



St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH, Archbishop of New York

And Metropolitan of all North America

His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, Auxiliary Bishop

Of the Diocese of Miami and the Southeast

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

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

February 17, 2019

The Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican

Plagal Tone 1 ~ Eothinon 5

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 (February 17)

Great-martyr Theodore the Soldier ('Tyro'); Marcian the emperor and Pulcheria the empress; New-martyrs Theodore and Michael; Venerable Euxiphios; repose of Hermogenes, patriarch of Moscow; Venerable Finan, bishop of Lindisfarne; Great-martyr Mariamne, sister of Apostle Philip; Righteous Auxentius; New-martyr Theodore of Byzantium.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Plagal Tone 1: Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of a virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh to suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

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 Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee – Tone 4: Let us flee from the boasting of the pharisee and learn the heights of humility from the publican's words. Let us cry out in repentance: O Savior of the world, be gracious to thy servants.

Prokeimenon: Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel.

Epistle: The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.

(Chapter 3:10-15)

TIMOTHY, my son, you have observed my teaching, my conduct, my aim in life, my faith, my patience, my love, my steadfastness, my persecutions, my sufferings, what befell me at Antioch, at Iconion, and at Lystra, what persecutions I endured; yet from them all the Lord rescued me. Indeed all who desire to live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted, while evil men and imposters will go on from bad to worse, deceivers and deceived. But as for you, continue in what you have learned and have firmly believed, knowing from whom you learned it and how from childhood you have been acquainted with the sacred writings, which are able to instruct you for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

Gospel: The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

(Chapter 18:10-14)

The Lord spoke this parable: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank thee that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

Spiritual Counsels...

"There are some who, on nothing, pretend to be rich, some, with great wealth, pretend to be poor." – Prov. 13:7

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Feb. 23rd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Feb. 24th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Mar. 2nd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Mar. 3rd – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Mar. 9th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Mar. 10th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Sunday, Mar. 10th – Forgiveness Vespers, 6:30 P.M.
Wednesday, Mar. 13th – Presanctified Liturgy, 6:30 P.M.
Friday, Mar. 15th – Presanctified Liturgy, 9:00 A.M.
Friday, Mar. 15th – Akathist Hymn, 6:30 P.M.
Saturday, Mar. 16th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Mar. 17th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As God so wills, **His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS** shall visit our parish on Feb. 22-24, 2019. Please mark your calendars for this wonderful occasion.

Please remember to **silence your cell phones** before you come into the church temple. Thank you.

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

Today's **coffee hour:** Team 6. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Parish-wide potluck.

POTLUCK FOR WEEKEND OF BISHOP NICHOLAS' VISIT. Please sign up on the bulletin board to bring a dish for Saturday and/or Sunday.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE WITH BISHOP NICHOLAS

On Friday evening, Feb. 22:

6:30 – 8:30 P.M. dinner with the Parish Council at the Church

On Saturday, Feb. 23:

10 A.M. – 12 P.M.: Meeting with youth

12 – 1 P.M.: Lunch with youth and teens

1 – 3 P.M.: Meeting with the teens

3 – 5 P.M.: Meeting with the ladies

5 – 6 P.M.: Great Vespers

6 – 7 P.M.: Parish-wide dinner with His Grace

7 – 9 P.M.: Meeting with the young adults

On Sunday, Feb. 24:

8:30 – 9:30 A.M.: Orthros

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.: Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.: Coffee Hour & Annual General Parish Meeting

12:30 – 2:30 P.M.: Meeting with the men

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

The **Parish Council** meeting is scheduled for today, Feb. 17, after liturgy. All Council members please attend.

Our **Annual Pledge Drive** is currently underway for the calendar year 2019. All adult members of the parish are encouraged to complete and return a pledge form to the church office. Pledge forms may be found in the narthex of the church building. All pledges are held in strict confidence. Only the total number of pledges and the total pledge amount is made available to the public. Your financial support of our church community is your support of yourself and your contribution to help insure you and your family has a place to worship. Thank you and God bless you.

Our **Annual General Parish Meeting** is scheduled for February 24, 2019, after Divine Liturgy. All members of the parish are encouraged to attend the meeting. Those adults, who have been a member of the parish for at least one year and are in good sacramental and financial standing with the parish, are eligible to vote.

There is no fasting this week.

An **Orthodoxy 101/Inquirers' Class** shall be offered on the first Tuesday of each month. Due to Great Lent, our next gathering is on May 7 at 6:30 P.M. A potluck meal shall be served followed by a presentation and discussion. Everyone is welcome! Using the text, Beginning to Pray, a series of discussions on prayer will occur after the Wednesday Presanctified Liturgies during Great Lent.

Russian lessons for beginners started on September 17. The group meets at 12 P.M. on Mondays. Please contact **Oksana Mahecha** for more questions.

Please call Fr. Peter at 888-8114, or send an email to him, if you want to have your home blessed.

As of Feb. 12, 2019, 37 pledges were received for 2019 totaling \$87,016. The collection for Feb. 10, 2019, totaled \$3,299.30 for a year-to-date amount of \$24,485.08, a weekly average of \$4,080.85. As of Feb. 10, 2019, our expenses are \$3,606.84, for a year-to-date amount of \$20,121.43, a weekly average of \$3,353.57.

From Rob Booms, Chairman of Parish Council

Ask what you can do for your Parish. At the direction of His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, we changed the next annual Parish Annual meeting to February so that he can join us. At that time, we will be adding new members to the Parish Council. The Council meets once a month after church for about an hour. Please consider serving on the Council. There are three open positions to be elected, two for a 3-year term and one for a one-year term. If you wish to have your name placed in nomination, please let Fr. Peter or me know by January 20. If you do not want to be involved in an election, our Parish Constitution also permits Fr. Peter to appoint one member for a 3-year term and one for a one-year term. Let him know if you would like to be considered for an appointment. We anticipate continued growth in 2019 and need your participation and prayers for the challenges that lie ahead. Thanks and God Bless--Rob

The Holy and Great-martyr Theodore the Tyro

‘Tyro’ means ‘Recruit.’ No sooner had St. Theodore entered the Marmarite regiment of the army in the town of Amasea than a persecution of Christians broke out under the Emperors Maximian and Maximinus. Theodore did not attempt to conceal that he was a Christian, and was brought to trial and imprisoned in a prison that was then locked and sealed. The wicked judge intended him to die of hunger, but the Lord Christ Himself appeared to Theodore in the prison and encouraged His martyr with these words: ‘Fear not, Theodore; I am with thee. Take no more earthly food and drink, for thou shalt be in the other life, eternal and unending, with Me in heaven.’ Then a multitude of angels appeared in the prison, and the whole place shone with light. The warders on duty saw the angels in white apparel and were filled with fear. Then St. Theodore was taken out, tortured and condemned to death. He was thrown into fire, and gave his soul to the most high God. He suffered in 306.

from: The Prologue from Ochrid