

Sunday, December 3, 2023

**ST. ATHANASIOUS UKRAINIAN
CATHOLIC CHURCH
55 MCMURCHY AVENUE
REGINA SK. S4R 3G3**

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ROSARY: Sunday – 9:10 a.m. (livestreaming)

DIVINE LITURGY: Bilingual: Sunday - 9:30 a.m. for the faithful. (livestreaming)

DIVINE LITURGY in Ukrainian – the first Sunday of each month at 11:30 a.m.

Weekday Liturgies – as scheduled

Confessions before every Divine Liturgy & Week Day Liturgies – As per the schedule

MEMBERSHIP AT ST. ATHANASIOUS PARISH is recognized by participating in the Sunday Divine Liturgy and by fulfilling your baptismal responsibility in contributing to our Church Community activities by using your time, talents and treasures. Regular financial donations by use of Sunday envelopes is necessary for our parish to grow and prosper. If you would like to become a registered member, please contact Fr. Vasyl or parish office.

Please contact Fr. Vasyl if you know of any parishioner who is sick and wants to be visited.

St. John Paul II Syro-Malabar Parish – Fr. Daris Cherian

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Welcome to all visitors and parishioners who are celebrating the Liturgy with us today. Everyone is welcome to the auditorium for coffee, juice, cookies and socializing.



TO ALL PARISHIONERS: During our Livestream and Videotaping, the video may capture the likeness of those parishioners sitting in the pews during our services. This video will be kept for a maximum of 45 days. Other than those who choose to view the livestream as it happens, the video will not be released to third parties.

As our video will stream on Facebook, we will comply with the website's regulations.

If you are uncomfortable being on video, please advise the greeters when you enter the church and they will place you in a pew where you will not be captured.

Please join our services by visiting our website and clicking on The Livestream icon: <https://st-athanasius.ca/> or on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/reginaukrainiancatholicnorth/live>

December Greeters		December Ushers & Tabulators
Dec. 3	Terry & Rosanne Miller	Art Wytrykush & Rosanne Miller
Dec. 10	Terelyne Vadeboncoeur & Len Markewich	Linda Korchynski & John Dmyterko
Dec. 17	Carl & Linda Korchynski	Cliff Rakochy & Carl Korchynski
Dec. 24 9:30 a.m.	Maggie Stephen & Bernice Bzdell	Volunteers
Dec. 24 9:00 p.m.	Terry & Rosanne Miller	Rosanne Miller & Art Wytrykush
Dec. 25 10:00 a.m.	Volunteers	Volunteers
Dec. 31	Kevin Korchynski & Len Markewich	Walter Brigidear & Rosanne Miller

DECEMBER ROSARY		DECEMBER READERS
Dec. 3	UCWLC – <i>Joyful Mysteries</i>	UCWLC
Dec. 10	Bernice Bzdell & Natalia Osobo – <i>Joyful Mysteries</i>	Terelyne Vadeboncoeur
Dec. 17	Louise Makuch & Svitlana Zelenyi – <i>Byzantine Joyful Mysteries</i>	Louise Makuch
Dec. 24 9:30 a.m	-----	Christine Hladky
Dec. 24 9:00 p.m.	Christmas Compline	Peter Federko
Dec. 25 10:00 a.m.	-----	Phyllis Lukey & Alla Goff
Dec. 31	Art Wytrykush & Mykola Perun – <i>Joyful Mysteries</i>	Art Wytrykush

Glory Be To Jesus Christ! Glory Be Forever! Слава Ісусу Христу! Слава на віки!

TWENTY – SEVENTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

TROPAR (Tone 2): When You went down to death, O Life Immortal, You struck Hades dead with the blazing light of Your divinity. When You raised the dead from the nether world, all the powers of heaven cried out: “O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You!”

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and for ever and ever. Amen!

KONDAK (Tone 2): You rose from the tomb, O almighty Savior; and Hades, seeing this wonder, was stricken with fear; and the dead arose. Creation saw and rejoices with You, and Adam exults. And the world, my Savior, sings Your praises for ever.

PROKIMEN (Tone 2): The Lord is my strength and my song of praise, and He has become my salvation.

VERSE: *The Lord has indeed chastised me, but He has not delivered me to death.*

EPISTLE: A reading from the Letter of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians (6: 10-17)

Brothers and Sisters! Draw your strength from the Lord and his mighty power. Put on the armor of God so that you may be able to stand firm against the tactics of the devil.

Our battle is not against human forces but against the principalities and powers, the rulers of this world of darkness, the evil spirits in regions above. You must put on the armor of God if you are to resist on the evil day; do all that your duty requires, and hold your ground. Stand fast, with the truth as the belt around your waist, justice as your breastplate, and zeal to propagate the gospel of peace as your footgear. In all circumstances hold faith up before you as your shield, it will help you extinguish the fiery darts of the evil one. Take the helmet of salvation and the sword of the spirit, the word of God.

ALLELUIA VERSES: The Lord will hear you in the day of tribulation; the name of the God of Jacob will shield you.

Lord, grant victory to the king, and hear us in the day that we shall call upon You.

GOSPEL: Luke (13: 10-17)

At that time, on a sabbath day, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues. There was a woman there who for eighteen years had been possessed by a spirit which drained her strength. She was badly stooped, quite incapable of standing erect. When Jesus saw her, he called her to him and said, "Woman, you are free of your infirmity." He laid his hand on her, and immediately she stood up straight and began thanking God. The chief of the synagogue, indignant that Jesus should have healed on the sabbath, said to the congregation, "There are six days for working. Come on those days to be cured, not on the sabbath." The Lord said in reply, "O you hypocrites! Which one of you does not let his ox or ass out of the stall on the sabbath to water it?" Should not this daughter of Abraham here who has been in the bondage of Satan for eighteen years have been released from her shackles on the sabbath?" At these words, his opponents were covered with confusion; meanwhile, everyone else rejoiced at the marvels Jesus was accomplishing.

COMMUNION HYMN: Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE December 4 – December 10, 2023

Monday, December 4, 2023 - Barbara Great-Martyr (286-305); John of Damascus (749)

6:30 p.m. Catechism

7:30 p.m. Benefit Concerts for orphans in Ukraine at Knox-Metropolitan United Church

Tuesday, December 5, 2023 - Venerable Sabbas the Sanctified (532) [Galatians 5:22-6:2;](#)
[Matthew 11:27-30.](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for +Jessie and +Maria, requested by Joe and Chris Hladky

7:30 p.m. Benefit Concerts for orphans in Ukraine at Knox-Metropolitan United Church

Wednesday, December 6, 2023 - St.Nicholas the Wonderworker, Archbishop of Myra in Lycia
[Hebrews 13:17-21; Luke 6:17-23.](#)

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy for God's blessing upon Ted & Ella Dusyk (65th wedding anniversary)

Thursday, December 7, 2023 - Our Holy Father Ambrose, Bishop of Milan (397) *Nativity Fast.*
[Titus 1:5-2:1; Luke 20:9-18.](#)

No service scheduled - General Cleaning of the church

Friday, December 8, 2023 - Our Venerable Father Patapius *Nativity Fast.* Abstention from meat and foods that contain meat. [Titus 1:15-2:10; Luke 20:19-26.](#)

No service scheduled

Saturday, December 9, 2023 - The Conception of Saint Anna when she conceived the Most Holy Mother, A day when the faithful are highly encouraged to participate in the Divine Liturgy.
[Galatians 4:22-31; Luke 8:16-21.](#)

4:00 p.m. Divine Liturgy at St.Basil Parish (Fr.Vasyl is celebrant, substituting Fr.Warren)

Sunday, December 10, 2023 - *Twenty-eighth Sunday after Pentecost,* [Colossians 1:12-18; Luke 17:12-19.](#)

9:10 a.m. Rosary – livestreaming

9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy – livestreaming, followed by St. Nicholas children's program.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIAL TREE: Once again, the memorial tree is set up in the front foyer.



Christmas is a time to spend with loved ones, family and friends, and to remember those who are no longer with us in person but are with us in spirit. If you wish to donate, you may do so by placing your money and family names in the envelopes at the back of the church where it is stated "Specify Donation" and print "**Memorial Tree**" and then place in the Sunday collection basket. E-Transfers are accepted, please indicate in the message

field the names of the deceased member/members for whom you are donating. Fr. Vasyl will have the Panakhyda for all those departed family and friends on Thursday, January 25, 2024 at 6:00 p.m. All funds received will be directed to "St. Athanasius Aide to Ukraine Fund" to help our new families enjoy their first Christmas in Regina.



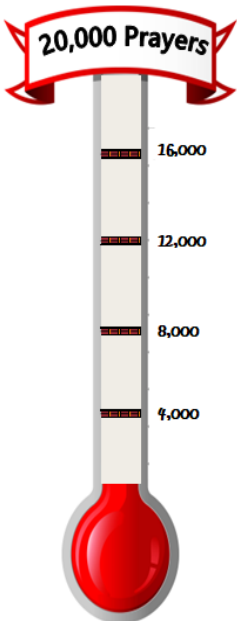
Mark your calendars for the Saint Nicholas Day concert coming up on Sunday, December 10th. There will be a lunch followed by a short program and a visit from Saint Nicholas. For our celebration we are asking that each parish family bring a salad and dessert to share.



ANNUAL THEOPHANY SUPPER – will be held on Friday, January 5, 2024, following the blessing of water. Tickets will soon be on sale. The ticket price will be \$20/adult, \$15/child (ages 7-12), and free for children under 7 years of age. Tickets **MUST BE** purchased or reserved by seeing/calling Rosanne at 306-543-5773, by Wednesday, January 3rd.

Prayer Thermometer:

St. Athanasius Parish
PRAYER THERMOMETER



CIX! Our Catechism class would like to challenge us all to pray together as a church family. From now until Christmas when pray Our Father, Hail Mary and the Rosary at home, work or church etc. please keep a tally of how many prayers you recite. Tally sheets are available at the entrance. Each Our Father and Hail Mary count as one point and each Rosary counts as 59 points. For example you may count your daily prayers, prayers before meals, opening prayers at meetings, rosary at church or even the our Father during liturgy. All these prayers can be recorded. You can keep track individually or as a family on the tally sheets. The tally sheets should be turned in each week so that we can mark the totals on the thermometer located at the entrance of the church. There will be a container to drop off your tally sheets. Remember that a family that prays together stays together. May God Bless you all as we pray and prepare for the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

NOTICE: Our parish expenses continue, so please continue to support the parish. Your donations are very much appreciated. There are a few options available to you: drop off your envelope at 54 McMurchy Avenue, mail in your cheque to 55 McMurchy Avenue, Regina, S4R 3G3, or you can also do an e-transfer to stathandeposit@sasktel.net. PLEASE COMPLETE THE MESSAGE FIELD and DO NOT USE ALIAS NAMES WHEN SENDING AN E-TRANSFER DONATION.

November 26: 44 Regular Envelopes - \$1305; 1 Patriarchal Collection Envelope - \$50; 2 Visitor Envelopes - \$30; 1 Building Fund Envelope - \$20; Loose Change - \$164.

E-Transfers: 4 general donations - \$250.



MARRIAGE BANNS

December 2023:

MICHAEL THOMAS MARKEWICH (Groom)

*Son of Leonard Markewich & Anna (Popowich) Markewich
from Regina, SK.*

and

MORGAN MARIE ZIOLA (Bride)

*Daughter of Robert Elmer Ziola &
Cindy Lou (Bean) Ziola
from Regina, SK.*

ANYONE HAVING KNOWLEDGE OF ANY OBSTACLES TO THE PROPOSED MARRIAGE HAS AN OBLIGATION IN CONSCIENCE TO MAKE IT KNOWN TO THE PARISH PRIEST AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.



NEW COFFEE SIGN UP SCHEDULE: Please, if you can sign up for a Sunday to serve coffee, juice and cookies. This would be very much appreciated. Coffee schedule sign up sheets are located in the front foyer desk and on the kitchen table. If no one signs up for serving this would be an indicator no one is interested in having coffee after Sunday Divine Liturgy and will be discontinued. Please, help out when you can.

POPE's PRAYER INTENTION FOR DECEMBER: *For Persons with Disabilities* – we pray that people living with disabilities may be at the centre of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

DECEMBER FOOD BANK ITEM – Baby Food

THANK YOU: The Monday night catechism classes would just like to say a big thank you to all who donated their cans, bottles and recyclables and to all who gave monetary donations and to the Saint Athanasius UCBC, UCWLC and to the Eparchial brotherhood for all of your very generous donations toward the Child Jesus House in Vynohradiv, Ukraine. This year we collected \$2,301.35 – we can buy a lot of pajamas! The Sisters at the orphanage have asked for us to send, sport pants, school supplies, pajamas, and socks. We were able to purchase all of these items and more. They are very appreciative for all that we send. May God continue to bless our beautiful church family with good things so we can continue to help those with less.

PEROGY WORKSHOP: Order forms are still available for your use. You can put the completed form in the Sunday donation basket or give it to Rosanne. Also, you have the option of picking up your order at the Craft and Trade Show on December 9th, or by making arrangements with Rosanne. You may contact Rosanne at 306-543-5773.



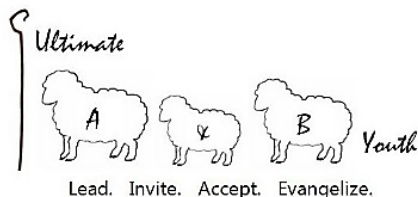
DONATIONS FOR POINSEITTAS to decorate our church for Christmas are now being accepted. Please use the envelopes at the back of church where it is stated **“Specify Donation”** and print **“flowers”**, etransfers stating flowers in the message field, or include with your regular donations and indicate **“Christmas flower donation”**. Thank You!



Choir Practises are scheduled as follows, unless otherwise announced:
Today - Sun Dec. 3 from 2 PM to approx 3:15 PM, with pre-Christmas Social to follow for singers
Sun Dec. 17 @ 2 PM
The time will be spent re-grouping and preparing for Christmas and Theophany services.

Do you have an interest in joining the choir? Please contact me (call or text) and plan to attend practises *if possible*. Thanks. ----- Phyllis Lukey 306-529-8152.

NEXT YOUTH GATHERING!



Our last youth gathering for 2023 is on **Friday, December 15, 2023** from 7-9pm at St. Athanasius Parish. Invite your friends!

SAVE THE DATE!

The 2024 Lock-in Retreat will be on Friday, January 26 and Saturday, January 27, 2024. More details to come!

Please contact Lesia (ultimateaandb@hotmail.com) or your parish priest for more information on either of the above gatherings.

St. Michael's Winter Camp is BACK!



When: February 19-25, 2024

Where: Madge Lake, SK - Duck Mountain Provincial Park

Who: Co-ed, ages 8-14

What: downhill skiing, cross country skiing, sledding, skating, crafts, spiritual activities, campfire singing and MORE!

Cost: \$300 (before January 1st \$250)

Limited spots! Visit our website to register <https://www.stmichaelscamp.com/> or email us at camp@stmichaelscamp.com for more details! Staff applications are due by November 30th. Want to donate to St. Michael's Winter Camp? Let us know by emailing Maria at camp@stmichaelcamp.com for details.



Tavria Ukrainian Dance Festival

The Tavria Ukrainian Dance School of Regina, Saskatchewan is proud to celebrate their 32nd Ukrainian Dance Festival.

We welcome Ukrainian Dancers of all levels and ages to join us for a celebration of culture, heritage, music and of course, dance.

New this year, we will be offering a Master's Class to Instructors.

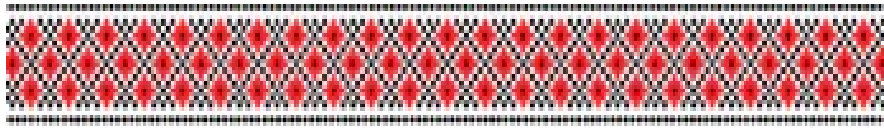
The festival will take place March 14-17th, 2024.
Located at the Regina Performance Arts Centre , 1077 Angus Street, Regina.

If you are interested in joining our festival, please contact us at tavriaukrainian@gmail.com or tavria.festival.register@gmail.com

Thank you and we will see you soon!

Melissa Dennett, Kevin Harris and Twyla Mosley-Widger
Your 2024 Tavria Ukrainian Dance Festival Co-chairs





St. Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood



Christmas Sausage Fundraiser



1 Ring = \$7.50 per lbs. (Which is two sticks of sausage.)

Contact Basil Kuzyk at
306-570-6618

or

basilkuzyk@gmail.com

to order.

Orders must be in by December 3, 2023.



Saint Athanasius Ukrainian Catholic Brotherhood of Canada would like to thank all who participated in our sold-out UCBC 2023 Grey Cup Squares.



The following are the winners:

1st quarter with square #82 is Myron Derow winning: \$100.00.

2nd quarter with square #85 is Len Markewich winning: \$100.00.

3rd quarter with square #5 is Scott Bailey winning: \$100.00.

Final score with square #33 is Kevin Woitas winning: \$250.00.



St. Athanasius Branch UCWLC invites you to our

Christmas Market Trade & Craft Show

Ukrainian Food Ready
For Your Holiday Table!

Borscht
Cabbage Rolls
Perogies
Kolachi/Christmas Breads

DECEMBER 9, 2023

10AM-4PM

55 MCMURCHY AVE.

ADMISSION BY DONATION

Over 30 Local Vendors!

Art, Woodturning,
Decor, Bath Products,
Seasonal, Jewelry,
Baking, Clothing, Ceramics...
and so much more!

UCWLC
Notes...



Примітки
лукаж...

1. Thank you to.....:

- a.Lorraine W., Marianne B., Lena B., Connie, Marie B., for their help in our Nov. 16 Borscht & Cheesecake Bee
- b.Marianne B., Lena B., Marie B., & Marion F., for their help with the Nov. 23 Kolachi bee!

2. Upcoming Branch Activities – Mark Your Calendars!

- Friday, Dec. 8* *Hall Set up for Christmas Market - 1pm*
- Saturday, Dec. 9* *Christmas Market & Trade Show
(10am – 4pm): use west doors; parish
lobby closed to Market visitors.*

** Vendors/volunteers asked to park in Huda School lot.*

** Thank you to Branch members - we have reached our quota in pie donations for Market canteen! Wow!*

**Call for Market volunteers (8am – 6pm): kitchen/canteen, UCWLC table, admission, 50/50 raffle, floaters, take down/clean up. Open to any parishioner who would like to help!*

**Should there be any UCWLC food remaining after the Market, it will be available for sale to parishioners following the Sun., Dec. 10/23 liturgy.*

**Note: Call Marie B. if you can help: 306-949-7493!*



**Benefit Concerts at Knox-Metropolitan United Church 2340 Victoria Ave Regina SK.
to support orphanages in Ukraine through the Ukrainian Sisters of St. Joseph of Saskatoon
Proudly Supported by the Regina Chapter of the Knights of Columbus**

E-TRANSFER can be done to the following with a foot note of **Orphanage** treasurer@stbmd.ca

Cheques should be made out to "**St. Basil's**" with a foot note on the cheque of "**ORPHANAGE**"

Cash donations are also welcome in a sealed envelope

Please make sure your full name and address is included with your donation

Mailing address:

St. Basil's Ukrainian Catholic Parish

1747 Toronto Street

Regina SK

S4P 1M5

Tax receipts will be mailed out for your donations of \$20.00 or more.

Corporate donations are also most welcome

For more information please contact Andrij Lazurko 306-533-2750 or email to andrijl@semc.ca



UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC
FOUNDATION OF SASKATCHEWAN CORPORATION

"SHARE THE SPIRIT"

50/50 LOTTERY DRAW (Lottery License - #LR23-0067)

THANK YOU very much to all who have already purchased tickets in the "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Draw. The response to date has been exceptional and at the time of this posting, the 50/50 *WINNER'S SHARE* was already at **\$26,100.00** and growing daily. *The winner of the 2022 "Share the Spirit" Lottery Draw received \$28,720.00 (2021-\$32,720.00; 2020-\$32,900.00; 2019-\$29,220.00; 2018-\$29,440.00).*

There are only **A FEW DAYS LEFT** before the close of "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Draw. Do not hesitate -- get your tickets now to ensure that you are included in the draw on Friday, December 8, 2023. You still have a great opportunity for a chance to win some extra cash for Christmas – AND, also financially help your Parish/Mission or designated Eparchial Organization.

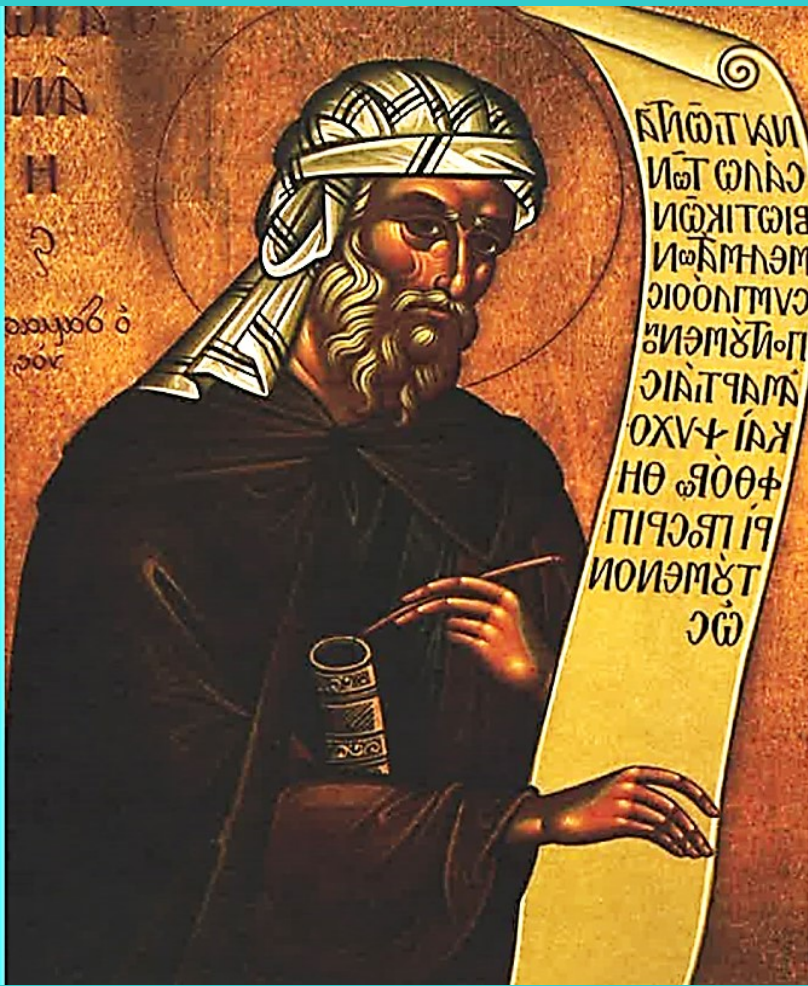
TO BE ELIGIBLE FOR THE DRAW, PURCHASED TICKETS MUST BE AT THE UCFSASK FOUNDATION OFFICE BY DECEMBER 6, 2023, 5:00PM

It is important to remember that under the Lottery License rules ALL tickets, SOLD OR UNSOLD, must be returned to the UCFSASK Office by December 6, 2023, 5:00pm. An enclosed postage paid envelope has been provided with the lottery package.

"Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery Draw Information

- *Draw date: Friday, December 8, 2023, at 2:00pm at 214 Avenue M South, Saskatoon SK*
- *Ticket Price: \$20.00 per ticket*
- *Total number of tickets available for sale: 11,000*
- *Total maximum prize value: \$110,000.00*
- *Make cheques payable to: UCFSask Corp*

NOTICE: *The Draw will be livestreamed with the link on our website at www.ucfsask.org*
For more detailed information on the "Share the Spirit" 50/50 Lottery, please visit the UCFSASK Website at www.ucfsask.org call the UCFSASK Office at 306-653-0138, ext 223.



Icon of John of Damascus ----December 4th

Saint John of Damascus

John spent most of his life in the monastery of St. Sabas, near Jerusalem, and all of his life under Muslim rule, indeed, protected by it. He was born in Damascus, received a classical and theological education, and followed his father in a government position under the Arabs. After a few years he resigned and went to the monastery of St. Sabas. He reposed in the Lord in the year 749.

He is famous in three areas. He is known for his writings against the iconoclasts, who opposed the veneration of images.

Paradoxically was the Eastern Christian emperor Leo who forbade the practice, and it was because John lived in Muslim territory that his enemies could not silence him. Second, he is famous for his treatise, Exposition of the Orthodox Faith, a summary of the Greek Fathers (of which he became the last). It is said that this book is for Eastern schools what the Summa of Thomas Aquinas became for the West. Thirdly, he is known as a poet, one of the two greatest of the Eastern Church, the other being Romanus the Melodist. His devotion to the Theotokos and his sermons on her feasts are well known.

John defended the Church's understanding of the veneration of images and explained the faith of the Church in several other controversies. For over 30 years he combined a life of prayer with these Devenses and his other writings. His holiness expressed itself in putting his literary and preaching talents at the service of the Lord.