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GREATMARTYR ARTEMIOUS AT ANTIOCH OCTOBER 20, 2024

TROPARION, KONTAKION & PROKEIMENON

Troparion – Tone 8

Thou didst descend from on high, O Merciful One! Thou didst accept the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!// O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to Thee!

Troparion – Tone 4

Thy holy martyr Artemius, O Lord, through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from Thee, our God. For having Thy strength, he laid low his adversaries, and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.// Through his intercession, save our souls!

Kontakion – Tone 8

By rising from the tomb, Thou didst raise the dead and resurrect Adam. Eve exults in Thy Resurrection,// and the world celebrates Thy rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Kontakion – Tone 2

Let us gather to sing worthy hymns in honor of Artemius, the pious and victorious martyr who defeated his enemies. He is great among martyrs and generous in performing miracles,// and he intercedes with the Lord on behalf of us all.

Prokeimenon – Tone 8

Pray and make your vows / before the Lord, our God!
V. In Judah God is known; His Name is great in Israel.

LITURGICAL COMMEMORATION

Greatmartyr Artemius at Antioch

Holy Great Martyr Artemius of Antioch was a prominent military leader during the reigns of the emperor Constantine the Great (May 21), and his son and successor Constantius (337-361). Artemius received many awards for distinguished service and courage. He was appointed viceroy of Egypt. In this official position he did much for the spreading and strengthening Christianity in Egypt.

Saint Artemius was sent by the emperor Constantius to bring the relics of the holy Apostle Andrew from Patras, and the relics of the holy Apostle Luke from Thebes of Boeotia, to Constantinople. The holy relics were placed in the Church of the Holy Apostles beneath the table of oblation. The emperor rewarded him by making him ruler of Egypt.

The emperor Constantius was succeeded on the throne by Julian the Apostate (361-363). Julian in his desire to restore paganism was extremely antagonistic towards Christians, sending hundreds to their death. At Antioch he ordered the torture of two bishops unwilling to forsake the Christian Faith.

During this time, Saint Artemius arrived in Antioch and publicly denounced Julian for his impiety. The enraged Julian subjected the saint to terrible tortures and threw the Great Martyr Artemius into prison. While Artemius was praying, Christ, surrounded by angels, appeared to him and said, "Take courage, Artemius! I am with you and will preserve you

from every hurt which is inflicted upon you, and I already have prepared your crown of glory. Since you have confessed Me before the people on earth, so shall I confess you before My Heavenly Father. Therefore, take courage and rejoice, you shall be with Me in My Kingdom.” Hearing this, Artemius rejoiced and offered up glory and thanksgiving to Him.

On the following day, Julian demanded that Saint Artemius honor the pagan gods. Meeting with steadfast refusal, the emperor resorted to further tortures. The saint endured all without a single moan. The saint told Julian that he would be justly recompensed for his persecution of Christians. Julian became furious and resorted to even more savage tortures, but they did not break the will of the saint. Finally the Great Martyr Artemius was beheaded.

His relics were buried by Christians. After the death of Saint Artemius, his prophecy about Julian the Apostate’s impending death came true.

Julian left Antioch for a war with the Persians. Near the Persian city of Ctesiphon, Julian came upon an elderly Persian, who agreed to betray his countrymen and guide Julian’s army. The old man deceived Julian and led his army into the Karmanite wilderness, where there was neither food nor water. Tired from hunger and thirst, Julian’s army battled against fresh Persian forces.

Divine retribution caught up with Julian the Apostate. During the battle he was mortally wounded by an unseen hand and an unseen weapon. Julian groaned deeply said, “You have conquered, Galilean!” After the death of the apostate emperor, the relics of the Great Martyr Artemius were transferred with honor from Antioch to Constantinople.

Saint Artemius is invoked by those suffering from hernias.

EPISTLE & GOSPEL READINGS

Epistle: 2 Corinthians 6:16-7:1

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: “I will dwell in them and walk among them. I will be their God, and they shall be My people.” Therefore “Come out from among them and be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, and I will receive you.” “I will be a Father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the LORD Almighty.” Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man’s table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’ Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father’s house, for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’”

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK, CAREGIVERS, AND DECEASED

To add a name, please email Darice at daricekeyes@gmail.com.

For the Sick / Caregiver

Subdeacon Serge (9/29)

Melody (9/29)

Michael (9/29)

Charlotte (9/29)

Sharon (10/6)

Lynne (10/6)

Liam (10/6)

Kelly (10/6)

Bill (10/6)

Alexandra (10/6)

Father Paul (10/6)

Matushka Mary (10/6)

Thomas (10/6)

Michael (10/20)

Anthony (10/20)

Natasha (10/20)

Carmine (10/20)

Marianne (10/20)

Paul (10/20)

Martha (10/20)

For the Deceased

Betty (10/6)

Michael (10/6)

Lenore (10/6)

Bonnie (10/13)

SERVICES

Service Schedule for the Week of October 20

Sunday October 20 – 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour in Daria Hall

Saturday October 26 – **NO VESPERS OR CATECHUMEN CLASSES TODAY**

Sunday October 27 – 9:45 AM Hours, 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour in Daria Hall

DONATIONS

Weekly Giving

October 13 – 79 adults, 11 youth, \$2,053

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember there are no Vespers or Catechumen classes this coming Saturday, October 26 as Father will be away.

Thank you to everyone who attended and supported the church's Annual Turkey Social last Sunday. Although there were less people who attended this year, we had a very successful event. Hopefully more parishioners will attend next year to help support our church!

Daylight Savings Time ends this coming weekend. Please remember to move your clocks BACK one hour Saturday night November 2.

There will be a parish Movie Night (for adults and children) on Friday November 8 at 6:00 PM in Daria Hall. A Potluck sign-up sheet is on the credenza across from the candle desk. Please sign up and indicate what food you will bring to share – remember it is a fast day. We look forward to an evening of fun and fellowship!

The FOCA Club is having a Christmas Bake Sale in Daria Hall on Saturday, December 14. Pre-Order forms are on the last page of this bulletin and forms are also on the credenza across from the candle desk. Please support our fundraising in order to help support Orthodox charities throughout the year. Thank you.

Notice to owners of plots in St. Vladimir Cemetery: We are adding phone numbers for owners of plots to our database AND emergency contact information for plot owners (contact names and phone numbers). Also, if you are aware of any previously purchased plots that will not be used, please let us know. This requested information can be provided as follows:

Text: 609-475-2517

Email: meteugene@aol.com

Call: 609-475-2517 (if you have to leave a message, please spell your name and provide call back phone number)

Thank you! Michael Toth, Cemetery Caretaker

Catechumen classes will be held on Saturday evenings after Vespers (5:00 PM). Parishioners are more than welcome to attend along with those studying to convert to the Orthodox faith.

BIRTHDAYS THIS WEEK

Madeleine Sekulich – October 24

Elizabeth Cassar – October 26

Noah Barrett – November 1

Have a blessed birthday and may God grant you many years!

COFFEE HOUR

Hosts are responsible for providing and setting up the refreshments in Daria Hall at 9:00 AM and after Holy Communion, cleaning up after Coffee Hour including washing, drying and putting away dishes, taking out the trash, wiping down the tables, and cleaning up the Coffee Room including turning off and cleaning the coffee and tea pots. Hosts will be informed in advance if cream cheese, butter, or milk is needed. **PLEASE NOTE:** Your assigned Coffee Hour Support Person will provide guidance, however, the Support Person will leave Daria Hall at 9:55 AM to attend church services. If you have arrived late or are not finished, you will be provided the key to lock the Hall when you are leaving for church services. If you have any questions, please contact Melody Stavisky or Alla Strauss.

SUGGESTED MENU:

Bagels / Breads

Donuts / Pastries

Desserts are available to use from the two freezers in Daria Hall

Fruit

Salads

Tortilla chips & Salsa

Hummus

Sugar-free dessert

Oreos (non-dairy)

NOTE: Hosts may provide a luncheon for a specific event or holiday (panikhida, birthday, anniversary, holiday) with advance notice to reserve the specific date to host the event. The hosts will be responsible for all food preparation for such a luncheon.

Oct. 20 Eleni Athanatos & Tom Sowanick, Amber Touch

Oct. 27 Fiyori Habtesillasse, Lemlem Woldearegay

Nov. 3 Tyler Burger, Ludwin Lopez

Nov. 10 Galina Shubina, Vera Pschenyczny

Nov. 17 FAST Sophie Dumas, Melissa Braun

Nov. 24 FAST Peter Abdallah, Jim Galcik

Dec. 1 FAST Natalia Kolomatskaia, Trudy Ellmore

Dec. 8 FAST Germain & Tahara Ortiz, Hannah Dougherty

Dec. 15 FAST Mimi & Alan Berck, Amleset Gebrekvistas

Dec. 22 FAST Father Volodymyr & Matushka Oksana, Svetlana Sosedov

Dec. 29 Valeria & Timothy Srock, Guy Radcliffe

Jan. 5 Darice Keyes, Bill & Margie DiCicco

Jan. 12 Aftan Chowansky, Matthew & Nana Barrett

Jan. 19 Juan Garcia, Benjamin & Julie Stell

Jan. 26 Karina Kotelnicki, Paul & Patty Denko

Feb. 2 Anna, Leon & Simeon Brasowski, Brittani & Alex Brasowski

Feb. 9 Corneliu & Florica Balasa, Stefania Balasa

Have a healthy, blessed week!

FOCA Club Christmas Bake Sale Fundraiser

Saturday, December 14, 2024

PRE-ORDER FORM

<i>Quantity</i>	<i>Item</i>	<i>Check below for no nuts</i>	<i>Cost Each</i>	<i>Total Cost</i>
	2 doz. Cookies		\$13	
	4 doz. Cookies		\$25	
	Nut Roll		\$8	
	Poppyseed Roll		\$8	
	Lekvar Roll		\$8	

Total Due \$ _____

All cookies will be homemade!

There will be other items for sale at the Bake Sale - we are only taking Pre-Orders for the above.

Name: _____

Phone #: _____

Cash or check payable to St. Vladimir R Club when picking up your order on Saturday Dec. 14 or Sunday Dec. 15 (during Coffee Hour).

PLEASE TURN IN YOUR PRE-ORDER TO DARICE, FRANCINE, or MIMI by NOVEMBER 17. Thank you for your support!