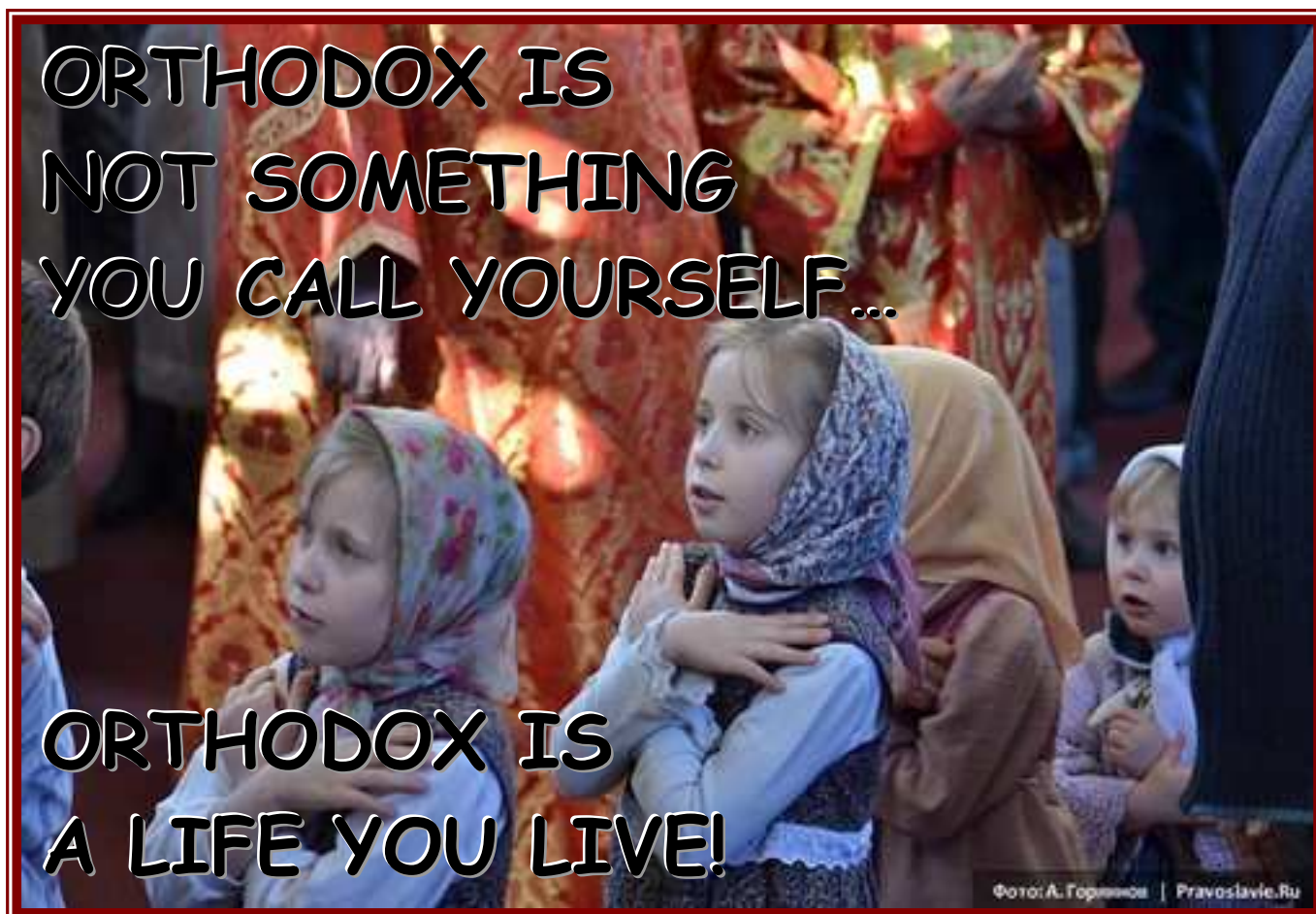


# + St. Nicholas Antiochian Orthodox Church +

Sunday Bulletin – November 3<sup>rd</sup> 2013 A.D.



We continue to pray for Metropolitan Boulos Yazigi (*Antiochian Orthodox Metropolitan of Aleppo, Syria*) & Metropolitan Youhanna Ibrahim (*Syriac Orthodox Metropolitan of Aleppo, Syria*) who were **abducted by terrorists** on April 22 in Syria. We still have no official news concerning them! Please keep them in your prayers! **The world may have forgotten about you, and the media is not interested, but we will not forget about you nor be silent!**



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+ *Fr. Mark-Arsenius Wyatt (Pastor)*

## **THE HOLY EPISTLE (2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9)**

The God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who is blessed forever, knows that I am not lying. In Damascus the governor, under Aretas the king, was guarding the city of the Damascenes with a garrison, desiring to arrest me; but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped from his hands. It is doubtless not profitable for me to boast. I will come to visions and revelations of the Lord: I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago—whether in the body I do not know, or whether out of the body I do not know, God knows—such a one was caught up to the third heaven. And I know such a man—whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows—how he was caught up into Paradise and heard inexpressible words, which it is not lawful for a man to utter. Of such a one I will boast; yet of myself I will not boast, except in my infirmities. For though I might desire to boast, I will not be a fool; for I will speak the truth. But I refrain, lest anyone should think of me above what he sees me to be or hears from me. And lest I should be exalted above measure by the abundance of the revelations, a thorn in the flesh was given to me, a messenger of Satan to buffet me, lest I be exalted above measure. Concerning this thing I pleaded with the Lord three times that it might depart from me. And He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My strength is made perfect in weakness.” Therefore most gladly I will rather boast in my infirmities, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Luke 16:19-31)**

There was a certain rich man who was clothed in purple and fine linen and fared sumptuously every day. But there was a certain beggar named Lazarus, full of sores, who was laid at his gate, desiring to be fed with the crumbs which fell from the rich man's table. Moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. So it was that the beggar died, and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried. And being in torments in Hades, he lifted up his eyes and saw Abraham afar off, and Lazarus in his bosom. “Then he cried and said, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus that he may dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am tormented in this flame.’ But Abraham said, ‘Son, remember that in your lifetime you received your good things, and likewise Lazarus evil things; but now he is comforted and you are tormented. And besides all this, between us and you there is a great gulf fixed, so that those who want to pass from here to you cannot, nor can those from there pass to us.’ “Then he said, ‘I beg you therefore, father, that you would send him to my father's house, ] for I have five brothers, that he may testify to them, lest they also come to this place of torment.’ ] Abraham said to him, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.’ ] And he said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ But he said to him, ‘If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be persuaded though one rise from the dead.’”

### **Today's Holy Oblation is offered for the Good Health of the Servants of God:**

Bernice Koussaie, Fred Koussaie (Lili, Shanna, Kevin, Kelly, Cedric, Thomas), Kenneth Koussaie (Diana, Katherine, Mark, Patricia, Valerie), Richard Koussaie (Wanda), Albert Koussaya (Jeremy, Andree, Stephanie, William), Allen Koussaya (Gina), Edmund Koussaya (Sylvie, Mark, Jeanne), Edward Koussaya, Karen Koussaya (Romy), Steven Koussaya, Violet Koussaya (Philip), Violet Shatilla Koussaya (Robert), Norma Kravec, Elian Kteily (Souad), Karim Ladicani (Marie-Helen , Alexandre, Antoine, Christophe, Karim Pierre), Neva Ladicani (Fiona), Andrew Laham (Juliana), Fred Laham (Lorraine), Ghassan Laham (Cheryl), Peter Laham, Brenda Laow, Allan Laplante (Christiane, Christopher, Michele), Michael Lawand (Rean), Robert Lawand (Nancy), Ronald Lawand, Linda Lemieux (Kaitlyn, Matthew), Sandra Lemieux, Dino Lipari (Linda, Mario).

## **THE HOLY EPISTLE (2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9)**

اللَّهُ أَبُو رَبَّنَا يَسُوعَ الْمَسِيحِ، الَّذِي هُوَ مُبَارَكٌ إِلَى الْأَبَدِ، يَعْلَمُ أَنِّي لَسْتُ أَكْذِبُ. فِي دِمَشْقَ وَالِي الْحَارِثِ الْمَلِكِ كَانَ يَحْرُسُ مَدِينَةَ الدَّمَشْقِيِّينَ يُرِيدُ أَنْ يُمْسِكَنِي، فَتَدَلَّيْتُ مِنْ طَاقَةٍ فِي زَنْبِيلٍ مِنَ السُّورِ، وَنَجَوْتُ مِنْ يَدَيْهِ. إِنَّهُ لَا يُوَفِّقُنِي أَنْ أَفْتَحِرَ. فَإِنِّي آتِي إِلَى مَنَاطِرِ الرَّبِّ وَأِعْلَانَاتِهِ. أَعْرِفُ إِنْسَانًا فِي الْمَسِيحِ قَبْلَ أَرْبَعِ عَشْرَةَ سَنَةً. أَفِي الْجَسَدِ؟ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ، أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ؟ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ. اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ. اخْتُطِفَ هَذَا إِلَى السَّمَاءِ الثَّالِثَةِ. وَأَعْرِفُ هَذَا الْإِنْسَانَ. أَفِي الْجَسَدِ أَمْ خَارِجَ الْجَسَدِ؟ لَسْتُ أَعْلَمُ. اللَّهُ يَعْلَمُ. أَنَّهُ اخْتُطِفَ إِلَى الْفِرْدُوسِ، وَسَمِعَ كَلِمَاتٍ لَا يُنْطَقُ بِهَا، وَلَا يَسُوعُ لِإِنْسَانٍ أَنْ يَتَكَلَّمَ بِهَا. مِنْ جِهَةٍ هَذَا أَفْتَحِرُ. وَلَكِنْ مِنْ جِهَةٍ نَفْسِي لَا أَفْتَحِرُ إِلَّا بِضَعْفَاتِي. فَإِنِّي إِنْ أَرَدْتُ أَنْ أَفْتَحِرَ لَا أَكُونُ غَيْبًا، لِأَنِّي أَقُولُ الْحَقَّ. وَلَكِنِّي أَتَحَاشَى لِئَلَّا يَظُنَّ أَحَدٌ مِنْ جِهَتِي فَوْقَ مَا يَرَانِي أَوْ يَسْمَعُ مِنِّي. وَلِئَلَّا أَرْتَفِعَ بِفِرْطِ الْإِعْلَانَاتِ، أُعْطِيتُ شَوْكَةً فِي الْجَسَدِ، مَلَكَ الشَّيْطَانِ، لِيَلْطِمَنِي لِئَلَّا أَرْتَفِعَ. مِنْ جِهَةٍ هَذَا تَضَرَّعْتُ إِلَى الرَّبِّ ثَلَاثَ مَرَّاتٍ أَنْ يُفَارِقَنِي. فَقَالَ لِي: «تَكْفِيكَ نِعْمَتِي، لِأَنَّ قُوَّتِي فِي الضَّعْفِ تَكْمُلُ». فَبِكُلِّ سُرُورٍ أَفْتَحِرُ بِالْحَرِيِّ فِي ضَعْفَاتِي، لَكِنِّي تَحِلُّ عَلَيَّ قُوَّةُ الْمَسِيحِ.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL (St. Luke 16:19-31)**

«كَانَ إِنْسَانٌ غَنِيٌّ وَكَانَ يَلْبَسُ الْأَرْجُوَانَ وَالْبَزَّ وَهُوَ يَتَنَعَّمُ كُلَّ يَوْمٍ مُتَرَفِّهًا. وَكَانَ مَسْكِينٌ اسْمُهُ لِعَازَرُ الَّذِي طُرِحَ عِنْدَ بَابِهِ مَضْرُوبًا بِالْفُرُوجِ وَيَسْتَهِي أَنْ يَسْبَعَ مِنَ الْفُتَاتِ السَّاقِطِ مِنْ مَائِدَةِ الْغَنِيِّ بَلْ كَانَتْ الْكِلَابُ تَأْتِي وَتَلْحَسُ فُرُوجَهُ. فَمَاتَ الْمَسْكِينُ وَحَمَلَتْهُ الْمَلَائِكَةُ إِلَى حِضْنِ إِبْرَاهِيمَ. وَمَاتَ الْغَنِيُّ أَيْضًا وَدُفِنَ فَرَفَعَ عَيْنَيْهِ فِي الْهَوَايَةِ وَهُوَ فِي الْعَذَابِ وَرَأَى إِبْرَاهِيمَ مِنْ بَعِيدٍ وَلِعَازَرَ فِي حِضْنِهِ فَنَادَى: يَا أَبِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ ارْحَمْنِي وَأَرْسِلْ لِعَازَرَ لِيَلْطِمَ لِيِلَّ طَرْفَ إِيصَبٍ عِهُ بِمَاءٍ وَيَبْرِدَ لِسَانِي لِأَنِّي مُعَذَّبٌ فِي هَذَا اللَّهيبِ. فَقَالَ إِبْرَاهِيمُ: يَا ابْنِي اذْكُرْ أَنَّكَ اسْتَوْفَيْتَ خَيْرَاتِكَ فِي حَيَاتِكَ وَكَذَلِكَ لِعَازَرَ الْبَلَايَا. وَالآنَ هُوَ يَتَعَزَّى وَأَنْتَ تَتَعَذَّبُ. وَفَوْقَ هَذَا كُلِّهِ بَيْنَنَا وَبَيْنَكُمْ هُوَّةٌ عَظِيمَةٌ قَدْ أُثْبِتَتْ حَتَّى إِنْ الَّذِينَ يُرِيدُونَ الْعُبُورَ مِنْ هَهُنَا إِلَيْكُمْ لَا يَقْدِرُونَ وَلَا الَّذِينَ مِنْ هُنَاكَ يَجْتَازُونَ إِلَيْنَا. فَقَالَ: أَسْأَلُكَ إِذَا يَا ابْنَتِ أَنْ تُرْسِلَهُ إِلَى بَيْتِ أَبِي لِأَنَّ لِي خَمْسَةَ إِخْوَةٍ حَتَّى يَشْهَدَ لَهُمْ لِكَيْلَا يَأْتُوا هُمْ أَيْضًا إِلَى مَوْضِعِ الْعَذَابِ هَذَا. قَالَ لَهُ إِبْرَاهِيمُ: عِنْدَهُمْ مُوسَى وَالْأَنْبِيَاءُ. لَيْسَمَعُوا مِنْهُمْ. فَقَالَ: لَا يَا أَبِي إِبْرَاهِيمَ. بَلْ إِذَا مَضَى إِلَيْهِمْ وَاحِدٌ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ يَنْبُؤُونَ. فَقَالَ لَهُ: إِنْ كَانُوا لَا يَسْمَعُونَ مِنْ مُوسَى وَالْأَنْبِيَاءِ وَلَا إِنْ قَامَ وَاحِدٌ مِنَ الْأَمْوَاتِ يُصَدِّقُونَ».

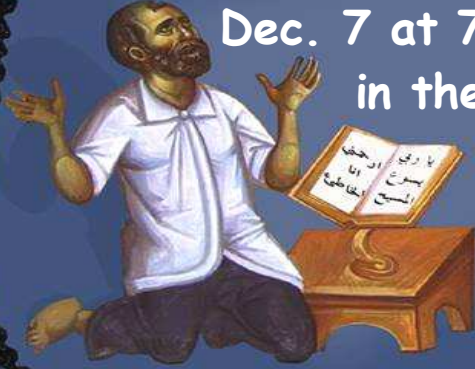
### **Today's Memorial Prayers are offered for the Eternal Memory of the Servants of God:**

- \* For Marion Jazzar (1<sup>st</sup> year). Remembered also: Raymond Jazzar. Offered by Donna & Carol Jazzar & Family.
- \* For Victor Zarbatany; Selma Ghiz; Very Rev. Fr. Michael Zarbatany (Economos); Ned & Eddy Zarbatany. Offered by Louise Zarbatany & Family.
- \* For Mira Ayoub (11<sup>th</sup> year). Remembered also: George, Mona & Nicholas. Offered by Laurice Ayoub Gibara.
- \* For Nouro Koury (33<sup>rd</sup> year). Remembered also: George, Bobby, Thomas, Helen, Jimmy, Evelyn, Olga, Alice. Offered by: Diane Saad & Family.
- \* For Carole David (20<sup>th</sup> year). Remembered also: Nicholas David, Jackie & Emile Zakaib, Nazly & Michael David, Edward David, Joan David, George Koury, Nellie Soumah, Edna, William & Mark Housey. Offered by the Family.

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THE JESUS PRAYER

O Lord Jesus Christ  
Have mercy on me.



Dec. 7 at 7:00pm  
in the Church

ربي  
يسوع المسيح

يا ابن الله  
ارحممني

أنا الخاطيء



ALL ARE  
WELCOME!



[www.facebook.com/Orthodox Faith](http://www.facebook.com/Orthodox Faith)

Monthly Orthodox Catechism: November 9<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm

"UNDERSTANDING THE DIVINE LITURGY"

All are Welcome!

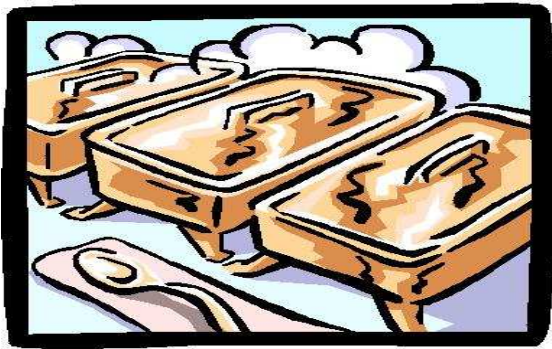


**Feast of ST. NICHOLAS  
the WONDERWORKER**

**Evening Divine Liturgy  
Thursday, December 5 at 7:00pm**

**Followed by a Reception in the Hall**

**All Parishioners are encouraged to come!**



**ST. NICHOLAS  
FEAST DAY BRUNCH**

**Sunday, December 8**

**Tickets: \$20 (under 12 years \$10)**

**Contact: Sylvia Mefrige (514-344-0550)**

**Always Homemade! Always Fresh!**

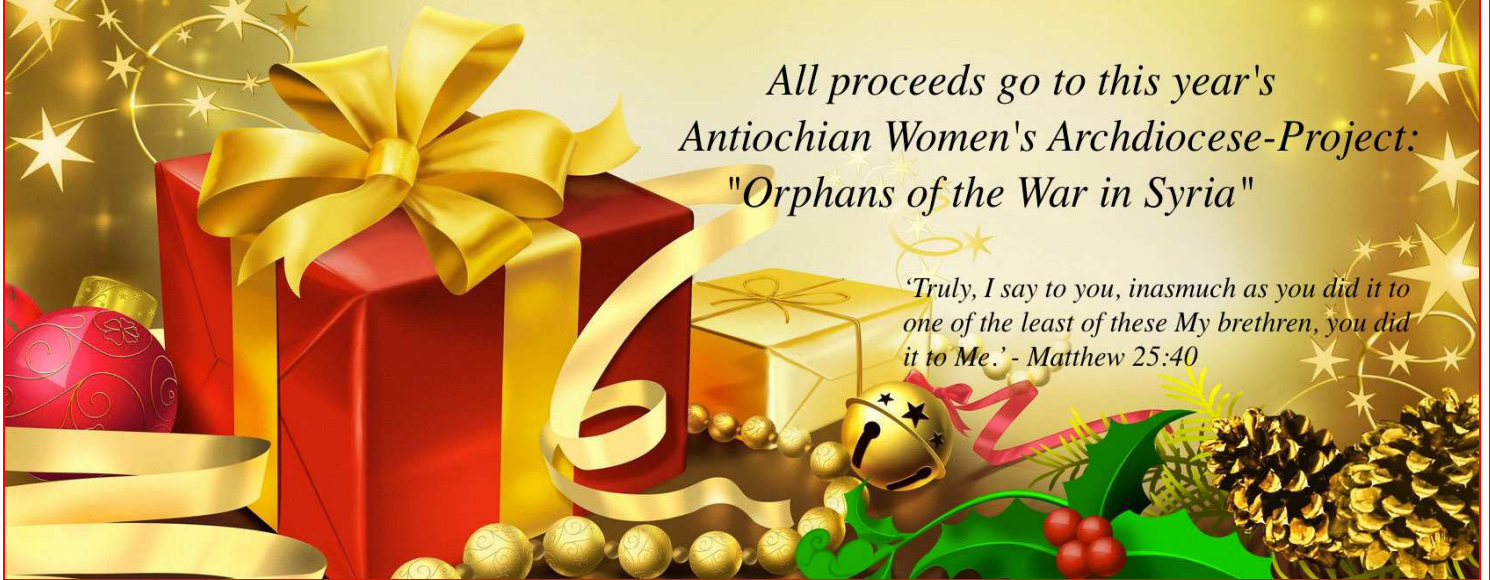
***A Special Christmas Bake Sale***

*For I was hungry and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink - Matthew 25:35*

*Join us on Sunday December 8th, 2013  
During the St-Nicholas Feast Day Brunch*

*All proceeds go to this year's  
Antiochian Women's Archdiocese-Project:  
"Orphans of the War in Syria"*

*'Truly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me.' - Matthew 25:40*



## St. Nicholas GRAND HAFLI Church Fundraiser

November 15 at 7:30pm

At: Nuit De Beyrouth

12208 Laurentien, Montreal, QC

**\$50.00/Person**



To purchase Tickets or if you require additional information, please contact:  
Sylvia Mefrige (514-344-0550), Marie Azakie (514-835-7878), Hala Zakaib  
(514-748-0882), Salwa Abouassaly (514-337-6779).

## ST. NICHOLAS ANNUAL WINE RAFFLE

*Draw will take place on December 8  
during the St. Nicholas Feast Day Brunch*

**\$20/Ticket** (500 tickets printed: **Only 30 tickets remaining!**)

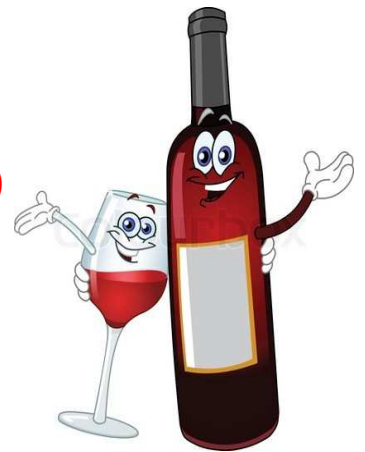
Contact Marie Azakie (514-835-7878)

or any member of the Antiochian Women

1<sup>st</sup> Prize: 50 bottles of Wine (\$1000 Value)

2<sup>nd</sup> Prize: 25 bottles of Wine (\$500 Value)

3<sup>rd</sup> Prize: 12 bottles of Wine (\$250 Value)



## Sunday School Monthly BIRTHDAY PARTY

November 17

## CHRISTMAS CONCERT & PARTY

December 15

Join our FUN Sunday School Program!

Every Sunday at 10:30am

(English/French/Arabic)



**TEEN SOYO:** Pilgrimage to the Virgin Mary Greek Orthodox Monastery  
on November 23. Please support our Teen SOYO CAN FOOD DRIVE to help  
feed the hungry poor of Montreal! There is a table in the Hall for your non-  
perishable food items. Thank you!

Monthly Parish Movie Night - Saturday November 16 at 7:00pm

**"DAMASCUS SPEAKS!"**

**The Story of St. Paul the Apostle: Filmed on-location  
(before the present war) where the events happened in the Bible!**

**Followed by a Special on "The Ark of the Covenant"**

**With footage of the Monasteries of Sinai & Ethiopia**

Approximately

2 Hours

**ALL ARE**

**WELCOME!**



**Did you Commit Sin?**

**Enter the Church and Repent for your Sin;**

**For here is the Physician,**

**Not the Judge;**

**Here one is not Investigated,**

**One Receives Remission of Sins.**

**+ St. John Chrysostom**



## MIRACLES BEFORE OUR EYES! GLORY BE TO GOD!



Last weekend in Rhodes (Greece), a large Icon of the **Archangel Michael** began to weep myrrh. The Icon was removed from the wall to inspect for any moisture on the wall or on the back surface of the Icon that might have caused it. **None found!** Only streams of myrrh running from the face of the Archangel, which still continue to stream frequently now. The Icon was moved to another larger Church for veneration and the streaming myrrh continues!

**Video footage of the official inspection:** [www.youtube.com/watch?v=\\_uo-bixCAiU](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=_uo-bixCAiU)



Last weekend also, an electrical fire completely destroyed Saint Mary the Protectress Ukrainian Orthodox Church in Philadelphia (USA) leaving only the **wood** Iconostasis & several other large Icons completely untouched!

*Philadelphia Firefighter A. Davis says: "Not one of those pictures caught on fire; not the ones on the wall, not the ones on the stage, not one of them was damaged... When it comes to fires, I've seen it all, but I've never seen nothing like this before."*