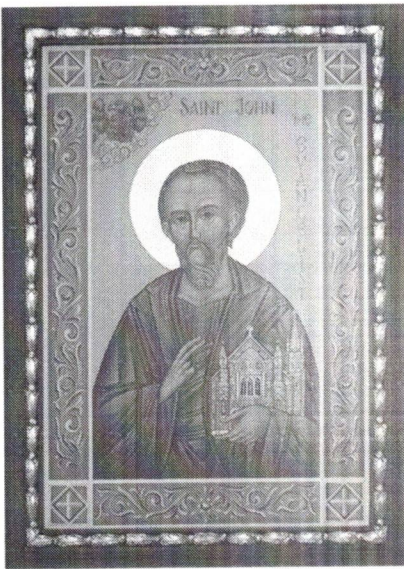




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***Jesus said, "If anyone loves Me, he will keep My Word; and My Father will love him, and We will come to him and make Our home with him. (John 16:23 )  
When a new person is baptized or Chrismated we say to that person, "Welcome Home!" The Church is where each person voluntarily belongs as one who believes in and belongs to Christ .***

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***We take this opportunity to welcome those guests worshipping with us.***

***Anyone wishing to request prayers for Health and Well-being, or a Trisagion prayer,  
please contact Fr. Seraphim***

***The Orthodox Church understands that the sacraments we experience are a fundamental part of the sacred life of a worshipping community that shares in "one body...one faith". (Eph. 4:5). Thus, we can only share Communion with those who are Orthodox and who have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and Confession. If you are not Orthodox, or are not properly prepared, you are welcome to come forward and receive a blessing and then to take a piece of the blessed bread.***

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# **DIVINE LITURGY ON SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 03, 2024**

## **TONE 2 / EOTHINON 8; NINETEENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST & FIFTH SUNDAY OF LUKE**

MARTYRS AKEPSIMAS, JOSEPH AND AEITHALAS OF PERSIA;

DEDICATION OF ST. GEORGE CHURCH IN LYDDA OF PALESTINE;

HIEROMARTYR GEORGE OF NEAPOLIS; THEODORE THE CONFESSOR,  
BISHOP OF ANCYRA

### **RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO**

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hades with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

### **APOLYTIKION FOR THE PERSIAN MARTYRS IN TONE FOUR**

*(\*\*Be quick to anticipate\*\*)*

Thy martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee \* received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. \* For, since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants \* and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. \* O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

### **APOLYTIKION FOR ST. GEORGE THE GREAT-MARTYR IN TONE FOUR**

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of captives, a help and support of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for kings, O great among Martyrs, the victory-clad George; intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

### **APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST**

O beloved Apostle of Christ God, Come quick and save a people with no recourse. He who let you rest your head on his breast, will not reject your pleas on our behalf. Beseech him then, O wise and holy theologian. Dispel from us the dark and ominous clouds of disbelief. Grant us all of his peace and great mercy.



## KONTAKION

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

## THE EPISTLE

(For the Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

***The Lord is my strength and my song.***

***The Lord has chastened me severely.***

**The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the  
Corinthians. (11:31-12:9)**

Brethren, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus Christ, the One who is blessed for evermore, knows that I do not lie. In Damascus, the governor under Arétas the king guarded the city of the Damascenes, willing to seize me, and through a window I was let down in a basket by the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast, though it is not expedient; but I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body, I do not know, or whether out of the body, I do not know; God knows—who was caught up to the third heaven. And I know that this man—whether in the body or out of the body, I do not know; God knows—was caught up into Paradise, and heard unspeakable words, which no person is allowed to utter. On behalf of this one I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my infirmities. For if I would desire to boast, I shall not be foolish, for I shall speak the truth. But I refrain from it, lest anyone should think of me above that which he sees me to be, or hears from me. And to keep me from being exalted above measure through the abundance of revelations, I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to buffet me, to keep me from being exalted above measure. For this thing I beseeched the Lord three times, that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for thee, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Most gladly therefore will I rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

## **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.' And 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.'

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### **November Trisagions TODAY**

**George Tony d. Nov 3, Father of Patti Paulin**  
**Anne Kavchok d. Nov 5, Mother of Joann Rossman**



## **NOVEMBER SERVICES**

**November 2nd Saturday — Great Vespers 5 PM**

**November 3rd Sunday — Matins 9AM / Divine Liturgy 10AM**

### **ELECTION DAY—NOVEMBER 5TH**

***\*November 6th Wednesday* — 6PM COMPLINE PRAYERS, A  
LIGHT MEAL & TIME OF STUDY/FELLOWSHIP**

**November 9th Saturday — Great Vespers 5PM**

**November 10th Sunday — Matins 9AM / Divine Liturgy 10AM**

***\*November 13th Wednesday* — 6PM COMPLINE PRAYERS, A  
LIGHT MEAL & TIME OF STUDY/FELLOWSHIP**

**November 16th Saturday— Community Breakfast 8:30-10:30AM  
NO GREAT VESPERS**

**November 17th Sunday — Matins 9AM / Divine Liturgy 10AM  
Council Meeting 10 Noon**

**November 20th Wednesday — Divine Liturgy 6PM  
ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS INTO THE TEMPLE  
followed by LIGHT MEAL in Hall.**

**Prayers are offered for the health and well-being of:**

Fr. Steven, Kh. Paraskeva, Ann, Carol, Debbie, Jim, Shannon, Aiden, Elise, Justin, Sassic Family, Harriet, Jan, Fr. Andrew, Frank, Yvonne, Mary Jo, Charlene, Cindy, Joann, Marlene, Ray and Julianna.

**For Thou are the Resurrection, the Life, and the Repose of Thy servants who have fallen asleep especially:**

Prayers are offered in memory of Infant Micah and Eleanor

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**THE NATIVITY FAST (ST. PHILLIP’S FAST) BEGINS ON  
NOVEMBER 15TH AND END ON DECEMBER 24TH  
FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY.**

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***THOUGHT FOR THE DAY***

“Bitterness produces wrath, wrath anger, anger clamor, clamor railing, that is revilings; next from evil-speaking it goes on to blows, from blows to wounds, from wounds to death.

(St. John Chrysostom)

## THE ROLE OF ANGELS IN GOD'S CREATION

**T**he Nicene Creed proclaims that God is the "Creator of Heaven and earth, and of all things, visible and invisible." Just who are these invisible entities created by our Heavenly Father? They are angels. According to the Scriptures and Holy Tradition, the Orthodox Church has provided us with the names of seven leaders of the heavenly powers. Perhaps the best known is the Archangel Michael. Michael in Hebrew means "Who is equal to God?" Of course, no one is like God - that is why he captained the army that drove Lucifer from heaven, for in his pride, Lucifer believed himself to be God's equal. Gabriel ("power of God") is known for being God's chosen messenger. He is best remembered for announcing to the Virgin Mary that she was to give birth to Christ. Raphael means "God's healing." For this reason, he is often depicted holding a physician's

jar in his hand. The fourth angel with which we are familiar is Uriel - "light of God." We usually see Uriel holding a sword in his right hand and a burning branding iron in his left. Angel #5 - Jegudiel - literally means "one who glorifies God." We often find Jegudiel bearing a golden wreath in one hand and a whip in the other. Barachiel, another of the angels known by name, is commonly found wearing a white rose on his breast. His name is translated as "the blessing of God." Finally, we find the angel Salathiel - "one who prays with God." Fittingly enough, Salathiel is depicted in a posture of prayer, with hands folded and head bowed. What purpose do angels serve? They constantly minister at God's Holy Throne. They are God's messengers, who serve Him in whatever way He desires. Finally, they fill the important role as our protectors and guardians.

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