

9th Sunday after
Pentecost

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I Corinthians 3:9-17  
Matthew 14:22-34

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Homily by
Dn. Kevin
Dougherty

Epistle Reader:
Stan Snider

Coffee Hour Hosts:
No Coffee Today

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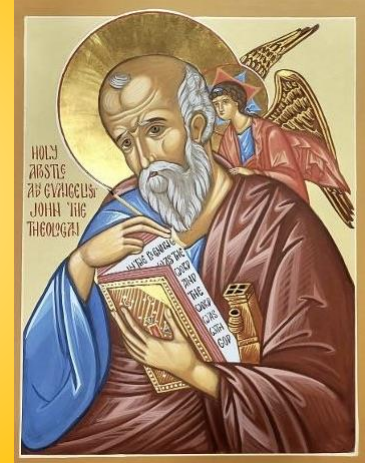
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## Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, August 25, 2024

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

August 29th – Remembering the Beheading of John the Baptist

Wednesday, August 28 – Great Vespers at 7:15pm

Thursday, August 29 – Divine Liturgy at 6:15pm

This day is a strict fast day in the Church in honor and memory of the Righteous Forerunner's suffering and death at the hands of Herod the King. *(In some places, it has also been the custom not to eat anything on a plate on this day, since Herod ordered that Saint John's head be brought to him on a platter.)*



Parish Events and News



*Today - Marriage Blessing & Dinner Reception
for
Victoria & Caleb Bower - Sunday 4:00pm*



*Coffee Hour This Sunday - August 25, 2024
No Coffee Hour - Due to Marriage Blessing*

Next Sunday – Group A – September 1 Hosts: Alexander / Snider

Snacks: Abel, Baker, Bowman, Cook, Davis, Dozier, Gillquist Families, Haley, Hoxie, Jenkins, Justus, Lindblom, Macalino, Mellor, Northey O'Fallon, Patras, Sorensen, Stallman, Templeton, Tysver, VanDewater, Wells



*Wedding of
Michelle Fonda
&
Luke Mellor*

*September 8, 2024
3:00pm at St. John's*

*Cupcakes and Coffee/Tea Reception immediately
following wedding in the Cathedral Basement*

Here is the registry [LINK](#) for Luke & Michelle

News From Our Antiochian Archdiocese



Writings by Metropolitan Saba: [Your Grace Transforms the Universe, Part Two](#)

Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

“Checking In” with Each Other

Is there something you'd like to share? Please email: cathedral@stjohnalaska.org



*Removal of Wedding Crowns
of
Harvest & Jacob Carroll
Sunday, August 18th*



*Chrismation of Jacob Goetz
Sunday, August 18th*



Dear Father Marc,

It was an absolute joy to be with your parish this summer. I want to express my thanks to you and everyone in your parish for the welcoming and hospitable manner in which you received me. I thoroughly enjoyed my time here in Alaska, and the many adventures I embarked on would not have been possible were not for your kindness. Thank you especially for letting me stay in the school, and for the use of the car. It shows me that God cares about the little things, and I hope that someday I can repay this favor. May God bless your work and strengthen the parish of St. Johns, and may the good fruit you have sown flourish and multiply!

- Nathanael

Thank you note from Nathanael Morgan

Nathanael is a young man from St. Constantine School in Houston, TX who stayed in our school for 2 months this summer and helped sing at the cantor's stand.

Dates to Remember

Birthdays This Week

August 25 - Josiah Temple

August 29 - Eddie Dunaway

August 27 - Mary-Alice Cook

August 31 - Rachel Arnold

M A N Y Y E A R S !



Anniversaries this Week

Brent & Stephanie Davisson - August 25, 2008

M A N Y Y E A R S !



Remembering in Prayer...

Gwyn Jones

Oksana Artz

Nina Potts

*We continue to pray for all those suffering in Ukraine
and for all those suffering in Israel and Gaza, for a quick end to
war and for peace*

Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



* Warren Wasile - August 12, 2001

* Preston Collier - August 16, 2023

* Kh. Lynn Moffatt - August 16, 2023

M E M O R Y E T E R N A L !

Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **SEPTEMBER** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:
Saturday, September 28. Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



Bulletin Announcement Guidelines

Send announcements to church email address: cathedral@stjohnalaska.org 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.

*Who is that Prophet on the Iconostasis?
Answers to this question will be highlighted in the bulletin each Sunday*



Holy Prophet Daniel **Feast Day - December 17**

*“The God of Heaven will raise up a Kingdom
which shall never end”*

The blessed Daniel the Prophet was from the royal tribe of Judah. While still young, he was led away with his three young companions to Babylon around 605 B.C. Chosen for service to the King they received new names: Daniel was named Baltassar, Hananiah (Shadrach), Mishael (Meshach), Azariah (Abendnego). They were raised in the royal palace and taught the wisdom of the Chaldeans. Several years later Daniel, after having interpreted the mysterious dream of King Nebuchadnezzar, was made governor and chief prefect of the whole province of Babylon. Under the reign of Nebuchadnezzar’s son, Belsassar, Daniel explained the handwriting on the palace wall to the King. He was then made one of the three great ministers. Falsely denounced by his enemies, he was thrown into the lion’s den, but, sustained by assistance from on high he closed the lion’s mouth. The three young youths, having refused to prostrate themselves before a statue of Nebuchadnezzar, were thrown into a white-hot furnace but remained untouched by the flames. Daniel and his companions all lived to old age but died in captivity. They are commemorated by the Church on the two Sundays before the Nativity of our Lord.

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THE SYNAXARION

Nathanael of the Twelve - Transfer of Relics & Titus of the 70 – August 25



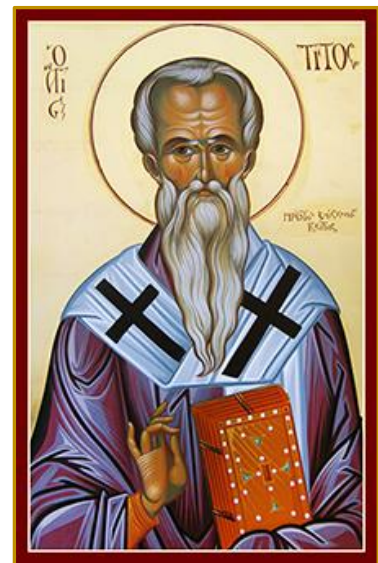
On August 25, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the return of the holy relics of the holy glorious Apostle Nathanael.

Verses

*Nathanael is found, though he was hidden,
that we the faithful might reap grace in abundance.
Your body was found on the twenty-fifth, O Nathaniel.*

When Nathanael, also known as Bartholomew, was crucified in Armenia, Christians removed his body and honorably buried it in a lead casket and placed it in a tomb. When numerous miracles and healings occurred over the grave of the apostle, causing an increase in the number of Christians, the pagans uncovered the casket containing the relics of Nathanael and tossed it into the sea. They did the same to the bodies of four other martyrs. However, by God's providence, none of them sank and the current carried them to separate but safe shores. Agathon, the bishop of the island of Lipara, mystically learned of Nathanael's approaching relics and, with the clergy and people, came to the shore to receive them with great joy. On that occasion, many healings of the sick occurred from the relics of the holy Nathanael.

On this day, we also commemorate the holy Apostle Titus of the Seventy, bishop in Crete. Titus was born in Crete and educated in Greek philosophy and poetry. Following a dream, he began reading the Prophet Isaiah and doubted all the wisdom of the Hellenes. Hearing about Christ the Lord, Titus traveled to Jerusalem with other Cretans and personally heard the words of the Savior and witnessed His mighty works. His young heart completely adhered to Christ. Later, he was baptized by the Apostle Paul whom he served as a son in evangelization. Titus was present at the suffering and death of Paul in Rome and honorably buried his body. After that, Titus returned to Crete where, with great success, he baptized the pagans and prudently governed the Church of God until his repose at age 94.



On this day, we also commemorate our Holy Fathers Menas, Epiphanius, Gennadios and John, archbishops of Constantinople. By the intercessions of Your Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.