

# St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church

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## GREGORY THE THEOLOGIAN, ARCHBISHOP OF CONSTANTINOPLE & FIFTEENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE (ZACCHAEUS)

VENERABLE DEMETRIOS THE SACRISTAN; NEW-MARTYR AUXENTIOS OF CONSTANTINOPLE

Today's Reader: Matushka Loretta

Next Sunday– February 1, 2026

Reader: Jay Roudebush

Commemorations/Bread Offering for the Holy Oblation: *The Haddad Family*

Coffee Hour Luncheon next Sunday will be POT-LUCK

Bread for the Holy Oblation is Offered by the Lively Family for the health and salvation of Daniel, Maria, Archpriest Samuel-Matushka Loretta, Archimandrite Ioakeim, Abbess Agne, Rachel, Elias, Daisy, Bryan, Braxton, Delta, Dorothy, Tillie, Kase, Finley, Maria, Kassiani, Rafael, Nonna, Michael, Sophia, Gabriel, Innocent, Nicholas, Mary, Joanna, Elias, John, Liz, George, and Virginia.

It is also offered in loving memory of Konstantinos, Ioannis, Elizabeth, Charalambos, Alexandra, Ana-stasios, Maria, Stavros, Stamatios, Eleni, and all the Bouhoutsou, Mavroidi, Polydoros departed family members, Elder Ephraim, Abbess Taxiarchia, Vicki, Christopher, Malcolm, Judie, and Tawny.

*"the Disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11:26)*

Please note that **Holy Communion is reserved for members of the Holy Orthodox Church** who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession. However, all are welcome to partake of the blessed bread at the dismissal.

Please join us during our fellowship at the Coffee Hour immediately after the Divine Liturgy.



## Important Announcements . . .

**The Donation Statements for 2025 have been mailed to you last week. Please review them carefully, and if there are any questions or concerns, please contact either Annie Cardell (Parish Treasurer) or Fr Samuel. Contact information for them will accompany your statement.**

**The calendar of events coming up during the Triodion and Great Lenten Periods are listed in this bulletin. A full list will be offered in the coming week. Please note that there may be changes from week to week, so consult the calendar posted in the Weekly Bulletin to confirm services and times.**

### Next Sunday:

**The Coffee Hour Luncheon will be POT-LUCK - Bring a dish to share!**

**1:30 pm - Choir Practice**

**3:00 pm - Great Vespers for the Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord**

**NOTE:** Services for this weekend will be as scheduled, but you are strongly advised to watch the weather and road conditions. **Only those who live close to the Church and who have reliable vehicles should try to come.** All others should not travel, and stay home. You have received the Typica for this Sunday for you and your family to pray together. Please stay safe and warm.

## "Blessings Box" Collection Update



Beloved in Christ,

This year, we are collecting non-perishable food for our new **BLESSING BOX!** PLEASE KEEP BRINGING FOOD so that we may continue to stock our shelves and have food to stock adequately. We need to continue our efforts in providing food for those who are truly Hungry. God bless everyone for your holy efforts!

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**Troparion of the Resurrection, in the Eighth Tone**

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

**Troparion of Saint Gregory the Theologian in the First Tone**

The shepherd's pipe of thy theology conquered the trumpets of the philosophers; for since thou didst search out the depths of the Spirit, beauty of speech was added to thee. But intercede with Christ God, O Father Gregory, that our souls be saved.

**Troparion of St. Nicholas, in the Fourth Tone**

Thy righteous acts have manifested thee to thy flock as a model of faith, a reflection of humility, and a teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas. Therefore, through humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and through poverty riches. Intercede thou with Christ to save our souls.

**Kontakion for the Presentation of Christ, in the First Tone**

Thou Who didst sanctify the Virgin's womb by Thy birth, and didst bless Simeon's hands as was meet, by anticipation hast even now saved us, O Christ God. But grant peace in the midst of wars unto Thy commonwealth and strengthen the hierarchs whom Thou hast loved, O only Friend of man.



## Epistle

Hebrews 7:26-8:2

*Prokeimenon:* My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. *Hear this, all ye people.*

**B**rethren, it was fitting that we should have such a High Priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; He did this once for all when He offered up Himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son Who has been made perfect forever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a High Priest, one Who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

## Gospel

Luke 19:1-10

**A**t that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief tax collector, and rich. And he sought to see Who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see Jesus, for He was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, He looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received Him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded anyone of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham; for the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."





## Calendar: January ~ March 2026

### Triodion Begins 2/1/2026

2/01/26 (Sun)	O,DL 1:30 pm 3:00 pm	Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee  Choir Practice Great Vespers for Feast of the Presentation of Our Lord
2/02/2026 (Mon)		Feast of the Meeting of Our Lord
2/08/26 (Sun)	O,DL	Sunday of the Prodigal Son
2/14/26 (Sat)	1:00 pm	Wedding of Nathaniel Keith and Grace Sparks Reception to Follow
2/15/26 (Sun)	O,DL	Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday)
2/22/26 (Sun)	O,DL 12:15 pm	Forgiveness Sunday (Cheesefare Sunday) Forgiveness Vespers and Rite of Forgiveness (Immediately after Divine Liturgy)
<b>Great Lent Begins 2/23/2026</b>		
2/23/26 (Mon)	6:00 pm	Great Compline w/quarter from Canon of St Andrew of Crete
2/24/26 (Tue)	6:00 pm	Great Compline w/quarter from Canon of St Andrew of Crete
2/25/26 (Wed)	6:00 pm	Presanctified Divine Liturgy followed by presentation
2/26/26 (Thu)	6:00 pm	Great Compline w/quarter from Canon of St Andrew of Crete
2/27/26 (Fri)	6:00 pm	Akathist to the Most Holy Theotokos (1st Stasis)
2/28/26 (Sat)	10:00 am	Divine Liturgy (Chrysostom) The Miracle of the Kollyva
3/1/26 (Sun)	O,DL	Sunday of Orthodoxy (followed by procession of the Icons)

Calendar for the Week of January 25, 2026	Saints of the Day
<b>Sunday—January 25, 2026</b> Sunday of Zacchaeus  <b>Church School Cancelled Due to Weather</b>  9:25 am - Orthros 10:30 am - Divine Liturgy	Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople
<b>Monday— January 26, 2026</b>	Xenophon the Righteous and His Companions
<b>Tuesday—January 27, 2026</b>	Translation of the Body of John Chrysostom
<b>Wednesday—January 28, 2026</b> Fast 5:00 pm - Daily Vespers	St. Ephraim the Syrian
<b>Thursday—January 29, 2026</b>	Translating the Remains of Ignatius of Antioch
<b>Friday—January 30, 2026</b> Fast	Synaxis of the 3 Hierarchs— Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, & John Chrys-
<b>Saturday—January 31, 2026</b> 5:00 pm Great Vespers - Triodion Begins Confessions Afterward	Cyrus & John the Unmercenary
<b>Sunday—February 1, 2026</b> Sunday of the Pharisee and the Publican  9:25 am - Orthros 10:30 am - Divine Liturgy  1:30 - Youth Activity	Tryphon the Martyr
<p><b>Please note</b> that Confessions are heard at the time noted above in the coming week's schedule, or by appointment by calling Fr. Samuel at: (304) 541-8550.</p>	