

Holy Resurrection Orthodox Church

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese

“... the Disciples were called Christians first in Antioch!” Acts 11:26

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25TH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & HOLY GREAT MARTYR BARBARA & ST. JOHN OF DAMASCUS

Great-martyr Barbara of Heliopolis in Syria; Venerable John of Damascus; Martyr Juliana;
 New-hieromartyr Seraphim, bishop of Phanar in Greece

HYMNS AFTER THE LITTLE ENTRANCE

Troparion of the Resurrection – Tone 8

You descended from on high, O Compassionate One. You endured burial until the third day, to set us free from passions. O Lord, our life and our resurrection, glory to You!

Troparion for Saint Barbara – Tone 4

Let us honor the all-revered Saint Barbara, for she did demolish the gins of the adversary and escaped from them like a bird, by the help of the Cross as with a weapon.

Troparion for John of Damascus – Tone 8

Thou best shown thyself, O God-inspired John, as a guide to the Orthodox Faith, a teacher of true worship and purity, O star of the universe and companion of the Bishops, O wise one. Through thy light thou best enlightened all, O harp of the Spirit. Therefore, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Titular Feast of the Church (Kontakion for Pascha) – Tone 8

You descended into the tomb O immortal; You destroyed the power of death. In victory you arose O Christ God, proclaiming ‘Rejoice’ to the myrrh-bearing women. Granting peace to Your apostles, and bestowing Resurrection on the fallen.

Kontakion of the Preparation for the Nativity – Tone 3

Today the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth in an ineffable manner to the Word before the ages. Rejoice, therefore, O universe, when thou hearest, and glorify with the angels and shepherds him who shall appear by his own will as a new babe, being God before the ages.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

❖ **Parish Council** – The Parish Council will meet on Saturday, December 17, at 4:00 p.m.

SNACKS: 12/04 VAN SICKLE | 12/11 BRIGHT | 12/18 BYLEN

CALENDAR (☒ Denotes Fast Day)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
☒ Dec 4	☒ Dec 5	☒ Dec 6	☒ Dec 7	☒ Dec 8	☒ Dec 9	☒ Dec 10
Orthros - 8:45am Liturgy - 9:30am		St. Nicholas Wonder Worker Curt Parrish	Vespers- 7:00pm			Great Vespers- 6:00pm
☒ Dec 11	☒ Dec 12	☒ Dec 13	☒ Dec 14	☒ Dec 15	☒ Dec 16	☒ Dec 17
Orthros - 8:45am Liturgy - 9:30am Hilary Lear			Vespers- 7:00pm	Len & Denise Lynch	Fr. Gregory Owen	Parish Council- 4:00pm Great Vespers- 6:00pm

CHANGES/ADDITIONS TO CALENDAR OR PRAYER LIST MAY BE SENT TO 'MITCH.BRIGHT@GMAIL.COM' OR CALL 219.840.0120

PRAYER REMINDER

Fr. Alexander Atty
 Fr. Paisius (The Academy)
 St. Moses Community
 Chaplain Terry Harman
 Max
 Pat
 Dan Rhodes
 Lydia

Frank
 Sonja
 Sharon
 Mark
 Cathy
 Shane
 Mike Duvall
 Trevor Butler
 Michelle & child

Kay
 Alex Mellinger
 Chris Tucker
 Reader John Hockman
 Jenna Van Sickle
 Richard & Susan Cain
 Keith Van Sickle & Family
 Valerie Werner

Orthodox Departed

THE EPISTLE READING GALATIANS 3:23-29; 4:1-5

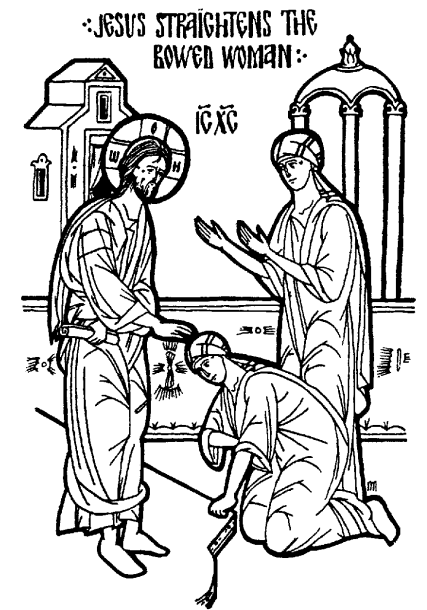
Prokeimenon: *God is wonderful in his saints.
Bless God in the congregations.*

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians.

BRETHREN, before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

THE GOSPEL READING ST. LUKE 13:10-17

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.



WORDS OF WISDOM

“From the Spirit comes our new birth, and from the new birth our new creation, and from the new creation our deeper knowledge of the dignity of Him from whom it is derived.”

St. Gregory of Nazianzus