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TONE 3

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EOTHINON 3

16TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST 16TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

*HIEROMARTYR BLAISE, BISHOP OF SEBASTIA AND COMPANIONS • THEODORA THE EMPRESS
NEW-MARTYR GEORGE OF SERBIA • VSEVOLOD, PRINCE AND WONDERWORKER OF PSKOV*

الأحد السادس عشر بعد العنصرة • الأحد السادس عشر من انجيل متى
تذكار والشَّهيدِ فِي الكَهَنَةِ فَلَاسِيوسَ السَّبْسَظِي وَمَنْ مَعَهُ • ثاودورة الملكة



Born in Cappadocia, Blaise (Vlassios) was meek and God-fearing from early childhood. During a period of violent persecution of Christians, Blaise encouraged his flock and visited the martyrs in prison, among them the famous Eustratius. Later in life, Blaise retired to the mountain of Argeos and lived there in a cave. Ferocious wild beasts, recognizing a holy man, came to him and he gently tamed them.

Persecutors sent by the Emperor Licinius found the Saint in that hidden spot and took him for trial. On the way there, Blaise healed a boy who had a bone stuck in his throat and, at the petition of a poor widow, made the wolf that had taken her pig return it to her.

The unjust judges tortured him, flogging him terribly. By his steadfastness, Blaise brought many unbelievers to the Christian Faith. Seven women and two children were thrown into prison with him. Together, they suffered and were glorified on this day in 316.

LITURGY VARIATIONS

3RD ANTIPHON (TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION, TONE 3)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

لَتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ وَتَبْتَهِجَ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ، لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عِزًّا
بِسَاعِدِهِ، وَوَطِئَ الْمَوْتَ بِالْمَوْتِ، وَصَارَ بِكُرِّ الْأَمْوَاتِ،
وَأُنْقَدْنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ، وَمَنَحَ الْعَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعُظْمَى.

Schedule of Regular Weekly Services

Sundays:	Matins, 9:15 AM	Confession:	After Saturday Vespers
	Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM		During Sunday Matins
Saturdays:	Great Vespers, 6:00 PM		Or by Appointment

See Calendar for Fast Days and Other Weekday Services Scheduled

Please turn cell phones off!



Order for Holy Communion

Members of the Orthodox Church age seven and above must prepare for Holy Communion with a recent confession, prayer, fasting from all food and drink from midnight (unless a medical condition preclude it), being in church *before* the Epistle and Gospel readings, and being at peace with everyone.

نظام المناولة المقدسة

يجب على أعضاء الكنيسة الأرثوذكسية من سن السابعة وما فوق، الاستعداد للمناولة المقدسة باعتراف حديث والصلاة والصوم عن جميع الأطعمة والمشروبات من منتصف الليل (ما لم تكن هناك موانع طبية)، والتواجد في الكنيسة قبل قراءات الرسالة والإنجيل، وأن يكونوا في سلام مع الجميع.

CHILDREN going to church school and their teachers should come down the center aisle first. (Small children may need to be assisted by their parents.)

ALL OTHERS should wait until an usher dismisses your row from the center aisle. Then return to your place by a side aisle for the prayers of thanksgiving and the final blessing and dismissal. Please let choir members pass when they come down for Communion.

A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Please note that participation in **Holy Communion is limited to members of the Orthodox Church** in good standing, who have prepared with prayer, fasting and a recent confession.

ترحيب حار بضيوفنا

نحن سعداء لأنكم تشاركون معنا في الصلاة. يرجى ملاحظة أن المشاركة في المناولة المقدسة تقتصر على أعضاء الكنيسة الأرثوذكسية الذين استعدوا أيضا بالصلاة والصوم والاعتراف الحديث.

For all others: though we cannot share Communion with you—since it is an expression of membership and full unity in faith—you are welcome to come forward after the dismissal, receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread (from the large bowls). Please also sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Fr. Nabil or Fr. Andrew during coffee hour. You may inquire with them how you can become a member.

APOLYTIKIA AFTER THE ENTRANCE

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3)

Let the heavens rejoice....

لِتَفْرَحَ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ....

Troparion of St. Blaise (Tone 4)

By choosing the Apostles' way of life, thou hast succeeded to their throne. Inspired by God, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation through the practice of virtue. After teaching the Word of Truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith to the very shedding of thy blood, O Holy Martyr among bishops Blaise. Entreat the Lord our God to save our souls.

صِرْتَ مُشَاهِبًا لِلرُّسُلِ فِي أَحْوَالِهِمْ وَخَلِيفَةً فِي كِرَاسِيهِمْ،
فَوَجَدْتَ بِالْعَمَلِ الْمِرْقَاةَ إِلَى الثَّائِرِيَّاتِ، أَيُّهَا اللّاهِجُ بِاللّهِ. لِأَجْلِ
ذَلِكَ تَتَّبَعْتَ كَلِمَةَ الْحَقِّ بِاسْتِقَامَةٍ وَجَاهَدْتَ عَنِ الْإِيمَانِ
حَتَّى الدَّمِ أَيُّهَا الشَّهِيدُ فِي الْكَهَنَةِ فِلاسيوس. فَتَشَفَّعْ إِلَى
المسيحِ الإلهِ أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ نَفُوسَنَا.

Troparion of St. Nicholas (Tone 4)

The verity of your actions revealed you to your flock, a rule of faith, an icon of mildness, and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas; wherefore by humility you have achieved exaltation and by poverty richness. Intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

لَقَدْ أَظْهَرْتَكَ أَعْمَالُ الْحَقِّ لِرِعِيَّتِكَ قَانُونًا لِلْإِيمَانِ، وَصُورَةً
لِلْوَدَاعَةِ، وَمُعَلِّمًا لِلْإِمْسَاكِ، أَيُّهَا الأَبُ وَرئيسُ الْكَهَنَةِ
نيقولاوس. فَلِذَلِكَ أَحْرَزْتَ بِالتَّوَاضُعِ الرِّفْعَةَ، وَبِالمسْكِنَةِ
الغنى. فَتَشَفَّعْ إِلَى المسيحِ الإلهِ أَنْ يُخَلِّصَ نَفُوسَنَا.

Kontakion of the Theotokos (Tone 2)

O undisputed Intercessor of Christians, the Mediatrix unrejected by the Creator, turn not away from the voice of our petitions, although 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.

يا سَفِيحَةَ الْمسيحيينَ غَيْرَ الخَازِنَةِ، الوَسيطَةَ لَدَى الخَالِقِ غَيْرِ
المَرْدُودَةِ، لا تُعْرِضِي عَن أصواتِ طَلِبَاتِنَا نَحْنُ الخَطَّاءَةُ، بَلْ
تَدَارِكِينَا بِالمَعُونَةِ بِمَا أَنَّكَ صَالِحَةٌ، نَحْنُ الصَّارِخِينَ إِلَيْكَ بِإِيمَانٍ:
بادِرِي إِلَى الشَّفَاعَةِ وَأَسْرِعِي فِي الطَّلِبَةِ، يا وَالِدَةَ الإلهِ،
المُنشَفِّعَةَ دَائِمًا بِمَكْرَمِيكَ.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Prokeimenon (Psalm 28.11, 1; Tone 7)

The Lord will give strength to His people.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord glory and honor.

Reading from St. Paul's 2nd Epistle to the Corinthians (6.1-10; 16th Sunday after Pentecost)

BRETHREN, working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

بروكيمنون (مزمور ٢٨، ١١، ١ سبع؛ اللحن ٧)

الرَّبُّ يُعْطِي قُوَّةً لَشَعْبِهِ.

قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ يَا أَبْنَاءَ اللَّهِ، قَدِّمُوا لِلرَّبِّ مَجْدًا وَكَرَامَةً.

فَصَلُّ مِنْ رِسَالَةِ الْقَدِيسِ بُولَسِ الثَّانِيَةِ إِلَى أَهْلِ كُورِنْثُوسِ
(١٠-٦، ١؛ لِلأحد السادس عشر بعد العنصرة)

يا إِخْوَةَ، بِمَا أَنَا مُعَاوَنُونَ، نَطْلُبُ إِلَيْكُمْ أَنْ لَا تَقْبَلُوا نِعْمَةَ اللَّهِ فِي الْبَاطِلِ. لِأَنَّهُ يَقُولُ "إِنِّي فِي وَقْتٍ مَقْبُولٍ اسْتَجَبْتُ لَكَ، وَفِي يَوْمِ خَلَاصٍ أَعْنَتُكَ." فَهَذَا الْآنَ وَقْتُ مَقْبُولٍ. هَذَا الْآنَ يَوْمُ خَلَاصٍ. وَلَسْنَا نَأْتِي بِمَعْتَرَةٍ فِي شَيْءٍ لِنَلَّا يَلْحَقَ الْخِدْمَةَ عَيْبٌ بَلْ نُظْهِرُ، فِي كُلِّ شَيْءٍ، أَنْفُسَنَا كَخُدَّامِ اللَّهِ، فِي صَبْرٍ كَثِيرٍ، فِي شِدَائِدٍ، فِي ضَرُورَاتٍ، فِي ضَبِقَاتٍ، فِي جَلَدَاتٍ، فِي سُجُونٍ، فِي اضْطِرَابَاتٍ، فِي أَتْعَابٍ، فِي أَسْهَارٍ، فِي أَصْوَامٍ، فِي طَهَارَةٍ، فِي مَعْرِفَةٍ، فِي طَوْلِ أَنَاةٍ، فِي رِفْقٍ، فِي الرُّوحِ الْقُدُّوسِ، فِي مَحَبَّةٍ بِلا رِيَاءٍ، فِي كَلِمَةِ الْحَقِّ، فِي قُوَّةِ اللَّهِ، بِأَسْلِحَةِ الْبِرِّ عَنِ الْيَمِينِ وَعَنِ الْيَسَارِ، بِمَجْدٍ وَهَوَانٍ، بِسُوءِ صِيَةٍ وَحُسْنِهِ. كَأَنَّا مُضِلُّونَ وَنَحْنُ صَادِقُونَ، كَأَنَّا مَجْهُولُونَ وَنَحْنُ مَعْرُوفُونَ، كَأَنَّا مَائِثُونَ وَهِيَ نَحْنُ أَحْيَاءٌ، كَأَنَّا مُؤَدَّبُونَ وَلَا نُقْتَلُ، كَأَنَّا خَزَائِنُ وَنَحْنُ دَائِمًا فَرِحُونَ، كَأَنَّا فُقَرَاءٌ وَنَحْنُ نَغْنِي كَثِيرِينَ، كَأَنَّا لَا شَيْءَ لَنَا وَنَحْنُ نَمْلِكُ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ.

**Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew
(25.14-30; 16th Sunday of Matthew)**

THE LORD SPOKE THIS PARABLE: A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying: "Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master." And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying: "Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master." He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying: "Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours." But his master answered him, "You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at

مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيزِ الطَّاهِرِ
(٢٥، ١٤ - ٣٠؛ الأحد السادس عشر)

قَالَ الرَّبُّ هَذَا الْمَثَلُ: إِنْسَانٌ مُسَافِرٌ دَعَا عَبِيدَهُ وَسَلَّمَهُمْ
أَمْوَالَهُ، فَأَعْطَى وَاحِدًا خَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ، وَآخَرَ وَزَنَتَيْنِ، وَآخَرَ
وَزَنَةً، كُلٌّ وَاحِدٍ عَلَى قَدْرِ طَاقَتِهِ. وَسَافَرَ لِلْوَقْتِ. فَمَضَى
الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْخَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ وَتَاجَرَ بِهَا، فَزَيْحَ خَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ
أُخَرَ. وَهَكَذَا الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْوَزَنَتَيْنِ، رَيْحَ أُيْضًا وَزَنَتَيْنِ أُخْرَيَيْنِ.
وَأَمَّا الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْوَزَنَةَ فَمَضَى وَحَفَرَ فِي الْأَرْضِ وَأَخْفَى فِضَّةَ
سَيِّدِهِ. وَبَعْدَ زَمَانٍ طَوِيلٍ أَتَى سَيِّدُ أَوْلِيَاكَ الْعَبِيدِ وَحَاسَبَهُمْ.
فَجَاءَ الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْخَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ وَقَدَّمَ خَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ أُخَرَ
قَائِلًا: يَا سَيِّدُ، خَمْسَ وَزَنَاتٍ سَلَّمْتَنِي. هُوَذَا خَمْسُ وَزَنَاتٍ
أُخَرَ رَجَعْتُهَا فَوْقَهَا. فَقَالَ لَهُ سَيِّدُهُ: نِعْمًا أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الصَّالِحُ
وَالْأَمِينُ! كُنْتَ أَمِينًا فِي الْقَلِيلِ فَأَقِيمُكَ عَلَى الْكَثِيرِ. ادْخُلْ
إِلَى فَرْحِ سَيِّدِكَ. ثُمَّ جَاءَ الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْوَزَنَتَيْنِ وَقَالَ: يَا سَيِّدُ،
وَزَنَتَيْنِ سَلَّمْتَنِي. هُوَذَا وَزَنَتَانِ أُخْرَيَانِ رَجَعْتُهُمَا فَوْقَهُمَا. قَالَ لَهُ
سَيِّدُهُ: نِعْمًا أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الصَّالِحُ الْأَمِينُ! كُنْتَ أَمِينًا فِي الْقَلِيلِ
فَأَقِيمُكَ عَلَى الْكَثِيرِ. ادْخُلْ إِلَى فَرْحِ سَيِّدِكَ. ثُمَّ جَاءَ أُيْضًا
الَّذِي أَخَذَ الْوَزَنَةَ الْوَاحِدَةَ وَقَالَ: يَا سَيِّدُ، عَرَفْتُ أَنَّكَ إِنْسَانٌ
قَاسٍ، تَحْصُدُ حَيْثُ لَمْ تَزْرَعْ، وَتَجْمَعُ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَمْ تَبْدُرْ.
فَخَفْتُ وَمَضَيْتُ وَأَخْفَيْتُ وَزَنَتِكَ فِي الْأَرْضِ. هُوَذَا الَّذِي
لَكَ. فَاجَابَ سَيِّدُهُ وَقَالَ لَهُ: أَيُّهَا الْعَبْدُ الْبَشِيرُ وَالْكَسَلَانُ،
عَرَفْتُ أَنِّي أَحْصُدُ حَيْثُ لَمْ أَزْرَعْ، وَاجْمَعْ مِنْ حَيْثُ لَمْ أَبْدُرْ،
فَكَانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ تَضَعَ فِضَّتِي عِنْدَ الصَّيَّارِفَةِ، فَعِنْدَ حَبِيئِي كُنْتُ
أَخُذُ الَّذِي لِي مَعَ رَبِّا. فَخُذُوا مِنْهُ الْوَزَنَةَ وَأَعْطُوهَا لِلَّذِي لَهُ
الْعَشْرُ وَزَنَاتٍ. لِأَنَّ كُلَّ مَنْ لَهُ يُعْطَى فَيَزْدَادُ، وَمَنْ لَيْسَ لَهُ

my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.” As Jesus said these things He cried out: “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”

فَالَّذِي عِنْدَهُ يُؤَخِّدُ مِنْهُ. وَالْعَبْدُ الْبَطَلُ اطْرَحُوهُ إِلَى الظُّلْمَةِ
الْخَارِجِيَّةِ، هُنَاكَ يَكُونُ الْبُكَاءُ وَصْرِيرُ الْأَسْنَانِ. وَلَمَّا قَالَ هَذَا
نَادَى مِنْ لَهُ أُذُنَانِ لِلسَّمْعِ فَلْيَسْمَعِ.

HOLY OBLATIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

Offered by	For the Health of	In Memory of
Mark, Adele, Nicholas, Luke and Vivian Crawford	The Simon and Shadid families	
Ronald and Rose Samore	Their children and grandchildren	
Curtis Annett and family		Julie Annett (17 Years)
Robert, Fr. Andrew, Ruth, John, Daniel and Mary Andrews, Christina and Jonesy Worrall	Their children and grandchildren Nicholas, Robert, James, Christian, Christopher, Samuel and Matthew	Adrienne Andrews (mother/grandmother, 3-day memorial)
George, Mariam, Mark, Antonio and Hend Bshara		
Ehab, Rania, Sami, Selena and Anthony Dahabreh		Hani Tadros (Rania's father) and Nawal Hawatmeh Dahabreh (Ehab's mother)

CHURCH SCHOOL FOLLOWS HOLY COMMUNION

Today: our classes will continue the study of St. Paul’s Epistle to the Romans— **Lesson II.2: “Chrismation.”** Please discuss it with your children at home, to reinforce their lessons.

You will find the **Church School Calendar online** and updated with changes (scan the QR code at right, or enter <https://bit.ly/SNCschool23-24>).



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AFTER LITURGY

Following the dismissal and announcements, come forward for a blessing, then exit via the south (right side/chapel area) doors, and join us in the Heritage Ballroom for refreshments.

- Coffee hour is hosted today by the St. Nicholas Ladies' Society.

Upcoming Coffee Hour Schedule

February 18	Lunch and Annual General Assembly Meeting
February 25	Lunch with Metropolitan Saba
March 3	OPEN
March 10	Ladies' Society: "Hamburger Bar" for Meatfare Sunday
March 17	Dale and Robin Nicola (in memory of son Gregory)
March 24	OPEN
March 31	OPEN



Please consider sponsoring a Coffee Hour after Liturgy. The time of fellowship after the Divine Liturgy is integral to the life of our community. It provides an opportunity for visitors to be fully welcomed and for the rest of us to enjoy visiting with our church family members.

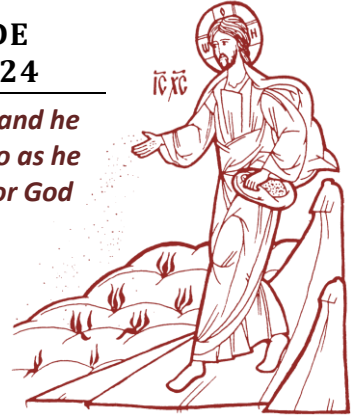
We have many openings for YOU to host coffee hour. Call/text Joujou George (562) 522-1322, or email her at ginageorge@verizon.net to reserve a Sunday.

·THE SOWER OF GOOD SEEDS·

THANKS AND BLESSINGS ON ALL WHO HAVE MADE THEIR STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENTS FOR 2024

The point is this: he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has decided in his heart, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. (2 Corinthians 9.6-7)

هَذَا وَإِنَّ مَنْ يَزْرَعُ بِالسَّخِّ فَيَالسَّخِّ أَيْضًا يَحْصُدُ، وَمَنْ يَزْرَعُ بِالْبَرَكَاتِ فَيَالْبَرَكَاتِ أَيْضًا يَحْصُدُ. كُلُّ وَاحِدٍ كَمَا يَنْوِي بِقَلْبِهِ، لَيْسَ عَنْ حُزْنٍ أَوْ اضْطِرَارٍ. لِأَنَّ الْمُعْطِيَ الْمَسْرُورَ يُحِبُّهُ اللَّهُ. (٢ كورنثوس ٩، ٦-٩)



If you haven't done so yet, we ask you to consider prayerfully your stewardship commitment for this year. Please place your pledge card in the collection basket, in the offering box at the candle stand, or return it by mail.

You will find extra pledge cards in the narthex. (They look like the facsimile at right.) You can even enter your pledge as a recurring donation online yourself at stnicholasla.org/contributions



OFFICIAL NOTICE OF ANNUAL CATHEDRAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Our annual general assembly will be held after Liturgy on Sunday, February 18, 2024, immediately after the Liturgy and lunch.

Reports from the organizations and financial reports are being compiled in a packet and will be made available via a download link to be emailed in advance of the meeting. A few paper copies will also be printed and made available for those who desire them. (If you are an organization head or treasurer, please submit your report to the Cathedral office **ASAP**.)

If you would like to nominate someone, or you are possibly interested in serving God through the Cathedral Council yourself, please contact a member of our nominations committee, by February 10:

John Nahas (818-438-9707), sjohn.nahas@gmail.com

Shadi Omeish (702- 743-5747), Shadi.omeish@1hotels.com

Lamia Qafaiti (323-597-7332), qafaiti@yahoo.com

Voting members at the Annual Meeting are comprised of all adult members of the Orthodox Church, who are in good spiritual standing at St. Nicholas Cathedral and whose pledges and contributions are current through 2023. *Note that "nominations from the floor" means that voting members can make nominations, but they must still go through the committee, prior to the meeting to confirm they meet basic eligibility requirements: candidates must be in good spiritual standing, have made and fulfilled their stewardship pledge, be at least 18 years of age and members of the Cathedral for at least one year. Candidates must have accepted nomination and signed the Archdiocese standard affirmation form.*

JOIN THE ORDER OF ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH, OR UPGRADE

Metropolitan Saba will love inducting you during his first visit to the Cathedral, on Sunday, February 25.

Have you thought about joining the Order? Do you have any questions about the Order and what it does? Please see Concetta Smarius during coffee hour, or contact her at concettasmarius@yahoo.com.



METROPOLITAN SABA WILL BE VISITING US

His Eminence, Metropolitan Saba, will be making his first pastoral visit to this area this month.

**Sunday, February 25:
9 am Reception of the Metropolitan,
Followed by Matins and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy**

A **Formal Lunch in honor of Sayidna's first visit** will follow immediately. We expect a large crowd, so please make your reservations ASAP:

Adults \$30, Children (12 and under) \$15

See **Georgette Malouf** during coffee TODAY, or contact her at 818-391-6217 or gette0324@yahoo.com.



You can also sign up online: scan the QR code, or enter <http://tinyurl.com/Sayidna2024>

Please see Fr. Nabil if you cannot afford it, and we will take care of it discreetly. We just want all of our Cathedral to be together.

**ST MATTHEW YOUNG ADULTS
INVITE YOU TO OUR:**


**3RD ANNUAL CHRISTMAS
TREE BURNING**

WHERE: DOCKWEILER BEACH
FIRE PITS

WHEN: SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 18TH
@ 5PM

\$10 SUGGESTED DONATION FOR FOOD COSTS

QUESTIONS: CONTACT SETH @ 310-977-1962



ST NICHOLAS LA
YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY

**2024 YAM
SEASON OPENER**

APPETIZER COOKOFF!

SATURDAY 655 Driftwood Ln,
San Dimas CA
2/17 @12:30PM 91773

Bring your best appetizer to our potluck and we'll vote on the winner!



SIGN UP USING THE QR CODE OR THE LINK IN BIO





KICK-OFF MEETING

NEW FOCUS CENTER

FEBRUARY 29, 2024 @ 6:00PM

Saint Nicholas Cathedral
2300 West 3rd Street
Los Angeles CA 90057

Help us serve our needy neighbors in Los Angeles. Join us as we begin developing a new Orthodox Christian service and outreach ministry. We'll (i) review the plan, (ii) build our team, and (iii) get to work! Dinner will be served. All are invited.

RSVP BY FEBRUARY 22: CHRISTOFOROU@FOCUSNA.ORG

LAUNCHING FOCUS LOS ANGELES

With the wonderful growth of our charity work throughout Southern California, we are now launching separate FOCUS Centers for Los Angeles, Orange and San Diego Counties, each with its own full-time director.

Orthodox Christians from across LA County, who want to help lead this effort, will gather for dinner and planning at St. Nicholas Cathedral on February 29. *FOCUS already received a \$65,000 matching grant for the launch.*

RSVP, then come and join us!



To Register
go to
[https://tithe.ly/
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**ST NICHOLAS
FAMILY CAMP**
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Camp St Nicholas
11770 Frontier Road
Frazier Park, CA
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MARCH 8-10, 2024

Or Scan:



Join us for a fun filled weekend at Camp St Nicholas. We will arrive on Friday evening, March 8 and return home on Sunday afternoon, March 10. All ages are invited to participate. We will have a spiritual workshop on Saturday followed by an afternoon of family fun and snow (hopefully). We will celebrate Vespers on Saturday evening and the Divine Liturgy on Sunday morning in the Camp Chapel.

Adults - \$145. 7-17 Years - \$100. Under 7 - Free.

For more information contact the Cathedral Office at (213) 382-6269

APRIL 19 - 21, 2024

45th ANNUAL

**ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN'S LENTEN RETREAT
DIOCESE OF LOS ANGELES AND THE WEST**



We are honored to have Kh. Susan Wallace from St. James Antiochian Orthodox Church in Stillwater, OK as our Retreat Speaker.



Her topic will be

“Ascending the Mountain; moving deeper into the Heart of God”

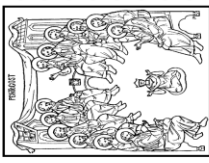
SAVE THE DATE - PLAN TO ATTEND
Watch for full registration details soon!

For questions, please contact
Georgette Malouf via email:
gette0324@yahoo.com

With the blessing of His Eminence, Metropolitan SABA, St. Luke's invites you to join Singers/Chanters from the Diocese of Los Angeles and the West for:



A MUSICAL JOURNEY FROM PASCHA TO PENTECOST



Saturday, March 16, 2024
FREE Workshop begins at 9AM
Great Vespers at 5PM

With choral and chant presentations by:

Archpriest Timothy Baclog Archpriest Michael Tassos
St. Michael, Van Nuys *St. Luke, Garden Grove*

Mareena Boosamra Ball
Antiochian Archdiocese National Sacred Music Choir

Reader Patrick Haddad
Director of Music Ministries - St. Nicholas Cathedral, Los Angeles

Regina Roum
Diocese of Los Angeles and the West Sacred Music Choir

The workshops, lunch, and snacks are hosted by St. Luke's. Optional Middle Eastern Dinner Afterwards | Cost is \$20 per person

Please email or call Anna Nasser at St. Luke's
BEFORE Monday, March 11, 2024 if you plan to attend the workshop and/or the dinner afterwards.
714-971-2244 | saintlukesoc@gmail.com

ST. LUKE ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH
13261 DUNKLEE AVE, GARDEN GROVE, CA 92840

CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST

Please include in your daily prayers the following—those struggling with acute illness and those newly departed this life—from our parishioners and those for whom they have requested our prayers. (Names are kept for 40 days, until the date indicated after the name, and may be renewed upon request.)

LIVING

Leroy Simon, hospital, 3/16
Kamile Waimrin, home, 3/12
George Ghaoui, home, 3/10
Ousama Zabaneh, home, 3/7
Natalie Waimrin, hospital, 3/4
Hayat Kassab Alchammas, home, 2/29
Leila Milkie, rehab., 2/27
Fadi Nakhleh, home, 2/13
Julian F. Capata, son of Julian and Shirley Capata, 3/22
Angele Wahhab, mother of Lamia Qafaiti, 3/7
Elham Alloush, mother of Arij Watfa Alchammas, 2/29
All those suffering from illness, violence and want in the Gaza conflict, in this country and throughout the world

DEPARTED

Protodeacon George Moubayed, St. Mark Church, Irvine, 3/15
Adrienne Andrews, 3/19
Albert Malouf, 3/16
Isabel Elac, 2/17
Jeanette Shammas, 2/17
Ronald Davis, Kh. Ruth's father, 2/27
Kh. Dina Bahou, St. George Church, San Diego, 2/11
Victims of the Gaza conflict and of violence everywhere

ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL CALENDAR

February 2024

Sun. 11	Spanish Mission Liturgy , 7:45 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fellowship and Bible Study in Spanish Matins , 9:15 am Divine Liturgy , 10:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church School • Coffee Hour
Mon. 12	Cathedral Council online meeting, 7 pm
Tue. 13	Choir dinner and practice, 6:30 pm
Fri. 16 – Mon. 19	Winter Camp at Camp St. Nicholas
Sat. 17	Young Adult Appetizer Party, 12:30 pm at the home of Patrick and Reema Haddad Great Vespers and Confessions, 6 pm
Sun. 18	Spanish Mission Liturgy , 7:45 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fellowship and Bible Study in Spanish Matins , 9:15 am Divine Liturgy , 10:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lunch • Annual General Assembly
Tue. 20	Choir dinner and practice, 6:30 pm
Thu. 22	Funeral for Albert Malouf noon
Sat. 24	FOCUS Food Distribution, 9 am Great Vespers and Confessions, 6 pm
Sun. 25	Metropolitan Saba's First Visit to St. Nicholas Cathedral Reception of Metropolitan into Cathedral , 9 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Matins and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy • Lunch Banquet

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR and latest additions and updates at stnicholasla.org/parishcalendar