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Sunday, January 17th, 2016

12th Sunday of Saint Luke

Feasts Celebrated Today

On this, the 10th day of January, we commemorate:

12th Sunday of Saint Luke

Anthony the Great

Anthony the New of the Berropas Skete

George the New Martyr of Ioannina

Theodosius the Emperor

By their holy intercessions, Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

Hymn for the Resurrection (*Eighth Tone*)

O merciful One, You came from on high, and condescended to Your three-day burial to save us from passions. You are our life and our Resurrection, O Lord. Glory to You.

Hymn for Saint Anthony (*Fourth Tone*)

O Father Anthony, you imitated the zealous Elijah. You followed the straight paths of the Baptist and became a desert dweller. By prayer you confirmed the universe. Wherefore, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

Hymn for Saint Barbara (*Fourth Tone*)

Let us honor Saint Barbara; for the all-modest one prevailed over the snares of the enemy, and was freed from them as a sparrow, with the Cross as aid and weapon.

Seasonal Kontakion (*First Tone*)

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

Epistle Reading - Hebrews 13:17-21

Brethren, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now may the God of peace who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great Shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to whom be glory for ever and ever. Amen.

Gospel Reading - 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's feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus: "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."

This Week's Servers

Epistle Readers: Greek: Voula Aldrich
 English: Theophilos Lasswell

Acolytes: Connor Blake, Theophanis Fox, Cainan Iorio, Jacob Kaminsky, Dimitri Richardson

Prosfora: Bessie Condos

Ushers: William Poulis, Brian Iorio

Announcements

❖ **2016 Pledge Cards have been distributed**, if you have not received yours in the mail, please call the church office.

❖ Our monthly bulletin, *The Epistle*, is available on the parish website and via email. Visit our website www.saintbarbara.net and sign up, if you would like to keep up to date with what is happening in our Parish.

Religious Education & Services

❖ **Bible Study of the Gospel of Saint John will begin Wednesday, January 20th, at 6:30 pm in the Redding Education Center.**

❖ **The Saint Barbara Parish St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival is Sunday, April 3rd.** Any student who has not spoken to Fr. Haralambos regarding your topic, please do so soon.

Parish Activities

❖ **The Stewardship Committee will be hosting a luncheon to kick off the New Year on Sunday, January 31st**, in the Orthodox Center after Liturgy.

❖ Help us support the orphanages in India, Guatemala and Albania by attending a **fundraiser luncheon hosted by the Missions Committee on Sunday, February 21st**. Your donations are appreciated and go to a worthy cause!

This Week's Schedule

Sunday, January 17th, 12th Sunday of Saint Luke

Feast of Saint Anthony

❖ **Orthros, 9:00 am; Divine Liturgy 10:00 am**

❖ **Sunday School/Youth Choir**

Monday, January 18th, Feast of Saints Athanasius and Cyril

❖ **Orthros, 8:00 am; Divine Liturgy 9:00 am**

❖ **MLK, Jr. Day – Office Closed**

❖ **DOP/AHEPA/ Meetings, 6:15/6:30 pm**

Wednesday, January 20th

❖ **Bible Study, 6:30 pm, Redding Education Center**

Sunday, January 24th, 14th Sunday of Saint Luke

❖ **Orthros, 9:00 am; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am**

❖ **Sunday School**