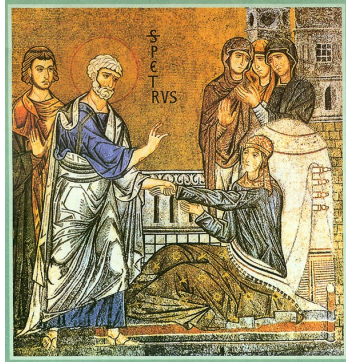


**Saint Tabitha the Widow,
raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter
(October 25)**

Saint Tabitha, the widow raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter, was a virtuous and kindly woman who belonged to the Christian community in Joppa. Being grievously ill, she suddenly died. At the time, the Apostle Peter was preaching at Lydda, not far from Joppa. Messengers were sent to him with an urgent request for help. When the Apostle arrived at Joppa, Tabitha was already dead. On bended knee, Saint Peter made a fervent prayer to the Lord. Then he went to the bed and called out, "Tabitha, get up!" She arose, completely healed (Acts 9:36).



Saint Tabitha is considered the patron saint of tailors and seamstresses, since she was known for sewing coats and other garments (Acts 9:39).

TROPARION — TONE 1

With the flow of the many-streamed river of almsgiving / you watered the dry earth of the needy. / Showering alms on the widows and the poor, / you shone with the light of your works / and were radiant with grace, O Tabitha. / Glory to Christ who loves you! / Glory to Christ who has blessed you! / Glory to Christ whom you followed as a true disciple and a spotless lamb!

KONTAKION — TONE 2

You served the Savior in holiness / by your God-fearing deeds, / and were a model of love as his disciple. / O Tabitha, we praise your memory!

(Taken from <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2020/10/25/103058-saint-tabitha-the-widow-raised-from-the-dead-by-the-apostle-pete>)

***Please Note the Tithe & Offering Box
(locked) in the Narthex!***



**ST. PHILIP
ORTHODOX
CHURCH**

A Parish of the
Antiochian Archdiocese

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH



His Grace Bishop THOMAS



Father Noah Bushelli, Pastor

215-954-9286



Father James Thayer

215-692-0890

October 25, 2020

**TWENTIETH SUNDAY AFTER
PENTECOST**

COMMEMORATIONS:

MARTYRS MARCIAN AND MARTYRIOS THE NOTARIES
MARTYRS VALERIOS AND CHRYSAPHIOS
TABITHA THE MERCIFUL, RAISED FROM THE DEAD BY
THE APOSTLE PETER
RELICS TRANSLATION OF VENERABLE SABBAS THE
SANCTIFIED & VENERABLE JOHN OF BEVERLY

Tone 3 - Eothinon 9

Orthros Gospel: St. John 20:19-31

Epistle: Galatians 1:11-19

Liturgy Gospel: St. Luke 8:26-39

RESURRECTION TROPARION - 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 depth of hades, granting the world the Great Mercy!

APOLYTIKION OF SS. MARCIAN & MARTYRIOS THE NOTARIES - Tone 4 - 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.

TODAY: ORTHROS & Confession 8:45 a.m.
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.
Outdoor Sunday School, Teens, & Catechism
Stewardship Presentation
ANNUAL PARISH MEETING, 12:45 p.m.

***40 Days of Growth in Stewardship continues!
Theme: "The Seal of the Gift of the Holy Spirit"***

1970 Clearview Road, Souderton, PA 18964

www.st-philip.net (215) 721-4947

Emails: office@st-philip.net nbushelli@gmail.com frjamesthayer@gmail.com

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 10:00 - 3:00

Fr Noah & Fr James 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.

Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	This Week:	Next Week (Nov 1):
PROSPHORA BREAD:	MaryLynne Black	Kristi Moore
USHERS:	Rdr. Nathan & Steve K.	Colin M. & Rdr. Nick Mor.
ALTAR CANDLES:	Louise Shaheen Memory Eternal, Larry!	----
ALTAR BOYS:	“Archangel Gabriel”	“Archangel Michael”
CLEANING TEAM:	Jamil & Nicole Kyriakos family	Todd & Kendra and Natalia M

Mark Your Calendar:

Vigil for St. Raphael

Friday, November 6 – Starting at 6:30 pm
Vespers, Orthros, Liturgy

Virtual Fall Retreat & Meetings 2020 for

Eastern Dioceses

November 12-15

Feast of St. Philip

Friday, November 13
Vespers & Artoklasia 6:30 pm
Orthros 7:30 pm
Saturday, November 14
Divine Liturgy 10 am

Nativity Fast

November 15-December 24

Entrance of the Theotokos

Friday, November 20
Vespers 6:30 pm; Orthros 7:30 pm
Saturday, November 21
Liturgy, 10 am

Feast of the Nativity of Christ

Thursday, December 24
Royal Hours, 8 am
Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil, 9 am
Festal Orthros, 9:30 pm
Divine Liturgy, 11 pm
Friday, December 25
Vespers for the Synaxis
of the Theotokos, 12 pm
Saturday, December 26
Orthros 9 am; Liturgy 10 am

Pray For:

Living	Departed
Doris & John	+Laurence
Apr. Gregory & Family	+Margaret
Aristidis	+Michael Y
James	+Mat. Linda (D)
Lasha B	+Robert Joseph
Otari B	+Timothy (B)
Daniel H	+Helen (T)
John	+Felicia-Ekna
Peter	+Vadim
Stavroula	
Anesia	
Child Joshua	
Svetlana & Family	
Bogdana	
	<u>Catechumens</u>
All who are suffering, serving and rebuilding from the pandemic	Matthew, Michael, Shaun, Tina, Asena, Sarah, Jonathan, Barry
For the repentance, healing & unity of our country	Dn. Thomas, Elizabeth, Elaine & all Missionaries
The faithful of Beirut	
For those suffering from natural disasters in California and Gulf States	New & Expectant Mothers & children

OFFERINGS: Candles, \$209. Collections, \$865.57. Youth, \$7. Book Shelf Ministry, \$45. Building Fund, \$1,000. Library, \$20. Mortgage Reduction, \$250. Camera Project, \$100. Stewardship, \$13,176. Total received: \$15,702.57.

GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR FAITHFULNESS & GENEROSITY!

40 Days of Growth in Stewardship continues! Don't forget to pick up a pledge card in the narthex and return it by St. Philip Day (Nov 14)!

This Week:

Monday, Oct 26:	6th Hour, 12 noon
Tuesday, Oct 27:	Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 11 a.m. 6th Hour, 12 noon
Wednesday, Oct 28:	6th Hour, 12 noon Little Compline 6:30 p.m. Patristic Reading Group 7 p.m.
Thursday, Oct 29:	6th Hour, 12 noon
Friday, Oct 30:	6th Hour, 12 noon Paraklesis, 6:30 p.m.
Saturday, Oct 31:	Divine Liturgy (Mask Required) 10 a.m. Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.
Sunday, Nov 1:	ORTHROS 8:45 a.m. Divine LITURGY, 10 a.m. Sunday School, Teens, & Catechism (Outdoor) Coffee Hour



REVERENCE IN GOD'S HOUSE

Children & Worship



Children need help to grow in reverence and understanding of our multi-sensory worship; yet they remind us to approach God with wonder, spontaneity, and joy. Here are some practical tips to keeping this balance.

Be edified by a child's eagerness to venerate an icon, but if he is not tall enough to kiss it on its stand, please help by lifting the child up or bringing the icon down. Also, we can whisper to the children the meaning of particular icons; if we listen, we may receive a fresh insight. Quietly and appropriately, we can take them around to "meet the saints" on the walls.

Bring children closer to a procession or a censing, to better appreciate the holy movement, but don't let their exuberance cause an accident or traffic jam.

If you have half a voice, sing along with the hymns that you know, this will lead your children into greater love of God. Sing with them at home too.

If a parent is struggling with a young child, ask God to give them peace and reward them for their efforts and embarrassment; then joyfully and lovingly ask how you can help.

We are all in this together, growing from grace to grace and building up the body of Christ to God's glory! *-Fr Noah*