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**JANUARY 19, 2025**  
**12<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF LUKE**

*Macarius the Great of Egypt  
Mark of Ephesus*

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

**[\(ORTHROS SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE\)](#)**

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

*Gary Tobia – 1 year*

*Elaine Tobia – 16 years*

*Leo Tobia – 35 years*

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

**[\(LITURGY SERVICE TEXT CLICK HERE\)](#)**



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## HYMNS OF THE DAY

### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE PL. 1.** (Before the entrance)

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Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠὺδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

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### **FOR THE DEVOUT MAN. MODE 1.**

As a citizen of the desert and an angel incarnate \* and a wonder-worker you shone forth, O Makarios our God-bearing father. \* Since you received the spiritual gifts \* by fasting and vigilance and prayer, \* you can cure those who are ailing and heal the souls \* of those who run to you with faith. \* Glory to Him who gave His might to you; \* glory to Him who placed a crown on you; \* glory to Him who operates through you, providing cures to all.

Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης καὶ ἐν σώματι ἄγγελος καὶ θαυματουργὸς ἀνεδείχθης θεοφόρε πατὴρ ἡμῶν Μακάριε· νηστεία, ἀγρυπνία, προσευχῆ, οὐράνια χαρίσματα λαβών· θεραπεύεις τοὺς νοσοῦντας καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν πίστει προστρεχόντων σοι. Δόξα τῷ δεδωκότι σοι ἰσχύν, δόξα τῷ σὲ στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

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

Emulating the ways of Elias the Zealot, and following the straight paths of the Baptist, O Father Anthony, you made the wilderness a city, and by your prayers Supported the entire world. Therefore, 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 οἰκιστῆς, καὶ τὴν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ 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 ἡμαρτον συγχώρησον· οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστᾶσι δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

## **KONTAKION. MODE 1.**

You sanctified the womb of the Virgin by Your birth, and by Your presentation You blessed the hands of Symeon, when You came, and You saved us, O Christ our God. Now we pray You give peace to Your world at war, and let love for Your people prevail in all, O only benevolent Lord.

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἄλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόανθρωπος.

## ***EPISTLE READING***

**Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 1**

**Psalm 11.7,1**

**You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.**

**Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.**

**The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:4-11**

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

## ***GOSPEL READING***

**The Gospel According to Luke 17:12-19**

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said: "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus's feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him: "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

## METROPOLIS ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **Greek Village Staff Applications**

Our Greek Village is returning in June 2025. We are seeking those who have a passion for Hellenic culture and Orthodox faith, a commitment to youth ministry, and a desire to make a lasting impact. Available positions include: Program Director, Greek Language Instructors, Counselors, Program Staff and Lifeguards. Information and applications online at: [www.ourgreekvillage.com/careers](http://www.ourgreekvillage.com/careers)

### **Summer Camp Staff Applications**

Do you want to make a positive difference in the lives of youth while gaining valuable leadership and teamwork experience? Apply to be part of the Summer Camp Staff team at Saint Nicholas Ranch and Retreat Center. We're hiring for a variety of roles including: Cabin Counselors, Program Staff, Photographers, Lifeguards and Medical Staff. Visit [www.gosfyouth.org](http://www.gosfyouth.org) for application and details.

## PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

### **HOLY COMMUNION PROCEDURE**

\*For the benefit of our Sunday School students, their teachers and the TIMELY start of their Sunday School Classes, the children will be receiving Holy Communion first.

**\*The ushers will release the children by pew from Front to Back.**

\*Only parents of the smallest, youngest Sunday School children, who need assistance, should receive Holy Communion with their children.

\*If you are not seated when Holy Communion begins, please take a seat in the back rows, quietly. Your children will be released in turn.

\*Please do not attempt to send your children down the side aisles to the front alone or down the center aisle.

\*After all children have received, the ushers will release the adults, again from the front pews.

**\*Please cooperate with our ushers. Please do not ask to be allowed through ahead of others.**

**\*Please remember this new procedure is for the benefit of our children and their Sunday School experience.**



**Today's coffee hour fellowship will be hosted by** the Plumtree Family in memory of Gary Tobia, Elaine Tobia and Leo Tobia.

### **Sunday School Fellowship Ministry**

All children ages 4 (by 12/31) through high school seniors are welcome in our program. Children under the age of four can join the Little Lambs parent participation class. Sunday School begins after Holy Communion and ends by 12:00 pm.

### **Greek Dance Updates:**

#### **FDF Preview Night Cancelled**

In the wake of the devastating fires that have significantly impacted our community, we have decided to cancel the Saint Anthony Greek Dance Program's upcoming FDF Preview Night scheduled for January 25. For those who have already purchased tickets, please contact [stanthonysdance@gmail.com](mailto:stanthonysdance@gmail.com) to coordinate a refund.

We continue to prepare for FDF and look forward to celebrating together when the time is right.

Thank you for your understanding and continued support of our program and our kids. Our thoughts are with all those affected by the fires.

## **Makarios the Great of Egypt (January 19, 2025)**

Saint Macarius the Great was from the Thebaid of Egypt, a disciple, as some say, of Saint Anthony the Great. He was born about 331 and struggled in asceticism in the desert at Scete. Although young, he was called "the child elder" because of his great wisdom and austere manner of life. He was ordained presbyter and reposed in 391, at the age of sixty. There are fifty homilies ascribed to him.

It is said of Saint Macarius that he became as a God upon earth, for even as God protects the whole world, so did he cover the faults he saw as if he did not see them. Once he came back to his cell to find a thief taking his things and loading them on a camel. Macarius' non-possessiveness was so great that he helped the thief load the camel. When the camel refused to rise, Macarius returned to his cell and brought a small hoe, said that the camel wanted the hoe also, loaded it on, and kicked the camel telling it to get up. The camel obeyed Macarius' command, but soon lay down again, and would not move until everything had been returned to Macarius. His contemporary, Saint Macarius of Alexandria, was so called because he came from Alexandria and was therefore of that Greek-speaking colony; while Saint Macarius the Great is also called "of Egypt," that is, he belonged to the ancient race native to Egypt, the Copts.

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# Please return your completed stewardship pledge card to Church by January 31

## STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARD FOR 2025



### 2025 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)*

**2025**

LAST NAME

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

STREET ADDRESS

CITY

STATE

ZIP

PREFERRED PHONE

OTHER/SECOND PHONE

E-MAIL

SIGNATURE

DATE

*[For office use only]*

#### **ST. ANTHONY GIVING LEVELS:**

**CONTRIBUTOR: \$499 & below**

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

**FRIEND: \$500 - \$999**

*\$9.60-\$19/week OR \$42-\$83/month*

**SUPPORTER: \$1,000 - \$1,999**

*\$19-\$38/week OR \$83-\$167/month*

**\* FAITHFUL: \$2,000 - \$3,999**

*\$38-\$77/week OR \$167-\$333/month*

**\* DISCIPLE: \$4,000 - \$6,999**

*\$77-\$135/week OR \$333-\$583/month*

**\* GUARDIAN: \$7,000 - \$9,999**

*\$135-\$192/week OR \$583-\$833/month*

**\* ANGEL: \$10,000 - \$14,999**

*\$192-\$288/week OR \$833-\$1,249/month*

**\* ARCHANGEL: \$15,000 and up**

*\$288/week OR \$1,250/month & up*

*Review your stewardship commitment prayerfully, consider what you offer to Christ's Church in comparison to your monthly utility/service payments.*

Please return your completed commitment card to church by January 31, 2025

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

**In response to God's blessings, I/we pledge a 2025 offering of:**

**My Total Commitment for 2025: \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**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 [saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com](http://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com)

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



## **MAKE SURE YOU ARE A REGULAR SUPPORTER OF OUR CHURCH!**

*If you want to become a Steward/member of our Church, please complete the Steward Financial Commitment card (pledge Card), included above or they are available at the announcement table in the narthex, Weekly stewardship envelopes will be available by the end of January. Please contact the church office if you would like to have them for the 2025 stewardship contributions.*

*Please visit [saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com](http://saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com) or scan the QR code below to make your one time or recurring offering.*

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4. Follow prompts

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Scan QR code to follow  
service on your phone or iPad



**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.

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

## Reminder:

**NO PARKING IN  
EMERGENCY WHITE ZONE IN  
FRONT OF CHURCH**

**A Handicap Placard or  
Handicap License Plate is  
required to park in the blue  
handicap parking spaces.**

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