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MARCH 5, 2023 Sunday of Orthodoxy

Konon the Gardener Mark the Ascetic

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 2. (*BEFORE ENTRANCE*)

We venerate Your immaculate icon, O good Lord, and entreat You to forgive our offences, O Christ our God. By Your own choice you were pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, to deliver us, whom You created, from our slavery to the foe. Therefore we cry to You with gratitude: You have filled all things with joy, O our Savior, by coming to save the world.

Τὴν ἄχραντον Εἰκόνα σου, προσκυνοῦμεν ἀγαθέ, αἰτούμενοι συγχώρησιν τῶν πταισμάτων ἡμῶν, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός· βουλήσει γὰρ ηὐδόκησας σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, ἵνα ῥύσῃ οὓς ἔπλασας, 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 ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῆ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

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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 Ἰλίαν 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 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.

Τῆ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ώς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἀλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἱνα 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

Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers. Verse: For you are just in all you have done.

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."



HIERARCH Synodikon of the 7th Ecumenical Council

As the prophets beheld, as the apostles have taught, as the Church has received, as the teachers have declared, as the world has agreed, as grace has shown forth, as truth has been revealed, as falsehood has been dispelled, as wisdom has become manifest, as Christ awarded; Thus we declare; thus we affirm; thus we proclaim Christ our true God, and honor His saints in words, writings, thoughts, sacrifices, churches, and holy icons; On the one hand, worshiping and reverencing Christ as God and Lord, and on the other, honoring the saints as true servants of the same Lord of all, and offering them proper veneration. This is the faith of the apostles. This is the faith of the fathers. This is the faith of the Orthodox. This is the faith on which the world is established. Therefore, with fraternal and filial love we praise the heralds of the faith, those who with glory and honor have struggled for the faith, and we say: to the champions of Orthodoxy, 'faithful emperors, most-holy patriarchs, hierarchs, teachers, martyrs, and confessors: May your memory be eternal.

(Eternal be their memory. Eternal be their memory. Eternal be their memory.)

Let us beseech God that we may be instructed and strengthened by the trials and struggles of these saints, which they endured for the faith even unto death, and by their teachings, entreating that we may to the end imitate their godly life. May we be deemed worthy of obtaining our requests through the mercy and grace of the Great and First Hierarch, Christ our God, through the intercessions of our glorious Lady, the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary, the divine angels and all the Saints.

(Amen.)

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode.

Who is so great a God as our God? You alone are the God who does wonders.

Verse: You made known Your power among the peoples.

Who is so great a God as our God? You alone are the God who does wonders.

Verse: I said, "Now I am beginning to see; this change is by the right hand of the Most High."

Who is so great a God as our God? You alone are the God who does wonders.

Verse: I remembered the Lord's works, for I will remember Your wonders of old. Who is so great a God as our God? You alone are the God who does wonders.

ΑΡΧΙΕΡΕΥΣ

Συνοδικόν τῆς Ζ' Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου

Οι Προφηται ώς είδον, οι Άπόστολοι ώς έδιδαξαν, ή Ἐκκλησία ὡς παρέλαβεν, οἱ Διδάσκαλοι ὡς ἐδογμάτισαν, ἡ Οἰκουμένη ὡς συμπεφώνηκεν, ή χάρις ώς ἔλαμψεν, ή ἀλήθεια ὡς ἀποδέδεικται, τὸ ψεῦδος ὡς ἀπελήλαται, ἡ σοφία ὡς ἐπαφῥησιάσατο, ὁ Χριστὸς ὡς έβράβευσεν, Ούτω φρονοῦμεν, οὕτω λαλοῦμεν, οὕτω κηρύσσομεν, Χριστόν τὸν ἀληθινὸν Θεὸν ἡμῶν καὶ τοὺς Αὐτοῦ Ἁγίους ἐν λόγοις τιμῶντες, ἐν συγγραφαῖς, ἐν νοήμασιν, ἐν θυσίαις, ἐν Ναοῖς, ἐν Εἰκονίσμασι, Τὸν μὲν ὡς Θεὸν καὶ Δεσπότην προσκυνοῦντες καὶ σέβοντες, τοὺς δὲ διὰ τὸν κοινὸν Δεσπότην ὡς Αὐτοῦ γνησίους θεράποντας τιμῶντες καὶ τὴν κατὰ σχέσιν προσκύνησιν ἀπονέμονες. Αὕτη ἡ πίστις τῶν Ἀποστόλων, αὕτη ἡ πίστις τῶν Πατέρων, αὕτη ἡ πίστις τῶν Ὀρθοδόξων, αὕτη ἡ πίστις τὴν Οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξεν. Ἐπὶ τούτοις τοὺς τῆς εὐσεβείας Κήρυκας ἀδελφικῶς τε καὶ πατροποθήτως εἰς δόξαν καὶ τιμὴν τῆς εὐσεβείας, ὑπἑρ ἧς ἀγωνίσαντο, ἀνευφημοῦμεν καὶ λέγομεν· Τῶν τῆς Ὀρθοδοξίας προμάχων εὐσεβῶν Βασιλέων, ἁγιωτάτων Πατριαρχῶν, Ἀρχιερέων, Διδασκάλων, Μαρτύρων, Όμολογητῶν, Αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη.

(Αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη· αἰωνία ἡ μνήμη· αἰωνία αὐτῶν ἡ μνήμη.)

Τούτων τοῖς ὑπὲρ εὐσεβείας μέχρι θανάτου ἄθλοις τε καὶ ἀγωνίσμασι καὶ διδασκαλίαις παιδαγωγεῖσθαί τε καὶ κρατύνεσθαι Θεὸν ἐκλιπαροῦντες, καὶ μιμητός τῆς ἐνθέου αὐτῶν πολιτείας μέχρι τέλους ἀναδεικνύσθαι ἐκδυσωποῦντες, ἀξιωθείημεν τῶν ἐξαιτουμένων, οἰκτιρμοῖς καὶ χάριτι τοῦ Μεγάλου καὶ Πρώτου Ἀρχιερέως Χριστοῦ τοῦ ἀληθινοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν, πρεσβείαις τῆς ὑπερενδόξου Δεσποίνης ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας, τῶν θεοειδῶν Ἀγγέλων καὶ πάντων τῶν Ἀγίων. (Ἀμήν.)

ΧΟΡΟΣ Προκείμενον. Ήχος βαρύς.

Τίς Θεὸς μέγας, ὡς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν; σὺ εἶ ὁ Θεός, ὁ ποιῶν θαυμάσια μόνος. Στίχ. Ἐγνώρισας ἐν τοῖς λαοῖς τὴν δύναμίν σου.

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Weekday Divine Services for the Month of March

(*saint-anthonys.org/calendar*)

Wednesday, March 8 th	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm
Friday, March 10 th	Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm
Wednesday, March 15 th	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm
Friday, March 17 th	Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm
Wednesday, March 22 nd	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm
Friday, March 24 th	Great Vespers of Annunciation – 6:00pm
Saturday, March 25 th	Annunciation of the Theotokos Orthros 9:00am, Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Wednesday, March 29 th	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm
Friday, March 31 st	The Akathist Hymn – 6:00pm



Today Social hour is hosted by Georgia & John Vagenas

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**.

<u>G.O.Y.A. basketball game this Sunday, March 5:</u> @ Assumption 5761 E. Colorado Street, Long Beach 2:00 Jr. Girls, 3:00 Jr. Boys, 4:00 Sr. Girls, 5:00 Sr. Boys.

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 or 559-326-4747.

STUDIES IN THE FAITH

Spring Session, 2023 (Via Zoom) February 13th – April 03rd

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

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

Fifth Session – Monday March 13th

Chapter Five: "Old Testament"

Sixth Session – Monday March 20th

Chapter Six: "New Testament"

Seventh Session – Monday March 27th

Chapter Seven: "Salvation History"

Eighth Session – Monday April 03rd

Chapter Eight: "Great Week and Pascha"

St. Anthony's 2023 Pledged Members

(March 5, 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 Athans, Tina & Dean P. Attalla, Philip "Ted" & Michelle Reagan Balas, Argiro Julie & Dino Balas, Christian Baliotis, Tina Balntas, Bill & Eleni Mitropoulos Becronis, Christina Bichai, Anthony & Anna Bicos, Chris & Eleni Bicos, John & Meghan Bicos. Marietta **Bissias**, Peter Blosiu, Julian O. & Catalina E. Bonorris, Donna & Pete Bowers, Connie & Terree Bozikis. Demetra Bryant, Dan & Karen Buickians, Gagik & Jacqueline Burkard Jr., Frank J. & Penelope Buzas, John & Pamela Christodoulelis, Helen Christodoulelis, Tanya Christodoulides, Loucas & Andri Christopoulos, Judie & Gus Christopoulos, Tom & Karen Christopoulos, Tony and Lynnette Christou, Nicholas Coccia, Tina & Ginseppe Cokias, Jason & Karen Constantinou, Dimitris & Katerina Damilatis, Eleni Demopulos, Elizabeth & Andrew Dewar, Mary & Andrew Dobrinen, Jennifer Dupas, Christina Dupas, George Dupas, Theodore & Evangeline Edwards, Nancy C. Efstathiou, Teddi & Dean Floutsis, Penny & Ted Fuerst, Billy Gallagher, Eleni & Matthew Ganis, Maria C. Gavalas, Cleola & George Gelt, Brian & Pana Georgakopoulos, Eleni & George Georgiou, George & Taline Giakas, Vasiliki Grafos. Tom & Tania

Haralambos, Aliki, Haralambos, Anthony & Kathleen Haralambos, Lambi & Sally Horaites, George & Olympia Hronas, Maria & James W. Hunter, Nicole Ioannou. Christos & Elleni Kades, Vicki & Louis Kalambakas, Vivian N. Kalivas, Elene & George Kalivas, Pota Kallas, Mark & Debra Kamar, April Kaparos, Stefanos Karvelas, Kosta & Marina Kasdagli, Dimitra & Mark Nastri Katsas, Asimina & Alexandra Kefalas, Evelyn Kefalas, Mike J. Kefalas, Modestos & Nina Kefallinos, Vicki & Nick Kirimis, Nitsa & John Kokoris, Maria & Nicholas Kontaxis, Michael & Christiana Koudanis. Helen Koulakis, John and Gisele Koulos, Joanna & Konstantinos Kourafas, Patricia Koutsoukos, Lin & George Kundanis, Christine Kypreos, George & Shana Kypreos, Maria & James Lagousis, Ted & Kendra 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 McClain, Anastasia McGregor, Richard & Kristen McNulty, Jennie & Chris Mobayen, Chrissa & Syrus Molinari, Yngrid Negrea, Norbert Nichols, James & Joyce Odell, Gordon and Cornelia Otis, Robert & Denise Panagiot, Harry & Anastasia Pantazis, Aleka & George Pantazis, Konstantinos 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 Reese. Helen Rellos, John, Theodora & Vasilios Saigh, Mark & Mara R. Suchy Serban, Athena & Mihai Sherwood, Symone Sipsas, Pantelis & Nafsika

Skandale, Elizabeth Skandale. Helen Soewers, Alexander Soewers, Stephanie & Randy Stamos, Andy & Mary Stamos, Nikos A. Stavropoulos, Ted & Georgia Stephens, Kenneth & Angelina Maria Syrengelas, Christos & Sophia Tarazi, Ted & Panagiota Angelos Tirado, Elizabeth Treantafelles, George P. Treantafelles, George T. & Helen Treantafelles, Stan & Vivian Tripodes Zacharias N. Tripodes, Dena Tripodes, Georgia E. Tripodes, Marika Tripodis, John & Helene Tsigkounis, Charalambos & Catherine Udria, Juan & Mary Vagenas, Alex & Tashia Vagenas, John & Georgia Vagenas, Nikolitsa Vagenas, Peter & Janet Vagenas, Spiros & Diana Vagenas, Vasilios & Nicolicha Varvitsiotis Varvas, Fotiny 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 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 <u>saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com</u> 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.





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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 PHO	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 <u>https://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com</u> *To fully cover our operating expenses, our goal is to have our average stewardship be \$2,000 or above per family

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

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 <u>https://stanthonyphiloptochos.square.site</u> 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.

St. Anthony Philoptochos Easter Bake Sale

Our Easter Bake sale is underway. Delectable Greek pastries and our special signature treats are now available to order. All proceeds to benefit Kids 'n' Cancer-Camp Agape. A Philoptochos ministry dedicated to providing support for children afflicted with cancer. Please see the enclosed order form for details.

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PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP FORM

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Saint Anthony Philoptochos Society, Attention: Membership 778 South Rosemead Boulevard, Pasadena, CA 91107					
or pay online at https://stanthonyphiloptochos.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					

ST. ANTHONY PHILOPTOCHOS OPERATION CLASSROOM

Help us support PCC Lancer Pantry We will be collecting hygiene items throughout March and April

List of items students at PCC are commonly in need of:

Shampoo & Conditioner Bar or Liquid Soap Face Cleansers Hand & Body Lotion Razors Shaving Cream Deodorant Feminine Products Toothbrushes & toothpaste

Please drop off items at St. Anthony Church 778 S. Rosemead Blvd. Pasadena

Questions or more information contact Operation Classroom Co-Charis: Nicolette Fuerst or Jennifer Webster Nicolette.fuerst@gmail.com or jenniferkwebster@me.com



at 6:00 PM

with the blessing of *Metropolitan Gerasimos* of San Francisco

Bishop Maxim of Los Angeles and the Western American Diocese of the Serbian Church presiding

Featuring a Pan-Orthodox Choir

St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church 4949 Alton Parkway | Irvine, CA 92604

> with a reception to follow in St. Paul's Event Center



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.

Deadline for submitting information for the Sunday Bulletin is every Wednesday. please send it to office@saint-anthonys.org

Sunday of Orthodoxy March 5, 2023

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.