

ST. JOHN'S WEEKLY BULLETIN

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September 3, 2017

13th Sunday of Matthew

Anthimos of Nicomedeia

Theoctistus and Euthymius

ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ -EPISTLE READING - 1 Corinthians 16:13-24

Αδελφοί, γρηγορεῖτε, στήκετε ἐν τῇ πίστει, ἀνδρίζεσθε, κραταιοῦσθε. Πάντα ὑμῶν ἐν ἀγάπῃ γινέσθω. Παρακαλῶ δὲ ὑμᾶς, ἀδελφοί - οἶδατε τὴν οἰκίαν Στεφανᾶ, ὅτι ἐστὶν ἀπαρχὴ τῆς Ἀχαΐας, καὶ εἰς διακονίαν τοῖς ἁγίοις ἔταξαν ἑαυτοὺς - ἴνα καὶ ὑμεῖς ὑποτάσσησθε τοῖς τοιούτοις, καὶ παντὶ τῷ συνεργῶντι καὶ κοπιῶντι. Χαίρω δὲ ἐπὶ τῇ παρουσίᾳ Στεφανᾶ καὶ Φουρτουνάτου καὶ Ἀχαικοῦ, ὅτι τὸ ὑμῶν ὑστέρημα οὗτοι ἀνεπλήρωσαν. Ἀνέπαυσαν γὰρ τὸ ἐμὸν πνεῦμα καὶ τὸ ὑμῶν· ἐπιγινώσκετε οὖν τοὺς τοιούτους. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς αἱ ἐκκλησίαι τῆς Ἀσίας· ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς ἐν κυρίῳ πολλὰ Ἀκύλας καὶ Πρίσκιλλα, σὺν τῇ κατ' οἶκον αὐτῶν ἐκκλησίᾳ. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς οἱ ἀδελφοὶ πάντες. Ἀσπάσασθε ἀλλήλους ἐν φιλήματι ἁγίῳ. Ὁ ἀσπασμὸς τῆ ἐμῆ χειρὶ Παύλου. Εἴ τις οὐ φιλεῖ τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, ἦτω ἀνάθεμα. Μαρὰν ἀθά. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μεθ' ὑμῶν. Ἡ ἀγάπη μου μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Ἀμήν.

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicos, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

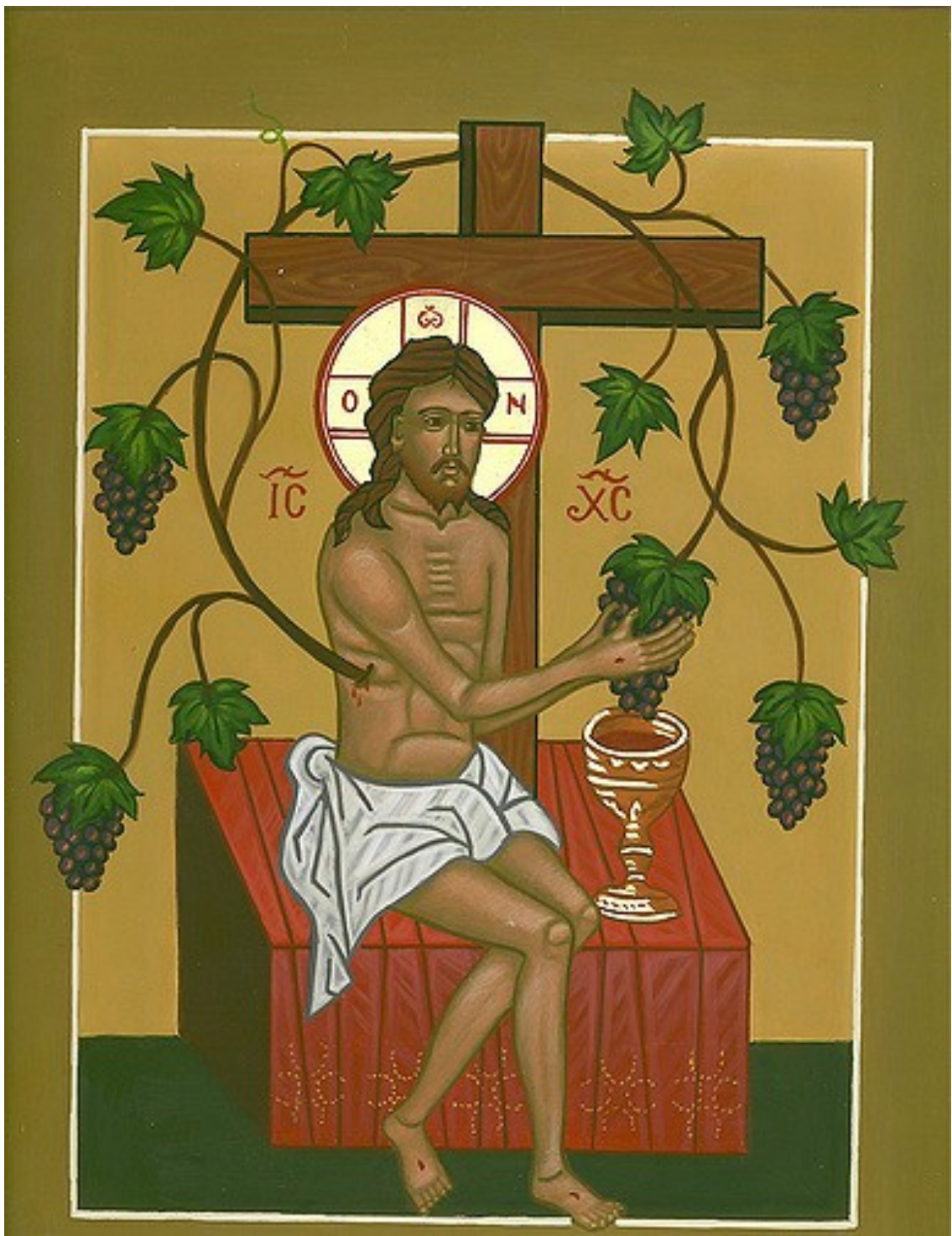
ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ - GOSPEL READING - Matthew 21:33-42

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἄλλην παραβολὴν ἀκούσατε. ἄνθρωπός τις ἦν οἰκοδεσπότης, ὅστις ἐφύτευσεν ἀμπελῶνα καὶ φραγμὸν αὐτῷ περιέθηκε καὶ ὄρυξεν ἐν αὐτῷ ληνὸν καὶ ἠκοδόμησε πύργον, καὶ ἐξέδοτο αὐτὸν γεωργοῖς καὶ ἀπεδήμησεν. ὅτε δὲ ἤγγισεν ὁ καιρὸς τῶν καρπῶν, ἀπέστειλε τοὺς δούλους αὐτοῦ πρὸς τοὺς γεωροὺς λαβεῖν τοὺς καρποὺς αὐτοῦ. καὶ λαβόντες οἱ γεωργοὶ τοὺς δούλους αὐτοῦ ὄν μὲν ἔδειραν, ὄν δὲ ἀπέκτειναν, ὄν δὲ ἐλίθοβόλησαν. πάλιν ἀπέστειλεν ἄλλους δούλους πλείονας τῶν πρώτων, καὶ ἐποίησαν αὐτοῖς ὡσαύτως. ὕστερον δὲ ἀπέστειλε πρὸς αὐτοὺς τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ λέγων· ἐντραπήσονται τὸν υἱόν μου. οἱ δὲ γεωργοὶ ἰδόντες τὸν υἱὸν εἶπον ἐν ἑαυτοῖς· οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ κληρονόμος· δεῦτε ἀποκτείνωμεν αὐτὸν καὶ κατάσχωμεν τὴν κληρονομίαν αὐτοῦ. καὶ λαβόντες αὐτὸν ἐξέβαλον ἔξω τοῦ ἀμπελῶνος, καὶ ἀπέκτειναν. ὅταν οὖν ἔλθῃ ὁ κύριος τοῦ ἀμπελῶνος, τί ποιήσει τοῖς γεωργοῖς ἐκείνοις; λέγουσιν αὐτῷ· κακοὺς κακῶς ἀπολέσει αὐτούς, καὶ τὸν ἀμπελῶνα ἐκδώσεται ἄλλοις γεωργοῖς, οἵτινες ἀποδώσουσιν αὐτῷ τοὺς καρποὺς ἐν τοῖς καιροῖς αὐτῶν. λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· οὐδέποτε ἀνέγνωτε ἐν ταῖς γραφαῖς, λίθον ὃν ἀπεδοκίμασαν οἱ οἰκοδομοῦντες, οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας· παρὰ Κυρίου ἐγένετο αὕτη, καὶ ἔστι θαυμαστὴ ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς ἡμῶν;

The Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"

Memorials at conclusion of Divine Liturgy

*Fellowship in Church Hall
following Divine Liturgy*



RELIGIOUS SERVICES, MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

Sun. September 3, 2017

13th Sunday of Matthew
Orthros 9am, Divine Liturgy 10am

ACOLYTES SERVING TODAY - TEAM B

Fri. September 8, 2017

NATIVITY OF THE THEOTOKOS
Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am

PLEASE NOTE

Studies in the Faith Class will resume on
Tuesday, September 12th, at 11am
in the Small Hall

PROSFORO

September 3 Lela Bonorris
September 8 Voula Kitsigianis
September 10 Evanthia Sigas
September 14 Voula Kitsigianis
September 14 Katerina Tseheridis

WELCOME VISITORS

We welcome all visitors to St. John's. If you are non-Orthodox and are interested in learning who we are and what our beliefs and practices are, we invite you to any of our Bible Study classes and of course the Class on the Orthodox Faith. On the other hand if you are an Orthodox Christian and are not a member in another Orthodox Church we invite you (and your family) to join our parish. (Note: While all may receive the Andidoron, the bread which is given at the conclusion of services which of course is not consecrated, only Orthodox Christians in good standing can receive Holy Communion and other Sacraments.)

STEWARDSHIP

Names of current stewards appear in the bi-monthly publication, the Vineyard. Please consider submitting your stewardship form and your financial support to our parish at this time.

HOLIDAY WELFARE PROGRAM

Philoptochos will begin fundraising efforts and collecting donations to support the many charities and ministries; including the Holiday Welfare Program to feed the needy during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays and the Hellenic College/Holy Cross Scholarship Fund. We look forward to your never ending generosity and support of all our fundraising efforts. Thank you!



THE ORTHODOX BOOKSTORE IS

AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY

Come to St. John's Orthodox Bookstore after service! We have beautiful icons, and a variety of religious articles and Christian books, as well as children's books and Bibles.



PLEASE NOTE:

The Church Office will be closed tomorrow, Monday, September 4, 2017 in observance of Labor Day.



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL
2017-2018**

First Day of Class - Sunday, September 10, 2017

Register anytime online at:

www.stjohnanaheim.org/ministries/sunday_school/registration.php



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
GREEK DANCE GROUPS**

First Day of Class - Sunday, September 10, 2017

Please register online at:

www.stjohnanaheim.org/ministries/youth_programs.php

or fill out the packet and mail it back to us.

If you have any questions please call Sperry Pappas (714)745-3148

We look forward to seeing you all in September!



**ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
GREEK LANGUAGE SCHOOL**

First Day of Class - Wednesday, September 13, 2017

The registration packet will be available in the Church Office the beginning of September, or on the Church Website at:

www.stjohnanaheim.org/ministries/youth_programs.php

Classes will meet on Wednesdays from 4-6pm.

For more information contact: Niki.dourbetas@gmail.com

Please register asap. Thank you.



**TODAY IS THE LAST DAY OF THE
ORANGE INTERNATIONAL
STREET FAIR**

Come and enjoy the delicious food, music and entertainment with family and friends! 10am-10pm



PHILOPTOCHOS BAKE SALE!

September 10, 2017

Philoptochos is having a Spanakopita and Tiropita fundraiser next Sunday during Fellowship hour. Proceeds to benefit the Holiday Welfare Program.



Join Philoptochos on Sunday, September 24th for the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Newport Fashion Island. The Komen Race for the Cure raises funds and awareness for the fight against breast cancer, celebrates breast cancer survivorship, and honors those who have lost their battle with the disease. All Southern California Philoptochos members, their family and friends are invited to participate in the "Race for the Cure". Imagine being part of one of the largest groups of participants walking and raising funds for this important cause.

If you are interested in participating, please contact a Philoptochos Board member or go to www.ockomen.com to register.

PHILOPTOCHOS GENERAL MEETING

Wednesday, October 4th at 7:00pm

We will begin our meeting with an Agiasmos service. Our special guest speaker will be Father Constantine Trumpower. The theme for this meeting is "HOPE" as October is Breast Cancer awareness month.