The Weekly Messenger – October 1, 2023 St. John Chrysostom Albanian Orthodox Church 237 North 17<sup>th</sup> Street, Philadelphia, PA 19103 215-563-0979

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Epistle: Hebrews 9:1-7 Gospel: Luke 10a:38-42, 11:27-28

<u>Upcoming Events:</u> Saturday, Sept 30<sup>th</sup> Vespers @ 5:00 pm

Oct 1st Memorial for Louis & Rosemary Notskas

Saturday, October 7<sup>th</sup> Vespers @ 5:00 pm

Monday, Oct 16<sup>th</sup> Parish Council Meeting via ZOOM 7:30 pm

Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> Semi-annual Parish Meeting during coffee hour

Nov 12<sup>th</sup> Parish Nameday Celebration Bishop Nikodhim will visit

Monday, Nov 20<sup>th</sup> 6:00 pm Vesperal Liturgy Presentation of the Theotokos

<u>Commemorations for the Departed</u>: Archbishop Nikon, the victims in Ukraine, Protopresbyter Arthur Liolin, Chancellor Emeritus of the Albanian Archdiocese, Harry Mallios, Chris Daniels, Gregory Mallozzi, Rosemary Notskas (7 yrs.), Louis Notskas (40 yrs.), Deacon Stephen Stefani & those servicemen & women who have fallen asleep in the Lord in the service of their country.

Commemorations for the Living: His Grace, Bishop Nikodhim, Father Joseph Ciarciaglino, the people in Ukraine, Newborn Victor Abednego Bulls, Olia & Blake Bulls, Newborn Timothy Benedetto Salerno, Athena & Charlie Salerno, Paulette Steffa, Karen, Eugene Angelidis (Roxane Ghicondey's brother). Eda Xhoxhi, Jim Bendo, Julius, Stephanos Sarris, Virginia Daka, and the men and women serving in the Armed Forces.

If you have a name to add to the Commemorations for the departed or the living, please email info@stjcaoc.org

<u>Coffee Hour Sponsor:</u> The Sign-up sheet is posted in the side vestibule or sign up on our website: <u>COFFEE HOUR</u> OPEN COFFEE HOUR DATES NOV 26<sup>th</sup> & DEC 3<sup>rd</sup>

Oct 1st Sarkissian and Notskas Families in memory of Louis & Rosemary Notskas

Oct 8<sup>th</sup> Colleen & Sergio Georgi Oct 15<sup>th</sup> AANO

Oct 22<sup>nd</sup> Kane Family in memory of Jerry & Katherine

Oct 29th Linda Notskas in memory of Ann Gjoka

<u>Sunday School News:</u> Our volunteer teachers will meet Sunday, October 1, 2023 and the student's first day will be October 8<sup>th</sup>. We have 4 parishioners who volunteered to help in the Sunday School. More volunteers are needed. Please contact Father Kai if you are able to help

October Namedays Për shumë vjet! Gëzuar! 3<sup>rd</sup> St. Dionysius, 6<sup>th</sup> Thomas the Apostle, 13<sup>th</sup> Martyr Antigonas, 18<sup>th</sup> St. Luke the Evangelist, 19<sup>th</sup> St. Cleopatra, 26<sup>th</sup> St. Demetrius

## **Second Sunday of Luke**

Jesus went to a city called Nain, and many of his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And Jesus said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

## Memory Eternal Protopresbyter Arthur Liolin, Chancellor Emeritus of the Albanian Archdiocese - Repose Thursday, September 28, 2023



Father Arthur Liolin served St. George Cathedral beginning in 1970 upon his ordination to the Holy Priesthood by Bishop Stephen, first as associate pastor, then as Dean beginning in 1971. During his pastorate, the office of the Archdiocese refined its procedures, developed an historical archive of incomparable magnitude and provided channels for more effective communication within the diocese. Upon the death of Bishop Stephen, he was named Chancellor of the Archdiocese in order to administer diocesan responsibilities with proper authority and direction. In 2020 Father Arthur

assumed senior priest status. He served as Chancellor of the Albanian Archdiocese for 50 yrs.

Archdiocesan Assembly Thank you to our delegates: Sergio Georgi, Linda Croke, Linda Notskas, for representing our Parish at the Assembly. Nilda Salavachi also attended the assembly and was elected as a Trustee on the Archdiocesan Council. Congratulations Nilda! Father Kai, our delegates, Nilda Salavachi, Fiori, Ilirjan, Elias, Elisabeth Papa, Donna Dimitri attended the Ordination of Bishop Nikodhim. It is a wonderful time for our Archdiocese and we look to the future under the leadership of Bishop Nikodhim.

<u>Bishop Nikodhim Visits St. John Chrysostom</u> We were blessed to have Bishop Nikodhim join us for the Divine Liturgy and 1 year Memorial for Jonathan Rhodes last Sunday. Special thanks to those who attended the Divine Liturgy and brought something to share at coffee hour. Bishop Nikodhim will return for our Nameday Celebration on Nov. 12, 2023



## Semi- Annual Parish Meeting, Sunday, October 22, 2023 during coffee

**hour** If you would like to serve on Parish Council, please contact Donna Dimitri. We will elect members of Parish Council for the 2024 term, the 2024 budget and other business will be presented. The agenda for the meeting will be emailed.

## Monthly giving for October - Sunday school snacks