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St. Arsenius, Bishop of Corfu

Arsenius augmented and structured the Rite of the Sacrament of Holy Unction (Anointing with Oil) to its present form. He died in the year 959 A.D. His relics repose in the cathedral church in Corfu.

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<u>January 19, 2025</u> <u>The 29th Sunday after Pentecost</u> <u>The 12th Sunday of Luke</u>

Welcome!

To Our Guests:

While we are not yet in formal inter-communion with other faith traditions, we have much respect for their rites of worship and sanctuaries of prayer. In our tradition, Holy Communion is open only to those Orthodox Christians who are in good standing with the Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and a recent confession. Please do not be offended by this if you are not an Orthodox Christian or in good standing with the Church. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

In our tradition... the church temple is a house of prayer. Upon entering it, please refrain from unnecessary conversation before, during and after church services, most especially during the Divine Liturgy from the time of the consecration of the Gifts until the last person has received the Eucharist. At the end of the Divine Liturgy, please come quietly forward to receive a piece of the antidoron and exit the church temple without talking. During coffee hour in the Church Hall is the appropriate place to exchange personal greetings and converse with one another. May God bless your reverence and piety.

Epistle Reading: Colossians 3:4-11 **Gospel Reading:** St. Luke 17:12-19

Saints of the Day

Venerable Makarios the Great of Egypt, the Anchorite; Venerable Makarios of Alexandria; Arsenios, bishop of Kerkyra; Venerable Mark Eugenikos, metropolitan of Ephesus, pillar of Orthodoxy.

Spiritual Counsels...

"For the virtuous man, it is a joy to execute justice, but it brings dismay to evildoers." – Proverbs 21:15

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 18th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, Jan. 19th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, Jan. 25th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, Jan. 26th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, Feb. 1st – No Great Vespers & Confessions Sunday, Feb. 2nd – Readers Typica Service, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, Feb. 8th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, Feb. 9th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, Feb. 15th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, Feb. 16th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Orthodox Thoughts from Theo, the Parish Possum



St. Cosmas the Aetolian attracted thousands of Orthodox followers in Greece and Albania during the 1700's. Murdered by the Turks in 1779, he was declared a saint and martyr in 1961. He taught that making the Sign of the Cross should be seen as an opportunity for prayer. After

joining the three fingers of the right hand together, we should touch the forehead and say "Just as the angels glorify the Holy Trinity in heaven, so I, an unworthy servant, glorify and worship the Holy Trinity. Just as the fingers are three, and yet one, so is the Holy Trinity three persons and one God." Next, when we touch the breast, we say "I worship you and adore you, my Lord, because you humbled yourself and became incarnate in the womb of the Theotokos for my sins." When we touch the right shoulder, we pray "I beg you, my God, forgive me and place me on your right together with the just." When we touch the left shoulder, we say "I beg you, my Lord, do not place me on your left with the sinners." After this, bending down to the ground, we pray "I glorify you, my God. I worship and adore you, for just as you were placed in the grave, so will I be." And finally, standing up straight again, say "I glorify and worship you my Lord, for you rose from the dead, granting us eternal life."—Theo

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Boxed sets of donation envelopes for 2025, along with calendars, pledge forms and house blessing forms are in the dining room of the Church Hall for each household in the parish. Please get yours today. Additional forms and calendars are available.

Please contact Fr. Peter if you wish to have your home blessed.

The **Parish Council** is scheduled to hold their January meeting today, Jan. 19th, after Divine Liturgy. All Council members please attend.

Ladies Guild News - The ladies will have their annual gift exchange/game today after coffee hour. All ladies of the parish are welcome to attend. Please keep gifts to \$20 or under. If you would like to bring a light snack or finger food to share, it would be most welcome.

The monthly **catechumen meeting** is scheduled for next Sunday, Jan. 26, after coffee hour. All inquirers and catechumens are encouraged to participate. The discussion is open to everyone.

Parents, please encourage your children to attend the **Creative Arts Festival workshops** to be held following Coffee Hour on January 26th, February 9th, and March 9th to allow the children time to work on their projects that will be presented at the Parish Life Conference. For more information, please speak to one of our Church School teachers.

Anyone interested in participating in a **Super Bowl watch party and Chili Tasting Competition** on February 9th can speak with Sevin Russell.

The subject of the **availability and pricing of the 3-day candles** was discussed in the Parish Council meeting on Sunday, December 22, 2024. As a result of this discussion, **the Parish Council voted upon and approved a price increase of these candles**. The new price of the 3-day candles, effective January 1, 2025, is **\$5 per candle**. Your assistance in making the adjustment to this price is requested. Thank you and God bless you.

Today's Coffee Hour: Team 3. Thank you. **Next Week:** Team 4.