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Acts 20:16-18, 28-36
John 17:1-13
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Homily by
Dn. Joseph Ray

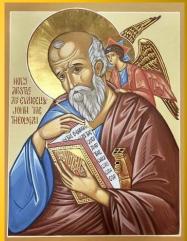
No Coffee Hour

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

Weekly Bulletin

Sunday, June 1, 2025

And the Days Following



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

Pentecost – Next Sunday with Kneeling Service at 6:15pm

Parish Events and News



St. John's Youth Corps Starts this Week – June 3rd



Summer Day Camp – Starting This Week - June 3, 4 & 5 Please Take the Time to Register Now

The camp will run from 9:30pm - 12:40pm and is open to children ages 2-12. We have a wonderful set of volunteers to help lead the camp.

If you are interested in registering for Day Camp, please find the forms on the Narthex table. Please return to Cara Fletes' mail-box folder. Thank you! Please call Cara Fletes or Jessica Kies with any questions



No Coffee Hour This Sunday - June 1, 2025 Wedding at 3:30pm



Next Sunday - Group B - June 8, 2025 - Hosts: Klatt, A. Stallman, & Weaver

Snacks: Agnew, Alvarez, Betson, Cain, Davisson, Drennan, B & D Dunaway, J & B Dunaway, Finkler, Grasse, Hoyt, Ihde, Keener, Klatt, Komar, Lineer, Lowry, Moffatt, Peters, Ray, Schlicting, Sluz, Sturdevant, Villafana

News From Our Antiochian Archdiocese



Writings by Metropolitan Saba: On the Interpretation of the Holy Bible, Part Three

Antiochian Summer Camp

Camping season starts next month. Some of our Archdiocesan summer camps still have spots available for our youth. Please share this list with your families in hopes they can send their children for life-changing experiences that will enhance their bonds with our Lord Jesus Christ.

His Eminence The Most Reverend Metropolitan SABA



Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN ARCHDIOCESE

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May 27, 2025

Beloved in Christ,

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

I greet you in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, praying that this message finds you well and strengthened in His grace.

As we look ahead to the 57th Archdiocesan Convention to be held in Chicago, I write to encourage you—both clergy and laity—to prayerfully identify and support suitable candidates to stand for election to the Archdiocesan Board of Trustees.

It is our fervent desire that the faithful of our God-protected Archdiocese fully embrace and exercise their God-given royal priesthood to the highest degree. Our Lord Jesus Christ, the Great High Priest, restored the priestly function entrusted to Adam, the first-created, which was marred by the fall. Humanity was created to glorify God in thought, word, and deed—leading their households by example, and showing forth the love of God with all their strength.

This royal priesthood is a divine gift granted to all believers of the church who confess Jesus Christ as the Incarnate God. In this light, I urge you to discern, from among your parish communities, men and women of integrity and commitment—faithful stewards of the Church—and encourage them to submit their candidacy for election to the Board of Trustees.

Those desiring to serve on the Board are asked to review the document entitled "The Criteria to be Used to Determine Eligibility of a Candidate Seeking Election to the Archdiocesan Board of Trustees," and to complete the accompanying nomination form in full. This form must be signed by both the candidate and their parish priest, and submitted to the Nominating Committee no later than July 1, 2025, by email to Marly at marly.admin@antiochian.org.

I thank you for your attentiveness to this important matter and for your support in encouraging worthy and faithful members of our Archdiocese to serve in this sacred responsibility.

With paternal love and prayers for your continued service in Christ,

¥ SABA

Archbishop of New York and Metropolitan of All North America

"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch" (Acts 11: 26)

EAGLE RIVER INSTITUTE

OF ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN STUDIES



The Sacrament of Daily Life

Dr. Philip Mamalakis



"Remembering all these things" Trauma and Healing as Mystery

Nicole Roccas, PhD

Save the Date: August 1-5, 2025

The Eagle River Institute is sponsored annually by the members of Saint John Cathedral to provide a forum for Orthodox scholars to address lay people on topics relevant to everyday, Christian life. The Institute also contributes to the greater, educational needs of the Church by publishing its lectures as podcasts.

Visit <u>eagleriverinstitute.org</u> for more details, registration, and schedule.



We congratulated our graduates last Sunday: Mary Curry with a BA, Arianna Stallman with a MA, and our High School Graduates – Olivia Grasset, Nathaniel Lourie, and Samantha Bahl.



We also congratulated Myles and Maris Kelly on their 50th Wedding Anniversary.

Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

Bulletin Announcement Guidelines

Send announcements to church email address: <u>cathedral@stjohnalaska.org</u> 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.

Volunteer Drivers for Oksana to Church Needed

Drivers are needed for Oksana to attend church with us each Sunday and hope you could help. Please email Dn. Kevin or text me at 907-947-5345 for any Sunday that you could volunteer. Please see the dates of needed rides: **June 1st**, **June 8th**, **June 15th and June 22.** Even if you can do only one way please volunteer. Thank you.

Invite...

Aloha Potluck for Lily Cowan

Friday, June 13 at Keith and Anna Haley's RSVP to 907-444-1992



Dates to Remember

Birthdays This Week

June 3 - Bruce Johnson June 4 - Mateo Dunaway

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June 5 - Nathanael Ray June 5 - Lucia Johnson V E A R S!





Anniversaries this Week

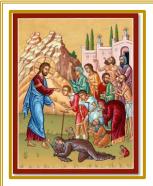
Myles & Maris Kelly - June 1, 1975 (50 yrs)

Zachery & Nelly Doss - June 3, 2023

Gordon & Judy Hoyt - June 4, 1967

Benjamin & Danielle Dunaway - June 5, 2015 (10 yrs)

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Remembering in Prayer...

Oksana Artz Helen Gillquist Sylvia Villafana

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 in June



- * Miranda Marie Kelly June 8, 1984
- * Kh. Esther Lois Sparks June 18, 2012
- * Rosalie Ann Zink June 21, 2000
- * Ruth McLean French June 24, 1984
- * Andrew Kenneth Davis June 25, 2022
- * Brenda Joy Davis June 28, 1994

MEMORY ETERNAL!

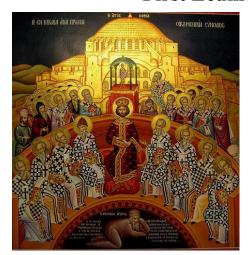
Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

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



THE SYNAXARION

First Ecumenical Council Fathers – 6th Pascha



On June 1, in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Martyr Justin the Philosopher and his companions at Rome; Archimandrite Justin Popovic of Serbia; Hieromartyr and Bishop Pyrros the Virgin; Martyr Thespesios of Cappadocia; and Venerable Dionysios the Wonderworker of Glushetsk.

On this day, the sixth Sunday after Pascha, we celebrate the first Ecumenical Council of the 318 God-bearing Fathers, which took place in Nicaea in Bithynia.

Verses

O light-bearing stars of the spiritual firmament, enlighten my mind with your rays.

Verses Against Arius

Calling the Son a stranger to the Father's essence, Arius proved to be a stranger to God's glory.

Arius, the notorious heretic, began to blaspheme against God and His Son the Word, saying that the latter was not God consubstantial with the Father, but that He was created as a stranger to the Substance of the Father and His glory. Alexander, the Archbishop of Alexandria, tried to constrain Arius from disturbing the faithful with this teaching; even though Alexander excommunicated him, Arius did not cease his blasphemy, which spread throughout the Church in all nations. Thus, Emperor Constantine the Great called the First Ecumenical Council, which gathered bishops and teachers in the Church from all lands. They all proclaimed, as with one mouth, the equality of the Son of God with the Father in essence, thus laying down the noble Confession of Faith— "The Nicene Creed"—which we Orthodox Christians recite to this day. The Church regards these divine Fathers as preachers of the Faith next to the holy Apostles.

By the intercessions of the 318 God-bearing Fathers, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

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