



St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church

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*Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese
of North America.*

(See the back cover for detailed contact information.)

Sunday, May 20, 2018

*To all who are present with us this morning,
Welcome! Thank you for being here.*

*Please join us for "coffee and...."
in the Fellowship Hall following Divine Liturgy.*

You May Find the Text of the Divine Liturgy beginning on the bottom of page 91 of the Service Book (gold embossed cross on the reddish brown cover) or in the green-spiral-bound book; sheet music can be found in the 8.5" x 11" large, spiral-bound booklet.

At the Kiss of Peace our practice is for each of us to greet the person to our right and left with the bowing of our head, hands held in a prayerful clasp or crossed on the chest, while offering each other the seasonal Christian greeting, "Christ is in our midst!" and responding, "He is and shall be!"

Please remember that Holy Communion is reserved for those Chrismated Orthodox Christians who have appropriately prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and Confession to receive the Holy Mysteries of the Church. The bread (*anti'doron*, which means 'in place' of the gifts) which we share after Communion and at the end of the Liturgy is for all.

Being mindful we are in church, let us always remember to...

...be quiet and attentive. Let us sing, pray, stand, sit, kneel and respond where responses are indicated. Let us not talk, look around, text message, play games, etc. Especially let us work at this in the Communion line and when in line to venerate the Cross and depart. If we cannot hear the post-Communion prayers being chanted during our church departure, we are way too noisy.

...refrain from eating, drinking or chewing gum. (most obviously and especially if you will be receiving Holy Communion).

...stay put. Except in rare cases, there are few of us who cannot stay in one location for two hours (actually less, for most of us).



Holy Fathers

The Mission of Our Church

The mission of St Michael's Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church is to tend the flock of our Lord Jesus Christ and to spread the Good News of Christ to those outside the flock. This mission is to be accomplished by a) living a full liturgical and sacramental life, b) proclaiming the Orthodox Christian faith to all people, c) providing effective charitable and social programs, and d) establishing strong spiritual leadership and resources.

TONE 6

Arr: Basil Kazan.

When Ma - ry stood at Thy grave look - ing for Thy sa - cred Bo -
dy, an - gel - ic pow'rs shone a - bove Thy re - vered tomb,
and the sol - diers who were to keep guard be -
came as dead men. Thou led Ha - des cap - tive and was not
temp - ted there - by; Thou didst meet the Vir -
gin and didst give Life to the world; O Thou Who art
ri - sen from the dead, O Lord glo - ry to Thee.

SYRIAN CHRISTIAN RELIEF

As the Syrian crisis continues, we continue to accept *donations* to do what we can to help ease the suffering there. Checks may be written to "St. Michael's" with the note "Syrian Relief." The following is a link to International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) "Response to the Crisis in Syria" page with more information on what you can do to help:

http://www.iocc.org/countries/countries_syria.aspx

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Greeting: Christ is in our midst! **Response:** He is and shall be!

Tone: 6

Eothison: 10

Sunday of the After-feast of the Ascension; Commemoration of the Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council; Martyrs Thallelaios the Unmercenary Healer of Phoenicia, and his disciples Alexander and Asterios of Cilicia; Martyr Askellas of Egypt; Venerable Nikitas, John and Joseph of Chios; Lydia 'the seller of purple' of Thyatira and Philippi; Alexis the wonderworker, metropolitan of Moscow; and Venerable Stephen of Piperi in Serbia.

THE READING

from the Acts of the Apostles (20:16-18, 28-36)

I**N THOSE DAYS**, Paul had decided to sail past Ephesus, so that he might not have to spend time in Asia; for he was hastening to be at Jerusalem, if possible, on the day of Pentecost. And from Miletus he sent to Ephesus and called to him the elders of the church. And when they came to him, he said to them: "Take heed to yourselves and to all the flock, in which the Holy Spirit has made you overseers, to care for the church of God which he obtained with the blood of his own Son. I know that after my departure fierce wolves will come in among you, not sparing the flock; and from among your own selves will arise men speaking perverse things, to draw away the disciples after them. Therefore, be alert, remembering that for three years I did not cease night or day to admonish everyone with tears. And now I commend you to God and to the word of His grace, which is able to build you up and to give you the inheritance among all those who are sanctified. I coveted no one's silver or gold or apparel. You yourselves know that these hands ministered to my necessities, and to those who were with me. In all things I have shown you that by so toiling one must help the weak, remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, 'It is more blessed to give than to receive.'" And when he had spoken thus, he knelt down and prayed with them all.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

According to St. John (17:1-13)

A**T THAT TIME**, Jesus lifted up His eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify Thy Son that the Son may glorify Thee, since Thou hast given Him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom Thou hast given Him. And this is eternal life, that they know Thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ Whom Thou hast sent. I glorified Thee on earth, having accomplished the work which Thou gavest Me to do; and now, Father, glorify Thou Me in Thy own presence with the glory which I had with Thee before the world was made. I have manifested Thy Name to the men whom Thou gavest Me out of the world; Thine they were, and Thou gavest them to Me, and they have kept Thy word. Now they know that everything that Thou hast given Me is from Thee; for I have given them the words which Thou gavest Me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from Thee; and they have believed that Thou didst send Me. I am praying for them; I am not

praying for the world but for those whom Thou hast given Me, for they are Thine; all Mine are Thine, and Thine are Mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to Thee. Holy Father, keep them in Thy Name, which Thou hast given Me, that they may be one, even as We are one. While I was with them, I kept them in Thy Name, which Thou have given Me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to Thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have My joy fulfilled in themselves.”

**PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF REMINDERS,
DATES AND EVENTS**

SUNDAY, MAY 20 - “*Shop with Scrips*” order due **TODAY**.

SATURDAY, JUNE 2

Blessing of the Animals - 9:00 AM in the Parking Lot

TUESDAY, JUNE 5 - 12:00 PM - Food on the Hill

WEDNESDAY TO SUNDAY, JUNE 27 TO JULY 1

Parish Life Conference at Antiochian Village

(St. Michael’s will be *OPEN* for Divine Liturgy on Sunday, July 1)

Metropolitan JOSEPH will preside over this gathering.

Registration forms are available at the Ushers’ Station.

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 13 - Feed the Hungry at 1st Lutheran

THURSDAY, AUGUST 16

Pirates vs. Cubs at PNC Park

7:05 PM — \$30 (includes a \$10 meal ticket)

Get tickets from Michelle Gajewski; sign up in Fellowship Hall.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 19

St. Michael’s Family Picnic

Travel to Twin Lakes Park following Divine Liturgy

Please sign up at our main church entrance.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

St. Michael’s Mediterranean Buffet (11am to 4pm)

Sign up to volunteer on the sheet in the... ??????

FRIDAY THRU SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14-17

Antiochian Village Adult Camp

Registration is open online:

<https://avcamp.org/other-programs/adult-camp/>

REMEMBER, the **Second Week** on this schedule **May Change...**
ALWAYS USE THE MOST CURRENT BULLETIN!

*Secretary Debbie will be out of
the office through June 4.*

May 20 thru May 26

Sun., May 20 - Fathers of the 1st Council

- 8:45 AM - MATINS
- 10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Memorials - Louise Hamwey
One Year
- Mildred Belch
40 Day



- Bell Ringers Instruction
with Carolyn Hill
- 12:15 - Abortion Prayers

Monday, May 21

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
Sts. Constantine and Helen
- 10:30 - Stewardship Meeting

Tuesday, May 22

- 6:30 PM - S.M.M. Buffet Meeting

Thursday, May 24

- 9:00 AM - Ladies Cooking

Saturday, May 26

- 6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

May 27 thru June 2

Sun., May 27 - Holy Pentecost

- 8:45 AM - FESTAL MATINS
- 10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Memorials - Betty Bozich
40 Day
- Mary Volchko
10 Years
- Antiochian Women's Meeting

Wednesday, May 30

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
Macrina, grandmother
of St. Basil the Great

Thursday, May 31

- 9:00 AM - Ladies Cooking

Friday, June 1

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
Justin the Philosopher

Saturday, June 2

- 9:00 AM - Blessing of the Animals
- 6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

*Adjusting previous scheduling,
St. Michael's will be open for Divine
Services as usual on Sunday, July 1.*
