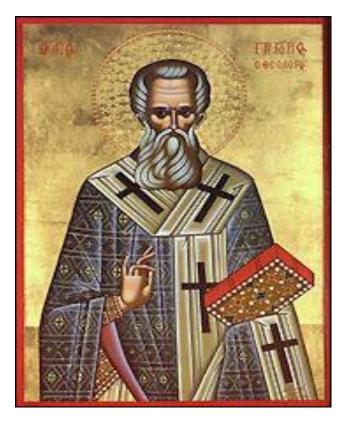
# 15TH SUNDAY OF LUKE JANUARY 25TH, 2015



# STS. RAPHAEL, NICHOLAS AND IRENE GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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We are an intentional Orthodox Christian Community for North Georgia!

## WORSHIP

**Grave Tone: Plagal of the Fourth Tone** 

We are so very glad you have joined us today, and we pray you will be inspired and encouraged by your time with us.

The Orthodox worship service is an ancient and timeless expression of how people have loved, served and worshipped God for many centuries, but it may be a bit of a different experience for you. Please feel free to use a service book or not and simply allow the words of the service to wash over you.

The central act of our worship culminates in people receiving communion. This is a very special time for us all and we have some specific beliefs about our communion together. This is why we never impose this service on those who are not prepared or are not baptized Orthodox. This service may raise questions in your mind.

Please feel free to ask Fr. Barnabas or Fr. Paul anything you wish after the service.

At the end of the service EVERYONE is invited to come forward and receive a portion of the "blessed bread" from Fr. Barnabas. No one should leave church "hungry!"

Know you are welcome and we are glad you are here.

May God bless you and your family.

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#### **Eleventh Eothinon**

### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

From on high didst Thou descend, O Compassionate One; to burial of three days hast Thou submitted that Thou mightest free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to Thee.

#### Seasonal Kontakion in the First Tone

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

## TODAY WE REMEMBER

## 15th Sunday Of Luke

#### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone:

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.

#### Apolytikion for the Saint in the First Tone:

The shepherd's pipe of your theology overpowered the trumpets of the orators; for as you delved into the depths of the Spirit, so you were endowed with the power of eloquence. Father Gregory, intercede with Christ God, to save our souls.

#### **Seasonal Kontakion in the First Tone:**

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.

### We Also Remember Gregory, the Theologian; Arch Bishop of Constantinople; The Synaxis of the New Martyrs of Russia

Please pray for those faithful who are currently in need of our most fervent intercessions: Andrew, Angie, Bill, Bill, Brent, Carrie, Demetra, Diane, Dina, Donna, Ela, Elaine, Elizabeth, Christina, George, Gus, Harriet, Heidi, Igli, James, Jamie, Jerry, Joe, Maria, Mary Ann, Michael, Nicky, Oni, Patsy, Paul, Peter, Presvytera Connie, Taki, Tara, Violeta, John & Sheila Consos, Katherine & Sam Yalanzon

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### ATTENTION PARENTS OF SUNDAY SCHOOL STUDENTS

Sunday School Classes - Children will be dismissed after the Sacraments

Parish Council On Duty Today: Members of Parish Council
Ushers: Members of Parish Council
Welcoming Ministry: Eleni Jordan
Fellowship Ministry: Diane Walters

#### 2014 Parish Council

John Patrick, President; Harald Hagen, Vice President; Kosta Bozzuto, Secretary; Chris Foxhall, Treasurer; David Chapman, Marie Chapman, Johnny Melts, Greg Pappas, Plutarch Vamyakias

# **EPISTLE READING**

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2

Prokeimenon. Mode 1. Psalm 48.3,1 My mouth shall speak wisdom and the meditation of my heart shall bring forth understanding.



Verse: Hear this all you nations.

Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

#### $\mathbf{A}\mathbf{\Omega}$

Αδελφοί, τοιοῦτος γὰρ ἡμῖν ἔπρεπεν ἀρχιερεύς, ὅσιος, ἄκακος, ἀμίαντος, κεχωρισμένος ἀπὸ τῶν ἁμαρτωλῶν, καὶ ὑψηλότερος τῶν οὐρανῶν γενόμενος· ὃς οὐκ ἔχει καθ' ἡμέραν ἀνάγκην, ὅσπερ οἱ ἀρχιερεῖς, πρότερον ὑπὲρ τῶν ἱδίων ἁμαρτιῶν θυσίας ἀναφέρειν, ἔπειτα τῶν τοῦ λαοῦ· τοῦτο γὰρ ἐποίησεν ἐφάπαξ, ἑαυτὸν ἀνενέγκας. Ὁ νόμος γὰρ ἀνθρώπους καθίστησιν ἀρχιερεῖς, ἔχοντας ἀσθένειαν· ὁ λόγος δὲ τῆς ὁρκωμοσίας τῆς μετὰ τὸν νόμον, υἱὸν εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα τετελειωμένον. Κεφάλαιον δὲ ἐπὶ τοῖς λεγομένοις· τοιοῦτον ἔχομεν ἀρχιερέα, ὃς ἐκάθισεν ἐν δεξιῷ τοῦ θρόνου τῆς μεγαλωσύνης ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς, τῶν ἁγίων λειτουργός, καὶ τῆς σκηνῆς τῆς ἀληθινῆς, ἣν ἔπηξεν ὁ κύριος, καὶ οὐκ ἄνθρωπος·

# **GOSPEL READING**

# The Reading is from The Gospel of Luke 19:1-10

At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was pass-

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ing through. And there was a man named Zacchaios; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaios, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaios stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

#### $A\Omega$

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, διήρχετο τὴν Ἱεριχώ· καὶ ἰδοὺ ἀνὴρ ὀνόματι καλούμενος Ζακχαῖος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν ἀρχιτελώνης, καὶ οὖτος ἦν πλούσιος, καὶ ἐζήτει ἰδεῖν τὸν Ἰησοῦν τίς ἐστι, καὶ οὐκ ἠδύνατο ἀπὸ τοῦ ὄγλου, ὅτι τῆ ἡλικία μικρὸς ἦν. καὶ προδραμὼν ἔμπροσθεν ανέβη ἐπὶ συκομορέαν, ἵνα ἴδη αὐτόν, ὅτι ἐκείνης ἤμελλε διέρχεσθαι. καὶ ὡς ἦλθεν ἐπὶ τὸν τόπον, ἀναβλέψας ὁ Ἰησοῦς είδεν αὐτὸν καὶ είπε πρὸς αὐτόν Ζακχαῖε, σπεύσας κατάβηθι σήμερον γὰρ ἐν τῷ οἴκω σου δεῖ με μεῖναι, καὶ σπεύσας κατέβη, καὶ ὑπεδέξατο αὐτὸν γαίρων, καὶ ἰδόντες πάντες διεγόγγυζον λέγοντες ὅτι παρὰ ἁμαρτωλῷ ἀνδρὶ εἰσῆλθε καταλῦσαι. σταθεὶς δὲ Ζακχαῖος εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Κύριον ἰδοὺ τὰ ἡμίση τῶν ὑπαρχόντων μου, Κύριε, δίδωμι τοῖς πτωχοῖς, καὶ εἴ τινός τι ἐσυκοφάντησα. ἀποδίδωμι τετραπλοῦν, εἶπε δὲ πρὸς αὐτὸν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι σήμερον σωτηρία τῶ οἴκω τούτω ἐγένετο, καθότι καὶ αὐτὸς υίὸς ᾿Αβραάμ έστιν. ἦλθε γὰρ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ζητῆσαι καὶ σῶσαι τὸ ἀπολωλός.

# LITURGICAL SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Father Barnabas is available to hear confession every Wednesday either before or after Vespers and by appointment. Please call or email the church office to request a time to meet with Father and avail yourself to this healing divine mystery of the Church. Father Paul is available on Sunday during Orthros to hear confession, but no later than 9:20 a.m.

Please call the Church office for more information: (770) 781-5250.

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TODAY, January 25th 8:45 a.m. Orthros 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy

3 year Memorial in honor of Nicholas J. Blanos

General Assembly

8 pm to 9:30 p.m. - Faith Encouraged Live Radio Program: Call 1-855-AFRADIO during the Show.

Wednesday, January 28th

6:30 p.m. Vespers

Saturday, January 31st 5 p.m. Great Vespers

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PLEASE SEE THE EVENTS CALENDAR FOR ALL UPCOMING MEETINGS and EVENTS FOR THE NEXT FOUR WEEKS

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# MATINS GOSPEL READING

## **Eleventh Orthros Gospel**

## The Gospel of John 21:14-25

At that time, Jesus revealed himself to his disciples after he was raised from the dead. When they had finished breakfast, Jesus said to Simon Peter, "Simon, son of John, do you love me more than these?" He said to him "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Feed my lambs." A second time he said to him, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" He said to him, "Yes, Lord; you know that I love you." He said to him, "Tend my sheep." He said to him the third time, "Simon, son of John, do you love me?" Peter was grieved because he said to him the third time, "Do you love me?" And he said to him, "Lord, you know everything; you know that I love you." Jesus said to him, "Feed my sheep. Truly, truly, I say to you, when you were young, you girded yourself and walked where you would; but when you are old, you will stretch out your hands, and another will gird you and carry you where you do not wish to go." (This he said to show by what death he was to glorify God.) And after this he said to him, "Follow me."

Peter turned and saw following them the disciple whom Jesus loved, who had lain close to his breast at the supper and had said, "Lord, who is it that is going to betray you?" When Peter saw him, he said to Jesus, "Lord, what about this man?" Jesus said to him, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you? Follow me!" So, the word went out among the brethren that this disciple would not die; but Jesus did not say to him that he would not die. He said, "If it is my will that he remain until I come, what is that to you?" This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true. But there are also many other things which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.

#### Stewardship Commitment Cards for 2015—62

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