



# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

## *Events To Note -*

*Sunday, September 18, 2022*

**Today, we celebrate *The Feast of the Elevation of the Cross* which commemorates the finding of the True Cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in 326 A.D., by Saint Helen, the mother of Emperor Constantine.**

- 1. Welcome to our new Seminarian Joshua Birdsall, his wife Lindsey & son John Samuel who is seven.** Please see the article, *Getting To Know Our Seminarians*, in the September-October issue of *The Word* featuring Sem. Joshua.
- 2. Congratulations & many thanks to Ed Assile, Brian Scarpa, George Tewfik, all the event sponsors and the many parishioners and friends of St. Anthony's for a very successful Bergen Street Fest '22!**
- 3. The traditional "Blessing of the Backpacks" for our Church School will be held TODAY. After Liturgy, students and families will gather in the Church School for a quick "Meet & Greet" to learn about the school year. The first Day of Church School is scheduled for Sunday, October 2nd.**
- 4. Our sister church, St. Stephen's in South Plainfield, New Jersey, will be hosting their Annual Dinner Dance on Saturday, October 1, 2022 from 7pm - 12am.** There will be an American/Arabic DJ, buffet dinner, raffles & door prizes. For more information, call or email Claude Zaki (**732-688-6883**) or email Amanda Elsabee (**Aelsabee@gmail.com**).
- 5. Our first Women's Guild meeting will be held on Sunday, September 25th during coffee hour.** All members and non-members should attend this very important meeting in the Jabara Room. Feel free to bring you "coffee and" to the meeting. We will be planning our events & projects for this year. Bring your ideas!
- 6. St. Anthony's will be feeding the less fortunate on Tuesday, September 27th. If you are interested in physically helping or providing funds toward this endeavor, please contact Betty Gakos (**jbgakos@yahoo.com**).** In addition, 150 desserts are needed for that date. Please let Betty know if you can possibly provide 50.
- 7. Our new website has launched!** The Parish Council approved and funded a new website for St. Anthony's. Our new domain name both aligns with our official parish name and creates our primary identity as being Orthodox. **Our new website is [www.stanthonyorthodox.org](http://www.stanthonyorthodox.org)**
- 8. A special thank you to the Joseph & Assile families for sponsoring today's coffee hour.**

9. **Join us for an evening with Prof. Gayle Woloschak on Saturday, October 8, 2022.** The program is sponsored by the Father Joseph Allen Memorial Fund. Dr. Woloschak, Associate Dean for Graduate Student and Postdoctoral Programs at Northwestern University, will be speaking on "Orthodox Bioethics and Pastoral Theology". The evening will include:

- ❖ Vespers at 5pm
- ❖ Reception & Exhibition at 6pm
- ❖ Keynote speaker at 7pm

**Mark your calendar and join us for a memorable evening.** A \$10.00 event ticket includes hors d'oeuvres, wine, dessert & coffee. **Register by October 1st at [www.stanthonyorthodox.org/events](http://www.stanthonyorthodox.org/events)**

10. **Reminder: The UPCI Jesus Christ Tabernacle Church will be celebrating services on Sundays (2pm - 5pm) and on Thursdays (6:30pm - 9:00pm) in our church hall.** Please clean your tables after coffee hour.

11. **Father Michael is available by appointment for home blessings for our St. Anthony parishioners.** Please contact the church to schedule the visitation. Holy Water is also available throughout the calendar year by request.

12. **if you have any changes to your contact information** (address, phone numbers, emails, etc.), please complete forms available in the Narthex or email **Alice Ziemba ([aliceziemba@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziemba@yahoo.com))**.

13. **ALL parishioners are asked to sign up to host at least ONE coffee reception a year, a valuable part of our parish fellowship.**

- The process has been streamlined to make it easier for all parishioners to participate. The guidelines are on the church website and handouts available in the coffee room.
- Put your name on the schedule posted outside the coffee room or contact **Alice Ziemba (201-664-8068 or [aliceziemba@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziemba@yahoo.com))**.
- **Please signup - the next available date is October 23rd.**

14. Do you have a new baby in your family? Any news from a church organization to share? **Send it to our monthly church e-newsletter, *The Desert News*, that goes out the 1st of each month. Send all information at least one week prior to Claudia Bogris ([cbogris@aol.com](mailto:cbogris@aol.com)).** If you are not receiving this monthly email, please contact Nike Bach ([nike.bach@gmail.com](mailto:nike.bach@gmail.com)).

15. **All announcements for this *Events To Note* flyer should be submitted to Alice Ziemba ([aliceziemba@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziemba@yahoo.com)) no later than Wednesday evening.**

***There will be a one year Memorial Service today for Violet Joseph, mother of Arlene Assile & Valerie Joseph, grandmother of Robyn Ziemba & Dana Hanna, great grandmother of Leyla & Zachary Ziemba and Elias & Gregory Hanna. May her Memory be Eternal!***