## October 15th, 2023

# Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council – 4th 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 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 Holy Fathers - Tone 8

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

### 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 15 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Hieromartyr Lucian of Antioch; Venerable Euthymios the Younger of Athos; and Savvinos, bishop of Catania.

On this day we commemorate the holy and blessed Fathers who came together for the second time in Nicaea, during the reign of the pious and Christ-loving Sovereigns Constantine and Irene, against those who impiously, ignorantly and foolishly asserted that the Church of God worshippeth idols, and rejected the august and holy icons. The Council met in 787 to refute the Iconoclast heresy, whose camp believed that all depictions of Christ, His Mother and the saints should be destroyed. The iconophiles believed that icons served to preserve the doctrinal teachings of the Church; and they considered icons to be man's dynamic way of expressing the divine through art and beauty. The council decreed that the veneration of icons was not idolatry (Exodus 20:4-5), because the honor shown to them is not directed to the wood or paint, but passes to the prototype, or the person depicted. It also upheld the possibility of depicting Christ, Who became man and took flesh at His Incarnation. The Father, on the other hand, cannot be represented in His eternal nature, because "no man has seen God at any time" (John 1:18). By the intercessions of the Holy Fathers, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

### 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 on Sunday, October 29<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.

Attendance Last Sunday 170 Operating Fund Offering Received: \$6,433.00 Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$7,443.00

### Church Calendar

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

October 17 9:00 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour and Play and Pray.

October 18 NO Daily Vespers. 6:45 pm Choir Practice

October 21 6:00 pm Great Vespers.

October 22 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Annual 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

Jerry "David" Desautels Christopher Reese Beverly Kushner Michelle Prince

Richard "Stephen" Vangel Joshua "John" Ranck Ronna "Sophia" Castle

#### The Departed - Memory Eternal!

Metropolitan PHILIP

Bishop Antoun

Priest Boniface Black

Helen Diamond Angela Burke

Wayne "Stephen" Coleson Georgette Habib Soliman

Joseph Danyo

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" Straver 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

Karl and Nancy Usner