

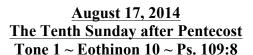
St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

The Very Reverend Father Peter Nugent, Pastor 3916 Hudson St. Metairie, LA 70006



Saturday: Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

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



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.

The weather is always very warm during the summer months. While we need to dress comfortably because of this please remember that shorts or above-the-knee attire, strapless garments, "spaghetti" strap garments, sleeveless or "tanktop" type garments, and tight-fitting, open or low-cut garments are not appropriate, especially for adults and teenagers. It has always been our tradition to dress modestly and without drawing attention to oneself. Thank you.

Saints du Jour (August 17)

Hieromartyr Myron of Kyzikos; the righteous siblings Eutychios, Eutychian, and Kassiane of Crete; Venerable Alypios the iconographer of the Kiev Caves; Martyrs Paul and Juliana of Ptolemaïs in Palestine; Theodoretos of Solovky, enlightener of the Lapps.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 1: While the stone was sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world, for which cause the heavenly pow'rs cried aloud unto Thee, O Giver of life: Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ; glory to Thy kingdom; glory to Thy providence, O Thou, Who alone art the Lover of mankind.

Apolytikion of the Dormition – Tone 1: In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for living thou wast translated, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death. 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 Dormition – Tone 2: Neither the grave nor death had power over the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercession and whose protection is an unchanging hope; for being the Mother of Life, she was translated to life by the One Who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb.

Prokeimenon: Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us. **Verse**: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous.

Epistle: The reading from Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians. (Chapter 4:9-16)

BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the offscouring of all things.

I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Gospel: The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Chapter 17:14-23)

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often falls into the fire and often into the water. And I brought Him to your disciples and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to Me." And Jesus rebuked him and the demon came out of him and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you if you have faith, even as a grain of mustard seed you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting."

As they were traveling together through Galilee Jesus said to them, "The Son of Man is to be delivered into the hands of men and they will kill Him and He will rise on the third day."

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Aug. 23rd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 24th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Aug. 30th – No Great Vespers & Confessions

Sunday, Aug. 31st – Typica Service, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Sept. 6th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 7th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Sept. 13th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 14th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Coffee hour is provided today by **Dwight Gillis** and **Gage Russell** in honor of **Tania's** 40th birthday. Congratulations and may God grant you many years.

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

Ladies Guild News: **Frozen Meat Packages** - there are still a few frozen chicken packages that we are now able to sell since lent has finished @ \$5 each or 4 for \$20.

Parents and teachers please note that **church school** shall begin on Sunday, Sept. 7th after Divine Liturgy. Thank you.

On Saturday, October 4, 2014, our courtyard between the church temple and church hall shall be formally dedicated and blessed in honor and memory of The Very Reverend Father Stephen Hardie and his wife, Doris. Father Stephen was our community's first fulltime priest. The occasion, God willing, shall begin that Saturday with Great Vespers with Trisagion prayers for Father Stephen (10 years). Afterwards, the courtyard shall be dedicated and a parish-wide potluck meal shall be served in the church hall. Our guest speaker for the evening shall be The Very Reverend Father John C. Henderson of St. Peter Antiochian Orthodox Church in Madison, Mississippi. On Sunday morning, Father John and Fr. Peter shall concelebrate the Divine Liturgy and coffee hour shall be provided afterwards. All events are free of charge and everyone is welcome.

As of August 10, 2014, 39 pledges were received totaling \$73,985.00. The budget approved at our Annual General Parish Meeting was for \$136,480.00. Approximately \$2,625/week is needed in donations to meet this obligation. The collection for August 10, 2014, totaled \$1,736 for a year-to-date total of \$73,473.01 (~\$2,296/week). We are approximately \$10,528 short of where we need to be at this time.

Spiritual Counsels...

"When virtuous men are in power, the people are joyful, when the wicked rule, the people groan." Proverbs 29:2