

PVIRGIN MARY COMMUNITY

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**Sunday Prayers:** Orthros 10.15 a.m. Liturgy 11:00 a.m.

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**VIRGIN MARY COMMUNITY:** is a Melkite-Greek Catholic Community of the Eparchy of Newton headed by His Grace, Bishop Nicholas. Liturgical services are in Arabic and English. The Eparchy (Diocese) is a part of the Patriarchate of Antioch, headed by His Beatitude, Joseph. "...and in Antioch the disciples were for first time called Christians" Acts 11:26). The Melkite-Greek Catholic Church maintains communion with the Roman Catholic Church.

**LITURGY COMMEMORATIONS:** if you would like to commemorate someone at the Divine Liturgy please call the Community Office no later the Thursday at 12 noon. It is not possible to commemorate anyone once the Preparation Service on Sunday has been completed as the commemorative particles have already been cut and placed on the Patina. Thank you for your cooperation.

*you know someone in need of prayers please notify Fr. Paul so that they can added to our prayer list.*

يُرجى تقديم أسماء الاشخاص المراد ذكرهم في القديس قبل يوم الخميس ظهرًا، لكي يتم إضافتهم إلى نشرة الأحد، أو قبل القديس مباشرة ليتيم ذكرهم أثناء تهيئة القرايين (الذبيحة).

**READ AHEAD:** Epistle Reading for next Sunday, is from St. Paul's letter to the الثانية الى تيموثاوس **2 Timothy, 3:10-15** Chapter 3 Verses 10 thru 15; the Gospel Reading is from the Evangelist لوقا **Luke 18:10-14** Chapter 18, Verses 10, Thru 14.

**REGARDING INFIRM AND HOME BOUND VISITATION:** Please remember that if a member of our Community is in the hospital or confined to home because of illness or advancing age, Father very much wants to and should bring the confined person the Holy Mysteries on a regular basis. It is also recommended that one receive the Anoint of the Sick *before* and major surgery or as needed due to serious illness. Please do not hesitate to let Father Paul know that a parishioner is ill or home bound and would like a visit.

الرجاء، في حالة المرض والوفاة غير ذلك... أن يسارع المؤمنون إلى إبلاغ الأب بولس للمساهمة في إنجاز الخدمة الروحية والإنسانية والاجتماعية في الكنيسة.

**Mail & E-MAILS RETURNED:** Many Mail & e-mails are being returned to us. If you didn't receive any e-mails, please send to us the correct address

يرجى إعلامنا في حالة تغيير الإيميل أو العنوان .... لتصحيح البيانات الخاصة بكم.

Christ is Born! Glorify Him!

## Virgin Mary Eastern Catholic Community

إرسالية العذراء مريم للكاتوليك الشرقيين

**Serving Temecula Sunday, Jan. 17, 2021**



الأنبا أنطونيوس



Venerable and God-bearing  
Father Anthony the Great

Saint Anthony spent eighty-five years in the solitary desert. Shortly before his death, he told the brethren that soon he would be taken from them. He instructed them to preserve the Orthodox Faith in its purity, to avoid any association with heretics, and not to be negligent in their

monastic struggles. "Strive to be united first with the Lord, and then with the saints, so that after death they may receive you as familiar friends into the everlasting dwellings."

The saint instructed two of his disciples, who had attended him in the final fifteen years of his life, to bury him in the desert and not in Alexandria. He left one of his monastic mantles to Saint Athanasius of Alexandria (January 18), and the other to Saint Serapion of Thmuis (March 21). Saint Anthony died peacefully in the year 356, at age 105, and he was buried in the desert by his disciples.

The Life of the famed ascetic Saint Anthony the Great was written by Saint Athanasius of Alexandria. This is the first biography of a saint who was not a martyr, and is considered to be one of the finest of Saint Athanasius' writings. Saint John Chrysostom recommends that this Life be read by every Christian.

"These things are insignificant compared with Anthony's virtues," writes Saint Athanasius, "but judge from them what

the man of God Anthony was like. From his youth until his old age, he kept his zeal for asceticism, he did not give in to the desire for costly foods because of his age, nor did he alter his clothing because of the infirmity of his body. He did not even wash his feet with water. He remained very healthy, and he could see well because his eyes were sound and undimmed. Not one of his teeth fell out, but near the gums they had become worn due to his advanced age. He remained strong in his hands and feet.... He was spoken of everywhere, and was admired by everyone, and was sought even by those who had not seen him, which is evidence of his virtue and of a soul dear to God."

The following works of Saint Anthony have come down to us: Twenty Sermons on the virtues, primarily monastic (probably spurious).

Seven Letters to various Egyptian monasteries concerning moral perfection, and the monastic life as a spiritual struggle. A Rule for monastics (not regarded as an authentic work of Saint Anthony).

In the year 544 the relics of Saint Anthony the Great were transferred to Alexandria, and after the conquest of Egypt by the Saracens in the seventh century, they were transferred to Constantinople. The holy relics were transferred from Constantinople in the tenth-eleventh centuries to a diocese outside Vienna. In the fifteenth century they were brought to Arles (in France), to the church of Saint Julian.

## شرح العيد

إنَّ القديس انطونيوس سليل الأشراف في مصر. ولد حول سنة ٢٥١. وإذ كان يتيم الوالدين منذ حدثته، ورَّع ثروته على المساكين، وهجر محيطه إلى القفار، منقطعاً إلى

الله، عائشاً في الصلاة والعمل اليدوي وإماتة الجسد. واقتفى آثاره الكثيرون في مصر وليبيا وفلسطين وسوريا والعربية. وبلغت أصداء قداسته الإمبراطور قسطنطين الكبير، فكتب إليه مراراً. وانتقل إلى الحياة الأبدية وله من العمر ١٠٥ سنوات، في مثل هذا اليوم من سنة ٣٥٦.

فبصلوات أباننا القديسين، اللابسي الله، أيها الرب يسوع المسيح إلهنا ارحمنا. وخلصنا.  
أمين

**VIRGIN MARY Mission, The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom** is celebrated for **the departed servant of God: ...**, also for the **health and salvation** of, Dea. Habib & Nahida Kasho, Nely Jarrous, Frank Martha, Laila Perko, Nikol Fahkouri ; Also for peace in Iraq, Syria, and Ukraine; for the release of the captive Archbishops Boulos and Yohanna, and for an increase in the number of workers in the Lord's Vineyard.

REMINDER: Attending the Divine Liturgy is never optional. Our O LORD GOD, BLESS THE SACRIFICIAL WORSHIP & STEWARDSHIP OF YOUR FAITHFUL SERVANTS

**Sunday of Jan. 10, 2021 Attendance 7**

Separate Donation

Sunday Collection 170

Total Tithes and sacrificial Offerings and others "Deposit" \$ 170

**Thank you for your ongoing generous donations Tithe:**  
Represents 10% of our gross income returned to God.  
Sacrificial giving represents a gift that is a true sacrifice for us to give.

Every Friday

at 7:00 pm we have Zoom meeting for the Gospel interpretation & Feast of the Saints & ... with Fr. James Bobcok & Fr. Paul.