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NOVEMBER 28, 2021 13TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Stephen the New Irenarchos & his Companion Martyrs at Sebaste

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.
(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)

MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 9:45 A.M.

Christos Prantzikos – 9 months

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

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.

WE WILL CONTINUE TO BROADCAST ALL SERVICES VIA LIVE-STREAM (CLICK THE LINKS BELOW):

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

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Άγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἵστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἅδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήντησας τῆ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

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FOR THE DEVOUT MAN. MODE 4.

When you had trained ascetically on the mountain, * wearing the armor of the Cross, blessed Father, * you then destroyed the spiritual armies of the foe. * Afterwards you manfully stripped yourself for the contest * and you slew Copronymous with the sword of the true Faith. * For both these vict'ries you were crowned by God, * monastic Martyr * Saint Stephen, extolled by all.

Ασκητικῶς προγυμνασθεὶς ἐν τῷ ὄρει, τὰς νοητὰς τῶν δυσμενῶν παρατάξεις, τῆ πανοπλία ἄλεσας παμμάκαρ τοῦ Σταυροῦ· αὖθις δὲ πρὸς ἄθλησιν, ἀνδρικῶς ἀπεδύσω, κτείνας τὸν Κοπρώνυμον, τῷ τῆς Πίστεως ξίφει, καὶ δι' ἀμφοῖν ἐστέφθης ἐκ Θεοῦ, Ὁσιομάρτυς ἀοίδιμε Στέφανε.

HYMNS OF THE DAY

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 σὸ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τῷ μεταστάντι δοῦναι τήν 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 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 4.

On this day the Virgin Maid * goes to the grotto to give birth * to the pre-eternal Word * in an ineffable manner. * Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. * Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds * Him who willed that He appear as * a newborn Child, * the pre-eternal God.

Ή Παρθένος σήμερον, τὸν προαιώνιον Λόγον, ἐν Σπηλαίῳ ἔρχεται, ἀποτεκεῖν ἀπορρήτως. Χόρευε ἡ οἰκουμένη ἀκουτισθεῖσα, δόξασον μετὰ ἀγγέλων καὶ τῶν Ποιμένων, βουληθέντα ἐποφθῆναι, Παιδίον νέον, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων Θεόν.

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

EPISTLE READING

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St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:4-10

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 2. Psalm 27.9,1

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 Ephesians 2:4-10

Brethren, God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God: not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

GOSPEL READING

13TH SUNDAY OF LUKE The Gospel According to Luke 18:18-27

At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.' "And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."



METROPOLIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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Light the Path to Support Our HCHC Students

Join the Metropolis of San Francisco Philoptochos on Saturday, December 11 from 11:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. PST for a virtual "Light the Path" event to support the Bishop Anthony Philoptochos Student Aid Endowment Fund. This inspiring event will include presentations from the HCHC students from our Metropolis, along with uplifting Christmas entertainment to get you in the spirit of the season. Support Light the Path today, and register online to attend.

Christmas "Unwrapped"

The Nativity Fast has just begun so it is time to prepare for Christmas. Shopping? Tree Decorating? How about "Christmas Unwrapped!" The Metropolis Christian Education Ministry is offering this three-part series that includes the theology, history and traditions of the Christmas season, led by Rev. Father Angelo Maginas, Assistant Priest at Saints Constantine and Helen Church in Cardiff by the Sea, CA. Sessions will be held on Mondays – November 29, December 6 and December 13, from 7:30 – 8:30 p.m. PST. Register online!

Metropolis Church Music Symposium

Reconnect, reinvigorate, and refine your musical skills with church musicians from near and far at a one-day Metropolis of San Francisco Church Music Symposium on Saturday, December 4, 2021 at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Portland, OR. Led by award-winning Orthodox composer and conductor Benedict Sheehan and his wife, Talia Maria, as they guide us in exploring the joy of an effective and engaging choral rehearsal. Register online!

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Applications Now Being Accepted for CrossRoad Summer 2022

CrossRoad is an engaging 10-day program for Orthodox Christian high school juniors and seniors of all jurisdictions, held every summer and provides and opportunity to "explore their faith like never before.". This year's locations include: Hellenic College Holy Cross in Boston, MA, North Park University in Chicago, IL. and San Francisco State in San Francisco, CA! which invites high school juniors and seniors Apply today at: www.crossroadinstitute.org.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Services for the month of October and November

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

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

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

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

52nd annual Christmas benefit, *LET'S CELEBRATE:* Our largest fundraiser will be held 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. **We have reached the guest seating limits for our event and can no longer accept reservations.** Thank you for your support and understanding.

There are many ways to support this charitable event by becoming a Star Donor, ordering from Santa's Kitchen for 12/5 pickup, or participating in the Grand Awards. Visit https://stanthonybenefit.square.site for details.

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<u>Santa's Kitchen:</u> Please help Philoptochos by making something sweet for our Christmas Benefit (i.e. fudge, pralines, caramels, English toffee, bark, quick breads, Christmas cookies, spiced nuts, jam). No time to make something? A cash donation is always appreciated to help underwrite our expenses. Items need to be at church by the morning of WEDNESDAY, December 1st. Call or email Lisa Xanthos with questions – 626.445.6645; <u>lisax@att.net</u>. Thank you!

IRENARCHOS AND HIS COMPANION MARTYRS AT SEBASTE (November 28, 2021)

Saint Irenarchos, who was from Sebastia, lived during the reign of Diocletian. In his youth he ministered to the holy Martyrs during the time of their punishment in prison. Once, on beholding seven women being tormented in behalf of Christ, and marvelling at their courage, and seeing how, although they were weak in body, they nonetheless became like men before the tyrant and put him to shame, the Saint was enlightened by divine grace and confessed Christ with boldness. Tried by fire and water, he was beheaded together with the holy women in the year 298.



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.