



St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

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

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



July 23, 2017

The 7th Sunday after Pentecost & the 7th Sunday of Matthew

Plagal Tone 2 ~ Eothinon 7

Glory to Jesus Christ. Glory to God forever.

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 (July 23)

Hieromartyr Phocas, bishop of Sinope; Hieromartyrs Apollinaris and Vitalis, bishops of Ravenna; Martyr Apollonios of Rome; Holy Prophet Ezekiel.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Plagal Tone 2: When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred Body angelic pow’rs shown above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers, who were to keep guard, became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin, and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

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 Theotokos – Tone 2: O undisputed Intercessor of Christians, constant Advocate before the Creator, do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou always protect those who honor thee.

Prokeimenon: O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance.

Verse: To You, O Lord, have I cried O my God.

Epistle: The reading is from St. Paul’s Letter to the Romans.
(Chapter 15:1-7)

BRETHREN, we who are strong ought to bear with the failings of the weak and not to please ourselves; let each of us please his neighbor for his good, to edify him. For Christ did not please Himself; but, as it is written, “The reproaches of those who reproached Thee fell on me.” For whatever was written in the former days was written for our instruction, that by steadfastness and by the encouragement of the scriptures we might have hope. May the God of steadfastness and encouragement grant you to live in such harmony with one another, in accord with Christ Jesus, that together you may with one voice glorify the God and Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Welcome one another, therefore, as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.

Gospel: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew
(Chapter 9:27-35)

At that time, when Jesus was passing by, two blind men followed Him, crying aloud and saying, “Have mercy on us, Son of David.” When He entered the house the blind men came to Him and Jesus said to them, “Do you believe that I am able to do this?” They said to Him, “Yes, Lord.” Then Jesus touched their eyes, saying, “According to your faith be it done to you.” And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, “See that no one knows it.” But they went away and spread His fame through all that district.

As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Jesus. And when the demon had been cast out the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, “Never was anything like this seen in Israel.” But the Pharisees said, “He casts out demons by the prince of demons.” And

GOSPEL CONTINUED

Jesus went about all the cities and villages teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity of the people.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 29th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, July 30th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Aug. 5th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Aug. 6th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Aug. 12th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Aug. 13th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Aug. 19th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Aug. 20th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today’s Ushers: Mihai Leustean & Emma Nugent. **Next Week:** Dwight Gillis & Terr Mehari.

Coffee hour: Team 3. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 4.

The **Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord** is on Sunday, Aug. 6. The **blessing of the grapes** will occur at the end of the Divine Liturgy. Those persons interested in donating grapes for that Sunday, please see Fr. Peter. Thank you.

The **Feast of the Dormition of the Mother of God** is on Tuesday, Aug. 15. **St. Basil Church** and **Holy Trinity Cathedral**, as God so wills, shall hold a joint service at the cathedral (1200 Robert E. Lee Blvd./NOLA). Orthros shall begin at 9 A.M.; Divine Liturgy shall begin at 10 A.M. Please join us as your schedules permit.

As of July 17, 2017, 41 pledges were received totaling \$87,180. The collection for July 16, 2017, totaled \$3,767.00 for a year-to-date total of \$88,962.18, a weekly average of \$3,067.66. As of July 16, 2017, our expenses are \$97,263.32, a weekly average of \$3,353.91.

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

Spiritual Counsels...

“The hope of virtuous men is all joy, the expectations of the wicked are frustrated.” – Proverbs 10:28

The Holy Martyrs Trofimus and Theophilus and 13 Others with Them

They all suffered in Lycia during the reign of Emperor Diocletian. Because they would not, in any way, deny Christ nor offer sacrifices to the idols, they were subjected to various tortures: they were beaten with stones; they were scrapped with sharp irons; their knees were broken; and finally, so tortured, they were more dead than alive and were thrown into the fire. The power of God preserved them and they remained unharmed. They were then taken out and beheaded. The Lord glorified them both on earth and in His heavenly kingdom. They suffered honorably in Lycia in the year 308 A.D.

from: The Prologue from Ochrid