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#### SEPTEMBER 13, 2020 – SUNDAY BEFORE HOLY CROSS

Saint: Cornelius the Centurion and Martyr

ORTHROS IN CHURCH (FOR LIVE STREAMING ONLY)~ 8:45 A.M. (ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

DIVINE LITURGY IN CHURCH (FOR LIVE STREAMING ONLY) ~ 10:00 A.M. (LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

IN PERSON SERVICES ARE <u>CLOSED</u> TO THE PUBLIC TODAY

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

Monday, September 14th: Exaltation of the Holy Cross

(LIVE STREAM ONLY: Orthros 9am, Liturgy 10am)

#### HYMNS OF THE DAY:

#### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE PL. 1 (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

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#### APOLYTIKION OF THE FOREFEAST OF THE CROSS. MODE 2

The life-giving Cross of Your goodness, which we the unworthy have from You as a gift, we present to You, O Lord, as an intercessor. Save our leaders and our nation and keep them in peace, through the Theotokos, O only One who loves humanity.

Τὸν ζωοποιὸν Σταυρόν, τῆς σῆς ἀγαθότητος, ὃν ἐδωρήσω ἡμῖν τοῖς ἀναξίοις Κύριε, σοὶ προσάγομεν εἰς πρεσβείαν, σῷζε τοὺς βασιλεῖς καὶ τὴν πόλιν σου, εἰρηνεύοντας διὰ τῆς Θεοτόκου, μόνε φιλάνθρωπε.

#### HYMNS OF THE DAY:

### APOLYTIKION OF THE CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH OF THE RESURRECTION (HOLY SEPULCHRE). MODE 4.

You have made the earthly beauty of the holy tabernacle of Your glory to be like the majesty of the firmament on high, O Lord. Make it strong forever and ever, and accept our supplications that we unceasingly bring to You there, at the intercession of the Theotokos. For You are the life and resurrection of all.

Ώς τοῦ ἄνω στερεώματος τὴν εὐπρέπειαν, καὶ τὴν κάτω συναπέδειξας ὡραιότητα, τοῦ ἀγίου σκηνώματος τῆς δόξης σου Κύριε. Κραταίωσον αὐτὸ εἰς αἰῶνα αἰῶνος, καὶ πρόσδεξαι ἡμῶν, τὰς ἐν αὐτῷ ἀπαύστως προσαγομένας σοι δεήσεις, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, ἡ πάντων ζωὴ καὶ ἀνάστασις.

#### APOLYTIKION OF 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.

#### SEASONAL KONTAKION. MODE 4

Lord, Your Church appears to us to be like heaven full of light, and guides with light all who believe in You, O Christ. And we who stand in it cry to You: Savior, establish forever this holy house.

Οὐρανὸς πολύφωτος ἡ Ἐκκλησία, ἀνεδείχθη ἄπαντας, φωταγωγοῦσα τοὺς πιστούς ἐν ῷ ἐστῶτες κραυγάζομεν Τοῦτον τὸν οἶκον, στερέωσον Κύριε.

#### 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**

Sunday before Holy Cross

Prokeimenon. O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I have cried, O my God.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel

#### SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY:

you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

#### GOSPEL READING

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The Gospel According to John 3:13-17

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. "For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

#### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

DUE TO THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND LOS ANGELES COUNTY MANDATE, SUNDAY SERVICES ARE ONLY OFFERED OUTDOORS TO A LIMITED CAPACITY. LINKS FOR REGISTERING TO ATTEND OUTDOOR SERVICES OR TO COME FOR HOLY COMMUNION WILL BE SENT VIA EMAIL ON MONDAY OF EACH WEEK. IF YOU DO NOT RECEIVE OUR PARISH EMAILS, GO TO SAINT-ANTHONYS.ORG/EMAILSIGNUP AND SIGNUP TO KEEP UP TO DATE.

<u>September "Voice of St. Anthony" Newsletter now available!</u> Just go to <u>saint-anthonys.org/voiceofstanthony</u> to access and read any of our newsletters.

<u>Studies in the Faith with Fr. Peter</u> WILL RESUME Wednesday September 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. Email <u>frpeter@saint-anthonys.org</u> for information on how to join.

Weekly Bible Studies with Fr. Chris are offered via ZOOM on Tuesday mornings at 11:00am. Email <a href="mailto:frchris@saint-anthonys.org">frchris@saint-anthonys.org</a> for information on how to join.

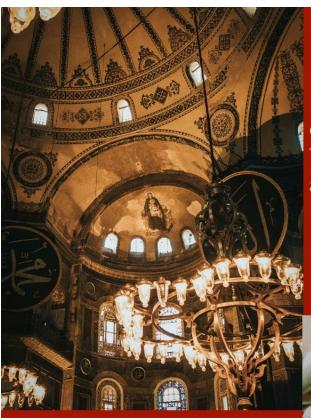
<u>Union Station Homeless Services</u>-We have dispensed with people volunteering to serve at the facility however, we continue our monthly commitment to prepare a hardy, nutritious dinner meal. We have generous donors to cover the meals. USHS has requested packaged dessert (cookies), single serve beverages (10 oz.) and single serve bottles of milk. You may continue your volunteerism by donating toward purchasing individual packaged items. For more information contact Irene Albeck at mcmg2a@aol.com.

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# LIGHT A CANDLE SAY A PRAYER



While we cannot be in church together, we invite you to make a candle donation to the church.

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## Sophia and her three daughters: Faith, Hope, & Love. (September 17<sup>th</sup>)

These Saints were from Italy and contested for the Faith about the year 126, during the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. Faith was twelve years old, Hope, ten, and Love, nine; each was tormented and then beheaded, from the eldest to the youngest. Their mother Sophia mourned at their grave for three days, where she also fell asleep in peace; because of her courageous endurance in the face of her daughters' sufferings, she is also counted a martyr. The name Sophia means "wisdom" in Greek; as for her daughters' names, Faith, Hope, and Love (Charity), they are Pistis, Elpis, and Agape in Greek, and Vera, Nadezhda, and Lyubov in Russian.

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