



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.



January 15, 2017

The 29th Sunday after Pentecost & the 12th Sunday of Luke

Plagal Tone 1 ~ Eothinon 8

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.

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 (January 15)

Venerable Paul of Thebes & John the Hut-dweller; Venerable Martyr Pansophios of Alexandria; Venerable Gabriel of Lesnovo; Venerable Ita of Kileedy.

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. John the Hut Dweller – Plagal Tone 4: The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears, and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundredfold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father John, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

Apolytikion St. Paul of Thebes – Tone 1: Thou didst appear making the wilderness thy home, an angel in the flesh, a doer of wonders; and by fasts, vigils, and prayers thou didst receive heavenly gifts. Therefore, thou dost heal the sick and the souls of those who hasten to thee, O God-mantled Father Paul. Glory to Him Who hath given thee power; glory to Him Who hath crowned thee; glory to Him Who through thee accomplished healing for all.

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 Presentation of the Lord – Tone 1: Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love; for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

Prokeimenon: O Lord, how magnificent are Your works. You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

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

(Chapter 3:4-11)

BRETHREN, when Christ, Who is our life, appears then you also will appear with Him in glory. Put to death, therefore, what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away; anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

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

(Chapter 17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When Jesus saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And Jesus said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Jan. 21st – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Jan. 22nd – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Jan. 28th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Jan. 29th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Thursday, Feb. 2nd – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Presentation of Christ)
Saturday, Feb. 4th – No Great Vespers & Confessions
Sunday, Feb. 5th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. (Publican & Pharisee)
Saturday, Feb. 11th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Feb. 12th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. (Prodigal Son)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today’s Ushers: Michael Zelesnik and Michael Zelesnik. **Next Week:** Sevin and Tania Russell.

Trisagion prayers are offered today by **Georgette Ioup** for the repose of **George Ioup** (1 yr.) and **Svetlana Abrossimova** (15 yr.). May their memory be eternal.

Trisagion prayers are offered today by **Solange Nakhoul** for the repose of **Mary, Michel** and **Labib**. May their memory be eternal.

Trisagion prayers are offered today by **Naheel Rafeedie** for the repose of **Basem, Michael, Nijmeh, Nicola, Zahiya, Essa, Richard** and **Ellen**. May their memory be eternal.

The **holy bread** is co-offered today for the health of **Solange, Nazih, Hani, Ramzi** and the members of the **Abdulnour** and **Nakhoul families**. May God grant you many years.

The **holy bread** is co-offered today for the health of **Naheel** and the members of the **Rafeedie family** (many years), and for the repose of **Basem, Michael, Nijmeh, Nicola, Zahiya, Essa, Richard** and **Ellen** (memory eternal).

Coffee hour is hosted by Team 3. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 4.

Our Annual Pledge Drive is currently underway for the calendar year 2017. 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 January 29, 2017, after Divine Liturgy and shall convene in the Church. All members of the parish are encouraged to attend the meeting. Only 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, may vote.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Choir practice is held on Sunday mornings at 8:30 A.M. Choir members and other members of the parish should see our choir director, **Andy Mahoney**, for more information.

On May 19-21, 2017, we shall celebrate the 40th anniversary of our parish. His Grace Bishop ANTHONY of the Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest shall preside over our festivities. As gifts to the parish on this occasion, we are attempting to purchase a decorative chalice and discos set to use for Divine Liturgy during the festive periods of the year and on major feasts of the church. Approximately \$5,000.00 is needed to purchase this new set. Pictures of this chalice and discos set may be seen on the bulletin board outside the kitchen. Donations of any amount are welcome. Please see Fr. Peter if you are interested in helping with these items.

As of Jan. 8, 2016, 11 pledges were received totaling \$26,710. The collection for Jan 1, 2017, totaled \$3,236.40; the collection for Jan. 8, 2017, totaled \$2,839.45 for a year-to-date total of \$6,075.85, a weekly average of \$3,037.93. As of Jan. 10, 2017, our expenses are \$9,117.00, a weekly average of \$4,558.50.

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

Spiritual Counsels...

“Treasures wickedly come by give no benefit, but right conduct brings delivery from death.” – Proverbs 10:2

If You Would Like Your Home Blessed,
Please Provide the Following Information And Return It To The Church Office:

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____

Home Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

When Would You like Your Home Blessed After Theophany (Jan. 6)?

Weekday or Weekend
(Circle one)

Morning Afternoon Evening
(Circle one)

Venerable Paul Of Thebes

Paul was born of wealthy parents in Lower Thebes in Egypt during the reign of Emperor Decius. Paul, along with his sister, inherited all the property of their parents. But his brother-in-law, an idolater, wanted to confiscate Paul's share of the property and threatened to betray Paul before the judge as a Christian if he did not cede his property to him. On one hand, that misfortune and on the other hand those heroic examples of self-sacrifices of Christian martyrs which Paul saw with his own eyes motivated him to give his share of the property to his sister and he, as a pauper, withdrew into the desert where he lived an ascetical life until his death. To what spiritual heights this ascetical giant reached is witnessed by no less a person than St. Anthony the Great who, at one time, visited Paul and saw how the wild beasts and birds of heaven ministered to him. Returning from this visit, Anthony said to his monks, "Woe is me, my children! A sinful and false monk that I am, a monk only in name. I saw Elijah, I saw John in the wilderness and, in truth, I saw Paul in Paradise!" St. Paul lived 113 years and peacefully died in the Lord in the year 342 A.D.

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