July 14th, 2024

Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council

As we enter the Church let us pray..... I will come into Thy House In the multitude of Thy mercy; And in Thy fear I will worship toward Thy Holy Temple.

Resurrectional Apolytikion – Tone 2

When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of the Holy Fathers - Tone 8

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

Apolytikion of St. John Chrysostom - Tone 8

Grace shining forth from your lips like a beacon has enlightened the universe. It has shown to the world the riches of poverty. It has revealed to us the heights of humility. Teaching us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede before the Word, Christ our God, to save our souls!

Ordinary Kontakion – Tone 2

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

SYNAXARION

On July 14 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Apostle Aquila of the Seventy; and Joseph the Confessor, archbishop of Thessalonica.

On this Sunday, we commemorate the 630 holy and God-bearing Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council, which convened in Chalcedon in 451 against the Monophysites. The Holy Fathers were, once again, concerned with the nature of Jesus Christ. The false teaching arose that Christ's human nature (considered by heretics as less perfect) dissolved itself in His divine nature (considered by heretics as more perfect): like a cube of sugar in a parcel of water. Thus, in that scenario, Christ had only one nature, the Divine. These false preachers were called Monophysites ("mono", meaning "one" and "physis", meaning "nature"), and they were led by Eutyches and Dioscorus. Monophysitism overemphasized the divine nature of Christ, at the expense of the human. The Fourth Ecumenical Council condemned Monophysitism and proclaimed that Christ has two complete natures: the divine and the human, as defined by previous Councils. These two natures function as equally perfect, without confusion, and are neither divided nor separate. The Fathers declared that at no time did they undergo any change. By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen

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St John Chrysostom Antiochian Orthodox Church is a parish of the Antiochian Archdiocese of North America

His Eminence Metropolitan SABA, Metropolitan of New York and North America His Grace Bishop Thomas, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic The V. Rev. Peter Pier, Pastor

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The Inquirer's Class – will meet today, Sunday, July 14th, following the Divine Liturgy. These classes are for those studying the Orthodox Christian Faith, and those wishing to deepen their understanding of the Faith. All are welcome.

Weis and Giant Grocery Gift Cards – are available for purchase. You pay the face amount of the card and the church receives 5% of the value of the card. Please see Marjorie Barrett after any Divine Liturgy to purchase a card. Purchases benefit the general fund of St. John Chrysostom Church.

Attendance: 165 Operating Fund Offering Received: \$6,548.00 Amount Needed Each Week To Meet Operating Fund Budget: \$7,443.00

Church Calendar

- July 14 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Inquirer's Class.
- July 17 6:00 pm Daily Vespers.
- **July 20** 6:00 pm Great Vespers.
- July 21 8:50 am Orthros. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy. Parish Council Meeting.

Remember In Your Prayers

Before they call I will answer, while they are yet speaking I will hear" (Is. 65:24)

The Living – for their health &wellbeing	Leavitt "George" Keener
Metropolitan SABA	Mary Jane Glagola
Bishop Thomas	Norm "Nourhan" and Eva "Marie" Kailian
Denise Zakula	Nicholas Raptapolus
Olena Bassarab	Walter and Mary Damm
Jayme Miller	Donnell Gregory and Mary "Rebecca" Beck
Matthew Miller	Michael Bogosh
Officer Jamie Miller	Christos Tsakiris
Joyce "Kassiane" Williams	Harry and Grace Dorion
Michael Acierno	Marianne Rupp and Mary Bincarowsky
Jerry "David" Desautels	Gene "Paul" Strayer
Christopher Reese	Katherine Monsour
Beverly Kushner	George and Darla Feeser
Michelle Prince	Cindi "Monica" Bennett
Richard "Stephen" Vangel	Mary Kopey
Joshua "John" Ranck	Martha Allen
Ronna "Sophia" Castle	Mary Lou Grove
Kera McBurnett	Melinda "Magdalena" Stika
Arlene "Éirene" Maisch	James Fetter
Christine Bogosh	Andrew Himes
Sasha Florenz	Patty May
Andrew Kurtz	Julie Acierno
	Vincent Michael Terzano-Borovic
The Departed – Memory Eternal!	Steven Smith
Metropolitan PHILIP	Edward Boner
Bishop Antoun	Cheryl "Alexandra" Bury
Priest Boniface Black	Thomas Lehman
Helen Diamond	Barry "John" Hart
Angela Burke	Angela Pandelidis
Wayne "Stephen" Coleson	Kathryn Velen
Georgette Habib Soliman	Karl and Nancy Usner
Joseph Danyo	