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FEBRUARY 8, 2026
SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON
Theodore the Commander & Great Martyr
Zachariah the Prophet

ORTHROS ~ 8:45 A.M.
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DIVINE LITURGY ~ 10:00 A.M.
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HYMNS OF THE DAY

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.

Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη Θεοτόκε Παρθένε· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ Ἡλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, φωτίζων τοὺς ἐν σκότει. Εὐφραίνου καὶ σὺ Πρεσβύτα δίκαιε, δεξάμενος ἐν ἀγκάλαις τὸν ἐλευθερωτὴν τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, χαριζόμενον ἡμῖν καὶ τὴν Ἀνάστασιν.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION. MODE 2. (AFTER ENTRANCE)

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, “O Christ God, Giver of life, glory to You!”

Οτε κατῆλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς θεότητος· ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

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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 Βαπτιστῇ εὐθείαις ταῖς τρίβοις ἐπόμενος, Πάτερ Ἀντώνιε, τῆς ἐρήμου γέγονας οἰκιστής, καὶ τὴν οἰκουμένην ἐστήριξας εὐχαῖς σου· διὸ πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

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.

Ο μῆτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεὼν εὐλογήσας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός. Άλλ’ εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἡγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλάνθρωπος.



SCRIPTURE READINGS OF THE DAY

EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Mode 2

Psalm 117.14,18

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He became my salvation.

Verse: The Lord chastened and corrected me, but He did not give me up to death.

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 6:12-20

Brethren, "all things are permitted for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are permitted for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" — and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to Luke 15:11-32

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his belly with the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants." ' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

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

Winter Session, 2026
January 19th – March 30th

Our text for the 2026 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 11 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 \$23. (Please order your copy as soon as possible).

CHAPTERS TO BE DISCUSSED

Fourth Session – Monday February 09th

Chapter Two: “The Symbol of Faith” (cont.)

Fifth Session – Monday February 16th

Chapter Three: “The Holy Trinity”

Sixth Session – Monday February 23rd

Chapter Three: “The Holy Trinity” (cont.)

Seventh Session – Monday March 02nd

Chapter Four: “The Bible”

Eighth Session – Monday March 09th

Chapter Five: “Old Testament”

Ninth Session – Monday March 16th

Chapter Six: “New Testament”

Tenth Session: -- Monday March 23rd

Chapter Seven: “Salvation History”

Eleventh Session: -- Monday March 30th

Chapter Eight: “Great Week and Pascha”

Divine Services for the Month of February 2026

(saint-anthonys.org/calendar):

Saturday, February 14th *Saturday of the Souls*
Orthros (9:00am), Divine Liturgy (10:00am)

Wednesday, Feb. 25th *Pre-Sanctified Liturgy – 6:00pm*

Friday, February 27th *Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00pm*

Saturday, February 28th *The Commemoration of the Miracle of Koliva*
Wrought by St. Theodore the Tyro.
Orthros (9:00am), Divine Liturgy (10:00am)
BRING KOLIVA

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Coffee hour fellowship is hosted by Philoptochos

St. Anthony's Coffee Hour is coordinated by St. Anthony Philoptochos:

Host a Coffee Hour and Celebrate a Nameday, Milestone Birthday, Anniversary, Graduation, Loved One, or for any reason. A sign-up poster has been placed in the foyer of the Parish Community Center. Please sign up on the poster or contact Athena Serban at 626-375-9008. Thank you for your support. **Please contact the Church office if you need to schedule a Memorial.**

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Anthony's Philoptochos invites you to a special presentation on **Women's Wellness & Healthy Aging** with **Dr. Sonia Singla**. Join us for a warm, practical conversation on integrating Eastern and Western approaches to support overall well-being, followed by Q&A.

Wednesday, February 18, 2026 at 6:30 p.m. Trinity Ballroom

Light refreshments will be served. **All are welcome—bring a friend!**

RSVP/info: **Liz Skandale, 626-695-3423.**

2026 Philoptochos Scholarship for Graduating High School Seniors

Announcing the Applications and Rules & Regulations Sheets for the Philoptochos Scholarship for Graduating High School Seniors, which can be found on the Community Center entrance table.

Please note that the **deadline for submission of applications and recommendation letters is April 3, 2026.**

All letters of recommendation can be mailed to the Church office or emailed to frpeter@saint-anthonys.org and addressed: **“Attention Philoptochos Scholarship Committee”**

If you have any questions, please contact Presvytera Aida at presaida7@gmail.com

St John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival - 2026

Sunday March 8, 2026 12:30 pm at St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church

Jr. and Sr. High School Speech Divisions

Essay and Poetry Divisions

Topic Questions, Tips, Guidelines and details at:

www.goarch.org/oratorical

Participants please register online and let Presvytera Aida or Fr. Peter know that you are participating.

Please encourage your children to participate! You will be amazed, impressed and inspired by their thoughts and by their poise when they present their speeches!

*A great experience for all participants.

*Scholarship Opportunities.

*Participation letter submitted to their school for inclusion in their academic files.

*2026 JR. and SR. DIVISION TOPICS are available at the Community Center Entrance table and online.

The deadline for submitting information to be included in the weekly Bulletin is Wednesday.

St. Anthony's 2026 Pledged Stewards (Members)

(as of February 4, 2026)

Stratos, Fr. Peter/Pres. Aida

Akrotirianakis, Joseph N. & Sherese

Albeck, Irene

Albeck, Mark Gregory

Alex, Alysia & & Kadrian Alvarenga

Anast, Alexandra

Andrei, Dragos & Ioana

Andricos, Constantine

Andros, Gus & Lorena

Angelos, James & Sophia

Angiuli, Joseph (Joey) & Elizabeth

Antsos, Dimitrios & Judith Din

Argueta, Cris & Teresa V.

Athans, Tesi & Craig Lareau

Athans, Tina & Dean P.

Athenson, Alex & Cynthia Sigler

Attalla, Philip "Ted" & Michelle Reagan

Balas, Argiro Julie & Dino

Becronis, Christina

Begakis, Nicholas & Bronwen

Bissias, Peter
Bonorris, Donna & Pete
Boone Collins, Laura
Boukidis, Katherine
Bowers, Connie & Terree
Brown, Niki
Bryant, Dan & Karen
Buickians, Gagik & Jacqueline
Burkard Jr., Frank J. & Penelope
Buzas, John & Pamela
Buzas, Nicholas & Danielle
Caire, John.
Chenos-Spathopoulos, Efie & Dimitrios
Christodoulides, Loucas & Andri
Christopoulos, Judith & Gus
Christopoulos, Tony and Lynnette
Coccia, Tina & Ginseppe
Cokias, Jason & Karen
Constantinou, Dimitris & Katerina
Damilatis, Eleni
Dewar, Mary & Andrew
Dimopoulos, Antonios
Dupas, Christina
Dupas, Katherine
Dupas, Theodore & Evangeline
Floutsis, Penny & Ted
Frangadakis, Steve & Samantha
Frangeskou, Yiorgos & Xenia
Fuerst, Billy
Fuerst, Nicolette & Jay
Gallagher, Alexander
Gallagher, Eleni & Matthew
Gallanis, Pete & Danica
Garcia, Andrew and Elizabeth
Gavalas, George
Georgiou, George & Taline
Giakas, Vasiliki
Grafos, Thean
Halias, Joanne & John
Haralambos, Anthony & Kathleen
Harrison Helen
Horaites, George & Olympia
Hronas, Maria & James W.
Ioannou, Christos & Elleni
Kades, Clio
Kalambakas, Vivian
Kalivas, Pota
Kamar, April
Kaparos, Stefanos
Karaioannoglou, Phaedon & Jeanne
Karvelas, Kosta & Marina
Kasdagli, Dimitra & Mark Nastri
Kefalas, Evelyn
Kefalas, Kellie
Kefalas, Mike J.
Kefallinos, Vicki & Nick
Kojes, Thomas
Kokoris, Maria & Nicholas
Kolokotrones, Carolyn & James A.
Kontaxis, Michael & Christiana
Kouis, Peter & Elizabeth
Koulakis, John and Gisele
Koutsoukos, Lin & George
Kouvara, Bessie & Dana Roberts
Kypreos, George & Shana
Kypreos, Maria & James
Lappas, Virginia
Loutsos, Anna & Georgia & John
Grajeda
Lubian, Daniel & Stephanie
Lucas, John S. & Anthia
Macris, Catherine & George
Makrides, Labrini & Christopher
Malisos, Samantha A
Manos, Demetrios & Katie
Martin, Sam & Debbie
Maslen, Larissa & Mark Carpenter
Masouris, Vlase & Nicoleta
McCann, Liam
McGregor, Richard & Kristen

McNulty, Jennie & Chris
Metry, Sam and Gemalyn
Mirzakhanian, Elektra
Mitropoulos, Eleni & Bill Balntas
Mitropoulos, Nick & Venetia
Mitsnikos, Emmanuel & Natalia
Mobayen, Chrissa & Syrus
Mora, A. J.
Moutzouridis, Vasiliki & Peter
Murad, Mark & Evangeline Goulas
Nassos, Jonathan & Jenni Pulos
O'Dowd, Paula
Panagiot, Harry & Anastasia
Papavasiliou, George & Stacy
Papavasiliou, Kostantinos
Pappas, Steven & Christine
Paras, Gus
Pastis, Leah
Pastis, Patricia
Patsavas, Bertha
Patzakis, Dr. Michael
Patzakis, John & Andrea
Paziouros, Konstantina & Nick
Plumtree, Martha & Wayne
Pollalis, Dino & Kim
Polwrek, Joseph & Jennifer
Polychronis, Thalia
Poulopoulos, Paris & Alexia
Poulos, Yiota
Reese, Helen
Roberto, Vito & Dianthe
Rosenfeld, Alexandra Patsavas
Samaan, Yvette
Sipsas, Pantelis & Nafsika
Skandale, Elizabeth
Skandale, Helen
Smith, Herman & Helen
Soewers, Alexander
Soewers, Randy
Soris, Kiparisia (Sia)

Stamos, Andy & Mary
Stamos, Nikos A.
Stavropoulos, Ted & Georgia
Stavropoulos, Tina
Stephens, Kenneth & A. Maria Plumtree
Stewart, Evan
Svitak, Mike and Sophia
Tarazi, Arianna Mary
Treantafelles, Helen
Treantafelles, Stan & Vivian
Tripodes Zacharias N.
Tripodes, Dena
Tripodes, Georgia
Tripodis, Ioannis & Helene
Tsianos, George & Andria
Tsouvalas, Charles
Tsudis, Mara and RJ Thieneman
Tsudis, Peter and Carol
Turner, Daniel & Nicole Mirea
Udria, Juan & Mary
Vagenas, Alex & Tashia
Vagenas, Diana
Vagenas, Janet
Vagenas, John & Georgia
Vagenas, Nikolitsa
Vagenas, Sophia
Vagenas, Vasilios
Vezzuto, Christopher & Celka
Vezzuto, Robert
Vezzuto, Robert & Stephanie
Vidalakis, Nancy
Vidalakis, Perry & Zoe
Vleisides, Marika & Tim
Vorgias, Zacharias & Alma
Webster, John & Jennifer
Yeh H, Robert
Ziska, Antonia
Zoumas, Michael & Christina
Zoumberakis, Haralambos and Nikole

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 the church office at: alma@saint-anthonys.org or 626-449-6943 for any questions or corrections.

Thank you to everyone who has returned the completed 2026 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 (pledge Card) from the announcement table in the narthex or contact the Church office.*

Stewardship is a yearly commitment from January to December.

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UPCOMING CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP
THURSDAYS: FEBRUARY 19 – MARCH 26, 2026

PHILOPTOCHOS FAMILY CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP FOR ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS NATIONWIDE

- Are you caring for a spouse, a parent, an in-law, or other loved one of any age who has Alzheimer's or a chronic or life-threatening illness or disability?
- Are you a male trying to navigate the challenges of caregiving?
- Are you in the sandwich generation, raising a child while also caring for a parent?
- Are you exhausted, stressed, feeling angry and then feeling guilty about getting angry?
- Do you wish there were others with whom to share your thoughts, concerns, and questions, and who understands our faith, culture, and community?
- Are you so overwhelmed you're not even sure what questions to ask?



If you answered yes to any of the above, join the

PHILOPTOCHOS CAREGIVER SUPPORT GROUP

Led by professionals, we will "meet" over Zoom on six consecutive Thursday evenings from 7 pm – 8 pm EST. In a confidential, non-judgmental, and safe environment, we will discuss best practices to help you manage the physical, emotional, and cognitive issues faced by your loved one and to help you find and access resources to help ease your caregiving journey.

We will discuss the importance of self-care, managing your own roller-coaster emotions, the impact of family dynamics on caregiving, long-distance and holiday caregiving, financial concerns, and preparing for the future.

One session, led by a member of the clergy, will address how faith, culture, and spirituality can help build your understanding, strength, and resilience.

Six consecutive Thursday evenings | FEBRUARY 19 to MARCH 26
2026 February 19, 26; March 5, 12, 19, 26
7pm – 8pm EST

Pre-registration is Required.

Pre-register here: <https://forms.gle/kP8Li3ir1vqipqGp8>

Space is limited - Don't delay!



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NOTICE

**No food or drinks allowed in the Church
at any time.**

Reminder:

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