



Main Church *Iconography*

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

TOGETHER, LET US ADORN OUR PARISH

Sponsor an Icon today!



Sts. Adrian and Natalia

August 26 and September 8



The holy Martyrs Adrian and Natalia, confessed the Christian faith during the reign of Maximian, in Nicomedia, in the year 298. Adrian, a pagan, witnessed the valor of the martyrs, and the fervent faith with which they suffered their torments, and declared himself a Christian and was imprisoned.

When this was told to his wife Natalia, who was a secret believer, she visited him in prison and encouraged him in his sufferings. Saint Adrian's hands and feet were placed on an anvil and broken off with a hammer, and he died in his torments. His blessed wife recovered part of his holy relics and took them to Argyropolis near Byzantium, and reposed in peace soon after.

Apolytikion:

Thou didst deem that Faith which hath salvation to be riches never lost or plundered. Thou forsake thy fathers' impiety, and thou didst follow thy Master, becoming rich in His divine gifts, O glorious Adrian. With the godly-minded Natalia, who emboldened thee, entreat Christ God, O Martyr, that our souls be saved.