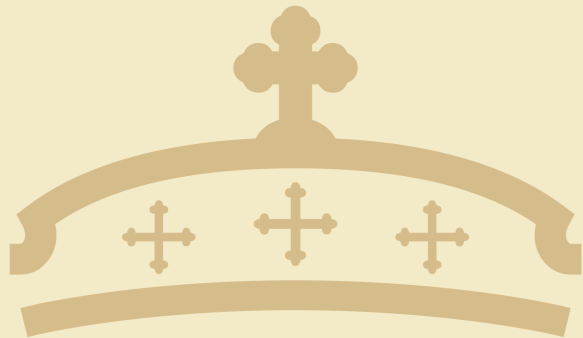


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*We are very grateful for your continued financial support, which allows St. Anthony's to remain current with its obligations.*

**God Bless You!**



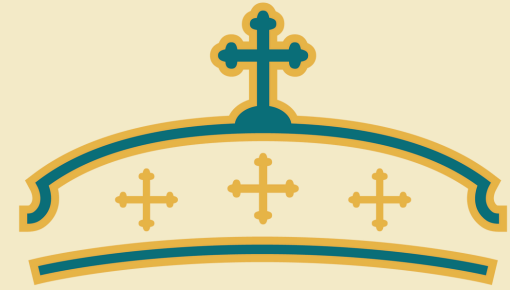
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# **St. Anthony Orthodox Church**

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**Our mission:** We strive to bear witness to the Orthodox Faith by caring for the people of God and our community and to embody Christ's teachings through the practice of prayer, study, and hospitality. We live to proclaim the fullness of the Orthodox faith in our lives and to the city of Butler as we share with others our love, fellowship, and charitable works.

**Fourth Sunday of Luke  
October 13th, 2024**

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**Tone 7 / Eothinon 5:** Hieromartyr Jacob of Hamatoura Martyrs Karpos, Papylos, Agathodoros & Agathonika at Pergamos

**First Antiphon:**

-It is good to give praise unto the Lord, and to chant unto Thy Name, O Most High. **(Re)**

-Upright is the Lord our God and there is no unrighteousness in Him. **(Re)**

**Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.**

-Glory... Both now... **(Re)**

**Second Antiphon:**

-The Lord is King, He is clothed with majesty; the Lord is clothed with strength and has girt Himself. **(Re)**

-For He established the world which shall not be shaken. **(Re)**

**Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, as we chant to Thee: Alleluia!**

-Holiness befits Thy house, O Lord, unto length of days. **(Re)**

-Glory... Both now...**(Re)**

*Only begotten Son and Word of God...*



**WELCOME!**

- Thank you for coming today and praying with us.
- **Outside Grounds Clean Up in October!**  
**(Saturday the 26th from 10:00am - 2:00pm)**
- Please sign up for Refreshment dates in October/November. Thank You.
- Thank you all for your continued financial support of our Parish. It helps us greatly with our commitments including our energy needs and upcoming snow removal - so THANK YOU!



## Remember in Your Prayers:

**LIVING:** Dollie; Maura (Andronic); Joseph (Totin); Christine (Abraham); Venetia; Maura; Anne; Ed, Peter, John, Mother Barbara, Jonathan and Joanna; Andrei; Diane; Susannah; David, Evelyn, Sally, Courtney, Jean, Jennifer, Jesse, Kaela, Elsa, Brad, Moses, Lee, Christina, Tyler, Jacob, Maria, Ann, and Christy

**DEPARTED:** Karen (Jane Best's daughter); Joseph Sipos (Dolly's husband), Frank (Seba's brother); Kurt (Melinda's father); Jackie (Rose Totin's mother); Maria (Stella Lyras' sister); Sula; Kurt (Diane's son); Norma; Miltiades; Tim (Becker); Silviu; Ross (Chrissi's friend); Richard Johns; Viorica; Bishop Antoun; Vito (DiPento); Jim and Marion (Raimondi); Stephanie (Yazge); Job; George (Georgiades); Abie (Abraham); Bill (Thomas); Marta, Lance, Glenn, Kent (Jean's husband), Carol, Jeffrey, Janet (Seba's Sister), Jason, Michael, Bonnie, and Norm Wolfe

## At the Little Entrance

Come let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Save us, O Son of God, Who are risen from the dead  
as we chant to thee, Alleluia

### RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (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.

### APOLYTIKION OF THE HOLY FATHERS (Tone 8)

Thou, O Christ, art our God of exceeding praise Who didst establish our Holy Fathers as luminous stars upon earth, and through them didst guide us unto the true Faith, O most merciful One, glory to Thee.

### APOLYTIKION OF ST. JACOB OF HAMATOUR (Tone 3)

Thou didst flourish like Lebanon's cedar, \* with no fear thou didst suffer martyrdom, \* thou becamest, O saint Jacob, a true victor. \* For thou didst conquer death with thy mortal flesh, \* when thou didst tame all the passions by humility. \* And while burning like incense as a true sacrifice, \* thou intercedest with Christ to grant us all the Great Mercy.

### TROPARION OF ST. ANTHONY (Tone 4 Russian)

Like the zealous Elijah thou didst become, and followed John the Baptist in his upright ways. A dweller in the wilderness, thou didst steady the world by prayer. O Father Anthony, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

### ORDINARY KONTAKION (Tone 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

## Today's Epistle Reading:

### Prokeimenon:

Blessed are Thou, O Lord, the God of our Fathers.  
For Thou art just in all that Thou hast done to us.

### The Reading is from the Epistle of St. Paul to St. Titus (3: 8-15)

Titus, my son, faithful is the saying, and concerning these things I desire you to affirm confidently, that those who have believed in God may be thoughtful of how to preside in honorable occupations. These things are good and profitable to men. But avoid foolish disputes, and genealogies, and contentions, and controversies about the Law; for they are unprofitable and vain. A man who is a heretic after the first and second admonition reject, knowing that such a one is subverted, and sins, being self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicós, give diligence to come to me to Nicopolis; for I have determined to winter there. Set forward Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey diligently, that they may be lacking in nothing.

And let our people also learn how to preside in honorable occupations, so as to help in cases of urgent need, that they should not be unfruitful. All who are with me salute you. Salute those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

## Today's Gospel Reading:

### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (8:5-15)

The Lord spoke this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when His Disciples asked Him what this parable meant, Jesus said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way, they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature.

And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As Jesus said this, He called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."