

**February 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2025**  
**Sunday of the Last Judgement (Meat Fare)**

*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 hades 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 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 the Sunday of the Last Judgment – Tone 1**

When Thou comest, O God, to earth with glory, and all creatures tremble before Thee, and the river of fire floweth before the Altar, and the books are opened and sins revealed, deliver me then from that unquenchable fire, and make me worthy to stand at Thy right hand, O righteous Judge.

**Synaxarion**

On February 23 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Hieromartyr Polycarp, bishop of Smyrna; and Venerable Gorgonia, sister of Gregory the Theologian.

Today, we commemorate the Second and impartial Coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

It is the Sunday of the Last Judgment—known also as Meat Fare Sunday—the lesson of which occurs in today’s Holy Gospel. Jesus illustrates to us God’s ineffable goodness and His great love for mankind. And so lest some who are lazy should loiter and spend the time appropriate to their salvation in the pursuit of sin, and be suddenly overtaken by death, the divine Fathers decree that on this day the remembrance of the Second Appearance of Christ may be celebrated. The intention is to remind them that, as God is good and loving to mankind, He is also a very righteous Judge Who recompenses each according to his deeds. Our Lord teaches us that when we minister to our brother or sister, we really minister to Him. This brings us righteousness and life eternal. By Thine ineffable love for mankind, O Christ God, make us worthy of Thy devoted voice, number us among Thy righteous ones and have mercy on 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, February 23<sup>rd</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 go to the church office after any Divine Liturgy to purchase a card. Purchases benefit the general fund of St. John Chrysostom Church.

**Attendance: 180**

**Operating Fund Offering Received: \$12,493.55**

Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: **\$8,432.00**

### Church Calendar

**Feb. 23** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. SCS. Inquirer's Class. AOW Fundraiser  
**Feb. 25** 9:00 am 3<sup>rd</sup> Hour and Pray & Play.  
**Feb. 26** 6:00 pm Great Vespers.  
**Feb. 27** 6:30 pm Lancaster Fellowship.  
**Feb. 28** 6:00 pm Paint Night.  
**March 1** 6:00 pm Great Vespers  
**March 2** 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Cheese Fare Luncheon & Forgiveness Vespers.

### 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  
Subdeacon Ron Bartholomew Bassarab  
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  
Kera McBurnett  
Arlene "Éirene" Maisch  
Christine Bogosh  
Sasha Florenz  
Nicholas Glagola  
Marjorie "Marion" Barrett  
The infant Jesse Hanna

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 and 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  
Karl and Nancy Usner

#### **The Departed – Memory Eternal!**

Metropolitan PHILIP  
Bishop Antoun  
Priest Boniface Black  
Helen Diamond  
Angela Burke  
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson