



# ALL SAINTS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, November 27, 2022**

**Saturday Vespers, 7:00pm • Sunday Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 8:30am  
24<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost • Great Martyr James of Persia**



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**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 7):** Thou didst shatter death by Thy cross, Thou didst open paradise to the thief. Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy, and didst bid Thine apostles proclaim a warning, that Thou hast risen O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy!

**Troparion for St. James of Persia (Tone 4):** Thy martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

**Kontakion for Advent (Tone 3):** Today the Virgin cometh unto the cave to give birth to the Word, who was born before all ages, begotten in a manner that defies description. Rejoice therefore, O universe, if thou should hear; and glorify with the angels and the shepherds, glorify Him who by His will shall become a newborn Babe, and who is our God before all ages!

**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-fourth Sunday after Pentecost*

The Lord will give strength to His people. Ascribe to the Lord, O sons of God, ascribe to the Lord honor and glory.

### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians (2:14-22)**

Brethren, Christ is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility by abolishing in His flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that He might create in Himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. And He came and preached peace to you, who were far

off, and peace to those who were near; for through Him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus Himself being the cornerstone, in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

## **THE GOSPEL**

*For the Thirteenth Sunday of Luke*

### **The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (18:18-27)**

At that time, a man came testing Jesus and asking, “Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?”

And Jesus said to him, “Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: ‘Do not commit adultery. Do not kill. Do not steal. Do not bear false witness. Honor your father and mother.’”

And the man said, “All these I have observed from my youth.”

And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, “One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me.”

But when the man heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus, seeing him sad, said, “How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.”

Those who heard it said, “Then who can be saved?” Jesus said, “What is impossible with men is possible with God.”



**THE HOLY GREAT MARTYR JAMES THE PERSIAN** was born in the fourth century into a pious Christian family, both wealthy and illustrious. His wife was also a Christian, and the couple raised their children in piety, inspiring in them a love for prayer and the Holy Scriptures. James occupied a high position at the court of the Persian emperor Izdegerd (399-420) and his successor Barakhranes (420-438). But on one of the military campaigns James, seduced by the emperor's beneficence, was afraid to acknowledge himself a Christian, and so he offered sacrifice to idols with the emperor.

Learning of this, James' mother and wife wrote him a letter, in which they rebuked him and urged him to repent. Receiving the letter, James realized the gravity of his sin. Faced with the horror of being cut off not only from his family, but also from God Himself, he began to weep loudly,

imploping the Lord for forgiveness.

His fellow-soldiers, hearing him pray to the Lord Jesus Christ, reported this to the emperor. Under interrogation, Saint James bravely confessed his faith in the one true God. No amount of urging by the emperor could make him renounce Christ. The emperor then ordered the saint to be put to death.

They began to cut off his fingers and his toes one by one, then his hands and his feet, and then his arms and legs. During the prolonged torture Saint James offered prayers of thanksgiving to the Lord, who had granted him the possibility of redemption from his sins by enduring these terrible torments. Finally, the martyr was beheaded. Christians gathered up the pieces of his body and buried them with great reverence.

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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](http://www.allsaintsorthodox.org)*

Today:

- Baptism of Alexander Corey, Jr. May God grant him many years!
- Coffee hour after Liturgy; no Church School today.

This week at All Saints:

- Confession, anointing, and any other pastoral blessings are available after each posted service or by appointment.
- **Morning prayers:** Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, and Friday this week at 9am
- **Wednesday, Nov. 30:** Vespers for St. Andrew the Apostle, 7pm
- **Saturday, Dec. 3:** Women's group stocking stuffing & book discussion, 4pm; Vespers, 7pm.
- **Next Sunday, Dec. 4:** Orthros & Divine Liturgy beginning 8:30am, followed by a visit from St. Nicholas!

**ADVENT FOOD DRIVE:** We are blessed once again to be able to participate in our Advent food drive for the poor in our city. **Beginning Saturday, November 19, please bring your donations of non-perishable foods!** These will be given to individuals living on the street who visit the drop-in center of Northside Housing. In particular, they are asking for items that don't need cooking, heat and serve containers, or cans with pop-tops (there is a microwave available at the center). **Please place your donations in the back of the church on or near the table.** The drive ends Sunday, December 18.

And remember: if you use Amazon to order donations, use Amazon Smile with All Saints as the recipient. Also, monetary donations are also accepted; please write 'food drive' on the memo line. If you have any questions, please call or email Sandy Abraham. God blesses those who remember the poor!

**DCFS TOY DRIVE:** Please consider participating in the DCFS Christmas Drive this year – a Pan-Orthodox Philanthropic Project in the Chicagoland area that provides Christmas gifts to local foster children. Gift tags are available TODAY. New gifts should be purchased, placed in gift bags, securely labeled with the gift tag provided by DCFS

(yellow sheet), and returned to the table at the back of the church by **Sunday, November 27**. The kids enjoy hearing from donors, so consider writing a note to include with your gift!

If you have any questions, please contact Sh. Kim, [Kegggers854@aol.com](mailto:Kegggers854@aol.com). Thank you for your participation and generosity!

**WOMEN'S ADVENT BOOK DISCUSSION:** Mark your calendars for a Women's Advent Book Discussion. We will be meeting on **November 19** (5PM), **December 3** (4PM) and **December 17** (5PM) to discuss the book Perfection of Women in Christ. We'll enjoy a potluck meal and discussion before Vespers. Books are available at the book table. Please contact Sh. Kim with any questions.

**ST. NICHOLAS STOCKINGS:** St. Nicholas once again plans to visit us on **Sunday, December 4!** The ladies of All Saints will be meeting at 4PM on December 3 to stuff stockings. A Sign-Up Genius list will be forthcoming for volunteers to bring stocking items.



## THE NATIVITY FAST

The Orthodox Nativity Fast (Advent) begins Tuesday, Nov. 15, and lasts until Christmas Eve, Dec. 24. Let us dedicate ourselves to prayer, fasting, and generosity during this time! If you are able, abstain from meat and dairy products, but please see Fr. Andrew if you have any questions or concerns about keeping the fast. (And no, neither of your priests will be fasting on Thanksgiving Day, so don't worry about that.)

All Orthodox Christians should also make it to confession during this holy season. If you desire to confess to another Orthodox priest outside of our parish, that is generally fine, but let Fr. Andrew know.

# Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun Nov. 27	Paul K	Debbie K	Azizeh	Lydia A	A-F
Sun., Dec. 4	Jason L	Pat K	JoAnne	Zach C	G-K
Sun, Dec. 11	Joseph L	Domitille	Nancy L	Domitille	L-P
Sun., Dec. 18	Richard C	Cristina P	Domitille	Alina S	R-Z
Sat., Dec. 24 (10pm) <i>Nativity</i>	Sdn. Joseph	Dn Walid	Sandy A	n/a	n/a

*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.*

***\*Shaded days** are days of fasting for Orthodox Christians. Please avoid bringing meat and dairy.*



# DAILY BIBLE READINGS

## NOVEMBER 27–DECEMBER 3, 2022

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**Sunday, Nov. 27: Great Martyr James of Persia**  
Mark 16:1-8 / Ephesians 2:14-22 / Luke 18:18-27

**Monday, Nov. 28: Martyr Stephen the New**  
1 Kings 7 / 2 Thessalonians 1:1-12 / Luke 17:20-37

**Tuesday, Nov. 29: St. Acacius of Sinai**  
1 Kings 8 / 2 Thessalonians 2:1-12 / Luke 18:1-8

**Wednesday, Nov. 30: Holy Apostle Andrew the First-Called**  
1 Peter 1:1-2:6 / 1 Peter 2:21-3:9 / 1 Peter 4:1-11  
Matthew 4:18-23 / 1 Corinthians 4:9-16 / John 1:35-51

**Thursday, Dec. 1: Holy Prophet Nahum**  
Nahum 2 / 2 Thessalonians 3:1-5 / Luke 18:15-17

**Friday, Dec. 2: Holy Prophet Habakkuk**  
Habakkuk 3 / 2 Thessalonians 3:6-9 / Luke 18:28-34

**Saturday, Dec. 3: Holy Prophet Zephaniah**  
Zephaniah 3:14-20 / 2 Thessalonians 3:10-18 / Luke 19:11-28

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