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**MARCH 7, 2021 – JUDGMENT SUNDAY (MEATFARE SUNDAY)**

*The Holy Martyred*

*Bishops of Cherson: Basileus, Ephraim, Eugene, Capito, Aetherius,  
Agathodorus, and Elpidus.*

*Lavrentios of Megara, the Righteous.*

**DIVINE SERVICES TODAY (RESERVATIONS REQUIRED)**

**ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.**

**[\(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE\)](#)**

**DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.**

**[\(LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE\)](#)**

***SUNDAY SERVICES ARE OFFERED INDOORS  
TO A LIMITED CAPACITY.***

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

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**Saturday, March 13<sup>th</sup>:**

Second Saturday of Souls - *Orthros 9 am. and Divine Liturgy at 10 am.*  
(*Memorial Service at the conclusion*)

**Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup>:**

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (9:00am)

**Friday, March 19<sup>th</sup>:**

Salutations to the Theotokos (6:00pm)

**Saturday, March 20<sup>th</sup>:**

Third Saturday of Souls - *Orthros 9 am. and Divine Liturgy at 10 am.*  
(*Memorial Service at the conclusion*)

**Wednesday, March 24<sup>th</sup>:**

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (10:00am)

**Thursday, March 25<sup>th</sup>:**

ANNUNCIATION (*Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am*)

**Friday, March 26<sup>th</sup>:**

Salutations to the Theotokos (6:00pm)

**Wednesday, March 31<sup>st</sup>:**

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy (10:00am)

***RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE 2 (BEFORE ENTRANCE)***

When the angelic powers appeared at Your grave, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary who was seeking Your immaculate body. You devastated Hades, not afflicted by it. You went to meet the virgin, and granted eternal life. You resurrected from the dead. O Lord, glory to You.

Ἄγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνημῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήνητησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωὴν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

***RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE PL. 2 (AFTER ENTRANCE)***

When the angelic powers appeared at Your grave, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary who was seeking Your immaculate body. You devastated Hades, not afflicted by it. You went to meet the virgin, and granted eternal life. You resurrected from the dead. O Lord, glory to You.

Ἄγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνημῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήνητησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωὴν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

***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 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.

***KONTAKION. MODE 1***

When You come down to the earth, O God, in Your glory, all things will cower tremulous, and a river of fire will draw before Your Judgment Seat; the books shall be opened up, and public knowledge will things hidden be. Rescue me, then, I pray, from unquenchable fire, and count me worthy to stand at Your right hand, O You, the most righteous Judge.

Ὅταν ἔλθῃς ὁ Θεός, ἐπὶ γῆς μετὰ δόξης, καὶ τρέμωσι τὰ σύμπαντα, ποταμὸς δὲ τοῦ πυρὸς πρὸ τοῦ Βήματος ἔλκη, καὶ βίβλοι ἀνοίγονται, καὶ τὰ κρυπτὰ δημοσιεύονται, τότε ῥῦσαί με, ἐκ τοῦ πυρὸς τοῦ ἀσβέστου, καὶ ἀξίωσον, ἐκ δεξιῶν σου μὲ στήναι, Κριτὰ δικαιοτάτε.

## *SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY*

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### *EPISTLE READING*

**Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday)**

**St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2**

**Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4.**

**Psalm 146.5;134.3**

Great is our Lord, and great is his power.

Verse: Praise the Lord, for the Lord is good.

**The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2**

Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care lest this liberty of yours somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you, a man of knowledge, at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall.

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

### *GOSPEL READING*

**Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday)**

**The Gospel According to Matthew 25:31-46**

The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations,

and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

## *PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS*

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### **YOUTH FELLOWSHIP SUNDAY TODAY for grades PK-K-1**

**Tuesday morning Bible Study** Tuesday at 11:00am. Email [frpeter@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:frpeter@saint-anthonys.org) for information on how to join.

**Studies in the Faith** Wednesday evening at 7:00pm. Email [frpeter@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:frpeter@saint-anthonys.org) for information on how to join.

**Union Station Homeless Services**-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](mailto:mcmg2a@aol.com).

**2021 High School Seniors** are invited to apply for the Philoptochos Society of Saint Anthony Greek Orthodox Church Scholarship.

Scholarship awards are up to \$500. Applications are available in Church office, download or request application be sent to applicant. Application must be received by Friday April 9 at 4:00 PM. Seniors are encouraged to begin applying early due to current circumstances.

**2021 Stewardship Financial Commitment.** Please return your completed commitment card to church office as soon as possible. To fully cover our operating expenses, our goal is to have our average stewardship be \$2,000 per family or above. Contact the Church office to set up easy recurring electronic payments -OR- set up your own recurring giving at [saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com](http://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com)

# ST. ANTHONY YOUTH FELLOWSHIP

**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

Email  
[frpeter@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:frpeter@saint-anthonys.org)  
for information on how  
to join.

## Tuesday Bible Study

offered via ZOOM  
Tuesday mornings  
at 11am starting  
January 19

Email  
[frpeter@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:frpeter@saint-anthonys.org)  
for information on how  
to join.



# 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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## ***Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday) (March 7)***

The foregoing two parables -- especially that of the Prodigal Son -- have presented to us God's extreme goodness and love for man. But lest certain persons, putting their confidence in this alone, live carelessly, squandering upon sin the time given them to work out their salvation, and death suddenly snatch them away, the most divine Fathers have appointed this day's feast commemorating Christ's impartial Second Coming, through which we bring to mind that God is not only the Friend of man, but also the most righteous Judge, Who recompenses to each according to his deeds.

It is the aim of the holy Fathers, through bringing to mind that fearful day, to rouse us from the slumber of carelessness unto the work of virtue, and to move us to love and compassion for our brethren. Besides this, even as on the coming Sunday of Cheese-fare we commemorate Adam's exile from the Paradise of delight -- which exile is the beginning of life as we know it now -- it is clear that today's is reckoned the last of all feasts, because on the last day of judgment, truly, everything of this world will come to an end.

All foods, except meat and meat products, are allowed during the week that follows this Sunday.

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