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FEBRUARY 4, 2024
*APOSTLE TIMOTHY OF THE SEVENTY,
MONK-MARTYR ANASTASIOS THE PERSIAN*

Epistle Reading

1 Timothy 1:15-17

Gospel Reading

Luke 18:35-43

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

When You descended to death, O Life Immortal, You slew hell with the splendor of Your Godhead. And when from the depths You raised the dead, all the powers of heaven cried out: "O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You!"

Troparion (Apostle Timothy)

Having learned goodness and maintaining continence in all things, you were arrayed with a good conscience as befits a priest. From the chosen Vessel you drew ineffable mysteries; you kept the faith, and finished a course equal to His. Bishop martyr Timothy, entreat Christ God that our souls may be saved.

Troparion (Monk-Martyr Anastasios)

Your holy martyr Anastasios, O Lord, through his suffering has received an incorruptible crown from You, our God. For having Your strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons. Through his intercessions, save our souls!

Kontakion (Apostle Timothy and Monk-Martyr Anastasios)

Let us the faithful praise the Holy Apostle Timothy, the companion of Paul in his travels and together with him let us honor the wise Anastasios, who came as a star from Persia for the healing of the passions of our souls and the diseases of our bodies.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

Hell became afraid, O almighty Savior, seeing the miracle of Your Resurrection from the tomb! The dead arose! Creation, with Adam, beheld this and rejoiced with You, and the world, my Savior, praises You forever.

Memory Eternal + Večnaja Pamjat +

We pray for the souls of newly departed Žarko, uncle of Zeljko Bogetic, for Janice, a friend of JoAnne de la Riva, and for Sister Nonna Harrison on the anniversary of her repose.

Welcome to all guests via livestream and in person today. We invite you to stay for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John or Deacon Stefan. Please come again!

Home Blessings may be scheduled with Fr. John until Lent begins on March 18.

Thank You for a Beautiful St. Sava Patron Saint Day Celebration

Last Sunday's St. Sava Slava was a joyous commemoration of our dear saint of Serbia. Thank you to Fr. John, Deacon Stefan, the Altar Servers and Choir, and to our Youth for their presentation of the poem on the life of St. Sava. Thank you to our Sisterhood for the beautiful luncheon and the men who helped with many details. God bless the Slava Kuma Kelly Pavela and all who generously donated desserts and financial gifts to the church.

Orthodoxy 201 – Wednesday, February 7 at 7PM on Zoom

Fr. John will email the link for this week's online study of the Gospel of John ch. 18-19.

Annual Tastes of the Mediterranean - Friday, February 9 from 7-10PM

St. Katherine's Church will host a Greek Happy Hour with food, wine and Greek music to benefit parish charities. Tickets are \$40; Reservations and details: DCGreeks.com.

Orthodox Youth & Young Adult Ministries (OYM) – "3Etreat" – Sat., February 10

OYM is holding a free retreat at Ss. Constantine & Helen in Silver Spring, MD with a youth track for middle school and high school students and a track for adults interested in ministry to young people. Detailed information here: www.theoym.org/washingtondc.

SOUPer Bowl Sunday ~ Food Collection for the Needy on Sunday, February 11

Get ready, sports fans! Next Sunday is our big collection day of food for the homeless and working-poor families in our area. Please donate soup, canned and boxed foods, \$25 grocery gift cards, cash and checks for the United Community Food Bank in Alexandria.

Ancient Faith Singles Retreat – February 29-March 3 – Antiochian Village

Retreat for singles 30 years of age and older: <https://store.ancientfaith.com/singles/>

St. Luke Event for Middle and High School Students – Saturday, March 2 – 4-8PM

Calling all Middle and High Schoolers! On Saturday, March 2nd, St. Luke's will be hosting a Middle and High School Night. Come celebrate Vespers and enjoy pizza and fellowship. Dropoff will be between 4 and 4:15PM, when we will start learning about Vespers and helping to prepare for the service. Vespers will start at 5PM, with the middle/high schoolers joining in the choir and serving in the altar. After Vespers, we will enjoy pizza and fellowship. Pick up will be between 7:45 and 8:15PM. John Minahan will email a sign-up sheet soon. Hope to see you there!

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

May God bless those celebrating their birthdays: Aida Renee Zaki (2), Loic Alou, Deborah Hughes, Stella Pehlivanova, Kim and Sebastien Renaud, and to our friends down south, Lynn Anna Johnson and Wynne Maksimovic. Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!