

Saintly Notes

St. Luke, Apostle and Evangelist (October 18)

Luke was born in Antioch. In his youth, he excelled in his studies of Greek philosophy, medicine and art. During the ministry of the Lord Jesus on earth, Luke came to Jerusalem, where he saw the Savior face to face, heard His saving teaching and was witness to His miraculous works.

Coming to belief in the Lord, St. Luke was numbered among the Seventy Apostles, and was sent out to preach. With Cleopas, he saw the resurrected Lord on the road to Emmaus (Luke 24).

After the descent of the Holy Spirit, Luke returned to Antioch and there became a fellow worker of the Apostle Paul and traveled to Rome with him, converting Jews and pagans to the Christian Faith. *Luke, the beloved physician, ... greets you,* writes the Apostle Paul to the Colossians. (Colossians 4:14).

At the request of Christians, he wrote his Gospel in about the year 60. Following the martyrdom of the great Apostle Paul, St. Luke preached the Gospel throughout Italy, Dalmatia, Macedonia and other regions. He painted icons of the Most-holy Theotokos—not just one, but three—and icons of the Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Hence, St. Luke is considered to be the founder of Christian iconography.

In old age, he visited Libya and Upper Egypt. From Egypt he returned to Greece, where he continued to preach and convert many with great zeal despite his old age. In addition to his Gospel, St. Luke wrote the Acts and dedicated both works to Theophilus, the governor of Achaia.

Luke was eighty-four years old when the wicked idolaters tortured him for the sake of Christ and hanged him from an olive tree in the town of Thebes, in Boethia. The miracle-working relics of this wonderful saint were transported to Constantinople in the reign of Emperor Constantius, the son of Constantine.

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The Saints Whom We Remember Today

Martyr Marinus the Elder at Anazarbos; Venerable Theodore and Simeon;
New-martyr Gabriel of Egypt; Peter of Cetinje

This Week's Schedule

Today: 8:00a Orthros; 9:00a Church School; 10:00a Divine Liturgy
Monday: Church Office Closed
Tuesday: 7:00p Practical Orthodox Living (1st in 3-Part Series)
Wednesday: 9:15a 3rd Hour Prayers; 6:30p Vespers
Thursday: 6:30p Eve. Divine Liturgy for St. James
Saturday: 1:00p Baptism (Virginia Ramey); 5:30p Great Vespers
Sunday: 8:00a Orthros; 9:00a Church School; 10:00a Divine Liturgy

Third Antiphon

Troparion of the Resurrection
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.

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship . . . Alleluia.

Troparion

for the Resurrection—Tone 2

See above.

Troparion

for St. Luke—Tone 3

O holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke,
intercede with the merciful God, to grant our
souls forgiveness of sins.

Troparion

of All Saints—Tone 4

As with fine porphyry and royal purple Thy
Church has been adorned with Thy martyr's
blood shed throughout all the world. She
cries to Thee, O Christ God, send down Thy
bounties on Thy people, grant peace to Thy
habitation and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion

for Ordinary Sundays—Tone 2

O Protection of Christians that is not put to
shame, unchanging Mediation before the
Creator, despise not the voice of the sinners'
prayer, but in that thou art good, come quickly

to help us who call upon thee in faith. Make
speed to intercede and make haste to
supplicate, O Theotokos, who dost ever protect
those that honor thee.

The Trisagion

Holy God . . .

Scripture

for today and next Sunday

Today: (See insert)

Next Sunday:

Epistle: Gal. 1:11–19

Gospel: Luke 8:26–39

Megalynarion—Tone 8

It is truly meet and right . . .

Communion Hymn—Tone 8

Praise the Lord . . . Alleluia.

Post-Communion Hymn

We have seen the true light . . .

Parish Notes

Altar Servers Today

Matthew Wynne, Del Dillard, Noah Keim,
Micah Keim, Johannes Kibret, Nicholas
Kliwer, Roger Jones.

Special Attention

- **Practical Orthodox Living.** This three month discussion series led by Dn. David will focus on the practical aspects of living an Orthodox life. First session begins this Tuesday, Oct. 20th at 7:00pm here at All Saints. All Adults and Teens are welcome and encouraged to attend.
- **CALLING ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS!** All Saints and our Archdiocese want to stay in touch with our college students. If you are in college please give your email and mailing address to Dcn. David. If you have children in college please let Dcn. David know their email and

mailing addresses as well. Our Archdiocese has a special college department that works hard to help students maintain their faith while away from home.

- **Annual Meeting Date.** Our annual voters' meeting will be held on November 15th following the Divine Liturgy. Please all voters need to attend. Building updates will be presented as well as reports for the year. The 2010 budget will be presented and voted on. Two new members of the Parish Council will be voted into office.
- **Reserve the weekend!!** Our parish will be celebrating our new temple groundbreaking the weekend ending November 1st!! Bishop Antoun will be joining us for worship and celebration, so plan to participate with your All Saints family! The weekend schedule is as follows:
 - **Friday October 30th:** 6:30 dinner with the clergy, Parish Council, and Building Committee members
 - **Saturday October 31st:** 12:00 noon lunch with the Sunday School Students, question and answer session. 5:30pm Great VespersFollowing Vespers, lasagna dinner for parish.
- **Sunday November 1st:** 9:00 am Orthos; 10am Divine Liturgy, followed by outdoor ground-breaking service; Reception to follow in the church hall.
- **Confession Practice at All Saints.** Confession is a wonderful and comforting sacrament of our Orthodox Faith. We encourage every member of All Saints to come to confession on a regular basis (*usually four times a year; however, the frequency of your participation at confession should be discussed with your spiritual father*). In addition, Father Nicholas has asked that all confessions are to normally be by appointment (including those after Vespers). Except for extraordinary situations, no confessions will be heard during Holy Week, Bright week, and from December 25—January 2. Please talk to Fr. Nicholas to make an appointment:
 - email, orthorider.nras@gmail.com;
 - phone, 859-1332; or face to face

Today's Epistle and Gospel Readings

Prokeimenon:

His voice has gone out into all the earth.

The heavens declare the glory of God.

†**Epistle: Col. 4:5–11, 14–18 (RSV)**

Brethren, conduct yourselves wisely toward outsiders, making the most of the time. Let your speech always be gracious, seasoned with salt, so that you may know how you ought to answer everyone. Tychicus will tell you all about my affairs; he is a beloved brother and faithful minister and fellow servant in the Lord. I have sent him to you for this very purpose, that you may know how we are and that he may encourage your hearts, and with him Onesimus, the faithful and beloved brother, who is one of you. They will tell you of everything that has taken place. Aristarchus my fellow prisoner greets you, and Mark the cousin of Barnabas (concerning whom you have received instructions—if he comes to you, receive him), and Jesus who is called Justus. These are the only men of the circumcision among my fellow workers for the kingdom of God, and they have been a comfort to me. Luke the beloved physician and Demas greet you. Give my greetings to the brethren at Laodicea, and to Nympha and the church in her house. And when this letter has been read among you,

have it read also in the church of the Laodiceans; and see that you read also the letter from Laodicea. And say to Archippus, “See that you fulfill the ministry which you have received in the Lord.” I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. Remember my fetters. Grace be with you. Amen.

†**Gospel: Luke 10:16–21 (RSV)**

The Lord said, “He who hears you hears Me, and he who rejects you rejects Me, and he who rejects Me rejects Him who sent Me.” The Seventy returned with joy, saying, “Lord, even the demons are subject to us in Thy Name!” And Jesus said to them, “I saw Satan fall like lightning from Heaven. Behold, I have given you authority to tread upon serpents and scorpions and over all the power of the enemy; and nothing shall hurt you. Nevertheless do not rejoice in this, that the spirits are subject to you; but rejoice that your names are written in heaven.” In that same hour Jesus rejoiced in the spirit and said, “I thank Thee, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, that Thou hast hidden these things from the wise and prudent and revealed them to babes; yea, Father, for such was Thy gracious will.”

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