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OCTOBER 24, 2021 - 6TH SUNDAY LUKE

*Arethas the Great Martyr
Sebastiane the Martyr*

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 9:45 A.M.

Spiridon Pitsoulakis – 2 years

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.

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SUNDAY SERVICES ARE OFFERED INDOORS

Los Angeles County is reimplementing its masks mandate indoors Regardless of Vaccination Status.

Everyone MUST WEAR a mask to attend Divine Services.

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RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE 1. (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

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FOR THE SAINTS. MODE 1.

The holy martyrs suffered painful tortures for Your sake, O Lord; be compelled by what they endured, and heal our every pain, we entreat You, as the only One who loves humanity.

Τὰς ἀλγηδόνας τῶν Ἁγίων, ἃς ὑπὲρ σοῦ ἔπαθον, δυσωπήθητι Κύριε, καὶ πάσας ἡμῶν τὰς ὀδύνας, ἴασαι φιλόανθρωπε δεόμεθα.

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 βίῳ ἡμαρτεν συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τῷ μεταστάντι δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

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 Ἠλίαν 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.

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, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἢ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.



EPISTLE READING

6TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11

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 Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

GOSPEL READING

6TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

The Gospel According to Luke 8:26-39

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

METROPOLIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Stewardship Town Hall – Planned Giving

The Metropolis Stewardship Ministry is offering a presentation by Rev. Father James Kordaris on the topic of “Establishing a Planned Giving Program in Your Parish” on Monday, October 25 at 6:30 p.m. PDT via Zoom. Father Jim will speak on the importance of encouraging planned giving and the establishment of a planned giving program. Additional presentations will be offered by Development professionals Maria Pappas and Bill Navrides, both of whom will share knowledge from their vast experiences. [Register today!](#)

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Services for the month of October and November

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Tuesday, October 26 – Demetrios the Myrhh-Streamer

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

Monday, Nov. 8 – Great Vespers for St. Nectarios *in Covina* (7:00pm)

Tuesday, Nov. 9 – St. Nectarios *in Covina* (Orthros 8:30am, Liturgy to follow)

Tuesday, Nov. 30 – Andrew the First-called (Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am)

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

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School Fellowship meets this Sunday from 11:00 - 11:45 am. All children ages 4 (by 12/31/21) through High School are welcome and encouraged to attend each Sunday. Babies and children under 4 can join our Little Lambs parent participation class.

A huge thank you to our dedicated teachers for giving their time and talents to our program:

Teresa Argueta- Little Lambs

Irene Albeck, Eleni Wojcik, & Maria Wojcik- Pre K/TK

Sophia Syrengelas- Kindergarten/1st

Theoni Vagenas & Vicki Kades (tech aide)- 2nd/3rd

Maria Kypreos- 4th/5th

Chris Syrengelas & Polly Vagenas- 6th, 7th, 8th

Presvytera Aida Stratos- High School

Save the date: Fall Fellowship Lunch on October 31st

Please join us Sunday October 31st after services, for a fellowship luncheon provided by our Parish Council. All are invited and everyone is welcome. On the menu are sandwiches, fruit, and cookies. Hope to see everyone in the Trinity Ballroom.

Save the Date: Special General Assembly Sunday December 5 (12 noon).

Topic to be discussed: Securing Our Community's Financial Future.

For more details of the proposal being presented, please refer to the preview letter written to the community dated September 13 by Parish Council President Joe Akrotirianakis.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. John Anaheim 60th Anniversary Gala – The parish of St. John the Baptist in Anaheim will be celebrating their community’s 60th Anniversary with a Gala event on Saturday, November 20th at the newly opened Westin Anaheim Resort. Additionally, Rev. Fr. John Kariotakis will be recognized at this event for his faithful service to St. John’s for 10 years and his near 40 years as a dedicated priest of the Orthodox Church, as he now enters into a blessed and well-deserved retirement. Tickets, reservations, and information can be found at stjohnanaheim.org/gala

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

October General Meeting - Wednesday, October 27 at 7:00 PM in church hall.

Save the Date! Our 52nd annual Christmas benefit, *LET’S CELEBRATE*, will be held on Saturday, December 4, 2021, at Le Méridien Hotel in Arcadia. This year’s event will be a luncheon hosted in the Grandstand Ballroom and will include the Christmas Boutique, Santa’s Kitchen, and gift vendors along with holiday entertainment and raffle. Look for the invitation in late October. Early reservations are encouraged since seating will be limited.

Congratulations on your upcoming graduation this Spring 2022.

Despite the many challenges created by the pandemic, you have reached this milestone in your academic life.

The Panagia Chapter of Saint Anthony Philoptochos benefits many programs, nationally and locally. The Scholarship for Graduating Seniors is one of the ways the Philoptochos demonstrates its support of the youth of our church.

Each year this scholarship is offered and awarded based on academic, and/or on merit, service to the community, church involvement, leadership abilities and creativity.

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ARETHAS THE GREAT MARTYR AND HIS FELLOW MARTYRS *(October 24, 2021)*

These Martyrs contested for piety's sake in the year 524 in Najran, a city of Arabia Felix (present-day Yemen). When Dhu Nuwas, ruler of the Himyarite tribe in south Arabia, and a Judaizer, took power, he sought to blot out Christianity, especially at Najran, a Christian city. Against the counsels of Arethas, chief man of Najran, the city surrendered to Dhu Nuwas, who immediately broke the word he had given and sought to compel the city to renounce Christ. Led by Saint Arethas, hundreds of martyrs, including women, children, and babes, valiantly withstood his threats, and were beheaded and burned. After the men had been slain, all the free-born Christian women of Najran were brought before the tyrant and commanded to abjure Christ or die; yet they rebuked the persecutor with such boldness that he said even the men had not insulted him so contemptuously. So great was their faith that not one woman was found to deny Christ in all Najran, although some of them suffered torments more bitter than most of the men. In alliance with Byzantium, the Ethiopian King Elesbaan liberated Najran from Dhu Nuwas soon after and raised up churches in honour of the Martyrs. Najran became a place of pilgrimage until the rise of Islam a century later. At the end of his life King Elesbaan, who was also called Caleb, retired into solitude as a hermit; he sent his crown to Jerusalem as an offering to the Church of the Holy Sepulchre. He also is commemorated on this day as a saint. Saint Arethas' name in Arabic, Harith, means "plowman, tiller," much the same as "George" does in Greek.



WELCOME!



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

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.