# April 30, 2023 Third Sunday of Pascha

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 Joseph of Arimathaea – Tone 2

The noble Joseph, taking Thine immaculate Body down from the Tree, and having wrapped It in pure linen and spices, laid It for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day Thou didst arise, O Lord, granting to the world Great Mercy.

### Apolytikion of the Myrrh-Bearing Women – Tone 2

Unto the myrrh-bearing women did the Angel cry out as he stood by the grave: Myrrh-oils are meet for the dead, but Christ hath proved to be a stranger to corruption. But cry out: The Lord is risen, granting to the world 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!

### Kontakion of Pascha - Tone 8

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment-bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those Who had fallen.

#### SYNAXARION

On April 30 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Apostle James, brother of John the Theologian; and Donatos, bishop in Epirus.

On this day, the third Sunday of Pascha, we celebrate the feast of the holy Myrrh-bearing women. And we also commemorate Joseph of Arimathaea, the secret disciple, and Nicodemus, the disciple by night. The women went to Christ's tomb on Holy Pascha to anoint His body, only to discover it empty. We know the names of only eight of these women: Mary the Theotokos, the "mother" of James and Joses, who were the sons of Joseph the Betrothed from his previous marriage (Matt. 27:56 and Mark 15:40); Mary Magdalene; Mary, the wife of Cleopas; Joanna the wife of Chuza; Salome the mother of the sons of Zebedee; Susanna; and Mary and Martha, the sisters of Lazarus. Joseph was a rich and noble man, and a member of the Privy Council of Jerusalem. He dared to ask Pilate for the undefiled body of our Savior, which he took and buried in his own new tomb. Accompanying Joseph to the sepulcher was Nicodemus, a Jerusalemite who was one of the leaders of the Pharisees. Nicodemus brought 100 pounds of myrrh and aloes to scent and embalm the body of Christ. By the intercessions of the holy Myrrh-bearers, Joseph of Arimathaea and Nicodemus, O God, have mercy on 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, Parish Administrator for Liturgics, Outreach and Youth Work

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**The Inquirer's Class** – will meet today, Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup> 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.

<u>Attendance Last Sunday 135</u> <u>Operating Fund Offering Received</u>: \$5,420.00 Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$7,443.00

## **Church Calendar**

April 30	8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class.
May 2	9:00 am Pray and Play.
May 3	6:00 pm Daily Vespers.
May 4	6:00 pm Ladies Night Out @ Tequila Mexican Grill, Rohrerstown.
May 6	6:00 pm Great Vespers. <u>Bible Bowl Practice before Vespers</u> .
May 7	8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. 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 &wellbeing	Leavitt "George" Keener
Metropolitan Antonios	Mary Jane Glagola
Bishop Thomas	Norm "Nourhan" and Eva "Marie" Kailian
Denise Zakula	Nicholas Raptapolus
Olena Bassarab	Walter and Mary Damm
Jayme Miller	Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck
Matthew Miller	Michael Bogosh
Officer Jamie Miller	Christos Tsakiris
Joyce "Kassiane" Williams	Harry and Grace Dorion
Michael Acierno	Marianne Rupp
Ian Snyder	Mary Bincarowsky
Jerry "David" Desautels	Gene "Paul" Strayer
Vincent McKee	Katherine Monsour
Christopher Reese	George and Darla Feeser
Rachel and Emmanuella Deneffe	Cindi "Monica" Bennett
Beverly Kushner	Mary Kopey
	Martha Allen
The Departed – Memory Eternal!	Mary Lou Grove
Metropolitan PHILIP	Melinda "Magdalena" Stika
Bishop Antoun	James Fetter
Priest Boniface Black	Andrew Himes
Angela Burke	Patty May
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson	Julie Acierno
Georgette Habib Soliman	Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic

Steven Smith Edward Boner Cheryl "Alexandra" Bury Thomas Lehman Barry "John" Hart Angela Pandelidis Kathryn Velen Karl and Nancy Usner