

## The Twenty-ninth Sunday after Pentecost January 19, 2025

Venerable Makarios of Alexandria; Arsenios, bishop of Kerkyra; Venerable Mark Eugenikos, metropolitan of Ephesus, pillar of Orthodoxy; Martyr Antony of Damascus

### Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 5)

Byzantine Tone 5

Basil Kazan  
(1915 - 2001)

Let us be - liev - ers praise and wor - ship the  
 Word, co - e - ter - nal with the Fa - ther and the  
 Spir - it, born of the Vir - gin for  
 our sal - va - tion, for he took plea - sure in as -  
 - cend - ing the cross in the flesh, to  
 suf - fer death and to raise the dead by his  
 glo - ri - ous re - sur - rec - tion.

### Troparion for St. Makarios (Tone 1)

Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an angel in the flesh, and a wonderworker, O Makarios, our God-bearing Father. By fasting, vigil, and prayer thou didst obtain heavenly gifts, and thou healest the sick and the souls of them that have recourse to thee with faith. Glory to Him that hath given thee strength. Glory to Him that hath crowned thee. Glory to Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

### 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 Presentation of Christ (Tone 1)

Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

### The Prokeimenon

*Thou, O Lord, shalt preserve us and keep us from this generation.  
 Save me, O Lord, for the godly man hath disappeared.*

### The Epistle

**Colossians 3:4-11**

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

### The Holy Gospel

**Luke 17:12-19**

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When He saw them He said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And He said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."



**Assisting Priest:** Fr. Michael Kontogiorgis

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

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

**Departed:** James and Laura Briggs, Perry (Spyridon)

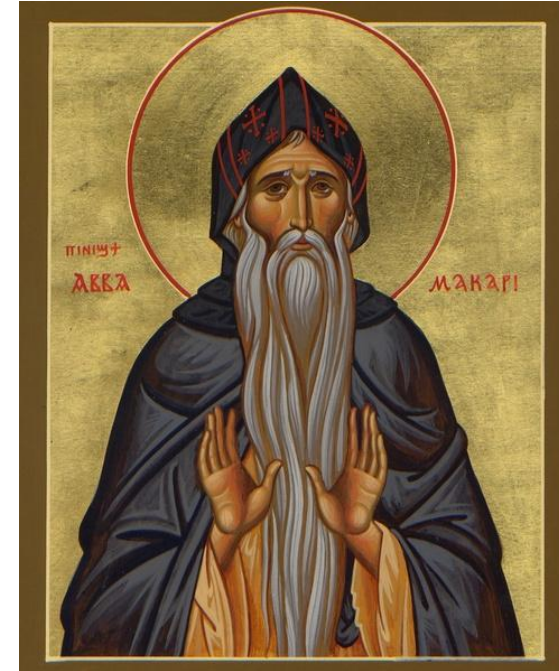
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**Upcoming Dates:** March 3—First Day of Lent; April 20—Pascha.

**Know your faith:** “Theophany” literally means the manifestation of God. How was this manifested is the baptism of Jesus? The Father spoke, the Holy Spirit descended in the likeness of a dove, and Jesus was declared the son of the Father. Why was Jesus baptized? To fulfill all righteousness—to sanctify the waters of baptism, and to show us baptism as the means to salvation. Many of the prayers for the blessing of water are also used in the Sacrament of Baptism. The Liturgy of St. Basil is used on the Feast of Theophany. What is the next major feast of the Church? The Presentation (Entrance) of Christ in the Temple (February 2). What hymn is sung during a house blessing? The Troparion of Theophany (“When Thou, O Lord, was baptized in the Jordan”). Who was responsible for the slaughter of the “holy innocents”? King Herod. Where did the holy family move after their flight to Egypt? Nazareth. (T/F) The Magi found Jesus lying in the manger. When Jesus was baptized, he was anointed by the Holy Spirit (Chrismation) and, thus, his title--Christ, the “anointed one.” He was anointed to fulfill the three special offices held by leaders of the Old Covenant-- Prophet, Priest, and King.

**Synaxarion.** On January 19 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate our righteous Father Makarios the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite; and our righteous Father Makarios of Alexandria. Both men were the contemporaries of Anthony the Great. Makarios the Great withdrew into the wilderness where he spent 60 years in labor and struggle, both internally and externally for the Kingdom of Heaven. So much did he succeed in cleansing his mind and heart of evil that God bestowed upon him the abundant gift of miracle-working; he even raised the dead. Makarios often told his disciple Paphnutius: “Do not judge anyone and you will be saved.” Nine days before his death, St. Anthony, St. Pachomius and a cherub revealed to him that he would enter the Kingdom of Heaven. Makarios lived to be 97 years old and died in the year 390. The younger Makarios also entered the monastic life to fight demonic temptations. Once, a brother saw him fill a basket with sand, carry it uphill and empty it. Astonished, the brother asked him, “What are you doing?” Makarios answered, “I am tormenting my tormentor,” that is, the devil. He died in the year 393, well past the age of 100.

On this day, we also commemorate the Venerable Arsenios, bishop of Kerkyra; and Venerable Mark Eugenikos, metropolitan of Ephesus, pillar of Orthodoxy. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.



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

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

**Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM**

**Meeting at Compton Village**  
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