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MARCH 13, 2022 - SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

Removal of relics of Nicephoros

Pouplios, Bishop of Athens

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

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

MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 9:45 A.M.

Alexios Pappas – 3 years

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.

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SUNDAY SERVICES ARE OFFERED INDOORS

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APOLYTIKION OF THE FEAST. MODE 2. (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

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Τὴν ἄχραντον Εἰκόνα σου, προσκυνοῦμεν ἀγαθέ, αἰτούμενοι συγχώρησιν τῶν πταισμάτων ἡμῶν, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· βουλήσει γὰρ ἠϋδόκησας σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, ἵνα ρύσῃ οὓς ἐπλασας, ἐκ τῆς δουλείας τοῦ ἐχθροῦ· ὅθεν εὐχαρίστως βοῶμέν σοι· Χαρᾶς ἐπλήρωσας τὰ πάντα ὁ Σωτὴρ ἡμῶν, παραγενόμενος εἰς τὸ σῶσαι τὸν κόσμον.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE PL 1. (AFTER ENTRANCE)

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up those who had died, * by His glorious Resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠϋδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

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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 ἤμαρτεν 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 Ἡλίαν 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 PL. 4.

O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you Triumphant anthems as the tokens of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

Τῇ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἄλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἴνα κράζω σοι· Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

EPISTLE READING

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY:

St. Paul's First Letter to the Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40

Prokeimenon. Mode 4

Daniel 3.26,27

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign enemies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated – of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

GOSPEL READING

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY:

The Gospel According to John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and he said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."



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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Services for the month of March

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Wednesday, March 16th *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm*

Friday, March 18th *Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm*

Wednesday, March 23rd *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm*

Friday, March 25th *Annunciation of the Theotokos*
Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am

Wednesday, March 30th *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm*

Sunday School: Sunday School students will participate in the Sunday of Orthodoxy icon procession this upcoming Sunday. Please have your child bring an icon of their choice to hold during the procession. The icons should be a weight and size that they are able to hold independently and appropriately during the procession. Students are to meet their teachers in the ballroom with their icons immediately following Holy Communion. They will be taken up to their classrooms for a lesson following the procession and will be released at 12:00 pm.

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Coffee Hour will be Hosted by Cathy Pappas and Family in memory of Alex (Alexios) Pappas

Coffee Hour is coordinated by St. Anthony Philoptochos:

Please assist with bringing weekly goodies. A sign-up poster has been placed in the foyer of the hall. Suggestions are cookies, fruit, bagels and peanut butter and olives. Please remember that items need to be Lenten. Drop off goodies in the church hall by 10am on Sundays. Items should be ready to serve.

Please sign up on the poster or contact the church office to reserve a day. For questions, please contact Tanya Christodoulelis at 626-379-2304. Thank you for your support.

St. Anthony G.O.Y.A. Basketball Schedule 2022

Sunday, March 13: St. Basil @ St. Anthony

San Marino High School - 2701 Huntington Drive, San Marino

3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys

Saturday, March 19: @ St. Nicholas 9501 Balboa Blvd., Northridge

11:00 Jr. Girls, 12:00 Jr. Boys, 1:00 Sr. Girls, 2:00 Sr. Boys

Sunday, March 20: @ St. Sophia

1324 S. Normandie Ave. Los Angeles

2:00 Jr. Boys, 3:00 Sr. Girls, 4:00 Sr. Boys

Sunday, March 27: St. George @ St. Anthony

San Marino High School - 2701 Huntington Drive, San Marino

2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys

Sunday, April 3: @ St. John

Fullerton Evangelical Free Church

2801 N. Brea Blvd. Fullerton

2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys

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Saturday, April 9 and Sunday, April 10:

Quarter Finals

Saturday, April 30:

Semi Finals

Sunday, May 1:

Finals

Questions contact: Patricia Paziouros 626-497-2164

John Paziouros 626-497-2167, Pana Gelt 626-278-2808

Anthia Drulias Lucas 626-274-6133

Faithful Saint Anthony Parishioners,

As things continue to improve, we find ourselves as a Church community beginning to schedule many of our former events that had paused during COVID. One such event is our annual Pasadena Greek Festival.

We are at the beginning stages of planning, and would like to gauge our parishioners interest in scheduling a Festival for this Fall, or to begin again in the Fall of 2023.

The first step in this process is to form a committee to discuss the feasibility of hosting a Festival this year. Please contact me at frpeter@saint-anthonys.org.

Time is of the essence.

God bless you,

Fr. Peter

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I greet you all in the name of the Lord! I am very excited to introduce the 2022 “Studies in the Faith Series” we will offer on Monday evenings from February 21 — April 11. This Catechism Class will incorporate a new and innovative book written by Dr. Eve Tibbs. The book is entitled, “A Basic Guide to Eastern Orthodox Theology: Introducing Beliefs and Practices.”

Many of you already know Eve, and that she has faithfully served as the Chair of our Metropolis Christian Education Ministry for many years now. She is and has

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been, a visionary for our Metropolis of San Francisco, offering new programs to our parishes and to the faithful for our continuing Orthodox Christian Education.

The informative classes and discussions of our Studies in the Faith will serve as an excellent introduction to the Orthodox Faith for those interested in the Orthodox Church. For those who are interested in converting to the Orthodox Christian Faith, your opportunity has arrived! For those already baptized into the Orthodox Faith, this series of classes will provide an inspiring enrichment and review of our abundantly rich faith. This book (or this book and class participation) can serve as our Lenten project to enrich our own faith and our personal journey to Holy Pascha. Reading, studying, discussing and learning more about our Faith and our Holy Orthodox Church will bring greater meaning and spiritual joy to our Lenten and Paschal experience.

We will meet via zoom for all eight classes. If you are interested, please send an email requesting the zoom logon information. The email address to contact is: frpeter@saint-anthonys.org Please refer to the Class Syllabus for all pertinent information. To purchase this year's text please Google the above title and author. Dr. Tibbs book is available for purchase from several merchants. I look forward to hearing from you. Let us make this Lenten Season most uplifting and inspiring for us individually, for our families and for our Parish family.

In Christ,

Fr. Peter

STUDIES IN THE FAITH - Spring Session, 2022 February 21st – April 11th

Our text for this Spring's class will be: ***A Basic Guide to Eastern Orthodox Theology: Introducing Beliefs and Practices***, by Dr. Eve Tibbs. Classes will be organized into 8 sessions, on Monday evenings, 6:30 – 7:30, over an eight week period.

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These informative classes will serve as an excellent introduction to the Orthodox Faith and will also provide an inspiring enrichment and review for practicing Orthodox Christians.

I encourage you to read each week's assigned chapter and participate in class discussions so that the sessions will become an exciting and meaningful experience.

Note: **Please Google the title and author to purchase your copy.** Contact Father Peter for the zoom logon information at frpeter@saint-anthonys.org

CHAPTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

Session 4 – Monday March 14th
Chapter Four: “Ministry and Leadership”

Session 5 – Monday March 21st
Chapter Five: “Christology”

Session 6 – Monday March 28th
Chapter Six: “Who are we? What are we to do?”

Session 7 – Monday April 4th
Chapter Seven: “The Holy Trinity”

Session 8 – Monday April 11th
Chapter Eight: “Orthodox Worship”

2022 Stewardship Financial Commitment.

Thank you to everyone who has returned the completed commitment card. If you have not done it, please return your completed commitment card to church 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

Please visit saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com to make your offering and schedule your regular stewardship giving



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.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

2022 Philoptochos Membership

We invite all women, 18 years and over, to join Philoptochos. Your participation in this ministry can make a difference in so many lives. Please see the enclosed letter and form for more information.

St. Anthony Philoptochos invites everyone to join us on Saturday, March 19th, 2022 at 11 a.m. for a Lenten Luncheon and Cooking Demonstration. It will take place at Trinity Ballroom. The cost for the lunch and recipes to take home is \$20.00 per person. To RSVP, please contact Lisa Xanthos at 626.222.4374 or lisax@att.net.

IOCC Appeal for Ukraine

IOCC is in the process of responding to the desperate situation in Ukraine. Please consider making a donation to help the victims of this war at <http://www.iocc.org/ukraine22>

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

110th Annual Greek Easter Picnic,- Brookside Park, Pasadena

2022 CANCELLED The Easter Picnic has been cancelled again this year, due to the continued concerns regarding Corona Virus.

We put the health and safety of our guests, volunteers, and workers first and do not want to increase the risk of anyone spreading this virus.

We pray that by the grace of God, we will be able to resume our picnic next year on April 16, 2023.

May everyone have a blessed Lent and a glorious Resurrection!!!

Ted Pappas and Stephanie Caiopoulos Lubian

Easter Picnic Committee'

Sunday of Orthodoxy

March 13, 2022

For more than one hundred years the Church of Christ was troubled by the persecution of the Iconoclasts of evil belief, beginning in the reign of Leo the Isaurian (717-741) and ending in the reign of Theophilus (829-842). After Theophilus's death, his widow the Empress Theodora (celebrated Feb. 11), together with the Patriarch Methodius (June 14), established Orthodoxy anew. This ever-memorable Queen venerated the icon of the Mother of God in the presence of the Patriarch Methodius and the other confessors and righteous men, and openly cried out these holy words: "If anyone does not offer relative worship to the holy icons, not adoring them as though they were gods, but venerating them out of love as images of the archetype, let him be anathema." Then with common prayer and fasting during the whole first week of the Forty-day Fast, she asked God's forgiveness for her husband. After this, on the first Sunday of the Fast, she and her son, Michael the Emperor, made a procession with all the clergy and people and restored the holy icons, and again adorned the Church of Christ with them. This is the holy deed that all we the Orthodox commemorate today, and we call this radiant and venerable day the Sunday of Orthodoxy, that is, the triumph of true doctrine over heresy.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

PAN-ORTHODOX VESPERS



✠ SUNDAY, MARCH 13, 2022 • 6:30PM ✠

*St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church
405 N Dale Ave ~ Anaheim. CA 92801*

✠ CELEBRATED BY ✠

*His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos
Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco*

✠ CONCELEBRATED BY ✠

His Grace Bishop Ioannis of Phocaea ~ Chancellor, Metropolis of San Francisco

All faithful are invited to join surrounding Southern California Orthodox Clergy for Vespers & the Procession of Icons, sung by a Pan-Orthodox Choir, followed by a Lenten meal and reception.

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(Hymn of the Sunday of Orthodoxy)