

# ALL SAINTS ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, January 16, 2022**

Saturday Vespers, 7pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am

**The Precious Chains of St. Peter**



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*Hymns of the Day, immediately after the Small Entrance:*

**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 5):** Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

**Troparion for St. Peter's Chains (Tone 4):** Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome, O thou who dost preside over the Apostles, by the power of the venerable chains thou didst bear. While honoring them with faith, we beseech thee, that through thine intercessions, God may grant us great mercy.

**Kontakion for the Presentation (Tone 1):** Thou, O Christ God, who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

**Troparion of All Saints (Tone 4):** Adorned in the blood of Thy martyrs, throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church through them doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassion upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy habitation and great mercy to our souls.



## **THE EPISTLE**

*For the Twenty-Ninth Sunday after Pentecost*

How magnified are Thy works, O Lord; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.

Bless the Lord, O my soul.

### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians (3:4-11)**

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

## **THE GOSPEL**

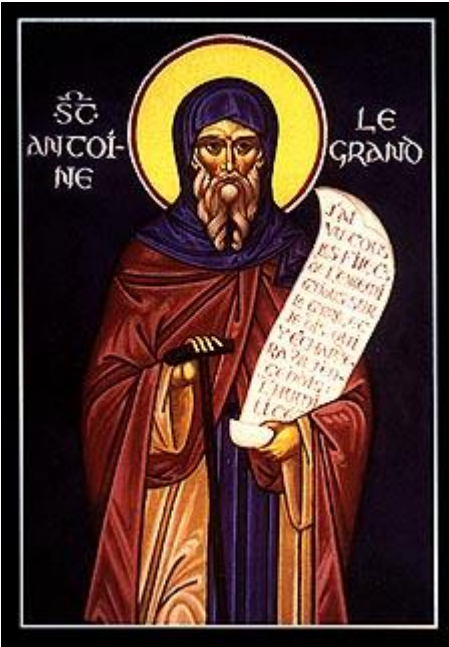
*For the Twelfth Sunday of Luke*

### **The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (17:12-19)**

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

## :: SAINT ANTHONY THE GREAT ::

*Commemorated January 17 • Patron Saint of Bishop Anthony*



Saint Anthony the Great was born in Egypt in the village of Coma, near the desert of the Thebaid, in the year 251. His parents were pious Christians of illustrious lineage. Anthony was a serious child and was respectful and obedient to his parents. He loved to attend church services, and he listened to the Holy Scripture so attentively, that he remembered what he heard all his life.

When Saint Anthony was about twenty years old, he lost his parents, but he was responsible for the care of his younger sister. He entered the church and heard the Gospel passage where Christ speaks to the rich young man: *“If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give it to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come follow Me”* (Mt. 19:21). Anthony felt that these words applied to

him. Therefore, he sold the property that he received after the death of his parents, then distributed the money to the poor, and left his sister in the care of pious virgins in a convent.

Leaving his parental home, Saint Anthony began his ascetical life in a hut not far from his village. By working with his hands, he was able to earn his livelihood and also alms for the poor. Sometimes, the holy youth also visited other ascetics living in the area, and from each he sought direction and benefit. He turned to one particular ascetic for guidance in the spiritual life.

In this period of his life Saint Anthony endured terrible temptations from the devil. The Enemy of the race of man troubled the young ascetic with thoughts of his former life, doubts about his chosen path, concern for his sister, and he tempted Anthony with lewd thoughts and carnal feelings. But the saint extinguished that fire by meditating on Christ and by thinking of eternal punishment, thereby overcoming the devil.

Saint Anthony’s staunchness was greater than the wiles of the Enemy. Taking the form of ferocious beasts, the devils tried to force the saint to leave that place, but he defeated them by trusting in the Lord. Looking up, the saint saw the roof opening, as it were, and a ray of light coming down toward him. The demons disappeared and he cried out, “Where have You been, O Merciful Jesus? Why didn’t You appear from the very beginning to end my pain?”

The Lord replied, “I was here, Anthony, but wanted to see your struggle. Now, since you have not yielded, I shall always help you and make your name known throughout all the world.” After

this vision Saint Anthony was healed of his wounds and felt stronger than before. He was then thirty-five years of age.

Saint Anthony then went into the desert alone. The devil tried to hinder him, by placing a large silver disc in his path, then gold, but the saint ignored it and passed by. He found an abandoned fort on the other side of the river and settled there, barricading the entrance with stones. His faithful friend brought him bread twice a year, and there was water inside the fort.

Saint Anthony spent twenty years in complete isolation and constant struggle with the demons, and he finally achieved perfect calm. The saint's friends removed the stones from the entrance, and they went to Saint Anthony and besought him to take them under his guidance. Soon Saint Anthony's cell was surrounded by several monasteries, and the saint acted as a father and guide to their inhabitants, giving spiritual instruction to all who came into the desert seeking salvation. He increased the zeal of those who were already monks, and inspired others with a love for the ascetical life. He told them to strive to please the Lord, and not to become faint-hearted in their labors. He also urged them not to fear demonic assaults, but to repel the Enemy by the power of the Life-Creating Cross of the Lord.

In the year 311 there was a fierce persecution against Christians, in the reign of the emperor Maximian. Wishing to suffer with the holy martyrs, Saint Anthony left the desert and went to Alexandria. He openly ministered to those in prison, he was present at the trial and interrogations of the confessors, and accompanying the martyrs to the place of execution. It pleased the Lord to preserve him, however, for the benefit of Christians.

Another time Saint Anthony left the desert and arrived in Alexandria to defend the Orthodox Faith against the Manichaeon and Arian heresies. Knowing that the name of Saint Anthony was venerated by all the Church, the Arians said that he adhered to their heretical teaching. But Saint Anthony publicly denounced Arianism in front of everyone and in the presence of the bishop. During his brief stay at Alexandria, he converted a great multitude of pagans to Christ.

Saint Anthony spent eighty-five years in the solitary desert. Shortly before his death, he told the brethren that soon he would be taken from them. He instructed them to preserve the Orthodox Faith in its purity, to avoid any association with heretics, and not to be negligent in their monastic struggles. "Strive to be united first with the Lord, and then with the saints, so that after death they may receive you as familiar friends into the everlasting dwellings."

The saint instructed two of his disciples, who had attended him in the final fifteen years of his life, to bury him in the desert and not in Alexandria. Saint Anthony died peacefully in the year 356, at age 105, and he was buried in the desert by his disciples.



# Announcements and Upcoming Events

*For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website [www.allsaintsorthodox.org](http://www.allsaintsorthodox.org)*

Upcoming services and events:

- All weekday services this week TBA due to Fr. Andrew's illness.
- **Saturday, Jan. 22:** Vespers, 7pm.
- **Sunday, Jan. 23:** Matins & Liturgy, beginning 8:30am, followed by coffee hour & church school
- **Also next Sunday, Jan. 23:** "Sanctity of Life" prayer service, 6pm, at Sts. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church (6980 S. County Line Rd., in Burr Ridge).

**Thank you from the Kishlers:** Many thanks to all of you for your Christmas greetings, cards, and thoughtful gifts. We deeply appreciate your generosity and kindness, and we wish you all of God's blessings in the coming year!

**House blessings:** It is customary for every Orthodox household to be blessed by a priest between January 6 and the beginning of Great Lent each year. It is not necessary to feed or pay the priest, and you are certainly not required to have his entire family over. Please see Fr. Andrew to set up an appointment; if you would rather wait until spring or summer due to COVID or other concerns, you are certainly free to do so.

**All Saints Icon Workshop:** We will once again host an iconography workshop, the subject being the "Sweet Kissing" icon of the Theotokos. Instructor Eva Walter teaches both the technique and theology of iconography. Participants will meet in the church hall for a full day on Saturdays through Lent, March 12 through April 16, 2022. Students of all skill levels are welcome; no prior experience is needed. The cost of \$350 includes all materials and instruction. For more information, please contact Eva Walter (847-903-8476 or [walter.fam@sbcglobal.net](mailto:walter.fam@sbcglobal.net)).

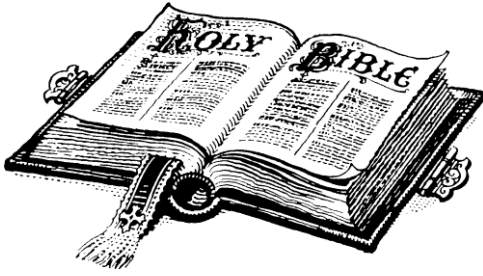
## Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun., Jan. 16	Joseph L <i>Col 3:4-11</i>	Pat K	Domitille	Alina S	R-Z
Sun., Jan. 23	Richard C <i>1Tim 1:15-17</i>	Domitille	Nancy L	Zach C	A-F
Sun., Jan. 30	Michele C <i>Heb 13:7-16</i>	Cristina P	Sandy A	Lydia A	G-K
Tues., Feb. 1 <i>Presentation</i>	Sd Joseph	Dn Walid	Domitille		
Sun., Feb 6	Polycarp	Sandy A	Azizeh	Domitille	L-P
Sun., Feb 13	Doug J	Octavian F	Dave B	Alina S	R-Z
Sun, Feb 20	Jim K	Debbie K	Nancy L	Zach C	A-F

***For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.***

*If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves.*

***Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour. And of course, things go faster when we can all pitch in and help.***



# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

JANUARY 16-22, 2022

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**Sunday, Jan. 16: Precious Chains of the Holy Apostle Peter**

John 20:11-18 / Colossians 3:4-11 / Luke 17:12-19

**Monday, Jan. 17: Venerable Father Anthony the Great of Egypt**

Hebrews 13:1-8 / Luke 21:5-19

*For St. Anthony:* Wisdom of Solomon 5:15-6:3 / 3:1-9 / 4:7-15

Matthew 11:27-30 / Hebrews 13:17-21 / Luke 6:17-23

**Tuesday, Jan. 18: Sts. Athanasius and Cyril, Archbishops of Alexandria**

Deuteronomy 1 / Hebrews 13:9-25 / Luke 21:20-28

**Wednesday, Jan. 19: Venerable Makarios the Great of Egypt**

Deuteronomy 2 / James 1:1-15 / Luke 21:29-38

**Thursday, Jan. 20: Venerable Euthymius the Great**

Deuteronomy 3 / James 1:16-27 / Mark 8:11-21

**Friday, Jan. 21: Venerable Maximos the Confessor**

Deuteronomy 4 / James 2:1-13 / Mark 8:22-26

**Saturday, Jan. 22: Apostle Timothy of the Seventy**

2 Timothy 1:1-8 / Luke 14:1-11

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