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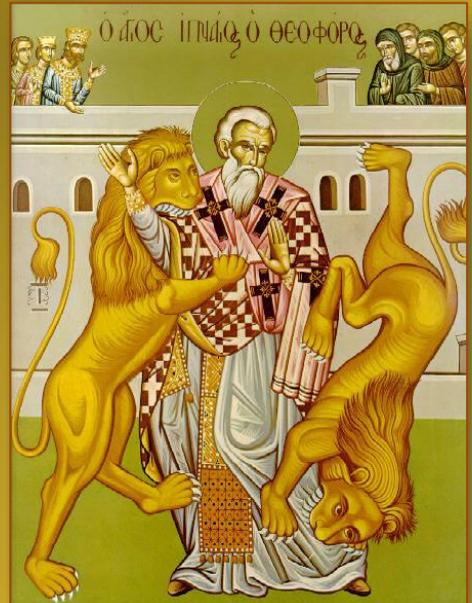
SUNDAY BEFORE THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST ST. IGNATIUS OF ANTIOCH (OBSERVED)

*MARTYRS BONIFACE AND AGLAÏS OF ROME
BONIFACE THE MERCIFUL, BISHOP OF FERENTINO IN TUSCANY
MARTYRS EUTYCHIOS AND THESSALONICA AND THEIR COMPANIONS*

Saint Ignatius was a disciple of Saint John, the Beloved Disciple and Evangelist, and he became the second Bishop of Antioch. St. Ignatius wrote many letters to the faithful, strengthening them in their faith and preserving for us the teachings of the holy Apostles.

As an old man, he was brought from Antioch to Rome, where St. Ignatius was to be executed for being a Christian—by being fed to lions in the arena—for the sport of the Emperor. On his way, he wrote a letter to the Christians of Rome to encourage them in the persecution. He wrote, “I am the wheat of God, and am ground by the teeth of the wild beasts, that I may be found to be the pure bread of God.” Thus Ignatius became a martyr for Christ about the year 110.

He is called “God-bearer,” because he bore God within himself and was aflame in heart with love for Him.



LITURGY VARIATIONS

THIRD ANTIPHON: TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION (TONE 1)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O Giver of life: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ; glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy

إِنَّ الْحَجَرَ لَمَّا حُتِمَ مِنَ الْيَهُودِ، وَجَسَدَكَ الطَّاهِرَ حُفِظَ مِنْ
الْجُنُودِ، قُمْتَ فِي الْيَوْمِ الثَّالِثِ أَيُّهَا الْمَحْلَسُ، مَانِحًا الْعَالَمَ
الْحَيَاةَ. لِذَلِكَ قَوَّاتِ السَّمَاوَاتِ، هَتَفُوا إِلَيْكَ يَا وَاهِبِ الْحَيَاةِ:
الْمِجْدُ لِقِيَامَتِكَ أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ، الْمِجْدُ لِمُلْكِكَ، الْمِجْدُ لِتَدْبِيرِكَ،
يَا مُحِبَّ الْبَشَرِ وَحَدِّكَ.

Schedule of Regular Weekly Services

Sundays: Matins, 9:15 AM

Divine Liturgy, 10:30 AM

Saturdays: Great Vespers, 6:00 PM

Confession: After Saturday Vespers

During Sunday Matins

Or by Appointment



**Remember to turn
cell phones off!**

See Calendar for Feast Days and Other Weekday Services Scheduled

Order for Holy Communion

Members of the Orthodox Church age seven and above must prepare for Holy Communion with a recent confession, prayer, fasting from all food and drink from midnight (unless a medical condition preclude it), being in church *before* the Epistle and Gospel readings, and being at peace with everyone.

CHILDREN going to church school and their teachers should come down the center aisle first. (Small children may need to be assisted by their parents.)

ALL OTHERS should wait until an usher dismisses your row from the center aisle. Then return to your place by a side aisle for the prayers of thanksgiving and the final blessing and dismissal. Please let choir members pass when they come down for Communion.

Coronavirus Precautions

Please be aware that the Los Angeles County Health Department requires everyone to wear masks indoors, in all public places, *including in churches*.



A Warm Welcome to Our Guests

We are glad you are worshipping with us. Please note that participation in **Holy Communion is limited to members of the Orthodox Church** in good standing, who have prepared with prayer, fasting and a recent confession.

For all others: though we cannot share Communion with you—since it is an expression of membership and full unity in faith—you are welcome to come forward after the dismissal, receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread (from the large bowls). Please also sign our guest book and introduce yourself to Fr. Nabil or Fr. Andrew during coffee hour. You may inquire with them how you can become a member.

providence, O Thou Who alone art the Lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKIA AFTER THE ENTRANCE

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 1)

While the stone was sealed by the Jews....

إِنَّ الْحَجَرَ لَمَّا خُتِمَ مِنَ الْيَهُودِ....

Troparion of the Sunday before the Nativity of Christ (Tone 2)

Great are the accomplishments of faith; for the three holy youths rejoiced in the fountain of flames as though at waters of rest. And the Prophet Daniel appeared a shepherd to the lions as though they were sheep. Wherefore, by their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls.

عَظِيمَةٌ هِيَ أَفْعَالُ الْإِيمَانِ، لِأَنَّ الْفَتْيَةَ الثَّلَاثَةَ الْقَدِيسِينَ قَدْ ابْتَهَجُوا فِي يَنْبُوعِ اللَّهَبِ كَأَنَّهُمْ عَلَى مَاءِ الرَّاحَةِ، وَالنَّبِيَّ دَانِيَالَ ظَهَرَ رَاعِيًا لِلسَّبَاعِ كَأَنَّهُمْ غَنَمٌ، فَبِتَضَرُّعِهِمْ أُيِّمَ الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهُ خَلِّصْ نَفُوسَنَا.

Troparion of St. Ignatius of Antioch (Tone 4)

By choosing the Apostles' way of life, thou didst succeed to their throne. Inspired by God thou didst find the way to divine contemplation through the practice of virtue. After teaching the word of truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith to the very shedding of thy blood. O holy Martyr among bishops Ignatius, Entreat the Lord our God to save our souls.

صرت مشابها للرسول في احوالهم، وخليفة في كراسيهم، فوجدت بالعمل المراقبة النظرية، أيها اللاهج بالله. لأجل ذلك تَبَعْتَ كلمة الحق باستقامة. وجهدت عن الإيمان حتى الدم. أيها الشهيد في الكهنة أغناطيوس فتشفع إلى المسيح الاله ان يَخَلِّصَ نفوسنا.

Troparion of St. Nicholas (Tone 4)

The verity of your actions revealed you to your flock, a rule of faith, an icon of mildness, and teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Nicholas; wherefore by humility you have achieved exaltation and by poverty richness. Intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

لَقَدْ أَظْهَرْتَكَ أَفْعَالُ الْحَقِّ لِرِعِيَّتِكَ قَانُونًا لِلإِيمَانِ، وَصُورَةً لِلْوَدَاعَةِ، وَمُعَلِّمًا لِلإِمْسَاكِ، أُيِّمَ الْأَبُ وَرئيسُ الْكَهَنَةِ نيقولاوس. فَلِذَلِكَ أَحْرَزْتَ بِالتَّوَاضُعِ الرِّفْعَةَ، وَبِالمِسْكِنَةِ الْغِنَى. فَتَشَفَّعْ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ الْإِلَهُ أَنْ يَخَلِّصَ نَفُوسَنَا.

Kontakion in Preparation for the Nativity of Christ (Tone 3)

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to God the Word ineffably, Who was before all the ages. Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing the gladsome tidings; with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him Who is willing to be gazed on as a young Child Who before the ages is God.

اليوم العذراء تأتي إلى المغارة لتلد الكلمة الذي قبل الدهور،
ولادة لا تُفسر ولا يُنطق بها، فأفرحي أيتها المسكونة إذا
سمعت، ومجدي مع الملائكة والرعاة، الذي سيظهر بمشيئته
طفلاً جديداً وهو إلهنا الذي قبل الدهور.

THE SCRIPTURE LESSONS

Prokeimenon (Psalm 103.24, 1 LXX; Tone 4)

Blessed are You, O Lord, God of our Fathers.
Verse: For You are just in all You have done.

بروكيمن (الحن ٤؛ زمور ١٠٣، ٢٤، ١)

مبارك أنت يا رب إله آبائنا.

لأنك عدل في كل ما صنعت بنا.

Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews (11.9-10, 17-23, 32-40; Sunday before the Nativity)

BRETHREN, by faith Abraham sojourned in the land of promise as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city which has foundations, whose builder and maker is God.

By faith Abraham, when he was tested, offered up Isaac, and he who had received the promises was ready to offer up his only son, of whom it was said, "Through Isaac shall your descendants be named." He considered that God was able to raise men even from the dead; hence, figuratively speaking, he did receive him back. By faith Isaac invoked future blessings on Jacob and Esau. By faith Jacob, when dying, blessed each of the sons of Joseph, bowing in worship over the head of his staff. By faith Joseph, at the end of his life, made mention of the exodus of the Israelites and gave directions concerning

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول إلى العبرانيين
(١١، ٩-١٠، ١٧-٢٣، ٣٢-٤٠؛ للأحد قبل الميلاد)

يا إخوة، بإخوة، بالإيمان نزل إبراهيم في أرض الميعاد نزوله في أرض غريبة، وسكن في خيام مع اسحق ويعقوب الوارثين معه للموعود بعينه. لأنه انتظر المدينة ذات الأسس التي الله صانعها وبارئها.

بالإيمان قدم إبراهيم إسحاق وهو مجرب - قدم الذي قبل الموعود، وحيد الذي قيل له: «إنه بإسحاق يدعى لك نسل». إذ حسب أن الله قادر على الإقامة من الأموات أيضاً، الذين منهم أخذ أيضاً في مثال. بالإيمان إسحاق بارك يعقوب وعيسو من جهة أمور عتيبة. بالإيمان يعقوب عند موته بارك كل واحد من ابني يوسف، وسجد على رأس عصاه. بالإيمان يوسف عند موته ذكر خروج بني إسرائيل

his bones. By faith Moses, when he was born, was hid for three months by his parents, because they saw that the child was beautiful; and they were not afraid of the king's edict.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.

And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (1.1-25; Sunday before the Nativity)

THE BOOK OF THE GENEALOGY OF JESUS CHRIST, the Son of David, the Son of Abraham.

Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of

وَأَوْصَى مِنْ جِهَةِ عِظَامِهِ. بِالْإِيمَانِ مُوسَى، بَعْدَمَا وُلِدَ، أَخْفَاهُ
أَبَوَاهُ ثَلَاثَةَ أَشْهُرٍ، لِأَنَّهُمَا رَأَيَا الصَّبِيَّ جَمِيلاً، وَلَمْ يَخْشِيَا أَمْرَ
الْمَلِكِ.

وماذا أقول أيضاً؟ إنَّه يَضْبِقُ فِي الْوَقْتِ إِنْ أَحْبَبْتُ عَنْ
جِدْعُونَ، وَبَارَاقَ، وَشَمْشُونَ، وَبِفَتَّاحَ، وَدَاوُدَ، وَصَمُونِيلَ،
وَالْأَنْبِيَاءَ. الَّذِينَ بِالْإِيمَانِ قَهَرُوا الْمَمَالِكَ، وَعَمَلُوا الْبِرَّ، وَنَالُوا
الْمَوَاعِدَ، وَسَدُّوا أَفْوَاهَ الْأَسْوَدِ. وَأَطْفَأُوا جِدَّةَ النَّارِ، وَجَوَّأُوا مِنْ
خَدِّ السَّيْفِ، وَتَقَوُّوا مِنْ ضَعْفٍ، وَصَارُوا أَشِدَّاءَ فِي الْحَرْبِ،
وَكَسَرُوا مُعْسَكَرَاتِ الْأَجَانِبِ، وَأَخَذَتْ نِسَاءٌ أَمْوَالَهُنَّ بِقِيَامَةِ.
وَعَذَّبَ آخَرُونَ بِتَوْتِيرِ الْأَعْضَاءِ وَالضَّرْبِ، وَلَمْ يَقْبَلُوا بِالنَّجَاةِ
لِيَحْصُلُوا عَلَى قِيَامَةِ أَفْضَلِ. وَآخَرُونَ ذَاقُوا الْهَرَّةَ، وَالْجُلْدَ،
وَالْقَيْوَدَ أَيْضاً وَالسَّجْنَ. وَرُجِمُوا، وَنُشِرُوا، وَامْتَحِنُوا، وَمَاتُوا بِحَدِّ
السَّيْفِ، وَسَاخُوا فِي جُلُودِ عَنَمٍ وَمَعِزٍ، وَهُمْ مُعَوِّزُونَ مُضَائِقُونَ
مَجْهُودُونَ — وَلَمْ يَكُنِ الْعَالَمُ مُسْتَحِقًّا لَهُمْ — وَكَانُوا تَائِهِينَ فِي
الْبَرَارِيِّ، وَالْجِبَالِ، وَالْمَغَاوِرِ، وَكُهُوفِ الْأَرْضِ.

فَهَؤُلَاءِ كُلُّهُمْ مَشْهُوداً لَهُمْ بِالْإِيمَانِ، لَمْ يَنَالُوا الْمَوَاعِدَ. لِأَنَّ اللَّهَ
سَبَقَ فَتَطَّرَ لَنَا شَيْئاً أَفْضَلَ، أَنْ لَا يَكْمُلُوا بَدُونِنَا.

مِنْ بَشَارَةِ الْقَدِيسِ مَتَّى الْإِنْجِيلِيِّ الْبَشِيرِ وَالتَّلْمِيذِ الطَّاهِرِ

(١، ١-٢٥؛ للأحد قبل الميلاد)

كِتَابُ مِيلَادِ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ ابْنِ دَاوُدَ ابْنِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ.

فِإِبْرَاهِيمَ وَلَدَ إِسْحَقَ، وَإِسْحَقَ وَلَدَ يَعْقُوبَ، وَيَعْقُوبَ وَلَدَ
يَهُوذَا وَإِخْوَتَهُ. وَيَهُوذَا وَلَدَ فَارِصَ، وَفَارِصَ مِنْ تَامَارَ، وَفَارِصَ

Aram, and Aram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David the King.

And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asa, and Asa the father of Jehoshaphat, and Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amon, and Amon the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon.

And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, Who is called Christ.

So, all generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations.

Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been

وَلَدَ حَصْرُونَ، وَحَصْرُونَ وَلَدَ أَرَامَ. وَأَرَامُ وَلَدَ عَمِينَادَابَ، وَعَمِينَادَابُ وَلَدَ نَحْشُونَ، وَنَحْشُونَ وَلَدَ سَلْمُونَ. وَسَلْمُونَ وَلَدَ بُوعَزَ مِنْ زَاكَبَ، وَبُوعَزُ وَلَدَ عُوبِيدَ مِنْ رَاعُوثَ، وَعُوبِيدُ وَلَدَ يَسَّى، وَيَسَّى وَلَدَ دَاوُدَ الْمَلِكِ.

وَدَاوُدُ الْمَلِكُ وَلَدَ سُلَيْمَانَ مِنَ الَّتِي كَانَتْ لِأُرِيَّ. وَسُلَيْمَانُ وَلَدَ رَحْبَعَامَ، وَرَحْبَعَامُ وَلَدَ أَبِييَا، وَأَبِييَا وَلَدَ آسَا. وَآسَا وَلَدَ يَوْشَافَاطَ، وَيَوْشَافَاطُ وَلَدَ يُورَامَ، وَيُورَامُ وَلَدَ عُزْرِيَا. وَعُزْرِيَا وَلَدَ يُوْتَامَ، وَيُوْتَامُ وَلَدَ أَحَازَ، وَأَحَازُ وَلَدَ حِزْقِيَا. وَحِزْقِيَا وَلَدَ مَنَسَّى، وَمَنَسَّى وَلَدَ آمُونَ، وَآمُونُ وَلَدَ يَوْشِيَا. وَيَوْشِيَا وَلَدَ يَكُنْيَا وَإِخْوَتَهُ فِي جَلَاءِ بَابِلَ.

وَمِنْ بَعْدِ جَلَاءِ بَابِلَ، يَكُنْيَا وَلَدَ شَالْتِيئِيلَ، وَشَالْتِيئِيلُ وَلَدَ زَرُبَابَلُ. وَزَرُبَابَلُ وَلَدَ أَبِيهَوْدَ، وَأَبِيهَوْدُ وَلَدَ أَلْيَاقِيمَ، وَأَلْيَاقِيمُ وَلَدَ عَاوُزَ. وَعَاوُزُ وَلَدَ صَادُوقَ، وَصَادُوقُ وَلَدَ أَحِيمَ، وَأَحِيمُ وَلَدَ أَلِيهَوْدَ. وَأَلِيهَوْدُ وَلَدَ أَلْعَازَارَ، وَأَلْعَازَارُ وَلَدَ مَتَّانَ، وَمَتَّانُ وَلَدَ يَعْقُوبَ. وَيَعْقُوبُ وَلَدَ يَوْسُفَ رَجُلَ مَرْيَمَ الَّتِي وُلِدَ مِنْهَا يَسُوعُ، الَّذِي يُدْعَى الْمَسِيحَ.

فَكُلُّ الْأَجْيَالِ مِنْ إِبْرَاهِيمَ إِلَى دَاوُدَ أَرْبَعَةَ عَشَرَ جِيلًا، وَمِنْ دَاوُدَ إِلَى جَلَاءِ بَابِلَ أَرْبَعَةَ عَشَرَ جِيلًا، وَمِنْ جَلَاءِ بَابِلَ إِلَى الْمَسِيحِ أَرْبَعَةَ عَشَرَ جِيلًا.

أَمَّا مَوْلِدُ يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ فَكَانَ هَكَذَا. لَمَّا حُطِبَتْ مَرْيَمُ أُمُّهُ لِيَوْسُفَ، وَوَجِدَتْ مِنْ قَبْلِ أَنْ يَجْتَمِعَا حُبْلَى مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدُسِ. وَإِذَا كَانَ يَوْسُفُ رَجُلًا صِدِّيقًا، وَلَمْ يُرِدْ أَنْ يُشْهِرَهَا، هَمَّ بِتَخْلِيئِهَا سِرًّا. وَفِيمَا هُوَ مُتَّفَكِّرٌ فِي ذَلِكَ، إِذَا بِمَلَاكِ الرَّبِّ ظَهَرَ لَهُ فِي الْحُلُمِ، قَائِلًا: يَا يَوْسُفُ ابْنَ دَاوُدَ، لَا تَخَفْ أَنْ

betrothed to Joseph, before they came together, she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, “Joseph, Son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for He will save his people from their sins.” All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: “Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel” (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had borne a Son; and he called his Name Jesus.

تَأْخُذُ امْرَأَتَكَ مَرْيَمَ. فَإِنَّ الْمَوْلُودَ فِيهَا إِنَّمَا هُوَ مِنَ الرُّوحِ الْقُدْسِ.
 وَسَتَلِدُ ابْنًا فَتُسَمِّيهِ يَسُوعَ، فَإِنَّهُ هُوَ يُخَلِّصُ شَعْبَهُ مِنْ
 خَطَايَاهُمْ. وَكَانَ هَذَا كُلُّهُ لِيَتِمَّ مَا قِيلَ مِنَ الرَّبِّ بِالنَّبِيِّ الْقَائِلِ:
 هَا إِنَّ الْعَذْرَاءَ تَحْبِلُ، وَتَلِدُ ابْنًا، وَيُدْعَى عِمَّا نُوثِيلَ (الذي



تَفْسِيرُهُ اللَّهُ مَعَنَا). فَلَمَّا
 كَهَضَ يَوْسُفُ مِنَ
 النُّوْمِ، صَنَعَ كَمَا أَمَرَهُ
 مَلَائِكَةُ الرَّبِّ. فَأَخَذَ
 امْرَأَتَهُ. وَمَ يَعْرِفُهَا حَتَّى
 وَوَلَدَتْ ابْنَهَا الْبِكْرَ،
 وَسَمَّاهُ يَسُوعَ.

HOLY OBLATIONS AND PRAYER REQUESTS

- By the family of Edward G. Awad, for the repose of his wife Lila Awad (1-year).
- By the Bshara family: George, Mariam, Mark, Antonio and Hend.
- By Ehab, Rania, Sami, Selena and Anthony Dahabreh, for the health of Rania’s father, Hani Tadros, and in memory of Ehab’s mother, Nawal Hawatmeh Dahabreh.

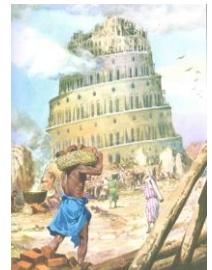
To offer Holy Oblations and Memorials please use the form at

<https://stnicholasla.com/makeaprayrequest> or call the Cathedral office by Wednesday.

Note that oblations just list the following: 1. Names of those offering it, 2. Names of the living and the occasion, and 3. Names of the departed and how long departed.

TODAY’S STUDY TOPIC: LESSON 1.3 GENESIS 11 – THE TOWER OF BABEL

All church school classes from first grade on up today will study Genesis 11 (pp 32-33 in *The Golden Children’s Bible*). Adults will study the same text simultaneously with our children.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP AFTER LITURGY

Following the dismissal and announcements, come forward for a blessing, then exit via the south (right side) doors, and join us in the Heritage Ballroom for refreshments.



- Coffee hour is hosted today by Edward Awad, a mercy meal on the first anniversary of Lila's repose.

Please consider sponsoring a Coffee Hour after Liturgy. Bring whatever you would like to share—donuts, cookies, mini bagels, zaatar, etc. What we eat isn't as important as sharing the fellowship of our Cathedral Family. The Ladies Society will provide the coffee, coffee supplies and paper goods. Call/text Joujou George (562) 522-1322, or email her at ginageorge@verizon.net to reserve a Sunday.

IN HONOR OF ST. IGNATIUS



In the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America the third Sunday in December is celebrated as St. Ignatius Sunday. The Order supports a multitude of vital programs for our parish and Archdiocese. One of these, for example, is the camping program. If you have any questions about the Order or how to join, please see Concetta Smarius, Fr. Nabil or any member (wearing a red ribbon and cross). You can watch a video about the Order at

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=L662wCSTUpI&t=12s>

PICK UP 2022 CALENDARS IN NARTHEX

Our new church icon calendars are now available. Please take one. The calendar grid includes each day's scripture readings and indicates fasting days and commemorations, and it includes space for your own notes and appointments.



SEE'S CANDY



Please remember to order and purchase your holiday See's Candy from Diane Brooks, just in front of the bookstore. Diane also sells See's Candy Gift Cards. That way, you can give a gift at any time during the holidays! Contact Diane at 562-761-8436 or rockinwomom@gmail.com.

Christmas Eve Schedule: Friday, December 24

It was night when Jesus was born, when angels appeared, praising God, and they were seen by shepherds "out in the field, keeping watch over their flock by night" (Luke 2.8), and they, in turn, immediately went over to Bethlehem and proclaimed the Good News.

With the angels, the shepherds, the wise men, let us come to adore Him Christmas Eve.

8:30 a.m. **Royal Hours of Christmas**

10:00 a.m. **Divine Liturgy** (Paramon of Christmas)

While we encourage all to come to both the morning and night services (which are not the same), this may be an excellent opportunity for young children and entire families to celebrate the birth of Christ together, especially if attendance at the late service be impossible.

8:30 p.m. **Christmas Matins**

10:00 p.m. **CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY**

In celebration of the Feast and as a token of our love and appreciation of you, Fr. Nabil, Kh. Elaine, Fr. Andrew and Kh. Ruth will host dinner in the Heritage Hall immediately following Liturgy.



Merry Christmas

Join us for Christmas
Lunch, DJ, and Gifts

Santa Claus is coming on December 25

3:00pm - 8:00 pm

At St. Nicholas

Cathedral

2300 W 3rd st. Los
Angeles, CA 90057

Adult: \$55
Kids: \$30

For reservations, contact
George Bshara:
(323)-474-9898
Issa Kazma:
(323)-684-5279

**St Nicholas Cathedral Presents
SOYO Holiday Movie Night
Screening "Elf"**

Date: Tuesday, December 28
Time: 6:00 PM
Where: St Nicholas Cathedral
2300 W 3rd Street
Los Angeles, CA 90057

Join us in the Heritage Ballroom as we use our new giant projection screen and sound system to screen ELF and enjoy food and fellowship. We will provide pizza, popcorn and drinks. A freewill offering at the door to offset costs is appreciated.



RSVP at
tingurl.com/SOYO-ELF

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31 AT 9:00PM

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EASTERN DINNER, AND
ARRAY OF DESERTS, SOFT
DRINKS, WINE, AND
CHAMPAGNE

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THEME:

I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH AND THE LIFE

JOIN US FOR A WEEKEND FULL OF FRIENDSHIPS, FAITH,
FUN (IN THE SNOW, HOPEFULLY) AND THE BEAUTY OF
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CATHEDRAL PRAYER LIST

Please include in your daily prayers the following—those struggling with acute illness and those newly departed this life—from our parishioners and those for whom they have requested our prayers. (Names are kept for 40 days, the date indicated after the name, and may be renewed upon request.)

LIVING

Gerald Nader, hospital, 1/26
Lynn Macris, home, 1/20
Kh. Patricia Romley, 1/11
Abdullah Matar, home, 12/27
Wilfred “Will” Haick, home, 12/24
Hend Nahas, home, 12/22
Carl Fred Milkie Sr., home, 12/22
Fuad and **Mary** Romley Farradj, Christian
 Farradj’s parents, 1/21
Jamie Farr, cousin of the Samores, 1/25
Ronald Davis, Kh. Ruth Andrews’ brother, 1/21
Anna Acevedo, wife of custodian Armando Cano,
 12/27
Connor Capata, Julian and Shirley’s grandson,
 12/20
**All those injured and made homeless in the
 tornadoes in Arkansas, Tennessee, and
 Kentucky**
**All those suffering from illness, violence and
 want in this country and everywhere**

DEPARTED

Fr. Nicholas Neyman, 1/22
Mary Rose Grim, 1/16
John Malouf, Jacqueline Badaro’s brother, 1/24
Blanche Essay, aunt of Ronald Samore, 1/13
Rebecca Bytof, sister-in-law of Scott Bytof, 1/9
Elias Adeeb Khoury, father of Samir Khoury,
 12/23
**Victims of the tornadoes, the pandemic and of
 violence everywhere**

ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL CALENDAR

December 2021

Sun. 19	Spanish Mission Liturgy, 7:45 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spanish Bible Study Matins, 9:15 am Divine Liturgy, 10:30 am <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church School follows Holy Communion
Mon. 20	Cathedral Council meeting, 7 pm
Fri. 24	<p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Eve</p> Royal Hours of Christmas, 8:30 am Paramon of Christmas Liturgy, 10 am Christmas Matins, 8:30 pm CHRISTMAS DIVINE LITURGY, 10 PM
Sat. 25	<p style="text-align: center;">Christmas Day</p> Christmas Dinner/Party, 3 pm NO Vespers service
Sun. 26	Spanish Mission Liturgy, 7:45 am Matins, 9:15 am Divine Liturgy, 10:30 am
Mon. 27	Funeral of Mary Rose Grim, 11 am
Tue. 28	SOYO Movie Night, 6 pm
Fri. 31	New Year’s Eve Party, 8 pm
January 2022	
Sat. 1	<p style="text-align: center;">Circumcision of Christ and Feast of St. Basil the Great</p> Matins, 9:30 am Divine Liturgy, 10:30 am

SEE THE FULL CALENDAR and latest additions and updates at stnicholasla.org/parishcalendar