

## OLD ADVICE FOR A NEW GENERATION

*"I'm glad my children have grown up. I'd hate to be raising them in today's world."* How often we hear that sentiment expressed in our material, immoral society! Trying to instill spiritual values in a new generation of young people is seemingly an insurmountable challenge. Where do we turn for guidance as we attempt to keep our children on a proper path -- a path that will enable them to establish a foundation in their lives which is firmly planted on knowing right from wrong?

There are no new answers to that question; no new approaches to take. Indeed, to deal with the problems of the present, we must look back at the solutions the Church offered in the past. Moral truth can never change, no matter what may be going on in the world around us. The enduring teachings of the Church Fathers still must be our *"resource manual"* for correctly raising our children. Here are a few wise thoughts that have been passed down to us:

- *"If from the beginning we fix good rules for our children, good habits will be formed. Let us not allow them to do what may be agreeable, but hurtful to them. We may need to admonish them and warn them. Remember: we are charged to keep our children free from evil."* — St. John Chrysostom
- *"Rear your children in the Lord. Teach them from their infancy the Word of God. Discipline them when needed, and render them respectful to authority."* — The Apostolic Constitutions
- *"Teach your children this lesson: the rewards of evil are temporary. The rewards of Godliness are eternal."* — St. Cyprian

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## ABOUT COMMUNION

*We are happy that you have joined us today. Indeed, we pray for the "unity of the Faith" for the day when all of Christianity are united as ONE and can share a common Chalice. However, this is not the case as yet. Please note that Holy Communion, the actual Body & Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ, is only for Members of the Orthodox Church who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and confession, & arrived before the Gospel reading. However, everyone is welcome to partake of the blessed bread and receive a blessing from the pastor at the dismissal. If you are interested, you may inquire with the pastor how you can become a member.*

*If you are a guest or otherwise not a regular communicant, please give your baptismal name when receiving.*



*The Blessed Virgin Mary  
with her parents Joachim and Anna*



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## WELCOME TO ST. ANTHONY'S

Where people from around the world come together to serve God and our community. We are glad you are worshipping with us today! This Church is one community of many in the One, Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic Church. The Church of Antioch belongs to two thousand years of evangelization, teaching, history, and tradition which expresses the continued commitment of its members to the Orthodox Christian faith in the Lord Jesus Christ!

St. Anthony Church is a Pan-Orthodox community, under the omophorion of His Beatitude Patriarch JOHN X within the Self-ruled Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America.

If you are a first time visitor, please fill out the guest form located on the literature table.

We want you to feel at home in prayer and worship. Please submit your names to the ushers and introduce yourself to Fr. Elia at the end of the service so he may welcome you personally.

Following services, please join us for sharing of fellowship, coffee, and food.

## DIVINE LITURGY VARIABLES ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2024 TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

### AFTER-FEAST OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS

CLEMENT, BISHOP OF ROME; HIEROMARTYR PETER, BISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA

### THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Great is the Lord and greatly to be praised: in the city of our God and in His holy mountain. Glorious things are spoken of thee, O city of God.

**Refrain:** Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

God is known in her palaces for a refuge. As we have heard, so have we seen in the city of the Lord of hosts, in the city of our God. **(Refrain)**

Glory... Both now... **(Refrain)**

### THE SECOND ANTIPHON

The Most High hath sanctified His tabernacle. Holiness and majesty are in His sanctuary.

**Refrain:** Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

This is the gate of the Lord, the righteous shall enter in thereat. **(Refrain)**

Holy is Thy temple, and wonderful in righteousness. **(Refrain)**

Glory... Both now... **(Refrain)**

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## Joy to the World

Joy to the world, the Lord is come  
Let earth receive her King  
Let every heart prepare Him room  
And Heaven and nature sing  
And Heaven and nature sing  
And Heaven, and Heaven, and nature sing

Joy to the World, the Savior reigns!  
Let men their songs employ  
While fields and floods, rocks, hills and plains  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat the sounding joy  
Repeat, repeat, the sounding joy

He rules the world with truth and grace,  
And makes the nations prove  
The glories of His righteousness,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders of His love,  
And wonders, wonders, of His love.

### THE THIRD ANTIPHON

Even the rich among the people shall entreat thy favor. The King's daughter is all glorious within: her clothing is of wrought gold. Virgins shall be brought to the King after her: her companions shall be brought unto Thee.

~ *During the Little Entrance, after the verses of the Third Antiphon, chant the Apolytikion of the Entrance of the Theotokos. The Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn) is "O come, let us worship... save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead..." After the Little Entrance, chant these hymns in the following order:*

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

### APOLYTIKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

Today the Virgin is the foreshadowing of the pleasure of God, and the beginning of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. Thou hast appeared in the Temple of God openly and hast gone before, preaching Christ to all. Let us shout with one thrilling voice, saying, Rejoice, O thou who art the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation.

~ *Now sing the apolytikion of the patron saint or feast of the temple.*

### APOLYTIKION OF ST. ANTHONY THE GREAT

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah in his condition, and followed John the Baptist in his upright ways. Becoming a dweller in the wilderness, and an establisher of the universe by thy prayer O Father Anthony. Wherefore intercede thou with Christ our God to save our souls.

### KONTAKION OF ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS IN TONE FOUR

*(\*\*Thou Who wast raised up\*\*)*

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, \* the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, \* the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, \* into the House of the Lord \* on this day is brought forward \* and bringeth with herself the grace \* of the Most Divine Spirit; \* her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, \* for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

### THE EPISTLE

(For the Twenty-Second Sunday after Pentecost)

*Thou, O Lord, shalt preserve us and keep us from this generation.*

*Save me, O Lord, for the godly man hath disappeared.*

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)**

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to

make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

### THE GOSPEL

(For the Thirteenth Sunday of Luke)

#### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to according to St. Luke. (18:18-27)

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.'" And the man said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" Jesus said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

~ The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom continues as usual.

## Upcoming Events

### This Week

#### **Today**

- \* Matins Service—8:45am
- \* Divine Liturgy—10:00am

\* Coffee Hour—*guests always welcome*

#### **Wednesday**

- \* Vespers—5:30pm
- \* Choir Rehearsal—6:00pm

#### **Saturday**

- \* Great Vespers—5:30pm
- \* Confessions

### December

- 12/14—Annual Holiday Food & Bake Sale, 9am—2pm
- 12/22—Christmas Play Talent Show, after Liturgy  
St. Ignatius Lunch Fundraiser

### Ongoing

- Angel Tree for Charity 11/4 - 12/1
- Christmas Card Fundraiser (AWO) 11/17 - 12/15
- Poinsettia Forms 11/17 - 12/15

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

The candle is green to express Faith.

The service begins with the lighting of the candle by a member of the family.

As this is done, the father of the family begins the service by saying:

**FATHER:** The first candle reminds us of faith; the faith we have in God that He will keep His promise to send His Son.

VERSE: (to be said by a member of the family)

***One Advent candle now we light  
To show the coming gift of light  
Now hasten to our darkened sight  
The light that's given from above.***

**SCRIPTURE:** The Prophecy from Isaiah 9:5-6; 40:3-5; 52:7

*"For unto us a Child is born, unto us a Son is given; and the government will be upon His shoulder. His name will be called the Angel of Great Counsel, for I shall bring peace upon rulers, peace and health by Him. Great shall be His government, and of His peace there is no end. His peace shall be upon the throne of David and over his Kingdom, to order and establish it with righteousness and judgement, from that time forward and unto ages of ages. The zeal of the Lord of hosts shall perform this. The voice of the crying in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord; make straight the paths of our God. Every valley shall be filled, and every mountain and hill humbled; the crooked places shall be made straight, , and the rough places into plains. The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all flesh shall see the salvation of God; for the lord has spoken." I am present like springtime in the mountains, like the feet of one who announces a good report of peace, like one who preaches good things, for I will cause Your salvation to be heard, Saying, "O Zion, your God reigns"*

**CAROL: "O, Come, O Come Emmanuel"**

**PRAYER:** Dear God, as the world that sat in darkness looked forward to Your coming, so we on this first Sunday of Advent light the candle of our anticipation. We eagerly desire your coming to our souls to dispel the darkness of sin and prideful living, to ignite in us the flame of love and service to our fellow humans. Amen.

**DISCUSSION:** God kept His promise to send the Messiah. What other promises does God make? Does He keep them?

# Announcements



November 24

**Epistle Readers**  
Stephanie Enstice

**St. Paul to the Galatians. (6:11-18)**



**THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO HAD SPONSORED OUR COFFEE HOUR TODAY**

PLEASE SIGN UP ON THE CALENDAR IN THE NARTHEX  
TO CONTRIBUTE FOOD TO A FUTURE COFFEE HOUR

## Nov 24 –Dec 8 Fasting Calendar

**Abstain from: meat, dairy, eggs, fish,  
olive oil & wine: *Wed 11/27 & Fri 11/29***

**Abstain from: meat, dairy, eggs & fish:**  
*Wed 12/4 & Fri 12/6*

**meat, dairy & eggs: *every day, except for  
dates listed above***

View calendar at <https://tinyurl.com/AOCfast>

## December Birthdays

- 02: Anastasia Gabbasova
- 03: Nolan Brown
- 05: Jenny Riter  
Spencer Wiltse
- 08: Oakley Bellinger
- 09: Maria Munoz
- 10: Sam Jacobs
- 19: JouJou Najjar
- 21: Fr. Stehephen Adili  
Ethan Packey
- 23: Kathy Hopper  
Jeff Bellinger
- 25: Jesus
- 30: Marcos Lieberman



*May God Grant You Many Years!*



## *Angel Tree*

*Please remember to bring your gifts next Sunday.*

*Thank you for your support.*

*Our Annual Bake Sale is Saturday, December 14 at 9am-2pm.*

*We sell both sweet and savory.*

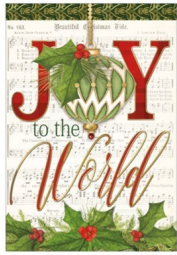
*If you have cooking skills, please see Priscilla.*

*If not, you can still help setting up, handling a table etc.*



**Please pray for the healing of** Father Elia and Kh. Odette, Debbie Thieme, Adriana Theodoropoulos, Michealle and Tyrone Carey, Beverly Delida, Alix Hall, Nina and Diogo Penas, Beth Manzini, John Archambeau, Alex & Soula, Nicholas Elliott, William Snell, Vasilika Yardines, Gregory Warner

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## **COMMUNITY CARD**

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BELOVED IN CHRIST

“Virtue, good character, and righteous deeds; these are the true measures of wealth.” -St. John Chrysostom

November is Stewardship month and IOCC Month please start preparing yourself to complete your pledge for 2024 and sign a new pledge for 2025.

We have the New Pledge Form ready in the Narthex. Our Stewardship committee is working on the 2025 Pledge Drive.

In his Epistle to the Corinthians, St. Paul wrote: Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for "God Loves a Cheerful giver." And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. (2Cor. 9:6-11)

Special Thanks to all those who supported the church in 2024 through their Talents, Time & Resources. May God reward you many folds.

God bless you all.

In Christ,  
*Fr. Elia Shalhoub*  
Very Rev. Fr. Elia Shalhoub, Pastor

**ARCHDIOCESE ANNUAL ASSESSMENT**

**(THE AMOUNT OUR CHURCH PAYS TO THE ARCHDIOCESE IS BASED ON THE NUMBER OF THE PARISHIONERS - \$50 PER BAPTISED SOUL)**

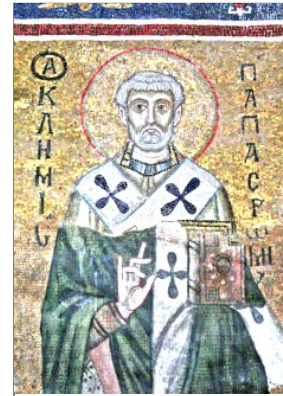
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**IF YOU HAVEN'T SUBMITTED THE ASSESSMENT MONEY YET,**

**PLEASE DO SO AS SOON AS YOU CAN.**

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**



**13TH SUNDAY OF LUKE  
SAINTS AND FEASTS**

**OUR HOLY FATHER CLEMENT, POPE OF ROME**

Saint Clement was instructed in the Faith of Christ by the Apostle Peter. He became Bishop of Rome in the year 91, the third after the death of the Apostles. He died as a martyr about the year 100 during the reign of Trajan.

**PETER, ARCHBISHOP OF ALEXANDRIA**

Saint Peter illustriously occupied the throne of Alexandria for twelve years, and, as Eusebius says, "was a divine example of a bishop on account of the excellence of his life and his study of the sacred Scriptures" (see Eusebius, Eccl. Hist., Book VII, 3 2; Book VIII 11, 13; and Book IX, 6). He excommunicated Arius for his sympathy with the Meletian schism. When Arius learned that Saint Peter had been imprisoned, he sent many priests and deacons to him, asking that he receive him back into the communion of the Church before his martyrdom. When the ambassadors of Arius, who had not, like Saint Peter, perceived the ruin he would engender, were astonished at the vehemence with which Saint Peter refused to receive Arius again, he revealed to them a dread vision he had seen, in which the Master Christ had appeared to him as a child wearing a garment torn from head to foot. When Saint Peter asked the Lord who rent His garment, the Lord answered that it was Arius, and that he must not be received back into communion. The holy hieromartyr Peter was beheaded during the reign of Maximinus in the year 312; he is called the "Seal of the Martyrs," because he was the last Bishop of Alexandria to suffer martyrdom under the pagan Emperors. His successors to the throne of Alexandria, Saints Alexander and Athanasius the Great, brought to final victory the battle against Arius' heresy which Saint Peter had begun.

