

**The Twenty-First Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Ninth Sunday of Luke**  
**November 17, 2024**

Gregory the wonderworker, bishop of Neo-Caesarea; Gennadios and Maximos, patriarchs of Constantinople; Nikon the wonderworker, disciple of Sergios of Radonezh; Hilda, abbess of Whitby

**Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 4)**



Ison Hav-ing learned the joy-ful mes-sage of the res-ur-rec-tion from the an-gel, the wom-en dis-ci-ples of the Lord cast from them their pa-ren-tal cou-dem-na-tion, and proud-ly broke the news to the dis-ci-ples, say-ing, death hath been spoiled. Christ God is ris-en, grant-ing the world great mer-cy.

**Troparion for St. Gregory of Neo-Caesaria (Tone 8)**

By vigilance in prayer, and continuance in the working of wonders, thou didst acquire thine achievements as a surname; wherefore, intercede with Christ our God, O Father Gregory, to enlighten our souls, lest we sleep in sin unto death.

**Troparion for St. Raphael of Brooklyn (Tone 3)**

Rejoice, O Father Raphael, Adornment of the holy Church! Thou art Champion of the True Faith, Seeker of the lost, Consolation of the oppressed,

Father to orphans and Friend of the poor, Peacemaker and good Shepherd, Joy of all the Orthodox, Son of Antioch, Boast of America. Intercede with Christ God for us and for all who honor thee.

**Kontakion for the Entrance of the Theotokos (Tone 4)**

The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, into the House of the Lord on this day is brought forward and bringeth with herself the grace of the Most Divine Spirit; her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

**The Prokeimenon**

*O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

**The Epistle**

**Galatians 2:16-20**

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the Law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the Law, because by works of the Law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

**The Holy Gospel**

**Luke 12:16-21**

The Lord spoke this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich toward God." As He said this, Jesus called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."



**Holy Bread:** Kh Meleah Palke/Carol Ofiesh/Pr Vicki Kontogiorgis

**Commemorations(Living):** Fr Michael, Pr Vicki, John, Corgie, Karen, Maher, Fabiola, Christopher, Steven, Jonathan, Jaime, Justin, George, Joan, Fr Tom, Kh Meleah, Stephen, Carol, Michael, Joel, Lisa, Danny, Asa, Cody, Max, Levi, Courtney, Nina, Kenneth, Alex, Beth, Janni, Dominick, Yina, Lauren, Rashid, Hala, Irina, Alex, Lauren, Aaron, Adam, Atticus, Gabriella, Fr. Vladimir Paul, all Orthodox missionaries, the suffering believers throughout the world.

**Departed:**

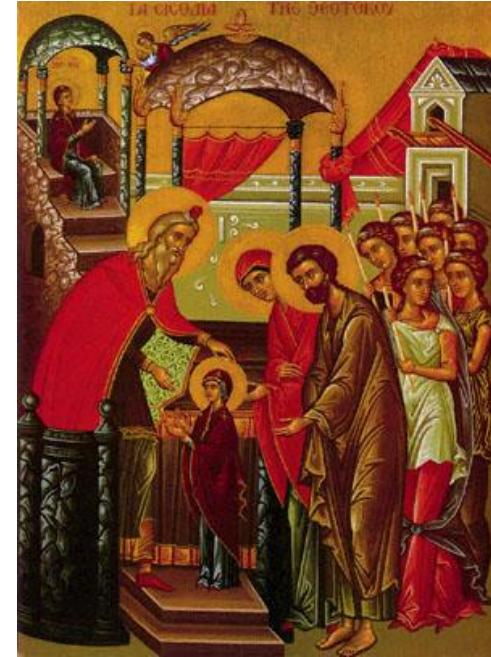
**Feast of the Nativity, December 24.** The Hours (7:00 PM) and Divine Liturgy (7:30 PM).

**The Advent Fast** began on Friday (11/15). During this period, Wednesdays and Fridays are strict fast days, as usual. On other days of the week, we abstain from meat, meat products and dairy products; but fish, wine and olive oil are permitted. Eggs are not permitted on any days. Olive oil and wine are permitted on Saturday and Sunday.

**Zoom Prayer and Bible Study:** this Wednesday, November 20, at 8:00 PM. Topic: 2 Thessalonians.

**The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple** is celebrated on November 21. According to the tradition of the Church, the Theotokos was brought to the Temple at three years of age, where she was consecrated to God and spent her days until she was fourteen or fifteen years old; and then, as a mature maiden, by the common counsel of the priests (since her parents had reposed some three years before), she was betrothed to Joseph.

**Know your faith.** Adam and Eve had three sons identified in the Bible. From oldest to youngest, they were \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_. (T/F) Adam had other sons and daughters. When \_\_\_\_\_ was 365 years old, God received him into heaven. This man had a son, \_\_\_\_\_, who lived longer than anyone listed in the Bible. When God saw how great man's wickedness was, he commanded \_\_\_\_\_ to build an \_\_\_\_\_. This man, along with his wife, and three sons (\_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_), and their wives, were saved from the flood. What was the sign of the covenant between God and Noah? \_\_\_\_\_. (T/F) The Sacrament of Unction may be administered to all baptized Christians. The physical element of Holy Unction is \_\_\_\_\_. On what occasion is the element sanctified by the Holy Spirit to become Holy Unction? \_\_\_\_\_. Jesus said, "no man comes to the Father but by \_\_\_\_\_." (John 14:6). Jesus said, "I am the \_\_\_\_\_ and the life." The Feast of \_\_\_\_\_ signifies the end of the temple in Jerusalem as the dwelling place of God and the beginning of his presence among all people.



## **St. Raphael of Brooklyn Orthodox Church** **Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese**

**Metropolitan Joseph, Primate**  
**Bishop Thomas, Diocese of the Mid-Atlantic**

**Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM**

**Meeting at Compton Village**  
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