

# 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.

## June 3, 2018

The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost ~ The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Matthew
Tone 1 ~ Eothinon 2

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.

**Please Note:** Food and drinks in church are not appropriate except for life threatening circumstances. This includes, but is not limited to, snack items, cheerios, fruit, fruit snacks, sandwiches, meals, or drink items of any sort. If your child cannot wait until liturgy is over in order to eat, please take him or her to the church hall. 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 (June 10)

Martyr Alexander & Virgin-martyr Antonina of Constantinople; Venerable Theophanes, the monk of Antioch & Pansemne, the former harlot; John of Tobolsk, metropolitan of Tobolsk & wonder-worker of Siberia; Virgin-martyr Olivia of Sicily.

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

**Epistle:** The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.

(Chapter 2:10-16)

BRETHREN, glory and honor and peace for everyone who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

**Gospel:** The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew (Chapter 4:18-23)

At that time, as Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who is called Peter and Andrew, his brother, casting a net into the sea, for they were fishermen. And He said to them, "Follow me and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed Him. And going on from there He saw two other brothers, James, the son of Zebedee, and John, his brother, in the boat with Zebedee, their father, mending their nets and He called them. Immediately they left the boat and their father and followed Him. And He went about all Galilee teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

#### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, June 16<sup>th</sup> – No Great Vespers & Confessions Sunday, June 17<sup>th</sup> – Typica Service, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, June 24<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, June 30<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, July 1<sup>st</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, July 7<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, July 8<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. Saturday, July 14<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M. Sunday, July 15<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Today's Ushers: Michael Zelesnik. Next Sunday: Michael Rose Hrabar and Mihai Leustean.

Today's **coffee hour:** Team 6. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 1.

The Apostle's Fast began on Monday, June 3. It continues until Friday, June 29, at which time we break the fast.

The **Ladies Guild** are scheduled to hold their monthly meeting today, June 10. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The **Parish Council** are scheduled to hold their monthly meeting on Sunday, June 24. All Council members are asked to attend.

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

As of June 5, 2018, 42 pledges were received totaling \$100,550. The collection for June 3, 2018, totaled \$3,472.25, for a year-to-date total of \$58,804.82, a weekly average of \$2,672.95. As of May 29, 2018, our expenses are \$66,217.19, a weekly average of \$3,009.87. The collection for Ozanam Inn totaled \$1,004.50 and is being forwarded to the Inn. Thank you for your generosity in assisting those less fortunate than us.

### Parish Council News from our Parish Council Chairman, Rob Booms:

The front of our church needs some sprucing up. Do you have a power washer we can borrow for a day or two? We could also use volunteers to help with this important clean-up project. Please contact Rob Booms or Dwight Gillis.

We are considering starting an <u>Inquirers Class</u> for adults who would like to have a deeper understanding of what is involved in being Orthodox. Newcomers, future catechumens and even cradle Orthodox will be welcome. Please let Fr. Peter or Rob Booms know if you are interested and, if so, what would be the best time for you to attend such a class.

## Spiritual Counsels...

"No man is made secure by wickedness, but nothing shakes the roots of virtuous men." – Proverb 12:3

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# The Priestly-Martyr Timothy, Bishop of Brussa

Because of Timothy's great spiritual purity, God granted him the gift of working miracles and he cured all diseases and afflictions of the people. During the reign of the wicked Emperor Julian, who denied Christ, Saint Timothy was cast into prison. Even in prison the faithful visited him in order to listen to the wise instruction of their arch-shepherd. Learning of this, Julian ordered and the executioner beheaded Timothy in prison in the year 362 A.D. His soul departed into Paradise and his relics remained miracle working to help the people and to manifest the power of God.

from: The Prologue from Ochrid

