

St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

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

August 28, 2016

The 10th Sunday after Pentecost and the 10th Sunday of Matthew Tone 1 ~ Eothinon 10 ~ Psalm 109:8

Christ Is In Our Midst! He Is And Ever Shall Be!

To Our Guests:

Holy Communion is open only 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. While we are not yet in formal inter-communion with other faith traditions, we have much respect for their rites of worship and sanctuaries of prayer. 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.

As we move into the summer months, the weather is always very warm. 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 men, women and teenagers. It has always been our tradition to dress modestly and without drawing attention to oneself. Thank you.

The Mission of St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church...

We love and worship God, proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Christian Faith, and serve those in our parish, our larger community, and God's people everywhere through worship, prayer, fellowship, education, charity, and outreach.

The Vision of St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church...

St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church is committed to growth: growth of our members spiritually, and growth of our members in the participation of parish life. We are committed to the education in the faith of our members and non-members. We will identify and initiate strategies to increase the involvement of the teens and the 20-40 age group of the parish. We will reach out to the larger community with invitations and messages about the Holy Orthodox Christian Faith and St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church. We will identify and implement strategies to enhance our financial stability.



Saints du Jour (Aug. 28)

Venerable Moses of Ethiopia; Martyrs Diomedes, D uncovering of the relics of Venerable Job of Pochaev

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 1: While the were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise world, for which cause the heavenly pow'rs cried alo resurrection, O Christ; glory to Thy kingdom; glory to Lover of mankind.

Apolytikion of St. Moses the Ethiopian – Tone 1: The home, an angel in the flesh, a doer of wonders; and be heavenly gifts. Therefore, thou dost heal the sick and mantled Father Moses. Glory to Him Who hath given thee; glory to Him Who through thee accomplished he Apolytikion of St. Basil the Great – Tone 1: Into all voice; thereby didst thou divinely teach, explaining the conduct of men. O venerable father, royal priesthood salvation of our souls.

Kontakion of the Nativity of the Theotokos – Tone 4 Joachim and Anna were delivered from the reproach corruption of death; thy people celebrate it, having be transgressions, crying unto thee: The barren doth give

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

Epistle: The reading from Saint Paul (Chapter 4

BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill c working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, a things.

I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to adyou have countless guides in Christ, you do not hat Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be i

Gospel: The reading is from the Holy (Chapter 17

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often

GOSPEL CONTINUED

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

Monday, Aug. 29th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. (Beheading of St. John) Saturday, Sept. 3rd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 4th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Thursday, Sept. 8th – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Birth of the Theotokos) Saturday, Sept. 10th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 11th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Wednesday, Sept. 14th – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Elevation of Holy Cross) Saturday, Sept. 17th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 18th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Sept. 24th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Sept. 25th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today's Ushers: Stephen Zelesnik & Terr Mehari. Next Week: Dwight Gillis & Helen Merid.

The holy bread is offered today by Yana Fox for the health of Tatyana, Anatoliy, Svetlana, Vadim, Michael, & Yana (many years), and in memory of James, Jason, Egor, Galina, Yana, & Alexander (memory eternal).

Trisagion prayers are offered today by Natalia Sidorovskaia for the repose of Svetlana, Nina, George, Jean, Angeline, Lilia, Ivan, Sergej, Nikolaj, Ulyana, Anna, Lubov, and Stepan. May their memory be eternal.

Coffee hour is provided today by Team 2. Thank you.

Candles are available in the narthex of the church temple and are an important part of Orthodox worship and spirituality. Donations for candles are appropriate. The large, white candles are \$3 each and the yellow, taper candles are \$1 each. May your prayers be holy and pleasing unto God.

The **St. Basil Youth Group** shall hold its monthly meeting next Sunday, Sept. 4, after Divine Liturgy. All teens and tweens of the parish are invited to attend.

ANNOUNCEMENT

On May 19-21, 2017, we shall celebrate the 40th ANTHONY of the Diocese of Toledo and the Midw the parish on this occasion, we are attempting to: 1) donations needed for this are \$2,000.00, and, 2.) Pur for Divine Liturgy during the festive periods of Approximately \$5,000.00 are needed to purchase t discos sets may be seen on the bulletin board outs welcome. Please see Fr. Peter if you are interested in

Approximately 25 **Red Carnations** are needed for t Sept. 14. If you are interested in donating all or prenvelopes in the narthex and on the "Special Occasic your commemorations, donation and turn the enveloped to the commemoration of the co

After Divine Liturgy today, our parish youth shall rec Life Conference.

Parents and Church School teachers, please note tha 11th, God willing.

Can you imagine going to school without a pencil where IOCC works, there are children who do not The Ladies Guild will be collecting school items for 1 Orthodox Christian Charities) and CWS (Church Wo all over the world. During August and September a the following items can be dropped off. The Ladie costs and the purchase of the special backpacks. T

- Blunt metal scissors (rounded tip)
- 70-count spiral or tape-bound notebooks of 8" x 10 Please **do not** provide loose-leaf or filler pap
- 30-centimeter ruler (12")
- Hand-held pencil sharpeners
- New pencils with erasers
- Large erasers, 2-1/2"

Boxes of 24 crayons (only 24)

Book study of "Thirty Steps to Heaven" is continuin 12 p.m. on Sundays except for the third Sunday of th If you don't have the book, you may order it from (rtbooms@earthlink.net) can send you a copy of the 1

Choir practice is held on Sunday mornings at 8:30 parish should see our choir director, Andy Mahoney

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

As approved by the Parish Council, we shall hold the **St. Basil International Food Fest** on Friday, Nov. 4, thru Sunday, Nov. 6. **Cesar El-Hajj** is the festival chairman. Foods representing our diverse ethnic groups shall be prepared and sold at various booths. Activities for kids will be available as well as music and dancing for all ages. This is a parish wide event and everyone's assistance is requested.

The church bulletin is available by email. Please tell Fr. Peter if you would like to receive it.

As of Aug. 23, 2016, 46 pledges were received totaling \$99,650. Our operating budget for this year is \$146,125.00. Approximately \$2,810/week is needed to meet this obligation. The collection for Aug. 21, 2016, totaled \$4,269.25 for a year-to-date total of \$87,892.61, a weekly average of \$2,511.22. As of August 20, 2016, our expenses are \$95,867.35, a weekly average of \$2,905.07.

Spiritual Counsels...

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

Venerable Moses the Ethiopian

Moses was an Ethiopian by birth and by profession, at first, a robber and leader of a band of robbers and, after that, a penitent and great ascetic. As the slave of a master, Moses escaped and joined the robbers. Because of his great physical strength and arrogance, the robbers chose him as their leader. Suddenly, Moses was overcome with pangs of conscience and repentance for the misdeeds, which he had committed. He left the group, entered a monastery and gave himself completely in obedience to his spiritual father and to the monastic rule. He benefited much from the teachings of Saints Macarius, Arsenius and Isidore. Later, he withdrew to solitude in a cell where he dedicated himself completely to physical labor, prayer, vigils and godly-thoughts. Tormented by the demon of fornication, Moses confessed to Isidore, his spiritual father, and from him, received counsel to fast even more and never to eat to full satisfaction. When even this did not help he, at the counsel of the elder, began to keep vigil at night and to pray standing; after that, he began the practice of bringing water to the elderly monks from a distant well all night long. After six years of terrible struggles, St. Isidore finally miraculously healed him of fornicating thoughts, fantasies and dreams brought about on him by demons. Moses was ordained a priest in old age. He founded his own monastery and had 75 disciples and lived in this life for 75 years. He foresaw his death and, one day, he told his disciples to flee for the barbarians were going to attack the monastery. When the disciples also urged him to flee with them, Moses said that he must die by violence for, at one time, he himself committed violence and, according to the words: "For all they that take the sword shall perish with the sword" (St. Matthew 26:52). He remained there with six brethren and the barbarians came and slew them. One of the brethren, hidden in the vicinity, beheld and saw seven shining wreaths as they descended upon the seven martyrs.

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