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***ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM*
TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST**

Epistle Reading

Galatians 6:11-18

Gospel Reading

Luke 10:25-37

**CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST!
HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!**

Troparion (Resurrection)

When the women Disciples of the Lord learned from the Angel the joyous message of thy Resurrection, they cast away the ancestral curse and elatedly told the Apostles: "Death is overthrown! Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy!"

Troparion (St. John Chrysostom)

Grace shining forth from your mouth like a beacon has illumined the inhabited earth; it has disclosed to the world treasures which wealth cannot buy; and has set forth for us the height of humility. Instructing us by your words, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede with the Word, Christ God, that our souls may be saved.

Kontakion (Resurrection)

My Savior and Redeemer as God rose from the tomb and delivered the earth-born from their chains. He shattered the gates of hell, and as Master, He has risen on the third day!

Kontakion (St. John Chrysostom)

You received divine grace from Heaven, and by your lips you teach all men to worship the one God in Trinity, O most blessed Venerable John Chrysostom. We praise you, as is meet, for you are a guide, making divine things clear.

Memorial Prayers - Memory Eternal + Većnaja Pamjat +

We pray today for the souls of newly departed David (Fr. John's young friend) and Joseph (Jan Zicha's brother), Archbishop David (McHaffey) on the 4th anniversary of his falling asleep and Fr. Michael Oleksa on the first anniversary of his repose.

2024 IOCC Sunday – Today

The Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops asks us to please consider a gift in support of IOCC's worldwide humanitarian relief efforts. Go to <https://iocc.org/iocc-sunday>.

Welcome to all guests via livestream and those in person today. We invite you to join us for Coffee Hour. If you are interested in learning about the Orthodox Faith and St. Luke parish life, feel free to talk with Fr. John and Deacon Stefan.

Preparing for the Holiday Bake Sale

- Today is the final day to Pre-order Nutrolls, Poppysed Rolls and frozen Apple Strudels: <https://st-luke-oca-sisterhood.square.site/#items>. Pick up will be on December 14-15.
- The Sisters are now accepting baked goods of all varieties, especially homemade cookies for the "Cookies by the Dozen" sale. Items will be frozen until Bake Sale day.
- See the bulletin board sign-up sheet to volunteer to help on Sunday, December 8 for hall and sign set-up and Bake Sale Day duties on Saturday, December 14. Thank You!

Addictions Recovery Support Network – Mon., November 25 at 7PM on Zoom

Anyone with an addiction or anyone affected by another's addiction is invited to join in the monthly Orthodox conversation. Meeting ID: 210 068 7480; Password: 208156. Information: samanthacath@yahoo.com

Orthodoxy 201 – Schedule Change

Our weekly class will not meet this week. It will resume on Wednesday, December 4.

Nativity Fast Begins – November 28/29

On November 28 we usually enter into the six-week Fasting period that precedes the January 7 Feast of the Nativity of Our Lord Jesus Christ. Because Thanksgiving Day falls on the 28th this year, Fr. John is giving us his blessing to eat meat and begin our Fast on Friday the 29th. God bless our season of prayer, fasting and charitable giving.

First Sunday of the Month – December 1

- **Potluck Coffee Hour:** We welcome main & side dishes, salads & desserts; no meat/dairy
- **Charity Food Drive:** Please bring canned and boxed foods for the C-CAP Food Pantry.

Ss Peter & Paul Christmas Market – Saturday, December 7 – 11AM-5PM

Ss Peter & Paul Orthodox Church at 10620 River Rd, Potomac, MD will host a variety of local vendors, artisans, and craftspeople. Info: ChristmasMarket@peterpaulpotomac.org.

St. Nicholas Christmas Market & Used Book Sale – Sat., Dec. 7 - 10AM-4PM

St. Nicholas Cathedral at 3500 Massachusetts Ave., NW is also having a holiday event offering books, icons, jewelry, cultural items. "Give the Gift of Christ this Christmas."

Christmas Charity Collection Basket – Now through December 8

We are joining with Women Giving Back again this year to donate gifts for children aged tots to teens. They welcome new unwrapped gifts worth at least \$25 and \$25 Gift Cards Ministry details <https://womengivingback.org/youth-seasonal-programs/>

God Grant You Many Years! Mnogaja Ljeta!

God bless Sue Mezines and Ruth Schmidt on their birthdays this week. Mnogaja ljeta!