



St Anthony Orthodox Church

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Services This Week

Sunday, June 4th

Vespers with Kneeling Prayers of Pentecost 5pm

Saturday, June 10th

Great Vespers 5pm

Sunday, June 11th

Orthros and Divine Liturgy
8:45am

Upcoming Special Services

Wednesday, June 28th

Feast of Sts. Peter & Paul
Orthros and Divine Liturgy 6pm

Wednesday, July 19th

Feast of Prophet Elias
Orthros and Divine Liturgy 6pm

“ There is nothing upon earth holier, higher, grander, more solemn, more life-giving than the Liturgy.”

- St John of Kronstadt

Weekly Announcements

1. **Welcome Fr. Nicholas, Kh. Liana, Elias and Moses to your new parish!** Everyone is invited to attend a Welcome Luncheon immediately after Divine Liturgy TODAY.

2. **Church School and Teen SOYO will meet today.**

3. **The Don DiNovi Memorial Golf Outing, benefitting the Don DiNovi Summer Camp Scholarship Fund, will be held on Tuesday, June 20th, at White Beeches Country Club in Haworth, NJ.** Flyers & registration information are in the Narthex.

- Join us for golf, lunch and dinner at a premier country club
- Sponsor a tee or green, individually, with a friend or as a family
- Not a golfer, join us for dinner and festivities, including a raffle
- Donate a gift to our raffle - If you have a raffle prize such as a gift certificate to a restaurant, sports related items, or any collectibles, please contact **Leslie Carter (201-264-1662 or lesliecarter2@aol.com) or Hanneh Kalyoussef (201-693-2968 or hannehsbling@gmail.com).**

4. **Our Fall Festival will be on November 10th and 11th.** If you can help out in any way, please contact Festival Co-Chairs Donna Petrick (917-617-1893 or doon1224@yahoo.com) or Joe Incorvaia (201-424-7838 or Joseph.Incorvaia@gmail.com). Thank you!

- ✦ If you have any new, unused items that you can donate to the Fall Festival, please notify Donna or Joe. Donations will be used as prizes for the Capsule Booth.

5. **A special thank you to Jim & Somaya Watkins for sponsoring last week's coffee hour.**

6. **The AWE is collaborating on a project with the host parish of the PLC to prepare Hygiene Kits** for the Neighborhood Resilience Project which will be donated to the needy. We have been asked to donate one item to support this ministry. **Please bring one bar of soap to church on June 4th or June 11th.**

Thank you for worshipping with us this morning!
If this is your first time visiting, please introduce yourself to Fr Nicholas at the end of Liturgy.

From Father:

Blessed Feast!

With great joy and humility, I write to you as your new pastor on such a great feast as Pentecost! Today we remember that the Holy Spirit descended upon Christ's disciples and the Church was born. What a blessing it is and fitting that my ministry in Christ's Church should officially begin on the Church's birthday!

Pentecost is a beautiful feast, one in which we must bring to our minds that it wasn't just the disciples who were filled with the Holy Spirit, but each one of us. When we were baptized and chrismated we received the Holy Spirit. The word chrism, and its derivatives (chrismate, chrismation) come from the Greek word chrisma (χρῖσμα) which means to anoint with oil. Chrisma is also where we get the word, Christ. Jesus was called Christ because He was the "anointed one," the one who comes to save us.

So we too, as followers of Christ, when we are anointed and filled with the Holy Spirit, become "christs," "anointed ones," which is why we are called Christians. On Pentecost, on the Church's birthday, it is in a sense all of our birthdays in the faith, because we remember not only the descent of the Holy Spirit on the disciples but on all of us. May the grace of that same Holy Spirit continue to illumine and strengthen you.

With love in Christ,
Fr. Nicholas

Announcements continued

7. **Registration is open for Summer Camp sessions.** For more information and to register, go to: avvcamp.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.

8. **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 Ziemba (201-664-8068 or aliceziemba@yahoo.com).**

9. **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.**

10. 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).** If you are not receiving this monthly email, please **contact Nike Bach (nike.bach@gmail.com).**

11. **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 Ziemba (aliceziemba@yahoo.com).**

12. **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.

“This is the great work of man:
always to take the blame for his
own sins before God and to expect
temptation to his last breath.”

-St Anthony the Great