+John
Patrick	+Michael
Doris	
John	
James	
Victoria	
Steve	
Lasha	
Otari	
Tatiana	
Christine	
Anesia	
Timothy	
Alexandra	
Zotikos	
Salome	

Catechumens

Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, Mary, & all Missionaries	Lucretia Andrew Ryan Michael Daniel Kassandra Christian
Nathan & family, John, & all seminarians	David, Darby, & Easton
New & Expectant Mothers & their children	Rose Jasper Bryson
For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity	Catherine Matthew Matthew Mary
The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends —George, Bill, Jim, Jalit, Mark, Joel, Eric	

"On Mount Tabor, Jesus showed (human nature) clothed once more to His chosen disciples, proving to all what we had once been, and what those of us who believed in Him and attained to perfection in Him would be through Him in the age to come." - St. Gregory Palamas

This Week:

Church Office open Monday through Friday

Mon, Aug 12:	DIVINE LITURGY, 9:00 a.m. Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:30 p.m.
Tues, Aug 13:	DIVINE LITURGY, 9:00 a.m. Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m. Confessions, 6:00 p.m. Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:30 p.m.
Wed, Aug 14:	DIVINE LITURGY, 9:00 a.m. Holy Unction (Fast), 4:00 p.m. Fasting Potluck, 5:30 p.m. Vespers, Artoklasia, Lamentations, 6:30 p.m.
Thurs, Aug 15:	The Dormition of the Theotokos Orthros, 9:00 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 a.m. Blessing of Herbs & Flowers, 11:30 a.m. Festal Potluck, 12:00 p.m. Twelve Baskets Full Serving Night, 6:30 p.m. Building Committee, 6:30 p.m.
Friday, Aug 16:	Akathist to Our Sweetest Lord Jesus, 6:30 p.m.
Sat, Aug 17:	Great VESPERS, 6:30 p.m. Confessions, 7:30 p.m.
Sunday, Aug 18:	ORTHROS, 8:45 a.m. DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 a.m. Coffee Hour after Liturgy Parish Council, 12:45 p.m.

ATTENDANCE: Vespers 8/3: 61 Liturgy 8/4: 243
Transfiguration Vespers: 42 Transfiguration Divine Liturgy: 91
OFFERINGS 8/4: Candles, \$438. Collections, \$1,351.61 Book Shelf Ministry, \$25. Classical School Fund (SJA), \$50. Mission Chapel, \$1,700. Needy Fund, \$178.51. Pastoral Discretion, \$146.03 Stewardship, \$5,311.20 Total received: \$9,135.35.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!