

# Glad Tidings~Outreach



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Divine services and events for the month of September:

**Thursday, September 1<sup>st</sup>**, The **Church Ecclesiastical Year** begins.

**Sunday, September 4<sup>th</sup>**, **11<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Tone #2)**

Saints of the Day: Hieromartyr Babylas, Bishop of Antioch, and those with him and the Holy Prophet and Godseer Moses

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. John 21: 15-25

Epistle Lesson: II Corinthians 9: 2-12

Gospel Lesson: St. Matthew 18: 23-35

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

– **Homily**: All about me!

– **Fellowship** in the church hall

**Thursday, September 8<sup>th</sup>**, **Holy Day commemorating the Nativity of our Most Holy Lady the Mother of God and Ever-Virgin Mary**

Epistle Lesson: Philippians 2: 5-11

Gospel Lesson: St. Luke 10: 38-42: 11: 27-28

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

**Sunday, September 11<sup>th</sup>**, **12<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Tone #3)**

**Sunday before the Elevation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross**

Saint of the Day: Venerable Theodora of Alexandra and the Translation of the Relics of Venerable Sergius and Herman, Wonderworkers of Valaam

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. Matthew 28: 16-20

Epistle Lessons: Galatians 6: 11-8 (Sunday before the Elevation)

I Corinthians 15: 1-11

Gospel Lessons: St. John 3: 13-17 (Sunday before the Elevation)

St. Matthew 19: 16-26

**- 9:30 AM – Preparation Prayers followed by General Confession**

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom and the Service of Prayer for the beginning of the 2016-2017 Church School Year followed by Church School in the church hall**

**Homily**: Disappointment

**Memory Eternal** – A Memorial Litany for the repose of the souls of Alex Socrat (One Year) and Eric Socrates (Two Years) offered by Mrs. Madeline Socrat and Mr. & Mrs. Aaron Socrat & Family.

–**Fellowship** in the church hall is in memory of Alex and Eric hosted by The Socrat Families.

**Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, Holy Day commemorating the Elevation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross**

Epistle Lesson: I Corinthians 1: 18-24

Gospel Lesson: St. John 19: 6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30-35

**-10:00 AM – Procession with the Life-Giving Cross to the nave of the church and the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom followed by the blessing of sweet basil.**

-The sweet basil blessed by Fr. Joseph is offered by Ann, David, Michelle, Roman, Thomas, Heather, Connor Joseph, and Sean Thomas Powers for their health and the health of all our church members. **May God Grant You Many Years!**

**Sunday, September 18<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Tone #4)  
Sunday after the Elevation of the Precious and Life-Giving Cross**

Saint of the Day: St. Eumenes, Bishop of Gortyna

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. Mark 16: 1-8

Epistle Lessons: Galatians 2: 16-20 (Sunday after the Elevation)  
I Corinthians 16: 13-24

Gospel Lessons: St. Mark 8: 34-9:1 (Sunday after the Elevation)  
St. Matthew 21: 33-42

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**  
– **Homily:** Jealousy  
– **Fellowship** in the church hall

**Metropolitan Council Meeting**

Fr. Joseph will represent our Archdiocese at this meeting in Huntington, NY, Monday, September 19<sup>th</sup>, to Thursday, September 22<sup>nd</sup>. Please contact Elias T. Verdy (508) 872-1641 in case of a Pastoral Emergency.

**2016 Albanian Orthodox Archdiocese in America Archdiocesan Assembly** hosted by St. Nicholas Albanian Orthodox Church, Southbridge, MA, Friday and Saturday, September 23<sup>rd</sup>, and 24<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Joseph, Elias T. Verdy and Harriette Botka will represent our church at the assembly.

**Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup> Sunday after Pentecost (Tone #5)  
Sunday after the Elevation of the Precious & Life-Giving Cross**

Saint of the Day: Venerable Euphrosyne of Alexandria

Matins Gospel Lesson: St. Mark 16: 9-20

Epistle Lesson: II Corinthians 1: 21-2: 4

Gospel Lesson: St. Luke 5: 1-11

**-10:00 AM – The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom**

– **Homily:** The Invitation

– **Fellowship** in the church hall

### **A Thought**

“Be joyful always; pray continually:  
give thanks in all circumstances,  
for this is God’s will for you in  
Christ Jesus.”

I Thessalonians 5: 16-18

**Welcome** to all visitors joining us for Sunday Divine Liturgy. Fr. Joseph, the members of our Parish Council and our church community wish to thank you for praying with us and we hope you will return again. Please sign our guest book located in the rear of the church, and join us for fellowship in our church hall following the veneration of the Holy Cross.

### **2016 Fall Bazaar Reminders - Saturday, October 22<sup>nd</sup>,**

- Ladies and men, volunteer to again make Albanian pies in advance of this year’s bazaar. Arrangements will be made for you to get the ingredients to make the pies and to have your finished pies picked up.
- Extra drawing tickets are available for you to sell to your friends.
- Search your home for new items you do not use or need and donate them to the White Elephant Table.
- Ask a business establishment you support during the year to consider donating a gift certificate to our bazaar this year. Karen has extra flyers to give the vendor to verify the date of the bazaar.
- Contact Ilira Shenu or Karen Stamuli, our bazaar co-chair with any questions or thoughts you may have regarding the bazaar.