

## Martyr Barlaam of Caesarea, in Cappadocia (Nov 19)

The Holy Martyr Barlaam lived in Antioch of Syria. During Diocletian's persecution against Christians, the aged Saint Barlaam was arrested and brought to trial, where he confessed himself a Christian.

The judge, wanting to compel the saint to renounce Christ, ordered that Saint Barlaam be brought to the pagan altar. His right hand was placed over it, and a red-hot censer burning with incense was put into his hand. The torturer thought that a physically weak old man could not endure the pain and would drop it on the altar. In this way he would involuntarily be offering sacrifice to the idol. However, the saint held on to the censer until his hand fell off. After this, the holy Martyr Barlaam surrendered his soul to the Lord.



*Text & icon from <https://www.oca.org/saints/lives/2023/11/19/103327-martyr-barlaam-of-caesarea-in-cappadocia>*

**“Life-giving and merciful Trinity, receive my thanksgiving for all Thy goodness. Make us worthy of Thy blessings, so that, when we have brought to fruit the talents Thou hast entrusted to us, we may enter into the joy of our Lord, forever exulting in the shout of victory: Alleluia!”**

— Kontakion 13, Akathist of Thanksgiving

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts II:26)



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**November 19, 2023**  
**TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY**  
**AFTER PENTECOST**

### COMMEMORATIONS:

OBADIAH THE PROPHET  
MARTYR BARLAAM OF CAESAREA  
MARTYR HELIODORUS  
ANTHIMOS, THALLALAEOS, CHRISTOPHER, EUPHEMIA  
& HER CHILDREN, THE MARTYRS  
MARTYR AZI THE WONDERWORKER OF ISAURIA IN ASIA  
MINOR AND 150 SOLDIERS WITH HIM

**Tone 7 - Eothion 2**  
**Orthros Gospel: St. Mark 16:1-8**  
**Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22**  
**Liturgy Gospel: St. Luke 12:16-21**

**TROPARION OF THE RESURRECTION - Tone 7 -** Thou didst shatter death by thy Cross, thou didst open Paradise to the thief; thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment bearing women into joy, and didst bid thine Apostles proclaim a warning that thou hast risen, O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy!

**KONTAKION OF THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS - Tone 4 -** The sacred treasury of God's holy glory, \* the greatly precious bridal chamber and Virgin, \* the Savior's most pure temple, free of stain and undefiled, \* into the House of the Lord \* on this day is brought forward \* and bringeth with herself the grace \* of the Most Divine Spirit; \* her do God's Angels hymn with songs of praise, \* for she is truly the heavenly tabernacle.

**TODAY:** ORTHROS 8:45 a.m. & Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.  
Sunday School & Teens  
Coffee Hour  
Parish Council

*We welcome Fr. John Parker, Dean of St Tikhon's Orthodox Theological Seminary. Thank you for your generosity to St Tikhon's Seminary. To make a one time donation, or to become a monthly sustainer, please visit [www.stots.edu/donate](http://www.stots.edu/donate).*

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**Office Hours:** Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8:30am - 3:30pm

Fr Noah & Fr James are available for hospital visits. Please contact them directly or call the church office.

## Weekly Ministries & Stewards:

	<b>This Week:</b>	<b>Next Week (Nov 26):</b>
COFFEE HOUR	Teen SOYO – Donation/Monastery trip	Kyriakos – 40-Days Raymond
PROSPHORA BREAD:	Tinjala & Rachel C.	John Child
ALTAR CANDLES:	Eggers – Cecilia-Marie Memorial	Rice Family – David's b-day
USHERS:	Sdn John & Tom A.	Dan M. & Radu C.
CLEANING TEAM:	Phil K.; Evan R.; Zach W.; Beraki H.	Moodys; Natalia M; Jocey J
COFFEE HOUR TEAM:	Calvin; Dale; Ginny/John	Simon; Amelia; Christian L; Daniel

### Mark Your Calendar:

#### Nativity Fast

November 15 - December 24

#### St Nicholas

Tuesday, Dec 5

Vespers 6:30pm w/Kids activity

Wednesday, Dec 6

Orthros 9am & Divine Liturgy 10am

#### SS Christmas Program

Saturday, Dec 16

Practice 4:30pm

Sunday, Dec 17

Performance 12:30pm

#### Christmas Services

Sunday, Dec 24

Great Vespers 8pm

Festal Orthros 9:30pm

Divine Liturgy 11pm

Festal Refreshments to follow

#### Current Education Opportunities:

##### Bible Study on Romans

Thursdays after Slavic Tones Vespers

##### Catechumen & Inquirer Class

5pm Saturdays before Vespers

##### Book Discussion on Gender Dysphoria

5:15pm Saturdays before Vespers

Sept 23 - Dec 9

##### Byzantine Notation Intro

Saturdays, 5:15-6:20pm

Sept 23 - Dec 16

#### Pray For:

Living	Departed
Faithful of the Holy Land	+George
Met. Onuphry and faithful of Ukraine	+Raymond
Faithful of Ethiopia	+Paul
Pr. Andrew, family, & parishioners	(November Parish Diptychs)
Kh. Joyce	+Joseph
Mary	+Peter
Child Timothy	+Ellen
Xenia	+Evelyn
George	+Ksenia
Ephrem	+William
Nicole	+Elizabeth
Patrick	
Doris	
John	
James	
Helen	
Wadieh	
Mary	
Victoria	
Steve	
Lasha	
Otari	
John	
Tatiana	
Anesia	
Linda	
Daria	
Pavlo	
Elena	
Xenia	
Derek	
Michael	
Linda	
Jesse, Nathan, Hannah, Elizabeth, & all Missionaries	
Nathan & family, John, & all seminarians	
New & Expectant Mothers & their children	
For the people of our land, and their repentance, healing & unity	
The 12 Baskets Full team asks for prayers for our homeless Philly friends –George, Bill, Jim, Jalil, Mark, Joel, Eric	

#### Catechumens

Lucretia  
Ryan  
Alina  
Nicholas,  
Rachel, Luka,  
& Leo  
Michael  
Tiffany  
Caden  
Keith, Maggie,  
& Eli  
Andrew  
Daniel  
Kassandra  
Christian

## 40 Days of Growth in Stewardship is continuing!

Theme: "He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly ..." (2 Cor 9:6)

~ ~ Please Submit Your 2024 Pledge! ~ ~

### This Week:

#### *Nativity Fast continues ...*

- Mon, Nov 20:** Office open  
Vespers & Artoklasia for Entrance 6:30 p.m.
- Tues, Nov 21:** ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS  
Orthros 9 a.m.  
Liturgy 10 a.m., w/Fasting potluck  
Matushka Olga Sewing Club, 1 p.m.
- Wed, Nov 22:** Office closed  
Thanksgiving Akathist & Canon 6:30 p.m.
- Thurs, Nov 23:** *Thanksgiving*  
Liturgy 9 a.m.
- Fri, Nov 24:** Office closed  
Paraklesis 6:30 p.m.
- Sat, Nov 25:** Catechumen Class 5 p.m.  
Byzantine Notation Intro 5:15 p.m.  
Book Discussion on Gender Dysphoria 5:15 p.m.  
**Great VESPERS 6:30 p.m.**  
Confessions 7:30 p.m.
- Sun, Nov 26:** ORTHROS 8:45 a.m.  
Divine LITURGY 10 a.m.  
40-Day Trisagion for Raymond Kyriakos  
Sunday School & Teens  
Coffee Hour

### NOVEMBER OUTREACH COLLECTION:

## Turkeys & Hams

### CHALLENGE FOR 2023:

"You are the Salt of the Earth"

**ATTENDANCE:** Vespers for Nov 11: 38      Divine Services Nov 12: 182  
Monday Vespers: 85      Tuesday Liturgy: 104

**OFFERINGS 11/12:** Candles, \$212. Collections, \$492.52. Youth, \$1. Book Shelf Ministry, \$85. Building Fund, \$30. Classical School Fund, \$285. Mission Chapel, \$338. Pastoral Discretion, \$10. Pro-Life Fund, \$700. Stewardship, \$2,640. Total received: \$4,813.52.

THANK YOU AND GOD BLESS YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!