

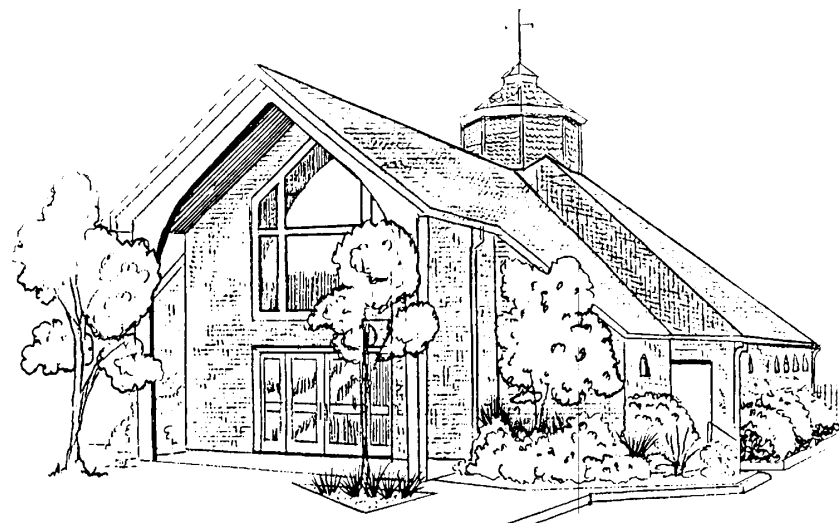
**St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church**  
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**St. Joseph of Arimathea**

The noble Joseph, a wealthy man and member of the Jewish Sanhedrin, was secretly a follower of Christ (Matthew 27:57, John 19:38). Joseph and Nicodemus removed the body of Christ from the Cross, and placed it in Joseph's sepulcher. As a result of this he was bound by the Jews and thrown into prison. There the resurrected Lord appeared to him and convinced him of His Resurrection. The Jews later released Joseph from prison and banished him from his fatherland. He traveled throughout the world preaching the Gospel of Christ, and brought the good tidings even to England, where he reposed in the Lord.

*from: The Prologue of Ochrid*

# **St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church**



**July 31, 2022**  
**The 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew**

# Welcome!

## To Our Guests:

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. In our tradition, **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.** Please do not be offended by this if you are not an Orthodox Christian or in good standing with the Church. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

*As we move through 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.*

**Epistle Reading:** Romans 15:1-7

**Gospel Reading:** St. Matthew 9:27-35

## Saints of the Day

Righteous Eudokimos of Cappadocia; Righteous Joseph of Arimathea; Germanos, bishop of Auxerre.

## A Message from the Parish Council on Parish Hall Repairs

Dear Parishioners, we are making good progress with repairs to the Parish Hall. The new metal roof has been installed. Sections of the Parish Hall are now being sheet-rocked and painted. The men’s restroom will be repaired with new fixtures. The women’s restroom will also be updated. We give thanks for the beautiful new Transfiguration Icon in our Temple, the work of Cheryl Pituch. Many thanks also to Cynthia Hibbs and Alexa Hamauei for coordinating a great Greek lunch fundraiser which generated over \$1,000 for the parish! Thanks be to God! --Rob Booms

## WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, July 30<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, July 31<sup>st</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M.

Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 7<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, August 13<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 14<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Saturday, August 20<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, August 21<sup>st</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

## **Orthodox Thoughts from Theo, the Parish Possum**



I am sometimes asked what makes a good Orthodox member. This can be a difficult thing in a parish where so many people commute from a great distance. St. Basil is clearly not a neighborhood church. We are more like an extended family and that gives us special responsibilities. Metropolitan PHILIP endorsed a little book by Father Abramtsov, an Antiochian

Orthodox priest, called ***The Orthodox Companion***. He gives the following pointers:

Attend Liturgy on Sundays and all Holy Days.

Be regular about confession and receive Holy Communion at least 4 times a year.

Observe the fasts in diet but also in word and deed.

Be kind to other parishioners and, especially, your priest. Forgive slights readily.

Make regular financial contributions to the Parish if you are able.

Volunteer for Parish activities and belong to a Parish organization.

Invite others to attend the church and welcome visitors.

Be loyal to God, the Church and the parish at all times.

Help us O Lord, to be good, obedient and kind always--Theo

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## ***Spiritual Counsels...***

“Grandchildren are the crown of the aged, and the glory of sons is their fathers” – Proverbs 17:6

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### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

On Saturday, August 6<sup>th</sup> the Feast of the Transfiguration will be celebrated with Orthros at 9:00 A.M. followed by Divine Liturgy at 10:00 A.M.

The blessing of grapes will occur at the end of the Divine Liturgy on August the 6<sup>th</sup>. Those of you who would like to bring grapes (or other fresh fruits) may do so at the end of Divine Liturgy.

To offset the team members expenses for coffee hour, the team leaders are asking for one-dollar donations from adults for each coffee hour to cover the expenses for plates, bowls, forks, spoons, knives, cups, etc. They continue to generously provide us with snack/lunch items at no expense to us. Donations by check should be made payable to St. Basil Ladies Guild. Thank you for your assistance in making this happen. God bless you.

**Coffee Hour: This Week:** Potluck

**Next Week:** Team 1

**Ushers: This Week:** Michael Zelesnik

**Next Week:** Dwight Gillis

**Parish Financial Summary:** The donations through June 2022 totaled \$16,386.75. The expenses through June 2022 are \$98,118.08.