

The holy Martyr Nestor was very young in age, handsome in appearance, and he was known to the holy Great Martyr Demetrios (October 26), for he had instructed Nestor in the faith. The Emperor was visiting Thessaloniki, and he built a high platform in the midst of the city so that a gigantic barbarian named Lyaios could wrestle there and be seen by everyone. Beneath the platform many spears and other sharp weapons were placed pointing upward. When Lyaios defeated his opponents, he threw them down onto the spears and they died. Many Christians were forced to fight Lyaios, and were killed. When Nestor saw how Emperor Maximian rejoiced over the victories of his champion, he disdained his pride. Seeing the miracles of Saint Demetrios, however, he took courage and went to the prison where the holy Martyr was confined, and fell at his feet.

“Pray for me, O Servant of God Demetrios,” he said, “that by your prayers, God may help me to beat Lyaios, and put an end to him who brings reproach upon the Christians.” The Saint, after sealing Nestor with the Sign of the Cross, told him that he would prevail over Lyaios, and then suffer for Christ. Nestor mounted the platform without fear and exclaimed: “Help me, O God of Demetrios.” After he defeated Lyaios, he hurled him down onto the spears, where he gave up his wretched soul.

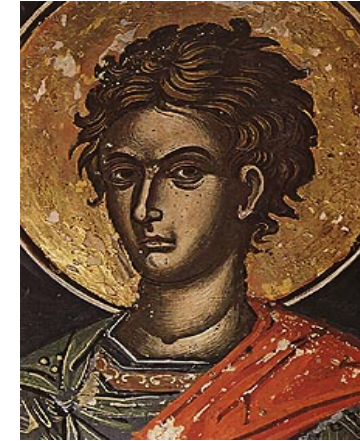
Maximian became enraged and ordered that both Nestor and Demetrios should be put to death. Saint Demetrios was stabbed with spears, and Saint Nestor was beheaded. Thus, by his example Saint Nestor teaches us that in every human challenge we must say with confidence, “The Lord is my helper, and I will not fear what man shall do to me.” (Psalm 117/118:6, Hebrews 13:6).

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Friend of the Bridegroom: “He must increase, but I must decrease.”(John 3:30)



Sunday, October 27th, 2024

Martyr Nestor of Thessalonica

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Sunday, Oct 27th 18th Sunday after PNTCST /Tone 1. Martyr Nestor
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by Coffee Hour

Tuesday, Oct 29th Monastic Martyr Anastasia of Rome
5:30 pm Choir Practice & Church Cleaning for Archbishop’s visit

Wednesday, Oct 30th Hieromartyr Zenobios and his sister Zenobia
5:00 pm AA Meeting

Saturday, Nov 2nd St. Marcian of Cyprus
5:00 pm Great Vespers followed by potluck & meeting with the Archbishop

Sunday, Nov 3rd 19th Sunday after PNTCST/Tone 2. Martyrs Akepsimas the Bishop, Joseph the Presbyter, and Aeithalas the Deacon
9:00 am Greeting and Vesting of the Archbishop
9:30 am Divine Liturgy followed by meal with the Archbishop

Attendance/Stewardship October 20th

Attendance: 61 Adults and 17 children	78 Total
YTD Budget Inflows:	\$138,068.88
Weekly Candle Offerings:	\$181.00
YTD Other Receipts (Coffee Hour, Hall, Cemetery, Sausage)	\$36
YTD Budget Outflows	\$149,671.79
YTD Surplus/deficit	-\$11,602.91

Prayer Corner

Fr. Dcn. John Tutoki	Sbdcn Joseph (Clyde)
Sbdcn George Kaschack	Sarah Crivella
Patty DiGiacobbe	James Livermore
David Campbell	Anna Mae Stehnach
Patty, Gaylynn, Kevin, Renee, Anna & Helen	Cassandra, Patrick, Elizabeth, Patrick
William Angle	Bill Zylka
Joshua & Rebecca (Fr. Brian's friends)	Nathan Paul Mackey
Kevin	Renee & Anna
Vera, Natalie & Chase (Jennifer's granddaughter)	
Laura & Roy	Greg, Clara, Jeanie
Donna & Shawn	Azouria
Jeff Tsipis	Jennifer
Barb	James Sr. & Karen Livermore
The Faculty, Teachers, and Students of Holy Trinity Orthodox Academy	
The Suffering Christians in Ukraine, Russia, & the Middle East	

Newly Illumined: Thomas Sacca

Catechumens: Lucian & Lilianna Vasil, Kelly, Carter, Emma, & Bennett Worley, Kayla, Alexander, & Cesar Ventura, Kayla, Donald, Elizabeth, Rebecca, Robert, Timothy, Melissa, Ian, Christopher, & William Cunningham, Matthew Rose, Nicky Lewis, Alexander Mackey & Tristan Beil

Newly Departed: Jean Miller (9/17) & Barb Datish (9/19)

Birthdays: Sophia Cogar, Emma Worley, & David Zylka (27th) & Anna Marie Duchene & Alexander Ventura (30th)

Anniversaries: David & Kathy Quick (1st)

Candle Commemorations

Theotokos	For the Memory of Margaret Scarcelli
Altar	For the Memory of Vlad Bobosh
Christ	For the Health of Anna Mae

Announcements

Parish Cleaning Day & Choir Practice

will be this **Tuesday the 29th** from 5:30pm - 8:30pm. Fr. Brian & Matushka Rose will bring Pizza and snacks for anyone coming to help beautify and prepare our Parish for Archbishop Daniel's visit.

Archbishop Daniel Visit

Our Archpastor and Bishop, Daniel, will be visiting us Next Weekend. After Great Vespers there will be a potluck meal while we meet with the Archbishop. A sign-up sheet for the potluck is on the candlestand. On Sunday we will serve a Hierarchical Liturgy, followed by a catered meal in the parish social hall. ***All faithful parishioners of Saint John's should be here to greet our Archbishop for his very first visit to our parish, and to receive his Archpastoral blessing.*** The proper way to greet a bishop is to make a small bow, and then put your right hand over your left hand and ask "Master bless." After receiving God's blessing through the Archbishop, he will place his hand on your hand for you to venerate. *"Where the Bishop and the people are gathered, there is The Church" -Saint Ignatius of Antioch*

Fall Sausage Sale

Our Parish's Fall Sausage sale will take place Saturday November 9th from 11am-1pm. We'll gather to make and bag the sausage on the 8th from 8am - 3pm. If you're interested in helping out and joining the fun, let Jim Stan or Mark Malacky know!

Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser

Mary Kaschak is putting on a Spaghetti Dinner to help raise money for her friend Julie Markinvoich on November 16th from 3pm to 4pm Bolindale Christian Church. Julie is suffering from cancer and cannot afford treatment.