ANNOUNCEMENTS

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Tues. Nov. 22	6:30 pm	ASONA Bible Study
Wed. Nov. 23	6 pm	Molieben of Thanksgiving
Sat. Nov. 26	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Nov. 27	11 am	Divine Liturgy

GIVING TUESDAY

Tues. Nov. 29		No Bible Study
Sat. Dec. 4	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Dec. 5	11 am	Divine Liturgy

PLEASE NOTE: The Parking Lot will be repaved THIS week. If you come to Church, please DO NOT PARK in the lot. You will have to use the streetside parking. *Thanks everyone!*

ARIZONA BISHOP'S ITEMS

We are still collecting for these. Can you help us by sponsoring any Episcopal visitation items?

All donations are helpful!

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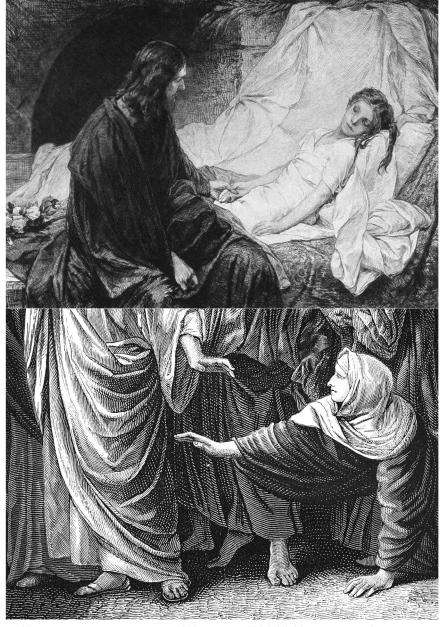
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SUN. NOV. 20, 2022

HOLY 33 MARTYRS OF MELITENE

TONE 6



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Prokeimenon in Tone 6 (Ps 28)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance! v. To Thee, O Lord, will I call. O my God, be not silent to me.

EPISTLES: EPHESIANS 2:4-10

RETHREN, God, Who is rich in mercy, because of His great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead in trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up together, and made us sit together in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the ages to come He might show the exceeding riches of His grace in His kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith, and that not of yourselves; it is the gift of God, not of works, lest anyone should boast. For we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand that we should walk in them.+

Alleluia in Tone 6 (Ps 91)

He who dwells in the shelter of the Most High, will abide in the shadow of the heavenly God.

He will say to the Lord: My Protector and my refuge; my God, in Whom I trust.



GOSPEL: LUKE 8:41-56

T THAT TIME, behold, there came a man named Jairus, and he was a ruler of the synagogue. And he fell down at Jesus' feet and begged Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter about twelve years of age, and she was dying. But as He went, the multitudes thronged Him. Now a woman, having a flow of blood for twelve years, who had spent all her livelihood on physicians and could not be healed by any, came from behind and touched the border of His garment. And immediately her flow of blood stopped. And Jesus said, "Who touched Me?" When all denied it, Peter and those with him said, "Master, the multitudes throng and press You, and You say, 'Who touched Me?' " But Jesus said, "Somebody touched Me, for I perceived power going out from Me." Now when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling; and falling down before Him, she declared to Him in the presence of all the people the reason she had touched Him and how she was healed immediately. And He said to her, "Daughter, be of good cheer; your faith has made you well. Go in peace." While He was still speaking, someone came from the ruler of the synagogue's house, saying to him, "Your daughter is dead. Do not trouble the Teacher." But when Jesus heard it, He answered him, saying, "Do not be afraid; only believe, and she will be made well." When He came into the house, He permitted no one to go in except Peter, James, and John, and the father and mother of the girl. Now all wept and mourned for her; but He said, "Do not weep; she is not dead, but sleeping." And they ridiculed Him, knowing that she was dead. But He put them all outside, took her by the hand and called, saying, "Little girl, arise." Then her spirit returned, and she arose immediately. And He commanded that she be given something to eat. And her parents were astonished, but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.+



took a stick and started beating the soldiers who had been sent to bring him. The soldiers scattered, ashamed of being defeated by a single man. Hieron then hid himself in a cave with eighteen other Christians. Lysias would not risk losing his soldiers by storming the cave.

Upon the advice of Cyriacus, one of Hieron's friends, Lysias lifted the siege of the cave and withdrew his detachment. Then Cyriacus persuaded Hieron not to offer resistance to the authorities. He and the other new conscripts and accompanying soldiers were sent to the nearby city of Melitene.

Soon Hieron had a vision in his sleep, in which his impending martyrdom was foretold. Lysias told the soldiers gathered at Melitene to offer sacrifice to the pagan gods. Hieron and another thirty-two soldiers refused to do this, and openly confessed their faith in Christ. Then the persecutor gave orders to beat the martyrs, and to cut off Hieron's arm at the elbow. After cruel tortures they threw the martyrs into prison barely alive, and they beheaded them four days later.

A certain rich and illustrious Christian by the name of Chrysanthus ransomed Hieron's head from Lysias. When the persecutions finally ceased, he built a church on the place where they executed the holy martyrs, and he placed the venerable head in it. The bodies of all the executed saints were secretly buried by Christians. In reign of the emperor Justinian, during the construction of the church of Hagia Eirene (Holy Peace), the venerable relics were uncovered and found incorrupt.

The other martyrs are: Hesychius, Nicander, Athanasius, Mamas, Barachius, Callinicus, Theogenes, Nikon, Longinus, Theodore, Valerius, Xanthius, Theodoulus, Callimachus, Eugene, Theodochus, Ostrychius, Epiphanius, Maximian, Ducitius, Claudian, Theophilus, Gigantius, Dorotheus, Theodotus, Castrichius, Anicletus, Themelius, Eutychius, Hilarion, Diodotus and Amonitus.

Holy Martyrs of Meletine, pray to God for us!

GLORY TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS!



A week from this Tuesday is International GIVING TUESDAY. For many non-profits, and most churches, over 30% of their annual income comes on or shortly after GIVING TUESDAY.

ASONA (All Saints of North America), your parish is no exception.

Our mission is very clear. We have started, planted, and established new missions throughout Arizona and New Mexico. Our Catechism program is used around the world. We have raised up men for the services of the Altar of Christ, and for ordination to Holy Orders, and deacons AND priests. And we have brought the lonely, hurting, wounded, and hopeful to the Body of Christ.

Your love and prayer has done this.

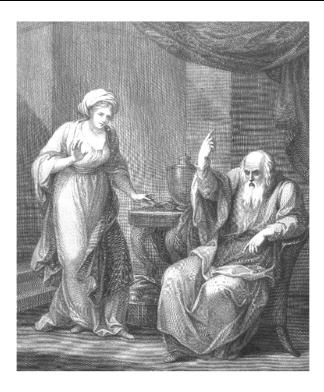
We have an exceptional little parish. Invest in your spiritual home this coming month, and help us start strong on GIVING TUESDAY.



SAINTS ALIVE

The lives and deeds of the heroes of our faith

PROPHET AHIJAH



The Holy Prophet Ahijah, (cf. 1/3 Kgs 11:29 ff.) was a contemporary of Solomon, and was born in the city of Shiloh. The prophet predicted to Jeroboam his kingly rule over the ten Tribes of Israel, which God would grant him, snatching them away from the hands of Solomon. Afterwards Ahijah predicted to Jeroboam the perishing of all his line. All the predictions of the prophet were fulfilled. The Prophet Ahijah died in old age 960 years before the birth of Christ.

Holy Prophet Ahijah, pray unto God for us!

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33 MARTYRS OF MELETINE



The holy martyr Hieron was born in the city of Tiana in great Cappadocia. Raised by a pious mother, he was a kindly and good Christian.

The co-ruling emperors Diocletian (284-305) and Maximian (284-305) sent a large military detachment headed by Lysias to Cappadocia to eradicate Christianity there, and also to conscript healthy and strong men into the imperial army. Among those pressed into service, Lysias also ordered his men to draft Hieron, who was distinguished by his great physical strength and dexterity.

But Hieron refused to serve emperors who persecuted Christians. When they attempted to seize him by force and bring him to Lysias, he