

Luke the Evangelist

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*Col. 4:5-11, 14-18*

*Luke 10:16-21*

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Homily by

Fr. Marc Dunaway

Epistle Reader:

Russell Clodfelter

Coffee Hour Hosts:

Haines / Smith

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

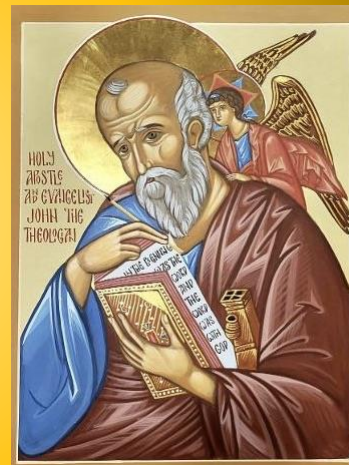
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## *Weekly Bulletin*

*Sunday, October 18, 2026*

*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.

Parish Events and News

Saint John's to Host Beach Lake Conference Attendees This Saturday at Vespers

Note - Early Vespers This Saturday - 6:15pm

A conference was held at Beach Lake this weekend, October 16-17, to encourage dialogue between Orthodox and Evangelical leaders. This was the third such conference and it is held in connection with the Lausanne Orthodox Initiative. Fr. Marc and Dn. Tim are part of the organizing committee and participated in the conference.

Attendees from the conference are invited to Vespers at St. John's to close the conference. To accommodate this, Vespers this Saturday will be held an hour earlier, at 6:15pm. We will also have Litia and Breaking of Bread (Artoklasia) for Luke the Evangelist who is commemorated that day.

To learn more about this effort visit the website: Alaskan Orthodox-Evangelical Dialogue



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Atrium)

Sundays from 12:30 – 2:00pm

“Opening the Door to Orthodox Christianity”

**Thursday, October 22, 6pm-7:30pm in the Church Basement
What We Believe – The Creed (of Nicaea and Constantinople)**

This Week - “About Our Salvation”



Youth Group Dinner Meetings - Tuesday Nights, 6:30-8pm at the St. James House

We'll have dinner together at the 'big table' starting at 6:30pm with a discussion and activities in the living room wrapping up at 8pm. —John Marc & Beth Dunaway 317-9549.



Coffee Hour This Sunday - October 18, 2026 Group Mark (3) - Third Sunday of the Month

Hosts Families: Haines / Smith

Snacks: Alexander, Artz, Cook, Doss, B & D Dunaway, Dyal, Fletes, P. Gillquist, Griffith, Hattenburg, Hunter, E & H Johnson, Justus, Kendall, Labrecque, Lowry, Marcus, O Medders, T & L Mellor, Northey, Palmer, Polson, Scherer, Sorensen, J & A Stiehr, A & J Temple, Unser, Wasile, Wolkoff

Next Sunday - Group John (4) - October 25 - Hosts: Betson / M Labrecque / Mason

Snacks: J. Alvarez, S. Alvarez, Arvidson, Burton, Cooley, Dougherty, FrM & KhB Dunaway, Goetz, Gresset, Haines, Hawi, D & S Ihde, M Johnson, Keener, Kies, Macalino, Mason, Minea, J Northey, Parker, DnJ & D Ray, Schlicting, Sparks, J. Stiehr, Templeton, Van Dyke, Watson



Fr. Andrew's Visit

Fr. Andrew, the Priest-monk (hieromonk) from the St. Michael's Skete on Spruce Island visited St. John's Wednesday night. He spoke at the St. James House, which was well attended by parishioners and friends.



St. James House Weekly News



St. James House Café
Come Sit and Enjoy a Cup of Coffee and
Catch Up with Friends
Tuesdays and Thursdays 8am to 9am

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.

Notes and Pictures from Parishioners

“Checking In” with Each Other

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

Downtown Hope Center



“Hello! Quarterly reminder that if you ever have interest in volunteering at the Downtown Hope Center Soup Kitchen to please contact me! Parishioners come with me 3-4 evenings every month. We have been volunteering here for close to three years now and over 50 different people from our church have volunteered at some point. If you have not been before I would love to take you and show you around the soup kitchen! It's simple and takes about an hour. Thank you to all of you who continue to provide your time and service to help those in our community.” — Sydney Ihde (907)854-5517

Note on ‘Inkwell’ meeting from Nicole Unser...

“It’s Inkwell time again! **When:** Sunday October 25th at 2pm. **Where:** *Church Basement* and **childcare will be provided.** **What:** Inkwell gatherings are meant to spur each other along in our creative endeavors and find community in our creative callings. **Who:** Inkwell is for both men and women - similar to the Inklings group of C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien. We have creators ranging from those who knit, paint, write, and draw, to those who press flowers, play musical instruments, and edit videos, etc. Whether you are highly trained or simply love creating as a hobby, you are welcome! If you're wondering if this group is for you, feel free to chat with me at church, shoot me an email at nicole@nicoleunser.com, or text/call me at [509-362-1685](tel:509-362-1685). We'd love to have you there. —Nicole Unser”

Gwyn Jones Has Moved

“Gwyn’s new home (is in a) very beautiful setting. (The address is) N. Lucille St, Magnolia Home, 751 Somerset Circle, Wasilla” —Kerry Jones

Dates to Remember

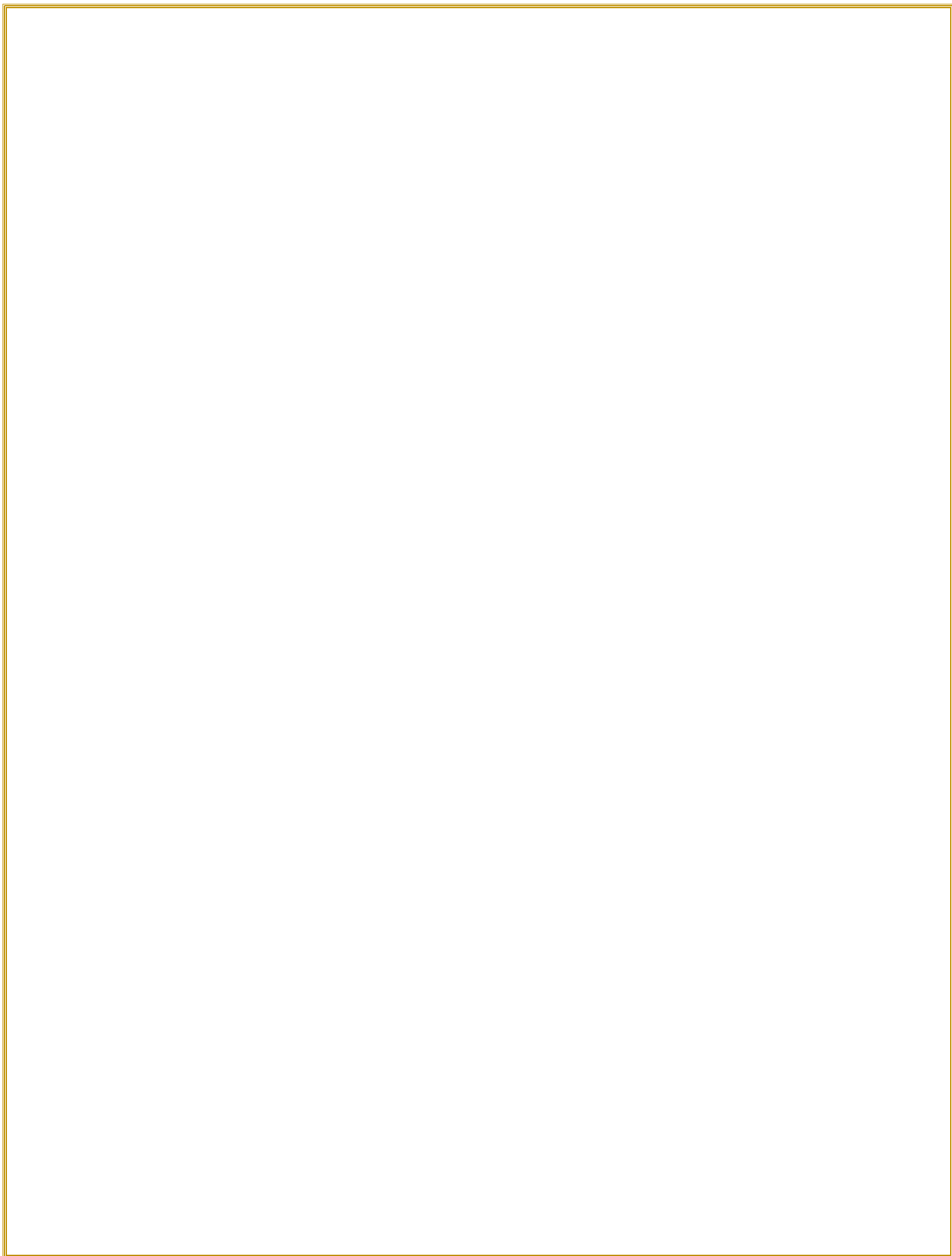
‘Moms with Little Ones’ Reading Group Wednesdays 10am

We will meet at the St. James House. If you have any questions, contact Natasha Haines at 907-351-4942.



Men's Book Club – Wednesdays 7-8pm

We will meet at the St. James House. If you have any questions, you can text Sam Lowry at 616-928-5181.





Women's Reading Group - Thursdays at 10am

We meet at 10am at the Senior Center Meeting Room, in the HUD building on the second floor. Hope to see you there! —Ann Patras

Birthdays This Week

October 18 - Lorence Scherer

October 19 - Danielle Dunaway

October 19 - Anthony Fletes

October 19 - Judy Tysver

October 22 - Nikki Temple

October 22 - Steve Templeton

October 22 - Jennifer Alvarez

October 23 - Maddy Temple

October 25 - Lucia Fletes

October 25 - MaryAnn Northey

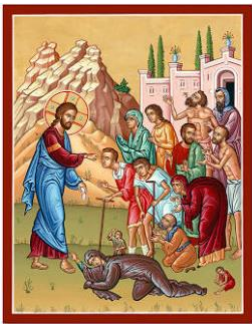
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Anniversaries this Week

Anthony & Cara Fletes - October 25, 2015

M A N Y Y E A R S !



Remembering in Prayer...

Oksana Artz

Ben Polson

David Lindblom

George Dozier

For those suffering from the devastation of war

Travis Cook

Lily & baby Moses

Helen Gillquist

Remembering Those Who Have Fallen Asleep This Month



* Fr. John Downing - October 4, 2024

* Kh. Nancy Downing - October 19, 2002

* Helen Grace Edzards Peters - October 23, 1998

* Isabella Joy Fletes - October 24, 2019

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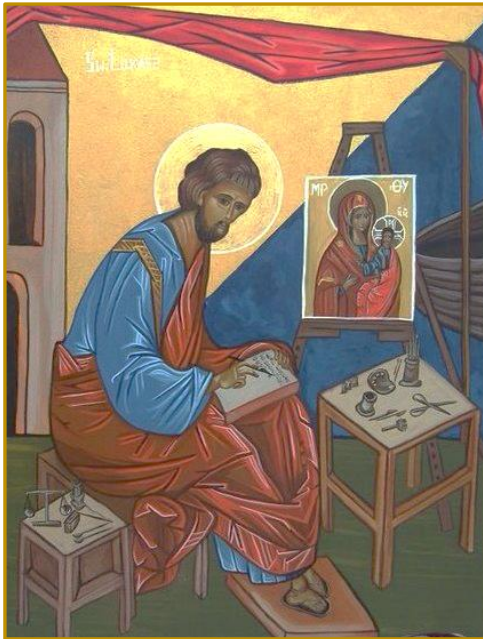
Clare House Meal - 4th Saturday of Each Month

For the Month of **October** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:
Saturday, October 24. Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.



THE SYNAXARION

Luke the Evangelist – October 18



On October 18, in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate the holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke.

Verses

*When walking near Emmaus my eyes were kept from
recognizing You, O Christ.*

Yet now, says Luke, I see You distinctly.

On the eighteenth Luke reached the limit of his life.

Luke was born in Antioch and was numbered with the Seventy Apostles. He excelled in his studies of Greek philosophy, medicine and art. Luke once came to Jerusalem where he saw the Savior face to face and with Cleopas, he saw the resurrected Lord on the road to Emmaus. After the descent of the Holy Spirit, Luke returned to Antioch and preached with the Apostle Paul and then traveled to Rome with him, converting Jews and pagans to the Christian Faith. Following the martyrdom of Paul, Luke preached the Gospel throughout Italy, Croatia, Libya, Macedonia, Egypt and Greece. He painted three icons of the Most-holy Theotokos, one of which is protected by the nuns of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Convent of Our Lady of Sednaya in Syria. He also painted icons of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Hence, Luke is considered to be the founder of Christian iconography. In addition to his Gospel which he wrote in about the year 60, Luke wrote the Acts of the Apostles and dedicated both works to Theophilus, the governor of the Greek city, Achaea. Luke was 84 years old when the wicked idolaters tortured him for the sake of Christ and hanged him from an olive tree in the town of Thebes, in Beotia, Greece. The miracle-working relics of this wonderful saint were transported to Constantinople in the fourth century.

On this day, we also commemorate Martyr Marinos the Elder at Anazarbos; Venerable Theodore, Simeon and Euphrosyne, founders of the Monastery of the Great Cave in Greece; New-martyrs Gabriel and Kyrmidoles of Egypt; and Venerable Peter of Cetinje. By their holy intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.