

The Weekly Messenger – October 22, 2023
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Epistle: Galatians 1:11-19 Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, Oct 21st Vespers @ 5:00 pm

Oct 22nd 40 day Memorial for Dr. Harry Mallios following the Divine Liturgy
Semi-annual Parish Meeting during coffee hour

Saturday, Oct 28th Vespers @ 5:00 pm

Oct 29th Annual Fall Costume Party during coffee hour

Monday Nov 6th Parish Council Meeting via ZOOM 7:30 pm

Saturday, Nov 4th Vespers @ 5:00 PM

Nov 12th Parish Nameday Celebration Bishop Nikodhim will visit

Wednesday, Nov 15th Nativity Fast Begins

Monday, Nov 20th 6:00 pm Vesperal Liturgy Presentation of the Theotokos

Commemorations for the Departed: Archbishop Nikon, Protopresbyter Arthur Liolin, Chancellor Emeritus of the Albanian Archdiocese, the victims in Ukraine, Theodore Gregory, Harry Mallios, Jerry Kane, Katherine Kane, Sofia Theokary, Vani Theokary, Raphael Theokary, 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, Newly Illuminated Sophia Jiskariani, Mirna El Khatib, David & Maya Jiskariani, Ana Melikishvili, Irakli Nadareishvili, Newly married Anastasia Khomeriki & Wilfredo Carlos Boyrie, Cindy Kapon, Ellen Mondlak, 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*

Coffee Hour Sponsor: The Sign-up sheet is posted in the side vestibule or sign up on our website: **COFFEE HOUR** **LAST OPEN COFFEE HOUR DATE NOV 26th**

Oct 22nd Kane Family in memory of +Jerry & +Katherine

Oct 29th Sunday School for Halloween Party

Nov 5th Linda Notskas in memory of +Ann Gjoka

Nov 12th Parishioners bring their special dish to share as we celebrate our Parish Nameday

Nov 19th Dimitri Cosmo Family in memory of +Michael

Monthly giving for October – Sunday school snacks

**Fifth Sunday of Luke
The Rich Man and Lazarus**

The Lord said, “There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man’s table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham’s bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.’ And he said, ‘Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father’s house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they come into this place of torment.’ But Abraham said, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ He said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.’”



Last Sunday, Newborn Victor Abednego Bulls, Olia & Blake Bulls, were churched. What a wonderful day for all.
Congratulations and Many Years to the Bulls Family!

Annual Fall Costume Party: Sunday, October 29, 2023. Come to church in your costume! The party begins during coffee hour. Hot dogs, baked macaroni and cheese along with other fun treats will be served. Fun activities will be available for kids of all ages.
WE WILL SET UP FOR THE PARTY ON SATURDAY, OCTOBER, 28TH AT 11:00 AM. Helpers are needed. Please let us know if you are able to come for about 1 hour on Oct. 28th.

Nameday Celebration: Sunday, November 12th, our parish will celebrate our 92st Nameday. Bishop Nikodhim will make his first official visit to our parish. As is our custom we will have a luncheon following the Divine Liturgy. We are asking our parishioners to make their special dish to share with all.

Welcome to our visitors. Father Kai and the members of our Parish Council and our church community thank you for celebrating the Divine Liturgy with us. We invite you to join us for coffee hour and fellowship in the church hall following the Divine Liturgy.