

October 8th, 2023

18th Sunday after Pentecost – 3rd Sunday of St. Luke

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 1

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

Apolytikion of St. Pelagia the Righteous – Tone 8

Through thee, the divine likeness was securely preserved, O mother Pelagia; for thou didst carry the cross and follow Christ. By example and precept thou didst teach us to ignore the body, because it is perishable, and to attend to the concerns of the undying soul. Therefore, doth thy soul rejoice with the angels.

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 October 8 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our Righteous Mother Pelagia the Penitent of Antioch, the former courtesan. She was born to pagan parents in Antioch. Pelagia used her beauty to become wealthy, but to the destruction of her own soul and those of others. Once, while walking past the Church of the Holy Martyr Julian, in which Bishop Nonnus was preaching, she stopped in and heard a sermon on the Dread Judgment and the punishment of sinners. Those words so shook her and changed her that she immediately felt revulsion for herself, acquired true fear of God, repented of all her sins and fell down before St. Nonnus with the plea that he baptize her, which he did. Pelagia was keenly aware of the multitude of her sins and decided on a great ascetic labor. She left her enormous, sinfully gained wealth to the poor, and secretly went to Jerusalem as the monk Pelagius. There, she shut herself up in a cell on the Mount of Olives, and began the difficult asceticism of fasting, prayer and all-night vigils. Pelagia entered into rest in 461. Thus, this formerly terrible sinner pleased God by her repentance and labor, was forgiven of her sins, and became sanctified.

On this day, we also commemorate the Marytr Pelagia the Virgin of Antioch; and Righteous Mother Thaïs of Egypt. 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

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The Inquirer's Class – will meet today Sunday, October 8th 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 175

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$7,508.00

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

Church Calendar

October 8 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class.

October 10 9:00 am 3rd Hour and Play and Pray.

October 11 6:00 pm Daily Vespers.

October 14 6:00 pm Great Vespers.

October 15 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Parish Council. AOW 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

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