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NOVEMBER 16, 2025 MATTHEW THE APOSTLE & EVANGELIST

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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HYMNS OF THE DAY

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APOLYTIKION. FOR THE EVANGELIST. MODE 3.

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Matthew, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Απόστολε Άγιε καὶ Εὐαγγελιστὰ Ματθαῖε, πρέσβευε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

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 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 4.

The Savior's most pure and immaculate temple, the very precious bridal chamber and Virgin, who is the sacred treasure of the glory of God, on this day is introduced into the House of the Lord, and with herself she brings the grace in the divine Spirit. She is extolled by the Angels of God. A heavenly tabernacle is she.

Ό καθαρώτατος ναὸς τοῦ Σωτῆρος, ἡ πολυτίμητος παστὰς καὶ Παρθένος, τὸ ἱερὸν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τοῦ Θεοῦ, σήμερον εἰσάγεται, ἐν τῷ οἴκῳ Κυρίου, τὴν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τὴν ἐν Πνεύματι Θείῳ· ἣν ἀνυμνοῦσιν Ἄγγελοι Θεοῦ· Αὕτη ὑπάρχει σκηνὴ ἐπουράνιος.



SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 2.
Psalm 27
O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance.
Verse: To You, O Lord, I cry; O my God.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:11-21; 11:1-2

Brethren, the scripture says, "No one who believes in God will be put to shame." For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek: the same Lord is Lord of all and bestows his riches upon all who call upon him. For, "every one who calls upon the name of the Lord will be saved." But how are men to call upon him in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in him of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without a preacher? And how can men preach unless they are sent? As it is written, "How beautiful are the feet of those who preach good news!" But they have not all obeyed the gospel; for Isaiah says, "Lord, who has believed what he has heard from us?" So faith comes from what is heard, and what is heard comes by the preaching of Christ. But I ask, have they not heard? Indeed they have; for "Their voice has gone out to all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world." Again I ask, did Israel not understand? First Moses says, "I will make you jealous of those who are not a nation; with a foolish nation I will make you angry." Then Isaiah is so bold as to say, "I have been found by those who did not seek me; I have shown myself to those who did not ask for me." But of Israel he says, "All day long I have held out my hands to a disobedient and contrary people." I ask, then, has God rejected his people? By no means! I myself am an Israelite, a descendant of Abraham, a member of the tribe of Benjamin. God has not rejected his people whom he foreknew.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to Matthew 9:9-13

At that time, as Jesus passed on, he saw a man called Matthew sitting at the tax office; and he said to him, "Follow me." And he rose and followed him. And as he sat at table in the house, behold, many tax collectors and sinners came and sat down with Jesus and his disciples. And when the Pharisees saw this, they said to his disciples, "Why does your teacher eat with tax collectors and sinners?" But when he heard it, he said, "Those who are well have no need of a physician, but those who are sick. Go and learn what this means, 'I desire mercy, and not sacrifice.' For I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance."



HOLY COMMUNION PROCEDURE

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.

- *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.

STUDIES IN THE FAITH

Fall Session, 2025 October 06th – Nov. 24th

Our text for the 2025 Studies in the Faith class will be, *The Orthodox Faith*, "Spirituality" Volume 4, by Fr. Thomas Hopko. Our class for this fall, will be taught over 8 class sessions, meeting on Monday evenings: 6:30 – 7:45pm.

These informative Zoom classes will serve as an excellent introduction to the Orthodox Faith for those interested in learning about 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 fall's class please email Fr. Peter at this address: frpeter@saint-anthonys.org (I will then, send you the Zoom link to logon).

* Google SVS Press, go to the Find a Book tab at the top right of page, and type in: Volume 4 Spirituality. The cost of the book is \$23. (Please order your copy as soon as possible and begin reading).

CHAPTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

Seventh Session - Monday November 17th

Chapter Seven: "Sickness, Suffering, and Death"

Eighth Session - Monday November 24th

Chapter Eight: "The Kingdom of Heaven"

Divine Services for the month of November

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Friday, Nov. 21 – Entrance of the Theotokos (Orthros 9:00, Liturgy 10:00)



Today's coffee hour fellowship will be hosted by the Parish Council

St. Anthony's Parish Assembly is TODAY Sunday November 16, 2025, after Divine Services.

<u>Stewardship Sunday, December 7, 2025.</u> Pledge cards will be mailed out the first week of December 2025. Complete your pledge card for 2026 by December 31, 2025 to enter in a raffle to win 2 nights at the Ritz-Carlton Laguna Niguel!

15th Annual Ecumenical Prayer Service, December 2, 2025

The Armenian Archbishop Hovnan Derderian, invites all our clergy and parishes to the 15th Annual Ecumenical Prayer Service on December 2, 2025 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Leon Ghevontiants Armenian Cathedral (3325 North Glenoaks Blvd. Burbank CA 91504).

Every year, Archbishop Hovnan, as host, honors a member of the Christian family who stands as an example of Christian love and fidelity. This year's honoree is our own Metropolitan Gerasimos for his exceptional and visionary leadership to the community. The choir of Saint Sophia Cathedral will also participate in the program.

St. Anthony's 2025 Pledged Stewards (Members)

(as of November 12, 2025)

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Balas, Christian Baliotis. Tina

Becker, Connie & Brian L.

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Bissias, Peter

Blosiu, Julian O. & Catalina E.

Bonorris, Bill

Bonorris, Donna & Pete Boone Collins, Laura Boukidis, Katherine

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Caire, John.

Chames, Anastasia.

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Christopoulos, Tony and Lynnette

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Dupas, Theodore & Evangeline

Efstathiou, Teddi & Dean Flessas, Maria & Dimitri Floutsis, Penny & Ted

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Fuerst, Billy

Fuerst, Nicolette & Jay Gallagher, Eleni & Matthew

Gallanis, Mary

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Ganis, Maria C.

Garcia, Andrew and Elizabeth

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Poulos. Alexander

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Tsouvalas, John & Jenny

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Vagenas, Christina

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Vagenas, Niko

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If you are new to the community and want to become a Pledged Steward (member) in our Church. Please complete a Steward Financial Commitment card (pledge Card) and return it to the Church office as soon as possible.

Pledge cards are available in the Narthex, or contact the Church office, Stewardship is a yearly commitment from January to December.

Please visit <u>saint-anthonys.churchgiving.com</u> or scan the QR code below to make your one time or recurring offering/pledge.

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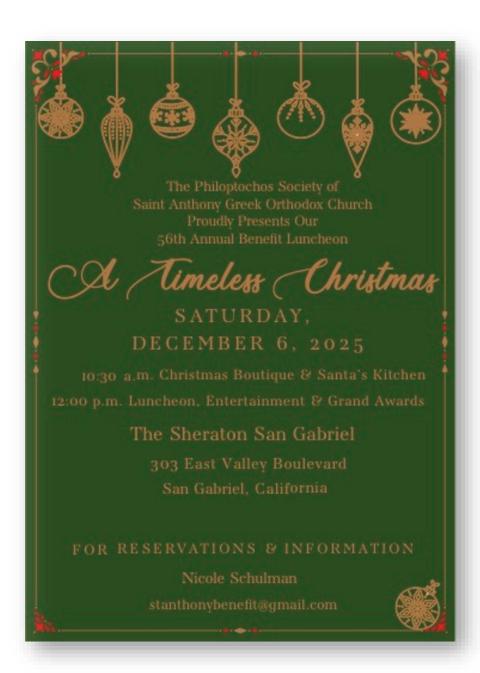
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PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS





Join Philoptochos and friends for our Benefit Luncheon, A TIMELESS CHRISTMAS, on Saturday, December 6, 2025. Proceeds will benefit a very worthy local organization SAN GABRIEL VALLEY HABITAT FOR HUMANITY helping families rebuild homes affected by the Altadena fire as well as other Philoptochos charities in our community, Metropolis and National.

We hope you support our good works by making a reservation, becoming a Star Donor, purchasing a Grand Awards raffle ticket, shopping at our amazing Christmas boutique and specialty vendors, and purchasing tasty goodies from Santa's Kitchen.

Make your reservation early since seating is limited. Fully paid tables of ten are reserved on a first come, first serve basis. .Contact Nicole Schulman, Reservation Chair to make your reservations by phone.

For Information and Reservations, contact

Reservation Chair - Nicole Schulman: stanthonybenefit@gmail.com or go to the event website link - https://stanthonybenefit.square.site/ (Online reservations are also available for purchase on our event website beginning Nov. 3)

For **Donations** to the Star Program, contact Star Program Chair - Mary Dewar: philostarprogram@gmail.com Or donate directly at this link The Star Program

Reservations and Star Program deadlines are Thursday, November 20, 2025.

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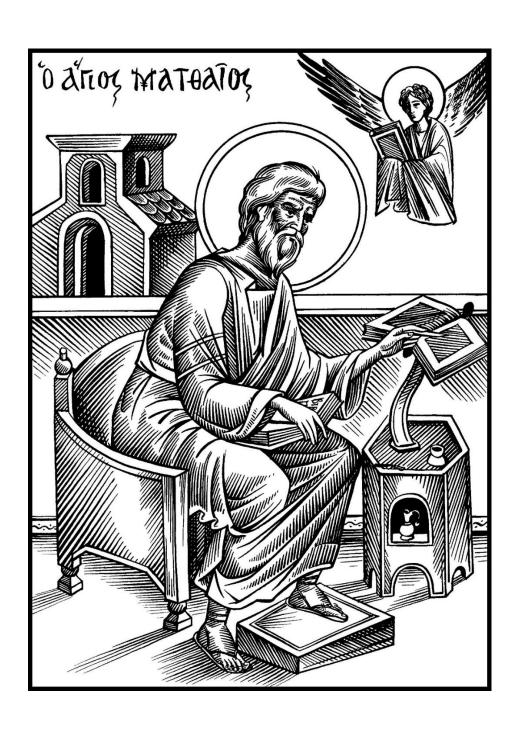
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Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist November 16

This Apostle, who was also called Levi, was the son of Alphaeus and had Galilee as his homeland. A publican before being called by Christ, he became one of the Twelve Apostles, and an Evangelist. While still in Palestine, he wrote his Gospel first in Hebrew, being also the first of all to write the Gospel. When he is depicted in icons, there is portrayed next to him the likeness of a man, one of the symbolic living creatures mentioned by Ezekiel (1.10), which, as Saint Irenaeus writes, is a symbol of our Saviour's Incarnation.



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

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