# St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church 602 Park Avenue, Omaha, Nebraska



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## Sunday, September 1, 2013

Ecclesiastical New Year (Indiction); Tenth Sunday after Pentecost; Symeon the Stylite and his mother Martha (+5th c.); Joshua, Son of Nun; Forty Women Martyrs in Thrace and the Martyr Ammon (+4th c.); Martyr Callista and her brothers (+309)

The Bread of the Offering (*Prosphoro*) was prepared by Denise Markopulu.

Parish Council Ushers: Elizabeth Haddad / Niki Kuvetakis / Cathy Miedl / Dimitri Sourtas

Community Ushers: Helen Murray / Steve Nick

### The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

#### **Hymns of the Entrance**



Resurrectional Hymn (First Tone)

The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred body. O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life, whereby all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O You alone who love all.

Entrance Hymn (Second Tone): Come, let us bow down to Christ, as we worship Him, the Son of God. Save us, O Son of God, who are risen from:

the dead. We sing to You, "Alleluia!"

:Resurrectional Hymn (First Tone) - Repeat

:Hymn of the Indiction (Second Tone)

Lord, Creator of the universe, You set the times and seasons by Your own authority. Bless the crown of the year of Your grace, guarding our rulers in peace through the intercessions of the Theotokos, and save Your people.

Hymn of the Theotokos (Grave Tone)

Rejoice, Maiden full of grace, O Virgin Theotokos; a haven and protection are you for all of mankind. From you did the Redeemer of the world become incarnate, only you are both a Mother and a Virgin. O Lady ever blessed and ever filled with glory, intercede with Christ God, beseeching Him to grant peace to all creation.

Hymn of St. Simeon the Stylite (First Tone)

You have become a pillar of patience, and you have reached the stature of the ancient fathers. You have rivaled Job in sufferings, Joseph in temptations, and the life of the

bodiless powers, while you were still in the flesh. Therefore, O righteous father Simeon, intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

Hymn of St. John the Baptizer (Second Tone)

A righteous man is remembered with praise, for you Forerunner the Lord's witness is enough. You were shown to be greater in honor than the prophets, for you were privileged to baptize in the stream the One you had foretold. Therefore, rejoicing, you suffered for the sake of truth, and you proclaimed the good news to those in Hades, that God had appeared in the flesh to take away the sin of the world, and grant our souls His great mercy.

Kontakion Hymn of the Indiction (Fourth Tone)

O God of all, verily transcendent in essence, Creator of the ages and their Master, bless the cycle of this year. Save by your boundless mercy, O compassionate One, all those who worship only You, O Master, and who cry unto You in fear, saying, "Grant to all, O Savior, a bountiful year."



#### The Readings

Epistle: 1 Timothy 2:1-7 (p. 227 in the pew Bibles)

Reader: Emmanuel Vlassakis

Gospel: Luke 4:16-22 (p. 66 in the pew Bibles)

**Welcome, Visitors!** Please join us today for refreshments following the Divine Liturgy in the fellowship hall. Today's fellowship hour is available for a sponsor.

**Church School** classes will resume next Sunday, September 8. Registration forms are now available in the narthex.

Attention, College Students! Any college student in the Omaha area is welcome to attend the first meeting of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF) on Wednesday, September 4, 5:00 p.m. at the University of Nebraska at Omaha (UNO) in the Redick Room located on the 3rd floor of the Milo Bail Student Center. For more information, please contact Maria Brown at 712-242-7408 or mariabrown@unomaha.edu.



You're Invited!

#### :Invite Family, Friends, and Students to Church on September 15th!

St. John the Baptist is joining thousands of other churches across America for "Back To Church Sunday" and "College Student Sunday" – a special day where we will invite family, friends, and neighbors in our community to give church a try! On this Sunday, we will extend a special welcome to our guests as they join us for the Divine Liturgy and a luncheon following in the fellowship hall.

# Looking Ahead ...

Today	9/1	Ecclesiastical New Year	
Monday	9/2	Labor Day	
Wednesday	9/4	Orthodox Christian Fellowship at UNO	5:00 p.m.
Sunday	9/8	Matins (Ushers: Team B) Divine Liturgy ( <i>Prosphoro</i> : Helen Amlin) (Ushers: Michael and Dr. Irina Popa Newcomb) Nativity of the <i>Theotokos</i> / Church School Classe	9:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.

**Pray Healing** for Danny (Dionysios) Poulos and John Argyrakis.