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FIRST SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST:

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY

APOSTLE JUDE (THADDEUS), BROTHER OF THE LORD; VENERABLE

ZENON OF PALESTINE;

MARTYR ZOSIMAS THE SOLDIER AT ANTIOCH IN PISIDIA

Welcome to St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church

We greet you in the Name of the Lord, and are thankful for your visit to pray with us. Your participation in the work of all who enter here with faith, reverence and the fear of God makes the Divine Liturgy alive. For the "lit-ourgia" is truly the "work of the people."

St. Nicholas Orthodox Church's mission is to assist people of all races, cultures and backgrounds on their journey to God's Kingdom by standing firm in the Gospel handed down to us by Christ and His Apostles. We will accomplish this mission by a) living a full liturgical and sacramental life, b) proclaiming the Orthodox Christian faith to all people, c) providing effective charitable and social programs, and d) establishing strong spiritual leadership and educational resources. St. Nicholas is a living reflection of Christ and shines as a light to all people.

Communion is reserved for those Orthodox Christians who prepared themselves through regular confession and fasting from the night before. Others may approach the chalice for a blessing and partake of the antidoron (blessed bread).

To encourage a proper spirit of prayer and devotion, we respectfully ask that you enter the sanctuary quietly during the Diving Liturgy.

Please, do NOT enter or exit the sanctuary at the following times:

- When the priest censens the church
- During the Little Entrance with the Gospel
- During the reading of the Epistle and Gospel.
(You may enter the nave immediately after the reading of each is completed).
- During the delivery of the Sermon
- During the Great Entrance with the Holy Gifts
- During the Prayers of Consecration.

You may enter the nave after the Hymn to the Theotokos "It Is Truly Meet."

SERVICE SCHEDULE:

Saturday: 5:00 PM Vespers

Sunday: 9:30 AM Orthros

10:30 AM Divine Liturgy

THE SYNAXARION

On June 19 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Apostle Jude (Thaddeus), brother of the Lord; Venerable Zenon of Palestine; and Martyr Zosimas the Soldier at Antioch in Pisidia.

On this day, the Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the feast of All Saints who shone forth throughout all the world, North and South, East and West.

*Of all my Lord's friends, I laud and sing the praises;
And let any to come, with them all be numbered.*

David the Prophet and king, who revered the beloved of God, and respected them because of his great piety, said in the Psalms, "How precious are Thy beloved unto me, O God" (138:17). And the Apostle Paul, in his Epistle to the Hebrews, recounted the lives of the saints, when he wrote, "Wherefore, seeing we also are compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin that so easily besets us; and let us run with patience the race that is set before us" (12:1). Therefore, as Orthodox Christians, we honor the beloved saints of God, respecting them as keepers of God's commandments, shining examples of virtue and benefactors of humanity. We commemorate all of the holy ones every year on this day, as the list of saints ever increases, even though some of their names escape us. Nevertheless, we honor them for their piety and strive to imitate their good works.

By the intercessions of Thine immaculate Mother, O Christ God, and of all Thy Saints from the beginning of time, have mercy and save us, since Thou alone art good and the Lover of mankind. Amen.

THE EPISTLE: Hebrews (11:33-12:2)

Brethren, all the saints through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the power of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, from weakness were made strong, became mighty in war, and turned to flight armies of the aliens. Women received their dead by resurrection, and others were tortured, not accepting their deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. And others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn asunder, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, being destitute, afflicted, tormented (of whom the world was not worthy), wandering in deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a witness through their faith, did not receive the promise, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which does so easily beset us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the Author and Perfecter of our faith.

THE GOSPEL: St. Matthew (10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30)

The Lord said to His disciples, "Everyone who acknowledges Me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father Who is in heaven; but whoever denies Me before men, I also will deny before My Father Who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who loves son or daughter more than Me is not worthy of Me; and he who does not take his cross and follow Me is not worthy of Me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed Thee. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the New World, when the Son of Man shall sit on His glorious throne, you who have followed Me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or wife or children or lands, for My Name's sake, will receive a hundred fold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING BROTHERS & SISTERS:

Departed: Fr. David Milligan, Mitch Azar, Julienne Newey, Maher Kassis, Donald Karns, Harrison Victor, Kenneth M. Ayoub, Charley George, Josephine Albert Dietz, Elizabeth Massouh, Dr. H. Tristram Engelhardt, Riyad Isaac, George Jasmine, Helene Daniels, George Khoury, Michaelina Sexton, Christine George, Adib Daher, Selma Malooly, Salameh Zanayed, Evelyn Lonack, Geri Kanaan.

Shut-Ins/Sick: Metropolitan +PAUL, Archbishop +JOHN, Annette Haddad, Schauki Kassis, Rose Beede, Alice Flaherty, Sally Bell, Aurelia Buda, Richard Pippy, Diane Zorich, Lisa McCoy, Viola Haddad, Susana Kassis, Mary Semaan, Claudette Poirier, Rosemary Ferdinand.

For the Health & Needs of: Kh. Virginia Massouh, Pf. Margot Siniari, Farhat David, Helen Massarelli, Carole Massarelli, Helen Salem, Ruth Hazel, Mariam Haddad, Bryan Haddad, Mitch Kanaan, Alice Faccenda, David & Eva Szabo, Marion Bostley, Theodore Todorow, Alex Gimon, Leo Poirier, Collin Lamkin, Sophie Massouh, Stephen Bove, Leila Bashara, Natalie Floreancig, Mary Magdalene Foltz, Marie Miller, Gail & Charlie Barnett, Suha Mansour, Bob Poirier, Bruce Bingham, Dorothy Mihelic, Loretta Karpelenia, Joanne Kassis, Mary Jean Lubin, Nahil Yacoub, Ermira Satka, Gerald Vizvary, Stavroula, Laura, Alice.

Service Members: Christopher Salem (USAF): Nephew of Helen Salem, Peter McIntire (Army): Grand Nephew of Viola Haddad, Curtis Brickwood (Navy): Fr Michael's Cousin, David Butler (Navy): Son of Joanna Kassis Butler, Trenton Wesley (Army): grandson of Leila Bashara

Upcoming Events (Note: Weekly Email Newsletter has further details for events)

Wed 6/22 – Vespers – 6:00 pm

Catechism Class – 6:50 pm

Mon 6/20 – Tues 6/28

The Apostles Fast – Abstain from meat, dairy, and fish (except for Saturday and Sunday, when fish is allowed)

Wed 6/29 – Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul

Mon 6/27 – Fri 7/15

Fr. Nathaniel, Kh. Sarah, & family travelling to Michigan

Sat 7/16 – Ladies' Society Book Club & Lunch – 11:00 am

To read and discuss *The Four Winds* by Kristin Hannah

Summer Coffee Hour

Now through September 1st there will not be any scheduled Coffee Hour hosts. Instead, coffee will be available, and everyone is invited to bring pastries or bagels to share.

Thank you for your dedication to our parish!

God grant you many years!

BIRTHDAYS

6/20 – Kathleen Hamlin-Stout

6/23 – Doreen Radich

ANNIVERSARIES

6/22 – Bob & Kay Rolfes

6/24 – Matthew & Nicole Nassif

6/24 – Pia Cummings & Chris Catt