# June 25th, 2023

# Third Sunday after Pentecost- Third Sunday of St. Matthew Apodosis (Leave-Taking) of the Forerunner's Nativity

Apodosis (Leave-Taking) of the Forerunner's Nativ 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.

## Apolytikion of the Resurrection - 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 Nativity of St. John the Baptist - Tone 4

O prophet and Forerunner of Christ God's coming to us, all we who with longing now extol thee are at a loss to honor thee worthily. For thy mother's barrenness and father's long silence, by thine all-renowned and hallowed birth, were both ended, and the Incarnation of the Son of God is preached unto all the world.

## 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 June 25 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we take leave of the commemoration of the Nativity of the Forerunner and Baptist John; and we commemorate the holy Venerable Martyr and much suffering Febronia of Nisibis. Febronia betrothed herself to Christ and was tonsured a nun in Assyria, in a convent where her aunt Bryaena was abbess. Lysimachus, the son of a nobleman, desired to wed Febronia, but since Emperor Diocletian suspected him to be a secret Christian, he sent Lysimachus to the east with his uncle Silenus to apprehend and kill Christians. Silenus did this everywhere without mercy. Lysimachus, on the contrary, spared the Christians wherever he could and hid them from his beastlike uncle. Silenus came to Nisibis and Febronia's convent. Hearing about her great wisdom and meekness, Silenus ordered that Febronia be brought to him. When the holy virgin refused to deny Christ, Silenus ordered her to be cruelly beaten and killed. However, a horrible punishment and death from God befell Silenus the same day. Lysimachus ordered that Febronia's miracle-working body be honorably buried and he, with many other soldiers, were baptized. Febronia suffered and took up habitation in eternal blessedness in 302.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable Prokopios of the Iviron skete on Athos. 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 Saba, Metropolitan of New York and 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 next on Sunday, July 9th 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 168

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$5,725.00
Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$7,443.00

Church Calendar

June 25 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Parish Council Meeting.

NO Daily Vespers. June 28 NO Great Vespers. July 1

July 2 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Parish 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 &wellbeing

Metropolitan Saba Bishop Thomas Denise Zakula Olena Bassarab Jayme Miller Matthew Miller Officer Jamie Miller

Joyce "Kassiane" Williams Michael Acierno Helen Diamond

Jerry "David" Desautels Christopher Reese Beverly Kushner Michelle Prince

Richard "Stephen" Vangel

### The Departed - Memory Eternal!

Metropolitan PHILIP

Bishop Antoun

Priest Boniface Black

Angela Burke

Wayne "Stephen" Coleson Georgette Habib Soliman Leavitt "George" Keener 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

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

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