



ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

Events To Note -

Sunday, December 11, 2022

- **Vespers will be celebrated on Saturday, December 24th at 6:30pm and the Tableau at 7:30pm (no Liturgy).**
- **Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, December 25th.**

1. **Today is Musician Appreciation Sunday throughout our archdiocese.** We extend our sincere appreciation to Ms. Mareena Boosamra-Ball, chair of the Archdiocesan Department of Sacred Music. **In addition, we thank our choir director, Lindsey Birdsall, our chanters and our choir members for sharing their talent and faithfully leading us in worship.**

2. **Fr. Michael has been reassigned to St. Elias Church in Syracuse, NY, by the Archdiocese.** Fr. Michael came to us in 2016 and became our pastor in 2019. **We will celebrate Fr. Michael & Kh. Roula's ministry at St. Anthony's on Sunday, January 8, 2023. All are invited to enjoy Brunch after Liturgy to wish Fr. Michael & Kh. Roula the best in their new parish.**

3. **During the month of December, Nike Bach and Lisa Fares will be in the Fellowship Hall to answer questions about using and setting up a ParishSoft Giving (PSG) account.** PSG enables parishioners to make regular, easy and safe donations to St. Anthony's. Please look for them.

4. **Holiday Greetings:**

- **Parishioners are invited to share their Christmas & Happy New Year wishes** with one another by contacting Helen Chimel by December 24th (in Church or at helenc17@verizon.net). Collected names, along with a holiday image, will be included in the January issue of *The Desert News*.
- **If you would also like to donate to Church flowers,** please give your donation to Helen or Venmo Nike Bach.

5. **Beautiful wreaths and centerpieces from Lynch Creek Wreaths are being sold by our Teen SOYO.** Items can be selected and purchased online at <https://www.lynchcreekfundraising.com/teams/300467-st-anthony-teen-soyo> or by phone (**1-888-426-0781**). The Teen SOYO will receive 15%.

6. **Much appreciation to Jackie Koskinas, president of the Women's Guild, and committee members Helen Chimel, Caitlin Sanchez and Alexandra Stith** for organizing the *Christmas Giving Tree* fundraiser. A special thank you to all parishioners who participated and made the event a success.

7. **A special Thank You to Matt & Maria Macksoud for sponsoring today's coffee hour.**

8. **Thank you to all parishioners** who brought in their special treats for last week's coffee hour. **Much appreciation to Betty Gakos and Irene Kavountzis** for coordinating the event and to **Kh. Roula Ibrahim and Annette Takla** for the beautiful table setup.

9. **SPARKLE FOR ST. ANTHONY**, the Women's Guild holiday fundraiser, continues through the end of December. See the beautiful jewelry on the fundraiser page (<http://touchstonecrystal.com/6WPL2VWI>) or <http://www.touchstonecrystal.com/HYUKVLGK>). For questions or to place an order, contact **Hanneh Kalyoussef** (201-693-2968 or hannehsbling@gmail.com).

- 50% of the profits are donated to the Women's Guild (all orders must go through Hanneh or the party link to qualify).

10. **Reminder: Church School and Teen SOYO will meet directly after Holy Communion today.** If you want to help with Church School, contact Church School Director Dana Hanna (201-396-1947).

11. **Please help us combat hunger in our local community by donating canned and nonperishable food items.** For 39 years, St. Anthony's has pledged our support to help our neighbors in need through a unified effort to express our faith through helping others. **All items will be donated to the Bergenfield Food Pantry. Donations will be accepted through December.** For your convenience, bins are located at both church entrances. Lists are posted in the church hall identifying the most requested items. Thank you in advance - the need is greater now than ever!

12. **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.

13. **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).

14. **Please signup, the new 2023 Coffee Hour Signup Sheet is posted in the church hall.** 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).

15. Do you have a new baby in your family? Any news from a church organization to share? **Send it 30 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). If you are not receiving this monthly email, please **contact Nike Bach** (nike.bach@gmail.com).

16. **All announcements for this Events To Note flyer should be submitted to Alice Ziemba** (aliceziemba@yahoo.com) no later than **Wednesday**.