

Saint Anthony Greek Orthodox Church

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

For pastoral emergencies please call 626-855-3640

February 3rd, 2019 – 16th Sunday of Luke

The Holy and Righteous Symeon the God-Receiver and the Holy Prophetess Anna

Orthros ~ 8:45 a.m.

Divine Liturgy ~ 10:00 a.m.

St. Anthony GOYA Winter Retreat will be February 22-24! All GOYAns grades 6-12 are invited. Put it on your calendars and come to a great winter retreat at Lake Arrowhead!

Join us for the Southern California Speaker Series! Our next speaker will be Dr. Philip Mamalakis, professor and counselor from Hellenic College/Holy Cross. Dr. Mamalakis will be speaking about marriage and family relationships here in the community center on February 23. Dinner and registration begin at 5:00, and the presentation will begin at 6:00. Please make plans now to join us!

St. Anthony Parish Oratorical Festival will be taking place on **Saturday, March 16, 2019**. We welcome all ages of our church youth to participate in this joyful learning experience as a way to enhance their understanding and appreciation of their identity as Orthodox Christians. Furthermore, we hope this opportunity to learn, write, and speak about their Orthodox Faith cultivates spiritual growth and self-confidence. For further information, please contact Nicole Schulman at 626-497-5368 or nicoleschul@gmail.com

St. Anthony Bowling League It's not too late to join the fun! We bowl 7:00-9:00pm every Tuesday at Bowling Square in Arcadia. Questions and to sign up contact Pana Gelt pgelt@socal.rr.com or 626-293-7588.

GOYA Basketball Sign up after church today for GOYA Basketball! Join the fun! Games begin Saturday, March 2nd. Girls ages 12-21 and Boys ages 12-19.

Moms Pops 'n Tots is back! Come meet in the pre-school room 1A for this wonderful program. Any families with children 4 and under are welcome to come sing, dance, and learn the faith with us!

Church School: Congratulations to the following students who had Perfect Attendance in January: Michael Vidalakis, Kostadina Ioannou, Evangelia Kleissas, Athanasios Mitis, Noah Nuñez, John Ioannou, Katerina Nastri, Mary Nuñez, Nicholas Nuñez, Isabella Pollalis, Theodora Trigonis, Kostantinos Tsigkounis, Nicholas Voyagis.

Please visit the bookstore to see our new "Daily Lives, Miracles, and Wisdom of the Saints & Fasting Calendar for 2019". Everyday has a quote from a Church Father, a detailed story of one of the saints being celebrated and the Scripture readings for the day. We also have Orthodox Christmas cards in case you have bought yours yet for your family! Bookstore opens immediately after the Divine Liturgy.

Union Station: Our community with Philoptochos for over 25 years serves an evening meal once a month at Union Station Homeless Services in Pasadena. Please help with this community outreach, first Wednesday of each month. For further information contact: Stephanie Soewers at szanglis@aol.com, Sophia Angelos at sangelos2000@gmail.com or Irene Albeck at mcmg2a@aol.com.

Order for Holy Communion (*only Baptized or Chrismated Orthodox Christians*): Please allow ushers to dismiss you row by row in an orderly fashion.

Hospital/Shut-in visitations: It is a priority for our priests to visit and minister to our loved ones in need, and we are not aware of parishioners in need unless we are directly notified. If you, or a loved one, are in the hospital, rehab center, assisted living, or hospice care, please contact the church office for a pastoral visit.

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(DURING SMALL ENTRANCE)

(1) Apolytikion of the Feast of the Presentation of our Lord. Mode 1.

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun of righteousness has risen from you and He illumined those in darkness. And you, righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving in your embraces the One who liberates our souls and bestows on us the Resurrection.

Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη Θεοτόκε Παρθένε· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, φωτίζων τοὺς ἐν σκότει. Εὐφραίνου καὶ σὺ Πρεσβύτα δίκαιε, δεξάμενος ἐν ἀγκάλαις τὸν ἐλευθερωτὴν τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, χαριζόμενον ἡμῖν καὶ τὴν Ἀνάστασιν.

(AFTER SMALL ENTRANCE)

(2) Resurrectional Apolytikion. Mode 3.

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He granted the world His great mercy.

Εὐφραινέσθω τὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιάσθω τὰ ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος, ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ Κύριος, ἐπάτησε τῷ θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον, πρωτότοκος τῶν νεκρῶν ἐγένετο, ἐκ κοιλίας ἄδου ἐρρύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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(4) 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 Ἡλίαν τοῖς τρόποις μιμούμενος, τῷ Βαπτιστῇ εὐθείαις ταῖς τρίβοις ἐπόμενος, Πάτερ Ἀντώνιε, τῆς ἐρήμου γέγονας οἰκιστῆς, καὶ τὴν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

(5) Seasonal Kontakion. Mode 1.

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεῶν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἄλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόανθρωπος.

Orthros Gospel Reading

Third Orthros Gospel

The Gospel According to Mark 16:9-20

When Jesus rose early on the first day of the week, he appeared first to Mary Magdalene, from whom he had cast seven demons. She went and told those who had been with him, as they mourned and wept. But when they heard that he was alive and had been seen by her, they would not believe it. After this he appeared in another form to two of them, as they were walking into the country. And they went back and told the rest, but they did not believe them. Afterward he appeared to the eleven themselves as they sat at table; and he upbraided them for their unbelief and hardness of heart, because they had not believed those who saw him after he had risen. And he said to them, "Go into all the world and preach the gospel to the whole creation. He who believes and is baptized will be saved; but he who does not believe will be condemned. And these signs will accompany those who believe: in my name they will cast out demons; they will speak in new tongues; they will pick up serpents, and if they drink any deadly thing, it will not hurt them; they will lay their hands on the sick, and they will recover." So then the Lord Jesus, after he had spoken to them, was taken up into heaven, and sat down at the right hand of God. And they went forth and preached everywhere, while the Lord worked with them and confirmed the message by the signs that attended it. Amen.

Epistle Reading

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10

Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Gospel Reading

16th Sunday of Matthew

The Gospel According to Matthew 25:14-30

The Lord said this parable: "A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying, 'Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.' He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying, 'Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.' But his master answered him, 'You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to every one who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.'" As he said these things he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear!"