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Sunday, October 29, 2023

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

21st Sunday after Pentecost • 7th Sunday of St. Luke



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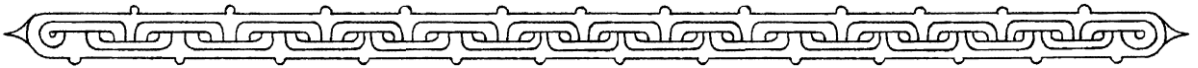
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Troparion for the Resurrection (Tone 4): Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel, the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the disciples, saying: 'Death hath been spoiled! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!'

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 dost 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 Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost

O Lord, how magnified are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me.

THE GOSPEL

For the Seventh Sunday of Luke

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:41-56)

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue. And falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying.

As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched me?'" But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise!" And her spirit returned, she got up at once, and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

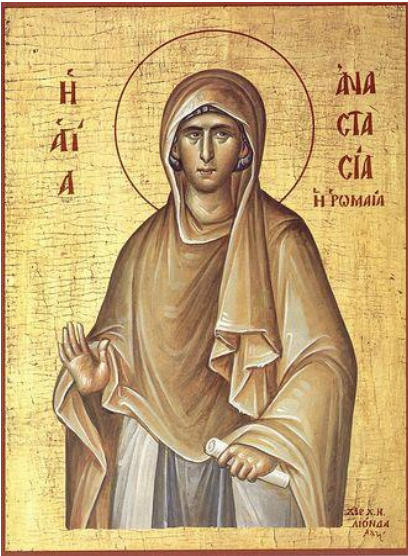
MONASTIC MARTYR ANASTASIA OF ROME

Commemorated on October 29

The Monastic Martyr Anastasia the Roman lost her parents when she was three years old, and was taken to be raised by the *Igoumeness* of a women's monastery, whose name was Sophia, a nun who had attained a high degree of spiritual perfection. She raised Anastasia in fervent faith, in the fear of God, and obedience. After seventeen years, Anastasia became known as a great ascetic, and she was very beautiful.

The Emperor Decius (249-251) began his persecution of Christians at that time. The city administrator, Probus, following the Emperor's orders, commanded that Anastasia be brought to him. Blessed by her *Igoumeness* to suffer for Christ, the young martyr Anastasia went out to meet the armed soldiers. Seeing her youth and beauty, Probus first tried flattery to make her deny Christ.

"Why do you waste your youth deprived of pleasure?" he asked. "What is to be gained by enduring tortures and death for the Crucified? Worship our gods, marry a handsome husband, and live with glory and honor."



While Saint Anastasia stood before the ruler, her mind stood before Christ, and with her spiritual eyes, she beheld the comeliness of her Bridegroom.

The Saint replied, "My spouse, my riches, my life and my happiness are my Lord Jesus Christ, and you cannot turn me away from Him by your deceit!"

Probus had her stripped of her clothing, in order to humiliate her. She told him, "You can have me whipped, beaten, and cut to pieces, and then my nakedness will be hidden by my wounds, and my blood will cover my shame."

Probus subjected Anastasia to horrible tortures. The holy martyr bravely endured all of them, glorifying and praising God. When she became thirsty she asked for some water, and a Christian named Cyril gave her a drink. She thanked him, but Probus had him beheaded.

When the people witnessed the inhuman and disgusting treatment Anastasia received, they became indignant, and Probus was forced to end the tortures by having her beheaded. In this manner, Saint Anastasia received the unfading crown of martyrdom.

Saint Anastasia's body was thrown outside the city limits to be eaten by wild animals, but the Lord did not permit her holy relics to be dishonored. By the instructions of a holy angel, Igoumeness Sophia found Saint Anastasia's mutilated body. With the help of two Christians, she buried it in the earth.

Her right tibia with the skin is at Grigoriou Monastery on Mount Athos, and pieces of her relics are at the Saint Alexander Nevsky Lavra in St. Petersburg.

Saint Anastasia the Roman should not be confused with Saint Anastasia Pharmakolytria, who is commemorated on December 22. (*From www.oca.org*)

Volunteer Schedule

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sunday Oct 29	Sd. Joseph	Sandy A.	John O.	Zach C.	A - F
Sunday Nov 5	Doug J	Debbie K	JoAnne T	Alina S	G-K
Sunday Nov 12	Jim K	Pat K	Azizeh C	Domitille	L-P
Sunday Nov 19	Joseph L	Domitille	Domitille	Lydia A	R-Z
<u>Wed. Nov. 22</u> <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Paul K	Dn Walid	Nancy L	n/a	n/a
Sunday Nov 26	Richard C	Cristina P	John O	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 all pitch in and help!*

Shaded dates are fasting days. No meat or dairy products should be served at the church on these days.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

Today:

- Orthros and Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am
- Coffee hour and church school

Tuesday, Oct. 31:

- Morning prayers, 9am
- All Saints Eve party, 5:30pm (see note below)

Wednesday, Nov. 1:

- Morning prayers, 9am
- Vespers, 7pm

Thursday, Nov. 2:

- Morning prayers, 9am

Friday, Nov. 3:

- *No morning prayers at the church; Fr. Andrew will be in Spring Valley for a meeting of our deanery clergy.*

Saturday, Nov. 4:

- Orthodoxy 101 class, 6pm
- Vespers, 7pm

Next Sunday, Nov. 5:

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning 8:30am
- Coffee hour and church school

ALL SAINTS EVE: Mark your calendars for **Tuesday, October 31, beginning at 5:30pm!** This is one of our biggest events of the year, and we are expecting guests from Holy Transfiguration Church in Warrentville. Right now, we need several more men to dress up like our saint-of-the-year nominees, and various other volunteers.

The evening will include:

- **Potluck meal:** Please bring a dish or dessert to share!
- **Pumpkin/gourd contest:** Whatever your level of artistic talent, consider painting or carving a pumpkin or gourd to enter! (Christian themes/artwork/symbols only, please!)
- **Costume contest:** Kids of all ages (and adults if you are so inclined) are invited to dress up as saints or Bible characters. Bring a riddle, poem, or clues so we can guess who you are.
- **Saint of the Year** booklet and election.

This year's saint-of-the-year nominees: St. Sophia of Thrace, St. Phanourius, St. Panteleimon, St. Christopher of Lycia, St. Stylianos, St. Sophrony, and St. Carlos Acutis.

BIBLE BOWL STUDIES. Between now and next summer, we will hold a series of Bible studies on the Epistle to the Romans, in preparation for the diocesan Bible Bowl competition. All pre-teens (10-12) and teens (13-19) are welcome to participate!



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

OCTOBER 29–NOVEMBER 4, 2023

ADAPTED FROM THE
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Our daily Old Testament readings beginning this week will go through the Major Prophets, according to the order and numbering of the Orthodox Study Bible (OSB). Note the book order and chapter numbers may differ in places from other English translations.

Sunday, Oct. 29: Martyr Anastasia of Rome
John 21:1-14 / Galatians 2:16-20 / Luke 8:41-56

Monday, Oct. 30: Holy Martyr Zenobius & His Sister Zenobia
Isaiah 21 / Colossians 3:1-11 / Luke 11:29-36

Tuesday, Oct. 31: Priest-Martyr John Kochurov of Chicago
Isaiah 22 / Colossians 3:12-17 / Luke 11:37-44

**Wednesday, Nov. 1: Unmercenaries Cosmas & Damian of Asia; their mother
Theodota**
Isaiah 23 / Colossians 3:17-4:1 / Luke 11:45-54

**Thursday, Nov. 2: Holy Martyrs Acindynos, Pegasios, Aphthonios,
Elpidophoros, & Anempodistos**
Isaiah 24 / Colossians 4:2-6 / Luke 12:1-7

Friday, Nov. 3: Dedication of the Temple of St. George in Lydda
Isaiah 25 / Colossians 4:7-11 / Luke 12:8-12

Saturday, Nov. 4: Bishop Raphael Hawaweeny of Brooklyn
Colossians 4:12-18 / Luke 12:13-21

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