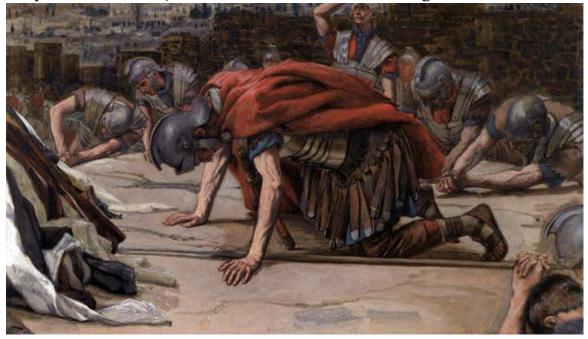


# ALL SAINTS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## Sunday, October 16, 2022

Saturday Vespers, 7:00pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am Holy Fathers of the 7<sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council • St. Longinus the Centurion



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**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 1):** While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

**Troparion for 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.

**Kontakion to the Theotokos (Tone 2):** O undisputed intercessor of Christians, O Theotokos who is unrejected by the Creator: Turn not away from the voice of our petitions, though we be sinners. Come to us with aid in time, who cry unto thee in faith, for thou art good. Hasten to us with intercessions, O Theotokos, who didst ever intercede for those who honor thee.

**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 Holy Fathers

Blessed are Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done to us.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus (3:8-15)

Titus, my son, faithful is the saying, and concerning these things I desire you to affirm confidently, that those who have believed in God may be thoughtful of how to preside in honorable occupations. These things are good and profitable to men. But avoid foolish

disputes, and genealogies, and contentions, and controversies about the Law; for they are unprofitable and vain. A man who is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject, knowing that such a one is subverted, and sins, being self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicós, give diligence to come to me to Nicopolis; for I have determined to winter there. Set forward Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that they may be lacking in nothing. And let our people also learn how to preside in honorable occupations, so as to help in cases of urgent need, that they should not be unfruitful. All who are with me salute you. Salute those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

#### THE GOSPEL

For the Fourth Sunday of Luke

## The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:5-15)

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold."

And when His disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand.

"Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As Jesus said this, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."



THE HOLY MARTYR LONGINUS THE CENTURION, a Roman soldier, served in Judea under the command of the Governor, Pontius Pilate. When our Savior Jesus Christ was crucified, it was the detachment of soldiers under the command of Longinus which stood watch on Golgotha, at the very foot of the holy Cross. Longinus and his soldiers were eyewitnesses of the final moments of the earthly life of the Lord, and of the great and awesome portents that appeared at His death. These events shook the centurion's soul. Longinus believed in Christ and confessed before everyone: "Truly this was the Son of

According to Church Tradition, Longinus was the soldier who pierced the side of the Crucified Savior

with a spear, and received healing from an eye affliction when blood and water poured forth from the wound.

God" (Mt. 27:54).

After the crucifixion and burial of the Savior, Longinus stood watch with his company at the sepulcher of the Lord. These soldiers were present at the resurrection of Christ. The Jews bribed them to lie and say that His disciples had stolen away the Body of Christ, but Longinus and two of his comrades refused to remain silent about the miracle of the resurrection.

Having come to believe in the Savior, the soldiers received baptism from the apostles and decided to leave military service. Saint Longinus left Judea to preach about Jesus Christ the Son of God in his native land (Cappadocia), and his two comrades followed him.

The fiery words of those who had actually participated in the great events in Judea swayed the hearts and minds of the Cappadocians; Christianity began quickly to spread throughout the city and the surrounding villages. When they learned of this, the Jewish elders persuaded Pilate to send a company of soldiers to Cappadocia to kill Longinus and his comrades. When the soldiers arrived at Longinus's village, the former centurion himself came out to meet the soldiers and took them to his home. After a meal, the soldiers revealed the purpose of their visit, not knowing that the master of the house was

the very man whom they were seeking. Then Longinus and his friends identified themselves and told the startled soldiers to carry out their duty.

The soldiers wanted to let the saints go and advised them to flee, but they refused to do this, showing their firm intention to suffer for Christ. The holy martyrs were beheaded, and their bodies were buried at the place where the saints were martyred. The head of Saint Longinus, however, was sent to Pilate.

Pilate gave orders to cast the martyr's head on a trash-heap outside the city walls. After a while a certain blind widow from Cappadocia arrived in Jerusalem with her son to pray at the holy places, and to ask that her sight be restored. After becoming blind, she had sought the help of physicians to cure her, but all their efforts were in vain.

The woman's son became ill shortly after reaching Jerusalem, and he died a few days later. The widow grieved for the loss of her son, who had served as her guide.

Saint Longinus appeared to her in a dream and comforted her. He told her that she would see her son in heavenly glory, and also receive her sight. He told her to go outside the city walls and there she would find his head in a great pile of refuse. Guides led the blind woman to the rubbish heap, and she began to dig with her hands. As soon as she touched the martyr's head, the woman received her sight, and she glorified God and Saint Longinus.

Taking up the head, she brought it to the place she was staying and washed it. The next night, Saint Longinus appeared to her again, this time with her son. They were surrounded by a bright light, and Saint Longinus said, "Woman, behold the son for whom you grieve. See what glory and honor are his now, and be consoled. God has numbered him with those in His heavenly Kingdom. Now take my head and your son's body, and bury them in the same casket. Do not weep for your son, for he will rejoice forever in great glory and happiness."

The woman carried out the saint's instructions and returned to her home in Cappadocia. There she buried her son and the head of Saint Longinus. Once, she had been overcome by grief for her son, but her weeping was transformed into joy when she saw him with Saint Longinus. She had sought healing for her eyes, and also received healing of her soul.

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## Announcements and upcoming Events

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

## Today:

Coffee hour and church school, after Liturgy

#### This week at All Saints:

- Tuesday & Wednesday: Morning prayers, 9am. No Thursday or Friday morning prayers this week; Fr. Andrew will be in Indianapolis for a clergy retreat with Bishop Anthony.
- Wednesday, Oct. 19: Vespers, 7pm.
- Saturday, Oct. 22: Vespers, 7pm.
- Next Sunday, Oct. 23: St. James the Brother of our Lord. Orthros at 8:30am and the Divine Liturgy of St. James at 9:30am, followed by coffee hour and church school for all ages.

**JEWELRY SALE:** Our friend Jane Hebel would like to invite all the ladies of All Saints to a jewelry sale at her building, The Breakers at Edgewater Beach. Join her in the Marine room **Saturday, Oct. 22 from 11am to 2pm**.

RSVP to Jane by phone or email (no texts): <a href="mailto:hebel.jane@gmail.com">hebel.jane@gmail.com</a> or 773-334-2362. Cost is \$5 for parking, for 4 hours. Young girls and babies are welcome. All proceeds will benefit our church!

**ANCIENT FAITH CALENDARS.** If anyone would like to order an Orthodox calendar from Ancient Faith, please contact Jane (hebel.jane@gmail.com) who can place orders with our church discount. The regular calendars for 2023 have the theme "Saints and Martyrs of the Church," and are available to us for \$10. Their children's calendar "Windows to Heaven" are \$20. Please see Jane for more information, or if you have any questions.

**ALL SAINTS EVE:** Mark your calendars for **Monday, October 31, beginning at 5:30pm!** And as is our custom, we are currently taking nominations for Saint of the Year. Please submit the names of your favorite saints to Richard C. for possible inclusion in our annual booklet and festivities!

## Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prosphora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun Oct 16	Paul K	Debbie K	Domitille	Alina S	L-P
Sun Oct 23	Jason L	Pat K	Nancy L	Zach C	R-Z
Sun Oct 30	Joseph L	Domitille	Sandy A	Lydia A	A-F
Sun Nov. 6	Richard C	Cristina P	Azizeh	Zach C	G-K
Sun Nov. 13	Sd Joseph	Dn Walid	Nancy L	Domitille	L-P
Sun Nov. 20 Entrance of the Theotokos	Doug J	Sandy A	Domitille	Alina S	R-Z
Wed Nov. 23 Thanksgiving	Jim K	Dn Walid	Sandy A	n/a	n/a
Sun Nov. 27	Paul K	Debbie K	Azizeh	Lydia A	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

OCTOBER 16-22, 2022

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## Sunday, October 16: Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Genesis 14:14-20 / Deuteronomy 1:8-17 / Deuteronomy 10:14-21 John 20:1-10 / Titus 3:8-15 / Luke 8:5-15

## Monday, Oct. 17: Holy Prophet Hosea

2 Samuel 2 / Philippians 1:1-11 / Luke 9:10-17

## Tuesday, Oct. 18: St. Luke the Evangelist

2 Samuel 3 / Philippians 1:12-18 / Luke 9:18-27

## Wednesday, Oct. 19: Holy Prophet Joel

2 Samuel 4 / Philippians 1:19-26 / Luke 9:28-36

## Thursday, Oct. 20: St. Artemius the Great Martyr of Antioch

2 Samuel 5 / Philippians 1:27-30 / Luke 9:37-45

## Friday, Oct. 21: St. Hilarion the Great

2 Samuel 6 / Philippians 2:1-11 / Luke 9:46-50

## Saturday, Oct. 22: Averkios, Equal-to-the-Apostles and Wonderworker

Philippians 2:12-18 / Luke 9:51-56

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