

St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church 3916 Hudson Street Metairie, LA 70006



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Sunday: Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.



November 17, 2013 The 21st Sunday After Pentecost Tone 4 ~ Eothinon 10 ~ Ps. 109:8

Christ is in our midst! He is and ever shall be!

Holy Communion is only open to those Orthodox Christians who are in good standing with the Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and a recent confession. If you are not in good standing with the Church or are not an Orthodox Christian please do not be offended by this. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the antidoron at the end of the Divine Liturgy

Saints du Jour (November 17)

Gregory the wonder-worker, bishop of Neo-Caesarea; Gennadios, archbishop of Constantinople; Venerable Nikon, disciple of Sergios of Radonezh

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 4: Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation and proudly broke the news to the disciples saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Gregory the Wonderworker – Tone 4: Thy righteous acts have manifested thee to thy flock as a model of faith, a reflection of humility, and a teacher of abstinence, O Father Bishop Gregory. Therefore, through humility thou hast achieved exaltation, and through poverty, riches. Intercede thou with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion of St. Basil the Great – Tone 1: Into all the world that received thy word went out thy voice; thereby didst thou divinely teach, explaining the nature of existing things and ordering the conduct of men. O venerable father, royal priesthood Basil, intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

Kontakion of the Presentation of the Theotokos – **Tone 4:** The all-pure temple of the Savior, the most precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the treasure-house of the glory of God, today entered the Temple of the Lord, bringing with her the grace which is in the divine Spirit: whom also the angels of God do celebrate in song; for she is the heavenly tabernacle.

Prokeimenon: O Lord, how magnificent are Your works. You have made all things in wisdom.
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Epistle: The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians. (Chapter 2:16-20)

BRETHREN, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus in order to be justified by faith in Christ and not by works of the law because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things, which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I, through the law, died to the law that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Gospel: The reading form the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (Chapter 12:16-21)

The Lord spoke this parable, "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build larger ones and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry." But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you, and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself and is not rich towards God." As he said this, Jesus called out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Wednesday, Nov. 20th – Vesperal Divine Liturgy, 6:30 P.M. (Presentation of the Theotokos)
Saturday, Nov. 23th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Nov. 24th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Nov. 30th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Dec. 1st – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Thursday, Dec. 5th – Vesperal Divine Liturgy, 6:30 P.M. (St. Nicholas)
Saturday, Dec. 7th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Dec. 8th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Dec. 14th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Dec. 15th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The holy bread is offered today by Vlajko and Paulina Kocic in memory of Vlajko's mother, Nada Kocic.

Trisagion prayers are offered today by Vlajko and Paulina Kocic for the repose of Vlajko's mother, Nada Kocic. May her memory be eternal.

The coffee hour is brought to you today by Vlajko and Paulina Kocic. Thank you.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

A study of our symbol of faith, the Nicea-Constantinopolitan Creed shall be held after Divine Liturgy on Nov. 13. Refreshments shall be served as available.

The **Parish Council** shall hold its monthly meeting next today, November 17, after Divine Liturgy. All Council members please attend.

The **Advent Fast** begins Friday, November 15^{th} , and is divided into two periods. The first period is Nov. 15 - Dec. 19, with the traditional fasting discipline observed (no meat, poultry, dairy, eggs, fish, alcohol and oil). There is an allowance, however, for alcohol and oil on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and an allowance for alcohol, oil and fish on Saturdays and Sundays. The second period is Dec. 20 - 24, with the traditional fasting discipline observed. There is an allowance, however, for alcohol and oil only on Saturday and Sunday.

Donations for **poinsettias** will be accepted from Nov. 24 – Dec. 8. If you would like to make a donation, please fill out one of the envelopes in the narthex and on the "Special Occasion" line, please write, "Poinsettias." Donations are \$10.00 per plant. Thank you.

Church Clean-up days are scheduled for Tuesday, Dec. 2, from 9:30 A.M. until 12:00 P.M and Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9:30 A.M. until 12:00 P.M. Tuesday's work will focus on the Church Hall while Saturday's work will include working in the Church Hall and the Church temple. Many hands make light work; please do join us.

Our annual **Cookies with St. Nicholas Party** is scheduled for Saturday, December 7th, from 2:30-4:00 P.M. Youngsters of all ages are welcome. Please see **Khouriyeh Pam Nugent** for more details.

WOMEN'S SHELTER donations will continue to be gathered. PLEASE provide ONLY the items on the WISHLIST (Walmart gift cards, bottled water, postage stamps, baby wipes, size 3 diapers, toilet paper, paper towels, bus tokens).

As of November 10, 2013, 44 pledges have been received totaling \$75,760.00. The budget approved at our Annual General Parish Meeting was for \$151,080.00. Approximately \$2,906/week is needed in donations to meet this obligation. The collections for November 10, 2013, totaled \$1050 for a year-to-date total of \$103,155 (~\$2,292/week). We are approximately \$27,630 short of where we need to be at this time.

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