

St. Jacob Melkite Greek-Catholic Church

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كنيسة القديس يعقوب للروم الملكيين الكاثوليك

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14th Sunday After Pentecost

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Today we commemorate the **HIEROMARTYR (PRIESTLY-MARTYR) ANTHIMOS**. He was born in Nicomedia, and was raised from childhood as a true Christian. "His body was mortified, his spirit humbled, his envy uprooted, his anger subdued, his sloth banished.... He had love for all and peace with all; he was prudent with all, had zeal for the glory of God and was forthright with all." It is no wonder that a man with such virtues was appointed bishop. St. Anthimos governed as Bishop of Nicomedia during the cruel persecution of Christians under the villainous Emperors Diocletian and Maximian. Streams of Christian blood were shed, especially in Nicomedia. One year, on the Feast of Christ's Nativity, twenty thousand martyrs were burned to death in one church (see December 28). This took place during the time of Anthimos' episcopacy. Even so, the persecution did not end with this, but continued, and many Christians were cast into prison and kept there for torture and death. St. Anthimos withdrew to the village of Semana, not because he was fleeing from death, but in order to continue encouraging his flock in the feat of martyrdom, so that no one would fall away out of fear. One of his letters to the Christians in prison was intercepted and turned over to Emperor Maximian. The emperor dispatched twenty soldiers to find Anthimos and bring him to him. The gray-haired and clairvoyant elder came out to meet the soldiers, brought them to his house, and treated them as guests--and only then revealed that he was Anthimos, whom they were seeking. The soldiers, astonished by Anthimos' kindness, suggested that he hide, saying they would tell the emperor that they could not find him. But Anthimos replied that he could not let himself transgress God's commandment against falsehood to save his life, and he went with the soldiers. Along the way, all the soldiers came to believe in Christ and were baptized by Anthimos. The emperor had Anthimos harshly tortured for a long time, and then had him beheaded with an axe. He glorified the Lord and went to his rest at the beginning of the fourth century.

Prior week's donations: \$579 (including all cash, checks, and electronic deposits). Our weekly expenses run about \$1500. We appreciate your generosity.

How can you join in the mission and vision of St Jacob's, the only Melkite community in San Diego County? First, by participating in the life of our community and attending our worship services. Second, if you cannot attend regularly, please pray for the well-being of our Melkite mission. Third, your financial support is crucial for the longevity of St Jacob's. Please give generously to Sunday collections, mail your donations to PO Box 231328, San Diego, CA 92193, or visit our new donations web page: <https://stjacobmelkite.org/donate> for electronic giving options. May the Lord bless you for your much needed support!

Remember in your prayers: All who are sick, suffering or recovering from illness, especially Fr. James Babcock, Suad, Jamil and Suha Maria, Jessica Hana, Manuel Salazar, Matthew Medina, Samir Shamieh, Micheline Hagggar, Alice Boghos, and Nassim and Soumaya Nasser. And we remember all who have fallen asleep in the hope of resurrection.

Congratulations to Steve and Dina! We look forward to meeting the newest member of St. Jacob's, their son Leonardo! All the best to this growing family on this blessed event!

33rd Anniversary Party: Saturday, October 21, Maestro Banquet Hall. Please see the fliers for more information.

Troparion of the resurrection: (Tone 5)

Let us, O faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our Salvation, for He was pleased to be lifted in the flesh upon the cross, and to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Troparion of St. Jacob, Brother of the Lord: (Tone 4)

As a disciple of the Lord, you received the Gospel, O holy Jacob. As a martyr, you displayed unyielding will. As a brother of God, you have special power with Him. As a hierarch, you have the right of intercession. Intercede, therefore, with Christ God that he may save our souls.

Kondakion:

O never failing Protectress of Christians and their ever-present intercessor before the Creator, despise not the petitions of us sinners, but in your goodness extend your help to us who call upon you with confidence. Hasten, O Mother of God, to intercede for us, for you have always protected those who honor you.

Epistle: 14th Sunday of Pentecost, 2 Corinthians 1: 21-2:4

PROKIMENON: (Tone 5) Ps.11: 8, 2

You, O Lord, will keep us and preserve us always from this generation.

Stichon: Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer any holy man, for truthfulness has vanished from among the children of men.

نشيد القيامة: (بالحن الخامس)

لنتشيد نحن المؤمنين ونسجد للكلمة، الأزلي مع الأب والروح، المولود من العذراء لخلصنا. لأنه ارتضى أن يصعد بالجسد على الصليب، ويحمل الموت، وينهض الموتى بقيامته المجيدة.

طروبارية القديس يعقوب أخى الرب: (بالحن الرابع)

بما أنك تلميذ للرب قبلت الإنجيل، أيها الصديق. وبما أنك شهيد لك عزم لا ينتهي، وبما أنك أخ للرب لك الدالة لديه. وبما أنك رئيس كهنة لك حق الشفاعة. فاشفع إلى المسيح الإله في خلاص نفوسنا.

نشيد الختام (القنداق):

يا نصيرة المسيحيين التي لا تُخزي، ووسيطتهم الدائمة لدى الخالق، لا تعرضي عن أصوات الخطاة الطالبين إليك. بل بما أنك صالحة، بادري إلى معونتنا، نحن الصارخين إليك بإيمان: هلمي إلى الشفاعة، وأسرعى إلى الابتهاال، يا والدة الإله المحامية دائماً عن مكرميك.

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مقدمة الرسالة:

أنت يا رب تحفظنا وتحمينا، من هذا الجيل وإلى الدهر خلصني يا رب فإن البار قد فني، لأن الحقيقة قد ضُغف عند بني البشر

A READING: from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians

BRETHREN, the one who strengthened you and us in Christ, who anointed us, is God, who also stamped us with his seal and gave us the Spirit as a pledge in our hearts. Now, I call God to witness against my soul that it was to spare you that I did not come again to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith, but rather we are fellow-workers in your joy, for in faith you stand.

(2: 1) I made up my mind not to come to you again in sorrow. For if I make you sad, who can gladden me; save the very one who is grieved by me? And I wrote to you as I did, that when I come, I may not have sorrow upon sorrow from those who ought to give me joy: for I trust in all of you that my joy is a joy to all of you. For I wrote to you in much affliction and anguish of heart, with many tears, not that you might be grieved, but that you might know the great love I have for you.

ALLELUIA (Tone 5) Ps.88: 2,3

Your favor, O Lord, I will sing forever; from generation to generation, my mouth will proclaim your faithfulness.

Stichon: For you have said, "My kindness is established forever." In heaven you have confirmed your faithfulness.

Gospel: 14th Sunday of Pentecost, Matthew 22: 2-14
THE HOLY GOSPEL ACCORDING TO ST. MATTHEW THE EVANGELIST

The Lord told this parable: The kingdom of heaven is like a king who made a marriage feast for his son. And he sent his servants to call in those invited to the marriage feast, but they would not come. Again he sent out other servants saying 'Tell those who are invited, behold. I have prepared my dinner: my oxen and fatlings are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it, and went off, one to his own farm and another to his business; and the rest laid hold of his servants treated them shamefully, and killed them. But when the king heard of it, he was angry; and he sent his armies, destroyed those murderers, and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The marriage feast indeed is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy; go therefore to the crossroads, and invite to the marriage feast whomever you shall find.' And his servants went out into the roads and gathered all those they found, both good and bad; and the marriage feast was filled with guests. Now the king went in to see the guests, and he saw there a man who had not on a wedding garment. And he said to him, 'Friend, how did you come in here without a wedding garment?' But he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind his hands and feet, take hold of him, and throw him out into the darkness, where there will be weeping and the gnashing of teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

Hirmos: It is truly right ...

Kinonikon: Praise the Lord ...

Post-communion: We have seen the true light ...

الرسالة: (1 كورنثس 1: 21 الى 2: 4)

يا اخوة، ان الذي يُثَبِّتُنَا مَعَكُمْ فِي الْمَسِيحِ، وَقَدْ مَسَحَنَا، هُوَ اللهُ، الَّذِي خَتَمْنَا أَيْضاً وَمَنَحَنَا عَرَبُونَ الرُّوحِ فِي قُلُوبِنَا. أَمَا أَنَا فَاسْتَشْهَدُ اللهُ عَلَى نَفْسِي، أَنِّي لِإِشْفَاقِي عَلَيْكُمْ لَمْ أَتْ أَيْضاً إِلَى كُورِنْثُسَ، لِأَنَّ نَسُودَ إِيمَانِكُمْ، لَكِنَّا أَعَوْنَا فَرَحَكُمْ، لِأَنَّكُمْ ثَابِتُونَ فِي الْإِيمَانِ. وَقَدْ حَزَمْتُ بِهَذَا فِي نَفْسِي إِنْ لَا أَتِيكُمْ أَيْضاً مَغْمُوماً. لِأَنِّي إِنْ غَمَمْتُكُمْ فَمَنْ الَّذِي يَسْرُرُنِي غَيْرُ مَنْ غَمَمْتُهُ أَنَا؟ وَقَدْ كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِهَذَا عَيْنِهِ، لِئَلَّا يِنَالْنِي عِنْدَ قُدُومِي غَمٌّ مِمَّنْ كَانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ أَفْرَحَ بِهِمْ. وَإِنِّي لَوَاتِقٌ بِكُمْ أَجْمَعِينَ، أَنَّ فَرَحِي هُوَ فَرَحُكُمْ جَمِيعاً. فَإِنِّي مِنْ شِدَّةِ الْكَأَبِ وَكَرْبِ الْقَلْبِ، كَتَبْتُ إِلَيْكُمْ بِدَمُوعٍ كَثِيرَةٍ، لِأَتَعْتَمُوا، بَلْ لَتَعْرِفُوا مَا عِنْدِي مِنْ فَرَطِ الْمَحَبَّةِ لَكُمْ.

هللوا

بمراجعتك يا ربُّ أَرْنَمُ إِلَى الْآبَدِ، إِلَى جِيلٍ فَجِيلٍ أُعْلِنُ حَقَّكَ بِفَمِي لِأَنَّكَ قُلْتَ: إِنَّ الرَّحْمَةَ تُبْنَى إِلَى الْآبَدِ، وَفِي السَّمَاوَاتِ يُهَيَّأُ حَقُّكَ.

الاحد الرابع عشر بعد العنصرة

الانجيل: (متى 22: 2 – 14)

قال الربُّ هذا المثل: يُثَبِّتُهُ مَلَكُوتُ السَّمَاوَاتِ بِإِنْسَانٍ مَلِكٍ صَنَعَ عَرْساً لِابْنِهِ. وَأَرْسَلَ عِبِيدَهُ لِيَدْعُوا الْمَدْعُوبِينَ إِلَى الْعَرْسِ، فَلَمْ يُرِيدُوا أَنْ يَأْتُوا. فَأَرْسَلَ مِنْ جَدِيدٍ عِبِيداً آخَرِينَ وَقَالَ: قُولُوا لِلْمَدْعُوبِينَ، هَا إِنِّي قَدْ أَعَدَدْتُ غَدَائِي، ثِيْرَانِي وَمُسَمَّنَاتِي قَدْ دُبِحَتْ، وَكُلُّ شَيْءٍ مُهَيَّأٌ، فَهَمُوا إِلَى الْعَرْسِ. وَلَكِنَّهُمْ تَهَاوَنُوا، فَذَهَبَ هَذَا إِلَى حَقْلِهِ الْخَاصِّ، وَذَلِكَ إِلَى تِجَارَتِهِ، وَالْبَاقُونَ قَبِضُوا عَلَى عِبِيدِهِ فَشَتَمُوهُمْ وَقَتَلُوهُمْ. فَلَمَّا سَمِعَ ذَلِكَ الْمَلِكُ غَضِبَ، وَأَرْسَلَ جِيُوشَهُ فَأَهْلَكَ أَوْلِيَاءَ الْقَتْلَةِ، وَأَحْرَقَ مَدِينَتَهُمْ. حِينَئِذٍ قَالَ لِعِبِيدِهِ: أَمَا الْعَرْسُ فَمُعَدَّةٌ، وَأَمَا الْمَدْعُوبُونَ فَعَبِيدٌ مُسْتَحَقِّينَ. فَادْهَبُوا إِلَى مَفَارِقِ الطَّرِيقِ، وَكُلُّ مَنْ وَجَدْتُمُوهُ فَادْعُوهُ إِلَى الْعَرْسِ. فَخَرَجَ أَوْلِيَاءُ الْعَبِيدِ إِلَى الطَّرِيقِ، وَجَمَعُوا كُلَّ مَنْ وَجَدُوا مِنْ أَشْرَارٍ وَصَالِحِينَ، فَحَفَلَ الْعَرْسُ بِالْمَتَكِينِ. فَلَمَّا دَخَلَ الْمَلِكُ لِيَنْظُرَ الْمَتَكِينِ، رَأَى هُنَاكَ إِنْسَاناً لَيْسَ عَلَيْهِ خُلَّةُ الْعَرْسِ. فَقَالَ لَهُ: يَا صَاحِبَ، كَيْفَ دَخَلْتَ إِلَى هُنَا، وَلَيْسَ عَلَيْكَ خُلَّةُ الْعَرْسِ؟ فَسَكَتَ. حِينَئِذٍ قَالَ الْمَلِكُ لِلْخُدَّامِ: أَوْثِقُوا يَدَيْهِ وَرِجْلَيْهِ وَخُوذُوهُ وَأَطْرَحُوهُ فِي الظُّلْمَةِ الْخَارِجِيَّةِ. هُنَاكَ يَكُونُ الْبُكَاءُ وَصْرِيْفُ الْأَسْنَانِ. فَإِنَّ الْمَدْعُوبِينَ كَثِيرُونَ، وَالْمَخْتَارِينَ قَلِيلُونَ.

الأرمس: انه واجب حقاً...

نشيد المناولة: سبحوا الرب من السموات ...

نشيد بعد المناولة: إذ قد نظرنا النور الحقيقي ...

SAINT JACOB MELKITE GREEK-CATHOLIC CHURCH

Saturday **Great Vespers** 6:30 p.m. **Confessions** after vespers & by appt Sunday **Divine Liturgy** 11:15 a.m.

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Saint Jacob Melkite Catholic Church is an Eastern Catholic Community of the Eparchy of Newton, headed by His Grace, Bishop François. Liturgical services are celebrated in English and Arabic in the Byzantine Rite. The Eparchy (Diocese) is a part of the Patriarchate of Antioch, headed by His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph. "...and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians" (Acts 11:26). The Melkite Greek-Catholic Church professes the Orthodox Faith and maintains full communion with the See of Rome.

St. Jacob Mission Statement: To foster a Catholic and Godly renewal with worship through the awe-inspiring Liturgy of the Byzantine Rite and by safeguarding our Orthodox Faith and Tradition; to bring the message of the Living Lord to the faithful and seekers of truth.