

COFFEE HOUR SPONSORS are needed. It's a very simple and easy process. If you'd like to sign up for a Sunday, please contact Bonnie Kokkinis (Admin@StAnthonyTheGreat.org).

DATES	HOLY BREAD MAKER	COFFEE HOUR HOST	COFFEE HOUR HOST
March 23	Randa Nassif	LENTEN FALAFEL LUNCHEON	
March 30	Hala Khoury	Stefanos & MaryAnne Giannaris	
April 6	Ulana Owens/Fadia Khoury	MAM Ladies Society	
April 13	Bonnie Kokkinis	Palm Sunday Fish Fry	

16 March 2025

Church Office Hours & Staff: (281) 251-6000

Monday ~ Closed Tuesday–Thursday: 9:00 am ~ 4:00 pm Friday: 9:00 am ~ 12:00 pm

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WELCOME TO OUR GUESTS & VISITORS

WELCOME! It's a joy to have you and we're glad you're here - please join us for fellowship after Liturgy!
RECEIVING COMMUNION While the Orthodox Church continues to pray for the unity of all, Communion is only served to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession. All are welcome to come forward to receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread offered by one of the ushers.
ELECTRONIC DEVICES Please silence and refrain from using electronic devices during the service.

TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIVINE LITURGY OF ST. BASIL is celebrated today and every Sunday during Great Lent. You will notice that some of the prayers said by the priest "quietly" are a bit lengthier than the Liturgy of St. John. If you're following along in the book, at page 21, we jump to page 37.
BREAD OF OBLATION is offered by Fadia Khoury
MEMORIAL SERVICE in memory of +Nadim Rizqallah (40 day) and +Diana Rizqallah (6 month) will follow this morning's Liturgy. May their memory be eternal.
COFFEE HOUR is sponsored by Mauricio & April Rosales, and Jonathan & Gracie Sermas
MARCH IS ANTIOCHIAN WOMEN'S MONTH The ladies of our parish will be reading the Epistle and ushering this month.
LENTEN FALAFEL LUNCHEON TICKETS for the Sunday, March 23rd luncheon are now on sale! Adults \$15, children under 12 \$5.
BAPTISM/CHRISMATION OF CATECHUMENS will be on Saturday, April 5th at 10:30a. We will have a brief mandatory meeting with the Catechumens in the hall after today's service.

SCHEDULE OF THIS WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICES

Table with 3 columns: Day, Time, and Service. Rows include Monday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, and Monday services.

To stay up to date on the various activities of our Church by receiving our weekly Tuesday eblasts and special announcements, please scan this QR code.



GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONFESSIONS DURING LENT Confessions can be made on Saturday evening before Great Vespers or by appointment. If you have never practiced the Sacrament of Holy Confession, Lent is the time. Email Fr. Anthony or Fr. John to schedule a time.
POTLUCK DINNER is on Wednesdays during Lent following PreSanctified Divine Liturgy. It is an Orthodox tradition to "break bread" after the evening liturgies on Wednesdays of Lent. If you plan to attend and bring a meal to share, please be sure that dishes are "fast-friendly" (no meat, dairy, fish, wine or oil). Service is from 6:30-8p, dinner after.
SPANAKOPITA & TIROPITA PREORDER Order forms in narthex & hall. We will be baking on Tuesday, March 18th at 10:00a in the hall. Please bring your own lunch. Come to the back of the hall.
ARABIC EASTER COOKIES now available for order. Order forms are in the hall & narthex.
DO YOU SPEAK A FOREIGN LANGUAGE? If you would like to read the Gospel for Agape Vespers, please contact Fr. Anthony.
IOCC HOMEFRONT To prepare our parish for potential emergencies/disasters, we need to understand the skills, abilities, and availability of our parishioners. Please take 3-5 minutes to complete our short survey in Tuesday's eblast.
SPRING 2025 CATECHISM CLASS If you wish to become an Orthodox Christian and be enrolled as a catechumen at St. Anthony, please register for the Spring 2025 catechism class at https://forms.gle/vWseJX9LxpaFWQkc7. A link will be provided in the Tuesday eblast. Classes will meet Monday evening 7:15p-8:15p, beginning March 17 through May 12, 2025, following the service at 6:30p.
PROJECT MEXICO/ST. INNOCENT ORPHANAGE PANTRY PARTNERS Help us fill the pantry of St. Innocent Orphanage in Mexico. Every Sunday in March you will have the opportunity to purchase pantry items to donate to Project Mexico and add your "purchased product" to our pantry shelf wall. Please see the Pantry Partners Wall in the Fellowship Hall by the bookstore to make a donation.
ST. MONICA MOTHER'S GROUP will meet in the Hall from 10:00a-noon on Friday, March 28th.
TEXAS A&M CAMPUS VISIT Friday, March 28. Connect with Orthodox Christian faculty & staff, meet current students, local priests & church leaders, and tour the campus! Seminars for students and parents. See info in the Tuesday eblast to register.
YOUNG AT HEART YAH members will participate in the St. Paraskevi Monastery pilgrimage on March 29 (Saturday). Please watch for further details in the church bulletins and in the e-blasts.
HOLY WEEK FLOWERS & PALMS If you would like to make a donation for the palms & flowers for Holy Week, please fill out the form in this bulletin and return it to the church office. Deadline is Holy Thursday, April 17th.
FOOD FOR HUNGRY PEOPLE Almsgiving is an important spiritual practice during Great Lent, as we remember those who are hungry and in need. Donation boxes are in the narthex. Please make one check in the total amount you collect and submit it to the Treasurer by Palm Sunday, April 13th.
PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE Join the DOWAMA family at the 2025 Parish Life Conference (PLC)! Hosted by Holy Ascension Church in Norman, Oklahoma June 11-15. See the link in the weekly eblast to register.
2025 ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION will be July 20-27 in Chicago. To register, go to ac2025chicago.org.

M.A.M. (Mary And Martha) LADIES SOCIETY

MAM LADIES MEETING Tuesday, March 18th at 7:00p in the Conference Room.
ST. PARASKEVI MONASTERY VISIT We will be visiting the monastery on Saturday, March 29th. To sign up, please use the link in the Tuesday eblast. Deadline to register is Sunday, March 23.

MEN'S SOCIETY

MEN'S RETREAT Friday, March 28th, hosted by St. Jonah Orthodox Church at Terra Nera Ranch. It's a great chance for fellowship, prayer, and time outdoors. Fathers, bring your sons. Meals provided, but bring your own gear. See Alex Yakyma for more info.
PALM SUNDAY FISH FRY Please see info on page 5 of this bulletin.

CHURCH SCHOOL ~ YOUTH & YOUNG ADULTS

BIBLE BOWL MEETING Saturday, March 22nd at 3:00p in the Conference Room.
FINAL CREATIVE FESTIVALS WORKSHOP & DEADLINE is Sunday, March 23, in the Hall after Church School.
LUMINARIES Forms for the Holy Friday luminaries are in the narthex and hall.
CAMP ST. RAPHAEL SUMMER CAMP REGISTRATION has begun! Spots fill up quickly, so see the link in the weekly eblast to register. St. Anthony campers attend 3rd session.
ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS Our diocese offers scholarships to graduating seniors. To learn more about this, please contact Vivian Bernardi.

The Men's Society Welcomes you to the

Palm Sunday Fish Fry



When: April 13, 2025, after liturgy

Where: Fellowship Hall

Cost: \$15 per person

RSVP here →



2nd SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT ST. GREGORY PALAMAS

Little Entrance Hymn of Ordinary Sunday

Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead save us, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

Hymn Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 5)

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.

Hymn Troparion of St. Gregory Palamas (Tone 8)

O Star of Orthodoxy, support of the Church and its teacher, O comeliness of ascetics, and incontestable champion of those who speak in theology, Gregory the wonder-worker, the pride of Thessalonica and preacher of grace, implore thou constantly for the salvation of our souls.

Hymn Troparion of St. Anthony, our patron (Tone 4)

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah and didst follow John the Baptist in his upright ways as a dweller in the wilderness, thou didst steady the world by prayer. O Father Anthony, intercede to Christ our God for our soul's salvation.

Hymn Kontakion for Sundays in Great Lent (Tone 8)

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.

إني أنا عبدك يا والدة الإله * أكتبُ لكِ راياتِ الغلبةِ * يا جُنْدِيَّةَ مُحَامِيَّةَ * وأقدمُ لكِ الشُّكْرَ
كَمُنْقَدَةٍ مِنَ الشَّدَائِدِ * لَكِنِ بِمَا أَنَّ لَكَ الْعِزَّةَ التي لا تُحَارَبُ * أعتقيني من صنوفِ الشَّدَائِدِ
حَتَّى أَصْرُخَ إِلَيْكَ: إفرحي يا عروساً لا عروساً لها.

Lenten Falafel LUNCHEON



Adults \$15

Kids under 12
\$5

SPONSORED BY MAM LADIES SOCIETY

SUNDAY March 23

Falafel and all the fixin's!
Drink & Dessert included

Adults: \$15

Children under 12: \$5

See Victoria Tannous



A Lenten Pilgrimage:

St. Paraskevi Monastery

Saturday, March 29

Time: 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

See link in eblast to sign up

Deadline to register:

Sunday, March 23

HOLY FRIDAY LUMINARY ORDER FORM

Cost per luminary: Recommended \$5 donation

All proceeds will go toward our Youth Program & Church School.



Your Name: _____ Your Email: _____

Number of individual luminaries: ____ Method of payment: PayPal Square Cash Check
(Circle one)

Names of those you wish to honor:

You can list multiple people or families on one luminary if you wish. Please mark the departed with a cross. +

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