



# ALL SAINTS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost  
Fifth Sunday of St. Luke



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**Apolytikion 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!’

**Troparion for the Persian Martyrs (Tone 2):** Blessed is the earth that drank your blood, O prizewinners of the Lord, and holy are the tabernacles that received your spirits; for in the stadium ye triumphed over the enemy, and ye proclaimed Christ with boldness. Beseech Him, we pray, since He is good, to save our souls.

**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.

**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.

### **EPISTLE READING**

For the 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday after Pentecost

*Prokeimenon – Psalm 103:24, 1*

O Lord, how manifold are Thy works; in wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul; O Lord my God, Thou art very great!

**The reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians  
(2:11-21)**

BRETHREN, when Peter had come to Antioch, I withstood him to his face, because he was to be blamed. For before certain men came from James, he would eat with the Gentiles; but when they came, he withdrew and separated himself, fearing those who were of the circumcision. And the rest of the Jews also played the hypocrite with him, so that even Barnabas was carried away with their hypocrisy.

But when I saw that they were not straightforward about the truth of the Gospel, I said to Peter before them all, “If you being a Jew, live in the manner of Gentiles and not as the Jews, why do you compel Gentiles to live as Jews?” We who are Jews by nature, and not sinners of the Gentiles, knowing that a man is not justified by the works of the law but by faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; for by the works of the law no flesh shall be justified.

But if, while we seek to be justified by Christ, we ourselves also are found sinners, is Christ therefore a minister of sin? Certainly not! For if I build again those things which I destroyed, I make 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 lives in me; and the life which I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave Himself for me. I do not set aside the grace of God; for if righteousness comes through the law, then Christ died in vain.

## **THE GOSPEL**

For the Fifth Sunday of Luke

### **The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (16:19-31)**

THE LORD SAID: There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores.

The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame!' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.'

He said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"



## ON ARTIFICIAL LIVING

His Eminence Metropolitan Saba

A couple once came to see me. They were constantly quarreling and blaming each other. As we spoke, it became clear that their problem was financial. Their spending far exceeded their income, forcing them to borrow money even though their income was not small compared to the average in our society.

I suggested a very simple solution: each of them should keep a small notebook and write down, every day, all their expenses. At the end of the month, they should sit together and categorize their spending—food, healthcare, communication, and so on. "After several months, you'll know how much you truly need for each area of your life," I told them. "You'll also be able to distinguish between what is necessary and what is extra. Then you can set a fixed amount for each category. And if one month you

must exceed a limit in one area, compensate by spending less in another, so you never fall into debt."

They left relieved—but after the first month, they stopped. "We were shocked," they told me later, "by how much we were spending, and we became afraid to continue budgeting."

There are many couples like them. The strange thing in our society is that people are rarely taught, as children, the virtues of prudence and moderation in spending—and they seldom learn them as adults. So they end up being led by others, by the culture, and by the consumerist climate around them. Few truly lead themselves—living in a way that suits them, not others; choosing what benefits their soul, not what impresses their peers; and shaping their life according to what they see as good, not what others dictate.

Economically speaking, as inflation continues to weigh on most people, we see that rising prices seldom push them to reorganize their lives wisely and peacefully. They do not begin with simple steps like conserving energy in their homes. Instead, they live under constant tension, striving to appear wealthier than they are—even if it means borrowing and weighing themselves down with more debt. The result is more anxiety, more complaints, and more exhaustion.

Because the spiritual dimension of their lives is shallow, they find no true relief from their worries. So they throw themselves deeper into the same whirlwind of endless activity—believing that entertainment and distraction will free them from their stress and emptiness. But once the diversion ends, they return to the same anxiety and fatigue. And so the cycle repeats, grinding them down until their life is spent. ...

When will we realize that we grow in stature when we resist the tide of consumerism and rejoice in simple living, content with God's presence in our lives—and that we shrink when we chase after artificial living, which gives fleeting excitement but steals our lasting joy?

"Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; but one thing is needful" (Luke 10:41–42).

*(Read the full article at [www.antiochian.org](http://www.antiochian.org))*

# 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: Great Martyr Demetrios the Myrrh-Streamer**

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by households G-K
- Church school for all ages; adult class taught by Joseph Letendre

*No Tuesday morning prayers at All Saints*

## **Wednesday, Nov. 5**

- Morning prayers, 9am
- Homeschool classes, 10am-4pm
- Vespers, 7pm

## **Thursday, Nov. 6:**

- Morning prayers, 9am
- Miloshevski karate school, 6-8pm

**Friday, Nov. 7:** Morning prayers, 9am

## **Saturday, Nov. 8:**

- Men's breakfast and fellowship, 8:30am
- Vespers, 7pm

## **Next Sunday, Nov. 9:**

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by households L-P
- Church school for all ages; adult class will be taught by Fr. Pat

**ALL SAINTS EVE.** Many thanks to Shay Saba, the All Saints Eve committee, and all of our actors, writers, cooks, cleaners, and everyone else who helped with this event! Our saint-of-the-year is **St. Miguel Pro Juarez**; read his powerful story and others in the All Saints booklet, available electronically or on the greeters' table.

**FREE CONCERT NEXT SATURDAY.** Next Saturday, Nov. 8, our own Sara Beth Thomas will be performing her original compositions at

Christ the Savior Orthodox Church on LaSalle St.. “Live Painting and Music” begins at 7pm.

**NATIVITY FAST.** Our next fasting period begins Saturday, Nov. 15. Orthodox Christians observe the 40 days before Christmas with prayer, abstinence from meat and dairy as we are able, repentance and confession, and generosity to each other and to the poor (although we are permitted to break the dietary fast on Thanksgiving Day). If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to Fr. Andrew

## Volunteer Schedule

<b>Date</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Prospora</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Coffee</b>	<b>Food</b>
<b>Sun 11/2</b>	Paul K	Dn Walid	Domitille	Alina S	G-K
<b>Sun 11/9</b>	Steve K	Sandy A	John O	Domitille	L-P
<b>Sun 11/16*</b>	Rich C	Sephora I	JoAnne T	Alina S	R-Z
<b>Th. 11/20*</b> <i>Entrance</i>	Joseph L	Debbie K	Azizeh	N/A	Potluck
<b>Sun 11/23</b>	Michelle	Pat K	Richard B	Zach C	A-F
<b>Tues 11/25</b> <i>Thankgiv.</i>	Sd Joseph	Domitille	Nancy L	n/a	n/a
<b>Sun 11/30</b>	Jim K	Cristina	Tobey	Lydia	G-K

*For Sunday coffee hour, the last names of our church members have 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, monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and make sure they don't take more than they can eat. Please also help your children clean up after themselves.*

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

*\*Shaded dates indicate fasting. No meat or dairy should be served at church on these dates.*



## **DAILY BIBLE READINGS**

### **NOVEMBER 2-8, 2025**

*New Testament readings are based on the traditional Orthodox lectionary. Old Testament readings are currently from the Wisdom Books*

**Sunday, November 2: Martyrs Acindynos, Pegasios, Aphthonios, Elpidophoros, and Anempodistos of Persia**  
John 21:1-14 / Galatians 2:11-21 / Luke 16:19-31

**Monday, Nov. 3: Hieromartyr Gregory of Neapolis**  
Ecclesiastes 11 / Colossians 3:1-11 / Luke 11:29-36

**Tuesday, Nov. 4: Joannicius the Great**  
Ecclesiastes 12 / Colossians 3:12-17 / Luke 11:37-44

**Wednesday, Nov. 5: Galaktion & his wife Episteme**  
Song of Songs 1 / Colossians 3:17-4:1 / Luke 11:45-54

**Thursday, Nov. 6: Paul the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople**  
Song of Songs 2 / Colossians 4:2-6 / Luke 12:1-7

**Friday, Nov. 7: Thirty-Three Martyrs of Melitene**  
Song of Songs 3 / Colossians 4:7-11 / Luke 12:8-12

**Saturday, Nov. 8: Archangel Michael & the Bodiless Powers**  
Colossians 4:12-18 / Luke 12:13-21

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