

24th Sunday after
Pentecost
Postfeast Entrance

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Ephesians 2:14-22  
Luke 12:16-21

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Homily by
Protodn. Pat Lamb

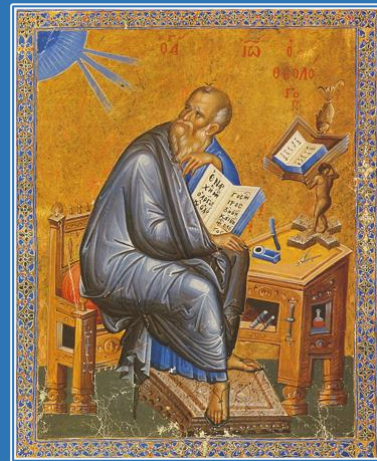
Epistle Reader:
Steve Templeton

Coffee Hour Hosts:
Kendall / Temple

St. John Orthodox Cathedral

Weekly Bulletin Sunday, November 23 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

#### Thanksgiving Services This Week

\* Akathist of Thanksgiving at 7:15pm – Wednesday Evening, November 26.

\* Te Deum Service at the Chapel at 9am – Thanksgiving Morning, Nov. 27

We will leave the Cathedral to walk to the Chapel at 9am. On the way to the Chapel, we will stop at the cemetery and sing the “Trisagion Prayers for the Departed”.



### Parish Events and News

#### Last Weekend to Bring our Thanksgiving Offering - 200 Individual Boxes of Stuffing



We are signed up to collect 200 (*individual*) boxes of stuffing before the scheduled delivery to Joy Lutheran on Sunday, November 23rd. Thanksgiving food boxes will be assembled for distribution the following day. Anyone wishing to volunteer with the assembly or distribution should contact Dn. Kevin.

**Opening the Door to Orthodox Christianity**  
**No Class this Thursday, November 27**



***Catechesis of the Good Shepherd***  
**Atrium Classes on Sundays from 12:30 – 2:00pm**  
**Class on November 23 – No Class on November 30**



**Children's Choir Practice This Sunday at 12pm**

Children ages 4 through high school are welcome to join the Children's Choir. We will begin practice this Sunday for St. Nicholas Day and Christmas at 12:00. If you have any questions, please contact Jessica Kies. We hope to see you!



***Coffee Hour This Sunday - November 23, 2025***  
***Group D - Fourth Sunday of the Month***

**Hosts Families: Kendall / A & J Temple**

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

**~ Please bring Fasting Foods During Advent Season ~**

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**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Month – Clodfelter / Gillquist**  
*Every One Brings Snacks and Helps Clean Up*

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***Local Community News***

***Last Chance to donate a Pie and Buy a Pie....***



**Pies Please by Monday or Tuesday (Nov. 23/24)**

Heart to Heart is seeking donated pies for its annual Thanksgiving Pie Pickup Fundraiser on Tuesday, Nov. 25. Homemade pies are preferred, but fresh bakery pies are welcome. Pies may either be dropped off Monday evening 6-8pm at Heart-to-Heart Pregnancy Resource Center (16941 N Eagle River Loop Road) or anytime Tuesday during the event, which starts at Jitters at 8 a.m. Bring a pie and pick up a pie! Prizes will be awarded to piemakers in various categories.

**Thanksgiving Pie Sale Benefit – Buy a Pies (Nov. 25)**

Stop by Jitters or Odd Man Rush on the Tuesday (Nov. 25) before Turkey Day and pick up fresh homemade pies for your Thanksgiving gatherings! This annual pie sale fundraiser benefiting Heart to Heart Pregnancy Resource Center runs all day Nov. 25, from 8am-3pm at Jitters and 4-8pm at Odd Man Rush. All proceeds benefit Heart to Heart and families in need.

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## *Notes and Pictures from Parishioners*

### **“Checking In” with Each Other**

Is there something you'd like to share about what your family is up to? Please email [cathedral@stjohnalaska.org](mailto:cathedral@stjohnalaska.org)

### **Rides Needed for Oksana Atrz to Get to Church**

Please consider if you could drive Oksana to church on one of the following Sundays of the 8 weeks listed. It would be especially helpful if we had 8, or several drivers, to cover the need.

And it is awesome for us all to help gather the church together for Divine Liturgy!

Please let Dn. Kevin know which dates you can cover. He is at [doughertykb@yahoo.com](mailto:doughertykb@yahoo.com) or 907-947-5345. And if you can only drive one way, that is still helpful!

**The following are the dates Oksana will need a ride:**

**November 23 – Jacob ☺ // November 30 – Alex T. ☺ // December 7 \_\_\_\_\_**

**December 14 \_\_\_\_\_ // December 21 \_\_\_\_\_ // December 28 \_\_\_\_\_**

### **A Note from Nicole Unser**

“Hello everyone, I'd like to invite you to the first meeting of Inkwell Locals AK, a creative gathering similar to the Inklings group of C.S. Lewis and J.R.R. Tolkien. This is not another online community. It is an invitation to meet physically, locally, and intentionally. It is for anyone ready to cultivate creativity with actual people, in their actual city: writers, artists, thinkers, and creatives of all kinds. It is for both men and women and we will meet to spur each other along in our creative endeavors and find community in our creative callings. I'll be holding a brainstorming session this **Sunday November 23rd after coffee hour at 12:30pm in the Maranatha House**. (Official kickoff will be in January and future meetings will be open to all Alaskan creatives in a public and fully accessible space.)

See more at [www.nicoleunser.com/inkwell-ak](http://www.nicoleunser.com/inkwell-ak) “

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## *Dates to Remember*

### ***‘Moms with Little Ones’ Reading Group – Wednesdays 10am***

**No Class this Week – Off for Thanksgiving**



### ***Women’s Reading Group – Thursdays at 10am***

**No Class this Week – Off for Thanksgiving**



**Men's Book Club**

### ***Men’s Book Club – Wednesdays 7-8pm***

**No Class this Week – Off for Thanksgiving**

## *Birthdays This Week*

Nov 23 - Talia Haines

Nov 25 - Stephen Macalino

Nov 25 - Sylvia Villafana

Nov 27 - Shelly Wells

Nov 30 - Dn. Kevin Dougherty

Nov 30 - Vic Temple

*M A N Y Y E A R S !*



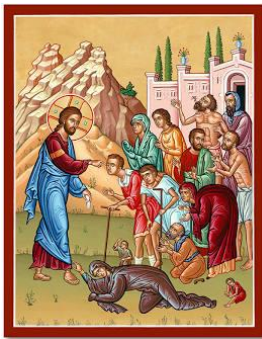
*Happy Anniversary*



## *Anniversaries This Week*

Stan & Laurie Snider - November 24, 1984

*M A N Y Y E A R S !*



## *Remembering in Prayer...*

*Mary Greene*

*Jay Keener*

*Zoie (Oksana's Mom)*

*Krya & Skylynn Lineer*

*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*



\* Mary Margaret Simmons - November 1, 2007

\* Jean Margaret Proctor - November 7, 1997

\* Laura Anne Granducci Temple - November 11, 2024

\* Laurie Jean Prather - November 13, 2002

\* Thea Ann Ray - November 21, 2020

\* Archimandrite Lazarus Moore - November 27, 1992

\* Archpriest Fr. Michael Oleksa - November 29, 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 **DECEMBER** – our scheduled meal that we provide Clare House is:  
**Saturday, Dec. 27th.** Contact Cara Fletes to see how you can help.

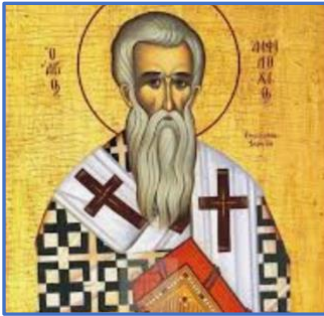




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## THE SYNAXARION

### Amphilokios, Bishop of Iconium – November 23



On November 23, in the Holy Orthodox Church we continue to celebrate the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Holy of Holies, and we commemorate our father among the saints Amphilokios, bishop of Iconium.

#### *Verses*

*Sent before us to life everlasting, O Saint,  
Though dead, you continue to lay snares for the enemy.  
On the twenty-third, death took Amphilokios.*

Amphilokios was a friend of St. Basil the Great and other great saints of the fourth century. He lived in a cave in asceticism for forty years and after that, he was consecrated Bishop of Iconium. He took part in the Second Ecumenical Council in 381 and he zealously fought the impious Macedonius and the Arians. He personally begged Emperor Theodosius the Great to expel all the Arians from every city in the empire, but the emperor did not heed him. Days later, Amphilokios came before the emperor again, but this time he intentionally ignored his son, Arcadius, who was sitting next to him. This enraged the emperor and the saint said: “Do you see, O Emperor, how you do not tolerate disrespect to your son? So too, God the Father does not tolerate disrespect to His Son, and is disgusted with the corruptness of those who blaspheme Him.” Amphilokios died in great old age in 395.

On this day, we also commemorate our father among the saints Gregory, bishop of Agrigentum; Ischyryon, bishop in Egypt and hermit of Sketis; and Venerable Sisinius the Confessor.

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

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