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**FEBRUARY 26, 2023**

**FORGIVENESS SUNDAY**

*Porphyrios, Bishop of Gaza*

*Photini the Samaritan & Sisters*

**ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.**

**(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE ~ 9:45 A.M.**

*Vasiliki Christodoulides – 40 days*

*John Kefalas – 6 months*

*Vasiliki Gizas – 7 years.*

*Argyrios Gizas -15 years*

**DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.**

**(LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE)**

**WE WILL CONTINUE TO BROADCAST ALL SERVICES VIA LIVE-STREAM**  
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[SAINT-ANTHONY.S.ORG/LIVESTREAM](http://SAINT-ANTHONY.S.ORG/LIVESTREAM)

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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 ἡμαρτον συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

## *APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT. MODE 4*

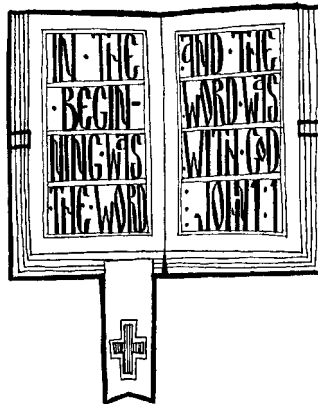
Emulating the ways of Elijah the zealot, and following the straight paths of the Baptist, O Father Anthony, you made the wilderness a city, and did support the world by your prayers. Wherefore intercede with Christ our God, that our souls be saved.

Τὸν ζηλωτὴν Ἠλίαν τοῖς τρόποις μιμούμενος, τῷ Βαπτιστῇ εὐθείαις ταῖς τρίβοις ἐπόμενος, Πάτερ Ἀντώνιε, τῆς ἐρήμου γέγονας οἰκιστής, καί τὴν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

## *KONTAKION MODE PL. 2.*

O guide to wisdom, provider of prudence, disciplinarian of fools, and defender of the poor, fortify and discipline my heart, O Master; You, give me a word, O Word of the Father. For behold, I will not hinder my lips from crying to You: O merciful Lord, have mercy on me who have fallen.

Τῆς σοφίας ὁδηγέ, φρονήσεως χορηγέ, τῶν ἀφρόνων παιδευτά, καὶ πτωχῶν ὑπερασπιστά, στήριξον, συνέτισον τὴν καρδίαν μου Δέσποτα. Σὺ δίδου μοι λόγον, ὁ τοῦ Πατρός Λόγος· ἰδοὺ γὰρ τὰ χεῖλη μου, οὐ μὴ κωλύσω ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἐλεῆμον, ἐλέησόν με τὸν παραπεσόντα.



***EPISTLE READING***

**Forgiveness Sunday**

**St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4**

**Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4.**

**Psalm 75.11,1**

**Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.**

**Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.**

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4

Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

# ***GOSPEL READING***

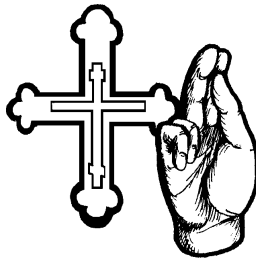
## **Forgiveness Sunday**

### **The Gospel According to Matthew 6:14-21**

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

"And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."



## *PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS*

### **Divine Services for the Month of March**

*([saint-anthonys.org/calendar](http://saint-anthonys.org/calendar))*

***GREAT & HOLY LENT BEGINS MONDAY FEBRUARY 27<sup>th</sup>***

<b>Wednesday, March 1<sup>st</sup></b>	<b><i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Friday, March 3<sup>rd</sup></b>	<b><i>Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of Souls</i></b> <b><i>Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am</i></b>
<b>Wednesday, March 8<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Friday, March 10<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Wednesday, March 15<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Friday, March 17<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b><i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Friday, March 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Great Vespers of Annunciation – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Saturday, March 25<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Annunciation of the Theotokos</i></b> <b><i>Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am</i></b>
<b>Wednesday, March 29<sup>th</sup></b>	<b><i>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm</i></b>
<b>Friday, March 31<sup>st</sup></b>	<b><i>The Akathist Hymn – 6:00pm</i></b>



**Today Social hour is hosted by** the Kefalas Family in memory of John Kefalas; the Soris, Kypreos, Rusinek & Gizas families in memory of Vasiliki and Argyrios Gizas.

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.**

**Sunday School:** to their classrooms after holy communion.

## **St. Anthony G.O.Y.A. Basketball Schedule 2023**

**Sunday, February 26:** St. John @ St. Anthony  
Blair High School - 1201 S. Marengo Ave., Pasadena  
2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys.

**Sunday, March 5:** @ Assumption  
5761 E. Colorado Street, Long Beach  
2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys.

**Saturday, March 11:** @ St. George  
Legacy Church - 8348 3<sup>rd</sup> Street, Downey  
11:00 Jr. Girls, 12:00 Jr. Boys, No Senior Teams.

**Sunday, March 12:** St. Sophia @ St. Anthony  
Blair High School - 1201 S. Marengo Ave., Pasadena  
2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys,

**Sunday, March 19: St. Nicholas @ St. Anthony**

Blair High School - 1201 S. Marengo Ave., Pasadena

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

**Sunday, March 26: @ St. Basil**

San Juan Capistrano Community Center

25925 Camino Del Avion, San Juan Capistrano

No Jr. Girls Team, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys.

**Sunday, April 2: @ St. Katherine**

722 Knob Hill Avenue, Torrance

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

**Saturday, April 22:**

Quarter Finals - Jr./Sr. Girls & Jr. Boys

**Sunday, April 23:**

Quarter Finals - Sr. Boys

**Saturday, April 29: Semifinals**

**Sunday, April 30: Finals**

Questions contact:

Pana Gelt 626-278-2808 - Anthia Drulias Lucas 626-274-6133

**21st Annual St Anthony's Golf Tournament**

We will have our much anticipated event this year on **Friday May 5th**. Please join us for a festive day of golf dinner and fellowship.

All proceeds will benefit our building fund for the senior center. There are many ways for you to support this year's charitable event. If you aren't a golfer join us for our all day Taverna on the Green mezethes and Jimmy Kypreos famous souvla. At night sign up for dinner complete with silent auction and one of a kind live auction items. If you absolutely can't make it please make a tax deductible donation directly to the church office. Our community volunteers are the key reason for our success. Please call Jimmy Christodoulelis @ 626-379-2302 where you can participate. We will also have tables setup during coffee hour in the next few weeks to sign up.



**The St. Anthony Parish invites you to a showing of the award winning documentary "The New Greek Americans:" 1960-2018** on Sunday, March 12 after coffee hour. The screening is open to everyone at no charge. It will be presented by the Greek Heritage Society of Southern California. The documentary details how the Greek culture and traditions are practiced and moved forward with the current generation. It is narrated by Olympia Dukakis. DVDs will be available for the documentary trilogy - The Pioneers 1900-1942, The Promise of Tomorrow 1940-1960 and The New Greek Americans 1960-2018.

### **“Praying Through the Psalter”**

#### **Pan-Orthodox Group via Zoom**

Join us during the Lenten season as members of several Orthodox Parishes pray through the Psalms (Psalter) in preparation for Pascha.

The Psalms (Psalter) were written more than 5,000 years ago as songs of prayer and praise to the God of the Universe and are prayed daily by monks and nuns.

Join us as we practice Praying Through the Psalter, praying for our Parishes, and learning how to incorporate the Psalter into our daily lives.

Each Tuesday 7-8pm, February 7- April 4 (9 weeks). Open to all church members.

To sign up and receive the Zoom link and packet, contact Jennifer Dobrinen at [jenniferdobrinen@yahoo.com](mailto:jenniferdobrinen@yahoo.com) or 559-326-4747.

## **STUDIES IN THE FAITH**

**Spring Session, 2023 (Via Zoom)**

**February 13<sup>th</sup> – April 03<sup>rd</sup>**

Our text for the 2023 Studies in the Faith class will be, *The Orthodox Faith, “Doctrine and Scripture,” Volume 1*, by Fr. Thomas Hopko. Our class for this year, will be taught over 8 class sessions, meeting on Monday evenings 6:30 – 7:30 pm.

These informative classes will serve as an excellent introduction to the Orthodox Faith for those interested in the Orthodox Church. This series of classes will also provide an inspiring enrichment and review for practicing Orthodox Christians.

\*Reading each week's assigned chapter and participating in class discussions is encouraged to ensure that the sessions become an exciting and meaningful experience for all participants. For those interested in this year's class please email Fr. Peter. At this address: [frpeter@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:frpeter@saint-anthonys.org)

\* Google SVS Press, go to the Find a Book tab at the top right of page, and type in: Volume 1 Doctrine and Scripture. The cost of the book is \$22. (Please order your copy as soon as possible).

## CHAPTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

### Third Session – Monday February 27<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Three: "The Holy Trinity"

### Fourth Session – Monday March 06<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Four: "The Bible"

### Fifth Session – Monday March 13<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Five: "Old Testament"

### Sixth Session – Monday March 20<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Six: "New Testament"

### Seventh Session – Monday March 27<sup>th</sup>

Chapter Seven: "Salvation History"

### Eighth Session – Monday April 03<sup>rd</sup>

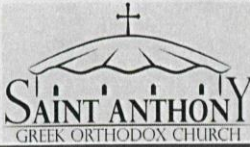
Chapter Eight: "Great Week and Pascha"

## **2023 Church 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. ***If you are new to the community and want to become a member in our Church, please feel free to either take a Steward Financial Commitment card from the announcement table in the narthex, contact the Church office or Please visit [saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com](http://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com) to make your offering and schedule your regular stewardship giving.***

***Weekly stewardship envelopes are available.  
Please contact the church office if you would like to have them  
for the 2023 stewardship contributions.***





## 2023 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)*

LAST NAME

FIRST NAME(S), PLEASE INCLUDE CHILDREN UNDER 18.

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PREFERRED PHONE

OTHER/SECOND PHONE

E-MAIL

*[For office use only]*

SIGNATURE

DATE

### 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 \$83-\$167/month

**FRIEND: \$500 - \$999**  
\$9.60-\$19/week OR \$42-\$83/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.*

Please return your completed commitment card to church by Jan. 31, 2023

*Your card must be on file for you to be considered in 'Good Standing'*

**In response to God's blessings, I/we pledge a 2023 offering of:**

**My Stewardship Commitment for 2023: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**I will fulfill and pay my pledge: (CHECK ONE)**

☐ Weekly at \$ \_\_\_\_\_/week

☐ Monthly at \$ \_\_\_\_\_/month

☐ Annually

Contact the Church office to set up easy recurring electronic payments -OR- set up your own recurring giving at <https://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com>

***\*To fully cover our operating expenses, our goal is to have our average stewardship be \$2,000 or above per family***

## ***PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS***

**Attention High School Seniors** – Philoptochos of Saint Anthony scholarship applications are now available. Contact Presvytera Aida Stratos at [presaida7@gmail.com](mailto:presaida7@gmail.com) for information or application.

### **PHILOPTOCHOS FEBRUARY GENERAL MEETING**

**Dr. Chris Christodoulou**  
Cardiologists  
Presentation on Heart Health:  
Diet, Prevention and Testing

**Tuesday, February 28, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.**  
Trinity Ballroom

*Everyone is welcome to attend this instructive presentation.*



February is Heart Month

### **2023 Philoptochos Membership**

Our 2023 Membership Drive has begun and we invite you to join us in our important work. We encourage all women, 18 years and older to join Philoptochos. Men and non-Orthodox women may also join as associate members. Your participation in this ministry can make a difference in so many lives. To renew or join by mail- send check (payable to St. Anthony Philoptochos Society) to St. Anthony Philoptochos Society, 778 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91107 or online at <https://stanthonypiloptochos.square.site> Each \$50 stewardship supports the National Philoptochos, the San Francisco Metropolis and St. Anthony Philoptochos obligations and projects. Thank you for your continued support and for helping make a difference in our community.

PHILOPTOCHOS



**PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY OF  
SAINT ANTHONY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
PANAGIA CHAPTER**

**PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP FORM**

☐ 2023 Philoptochos Membership

☐ 2023 Associate Membership  
(Men / Non-Voting)

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name	First Name	Spouse Name	M.I.
Street Address			
City	State	Zip	
Home Phone	Cell Phone		
Email			

Notices will be sent via email. If you prefer your notices mailed, please let us know by checking here ☐

**St. Anthony's Philoptochos Stewardship (membership dues). Select amount below:**

☐ \$50

☐ \$75

☐ \$100

☐ \$125

☐ Other

Each \$50 stewardship supports National Philoptochos (\$15), San Francisco Metropolis (\$15) and St. Anthony Philoptochos obligations and projects (\$20). ☐ Check ☐ Credit Card ☐ Cash

I am interested in helping with the following:

☐ Feeding the Hungry

☐ Deliver Meals to Parishioners

☐ Homebound Visitations

☐ Hosting Fellowship

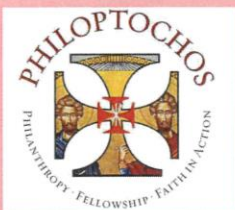
☐ Baking & Cooking

☐ Fundraising

☐ Marketing

☐ Website Developer

☐ Other Talents

☐ Specify


**2023 PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE**

Your continued generosity allows Philoptochos to provide financial assistance and outreach to those in need. We invite you to renew your membership or become a new member as we endeavor to do our philanthropic work. Join us as we strive to fulfill the word of Christ.

*".. whatever you did for one of these, the least of my brethren, you did for me" - Matthew 25:30*

**PLEASE RENEW OR JOIN BY MAIL (Check payable to: Saint Anthony Philoptochos Society)**

Mail your check along with this form to:

Saint Anthony Philoptochos Society, Attention: Membership  
778 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91107

or pay online at <https://stanthonypiloptochos.square.site>

Scroll down to "Annual Membership Dues"

For more information or questions, please contact Lisa Xanthos (626) 222-4374 or Helen Skandale (818) 618-4963



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DIMITRIS MAHLIS, & PETER DENEFF**

**TICKETS RESERVATION: (562) 305-2356  
PHILIP TREVEZAS@YAHOO.COM**

# Photini the Samaritan Woman & her martyred sisters: Anatole, Pota, Photis, Praskevi, & Kyriaki – February 26, 2023

Saint Photini lived in 1st century Palestine and was the woman that Christ met at Jacob's Well in Samaria as recorded in the Gospel according to John (4:4-26). After her encounter with Christ, she and her whole family were baptized by the Apostles and became evangelists of the early Church.

Photini and her children eventually were summoned before the emperor Nero and instructed to renounce their faith in Christ. They refused to do so, accepting rather to suffer various tortures. After many efforts to force her to surrender to idolatry, the emperor ordered that she be thrown down a well. Photini gave up her life in the year 66.

St. Photini is commemorated on three occasions during the year: February 26 (Greek tradition), March 20 (Slavic tradition), and the Sunday of the Samaritan Woman on the 5th Sunday of Pascha.



## 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](mailto:office@saint-anthonys.org) to receive more information about our parish or the Orthodox Christian faith.

**Deadline for submitting information for the Sunday Bulletin is every Wednesday. please send it to [office@saint-anthonys.org](mailto:office@saint-anthonys.org)**