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DECEMBER 4, 2022

10TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Barbara the Great Martyr

John the Righteous of Damascus

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.

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MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 9:45 A.M.

Barbara Akrotirianakis – 1 year

Nicholas J. Akrotirianakis – 8 years

DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.

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FOR THE HOLY WOMAN. MODE PL 4.

Let us honor the all-virtuous Saint Barbara; for she broke the snares of the enemy, and she escaped from them like a bird, with the Cross as her help and shield.

Βαρβάραν τὴν Ἁγίαν τιμήσωμεν· ἐχθροῦ γὰρ τὰς παγίδας συνέτριψε, καὶ ὡς στρουθίον ἐρρύσθη ἐξ αὐτῶν, βοηθεία καὶ ὄπλῳ τοῦ Σταυροῦ ἡ Πάνσεμνος.

FOR THE DEVOUT MAN. MODE PL 4.

Guide of Orthodoxy and a sacred teacher of piety and dignity, luminary of the world, and God-inspired jewel of monastics, O wise John, the Spirit's instrument: by your teachings you enlightened all. Intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

Ὁρθοδοξίας ὀδηγέ, εὐσεβείας διδάσκαλε καὶ σεμνότητος, τῆς οἰκουμένης ὁ φωστήρ, τῶν μοναστῶν τὸ θεόπνευστον ἐγκαλλώπισμα, Ἰωάννη σοφέ, ταῖς διδαχαῖς σου πάντα ἐφώτισας, λύρα τοῦ Πνεύματος· πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

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 ἡμάρτων συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι 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 3.

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.

Ἡ 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.

EPISTLE READING

Barbara the Great Martyr

St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5

Prokeimenon. Mode 4.

Psalm 67.35,26

God is wonderful among his saints.

Verse: Bless God in the congregations.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5

Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

GOSPEL READING

10th Sunday of Luke

The Gospel According to Luke 13:10-17

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

METROPOLIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Divine Services for the First week of December

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Tuesday, December 6 - Services for St. Nicholas at Chapel in Rose Hills Memorial Park (*Orthros 9:00am, Liturgy 10:00am*)



Today Social hour is hosted by: The Akrotirianakis Family in memory of Barbara and Nicholas Akrotirianakis.

St. Anthony's Coffee Hour is coordinated by St. Anthony Philoptochos:

A sign-up poster has been placed in the foyer of the hall. Please sign up on the poster or contact Tanya Christodoulelis at 626-379-2304. Thank you for your support.

Please contact the Church office if you need to schedule a memorial.

STUDIES IN THE FAITH

Winter Session 2022: November 14– December 19

Our Studies in the Faith Winter Session will be organized into 6 evening classes meeting on Monday evenings from 6:30 – 7:30 PM.

These informative zoom classes will serve as an excellent introduction to Orthodoxy for those interested in, learning more about the Greek Orthodox Church. These classes also will provide an inspiring enrichment and review for practicing Orthodox Christians. For those interested in the class please email Fr. Peter. frpeter@saint-anthonys.org

Fourth Session – Monday December 5

Searching the scriptures part 2 (THE KATAVASIAS)

Fifth Session – Monday December 12

The Icon of the Nativity

Sixth Session – Monday December 19

The Incarnation

GOYA Sunday Funday TODAY! GOYA will be having a brief meeting & activity and they will be decorating the church Christmas Trees! Meet right after Sunday School. Lunch will be provided!

Save the Date: GOYA Save the Date Dec. 21st GOYA Caroling & Christmas Party!

PHILOTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS



"CHRISTMAS FOR THE KIDS"

PHILOTOCHOS & FRIENDS IN DEED

Please consider participating in "Christmas For Kids," a gift-giving drive to provide underprivileged children in the Pasadena area with Christmas gifts.

The children have provided us with a list of their wished for gifts. There is no minimum or maximum amount of gifts or gift cards being requested.

You can select a child's name from our tree located in front of church on Sunday, December 4th and 11th after church.

Please place unwrapped gifts in a gift bag with the child's name attached and return to church by **Tuesday, December 13th**. If possible, please include a gift receipt.

If you have any questions, please contact Stephanie Soewers at 818-209-5026, szanglis@gmail.com or Liz Skandale at 626-695-3423, lizie22@aol.com

We are grateful for your support. Merry Christmas!

Barbara the Great Martyr

December 4, 2022

Saint Barbara was from Heliopolis of Phoenicia and lived during the reign of Maximian.

She was the daughter of a certain idolater named Dioscorus. When Barbara came of age, she was enlightened in her pure heart and secretly believed in the Holy Trinity. About this time Dioscorus began building a bath-house; before it was finished he was required to go away to attend to certain matters, and in his absence Barbara directed the workmen to build a third window in addition to the two her Father had commanded. She also inscribed the sign of the Cross with her finger upon the marble of the bath-house, leaving the saving sign cut as deeply into the marble as if it had been done with an iron tool. (When the Synaxarion of Saint Barbara was written, the marble of the bath-house and the cross inscribed by Saint Barbara were still preserved, and many healings were worked there.) When Dioscorus returned, he asked why the third window had been added; Barbara began to declare to him the mystery of the Trinity. Because she refused to renounce her faith, Dioscorus tortured Barbara inhumanely, and after subjecting her to many sufferings he beheaded her with his own hands, in the year 290.

