

October 1, 2017

PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS

Holy Apostle Ananias of the Seventy

The Holy Apostle Ananias of the Seventy (October 1), was the first Bishop of Damascus. The Lord ordered him to restore the sight of Saul, the former persecutor of Christians, then baptize him (Acts 9:10-19, 22:12). Saul became the great preacher and Apostle Paul. Saint Ananias boldly and openly confessed Christianity before the Jews and the pagans, despite the danger.



From Damascus he went to preach at Eleutheropolis, where he healed many of their infirmities. Lucian, the prefect of the city, tried to persuade the holy one to offer sacrifice to idols. Because of Ananias' staunch and solid confession of Christ, Lucian ordered that he be tortured. Harsh torments did not sway the witness of Truth. Then the torturers led him out beyond the city, where they stoned him. The saint prayed for those who put him to death. His relics were later transferred to Constantinople.

Text and Image from <https://oca.org/saints/lives/2017/10/01/102825-apostle-ananias-of-the-seventy>

Beloved, let us love one another, for love is of God; and everyone who loves is born of God and knows God.

He who does not love does not know God, for God is love.

In this the love of God was manifested toward us, that God has sent His only begotten Son into the world, that we might live through Him.

In this is love, not that we loved God, but that He loved us and sent His Son to be the propitiation for our sins.

Beloved, if God so loved us, we also ought to love one another.

1 John 4:7-11

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts 11:26)



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COMMEMORATIONS:

APOSTLE ANANIAS OF THE SEVENTY, FIRST BISHOP OF DAMASCUS (1ST C.)

MIRACLE OF THE PILLAR WITH THE ROBE OF THE LORD UNDER IT AT MTSKHETA (GEORGIA, 330)

MARTYR DOMNINOS OF THESSALONICA (4TH C.)
RIGHTEOUS FATHER ROMANOS THE MELODIST (556)

MARTYR MICHAEL, ABBOT IN ARMENIA, AND 36 FATHERS WITH HIM (790)

VENERABLE JOHN KOUKOUZELIS (CA. 1341) & GREGORY THE DOMESTIKOS (1355) OF THE GREAT LAVRA ON ATHOS

VENERABLE SABBAS OF VISHERA IN RUSSIA (1461)

Tone 8

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Matins Gospel: St. Luke 24:36-53

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16 - 7:1

Liturgy Gospel: Luke 6:31-36

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 8 - From the heights Thou didst descend, O Compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion. Thou art our Life and our Resurrection, O Lord. Glory to Thee!

TODAY: **Forty Days of Growth in Stewardship begins.**
Coffee Hour, Sunday School & Teens.
Women of St Philip's

SAINT PHILIP'S is a place of prayer and repentance and a "Pan-Orthodox" parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese, serving Orthodox Christians of all backgrounds in the English language. If you are a newcomer to our community, please sign our guest book, and stay with us for the Coffee Hour today. AND, WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU AGAIN!

PLEASE NOTE: Holy Communion is only for practicing Orthodox Christians who are following the commandments and have prepared themselves through fasting, prayer, and recent confession, and who are dressed modestly and arrived on time for the Liturgy. All are welcome to kiss the Cross and receive Blessed Bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

PLEASE PARK ONLY IN DESIGNATED PARKING SPACES; OTHER AREAS MUST REMAIN FREE FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE ACCESS.

AMPLE PARKING is always available for Church Services in lots just across Clearview Rd, thanks to our good neighbors at Solar Atmospheres. Thank you.

THE ALTAR CANDLES are lighted today by the Shaw family, in thanksgiving for blessings received (Helen's birthday - MANY YEARS!).

MANY THANKS to Tadesse Abay & Hirut Demis for sponsoring today's coffee hour. **EVERYONE** is invited to stay for refreshments after the Divine Liturgy.

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS are needed for most of the rest of the year. Please take a turn.

THIS WEEK'S GREETERS: Greg & Jennifer Howanetz

THIS WEEK'S CLEANING TEAM: Kim Berman; Todd & Kristi Moore

THANK YOU to all who fulfill these ministries!

Mark Your Calendar:

Intro to Orthodoxy - Fall Series

Saturdays at 4:30, Sept 23 - Nov 18 (exc. Nov 4)

Village at Home

Saturday, November 11

Flyer and registration form on the bulletin board.

Metr. Ephraim Kyriakos Visit

Nov 11-14

Holy Apostle Philip

Monday, November 13 - Vespers & Artoklasia 6 pm, Orthros 7 pm

Tuesday, November 14 - Divine Liturgy 10 am

Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Monday, November 20 - Vespers & Artoklasia 6 pm, Orthros 7 pm

Tuesday, November 21 - Divine Liturgy 10 am

Advent Retreat

Saturday, December 9

Drs. David & Mary Ford: *When the Foundations Are Shaken: Biblical & Patristic Wisdom for Living through Spiritual Upheaval*

Bp Thomas visit

December 15-17

Nativity of Christ

Sunday, December 24 - Orthros 8:45 am, Liturgy 10 am

Vespers & Artoklasia 6 pm, Festal Orthros 7 pm

Monday, December 25 - Festal Liturgy 9 am; Vespers for Synaxis 6 pm

Forty Days of Growth in Stewardship 2018

"I have a holy task for you"

(Father Boniface)

Everyday Evangelist

"As the Father has sent me, so I send you." (Jn 20:21)

Get to know your neighbors and their needs. Volunteer to help.

This Week:

Monday, Oct 2: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.

Tuesday, Oct 3: **DIVINE LITURGY** for St Dionysios, 10 a.m.
Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 12 p.m.

Wednesday, Oct 4: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.
COMPLINE 7 p.m.
Chanting Workshop, 7:30 p.m.

Thursday, Oct 5: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.

Friday, Oct 6: 6th HOUR, 12 p.m.

Saturday, Oct 7: Intro to Orthodoxy, 4:30 p.m.
VESPERS, 6 p.m.

Sunday, Oct 8: **MATINS 8:45 a.m., LITURGY 10 a.m.**
Coffee Hour & Teens after Liturgy.

OUTREACH COLLECTION: Bath & Shower Products

WISDOM FROM FATHER B.: He's Already Had His Reward.

ATTENDANCE: At Vespers on Sep 23: 41 Divine Services on Sep 24: 177
OFFERINGS: Candles, \$239.25 Collections, \$759. Youth, \$7.
BookShelf, \$20. IOCC, \$203. Stewardship, \$3,482. Total received:
\$4,710.25

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY

FR NOAH, FR JAMES, & FR HERMAN are available for hospital visits. If you or anyone you know is in the hospital or homebound and would like a visit, please call the church office.