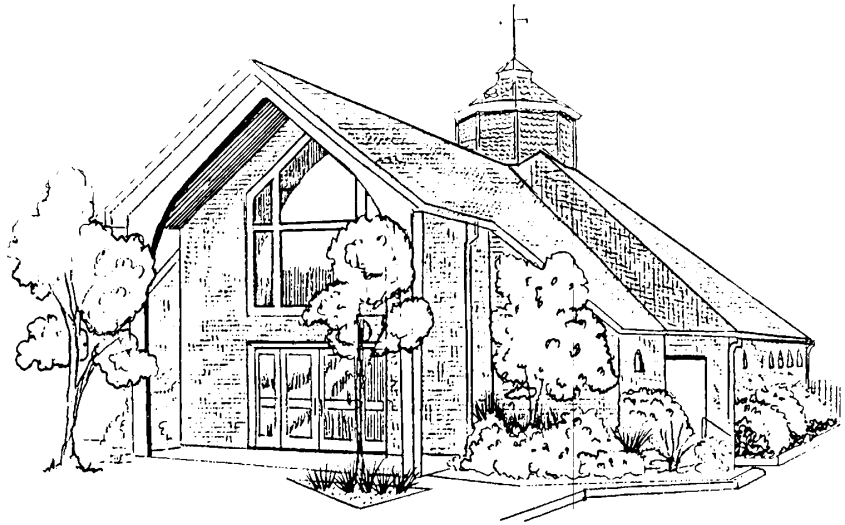
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The Holy Martyr Hermenegild the Heir

Hermenegild was the son of the Gothic King Leovigild who adhered to the Arian heresy. However, Hermenegild did not turn away from Orthodoxy in spite of all the flatteries and threats of his cruel heretical father. His father cast him into prison and, early on Pascha, sent a heretical bishop to administer Communion to him. But the God-pleaser refused to receive Communion at the hands of a heretic, and the heretical bishop informed the king about this. The king became angry and ordered the executioner to behead Hermenegild in the year 586. Leovigild later repented that he had killed his son; he renounced his heresy and returned to Orthodoxy.

from: The Prologue from Ochrid

St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church



November 1, 2026
The 5th Sunday of St. Luke

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 Orthodox Christians *it is always appropriate to stand (still) at the following times: the beginning and ending of all divine services, during a censing of any kind, when the Holy Gospel is being read or when the homily is given, when others are receiving Holy Communion, during a blessing, e.g., "Peace be to all." Likewise, if you arrive at church during the reading of an epistle, gospel or the homily, please remain in the narthex until the homily is finished, then quietly seat yourself. Of course, if you have physical limitations, exceptions are understood.*

Epistle Reading: Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8
Gospel Reading: St. Luke 16:19-31

Saints of the Day

The holy wonder-working unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian of Mesopotamia and their mother Theodota; Venerable-martyr James and his disciples James the deacon and Dionysios of Prodromou Skete on Athos; Venerable David of Evia in Greece, Martyr Hermenegild.

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Spiritual Counsels…

Like a gold ring or an ornament of gold is a wise reprover to a listening ear. – Prov. 25:12

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Orthodox Thoughts from Theo, the Parish Possum

When visiting the icon corner to pray, many Orthodox people also read from the Holy Bible. Beginning in the fourth century, the Orthodox Church developed a Lectionary providing scripture readings for every day including the great feasts. The Lectionary is found in three books: the Holy Gospel (Evangelion), the Holy Epistle (Apostolos) and the Prophetologion. The Gospel daily readings cycle through the year from Pascha until Pentecost Sunday. They begin with the Gospel of St. John, followed by the Gospel of St. Matthew. After the Elevation of the Holy Cross, there is a "Lukan Jump" to the Gospel of St. Luke. Then, during the Lenten period, the cycle concludes with the Gospel of St. Mark. There are similar daily readings from the Holy Epistle beginning at Pascha with the Acts of the Apostles. Old Testament readings are introduced during Great Lent and are incorporated on many feast days. The Lectionary also provides for a cycle of readings of the Holy Psalter. It offers readings covering the entire Holy Psalter during each week and twice during Great Lent. The Antiochian Church calendar lists these readings in its monthly printed calendar and on the internet. A useful aid for the daily use of the Lectionary is the ***Lectionary Bible*** which provides the scripture readings in the order of the Orthodox Lectionary. It is published by the Saint Ignatius Orthodox Press. May the reading of Holy Scripture sustain and liven our faith. — Theo

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Oct. 31st – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Nov. 1st – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Nov. 7th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Nov. 8th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Monday, Nov. 9th – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M.
Saturday, Nov. 14th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Nov. 15th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Nov. 21st – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Nov. 22nd – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Nov. 28th – No Great Vespers & Confessions
Sunday, Nov. 29th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We fast Wednesday and Friday this week.

Our Middle Eastern ladies are having a **Thanksgiving Bake Sale**. Items are available for purchase on **Nov. 8, 15,** & **22**, and are $3 each or $25/dozen. The menu includes **Baklava, Lemon Bars, Date Mamoul, Walnut Mamoul, Cream Cheese/Chocolate/Brandy Muffins, Pumpkin Rum Muffins,** and **Helbea**. The proceeds shall go to the cost of replacing our church carpet.

God willing, the **Ladies Guild** is scheduled to hold its November meeting nest Sunday, November 8, after Divine Liturgy. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

God willing, Orthros and Divine Liturgy shall be celebrated on Monday, Nov. 9, at 9 A.M. and 10 A.M., respectively, for the **Feast of St. Nektarios of Pentopolis**.

The **Advent Fast** begins Sunday, November 15, and is divided into two periods. The first period is Nov. 15 – Dec. 19, with the traditional fasting discipline observed (no meat, poultry, dairy, eggs, fish, alcohol and oil). There is an allowance, however, for alcohol and oil on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and an allowance for alcohol, oil and fish on Saturdays and Sundays. The second period is Dec. 20 – 24, with the traditional fasting discipline observed. There is an allowance, however, for alcohol and oil only on Saturday and Sunday.

God willing, Orthros and Divine Liturgy shall be celebrated on Saturday, Nov. 21, at 9 A.M. and 10 A.M., respectively, for the **Feast of the Presentation of the Mother of God in the Temple**.

Today's Coffee Hour: Team 1. Thank you. **Next Week:** Team 2.

Our Littlest Members

Christ said, "Let the little children come to Me, and do not forbid them; for such is the kingdom of heaven" (Matthew 19:14). In the Orthodox Church, we embrace and welcome our littlest parishioners to join in the Divine Liturgy. They are our future and we want them raised from birth involved in the liturgical experience.

While generally, silence and stillness are valued in worship, the noise of children, especially if they are playfully making noise or expressing themselves, is often viewed as a part of the joyful and vibrant nature of Orthodox worship. It is considered "Holy Noise." The beautiful, resonating sound of our children's cooing or laughter is warming to our hearts.

However, if your child should become fussy, out of control, or inconsolable, please be respectful to those around you and leave the Nave to provide comfort for our little member. They can be brought outside or to St. Basil's Comfort Room. Once consoled and in good spirits, return with our sweet parishioner to resume the liturgy.

Please also remember that there is **NO FOOD** allowed in church and that includes baby formula (bottle-feeding) and snacks. If our little one is hungry, please bring them to the St. Basil's Comfort Room to feed them. The exception to that is our breastfed little ones. Breastfeeding during worship services is acceptable, but with a focus on discretion and modesty.

To our parents of little ones, we join you in loving prayer and support as you raise the next generation of Orthodox believers. GOD BLESS YOU!

ST. BASIL-NORTHSHORE ANNOUNCEMENTS

God being our helper, the Northshore Orthodox community shall have their next worship service at St. Michael's Episcopal Church Saturday, November 14, at 10:00 A.M. The address is 4499 Sharp Road, Mandeville, Louisiana, 70471. Everyone is welcome, Orthodox Christians as well as non-Orthodox. Food and drinks are encouraged for the social hour afterward. The next date of worship is Saturday, December 12, at St. Michael Church at 10:00 A.M.