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St. Nektarios of Pentapolis and Aegina
Seventh Sunday of St. Luke



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Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Tone 5): Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh to suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Apolytikion for St. Nektarios (Tone 1): The offspring of Selyvria and the guardian of Aegina, the true friend of virtue who didst appear in the last years, O Nektarios, we faithful honor thee as a godly servant of Christ! For thou pourest forth healings of every kind for those who piously cry out: Glory to Christ who hath glorified thee! Glory to Him who hath made thee wondrous! Glory to Him who works healings for all through 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.

Kontakion for the Entrance of the Theotokos (Tone 4): The most-pure Temple of the Savior, the precious chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of the glory of God, is presented today to the house of the Lord. She brings with her the grace of the Spirit, which the angels of God do praise. Truly this woman is the abode of heaven!

EPISTLE READING

For the 22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Prokeimenon – Psalm 11:7, 1

Do Thou, O Lord, protect us; guard us ever from this generation.
Save, Lord; for there is no longer any that is godly.

**The reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians
(6:6-18)**

BRETHREN, let him who is taught the word share in all good things with him who teaches. Do not be deceived, God is not mocked; for whatever a man sows, that he will also reap. For he who sows to his flesh will of the flesh reap corruption, but he who sows to the Spirit will of the Spirit reap everlasting life. And let us not grow weary while doing good, for in due season we shall reap if we do not lose heart. Therefore, as we have opportunity, let us do good to all, especially to those who are of the household of faith.

See with what large letters I have written to you with my own hand! As many as desire to make a good showing in the flesh, these would compel you to be circumcised, only that they may not suffer persecution for the cross of Christ. For not even those who are circumcised keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may boast in your flesh. But God forbid that I should boast except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by whom the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For in Christ Jesus neither circumcision nor uncircumcision avails anything, but a new creation.

And as many as walk according to this rule, peace and mercy be upon them, and upon the Israel of God. From now on let no one trouble me, for I bear in my body the marks of the Lord Jesus. Brethren, the grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

For the Seventh Sunday of St. Luke

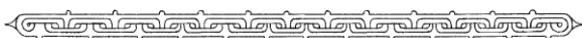
The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:41-56)

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." 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, and 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.



SAINT NEKTARIOS OF AEGINA

Saint Nektarios was born in Selyvria of Thrace on October 1, 1846. After putting himself through school in Constantinople with much hard labor, he became a monk on Chios in 1876, receiving the monastic name of Lazarus; because of his virtue, a year later he was ordained deacon, receiving the new name of Nektarios. Under the patronage of Patriarch Sophronius of Alexandria, Nektarios went to Athens to study in 1882; completing his theological studies in 1885, he went to Alexandria, where Patriarch Sophronius ordained him priest on March 23, 1886 in the Cathedral of Saint Sabbas, and in August of the same year, in the Church of Saint Nicholas in Cairo, made him Archimandrite. Archimandrite

Nektarios showed much zeal both for preaching the word of God, and for the beauty of God's house.

In 1889 Nektarios was consecrated Metropolitan of the Pentapolis in eastern Libya, which was under the jurisdiction of Alexandria. Although Nektarios' swift ascent through the degrees of ecclesiastical office did not affect his modesty and childlike innocence, it aroused the envy of lesser men, who convinced the elderly Sophronius that Nektarios had it in his heart to become Patriarch. Sophronius relieved Metropolitan Nektarios of his duties and commanded Nektarios to leave Egypt.

Without seeking to avenge or even to defend himself, the innocent Metropolitan left for Athens, where he found that accusations of immorality had arrived before him. Because his good name had been soiled, he was unable to find a position worthy of a bishop, and in February of 1891 accepted the position of provincial preacher in Euboea; then, in 1894, he was appointed dean of the Rizarios Ecclesiastical School in Athens. Through his eloquent sermons his unwearying labors to educate fitting men for the priesthood, his generous alms deeds despite his own poverty, and the holiness, meekness, and fatherly love that were manifest in him, he became a shining light and a spiritual guide to many. At the request of certain pious women, in 1904 he began the building of his convent of the Holy Trinity on the island of Aegina while yet dean of the Rizarios School; finding later that his presence there was needed, he took up his residence on Aegina in 1908, where he spent the last years of his life, devoting himself to the direction of his convent and to very intense prayer; he was sometimes seen lifted above the ground while rapt in prayer. He became the protector of all Aegina, through his prayers delivering the island from drought, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Here also he endured wicked slanders with singular patience, forgiving his false accusers and not seeking to avenge himself.

Although he had already worked wonders in life, an innumerable multitude of miracles have been wrought after his repose in 1920 through his holy relics, which for many years remained incorrupt. There is hardly a malady that has not been cured through his prayers; but Saint Nektarios is especially renowned for his healings of cancer for sufferers in all parts of the world.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

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

Today:

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

Tuesday, Nov. 11:

- Morning prayers, 9am
- Parish council (online), 7:30pm

Wednesday, Nov. 12

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

Thursday, Nov. 13:

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

Friday, Nov. 14: Morning prayers, 9am

Saturday, Nov. 15: Nativity Fast begins

- Icon workday, 9am
- Basics of Orthodoxy class, 6pm
- Vespers, 7pm

Next Sunday, Nov. 16:

- Orthros & Divine Liturgy, beginning at 8:30am
- Coffee hour provided by households R-Z
- 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.

NATIVITY FAST. Our next fasting period begins this 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

Date	Reader	Prospora	Greeter	Coffee	Food
Sun 11/9	Steve K	Sandy A	John O	Domitille	L-P
Sun 11/16*	Rich C	Sephora I	JoAnne T	Alina S	R-Z
Th. 11/20* <i>Entrance</i>	Joseph L	Debbie K	Azizeh	N/A	Potluck
Sun 11/23	Michelle	Pat K	Richard B	Zach C	A-F
Tues 11/25 <i>Thanksgiving</i>	Sdn. Joseph	Domitille	Nancy L	n/a	n/a
Sun 11/30	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 9-15, 2025

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

Sunday, November 9: St. Nektarios of Aegina and Pentapolis

John 21:14-25 / Galatians 6:6-18 / Luke 8:40-56

Monday, Nov. 10: Erastus, Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertius, Apostles of the 70

Song of Songs 4 / 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5 / Luke 12:22-34

Tuesday, Nov. 11: Menas of Egypt

Song of Songs 5 / 1 Thessalonians 1:6-10 / Luke 12:35-40

Wednesday, Nov. 12: John the Merciful, Patriarch of Alexandria; Martin, Bishop of Tours

Song of Songs 6 / 1 Thessalonians 2:1-8 / Luke 12:41-48

Thursday, Nov. 13: John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople

Song of Songs 7 / 1 Thessalonians 2:8-13 / Luke 12:49-59

Friday, Nov. 14: Philip the Apostle

Song of Songs 8 / 1 Thessalonians 2:14-20 / Luke 13:1-5

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1 Thessalonians 3:1-8 / Luke 13:6-9

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