

November 12th, 2023

St. John the Alms Giver, Patriarch of Alexandria – 8th 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 6

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of St. John the Almsgiver – Tone 8

In thy patience thou hast won thy reward, O righteous father. Thou didst persevere unceasingly in prayer; thou didst love the poor, and didst provide for them in all things. Wherefore, intercede with Christ our God, O blessed John the Almsgiver, that our souls be saved.

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 the Entrance of the Theotokos – Tone 4

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

SYNAXARION

On November 12 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate father among the saints John the Almsgiver, patriarch of Alexandria. Born on Cyprus, John was raised as a true Christian from childhood. Renowned for his compassion and piety, John was chosen as Patriarch of Alexandria in the time of Emperor Heraclius. He governed the Church of Alexandria for ten years as a true shepherd, safeguarding it from pagans and heretics. He was a model of meekness, charity and love for his fellow men. John was also known as "the merciful." He said: "If you desire nobility, seek it not in blood, but in virtues, for this is true nobility." Once, as he was on his way to the Church of Saints Cyrus and John, the patriarch met a needy and unfortunate widow who spoke to him at length about her misfortune. The patriarch's escorts became bored by the woman's lengthy complaint, and urged the bishop to hurry to the church for the service, intimating that he could hear the woman's story afterward. John said to them: "And how will God listen to me, if I do not listen to her?" He would not leave until he heard the widow's complaint to the end. Thus John embodied the Beatitude: "Blessed are the merciful, for they shall obtain mercy." John entered eternal rest in 620.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable Neilos the Faster of Sinai; Neilos the myrrh-streaming of the Great Lavra on Athos; and Martin the wonderworker, bishop of Tours. 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 next Sunday, November 19th 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 169

Operating Fund Offering Received: \$5,740.00

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

Church Calendar

Nov. 12 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Hierarchical Divine Liturgy.
Nov. 14 9:00 am 3rd Hour and Play and Pray.
Nov. 15 6:00 pm Great Vespers. Choir practice following Vespers.
Nov. 18 6:00 pm Great Vespers.
Nov. 19 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class. JOY Club.

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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Denise Zakula
Olena Bassarab
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Matthew Miller
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Ronna "Sophia" Castle

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Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck
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Harry and Grace Dorion
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The Departed – Memory Eternal!

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Patty May
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