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SEPTEMBER 11, 2022 SUNDAY BEFORE HOLY CROSS

Theodora of Alexandria Euphrosynos the Cook

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

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

MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 10:45 A.M.

For the Victims of the Terrorist attack on September 11, 2001 May they memory be eternal.

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

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

APOLYTIKION OF THE FEAST. MODE 4. (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

Your Nativity, O Theotokos, imparted joy to the entire earth, for out of you has risen the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God. He nullified the curse and instead gave His blessing; and causing death to be neutralized, He granted us eternal life.

Η γέννησίς σου Θεοτόκε, χαρὰν ἐμήνυσε πάση τῆ οἰκουμένη· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ λύσας τὴν κατάραν, ἔδωκε τὴν εὐλογίαν· καὶ καταργήσας τὸν θάνατον, ἐδωρήσατο ἡμῖν ζωὴν τὴν αἰώνιον.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE 4. (AFTER ENTRANCE)

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἁγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

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MEMORIAL HYMN. MODE PLAGAL 4.

Remember, O Lord, as You are good, Your servants, and forgive every sin they have 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 τῶν δούλων σου, καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῳ ἥμαρτον συγχώρησον οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὸ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι 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.

Both Joachim and Anna from their sterility's stigma, and Adam and Eve from their mortality's ruin have been set free, O immaculate Maid, by your holy nativity. For this do your people hold celebration, redeemed from the guilt of transgression as they cry to you, "The barren one bears the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life."

Ίωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννα ὀνειδισμοῦ ἀτεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδὰμ καὶ Εὔα, ἐκ τῆς φθορᾶς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν, Ἄχραντε, ἐν τῆ ἁγία γεννήσει σου· αὐτὴν ἑορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαός σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν πταισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἡ στεῖρα τίκτει τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.

EPISTLE READING

Sunday Before Holy Cross St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 6:11-18

> 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 Galatians 6:11-18

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

GOSPEL READING

Sunday Before Holy Cross The Gospel According to John 3:13-17

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man who is in heaven. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.

"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."



PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Upcoming Divine Services for the Month of September:

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Wednesday, September14th –Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am)

Church and Youth Ministries Second Registration Sunday:

Please Join us in the Ballroom to register or get information on all our ministries.

Breakfast will be offered immediately following Divine Liturgy.

Welcome Back! We are excited for the beginning of the Ecclesiastical New Year and being back together again with all our ministries.

Parish Council, Philoptochos Society-Panagia Chapter, VIPs – Senior Group, Studies in the Faith, Bible Study, Byzantine Chanters, Pray the Psalter ministry for women, Acolytes (Altar Boys), Myrrh-Bearers, Sunday School Fellowship, St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, HOPE, JOY, GOYA, YAL Young Adults, Greek Dance, Greek Language School, Little Lambs Fellowship, Basketball, Volleyball Tournament, Pasadena Greekfest. St. Anthony Golf Tournament

ST. ANTHONY SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 12:00pm noon

Rev. Peter Stratos and the St. Anthony Parish Council have called a Special Parish Assembly Meeting, for Sunday September 11, 2022 at 12:00pm noon, to discuss and vote on the purchase of property on Locksley Drive.

GREEK DANCE REGISTRATION IS **NOW OPEN**

We will be collecting registration in person on Sunday or you can also register online by clicking this link ---

Greek Dance Online Registration

Deadline for Greek Dance Registration is on Sunday, October 2nd. **First day of Greek Dance practices start Sunday, September 11th** If you have any questions, please contact me at:

kathytsigkounis@gmail.com

See you all on Sunday

2022-2023 Greek school Registration is open, and classes are starting September 12th.

This year we are offering in-person learning on Mondays, Wednesdays, Thursdays and virtual on Tuesdays, ages from 3 ½ to 70+. See the registration forms for more detailed information, at the church website. If you have any questions, contact by email Anastasia.sarantopoulos@gmail.com.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Philoptochos Mailing List Update: Have you moved? Changed your address? Changed your name? Do you want to receive our mailings? We are updating our mailing list in preparation for the upcoming Christmas Benefit in December. We want to make sure that you will receive our Christmas Benefit invitation as well as other future program mailings. Notify us promptly if you would like to be added to the list or if you have any changes to your mailing address in the following format:

Your Full Name, New Address, City, State, Zip Code, Email Also, you may request to be removed from future Philoptochos mailings. Just let us know, by emailing all change requests to Nicolette.fuerst@gmail.com.

Philoptochos Upcoming Meetings

- Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 14 at 7:00 PM
- General Meeting WELCOME BACK POTLUCK DINNER: Wednesday, September 21 at 6:30 PM in the church hall.



2022 Stewardship Financial Commitment

"As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's grace." (1 Peter 4:10)

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ANNUAL GIVING LEVELS:

*ARCHANGEL: \$15,000 and up \$288/week OR \$1,250/month & up *ANGEL: \$10,000 - \$14,999 \$192.\$288/week OR \$833.\$1,249/month *GUARDIAN: \$7,000 - \$9,999 \$135.\$192/week OR \$583.\$833/month *DISCIPLE: \$4,000 - \$6,999 \$77.\$135/week OR \$333.\$583/month *FAITHFUL: \$2,000 - \$3,999 \$38.\$77/week OR \$167.\$333/month SUPPORTER: \$1,000 - \$1,999 \$19.\$38/week OR \$33.\$167/month FRIEND: \$500 - \$999 \$9.60.\$19/week OR \$42.\$33/month

CONTRIBUTOR: \$499 & below

\$9.60/week OR \$42/month & below

Review your stewardship commitment prayerfully, consider what you offer to the

Church in comparison to monthly utility/service payments.

☐ Weekly at \$_____/week
☐ Monthly at \$_____/month

□ Annually

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St. Anthony's 2022 Pledged Members (September 9, 2022)

Stratos, Fr. Peter/Pres. Aida

Akrotirianakis, Joseph N. & Sherese

Albeck, Irene

Albeck, Mark Gregory

Alex, Alysa

Andricos, Constantine Andros, Gus & Lorena Angelos, James & Sophia

Antsos, Dimitrios & Judith Din Argueta, Cris & Teresa V.

Arviso, Ange

Athanasoulis, Chris & Tina Athans, Tesi & Craig Lareau

Athans, Tina & Dean P.

Attalla, Philip "Ted" & Michelle Reagan Dragonas, P. Henri III

Balas, Argiro Julie & Dino

Balas, Christian Baliotis. Tina

Balntas, Bill & Eleni Mitropoulos

Becker, Connie & Brian L.

Becronis, Christina

Bichai, Anthony & Anna

Bicos, Marietta Bissias, Peter

Bjorknert, Jan & Vicky

Blosiu, Julian O. & Catalina E.

Bonorris, Bill

Bonorris, Donna & Pete

Bozikis, Demetra

Brown, Niki

Bryant, Dan & Karen

Buickians, Gagik & Jacqueline Burkard Jr., Frank J. & Penelope

Buzas, John & Pamela Buzas, Nicholas & Danielle

Caire, John.

Chames, Anastasia. Christodoulelis, Tanya Christodoulou, Christine & Christakis

Christopoulos, Judie & Gus Christopoulos, Tom & Karen

Christopoulos, Tony and Lynnette

Christou, Nicholas

Cokias, Jason & Karen

Damilatis, Eleni Darlas, Paula Darlas, Tom Daskalos, Chris

Demetriades, Demetrios & Elizabeth Demopulos, Elizabeth & Andrew Demopulos, Michael & Patricia

Dewar, Mary & Andrew Dragonas, P. Henri III

Dupas, Theodore & Evangeline

Edwards, Nancy C.

Efstathiou, Jimmy & Michelle Efstathiou, Teddi & Dean Floutsis, Penny & Ted

Frangeskou, Yiorgos & Xenia

Frank, Adam Jonathan Fuerst, Nicolette & Jay Gallagher, Eleni & Matthew Gallanis. Pete & Danica

Ganis, Maria C.

Garbis, Spiros & Antigoni

Manousopoulou

Gavalas, Cleola & George

Gelt, Brian & Pana

Georgakopoulos, Eleni & George

Giakas, Vasilike

Gittings, Brian & Maria Katsas

Grafos, Thean

Grafos, Tom & Tania Grover, James & Maria

Gupta, Deepak

Halias, Joanne & John

Haralambos, Aliki, Koutsoukos, Lin & George Haralambos, Anthony & Kathleen Kundanis. Christine Haralambos, Lambi & Sally Kypreos, Maria & James Haralambos, Tom & Page Lagousis, Ted & Kendra Horaites, George & Olympia Lappas, Virginia Hronas, Maria & James W. Leontas, Angela & Andrew Murrell Hunter, Nicole Loutsos, Anna & Georgia & John Ioannou, Christos & Elleni Graieda Johnsen, Eleni Lubian, Daniel & Stephanie Johnson, Noah & Elain Lucas, John S. & Anthia Kachulis, Louis Lucas, Katherine Kades, Christine Macris, Catherine & George Kades, Vicki & Louis Magaziotis, Phophi & Panteli Kalambakas, Vivian N. Makris, Ted & Maria Kalivas, Elene & George Malina, Dorothea Kalivas, Pota Malisos, Fontaine Kallas, Mark & Debra Malisos, Samantha A Kamar, April Martin, Sam & Debbie Kaparos, Stefanos Maslen, Larissa & Mark Carpenter Karaioannoglou, Phaedon & Jeanne Mavredakis, Vivian Karamaras, Andriana McCann, Liam Karatzas, Mersina & John McClain, Anastasia Karvelas, Kosta & Marina McGregor, Richard & Kristen Kasdagli, Dimitra & Mark Nastri McNulty, Jennie & Chris Katsafados, Theoni & Pete Mechalas, Bess Katsas, Asimina & Alexandra Mitis, Nick & Maria Prantzikou Kefalas, Evelyn & John Mobayen, Chrissa & Syrus Kefalas, Modestos & Nina Molinari, Yngrid Kefallinos, Vicki & Nick Moutzouridis, Vasiliki & Peter Kiotas, Stavroula Nassos, Jonathan & Jenni Pulos Kirimis, Nitsa & John Nichols, James & Joyce Kitridou. Rodanthi C. Nunez, Alyssa & Angel Kokoris, George & Carolina Odell, Gordon and Cornelia Kokoris, Maria & Nicholas Otis. Robert & Denise Kolokotrones, Carolyn & James A. Panagiot, Harry & Anastasia Koudanis, Helen Papavasiliou, Joanna & Joseph Kouis, Peter Castellon Koulakis, John and Gisele Papavasiliou, Sotirios Koulos, Joanna & Konstantinos Pappas, Constantine & Hope Koutras, Alexander E. Pappas, Dean C. & Jennifer

Pappas, Dr. James P. Pappas, Dr. Peter A. Pappas, Peter & Cathy Pappas, Steven & Christine Pappas, Tony & Stergiani Pastis, Leah Pastis. Patricia Patsavas, Bertha Patzakis, John & Andrea Paziouros, John Paziouros, Konstantina & Nick Paziouros, Patricia Pegadiotes, George S. Pegadiotes, Georgia & Sam Pegadiotes, Stan S. Perris, Christina. Plumtree, Martha & Wayne Pollalis, Dino J. Polychronis, Phaedra Myrto Poulos. Anastasia Poulos, Yiota Reese, Helen Rellos, John, Theodora & Vasilios Riley, Thomas & Evangelia Rivas, Alexis & Lexi (Kopan) Saigh, Mark & Mara R. Suchy Schwindt, George E. & Meridith Scordelis, Alexander & Melissa Serban, Athena & Mihai Sideris, Athanasios & Anastasia Sipsas, Pantelis & Nafsika Skandale, Elizabeth Skandale, Helen Smith, Herman & Helen Soewers, Stephanie & Randy Soris, Kiparisia (Sia) Stafylis, Chrysovalantis Stamos, Andy & Mary Stamos, Nikos A.

Stavropoulos, Peter T & Theodora

Stavropoulos, Ted & Georgia Stephens, Kenneth & Angelina Maria Tarazi, Ellie Tarazi, Ted & Panagiota Angelos Tirado, Elizabeth Tolliday, Ben & Jessica Treantafelles, George P. Treantafelles, George T. & Helen Treantafelles, Stan & Vivian Triantafyllidi, Ioanna &Galino Barmparas Tripodes Zacharias N. Tripodes, Dena Tripodes, Georgia E. Tripodes, Marika Tripodes, Stella Tsianos, George & Andria Tsigkounis, Charalambos & Catherine Tsouvalas, Charles Tsouvalas, James Tsouvalas, John & Jenny Tsudis, Margaret and Robert Udria, Juan & Mary Vacalo, Eleni Vagenas, Alex & Tashia Vagenas, Christos Vagenas, Dino & Krystina Vagenas, George & Polly Vagenas, John & Georgia Vagenas, Pete & Mindy Vagenas, Sophia Vagenas, Spiros & Diana Vagenas, Vasilios & Nicolicha Varvitsiotis Varvas, Fotiny Vavoulis, Ted & Esther Vezzuto, Christopher & Celka Vezzuto, Robert & Stephanie Vidalakis, Nick and Nancy Vidalakis, Perry & Zoe

Vlahos, Tasia & Effie

Vorgias, Zacharias & Alma Voyagis, Eleftherios & Pauline Webster, John & Jennifer Williams, Athena & Alex Tarter Wojcik, Radoslav M. & Pamela Xanthos, Lisa
Zarian, Vincent & Maria
Zarifes, Peter & Tina
Zoumas, Michael & Christina
Zoumberakis, Haralambos and Nikole

Every effort has been made to ensure the accuracy of this stewardship list. Please forgive us if there are any errors or omissions. Contact Alma at 626-449-6943 for any questions or corrections.

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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.

Theodora the Martyr of Alexandria September 11, 2022

This saint lived in the fifth century. Out of remorse for the adultery that she committed with another man, she fled from her husband's house, renamed herself Theodore, clothed herself as a man, and pretending to be a eunuch, entered a monastery of men. Her identity as a woman was discovered only after her death.

The Elevation of the Venerable and Life-Giving Cross September 14, 2022

Saint Helen, the mother of Saint Constantine the Great, when she was already advanced in years, undertook, in her great piety, the hardships of a journey to Jerusalem in search of the cross, about the year 325. A temple to Aphrodite had been raised up by the Emperor Hadrian upon Golgotha, to defile and cover with oblivion the place where the saving Passion had been suffered. The venerable Helen had the statue of Aphrodite destroyed, and the earth removed, revealing the Tomb of our Lord, and three crosses. Of these, it was believed that one must be that of our Lord, the other two of the thieves crucified with Him; but Saint Helen was at a loss which one might be the Wood of our salvation. At the inspiration of Saint Macarius, Archbishop of Jerusalem, a lady of Jerusalem, who was already at the point of death from a certain disease, was brought to touch the crosses, and as soon as she came near to the Cross of our Lord, she was made perfectly whole. Consequently, the precious Cross was lifted on high by Archbishop Macarius of Jerusalem; as he stood on the ambo, and when the people beheld it, they cried out, "Lord have mercy." It should be noted that after its discovery, a portion of the venerable Cross was taken to Constantinople as a blessing. The rest was left in Jerusalem in the magnificent church built by Saint Helen, until the year 614. At that time, the Persians plundered Palestine and took the Cross to their own country (see Jan. 22, Saint Anastasius the Persian). Late, in the year 628, Emperor Heraclius set out on a military campaign, retrieved the Cross, and after bringing it to Constantinople, himself escorted it back to Jerusalem, where he restored it to its place.

Rest from labour. A Fast is observed today, whatever day of the week it may be.



Visit Greece without leaving Los Angeles!

Enjoy end of summer fun at the St. Anthony's Panigiri hosted by the community of Saint Anthony Greek Orthodox Church in Pasadena, CA.

Saturday Oct 1, 2022 from 3pm to 11pm

Come for the food, stay for the atmosphere!
Greek band and dancing!
Food and beverage will be available for purchase
Admission
\$10 ages 13+
\$5 ages 12 and under

Registration suggested at: www.stanthonyspanigiri.com
You may pay at the door.