

# ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY BULLETIN

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## 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

33 Martyrs of Melitene, Lazarus the Wonderworker

### ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ -EPISTLE READING - Eph. 2:14-22

**A**ὐτὸς γάρ ἐστιν ἡ εἰρήνη ἡμῶν, ὁ ποιήσας τὰ ἀμφότερα ἐν καὶ τὸ μεσότοιχον τοῦ φραγμοῦ λύσας, τὴν ἔχθραν ἐν τῇ σαρκὶ αὐτοῦ, <sup>15</sup> τὸν νόμον τῶν ἐντολῶν ἐν δόγμασιν καταργήσας, ἵνα τοὺς δύο κτίσῃ ἐν αὐτῷ εἰς ἓνα καινὸν ἄνθρωπον ποιῶν εἰρήνην <sup>16</sup> καὶ ἀποκαταλλάξῃ τοὺς ἀμφοτέρους ἐν ἐνὶ σώματι τῷ θεῷ διὰ τοῦ σταυροῦ, ἀποκτείνας τὴν ἔχθραν ἐν αὐτῷ. <sup>17</sup> καὶ ἐλθὼν εὐηγγελίσατο εἰρήνην ὑμῖν τοῖς μακρὰν καὶ εἰρήνην τοῖς ἐγγύς· <sup>18</sup> ὅτι δι' αὐτοῦ ἔχομεν τὴν προσαγωγήν οἱ ἀμφότεροι ἐν ἐνὶ πνεύματι πρὸς τὸν πατέρα. <sup>19</sup> Ἄρα οὖν οὐκέτι ἐστὲ ξένοι καὶ πάροικοι ἀλλὰ ἐστὲ συμπολίται τῶν ἁγίων καὶ οἰκεῖοι τοῦ θεοῦ, <sup>20</sup> ἐποικοδομηθέντες ἐπὶ τῷ θεμελίῳ τῶν ἀποστόλων καὶ προφητῶν, ὄντος ἀκρογωνιαίου αὐτοῦ Χριστοῦ Ἰησοῦ, <sup>21</sup> ἐν ᾧ πᾶσα οἰκοδομὴ συναρμολογουμένη αὖξει εἰς ναὸν ἅγιον ἐν κυρίῳ, <sup>22</sup> ἐν ᾧ καὶ ὑμεῖς συνοικοδομεῖσθε εἰς κατοικητήριον τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν πνεύματι.

**F**or he is our peace, who has made us both one, and has broken down the dividing wall of hostility, <sup>15</sup> by abolishing in his flesh the law of commandments and ordinances, that he might create in himself one new man in place of the two, so making peace, <sup>16</sup> and might reconcile us both to God in one body through the cross, thereby bringing the hostility to an end. <sup>17</sup> And he came and preached peace to you who were far off and peace to those who were near; <sup>18</sup> for through him we both have access in one Spirit to the Father. <sup>19</sup> So then you are no longer strangers and sojourners, but you are fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, <sup>20</sup> built upon the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Christ Jesus himself being the cornerstone, <sup>21</sup> in whom the whole structure is joined together and grows into a holy temple in the Lord; <sup>22</sup> in whom you also are built into it for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

The Epistle reader for today is Tonie Bangos.

### ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ-GOSPEL READING - Luke 8:41-56

**K**αὶ ἰδοὺ ἦλθεν ἀνὴρ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰαῖρος καὶ οὗτος ἄρχων τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπῆρχεν, καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας [τοῦ] Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, <sup>42</sup> ὅτι θυγάτηρ μονογενῆς ἦν αὐτῷ ὡς ἑτῶν δώδεκα καὶ αὐτὴ ἀπέθνησκει. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὄχλοι συνέπιπτον αὐτόν. <sup>43</sup> Καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἑτῶν δώδεκα, ἣτις [ιατροῖς] προσαναλώσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον] οὐκ ἴσχυσε ἀπ' οὐδενὸς θεραπευθῆναι, <sup>44</sup> προσελθοῦσα ὀπισθεν ἤψατο τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ καὶ παραχρῆμα ἔστη ἡ ῥύσις τοῦ αἵματος αὐτῆς. <sup>45</sup> καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· τίς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ἀρνούμενων δὲ πάντων εἶπεν ὁ Πέτρος· ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὄχλοι συνέχουσίν σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσίν. <sup>46</sup> ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· ἤψατό μου τις, ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγνωνα δύναμιν ἐξεληλυθυῖαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. <sup>47</sup> ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθεν, τρέμουσα ἦλθεν καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δι' ἣν αἰτίαν ἤψατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ καὶ ὡς ἴαθη παραχρῆμα. <sup>48</sup> ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· θυγάτηρ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέν σε· πορεύου εἰς εἰρήνην. <sup>49</sup> Ἔτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεται τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων ὅτι τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μηκέτι σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. <sup>50</sup> ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ· μὴ φοβοῦ, μόνον πίστευσον, καὶ σωθήσεται. <sup>51</sup> ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφήκεν εἰσελθεῖν τινα σὺν αὐτῷ εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. <sup>52</sup> ἔκλαιον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν· μὴ κλαίετε, οὐ γὰρ ἀπέθανεν ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. <sup>53</sup> καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ εἰδότες ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. <sup>54</sup> αὐτὸς δὲ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησεν λέγων· ἡ παῖς, ἔγειρε. <sup>55</sup> καὶ ἐπέστρεψεν τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθῆναι φαγεῖν. <sup>56</sup> καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γονεῖς αὐτῆς· ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδεὶν εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.

**A**nd there came a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, <sup>42</sup> for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. <sup>43</sup> And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, <sup>44</sup> came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. <sup>45</sup> And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" <sup>46</sup> But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." <sup>47</sup> 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. <sup>48</sup> And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." <sup>49</sup> While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." <sup>50</sup> But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." <sup>51</sup> And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. <sup>52</sup> And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." <sup>53</sup> And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. <sup>54</sup> But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." <sup>55</sup> And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. <sup>56</sup> And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

**“YOU SHALL LOVE THE LORD...”**

Friend, let me ask you a question? Do you love God? Enough to give your whole life to him? Not quite, right? That is the root of our problem, in fact the cause of all our human misery.

God gave Moses the Tablets of the Law by which the chosen people of God were to live their lives. You and I know them as the TEN COMMANDMENTS.

The very first commandment tells us what our basic relationship with our God should be. *“You shall love the Lord you God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself.”* Yet it also informs us of what our relationship should be with our fellow human beings.

To love God with all our heart, soul, strength and mind is not as easy as it sounds. It takes much effort on our part. It requires not only our undivided attention but also divine grace.

How do we learn to love God? Many of us learned to love God from our youth. Our mothers, God bless them, taught us the fundamentals. Consider how children are quick to love. How they come up to you and hug you, and smile and say they love you. There is no pretense, no guile, no put-ons. They are the epitome of honesty. If they don't like you they will stay clear of you and they will shrink away from your presence as if they fear you.

Loving God is a lifelong process. It begins in our youth and should find perfect fulfillment in our adult stage. To grow into the kind of person God wants us to be, requires effort on our part. Love is the motivator. Because we love God we want to please him. Because we love Christ, our Lord, we have resolved to live our life according to his Word and Will. St. John the Evangelist says *“we love God, because He first loved us...”*

But for our love to be truly genuine it must encompass every aspect of our lives. Love of God should be our number one concern. Not love of family. The person who places God first in everything, will truly also possess genuine love for his family as well as his “neighbor”.

Friend, make your aim in whatever stage in life you find yourself, to love God. And you can achieve an honest love only to the extent that you are faithful to Christ and His Church, for which he gave his life. The Church, yes the Church, is our only hope on this side of heaven. As they say in the corporate world: “Don't leave earth without it!”

(Fr.JSD)

**RELIGIOUS SERVICES, MEETINGS AND EVENTS  
FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 7, 2010**

**Sun., November 7, 2010**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke,**  
**Orthros & Liturgy, 9am**  
**-GENERAL ASSEMBLY**  
**-GOYA Meeting**

**Mon., November 8, 2010**  
**Synaxis of the Archangels, 9am**

**Tues., November 9, 2010**  
**St. Nectarios, 9am**  
**-Bible Study, 11:30am**  
**-Greek School, 4pm**

**Weds., November 10, 2010**  
**-Orthodox Faith Class, 7pm**

**Thurs., November 11, 2010**  
**Veterans Day**

**Sat., November 13, 2010**  
**St. John Chrysostom, 9am**

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**GOYA**  
**Saturday, Nov. 13** - IOCC Walk-A-Thon at Rosebowl Stadium LOT “B” beginning at 12:30pm.  
**Saturday, Nov. 20** - Field Trip to Catalina  
**Saturday, Dec. 4** - Pan Orthodox Bible Bowl at St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox Church in Anaheim.

**+ MEMORIALS- MNHMOZYNA +**  
**PANAYIOTIS CHRISTAKIS - 6 MONTH**  
*+ May his memory be eternal +*

**\* PROSFORO SCHEDULE \***  
Sun. Nov.07 Mrs. Voula Kitsigianis  
Sun. Nov.14 Mrs. Dimitra Klentos  
Sun. Nov.21 Mrs. Eleni Kousoulas  
Sun. Nov.28 Mrs. Joanne Kalogeropoulos

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**REMINDER!!!**  
**SIGN UPS FOR eScrips and Ralphs**  
**will be in the Hall after church today.**

**DON'T FORGET NEXT SUNDAY IS**  
**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY.**

Today, a second tray will be passed for the Philoptochos in honor of their patron Sts. Cosmos and Damianos. Please give from your heart to help support their many philanthropic programs.



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The following have submitted their 2010 pledge cards.

We thank them and we invite the others to make their gift to their church.

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 Mrs. Estella Vlachos  
 Mrs. Sophia Voulimeneas  
 Mr. & Mrs. Mike Vourakis  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Vrahnos

Mr. & Mrs. Derek Welsbie  
 Mr. & Mrs. Randall Wemmer  
 Mr. & Mrs. Jim Wilson  
 Mr. & Mrs. Arthur Winders  
 Mr. & Mrs. Peter Xanthos  
 Ms. Victoria Xikis  
 Mr. Ioannis Xilikakis  
 Mr. & Mrs. John Ybarra  
 Mr. & Mrs. George Zonos  
 Ms. Josephine Zorzy  
 Mr. Jim Zounatiotis

- \* Denotes deceased member
- \* Connie Andros
- \* Bill Arvanitis
- \* Alberta Keffalas
- \* Christ Manes
- \* Dorothy Manes
- \* George Massouris
- \* William (Bill) Mitchell
- \* Philip Phillips

**As of  
 October 22, 2010  
 Total Pledges: 350  
 Goal: 600  
 Total Pledged:  
238,328.00  
 Budgeted Goal: \$285,000.00  
 Amount left to reach Goal:  
\$46,672.00**

**JOIN US  
 NOVEMBER 14, 2010**

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**

**COME AND SEE  
 ΕΡΧΟΥ ΚΑΙ ΙΔΕ**



This Phrase is simple yet powerful. It calls us to change our location – physically and spiritually. If we want to find Christ, we must move toward Him. We must grow and mature in our faith.

Giving to the Church is an opportunity – an opportunity to examine our priorities and values. It is an opportunity to express our thankfulness, to give of ourselves and to grow in grace. It is an opportunity to participate in the work of God. Come and see what we can do together with your support.

A check mailed to the church is meaningless unless it is accompanied by our presence, by our willingness to serve, by our prayers, and by our commitment. Giving is not a substitute for our commitment – it is an expression of our commitment. Come and see how you can grow through service to the Church.

Come and see the works of God, Who is awesome (Psalm 66:5).





**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**  
**50TH ANNIVERSARY**

**It All Begins With YOU!**

As we kick off our 50th Anniversary Celebration fund raising drive!

**Purchase One (or MORE!)  
\$100 Benefit Drawing Tickets!**

**Win One (or MORE!) of the  
Following 7 Cash Prizes:  
\$5,000 1st Prize  
\$2,500 2nd Prize  
5 Additional Prizes at \$500 Each**

The Grand Prize Drawing takes place January 6, 2011,  
during the Vespers Name Day Dinner to honor and celebrate  
our Patron Saint, Saint John the Baptist.

Benefit Drawing tickets make great Christmas gifts for your family  
and friends. This is one gift with the opportunity to keep on giving!  
A win-win for everyone, so why not share the wealth?

**For Benefit Drawing Tickets,  
See Your Parish Council Members  
or  
Contact the Church Office!**

Mark your calendars!  
The weekend of October 8, 2011,  
will be "a chryssi epetios" in the life of our parish, as we  
celebrate the Golden Anniversary of St. John the Baptist  
Greek Orthodox Church in Anaheim, California. Opa!

*"Let the Celebration Begin"*  
St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church  
50th Anniversary Celebration



**SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
ANAHEIM-CALIFORNIA**

Please join the joyous celebration of  
**ST. JOHN the BAPTIST  
50th ANNIVERSARY**

**OCTOBER 8, 2011  
DISNEYLAND HOTEL  
ANAHEIM, CALIFORNIA**



**GOYA**

**Community Christmas Card**



Please print how you would like your name to appear in  
the Community Christmas Card: **\$20.00 per line**

GOYAN Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Cash: \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**DEADLINE: Sunday, December 5, 2010**



St. George Greek Orthodox Church



## 16TH ANNUAL GOLF TOURNAMENT

at La Quinta Resort Dunes Golf Course  
49-499 Eisenhower Drive • La Quinta, CA

Cocktails  
Live Music  
Greek Dinner  
Prizes

Golf & Dinner  
\$145 per player  
Greek Dinner only  
\$30 per person  
Cash Bar

Stroke Play or Four Person Scramble

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2010**

7:30 a.m. Shotgun Start  
6:00 p.m. Greek Dinner at St. George Greek Orthodox Church  
74-109 Larrea St., Palm Desert (760)-568-9901

**REGISTRATION FORM DEADLINE NOVEMBER 19, 2010**

Anaheim Order of AHEPA, Chapter #411  
Proudly Hosts the

## St. John's Community Christmas Dinner

St. John's Community  
Christmas Dinner  
Saturday, December 11, 2010

6:00 P.M.  
Cocktails & Appetizers  
7:00 P.M.  
Dinner

St. John the Baptist  
Greek Orthodox Church  
405 North Dale Street  
Anaheim, California



Sponsored by the Order of AHEPA for our community  
fifteen dollars (\$15) per person, under 12 no charge

Please RSVP to  
George Ambatielos:  
714 521-0360

Jeff Halbert:  
714 244-7791

Peter Attard:  
714 281-2499

*The Order of AHEPA requests that everyone bring an unwrapped toy to be given to the Orangewood Children's Home. In lieu of a gift, cash donations will be accepted for the Orangewood Children's Home.*

Delectable Creations, Elegantly Prepared by the Amazing  
AHEPA Cooking Team. We look forward to having you join us.