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FIRST SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

March 21, 2021

Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 (Epistle)

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John 1:43-51 (Gospel)

A warm welcome to everyone joining us for worship.

If you are without a spiritual home, please make OUR HOME, YOUR HOME.

TODAY **Sunday of Orthodoxy;** St. James the Confessor, Bishop of Catania (†8TH-9th c.); St. Cyril, Bishop of Catania (†1ST-2ND c.); St. Thomas, Patriarch of Constantinople (†1610).

9:40 am Third & Sixth Hours

10:00 am **Divine Liturgy, Icon procession by children - LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page**

11:25 am **Typica Service (Church-Slavonic Language на Церковно-Славянском)**

Preparation for First Confession

Wednesday, March 24 **The Eve of Annunciation of our Most Holy Lady, Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary**

6:00 pm Confession

6:30 pm **Vesperal Divine Liturgy - LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page**

Friday, March 26

7:00 pm **Orthodoxy Study - LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page**

Saturday, March 27

9:00 am **Memorial Liturgy**

4:50 pm Ninth Hours

5:00 pm **Great Vespers - LIVE Stream on St. Nicholas Facebook Page**

Sunday, March 28 **2ND Sunday of Lent; St. Gregory Palamas;** Synaxis of the Venerable Fathers of the Kiev Caves Lavra; Ven. Hilarion the New, Abbot of Pelekete (ca. †754); Ven. Stephen the Wonderworker, Abbot of Triglia (†9TH c.); Monastic Martyr Eustratius of the Kiev Near Caves (†1097); Ven. Hilarion of Pskov Lake (†1476); Martyred brothers Barachisius and Jonah, and those with them, in Persia (†4TH c.); Martyr Boyan, Prince of Bulgaria (ca. †830).

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STEWARDSHIP CORNER Sunday, March 14, 2021 - Donation \$2,543.00

EASTER BAKE SALE We humbly ask our talented bakers to contribute to our Parish fundraiser by baking homemade cookies and bringing them Saturday, April 3RD by 8:30am. Please bake 5-6 dozen of the same cookie without any gooey or sticky frosting. Helpers are also needed to assemble the cookies in the containers and fill orders as people come in.

LIVE STREAM UPDATE Thank you Dn. Dave and Kathy HANNEMAN for generous donating \$1,000.00 to our church Live Stream Audio/Video project. We are going to buy 2 cameras that will be mounted in the altar and one on the back wall of the church.

Thank you Andrew HAUG for donating some needed accessories.

CHICAGO DEANERY LENTEN VESPERS All services begin at 6:00 pm. Because of the PANDEMIC *we are not opening the parishes who are holding the service for each of the Sundays to visitors from other parishes.* People are invited to participate by watching the live stream of the services and the homilies.

- Sunday, March 28TH — St. Luke Church, Palos Hills.

FACEBOOK ACCESS: www.facebook.com/St-Luke-Orthodox-Christian-Church-132050890216775

- Sunday, April 4TH — St. Joseph Church, Wheaton.

FACEBOOK ACCESS: "St Joseph Orthodox Church"

MANY YEARS... *Happy Birthday* to Andrew HAUG on March 23RD.

May God grant all our celebrants Many Happy and Healthy Years!

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS the following people, who are in need of God's healing and grace:

Danelle BERGSTROM	Tom KOMPARE	Richard JOVANOVIH	Jovan HAUG	Lubov SIROTUK
Sevasti BERGSTROM	Georgia PATTEN	Galyna SHAFRANEC	Marlo PERRY	June BRADLEY
Katherina BRADLEY	Lydia ODOM	Jose FELIX	Joseph ORLOVICH	

Today Epistle (*Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2*)

Brethren... By faith Moses, when he became of age, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to suffer affliction with the people of God than to enjoy the passing pleasures of sin, esteeming the reproach of Christ greater riches than the treasures in Egypt; for he looked to the reward. And what more shall I say? For the time would fail me to tell of Gideon and Barak and Samson and Jephthah, also of David and Samuel and the prophets: who through faith subdued kingdoms, worked righteousness, obtained promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched the violence of fire, escaped the edge of the sword, out of weakness were made strong, became valiant in battle, turned to flight the armies of the aliens. Women received their dead raised to life again. Others were tortured, not accepting deliverance, that they might obtain a better resurrection. Still others had trial of mockings and scourgings, yes, and of chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, were tempted, were slain with the sword. They wandered about in sheepskins and goatskins, being destitute, afflicted, tormented – of whom the world was not worthy. They wandered in deserts and mountains, in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, having obtained a good testimony through faith, did not receive the promise, God having provided something better for us, that they should not be made perfect apart from us. Therefore we also, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us lay aside every weight, and the sin which so easily ensnares us, and let us run with endurance the race that is set before us, looking unto Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith, who for the joy that was set before Him endured the cross, despising the shame, and has sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.

Today Gospel (*John 1:43-51*)

The following day Jesus wanted to go to Galilee, and He found Philip and said to him, "Follow Me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael and said to him, "We have found Him of whom Moses in the law, and also the prophets, wrote – Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." And Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming toward Him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no deceit!" Nathanael said to Him, "How do You know me?" Jesus answered and said to him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered and said to Him, "Rabbi, You are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered and said to him, "Because I said to you, 'I saw you under the fig tree,' do you believe? You will see greater things than these." And He said to him, "Most assuredly, I say to you, hereafter you shall see heaven open, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of Man."

Апостол Дня (*Евреям 11:24-26, 32-12:2*)

Братия... Верю Моисей, придя в возраст, отказался называться сыном дочери фараоновой, и лучше захотел страдать с народом Божиим, нежели иметь временное греховное наслаждение, и поношение Христово почел большим для себя богатством, нежели Египетские сокровища; ибо он взирал на воздаяние. И что еще скажу? Недостанет мне времени, чтобы повествовать о Гедееоне, о Вараке, о Самсоне и Иеффае, о Давиде, Самуиле и (других) пророках, которые верою побеждали царства, творили правду, получали обетования, заграждали уста львов, угашали силу огня, избегали острия меча, укреплялись от немощи, были крепки на войне, прогоняли полки чужих; жены получали умерших своих воскресшими; иные же замучены были, не приняв освобождения, дабы получить лучшее воскресение; другие испытали поругания и побои, а также узы и темницу, были побиваемы камнями, перепиливаемы, подвергаемы пытке, умирали от меча, скитались в милотях и козых кожах, терпя недостатки, скорби, озлобления; те, которых весь мир не был достоин, скитались по пустыням и горам, по пещерам и ущельям земли. И все сии, свидетельствованные в вере, не получили обещанного, потому что Бог предусмотрел о нас нечто лучшее, дабы они не без нас достигли совершенства. Посему и мы, имея вокруг себя такое облако свидетелей, свергнем с себя всякое бремя и запинаящий нас грех и с терпением будем проходить предлежащее нам поприще, взирая на начальника и совершителя веры Иисуса, Который, вместо предлежавшей Ему радости, претерпел крест, пренебрегши посрамление, и воссел одесную престола Божия.

Евангелие Дня (*Иоанна 1:43-51*)

На другой день Иисус восхотел идти в Галилею, и находит Филиппа и говорит ему: иди за Мною. Филипп же был из Вифсаиды, из одного города с Андреем и Петром. Филипп находит Нафанаила и говорит ему: мы нашли Того, о Котором писали Моисей в законе и пророки, Иисуса, сына Иосифова, из Назарета. Но Нафанаил сказал ему: из Назарета может ли быть что доброе? Филипп говорит ему: пойдй и посмотри. Иисус, увидев идущего к Нему Нафанаила, говорит о нем: вот подлинно Израильтянин, в котором нет лукавства. Нафанаил говорит Ему: почему Ты знаешь меня? Иисус сказал ему в ответ: прежде нежели позвал тебя Филипп, когда ты был под смоковницею, Я видел тебя. Нафанаил отвечал Ему: Равви! Ты Сын Божий, Ты Царь Израилев. Иисус сказал ему в ответ: ты веришь, потому что Я тебе сказал: Я видел тебя под смоковницею; увидишь больше сего. И говорит ему: истинно, истинно говорю вам: отныне будете видеть небо отверстым и Ангелов Божиих восходящих и нисходящих к Сыну Человеческому.