ST. TIMOTHY ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH

Sunday March 13, 2022



Tone 5
Eothinon 5

First Sunday of Great Lent (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

Translation of the Relics of Nikephoros, Patriarch of Constantinople * Bishops Poplias and Marios

Resurrectional Apolytikion in Tone Five

Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Apolytikion of First Sunday of Great Lent in Tone Two

Thy pure image do we venerate, O good One, asking forgiveness of our sins, O Christ our God; for by Thine own will Thou didst ascend the Cross in Thy body, to save Thy creatures from the bondage of the enemy. Wherefore, with thankfulness we cry aloud to thee: Thou hast verily filled all with joy, since Thou didst come, O our Savior, to save the world.

Apolytikion of St. Timothy in Tone Two

O holy apostle Timothy, master of unction measured in all thy deeds, clothed with an upright conscience as befits a priest, thou has drawn ineffable truths from Paul the vessel of election; thou has kept the faith and completed a course equal to his, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Kontakion for Sundays in Great Lent in Tone Eight

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

The Epistle

Blessed art Thou, O Lord, the God of our fathers. For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done for us.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (11:24-26, 32-40)

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter; choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God, than to enjoy the pleasures of sin for a season; esteeming the reproach of the Christ greater riches than the treasures of Egypt; for he looked to the recompense of reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me if I tell of Gideon, Barak, Sampson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and all the prophets, who 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.

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (1:43-51)

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and said to him, "We have found Him of Whom Moses in the Law and also the Prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to Jesus, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered Him, "Rabbi, Thou art the Son of God! Thou art the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And Jesus said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

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THIS WEEKS CALENDAR

- Monday Parish Open, 9am to 1pm
- Tuesday Parish Open, 9am to 1pm; Sisterhood Coffee Hour, 11:00am
- Wednesday Presanctified Divine Liturgy, 6:00pm; Brotherhood Coffee Hour 7:00pm
- Thursday Parish Open, 9am to 1pm
- Friday Little Compline with Akathist, 6:00pm
- Saturday Great Vespers, 6:00pm
- Sunday Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

CURRENT & UPCOMING EVENTS

- Bookstore will be open 1/2 hour after the start of the Agape meal until 12:45pm.
- Looking for fellowship or just feel like being social? Join us at St. Timothy's every week, no RSVP needed.
 - Sisterhood Coffee Hour, every Tuesday @ 11:00am..
- Parish Potluck Agape Meal, Sunday March 20th! Celebrate the visit of Mike & Victoria Haskins and Mike & Renae Holland.
- Yalla! A St. Timothy Youth Ministry has their next event on **Saturday March 26th**. We will be riding across the Golden Gate Bridge, making a few stops along the way and end our adventure at St. Johns Cathedral. RSVP to January @ 214.392.7009 (or admin@sttimothy.us).
- The parish will be open **Monday**, **Tuesday** and **Thursday's** from **9am to 1pm**. If you wish to host an event during the week (bible study, book club, coffee hour, etc) or want to come by for a cup of coffee please reach out to Parish Secretary January Al-Zouhbi @ 214.392.7009.
- Week of March 13th Sun abstain meat, fish, dairy & eggs; Mon-Fri strict fast; Sat abstain meat, fish, dairy & eggs.
- House Blessings are back! For those ready to receive visitors into their home Fr John is available Tuesdays and Thursdays starting at 6:00pm and Wednesdays after Great Vespers around 7:00pm. More information can be found in the refectory and on the Parish Life bulletin board. Contact January Al-Zouhbi @ 214.392.7009 (admin@sttimothy.us) to schedule.
- Mercy Mission Food Drive for Solano/Contra Costa Food Drive now through the end of Pascha. Any donations of non-perishable food items are appreciated, bins are located in the refectory. No glass, expired or perishable items please.

Prayer List

For Health and Physical Healing....Jerry Moore, neighbor of Fr John, cirrhosis of the liver with monthly drains; Shawn Ignacio's mother still in hospital, hoping to be discharged to care facility; Linda McKee, pain; Victoria Haskins, friend and parish co-founder, ongoing heart issues; Russell Bruno, upcoming hernia surgery; Hugh Christianson, son of Fr John/Kh Barbara, black widow bite to the leg and being treated at the hospital in Watsonville; Lindsay Gower, baclofen pump implantation to deliver muscle relaxtant to spinal cord

For Strength and Comfort....Mary Tollefson & Family; Sarah Schwark & Family; Shawn Ignacio; Regina and her son Wesley, acquaintance of Renae Holland, husband reposed unexpectedly and selling personal items to survive; Family of Anna Mantalvanos, Ourania (Gary) and Antonis

For Mental and Emotional Health....Crawford Family (Arthur, Angelique, Currie, Monique, Illiana); Cindy, sister of Kh Barbara

For Ukraine and the end of this devastating war, especially for Fr John/Kh Barbara's bookkeeper Larysa and her family in Eastern Ukraine...Valerie, Olga, Alexie, Artemis, Nadia, Illya, Nikita, Elena, Danila, Tatiana, Yulia, Sergei, Andrei, Lilly, Zema, Irina, Volodimir, Alexander, Marina and Natasha.

Please submit specific prayer requests to admin@sttimothy.us and include the following; First Name, Last Name, and the Specific Prayer request. Out of respect to our parishoners, family members and friends please ensure you have received authorization from the person or their immediate family.

Welcome Guests

Guests are always welcome to worship with us! We look forward to meeting you and answering any questions you may have about Holy Orthodoxy or our parish. If you are an Orthodox Christian, and are prepared through prayer, fasting, and recent confession, you are welcome to receive Holy Communion.

His Eminence, Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York & Metropolitan of all North America

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Please contact Father John with any pastoral needs or questions.