

April 4th, 2021

Third Sunday of Great Lent – Veneration of the Life-Giving Cross

*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 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of the Cross – Tone 1

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

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!

Kontakion for the Sundays in Great Lent – Tone 8

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

SYNAXARION

On April 4 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Venerable George of Mount Maleon; Martyrs Theodoulos the reader and Agathopodos the deacon of Thessalonica; Venerable Theonas, archbishop of Thessalonica; and Isidore, bishop of Seville.

On this same day, the Third Sunday of the Fast, we keep the feast of the Veneration of the honorable and life-creating Cross. Every hard and strenuous work is accomplished with great difficulty, which appears especially in the middle of such work; for the effort in this performance brings with it fatigue which makes the accomplishment of the rest difficult. Having arrived with God's grace at the middle of the Fast, our compassionate Mother—the Holy Orthodox Church—thought fit to reveal to us the Holy Cross as the joy of the world and power of the faithful to help us carry on the struggles of the divine Fast. By its power, O Christ God, preserve us from the crafty designs of the evil one and account us worthy to worship Thy divine Passion and life-giving Resurrection, as we achieve the course of the Forty Days with ease, and have mercy on us, as Thou alone art good and the Lover of mankind. 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 today, Sunday, April 4th, following the Divine Liturgy. These classes are for those studying the Orthodox Christian Faith, and those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith. All are welcome.

Great Compline & Book Discussion - Mondays @ 6pm. Following Great Compline, Fr. David will lead a discussion of **Thirty Steps to Heaven** by Vassilios Papavassiliou. Copies are available in the church bookstore or online.

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: 103

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$9,958.02

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

Church Calendar

April 4 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy (live streamed). Inquirer's Class.
April 5 6:00 pm Great Compline. Book Study afterward.
April 7 5:20 pm 9th Hour and Typika. 6:00 pm Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
April 9 6:00 pm Little Compline and Akathist Hymn.
April 10 6:00 pm Vespers
April 11 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy (live streamed). SCS. Inquirer's Class.

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

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

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
Walter and Mary Damm