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# PROPHET ELIJAH

*Antiochian Orthodox Mission*



## Apolytikion / Troparion (Tone 4)

*The incarnate Angel, and  
the Prophet's summit and boast,  
the second forerunner of the  
coming of Christ our God,  
Elijah, the glorious, from above  
sent down his grace upon Elisha;  
he doth cast out sickness  
and also cleanse lepers,  
and unto all that honor him,  
he poureth forth streams of cures.*

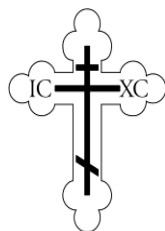
Our Mission is dedicated to the Prophet Elijah,  
Patron and protector of our community.

**Sunday November 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2020**  
**Twenty-Fourth Sunday after Pentecost & Ninth Sunday of Luke**  
**After-Feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos**

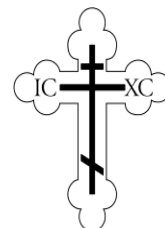
**Tone 7 / Eothinon 2**  
**Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22**  
**Gospel: St Luke 12:16-21**  
**Homilist: Fr. Paul Moses Jaroslaw**

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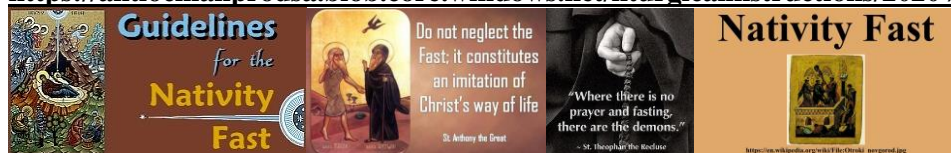
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# Announcements for the Week

## 1. **Nativity Fast continues!**

<https://antiochianprodsa.blob.core.windows.net/liturgicalinstructions/2020%20Fasting%20Calendar.pdf>



## 2. **Coffee Hour after Liturgy is Outside!** (Come prepared!)



## 3. Tonight @ 5:00 PM: **Moses Lake Orthodox Fellowship Zoom Catechism** (With Dn. Basil & Fr. Paul)



## 4. Tomorrow, Monday morning, November 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy!**



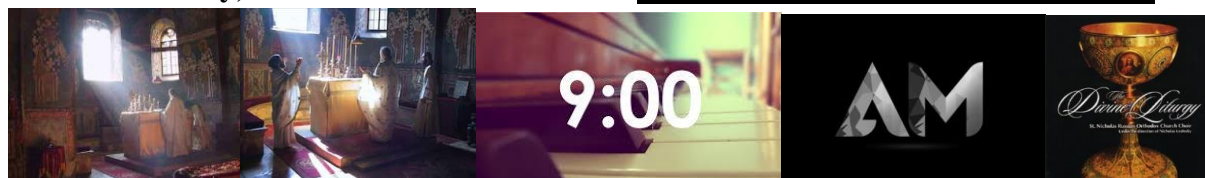
## 5. Thursday, November 26<sup>th</sup>: **The Great American Feast of Thanksgiving!** **Divine Liturgy @ 9:00 AM**



## 6. This Friday, November 27<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 PM: **Fellowship of the Cross!.... (via Zoom)**



## 7. This Saturday, November 28<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00 AM: **Divine Liturgy!** (Orthros @ 8:00 AM)



# *Looking Ahead*

1. 2. **FISH Food Bank:** NOW THAT COLD WEATHER IS HERE, PLEASE REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR DONATIONS FOR THE FISH FOOD BANK. THE COLLECTION TUB IS UNDER THE LARGE TABLE IN THE TRAPEZA. CANNED SOUPS, TUNA, PB, ETC. ARE HELPFUL. CANS THAT HAVE A POP-TOP OPTION FOR OPENING ARE GOOD CHOICES. THANKS!



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A few **Upcoming Events:** **Garden of the Theotokos Update:**

These days life is a little like living on a sandbar with the tide going in and out! So we are making one more change to the Garden of the Theotokos gathering times. We will go back to our old time of getting together during coffee hour and plan to hang out together outside. If it is cold and snowy we will just shovel. We plan to rake leaves this week, so if you have an extra adult rake or two and would like to join us, let us know.

## **Presentation of the Theotokos Festivities – THIS Sunday, November 22nd**

We will plan on doing the prayers for our young women and girls this Sunday. Please plan to bring a special fasting dessert for our outdoor coffee hour.

### **ALMSGIVING for the Nativity Fast -**

We traditionally collect donations during the Nativity Fast on the Sundays of St. Nicholas and St. Lucia Festivities. If you are aware of any special needs at this time, please let Fr. Paul know ASAP so we can pass on the needs and provide donations. Thank you.

### **St. Nicholas Festivities - Sunday, December 6th**

We are planning an adaptation of our normal festivities this year. At the end of the liturgy we will hear the story of St. Nicholas and Fr. Paul will pass out the stockings to the youth. To make things easier the church will purchase the stockings, so no need to bring your own! It will make it easier to stuff the stockings ahead of time. If you would like to donate something to go in the stockings please leave it at the church by Sunday, November 29th or drop it off at the Smith's home. Vegan hot chocolate would be nice to serve that day, if anyone would like to prepare some.

### **St. Lucia Festivities - Sunday, December 13th**

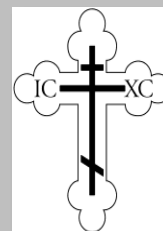
At the end of the liturgy we will hear the story of St. Lucia and pass out traditional St. Lucia Buns. If you would like to help bake the buns, please let Maria Smith know soon. If anyone would like to set up some special holiday teas to keep us warm, please make an offer.

## **NORMAL SCHEDULE FOR DAILY SERVICES**

### **SUNDAY**

8:45am – Orthros

**10:00am – Divine Liturgy**



Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<b>7:00am</b> <b>Divine Liturgy</b>	<b>7:00am</b> Orthros	<b>7:00am</b> Orthros	<b>6:00am</b> <b>Divine Liturgy</b>	<b>7:00am</b> Orthros	<b>9:00am</b> <b>Divine Liturgy</b>
	<b>6:00pm</b> Vespers	<b>6:00pm</b> Vespers	<b>6:00pm</b> Vespers	<b>6:00pm</b> Paraklysis	<b>6:00pm</b> Great Vespers

*(Fr. Paul hears confessions on Saturday after Vespers, & by appointment!)*

*On Sunday, "We should encourage the people to come to Orthros from the very beginning. In the Six Psalms of Orthros, we find all the Christian advice, wisdom, and morality. We cannot come to the Divine Liturgy and receive the Holy Communion without preparation. Orthros is about how to prepare for Divine Liturgy."*

**Metropolitan JOSEPH**

## **NAME DAYS**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Name Day</u>	<u>Patron Saint</u>
<b>Cecilia Tomulty</b>	<b>November 22<sup>nd</sup></b>	<b>Marty Cecilia</b>

## **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

<u>Member</u>	<u>Day</u>	<u>Celebration</u>
<b>John Smith</b>	<b>November 24<sup>th</sup></b>	<b>18<sup>th</sup> Birthday</b>



## *Spiritual Morsels*

When one keeps silent, he is given time and freedom for prayer and concentration, but when he passes his hours carelessly, he does not have time to pray. Furthermore, through his careless speech he accumulates various sins. For this reason the Holy Fathers placed the virtue of silence at the summit of the virtues, for without it no virtue is able to remain in the soul of man. **Elder Ephraim of Arizona**

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A brother asked **Abba Poemen**, "If I see my brother sin, is it right to say nothing about it?" The old man replied, "whenever we cover our brother's sin, God will cover ours; whenever we tell people about our brother's guilt, God will do the same about ours."

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"The long-suffering [patience] of God is unchangeable and His mercy is kind...How many criminals are there who go out to kill and rob that He conceals in order that they may not be captured and placed under tortures? Pirates sail the sea and God does not order the sea to drown them. How many falsely swear by Holy Communion and He tolerates not repaying them for that with evil? Robbers steal on the road and He does not give them over to the beasts to tear them to pieces...Libertines go off with prostitutes and He tolerates them. Why all of this? Because He waits for repentance and conversion. Truly, God does not want the destruction of a sinner...That is why, brethren, let us be ashamed before the most lenient Lord God." – **St. John the Merciful, Patriarch of Alexandria**

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THE LORD LOVES ALL PEOPLE, BUT HE LOVES THOSE WHO SEEK HIM EVEN MORE. TO HIS CHOSEN ONES THE LORD GIVES SUCH GREAT GRACE THAT FOR LOVE THEY FORSAKE THE WHOLE EARTH, THE WHOLE WORLD, AND THEIR SOULS BURN WITH DESIRE THAT ALL PEOPLE MIGHT BE SAVED AND SEE THE GLORY OF THE LORD. **ST. SILOUAN THE ATTHONITE**

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"My beloved, the long-suffering of God is a mystery. Because it expresses the mystery of our salvation. However, we should never forget that God is long-suffering to us (as the Apostle Peter says) – not wishing anyone to be lost and for all of us to find repentance... The saints are, of course, these positive contributors in the long-suffering of God for the sake of the world. It is the prayers of the saints. It is the prayers of the Most Holy Theotokos. And they extend the longsuffering of God. In any case, the main mark of the citizens of the kingdom is longsuffering. Longsuffering is a great medicine in trials, say the Fathers. A great medicine! Long-suffering is very sweet and useful, while sharp gall, anger and bitterness are useless." (**unknown**)

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Do not say, "this happened by chance, while this came to be of itself." In all that exists there is nothing disorderly, nothing indefinite, nothing without purpose, nothing by chance ... How many hairs are on your head? God will not forget one of them. Do you see how nothing, even the smallest thing, escapes the gaze of God? **St. Basil the Great**

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"A true Christian will feel neither hunger nor thirst. In the age of calamity, Christians will not be lost. The Lord will perform miracles for them. One leaf will be enough for a month. When they make the mark of the cross on a piece of earth, it will become bread...." **St. Gabriel the Fool-for-Christ from Georgia**

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"God has permitted and does permit us to be shaken by adversity. Difficult times lie ahead. We will be greatly tested. We have to take this warning seriously and live spiritually... Many saints would have loved to have lived in our times and have had our chance to struggle for Christ... Our struggle matters because it is not a struggle against an Ali Pasha, or a Hitler and a Mussolini, but a struggle against the devil himself. For this reason, our wages will be heavenly... The saints will become more holy and the vile will become more vile. Yet I feel great consolation inside. This is only a storm; like past storms, it will pass. May the Good God take evil and turn it into good. Amen." **St. Paisios the Athonite**

# *Photos of our Mission*

Let us repent...for the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand!

