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### FEBRUARY 5, 2023 Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee Triodion Begins

Agatha the Martyr Polyeuktos, Patriarch of Constantinople

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

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

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#### **APOLYTIKION OF THE FEAST. MODE 1.** (BEFORE ENTRANCE)

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun of righteousness has risen from you and He illumined those in darkness. And you, righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving in your embraces the One who liberates our souls and bestows on us the Resurrection.

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#### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION MODE PL. 4** (AFTER ENTRANCE)

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, \* and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. \* You rose on the third day, O Lord \* and Savior, granting life unto the world. \* For this reason were the powers of heaven crying out to You, O Lifegiver, \* "Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ! \* Glory to Your kingdom! \* Glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind!"

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωήν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᡇ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

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#### **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 1.

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.

Ό μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῷ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός. Ἀλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλάνθρωπος.



#### SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

### **EPISTLE READING**

Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee Triodion Begins Today St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 3:10-15

> Prokeimenon. Mode 1. Psalm 32.22,1 Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

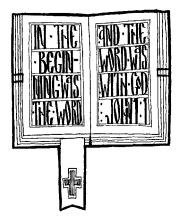
The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 3:10-15

TIMOTHY, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and impostors will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

### GOSPEL READING

#### Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee Triodion Begins Today The Gospel According to Luke 18:10-14

The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."



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#### **PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar)

Saturday, February 18 <sup>th</sup>	First Saturday of the Souls Orthros (9:00am), Divine Liturgy (10:00am)
Saturday, February 25 <sup>th</sup>	Second Saturday of the Souls Orthros (9:00am), Divine Liturgy (10:00am)



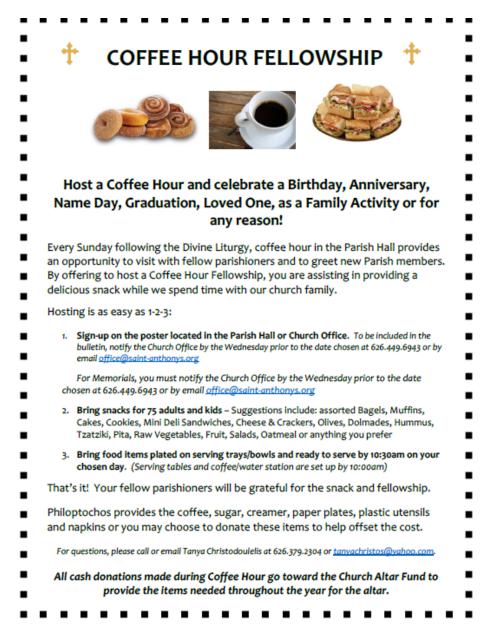
Today Social hour is hosted by Philoptochos.

**Upcoming Memorials:** *February 12:* Christos Prantzikos, *February 26:* Vasiliki Christodoulides – 40 days, John Kefalas – 6 months, Argyrios Gizas -15 years, Vasiliki Gizas – 7 years.

<u>St. Anthony's Coffee Hour is coordinated by St. Anthony Philoptochos:</u> 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.** 

#### **PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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



#### "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 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

\* 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

Introductory Session – Monday February 13th

Chapter One: "Sources of Christian Doctrine"

Second Session – Monday February 20th

Chapter Two: "The Symbol of Faith"

Third Session – Monday February 27th

Chapter Three: "The Holy Trinity"

<u>Fourth Session – Monday March 06<sup>th</sup></u> Chapter Four: "The Bible"

<u>Fifth Session – Monday March 13th</u> Chapter Five: "Old Testament"

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

Chapter Six: "New Testament"

<u>Seventh Session – Monday March 27<sup>th</sup></u> Chapter Seven: "Salvation History"

<u>Eighth Session – Monday April 03<sup>rd</sup></u> Chapter Eight: "Great Week and Pascha"

### St. Anthony's 2023 Pledged Members

(February 2, 2023)

Stratos, Fr. Peter/Pres. Aida Akrotirianakis, Joseph N. & Sherese Albeck, Irene Albeck, Mark Gregory Alex, Alysa Andros. Gus & Lorena Angelos, James & Sophia Angiuli, Joseph (Joey) & Elizabeth Athans, Tesi & Craig Lareau Attalla, Philip "Ted" & Michelle Reagan Georgakopoulos, George & Eleni Balas, Argiro Julie & Dino Balas. Christian Baliotis, Tina Balntas, Bill & Eleni Mitropoulos Bichai, Anthony & Anna Bicos, Chris & Eleni Bicos, John & Meghan Bicos, Marietta **Bissias**, Peter Bonorris, Donna & Pete Bowers, Connie & Terree Bryant, Dan & Karen Buickians, Gagik & Jacqueline Burkard Jr., Frank J. & Penelope Buzas, John & Pamela Christodoulelis. Helen Christodoulelis, Tanya Christodoulides, Loucas & Andri Christopoulos, Tom & Karen Christopoulos, Tony and Lynnette Christou, Nicholas Coccia, Tina & Ginseppe Cokias, Jason & Karen Damilatis, Eleni Dewar, Mary & Andrew Dobrinen, Jennifer Dupas, Christina

Dupas, George Dupas, Theodore & Evangeline Edwards, Nancy C. Efstathiou, Teddi & Dean Floutsis, Penny & Ted Fuerst, Billy Ganis, Maria C. Gavalas, Cleola & George Gelt. Brian & Pana Georgiou, George & Taline Haralambos, Aliki, Haralambos, Anthony & Kathleen Haralambos, Lambi & Sally Horaites, George & Olympia Hronas, Maria & James W. Hunter, Nicole Ioannou, Christos & Elleni Kades, Vicki & Louis Kalivas, Elene & George Kalivas. Pota Kallas, Mark & Debra Kamar, April Karvelas, Kosta & Marina Kasdagli, Dimitra & Mark Nastri Katsas, Asimina & Alexandra Kefalas, Evelyn Kefalas, Mike J. Kefallinos, Vicki & Nick Kokoris, Maria & Nicholas Kontaxis, Michael & Christiana Koudanis, Helen Koulakis, John and Gisele Koutsoukos, Lin & George Kundanis, Christine Kypreos, George & Shana Kypreos, Maria & James

Lappas, Virginia Leontas, Angela & Andrew Murrell Loutsos, Anna & Georgia & John Grajeda Lubian, Daniel & Stephanie Macris, Catherine & George Magaziotis, Phophi & Panteli Malisos, Samantha A Martin, Sam & Debbie Maslen, Larissa & Mark Carpenter McCann, Liam McGregor, Richard & Kristen McNulty, Jennie & Chris Mobayen, Chrissa & Syrus Molinari, Yngrid Nichols, James & Joyce Odell. Gordon and Cornelia Otis, Robert & Denise Panagiot, Harry & Anastasia Papavasiliou, Kostantinos Pappas, Constantine & Hope Pappas, Dean C. & Jennifer Pappas, Dr. James P. Pappas, Dr. Peter A. Pappas, Steven & Christine Pappas, Tony & Stergiani Pastis, Leah Pastis, Patricia Patzakis, John & Andrea Pegadiotes, George S. Pegadiotes, Georgia & Sam Plumtree, Martha & Wayne Pollalis, Dino J. Poulos. Yiota

Saigh, Mark & Mara R. Suchy Serban, Athena & Mihai Sherwood, Symone Sipsas, Pantelis & Nafsika Skandale, Elizabeth Skandale, Helen Soewers. Alexander Soewers, Stephanie & Randy Stafylis, Chrysovalantis Stamos, Andy & Mary Stamos, Nikos A. Stavropoulos, Ted & Georgia Stephens, Kenneth & Angelina Maria Tirado, Elizabeth Treantafelles, George T. & Helen Treantafelles, Stan & Vivian Tripodis, John & Helene Udria, Juan & Mary Vagenas, Alex & Tashia Vagenas, John & Georgia Vagenas, Nikolitsa Vagenas, Peter & Janet Vagenas, Spiros & Diana Vagenas, Vasilios & Nicolicha Vezzuto, Christopher & Celka Vezzuto, Robert Vezzuto, Robert & Stephanie Vidalakis, Nancy Vorgias, Zacharias & Alma Voyagis, Eleftherios & Pauline Xanthos, Lisa Zarifes. Peter & Tina Zoumas, Michael & Christina

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.

## 2023 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, Church office or Please visit the saintcontact anthonys.churchgiving.com to make your offering and schedule your regular stewardship giving.





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## Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee February 5, 2023

The Pharisees were an ancient and outstanding sect among the Jews known for their diligent observance of the outward matters of the Law. Although, according to the word of our Lord, they "did all their works to be seen of men" (Matt. 23:5), and were hypocrites (ibid. 23: 13, 14, 15, etc.), because of the apparent holiness of their lives they were thought by all to be righteous, and separate from others, which is what the name Pharisee means. On the other hand, Publicans, collectors of the royal taxes, committed many injustices and extortions for filthy lucre's sake, and all held them to be sinners and unjust. It was therefore according to common opinion that the Lord Jesus in His parable signified a virtuous person by a Pharisee, and a sinner by a Publican, to teach His disciples the harm of pride and the profit of humble-mindedness.

Since the chief weapon for virtue is humility, and the greatest hindrance to it is pride, the divine Fathers have set these three weeks before the Forty-day Fast as a preparation for the spiritual struggles of virtue. This present week they have called Harbinger, since it declares that the Fast is approaching; and they set humility as the foundation for all our spiritual labors by appointing that the parable of the Publican and the Pharisee be read today, even before the Fast begins, to teach, through the vaunting of the Pharisee, that the foul smoke of selfesteem and the stench of boasting drives away the grace of the Spirit, strips man of all his virtue, and casts him into the pits of Hades; and, through the repentance and contrite prayer of the Publican, that humility confers upon the sinner forgiveness of all his wicked deeds and raises him up to the greatest heights.

All foods are allowed the week that follows this Sunday.

## Agatha the Martyr February 5, 2023

This Martyr, who was from Panormus (that is, Palermo) or perhaps Catania of Sicily, was a most comely and chaste virgin. After many exceedingly harsh torments, she gave up her spirit in prison at Catania in 251, because she did not consent to the seductions of Quintian, the Governor of Sicily. At her burial, an Angel placed a stone tablet on her grave inscribed with the words, "A righteous mind, self-determining, honor from God, the deliverance of her father-land." The following year this was fulfilled when Mount Etna erupted, spewing forth violent fire from which Catania was manifestly saved by Saint Agatha's prayers. The holy Martyr Agatha, the protectress and chief patroness of Sicily, is, with perhaps the exception of Saint Agnes of Rome, the most highly venerated Virgin Martyr of the West. Saint Damasus, Pope of Rome, and Saint Ambrose of Milan both wrote in praise of her.

#### 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.

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