

February 14<sup>th</sup>, 2021

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost – 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of St. Luke

*As we enter the Church let us pray.....*

*I will come into Thy House In the multitude of Thy mercy;*

*And in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy Holy Temple.*

**Resurrectional Apolytikion – Tone 3**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

**Apolytikion of St. John Chrysostom - Tone 8**

Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe. It has shown to the world the riches of poverty. It has revealed to us the heights of humility. Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

**Ordinary Kontakion – Tone 2**

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

**SYNAXARION**

On February 14 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our righteous Father Auxentios the priest of Bithynia. Verses For Auxentios, the mountain was like Carmel; who in all things, save his death, was like Elias. On the fourteenth Auxentios left this life. Auxentios was a very prominent aristocrat among the noblemen and courtiers of Emperor Theodosius the Younger in Constantinople. Enflamed with love for Christ, Auxentios was tonsured a monk. When men began to praise him, he fled from their praise and settled on a mountain called Skopa near Chalcedon, which later was referred to as Auxentios' Mountain. But people found him and brought the sick to him for healing, which he did. All of this was reason for amazement, but his humbleness was cause for even greater amazement. Whenever Auxentios was implored to heal someone he defended himself with the words: "I, also, am a sinful man!" When Auxentios healed, he either invited all present to pray to God together with him for the sick person; or he first strengthened the faith in the people and then he told them that God will give to them according to their faith; or he prayed over the head of the sick person: "The Lord Jesus Christ heals you!" Thus, the miracles would not be attributed to him but rather to God. Auxentios participated at the Fourth Ecumenical Council and strongly defended Orthodoxy against the Eutychian and Nestorian heresies. In 470, the Lord took his youthful soul in old age.

On this day, we also commemorate Venerable Abraham and Maron of Syria; New-martyrs Nicholas of Corinth and George the tailor of Mitylene; and Venerable Cyril, Equal-to-the-Apostles and enlightener of the Slavs. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen

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**St John Chrysostom Antiochian Orthodox Church is a parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America**

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of North America, Primate

His Grace Bishop Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic

The V. Rev. Peter Pier, Pastor

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**The Inquirer's Class** – will meet virtually today, February 14<sup>th</sup>, at 12:45 pm. These classes are for those studying the Orthodox Christian Faith, and those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith. All are welcome.

**Little Compline & Book Discussion - Wednesdays @ 6pm** Join Dn. David Hyatt on Wednesday evenings to pray Little Compline. Following Little Compline, Dn. David will lead a discussion of **Way of the Ascetics** by Tito Colliander. Copies are available in the church bookstore or online. We will be reading and discussing one chapter each week. Little Compline will be livestreamed on the church YouTube channel. If you are interested in participating in the book discussion portion via Zoom, please contact Dn. David to make arrangements at [jhyatt.duluth@gmail.com](mailto:jhyatt.duluth@gmail.com).

**Weis and Giant Grocery Gift Cards** – are available for purchase. You pay the face amount of the card and the church receives 5% of the value of the card. Please see Marjorie Barrett after any Divine Liturgy to purchase a card. Purchases benefit the general fund of St. John Chrysostom Church.

Attendance Last Week: 74

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$5,791.00

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$5,770.00

### Church Calendar

**February 14** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy (live streamed). Virtual Inquirer's Class.  
**February 16** NO Typika and Distribution of Holy Communion.  
**February 17** NO Little Compline 7:00 pm Book Discussion.  
**February 20** 6:00 pm Vespers (live streamed).  
**February 21** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy (live streamed). Parish Council Meeting.

### Remember In Your Prayers

*Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Is. 65:24)*

#### **The Living – for their health and healing**

Metropolitan Joseph  
Bishop Thomas  
Olena Bassarab  
Jamey Miller  
Matthew Miller  
Officer Jamie Miller  
Joyce "Kassiane" Williams  
Kathryn Velen  
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson  
Michael Acierno  
Ray Jauncito  
Ian Snyder  
Nicolas El Atieh  
Marjorie "Marion" Barrett  
Jerry "David" Desautels  
Renee McChutan

Walter and Mary Damm  
Donnell Gregory Beck  
Michael Bogosh  
Christos Tsakiris  
Grace Dorian  
Marianne Rupp  
Mary Bincarowsky  
Gene "Paul" Strayer  
Katherine Monsour  
George and Darla Feeser  
Cindi "Monica" Bennett  
Mary Kopey  
Martha Allen  
Mary Lou Grove  
Melinda "Magdalena" Stika  
James Fetter  
Andrew Himes  
Patty May

#### **The Departed – Memory Eternal!**

Metropolitan PHILIP  
Bishop Antoun  
Priest Boniface Black  
Leavitt "George" Keener  
Mary Jane Glagola  
Norm "Nourhan" Kailian  
Eva "Marie" Kailian  
Nicholas Raptapolus

Julie Acierno  
Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic  
Steven Smith  
Edward Boner  
Cheryl "Alexandra" Bury  
Thomas Lehman  
Barry "John" Hart  
Mary "Rebecca" Beck  
Angela Pandelidis