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Sunday, February 6, 2022

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

Afterfeast of the Presentation • Martyr Julian of Homs



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Hymns of the Day, immediately after the Small Entrance:

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 8): From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate one, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion. Thou art our life and our resurrection; O Lord, glory to Thee!

Troparion for the Presentation (Tone 1): Rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, full of grace, for from thee arose the Sun of justice, Christ our God, enlightening those who are in darkness. Rejoice and be glad, O righteous elder, carrying in thine arms the Deliverer of our souls, who granteth us resurrection.

Troparion for St. Julian of Homs (Tone 3): O holy passion-bearer and healing physician Julian, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of sins.

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them. God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians (6:16-7:1)

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore, come out from them, and be separate from them," says the Lord, "and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters," says the Lord Almighty. Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

THE GOSPEL

For the Seventeenth Sunday of Matthew

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But He did not answer her one word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." And He answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

:: THE MARTYR JULIAN OF HOMS IN SYRIA ::

Synaxarion Reading from Matins

On this day, we commemorate the right-victorious Martyr and Healer Julian of Homs.

*“To Homs hath Julian his youth forsaken,
For the Kingdom of Heaven hath he partaken.
On the sixth, Julian was nailed through head, hands and feet.”*



Julian (Ilyan) was born to pagan parents in the city of Emesa, modern-day Homs, Syria. He became a skilled physician and surgeon who treated patients free of charge. He also led many others to faith in Christ as well.

But sadly, the Roman governors were ordered to persecute Christians. Julian's father was a high-ranking officer in the city, so he arrested Bishop Silouan, Deacon Luke, and Reader Mokios to torture them publicly to terrorize the Christians.

Before their martyrdom, however, Julian sneaked into the prison and tended to

their wounds. Julian was arrested in March of 283 and brought to his father who had him tied to a horse and dragged through the streets. He was imprisoned and tortured for months, but he would not renounce the True Faith. Instead, Julian led all of the tormentors to Christ. Finally, his father had blacksmiths drive long spikes into Julian's head, hands and feet. He crawled to a cave outside of the city owned by a potter and yielded his soul into Christ's healing hands on February 6, 284. The potter took Julian's body and buried it in the Church of the Apostles and St. Barbara at the east of the altar.

:: THE CANAANITE WOMAN ::

From a homily of St. John Chrysostom

But do thou, I pray you, together with her **faith** see also her **humility**.

Why, the dogs also, says she, eat of the crumbs that fall from their master's table? (Matthew 15:27)

Do you see the woman's **wisdom**, how she did not venture so much as to say a word against it, nor was stung by other men's praises, nor was indignant at the reproach? Do you see her constancy? He said, 'It is not meet,' and she said, 'Truth, Lord.' He called them children, but she masters; He used the name of a dog, but she added also the dog's act. Do you see this woman's humility?

Hear the proud language of the leaders of Israel: *"We are Abraham's seed, and were never in bondage to any man."* But not so this woman, rather she calls herself a dog, and them masters; so for this she became a child. What then says Christ? 'O woman, great is your faith!' (Matthew 15:28).

Therefore did He put her off, that He might proclaim aloud this saying, that He might crown the woman. Be it unto you even as you will! Now what He says is like this: Your faith indeed is able to effect even greater things than these; nevertheless, be it unto you even as you will. *"And her daughter was made whole from that very hour."*

Do you see how this woman too contributed not a little to the healing of her daughter? For to this purpose neither did Christ say, 'Let your little daughter be made whole,' but, 'Great is your faith, be it unto you even as you will;' to teach you that the words were not used at random, nor were they flattering words, but great was the power of her faith.

The certain test, however, and demonstration thereof, He left to the issue of events. Her daughter accordingly was straightway healed.

But mark, I pray you, how when the apostles had failed, and had not succeeded, this woman had success. So great a thing is persistence in prayer! Yea, He had even rather be solicited by us, guilty as we are, for those who belong to us, than by others in our behalf. And yet they had more liberty to speak; but she exhibited much endurance.



Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Upcoming services and events:

- **Today:** Baptisms of Menas Obah and Anastasia Schlueter. May God grant them many years!
- **This week:** House blessings continue! (See note below.)
- Confession, anointing, holy communion, and any other priestly service will be available as needed after any posted service or by appointment.
- **Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday:** Morning prayers, 9am.
- **Saturday, Feb. 12:** Vespers, 7pm.
- **Sunday, Feb. 13:** Matins, & Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am, followed by coffee hour & church school

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).

Speak-Out Illinois, a pro-life organization, will hold their annual banquet on Saturday, Feb. 26, from 8am to noon at the Drury Lane in Oakbrook Terrace. Tickets are \$55 per person (\$35 for students); please see Fr. Andrew or Jim Kushiner for more information if interested. Register online at speakoutillinois.org.

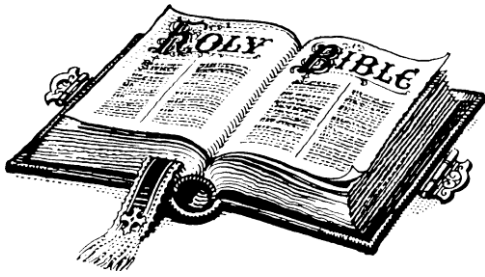
Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
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

FEBRUARY 6–12, 2022

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Starting this week, the Orthodox Church enters into a four-week period of pre-Lenten preparation. You'll notice that the weekday Gospel readings take us through the Passion narrative from St. Mark's and St. Luke's Gospels.

Sunday, Feb. 6: Martyr Julian of Homs in Syria

John 21:14-25 / 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1 / Matthew 15:21-28

Monday, Feb. 7: St. Richard, King of Wessex

Deuteronomy 15 / 1 Peter 2:21-3:9 / Mark 11:1-19

Tuesday, Feb. 8: Holy Prophet Zachariah

Deuteronomy 16 / 1 Peter 3:10-22 / Mark 11:20-33

Wednesday, Feb. 9: Nicephoros the Martyr of Antioch

Deuteronomy 17 / 1 Peter 4:1-11 / Mark 12:1-12

Thursday, Feb. 10: Hiero-martyr Haralambos

Deuteronomy 18 / 1 Peter 4:12-5:14 / Mark 12:13-27

Friday, Feb. 11: Blaise the Hiero-martyr of Sebastia

Deuteronomy 19 / 2 Peter 1:1-11 / Mark 12:28-37

Saturday, Feb. 12: Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch

Deuteronomy 20 / 2 Timothy 2:11-19 / Luke 18:1-8

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