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## OCTOBER 6<sup>TH</sup>, 2019 – 3<sup>RD</sup> SUNDAY OF LUKE

Saint: Thomas the Apostle

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

MEMORIAL ~ 9:45 A.M.

STEVEN GRAFOS, 2 YEARS

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.

<u>IN LIEU OF SOCIAL HOUR TODAY</u> we will be celebrating the baptism of Isaiah Christopher Lynch at 12:00pm with a reception to follow.

<u>**UPCOMING DIVINE SERVICES:**</u> (saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Friday, October 18th:

St. Luke the Evangelist (*Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am*) **Saturday, October 26<sup>th</sup>:** 

St. Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer (Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am)

#### HYMNS OF THE DAY:

# (1) RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. GRAVE MODE. (DURING ENTRANCE)

By means of Your Cross, O Lord, You abolished death. To the robber You opened Paradise. The lamentation of the myrrh-bearing women You transformed, and You gave Your Apostles the order to proclaim to all that You had risen, O Christ our God, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέῳξας τῷ Ληστῆ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας· ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῷ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

# (2) RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. GRAVE MODE. (AFTER SMALL ENTRANCE)

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## (3) APOLYTIKION OF THE APOSTLE THOMAS. MODE 3.

O holy Apostle Thomas, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Απόστολε Άγιε Θωμᾶ, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

## (4) MEMORIAL HYMN. MODE PLAGAL 4.

Remember, O Lord, as You are good, Your servant, and forgive every sin he has committed in this life. For no one is sinless except You, Who have power to grant rest to those who have fallen asleep.

Μνήσθητι, Κύριε, ὡς ἀγαθὸς τοῦ δούλου σου, καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῷ ἥμαρτεν συγχώρησον οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὰ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τῷ μεταστάντι δοῦναι τήν ἀνάπαυσιν.

## (5) 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 Βαπτιστῆ εὐθείαις ταῖς τρίβοις ἑπόμενος, Πάτερ ἀντώνιε, τῆς ἐρήμου γέγονας οἰκιστής, καί τήν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

# (6) SEASONAL KONTAKION. MODE 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

# **Orthros Gospel Reading**

Fifth Orthros Gospel
The Gospel According to Luke 24:13-35

At that time, two of them were going to a village named Emmaus, about seven miles from Jerusalem, and talking with each other about all these things that had happened. While they were talking and discussing together, Jesus himself drew near and went with them. But their eyes were kept from recognizing him. And he said to them, "What is this conversation which you are holding with each other as you walk?" And they stood still looking sad. Then one of them, named Cleopas, answered him, "Are you the only visitor to Jerusalem who does not know the things that have happened there in these days?" And he said to them, "What things?" And they said to him, "Concerning Jesus of Nazareth, who was a prophet mighty in deed and word before God and all the people, and how our chief priests and rulers delivered him up to be condemned to death, and crucified him. But we had hoped that he was the one to redeem Israel. Yes, and besides all this, it is now the third day since this happened. Moreover, some women of our company amazed us. They were at the tomb early in the morning and did not find his body; and they came back saying that they had even seen a vision of angels, who said that he was alive. Some of those who were with us went to the tomb, and found it just as the women had said; but him they did not see." And he said to them, "O foolish men, and slow of heart to believe all that the prophets have spoken! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" And beginning with Moses and all the prophets, he interpreted to them in all the scriptures the things concerning himself. So they drew near to the village to which they were going. He appeared to be going further, but they constrained him, saying, "Stay with us, for it is toward evening and the day is now far spent." So he went in to stay with them. When he was at table with them, he took the bread and blessed, and broke it, and gave it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognized him; and he vanished out of their sight. They said to each other, "Did not our hearts burn within us while he talked to us on the road, while he opened to us the scriptures?" And they rose that same hour and returned to Jerusalem; and they found the eleven gathered together and those who were with them, who said, "The Lord has risen indeed, and has appeared to Simon!" Then they told what had happened on the road, and how he was known to them in the breaking of the bread.

# **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

3rd Sunday of Luke The Gospel According to Luke 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

#### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Orthodoxy 101 classes begin October 7<sup>th</sup> and will be offered every Monday night from 7:00pm-8:00pm in classrooms 2 E/F with Fr. Chris.

Acolyte Training and bowling day October 13<sup>th</sup> After Church School, we will meet in the church around 12:15pm and do robe fittings and a short training. Following the training we will go out for bowling and pizza with Fr. Peter and Fr. Chris! This is always a great day together. Please RSVP to frchris@saint-anthonys.org by Wed. Oct. 9<sup>th</sup>.

<u>The Southern California Cretans' Association</u> is hosting their annual Cretan Glendi on Saturday, November 2, 2019 at St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church in Pasadena featuring musicians from Crete. Hors d'oeuvres at 5:30 pm with dinner and dancing to follow. A percentage of the proceeds will benefit the Association's Scholarship Fund. For reservations, please contact Helen Skandale at (818) 618-4963.

**Greek school:** 2019-2020 Greek Language and Theater classes will be starting on Friday September 13th and Monday September 16th. Early registration with a discounted rate will end on September 12th. This year we are offering a new Theater class on Fridays from 6:00pm - 7:00pm for ages 7 and older. Registration forms, yearly schedule and curriculums be found at: saintcan anthonys.org/ministries/greek-language-school. information For contact anastasia.sarantopoulos@gmail.com.

<u>Volunteers needed for Union Station Homeless Services</u> – Three or four people per team is needed to serve and clean up. Approximate time needed is one and a half hour (6:45pm to about 8:30). Nov 6, and Dec 4. This service to the needy would be a nice way to celebrate a name day, birthday, or an anniversary.

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

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# ORTHODOXY 101

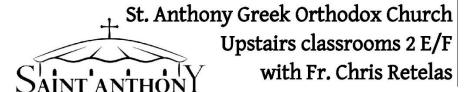
If you have ever wanted to learn more about:

What makes the Orthodox Church unique?
Who is Jesus Christ? What is the Holy Trinity?
What does salvation look like? Heaven and Hell?
What about Church Hierarchy? Who are the Saints?
Who are the Church Fathers? What did they teach?
What does Spirituality and Prayer look like?
How important is the Bible? The Sacraments?

This class will welcome those who desire to learn more about the Orthodox Faith, to enrich their understanding of, and life within, the timeless Orthodox Church.

Monday nights 7:00-8:00pm

starting Monday, October 7th



# *St. Thomas the Apostle (October 6<sup>th</sup>)*

The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas was born in the Galilean city of Pansada and was a fisherman. Hearing the good tidings of Jesus Christ, he left all and followed after Him, and thus is included in the number of the holy Twelve Apostles of the Savior. According to Holy Scripture, the Apostle Thomas did not believe the reports of the other disciples about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ: "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe" (John 20:25). On the eighth day after the Resurrection, the Lord appeared to Thomas and showed him His wounds. "My Lord and my God!" the Apostle cried out. "Thomas, being once weaker in faith than the other apostles," says Saint John Chrysostom, "toiled through the grace of God more bravely, more zealously and tirelessly than them all, so that he went preaching over nearly all the earth, not fearing to proclaim the Word of God to savage nations." When Saint Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts. According to Church Tradition, he founded Christian churches in Palestine, Mesopotamia, Parthia, Ethiopia and India. Preaching the Gospel earned him a martyr's death. Having converted the wife and son of the prefect of the Indian city of Meliapur, the apostle was imprisoned, tortured, and finally pierced with spears and departed to the Lord. Part of the relics of the holy Apostle Thomas are in India, in Hungary and on Mt. Athos.

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#### WELCOME!



We hope you enjoy your time with us today and that your worship experience is inspirational and uplifting.

If you are a visitor to our parish, please join us for our social hour in the community center and introduce yourself to the pastors and people. Please note that *only baptized and/or Chrismated Orthodox Christians may partake of the Sacrament of Holy Communion*. At the end of the Divine Liturgy, you are welcome to come and receive the *Antidoron* (blessed bread) from the priest.

Contact our office at 626-449-6943 or office@saint-anthonys.org to receive more information about our parish or the Orthodox Christian faith.