

## **The Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost and the Seventh Sunday of Luke**

The Venerable Lulke of Sicily; Paul of Corinth the Fool-for-Christ, Martyr Nicander;  
Venerable Barlaam of Khutyn; Herman, Bishop of Kazan

**Sunday, November 6, 2011**

**Tone 4; Eothinon 10**

### **Apolytikion for the Resurrection (Tone 4)**

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

### **Apolytikion of St. Paul the Confessor (Tone 3)**

Thy confession of the one divine Faith showed thee to the Church to be a new Paul and a zealot among priests, O holy one. The righteous blood both of Abel and Zachary with thee doth cry out together unto the Lord. Righteous Father, intercede with Christ God in our behalf that His great mercy may be granted unto us.

### **Apolytikion for our Patron, Michael the Archangel (Tone 4)**

O ye foremost of the heavenly hosts we beseech thee, though we are unworthy, pray that we may be encompassed with a shadow of thine unearthly glory; preserving us who kneel and cry endlessly: deliver us from oppression since ye are the prince of the highest powers.

### **Kontakion for the Theotokos (Tone 2)**

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

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## Daily Readings

THE EPISTLE (the Twenty-first Sunday after Pentecost)

*O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all.  
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

### **The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20)**

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

THE GOSPEL (The Seventh Sunday of Luke)

### **The Reading of the Holy Gospel is according to St. Luke (8:41-56)**

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round Him. And a woman, who had had a flow of blood for twelve years, and had spent all her living upon physicians, and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround Thee and press upon Thee! And Thou sayest, 'Who touched

Me?” But Jesus said, “Someone touched Me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me.” And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And Jesus said to her, “Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace.” While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler’s house came and said, “Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more.” But Jesus on hearing this answered him, “Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well.” And when Jesus came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, “Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping.” And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, “Child, arise.” And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

### **The Synaxarion**

On November 6 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate our father among the saints Paul the Confessor, archbishop of Constantinople.

#### **Verses**

*Paul, boasting in the halter upon his windpipe,  
Breaketh the halter with the sounds of his windpipe.  
For that Paul confesseth God, he is choked on the sixth.*

When Blessed Patriarch Alexander of Alexandria lay on his deathbed, the sorrowing faithful asked him who should succeed him as the chief shepherd of the spiritual flock of Christ. He said: “If you desire a shepherd who will teach you and who will shine with virtues, choose Paul.” The people did; unfortunately, this was not accepted by the Arian heretics, nor was it accepted by Emperor Constantius, then in Antioch. Paul boldly preached the true dual natures of Christ God and was known as the second “Apostle Paul.” He was soon deposed and fled to Rome with

Saint Athanasius the Great. There, Pope Julian and Emperor Constans received them warmly and upheld them in their Orthodox Faith. They saw to it that Paul was returned to his throne, but when Emperor Constans died the Arians raised their heads again, and Patriarch Paul was banished to Cucusus in Armenia. In 351, as Paul was celebrating the Divine Liturgy, the Arians attacked and strangled him with his omophorion.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable Luke of Sicily; Paul of Corinth, the fool-for-Christ; Martyr Nicander; Venerable Barlaam of Khutyn; and Herman, bishop of Kazan. *By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.*

#### A Note Regarding Holy Communion

Since we understand Communion to mean that we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, *only* those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and recent Confession may participate in Holy Communion. (We invite all, however, to partake of the blessed bread which is distributed at the dismissal.) Please see the Pastor for inquiries on how to become a member.

## OFFERINGS

Holy Bread is being offered this morning by Charmaine Darmour in memory of Father John Namie (+5 November, 2001), of blessed memory and eternal repose.

Holy Bread is also being offered this morning by Riad & Diana Nasser with prayers for their grandchildren who are celebrating their birthdays: Sadie Diana Dunphy (November 6), and Stephen Riad Dunphy (November 16). May God grant them many, many years of good health and happiness.

Special offerings and requests for prayer are being made . . .

for Ryan Tamoush, newly enlisted with the U.S. Marines.  
May God keep him in his protective care.

by Father Timothy for his granddaughter,

St. Michael Feast Day Celebration – next Sunday, November 13, 2011  
Elegant Buffet Luncheon (\$5/adult) following Liturgy

St. Andrew Church Consecration (Riverside, CA) Saturday, December 3  
Orthros, 9 a.m., Liturgy 10 a.m. followed by Banquet

St. Nicholas Cathedral Feast Day Celebration – Sunday, Dec. 4, 2011

Church School Christmas Program – Sunday, December 11, 2011

### Nominations for Parish Council

On Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> we will be holding a brief Special Meeting of the Voting Membership for the purpose of receiving nominations Parish Council members to be elected for three, three-year terms (January 2012 to December 2014). At this meeting the Nominations Committee will present their report and additional nominations will be open to the floor. It is important that persons being considered for nomination be able to fulfill the commitment to serve. Therefore it is necessary that all nominees first be personally asked if they would accept nomination, and second be approved by the Pastor as someone who is qualified. The Parish Constitution prescribes that all nominees must be at least twenty-five years of age or older, have been a pledging member of the parish for at least one year and have fulfilled the canonical requirements of the Faith [Article VI, Sec. 2]. The nominees must also be committed in attending monthly meetings of the Council held on the second Monday of each month. We sincerely thank **Sondra Murr Love** (*also serving as the current President of the Antiochian Women*), **Don Meena** (*current Chair of the Community Center Management Committee*) and **Richard Tamoush** for serving on our Council for the past three years, also **Jeanice Rose Deeb**, **Bobbi Monsue** and **Michael C. Srour** for serving the past year as appointed members. The Parish Council Election will be held on Sunday, November 27<sup>th</sup> Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Please see **Charmaine Darmour**, Chair of the Nominations Committee, if you would like to nominate someone, or are interested in serving on our Parish Council.

## LITURGICAL CALENDAR

[Wednesdays and Fridays are observed as days of fasting]

**Feast of the Holy Archangels Michael and Gabriel (November 8<sup>th</sup>)**

Vesperal Divine Liturgy, Monday, November 7<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m.

**The Twenty-second Sunday after Pentecost and 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke  
and the Feast of St. John Chrysostom of Antioch**

Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>, Great Vespers, 5 p.m.

Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>, Orthros, 8:45 a.m., Divine Liturgy, 10 a.m.

**Note to Coffee Hour hosts: coffee and paper goods will be provided each week.**

### Holy Bread Offering List

Nov 13 – the Sayegh family;  
Nail Khoury

Nov 20 – Kabbash and Ruff families  
The Abdun-Nur family

Nov 27 – Kitty Komashko

### Coffee Hour Hosts Calendar

Nov 13 – St. Michael Buffet Luncheon

Nov 20 – Charlotte Murr

Nov 27 – Kitty Komashko

**Please contact Father Timothy ([pastor@stmichaelvannuvs.org](mailto:pastor@stmichaelvannuvs.org))**

**to sign-up to offer Holy Bread for any of the open upcoming Sundays.**

**Contact Frieda Kabbash ([frieda702@aol.com](mailto:frieda702@aol.com)) to host the Coffee Hour.**

**Antiochian Women's Meeting** – today, classroom 5 and 6

**For Planning Ahead . . .**

Mark Your Calendar (see foyer bulletin board for more information)

St. Mark Church Annual Golf Tournament – Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>  
Tustin Ranch Golf Course (12442 Tustin Ranch Rd., Tustin, CA, 92782)

Katherine Isabel Leilani, being baptized today.

by Denise Cruz for Jen Pierson.

by Michael C. Srour for the newly-departed servant of God,  
Christine Atallah of Montreal, Quebec. Memory eternal.

for Emile Skaff celebrating his Natal Day today;

for my great granddaughter Emely, who will be six on

11/11/11; and for my granddaughter Erica,

whose birthday is on November 20<sup>th</sup>.

May good health and god's continued blessings  
enrich their lives for many years!

Lovingly offered by Mae Tortolano and family.

*Included in our prayers throughout the month of November are those celebrating their birthday: Yousef Abughazaleh (11/1), Claire Mike Azzam (11/1), Leilah Sadd (11/2), Nabeel Abughazaleh (11/3), Cooper Hage (11/3), Andy Monsue (11/3), Adriana Azzam (11/4), Sean O'Dea (11/6), Emile F. Skaff, Sr. (11/6), Laila Abughazaleh (11/7), Denise Akoury (11/7), Michael Mansur (11/8), Randy Ababseh (11/9), Stephen Nassief (11/10), Steven Srour (11/10), Judith Aboud Sadie Diana Dunphy (11/6), (11/11), Elias Nabeel Abughazaleh (11/11), Richard Chala (11/11), Anne Marie Botezatu (11/12), Rima Hage (11/13), Dennis Haggar (11/13), Gloria Kabbash (11/13), Charlotte Lechlak (11/14), V. Rev. Constantine Nasr (11/14), Steve Ababseh (11/16), Stephen Riad Dunphy (11/16), Joe Sweis (11/17), Sam Yanni (11/19), Geri Thabit (11/20), Rebekah Baclig (11/24), Natalie Roser (11/24), Marcia Murr Terry (11/24), Justina Sarah Wassef (11/24), Alice Andrews (11/26), William Joshua Nassir (11/26), Elias Adeeb Abughazaleh (11/27), Samer Abughazaleh (11/27), William Fichtner (11/27), Orit Srour (11/27), Sharon Katerelos (11/28), Justina Wassef (11/28), Thomas Akoury (11/30), and those celebrating their wedding anniversary: Daniel & Katherine Foyle (11/3), Jeffery & Danielle Thomas (11/4), Jay & Hanan Coury (11/9), Elie & Natacha Yazbek (11/21). May God grant them all many years!*

*Included in our prayers for the departed during the month of November are:*

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| <i>Jamele Koekaz, +16 Nov. 1961</i>     | <i>Jamileh Sawalha, +2 Nov. 1999</i>        |
| <i>Arthur Grob, +7 Nov. 1978</i>        | <i>Odeh Kassis, +11 Nov. 2000</i>           |
| <i>Adla Gallade, +17 Nov. 1982</i>      | <i>Saide Simon, +13 Nov. 2000</i>           |
| <i>Joseph Khamis, +Nov. 1988</i>        | <i>Saide Mbarake, +27 Nov. 2001</i>         |
| <i>Najib Spiridon, +5 Nov. 1989</i>     | <i>Marie Nasser, +20 Nov. 2001</i>          |
| <i>Joey Bicker, +20 Nov. 1990</i>       | <i>Don Coury, +29 Nov. 2002</i>             |
| <i>Genevieve Akoury, +23 Nov. 1990</i>  | <i>Nisreen Sayegh, +29 Nov. 2002</i>        |
| <i>Earle J. Thompson, +25 Nov. 1990</i> | <i>Joseph Mmona, +14 Nov. 2003</i>          |
| <i>Cleo Saliba, +3 Nov. 1993</i>        | <i>Louis Edwards, +17 Nov. 2003</i>         |
| <i>Adele Nicholas, +20 Nov. 1993</i>    | <i>Alexandra Khoury, +25 Nov. 2003</i>      |
| <i>George Musalam, +4 Nov. 1994</i>     | <i>Mary Hart, +3 Nov. 2005</i>              |
| <i>Olga Handal, +7 Nov. 1994</i>        | <i>Wadih Latif, +28 Nov. 2005</i>           |
| <i>Stephen Stelmack, +14 Nov. 1994</i>  | <i>John Peters, +15 Nov. 2006</i>           |
| <i>Watfa Berry, +21 Nov. 1988</i>       | <i>Donald Andrew Nassir, +28 Nov. 06</i>    |
| <i>Elia Baida, +6 Nov. 1995</i>         | <i>Sumaya Khoury, +30 Nov. 2006</i>         |
| <i>Katherine Monsue, +18 Nov. 1996</i>  | <i>David Habeeb, +2 Nov. 2007</i>           |
| <i>Elena Farah, +15 Nov. 1997</i>       | <i>Anton Karam, +19 Nov. 2007</i>           |
| <i>Carim J. Rihbany, +2 Nov. 1973</i>   | <i>Lucille Deeb, +24 Nov. 2007</i>          |
| <i>Robert Nassief, +9 Nov. 1998</i>     | <i>Samy Srour, +31 Nov. 2007</i>            |
| <i>Toufic Sweis, +10 Nov. 1998</i>      | <i>Evelyn Haddad, +27 Nov. 2009</i>         |
| <i>Vida Hapip, +14 Nov. 1998</i>        | <i>Laila Kabbash, +17 Nov. 2010</i>         |
| <i>George Weisfuss, +17 Nov. 1998</i>   | <i>George Komashko, +24 Nov. 2010</i>       |
| <i>Helen Rihbany, +6 Nov. 1999</i>      | <i>Genevieve Antoniewicz, +25 Nov. 2010</i> |

### **Memory Eternal!**

Please phone the Church Office if there are any omissions or corrections to the above listing of names. Please bear in mind that some have chosen not to be included in our announcement. Please pardon any errors.

#### **NOTE**

At the end of the Liturgy during the veneration of the cross, please refrain from speaking loudly and keep in order that the prayers read after Holy Communion may be heard by everyone in the church. Thank you.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Notice**

Father Timothy is visiting his family in Arkansas and will be returning tomorrow, Monday, November 7 to serve at our Patronal Feast Day Vespereal Liturgy at 6:30 p.m. [Note: our Patronal Feast Day Buffet Luncheon will take place on Sunday, November 13.] We thank Father George Taweel for substituting for Father Timothy this weekend.

### **Mortgage Update**

\$9,650 has been received from \$10,850 in pledges towards our \$100,000 mortgage payment due on January 15, 2012. We sincerely thank our contributors for their help. Please earmark your check "Mortgage" when making a contribution. Payments may be made by credit card, however, our church is charged a 2.5% fee for processing.

### **Teen SOYO Raffle and Bake Sale**

Tickets for our Annual Teen SOYO Holiday Raffle are available each Sunday until the date of the drawing, Sunday, December 11, 2011, during our Church School Christmas Program. Proceeds from the raffle will help Teen SOYO sponsor the Special Olympics at the Antiochian Village.

Please join our Teen SOYO Bake Sale on Sunday, November 20 after Liturgy in the hall. We will be selling cupcakes, cookies, brownies, muffins, etc. Support our teens by participating in this fundraiser. If you have a special request, please let us know at: <[gotmoofy@yahoo.com](mailto:gotmoofy@yahoo.com)>.

### **This Year Christmas will be Celebrated on Saturday – Sunday**

The schedule of services for the Feast of the Holy Nativity (Christmas) will include: The Vespereal Liturgy of the *Paramon* [Pre-Feast], (Christmas Eve) Saturday, December 24<sup>th</sup> at 3 p.m., and The Liturgy of the Feast of Christmas (Christmas Day) Sunday, December 25<sup>th</sup>, 10 a.m., preceded by Orthros and the Christmas Canon at 8:45 a.m.