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JANUARY 31, 2021 – SUNDAY OF ZACCHAEUS

Cyrus & John the Unmercenaries; Holy Women Martyrs Theodote, Theoktiste and Eudoxia

DIVINE SERVICES TODAY (LIVE -STREAM ONLY) ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

TRISAGION MEMORIAL ~ 9:45 A.M.

Russell (Alexandros) Kitchens – 40 days (TRISAGION SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M. (LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

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<u>UPCOMING DIVINE SERVICES:</u> (<u>saint-anthonys.org/calendar</u>): **Tuesday, February 2nd: Presentation of our Lord** (LIVE STREAM ONLY: Orthros 8am, Divine Liturgy 9am)

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FOR THE SAINTS. MODE PLAGAL 1.

You have given us the miracles of Your holy Martyrs as an impregnable fortress, O Christ our God. At their entreaties, frustrate the plots of foreign enemies, and strengthen our nation, for You alone are good and love humanity.

Τὰ θαύματα τῶν ἀγίων σου Μαρτύρων, τεῖχος ἀκαταμάχητον, ἡμῖν δωρησάμενος, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, ταῖς αὐτῶν ἱκεσίαις, βουλὰς ἐθνῶν διασκέδασον, τῆς Βασιλείας τὰ σκῆπτρα κραταίωσον, ὡς μόνος ἀγαθὸς καὶ φιλάνθρωπος.

HYMNS OF THE DAY:

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.

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.

Ό μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλάνθρωπος.

EPISTLE READING

 15^{TH} Sunday of Luke

Prokeimenon. Mode 1. Psalm 32.22,1

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 4:9-15

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and suffer reproach, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

GOSPEL READING

15TH SUNDAY OF LUKE The Gospel According to Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus was passing through Jericho. And there was a man named Zacchaios; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaios, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaios stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS:

<u>Tuesday morning Bible Study</u> Due to scheduling conflicts for Fr. Peter, the next class (February 2) will be cancelled. Our next class will be Tuesday February 9 at 11:00am. Email frpeter@saint-anthonys.org for information on how to join.

<u>Studies in the Faith</u> Wednesday evening at 7:00pm. Email <u>frpeter@saintanthonys.org</u> 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.

<u>SAINT SOPHIA PHILOPTOCHOS DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION BALL</u> – 2021

Plans are underway for the SAINT SOPHIA PHILOPTOCHOS DEBUTANTE PRESENTATION BALL to be held on Friday, September 3, 2021 at the Four Seasons Beverly Wilshire Hotel. Interested young ladies who will be high school juniors (aged 16) and older should contact the Presentation Ball Chair, Trish Mentas (562) 472.7485 or email to: saintsophiadebball@gmail.com. An orientation tea will be held at the Saint Sophia Cathedral Huffington Center on Sunday, May 22, 2021 by reservation. These dates are subject to change.

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MEETING VIRTUALLY EVERY MONTH!

Grade groups will meet via Zoom one Sunday a month starting at 11:30am

1st Sundays

PK-K-1 with Mrs. Albeck

2nd Sundays

2-3-4-5 with Mrs. Scolinos

3rd Sundays

6-7-8 with Ms. Russo

4th Sundays

9-10-11-12 with Pres. Aida

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Studies in the Faith

offered via ZOOM Wednesday nights at 7pm starting January 20

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Tuesday Bible Study

offered via ZOOM Tuesday mornings at 11am starting January 19

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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.

With this, our clergy will gladly light candles for you in the church and pray the names of your loved ones that you provide us, either living or those who have passed on.

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Cyrus & John the Unmercenaries. (January 31)

These Saints lived during the years of Diocletian. Saint Cyrus was from Alexandria, and Saint John was from Edessa of Mesopotamia. Because of the persecution of that time, Cyrus fled to the Gulf of Arabia, where there was a small community of monks. John, who was a soldier, heard of Cyrus' fame and came to join him. Henceforth, they passed their life working every virtue, and healing every illness and disease freely by the grace of Christ; hence their title of "Unmercenaries." They heard that a certain woman, named Athanasia, had been apprehended together with her three daughters, Theodora, Theoctiste, and Eudoxia, and taken to the tribunal for their confession of the Faith. Fearing lest the tender young maidens be terrified by the torments and renounce Christ, they went to strengthen them in their contest in martyrdom; therefore they too were seized. After Cyrus and John and those sacred women had been greatly tormented, all were beheaded in the year 292. Their tomb became a renowned shrine in Egypt, and a place of universal pilgrimage. It was found in the area of the modern day resort near Alexandria named Abu Kyr.

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