

March 26, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Great Lent – Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel

*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 8

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of the Archangel Gabriel – Tone 4

Supreme Commander of the Hosts of the Heavens, we, the unworthy, importune and beseech thee that by thy supplications thou encircle us in the shelter of the wings of thine immaterial glory; guarding us who now fall down and cry to thee with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshal of the heavenly hosts on high.

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 of Great Lent – Tone 8

To thee, our captain, Queen of war, the battle trophies won, thy people rescued by thine aid from peril, dedicate as our offering of thanksgiving, O Theotokos, as thou hast might which none by war can overcome from all forms of danger hast thou delivered me, that I may cry unto thee, Hail, O Virgin unwedded bride.

SYNAXARION

On March 26 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we take leave of the feast of the Annunciation to the Most-holy Theotokos, and we celebrate the Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel, which hath been handed down to us from the most ancient times, since he ministered unto the divine, supernal and ineffable Mystery.

The Archangel Gabriel is the announcer of the Incarnation of the Son of God and the salvation of mankind. He appeared to Zacharias about the birth of the Forerunner. Gabriel said of himself, “I am Gabriel, who stands before God” (Luke 1:19). His name Gabriel means “Man-God.” The Holy Fathers, in speaking about the Annunciation, interpret that an archangel with such a name was sent to signify who and what Jesus Christ would be like, fully man and fully God, who must be born of the All-pure Theotokos. Some of the Fathers understood that this same Gabriel appeared to Joachim and Anna concerning the birth of the Virgin Mary, and that Gabriel instructed Moses in the wilderness to write the Book of Genesis. The Holy Fathers of the Church rank the Archangel Gabriel in the Seraphic Order which stands closest to God.

On this day, we also commemorate Stephen the Confessor, abbot of Triglia. By the intercessions of Thy saints, 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 Antonios, Patriarchal Vicar to North America
His Grace Bishop Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic
The V. Rev. Peter Pier, Pastor
The Rev. David Hyatt, Assistant Pastor
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The Inquirer's Class – will meet today, Sunday, March 26th 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.

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 Sunday 136

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$8,190.00

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$7,280.00

Church Calendar

March 26 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class. JOY Club.
March 27 6:00 pm Great Compline. Lenten Book Study following.
March 28 9:00 am Pray and Play.
March 29 5:20 pm 9th Hour and Typika. 6:00 pm Presanctified Divine Liturgy.
March 30 6:00 pm Little Compline, Canon of St. Andrew of Crete and Life of Mary of Egypt.
March 31 6:00 pm Little Compline and Akathist Hymn.
April 1 8:00 am Orthros. 9:00 am Divine Liturgy. Akathist Hymn. 6:00 pm Vespers.
April 2 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class. Teen SOYO Hike.

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 & wellbeing

Metropolitan Antonios
Bishop Thomas
Denise Zakula
Olena Bassarab
Jayme Miller
Matthew Miller
Officer Jamie Miller
Joyce "Kassiane" Williams
Michael Acierno
Ian Snyder
Jerry "David" Desautels
Vincent McKee
Christopher Reese
Rachel and Emmanuella Deneffe
Beverly Kushner

Mary Jane Glagola
Norm "Nourhan" and Eva "Marie" Kailian
Nicholas Raptapolus
Walter and Mary Damm
Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck
Michael Bogosh
Christos Tsakiris
Harry and Grace Dorion
Marianne Rupp
Mary Bincarowsky
Gene "Paul" Strayer
Katherine Monsour
George and Darla Feeser
Cindi "Monica" Bennett
Mary Kopey
Martha Allen
Mary Lou Grove

The Departed – Memory Eternal!

Metropolitan PHILIP
Bishop Antoun
Priest Boniface Black
Angela Burke
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson
Georgette Habib Soliman
Leavitt "George" Keener

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

Angela Pandelidis

Kathryn Velen

Nancy Usner