

July 2nd, 2023

Placing of the Theotokos' Robe in Blachernae- 4th Sunday of St. Matthew

*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 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 for the Placing of the Theotokos' Robe – Tone 8

O Ever-Virgin Theotokos, shelter of mankind, thou hast bestowed upon thy people a mighty investure, even thine immaculate body's raiment and sash, which by thy seedless childbirth have remained incorrupt; for in thee, nature and time are made new. Wherefore, we implore thee to grant peace to the world, and Great Mercy to our souls.

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 Placing of the Theotokos' Robe – Tone 4

O godly shelter that dost cover all mankind, the sacred robe that covered thy sacred body hast thou bestowed on all the faithful graciously, O pure Virgin, as a robe of divine incorruption. As we celebrate with love its august deposition, we cry to thee with faith, O graced of God: Rejoice, O Lady, thou boast of the Christian race.

SYNAXARION

On July 2 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Deposition of the Precious Raiment (Robe) of the Most Holy Theotokos in her holy shrine at Blachernae in Constantinople, during the reign of Leo the Great and Berina his wife. In the fifth century, two noblemen from Constantinople named Galibus and Candidus traveled throughout the Holy Land to venerate and to worship before the holy shrines. In Nazareth, they stopped for a while at the home of a Jewish maiden who kept the girdle of the All-Holy Mother of God in a secret room. Many who were ill and in need received healing from their sufferings through prayer and by touching the vesture. Galibus and Candidus received this sacred article and brought it to Constantinople and reported it to Emperor Leo and Patriarch Gennadius. This brought about great joy in the imperial city. The vesture was solemnly translated and placed in the Church of Blachernae. On this day, we also commemorate our father among the saints Juvenaly, archbishop of Jerusalem; the New-martyrs of Samothrace; and Archbishop John Maximovitch the wonderworker of Shanghai and San Francisco. Through 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

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The Inquirer's Class – will meet next 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 173

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$6,312.00

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: **\$7,443.00**

Church Calendar

July 2 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Parish Meeting.
July 5 6:00 pm Daily Vespers.
July 8 6:00 pm Great Vespers.
July 9 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. 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

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

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
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Mary Kopey
Martha Allen
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Andrew Himes
Patty May

The Departed – Memory Eternal!

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Walter and Mary Damm

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