



# ST. ANTHONY CHURCH

*Sunday, March 19, 2023*

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Today, the third Sunday of Great Lent, the Veneration of the Cross, the Orthodox Church commemorates the Precious and Life-Giving Cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

**Lenten Services this week:**

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| Monday, March 20    | Great Compline   | 7PM    |
| Wednesday, March 22 | 9th Hour & Typika  | 6:00PM |
|                     | Pre-Sanctified Divine Liturgy                                | 6:30PM |
| Friday, March 24    | Fourth Salutations to the Theotokos/Akathist Hymn            | 7PM    |
|                     | <i>Who is Mary? The Annunciation</i> led by Fr. Jeremy Davis |        |
| Saturday, March 25  | Festal Matins  | 8:45AM |
|                     | Festal Divine Liturgy for the Annunciation of the Theotokos  | 10AM   |
|                     | Great Vespers with Confession to follow                      | 5PM    |
| Sunday, March 26    | Sunday of St. John of the Ladder/Matins                      | 8:45AM |
|                     | Divine Liturgy   | 10AM   |

Join us for a series of discussions following the 7pm Friday Salutations/Akathist services focusing on *Who is Mary?*

- March 24 - *The Annunciation* led by Fr. Jeremy Davis
- April 7 - *The Dormition* led by Sdn. Nick Nagorny

1. Church School and Teen SOYO will meet today after communion.
2. March is Women's Month and our Women's Guild has many activities planned. Every woman at St. Anthony's is considered a member of this organization.
  - The Women's Guild is observing Lent by hosting a baby shower for the New Hope Pregnancy Resource Center in Westwood, NJ. Beginning TODAY, they will be collecting donations of baby goods and cash contributions. For more information, please see Hanneh and Daria during coffee hour.
  - On Thursday, March 23rd, view *The Chosen*, video clips of the Samaritan Woman. Read the Biblical passages (*Photini, John 4*) and The Bleeding Woman (*Matt 9, Mark 5 & Luke 8*) for a discussion. A light dinner will be served at 6:30pm, followed by a meeting at 7pm. **R.S.V.P. no later than Monday, March 20th to Jackie Koskinas (201-454-1784 or [jackiek29@hotmail.com](mailto:jackiek29@hotmail.com)).**
  - Please return your membership form, as well as consider making a donation to the Bakeless Bake Sale (all donations going to the earthquake victims).
3. The 20/40 Group will be making & selling high quality Easter chocolate. Orders must be in by TODAY. Payment, either by cash or check, is due at the time orders are placed. Pick up all orders on Sunday, April 2nd after Liturgy. Check out their table today during coffee hour. If you have any questions, contact Amanda Elsabee ([aelsabee@gmail.com](mailto:aelsabee@gmail.com) or 732-979-9929).
4. A special *Thank You* to the St. Anthony's Women's Guild for sponsoring today's coffee hour.

5. **St. Anthony's will be feeding the less fortunate at the Walk-In Dinner Program** on Tuesday, April 4th in Hackensack. Contact Betty Gakos if you would like to help prepare, serve or financially sponsor the desserts or dinner ([jbgakos@yahoo.com](mailto:jbgakos@yahoo.com)).
6. **The next Young At Heart meeting, Thursday, April 6th** at 1pm, will be held in the Jabara Room. **Fr. Jeremy Davis will speak on Ask Abouna in the Altar.** Members are asked to bring their own lunch.
7. **Shoprite Gift Cards are available for purchase.** For \$100, you get \$100. of gift cards & the Church earns 5%. This is a cost-free fundraiser! To purchase gift cards, **see Betty Gakos.**
8. **Registration is now open for Summer Camp sessions.** For more information and to register, go to: [avcamp.org](http://avcamp.org) **St. Anthony's has funds to help any of our children** attend camp if they need it. Those interested in scholarships, please contact Fr. Jeremy or Ed Assile.
9. **2023 Parish Life Conference (June 28-July 2):**
  - **The 2023 Bible Bowl will be based on The Book of Genesis.** Starting in March, Sdn. Nick Nagorny will be leading online video *Google Meet* sessions to prepare for the bowl. More information to follow.
10. **Reminder: The UPCI Jesus Christ Tabernacle Church celebrates services on Sundays (2pm - 5pm) and Thursdays (6:30pm - 9:00pm) in our church hall.** Please clean your tables after coffee hour.
11. **The new Coffee Hour Schedule for 2023 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 guidelines are on the church website & handouts available in the coffee room.
  - Put your name on the schedule posted outside the coffee room or contact **Alice Ziembra (201-664-8068 or [aliceziembra@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziembra@yahoo.com)).**
12. 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)).**
13. **An Update to the last Church Directory printed in 2018 is available in the narthex.** Included are new parishioners, as well as changes in the contact information for those who have moved, changed phone numbers, emails, etc. **Please use this list as an addendum to the Parish Directory. Send any changes in your contact information to Alice Ziembra ([aliceziembra@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziembra@yahoo.com)).**
14. **The 2023 Church Calendars are available in the narthex.** Please help yourselves.
15. **If you have any changes to your contact information** (address, phone numbers, emails, etc.), please complete forms available in the Narthex or email **Alice Ziembra ([aliceziembra@yahoo.com](mailto:aliceziembra@yahoo.com)).**

***There will be a Memorial Service today commemorating all the departed women who have served our St. Anthony Church community. May their Memories be Eternal!***