

## Announcements

### Old Testament Survey for all: August 20, 2021—June 03, 2022

On Friday evenings from 6:30-7:30pm, Fr. Photius teaches an OT survey class.

### New Series of Inquirers Classes

Having begun on Wed., Oct. 27, Protodeacon Gregory is teaching a series of classes on Wednesdays at about 7:15pm for those who are interested in learning the faith. There are twelve sessions, but they may sometimes be on non-consecutive weeks.

### Diocesan Pastoral Conference Volunteers Needed!

The Diocese of the South Pastoral Conference will be held at Saint Sava Orthodox Church on February 21-24, 2022. More than seventy (70) priests are expected to be visiting our parish. We need your help! If you are interested in helping with cooking, cleaning, registering priests, *et cetera*, please contact Father Photius. Thank you! **The Volunteer Meeting will be held on Jan. 23 at 12:30pm.**

### Pilgrimage to Anatolia and Constantinople in 2022

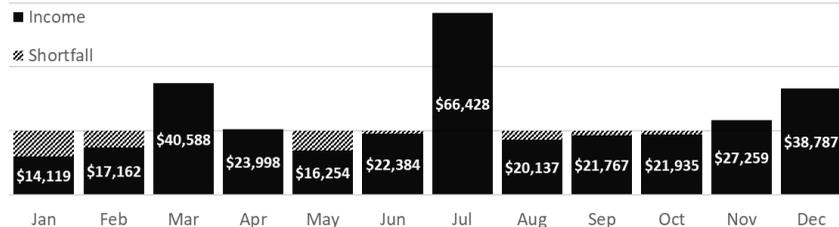
Next year, from May 23 to June 05, Fr. Photius will be helping Fr. Ilya Gotlinsky of *Orthodox Tours* lead a pilgrimage to the ancient and enduring Christian sites in Asia Minor and Constantinople. Included are a number of cities along the journeys of the Apostle Paul, a visit to the island of Patmos, the cave churches in Cappadocia, and more. Depending on the number of participants, the projected cost, excluding flights, will be \$2875. Speak to Fr. Photius if you have an interest. The deadline to sign up is February 10, 2022.

### Theophany Season House Blessings

During Theophany-tide, Father Photius will be available to bless your house, apartment, domicile, hovel, or whichever manner of abode you may inhabit. View the schedule and sign up at the link to the right.



### 2021 Parish Income (General Fund)



As approved at our annual parish meeting on January 17, the 2021 budget target is \$280,000 or an average of \$23,333 per month. This excludes designated donations that might be made toward alms, flowers, food drives, and capital campaigns.

If you would like to donate online, the QR code to the right will direct you to the donation page.



# St. Sava Orthodox Church

MAKING DISCIPLES OF OUR NEIGHBORS

## Schedule

### SATURDAY (JANUARY 08)

5:00PM—GREAT VESPERS  
6:00PM—CONFESSION

### SUNDAY (JANUARY 09)

9:30AM—DIVINE LITURGY  
11:30AM—COFFEE HOUR  
3:00PM—DORMITION MINISTRY MEETING

### TUESDAY (JANUARY 11)

6:00AM—DIVINE LITURGY

### WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 12)

6:30PM—DAILY VESPERS  
7:00PM—CONFESSION  
7:15PM—INQUIRER CLASS

### THURSDAY (JANUARY 13)

9:30AM—DIVINE LITURGY

### FRIDAY (JANUARY 14)

6:30PM—OLD TESTAMENT CLASS

### SATURDAY (JANUARY 15)

5:00PM—FESTAL VIGIL  
7:30PM—CONFESSION

### SUNDAY (JANUARY 16)

**Saint Sava Patronal Feast  
and Annual Parish Meeting**

9:30AM—DIVINE LITURGY  
11:30AM—COFFEE HOUR  
1:00PM—ANNUAL MEETING

### TUESDAY (JANUARY 18)

6:00AM—DIVINE LITURGY

### WEDNESDAY (JANUARY 19)

6:30PM—DAILY VESPERS  
7:00PM—CONFESSION  
7:15PM—INQUIRER CLASS

### THURSDAY (JANUARY 20)

9:30AM—DIVINE LITURGY  
6:30PM—LORD OF SPIRITS DISCUSSION

### FRIDAY (JANUARY 21)

6:30PM—OLD TESTAMENT CLASS

### SATURDAY (JANUARY 22)

5:00PM—GREAT VESPERS  
6:00PM—CONFESSION

### SUNDAY (JANUARY 23)

9:30AM—DIVINE LITURGY  
11:30AM—COFFEE HOUR  
12:30PM—DIOCESAN PASTORAL CONFERENCE VOLUNTEER MEETING

Our Parish Rector, Fr. Photius Avant, may be reached via either (972) 612-3881 or [fatherphotius@gmail.com](mailto:fatherphotius@gmail.com), or at the parish during the office hours listed below.

Tuesday \_\_\_\_\_ 7:30am-2:00pm  
Wednesday \_\_\_\_\_ 12:00pm-3:00pm  
Thursday \_\_\_\_\_ 12:00pm-3:00pm  
Friday \_\_\_\_\_ 10:00am-3:00pm  
Saturday \_\_\_\_\_ 12:00pm-4:00pm  
Sunday \_\_\_\_\_ By Appointment Only

Visit our website at [stsavaoca.org](http://stsavaoca.org) to keep up to date with the church calendar, Fr. Photius' sermons, upcoming events, photos and more!

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# SAINT SAVA ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, January 09, 2022

29th Sunday after Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Theophany

Martyr Polyuctus of Melitene in Armenia (259)



29th Sunday after Pentecost: — Tone 4

## Afterfeast of the Theophany.

**Sunday after Theophany.** Martyr Polyeuctus of Melitene in Armenia (259). Hieromartyr Philip, Metropolitan of Moscow and All Russia (1570). Prophet Shemaiah (Samaia, Semeias—3[4] Kings 12:22—10th c. B.C.). St. Peter, Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia (4th c.). St. Eustratius the Wonderworker (9th c.).

### Hymns

*Having learned the radiant proclamation from the angel,  
The women disciples of the Lord  
Cast off the ancestral curse, and boasting they told the apostles:  
Death hath been despoiled;  
Christ God is risen, Granting unto the world great mercy.*

**(Resurrectional Troparion in the 4th Tone)**

*When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan,  
the worship of the Trinity was made manifest.  
For the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee,  
and called Thee His beloved Son;  
and the Spirit in the form of a dove  
confirmed the truthfulness of His word.  
O Christ our God, Who hast revealed Thyself  
and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee.*

**(Troparion of Theophany—Tone 1)**

*Thy holy martyr Polyeuctus, O Lord,  
through his sufferings has received an incorruptible crown from Thee, our God.  
For having Thy strength, he laid low his adversaries,  
and shattered the powerless boldness of demons.  
Through his intercession, save our souls!*

**(Troparion of Saint Polyeuctus—Tone 4)**

*My Saviour and Deliverer, from the grave as God  
Hath raised the earthborn from their bonds,  
And the gates of hades hath He broken down  
And as Master is risen on the third day.*

**(Resurrectional Kontakion in the 4th Tone)**

*When the Savior bowed His head in the Jordan,  
the heads of the dragons were crushed;  
when Polyeuctus was beheaded, the deceiver was put to shame.*

**(Kontakion of Saint Polyeuctus—Tone 4)**

*Today Thou hast shone forth to the world, O Lord,  
and the light of Thy countenance has been marked on us.  
Knowing Thee, we sing Thy praises:*

*"Thou hast come and revealed Thyself, O unapproachable Light."*

**(Kontakion of Theophany—Tone 4)**

**John 20:1-10** (*7th Resurrectional Matins Gospel*)

Now on the first day of the week Mary Magdalene went to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. Then she ran and came to Simon Peter, and to the other disciple, whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken away the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid Him." Peter therefore went out, and the other disciple, and were going to the tomb. So they both ran together, and the other disciple outran Peter and came to the tomb first. And he, stooping down and looking in, saw the linen cloths lying there; yet he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; and he saw the linen cloths lying there, and the handkerchief that had been around His head, not lying with the linen cloths, but folded together in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who came to the tomb first, went in also; and he saw and believed. For as yet they did not know the Scripture, that He must rise again from the dead. Then the disciples went away again to their own homes.

**Ephesians 4:7-13** (*Epistle, Sunday After Theophany*)

But to each one of us grace was given according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore He says: "When He ascended on high, He led captivity captive, and gave gifts to men." (Now this, "He ascended" – what does it mean but that He also first descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is also the One who ascended far above all the heavens, that He might fill all things.) And He Himself gave some to be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, and some pastors and teachers, for the equipping of the saints for the work of ministry, for the edifying of the body of Christ, till we all come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to a perfect man, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

**Matthew 4:12-17** (*Gospel, Sunday After Theophany*)

Now when Jesus heard that John had been put in prison, He departed to Galilee. And leaving Nazareth, He came and dwelt in Capernaum, which is by the sea, in the regions of Zebulun and Naphtali, that it might be fulfilled which was spoken by Isaiah the prophet, saying: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, by the way of the sea, beyond the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles: The people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and upon those who sat in the region and shadow of death Light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach and to say, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

