

A WORD FOR THE DAY

The saying is trustworthy and deserving of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners, of whom I am the foremost. But I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience as an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of the ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory forever and ever. Amen.

St. Paul, 1 Timothy 1:15-17

Once when Abba Macarius was passing through Egypt with some brothers, he heard a young woman saying to her mother: “Mama, a rich man loves me, and I hate him while a poor man hates me, and I love him.” Abba Macarius was amazed at hearing this. The brothers said to him: “Father, what is this saying that you were amazed at it?” The elder said to them: “Truly, our Lord is rich and he loves us—and we do not want to hear him. Our enemy, the devil, is poor and hates us—and we love his impurity.”

Sayings of the Desert Fathers, Macarius the Egyptian, saying 24.

God has ordered human nature so that it is precisely in service to others that man finds real happiness. The more lofty and full-blooded the service he renders, the fuller the happiness. The service of Christ, which begins with simple good works and an attempt to live in accordance with his commandments, brings happiness to man. This joy begins on earth but continues in eternity, making man a participant in eternal life.

Patriarch Kirill of Moscow and All-Russia, Address on Orthodox Youth Day, Feb. 15, 2009.

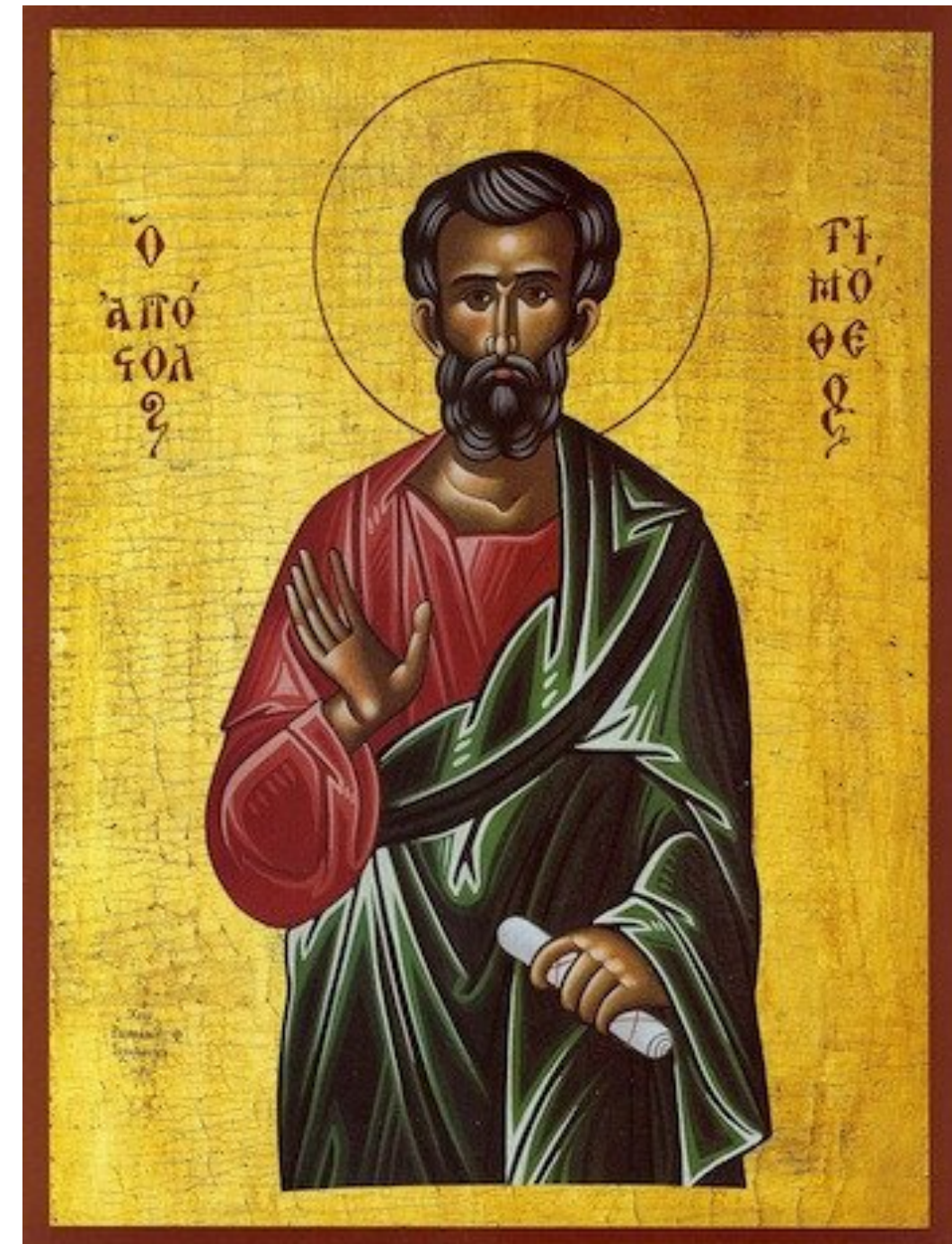
ST. NICHOLAS ORTHODOX CHURCH

A Parish Of The New England Diocese ✝ Orthodox Church In America

Jan. 22, 2017

31st SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 6.

Apostle Timothy of the Seventy (96). Monk Martyr Anastasius the Persian (628). Monk Martyr Anastásii, Deacon, of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12th c.). Ven. Makáry of Zhabynsk, Wonderworker (1623). Martyrs Manuel, George, Peter, Leontius—Bishops; Sionius, Gabriel, John, Leontius, Parodus—Presbyters; and 377 companions in Bulgaria (ca. 817).



Holy Apostle Timothy of the Seventy

Divine Services

Wednesday, Jan. 25th.....Daily Vespers.....6:30 pm
(followed by Study Group)
Saturday, Jan. 28thGreat Vespers.....6:00 pm
(followed by Confessions)
Sunday, Jan 29thDivine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom.....10:00 am
Sunday of Zacchaeus *(Hours 9:40 a.m.)*

Today's Readings

Epistle: 1 Timothy 1:15-17
Gospel: Luke 18:35-43

For Next Week, Jan 29th

Hours and Thanksgiving PrayersIrene Vassos
Epistle:Tanya Bogaevskaya
Coffee HourFadia Makdisi

Memory Eternal:

Maria Magdalena (Jan.16, mother of Lucian Radulescu),
Marjorie Grinko (Dec. 23/40 days on Feb. 1)

For the health and well-being of Archpriest Joseph and Matushka Julia, David, Tony, Stanislav, Leonard, Timothy, Helen, Fenaeda, Raya, Irina, Katia, Dennis, Svetlana, Konstantin, Vladislav, Galina, Nancy, Maria, Al, Mercy, Michael.

January Birthdays | Anniversaries

Birthdays: Fadia Makdisi (01), Jordan Chamberlain(03), Marina Bobrovsky(06), David Patterson (08), Lucian Radulescu (09), Gabriella Goloman (17), Fred Feingold (22), Chloe Chamberlain (24). **Anniversaries:** Emilie and Rick Goydey (04), Barbara and Behzad Parhizgar (20)

Announcements

Parish Council Meeting Today following Coffee Hour

House blessings have begun. As part of our Holy Orthodox Tradition, we take the newly blessed Holy Water and bless our homes with it. Please sign up for the best time for you and your family to receive a house blessing. There are "sign-up" sheets in the back of the church for you to indicate when the best time of day is for you.

Upcoming Events

Annual Parish Assembly Meeting Next Sunday, January 29th 2016. Please plan to attend this important meeting. Packets will be distributed today containing the content of the meeting, and the Statutes of the Orthodox Church in America.

Banquet for the Christians of Syria February 11th at 6:30pm at St. Joseph's banquet hall, where we had our Anniversary Banquet. Those of us who can help, please see Fadia Makdisi who is coordinating and organizing the event. We thank Fadia for putting so much hard work into preparing for this event! We are collecting monies to go towards the rental of the facility and towards plates, forks, napkins, etc. The collections box for donations towards the funding of the banquet is on the table in the back of the church.

Last Sunday's Collection\$1,892
Budget 2017 *(determined at Annual Mtg)*
Progress Towards Budget\$3,514