

St. John Chrysostom

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Hebrews 7:26-8:2

Luke 10:25-37

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Homily by

Dn. Joseph Ray

Epistle Reader:

Steve Templeton

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Komar / Keener

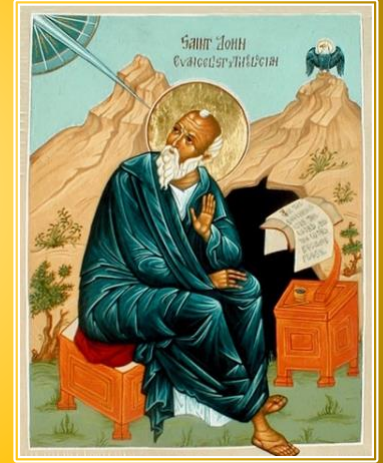
# St. John Orthodox Cathedral

## Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, November 13, 2022

And the Days Following

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*O Apostle John, speaker of Deity, the beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver your people powerless in speech, for He on Whose bosom you lean accepts you as an intercessor. Beseech Him, therefore, to disperse the darkness of ignorance and pray for peace and great mercies to be shown upon us.*

## Feast Days and Services

### The Advent Fast



The Advent Fast begins 40 days before Christmas on November 15. (Due to the American holiday of Thanksgiving, some begin this fast in earnest on December 1 or else they take a four-day break from the fast from Thanksgiving through the following Sunday.)

It is usual to limit both the number of meals and the amount of food eaten. The Church's complete Rule calls for abstinence from all meat and animal products. However, fish, wine and oil may be eaten on all days except Wednesdays and Fridays, up to December 20, which is the beginning of the Forefeast, the "Holy Week" before Christmas. After December 20 the fast should become more rigorous. The strict fast of Christmas Eve is broken by a fasting meal after the evening Liturgy. (Note: When Christmas Eve falls on a Saturday or Sunday it is not a strict fast day but is kept as any regular fasting day in Advent).

There is no fasting on Christmas Day up to the Eve of Epiphany.

## Parish Events and News

### Next Church Family Meeting - Saturday, November 19, 6:00pm

We had our last Church Family Meeting on October 9. There was a request that the November meeting be held at a different time, so we will meet on Saturday, November 19 in the Church basement at 6pm, concluding in time for Vespers. The agenda will include talking further about the Church basement our School and other news. As before, our aim will be to use this time for open discussion and questions with limited time on reports. At next week's meeting we will not have any arranged childcare. I hope you make an effort to come.



### Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

12:30pm – 2:00pm

Classes begin at 12:30 and go to 2:00pm. Please provide each of your children with lunch before they enter the Atrium for participation and learning.

## Good Works Basket – Thanksgiving Offering



Love INC of Eagle River and its member churches are once again coordinating this year’s Thanksgiving Blessing Project. A complete (uncooked) turkey dinner with all the fixings will be provided to an anticipated 300 local families in need. As is our custom, St. John will collect 350 (individual) boxes of stuffing. Scheduled delivery of our stuffing to Joy Lutheran is set for Sunday, November 20 when the Thanksgiving food boxes will be assembled for distribution the following day. Anyone wishing to volunteer with the assembly or distribution should contact Dn. Kevin.

## Inquirer Classes

Inquirer Classes for catechumens and others continue. Classes are Tuesday evenings at Fr. Marc and Betsy's home from 7pm-8:30pm.

| Class                                                 | Date                       | Topic                                                               | <u>The Orthodox Church</u><br>by Ware, ed. 2015 |
|-------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
| 4                                                     | Tuesday, November 15, 2022 | Jesus Christ                                                        | Ch. 11, pages 218-224                           |
| November 22 - no class - Parish Council Meeting Night |                            |                                                                     |                                                 |
| 5                                                     | Tuesday, November 29, 2022 | “Partakers of Divine Nature”                                        | Ch. 11, pages 225-231                           |
| 6                                                     | Tuesday, December 8, 2022  | The Church of God                                                   | Ch. 12, pages 232-247                           |
| 7                                                     | Tuesday, December 15, 2022 | The Living and the Dead:<br>The Mother of God: The Last Things      | Ch. 12, pages 247-256                           |
| Break for Christmas                                   |                            |                                                                     |                                                 |
| 8                                                     | Tuesday, January 3, 2023   | Orthodox Worship 1: The Earthly Heaven                              | Ch. 13, pages 257-266                           |
| 9                                                     | Tuesday, January 31, 2023  | Orthodox Worship 2: The Sacraments: Baptism, Chrismation, Eucharist | Ch. 14, pages 267-281                           |

## *Coffee Hour This Sunday - November 13, 2022* *Group B - Second Sunday of the Month*



### Hosts Families: Komar / Keener

Snacks: Agnew, S. Alvarez, Betson, Coverdell, B & D Dunaway, J & B Dunaway, Finkler, Grasse, Hattenburg,, Hoyt, Keener, Klatt, Komar, Linear, Moffatt, Parker, Peters, Peyton, N & M Ray, Schlicting, Sturdevant, Villafana.

Please bring snacks to serve at least 4 families.

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*Next Sunday – Group C – November 20, 2022*

*Hosts: Temple / Labrecque*

*Snacks: Ashcroft, Amundson, Clement, Curry, Dunham, Fisher, Greene, Hawi, Hunter, Johnson, Kelly, Kendall families, Labrecque, Medders Families, Okuley, Polson, Saur, Scherer, Sparks, Stiehr, Temple, Wasile*

## St. John’s Bookstore



St John bookstore has some new shelves, thanks to John Marc Dunaway. Also, the Orthodox 2023 calendars just came in, with daily readings and feast/fasting days. Only \$5.00. Plus, lots of icons at bargain prices. And don’t forget Christmas cards. Get them early, for best selection.

## Dates to Remember



### Thursday Reading Group

The Thursday readers will meet this week at JoAnn's home at 10 am, followed by a pot luck lunch, honoring Anna Haley and Sylvia Villafana. We will begin reading "Christy" by Catherine Marshall, a charming story of a young woman who went to teach in a smoky mountain community in 1912.

## Birthdays This Week



November 13 - Dan Kendall

November 15 - Anna Haley

November 15 - Macrina Ray

November 16 - Cecelia Jones

November 17 - Eric Johnson

November 19 - Russell Clodfelter

November 20 - Tim Terrell

*M A N Y   Y E A R S !*

## Remembering in Prayer...



*Eloise Lamb  
Janet Hawi  
Gwyn Jones  
Dan Kendall*

*Lina Curry  
Al Zink  
Kh. Rita Molloy  
Anna Haley*

## Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



- \* Mary Margaret Simmons - November 1, 2007
- \* Jean Margaret Proctor - November 7, 1997
- \* Laurie Jean Prather - November 13, 2002
- \* Thea Ann Ray - November 21, 2020
- \* Archimandrite Lazarus Moore - November 27, 1992

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## Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **NOVEMBER** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:  
**November 26.** Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



## THE SYNAXARION



John Chrysostom – November 13

On November 13, in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate our Father among the Saints, John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople.

### *Verses*

*John the golden-mouth, having closed his mouth,  
his words still resound in his books.  
On the thirteenth the golden lips fell silent.*

He was born in Antioch in the year 347. John became disgusted with Hellenic paganism and turned to the Christian faith as the one, all-embracing truth. He wrote a book, *On the Priesthood*, after which the holy Apostles John and Peter appeared to him, prophesying that he would receive great service, great grace and great suffering. Thus, John ran from his priestly ordination, but was eventually led back to receive that grace. Emperor Arcadius chose John as Archbishop of Constantinople. But John was so beloved in Antioch that he had to be sneaked out at night to avoid a revolt of the people. He governed the Church at Constantinople for six years with unequalled zeal and wisdom, purging the Church of atrocities such as the buying and selling forgiveness and deposing many bishops who were given to selling the sacraments. He extended the Church's charitable works, wrote out a Divine Liturgy, put heretics to shame, interpreted the Scriptures with his golden mind and tongue and left to the Church many precious books of sermons, still existing to this day. The people glorified him; the jealous loathed him; the Empress twice sent him into exile. He died in exile on the day of the Elevation of the Cross, September 14, 407, in Armenia. As he received Communion for the last time, John said: "Glory to God for all things!" Then, his righteous soul entered Paradise.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable martyrs Damaskinos and Damian of the Great Lavra on Athos.

By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

### **Bulletin Announcement Guidelines**

Send announcements to church email address: [stjohnalaska@aol.com](mailto:stjohnalaska@aol.com). Have announcements submitted by Thursday or at very latest Friday 9am. If you have any questions regarding announcements – contact Maris Kelly at the church office. 907-696-2002.