



SAINT ANTHONY
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Church office hours: Monday – Friday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

(Closed Saturday and Sunday)

St. Anthony's calendar link: <http://saint-anthonys.org/calendar>

For **pastoral emergencies** please call 626-855-3640

April 22nd, 2018 – Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

Theodore of Sykeote

Orthros ~ 8:45 a.m.

Memorial ~ 9:45 a.m.

Donysia (Sasa) Kresta – 40 days; Vasilis Karageorgis – 40 days, Nicos Ganis – 5 years

Divine Liturgy ~ 10:00 a.m.

Today's Social Hour will be offered by Christina Becronis & family, and Presbytera Aida Stratos & Maria Ganis.

A special presentation on "Heart Health" Please join the Philoptochos of St. Anthony's on Wednesday April 25 at 7:00pm in the Trinity Ballroom. Chris Christodoulou MD will be speaking on how to prevent heart disease and be heart healthy. The entire community is invited. RSVP to Lisa Xanthos (626) 445-6645 or Liz Skandale (626) 695-3423.

St. Anthony Dance Program, Spring 2018! Our wonderful St. Anthony dance program is offering Spring dance classes, starting Sunday April 22nd. Sessions will be offered by age groups, starting from Pre-K age 4, all the way up to college. Cost is only \$50, or free for any dancers who have already registered and paid for the 2017-18 dance program. Questions? Contact Elleni Ioannou mrselleni@yahoo.com or Nikole Zoumberakis nikoula@gmail.com. No dance experience necessary! Look for FLYERS in the Narthex and the hall!

Adult Greek Dance lessons to be offered: Starting Monday April 23rd, 5:30-7:00pm, every Monday for five weeks. Cost \$100. Ages 22 and older. Contact Theoni Katsafados at katsafados.theoni@pusd.us or Teresa Argueta at tvargueta@gmail.com for any questions.

St. Sophia Philoptochos Debutante Presentation Ball 2019! Plans are underway for the St. Sophia Debutante Ball on Sunday, January 20th, 2019 at the Four Seasons Beverly Wilshire Hotel. Interested young ladies who will be high school juniors (ages 16) and older should contact Georgia Kezios (562) 822-2229 or email stsophiadebball@gmail.com. An informational meeting will be held at the Huffington Center on May 20th, 2018 at 12:30pm.

Divine Services for the months of April and May (*saint-anthonys.org/calendar*):

Sunday, April 22nd – Great Vespers 7:00pm at **St. George Downey for their Parish feast-day**

Monday, April 23rd – Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am at **St. George Downey**

Wednesday, May 9th – Christopher the Martyr of Lycea (Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am)

Saturday, May 26th – Saturday of Souls (Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am)

REGISTRATION OPEN NOW! The 18th Annual Pasadena Golf Classic will be May 4th at the beautiful Brookside Golf Course, with the famous Taverna on the Green. Join us for a memorable day with friends and family. **Be sure to go to pasadenagolfclassic.com.**

St. Anthony Vacation Bible School 2018: Come sail away with us as we learn how Jesus rescues us every day in every situation! When: June 18-21, 1-4pm, St. Anthony's Greek Orthodox Church, ages: 4 ½-10, \$25 per child. For more information contact Sophia Syrengelas-sophiajammie@gmail.com or Mary Udria- mary.udria@gmail.com.

St. Anthony Family Picnic on Sunday, June 3rd at 1:00 at Lacy Park in San Marino: Join us for a fun filled afternoon of music, lunch, games, kid's playground, fellowship. San Marino Fire department, Snow Cones, and the famous Tug-O-War. You must reserve a table (holds 8 adults) to attend, \$40/table. Table reservations help pay for the picnic. Additional donations also welcome to help support the picnic. You can bring your own food or pre-order a lunch (\$15 for adults/\$8 for kids under 12). We can't collect money in the park. All table reservations and lunch orders must be done ahead of time for information call the office at 626-449-6943.

Union Station Homeless Services Thank you for supporting this worthwhile program by volunteering your time to serve the homeless. USHS staff and clients are always happy to see our group from Saint Anthony Greek Orthodox Church. This year we continue to provide nutritious hot meals and serve those less fortunate. Contact sangelos2000@gmail.com, mcmg2a@aol.com or szanglis@aol.com.

Save the date: GOYA VOLLEYBALL TOURNAMENT - May 12, 2018.

Attention High School Seniors – Philoptochos of Saint Anthony scholarship applications are now available. Contact Irene Albeck at mcmg2a@aol.com or Fontaine Malisos at fontaineachilles@gmail.com for information or application.

Parish Pay (WeShare) is an easy method to make donations to Saint Anthony Church. To sign up, please either: Visit ParishPay.com or call (800) 950-9952 and enroll over the phone. If weekly envelopes are not your preference, Parish Pay is an easy alternative for your donations.

Order for Holy Communion (for Baptized and/or Chrismated Orthodox Christians): *The acolytes, choir, and chanters receive Holy Communion first. Next, the parishioners from the front pew, one pew at a time should approach the chalice. Please allow the ushers to dismiss you.*

HYMNS OF THE DAY

(DURING SMALL ENTRANCE)

(1) Apolytikion of Pascha. Mode Plagal 1.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζῶντα χαρισάμενος.

(AFTER SMALL ENTRANCE)

(2) Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 2.

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You.

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

(3) Apolytikion for Joseph of Arimathea. Mode 2.

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Ὁ εὐσχήμων Ἰωσήφ, ἀπὸ τοῦ ξύλου καθελών, τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, σινδόνι καθαρᾷ, εἰλήσας καὶ ἀρώμασιν, ἐν μνήματι καινῷ, κηδεύσας ἀπέθετο· ἀλλὰ τριήμερος ἀνέστης Κύριε, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

(4) Apolytikion for the Myrrh-Bearing Women. Mode 2.

The Angel standing at the sepulcher cried out and said to the ointment-bearing women: The ointments are appropriate for mortal men, but Christ has been shown to be a stranger to decay. So go and cry aloud, The Lord has risen and granted the world His great mercy.

Ταῖς μυροφόροις Γυναιξί, παρὰ τὸ μνήμα ἐπιστάς, ὁ Ἄγγελος ἐβόα· Τὰ μύρα τοῖς θνητοῖς ὑπάρχει ἀρμόδια, Χριστὸς δὲ διαφθορᾶς ἐδείχθη ἀλλότριος, ἀλλὰ κραυγάσατε· Ἀνέστη ὁ Κύριος, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

(5) Memorial Hymn. Mode Plagal 4.

Remember your servants O good and loving Lord, and forgive every sin they may have committed in life, for no one is without sin. O mighty one grant your departed servants who has fallen asleep, everlasting rest.

Μνήσθητι Κύριε, ὡς ἀγαθὸς τῶν δούλων σου, καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῳ ἡμαρτον συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

(6) Apolytikion for St. Anthony the Great. Mode 4.

Emulating the ways of Elijah the zealot, and following the straight paths of the Baptist, O Father Anthony, you made the wilderness a city, and did support the world by your prayers. Wherefore intercede with Christ our God, that our souls be saved.

Τὸν ζηλωτὴν Ἠλίαν τοῖς τρόποις μιμούμενος, τῷ Βαπτιστῇ εὐθείαις ταῖς τρίβοις ἐπόμενος, Πάτερ Ἀντώνιε, τῆς ἐρήμου γέγονας οἰκιστής, καὶ τὴν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

(7) Kontakion of Pascha. Mode Plagal 4.

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς νικητής, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις φθελγζάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

READINGS OF THE DAY

Orthros Gospel Reading

Fourth Orthros Gospel

The Gospel According to Luke 24:1-12

On the first day of the week, at early dawn, the women went to the tomb, taking the spices which they had prepared. And they found the stone rolled away from the tomb, but when they went in they did not find the body. While they were perplexed about this, behold, two men stood by them in dazzling apparel; and as they were frightened and bowed their faces to the ground, the men said to them, "Why do you seek the living among the dead? Remember how he told you, while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of man must be delivered in to the hands of sinful men, and be crucified, and on the third day rise." And they remembered his words, and returning from the tomb they told all this to the eleven and to all the rest. Now it was Mary Magdalene, and Joanna and Mary the mother of James and the other women with them who told this to the apostles; but these words seemed to them an idle tale, and they did not believe them. But Peter rose and ran to the tomb; stooping and looking in, he saw the linen cloths by themselves; and he went home wondering at what had happened.

Epistle Reading

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These

they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

Gospel Reading

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

The Gospel According to Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of James saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.