



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 29, 2017

The 17th Sunday after Pentecost & the 17th Sunday of Matthew

Varys Tone ~ Eothinon 10

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 29)

Translation of the relics of Ignatius the God-bearer of Antioch; New-martyr Demetrios of Chios.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Varys or Grave Tone: Thou didst shatter death by Thy cross. Thou didst open paradise to the thief. Thou didst turn the sadness of the ointment-bearing women into joy, and didst bid Thine apostles proclaim a warning that Thou hast risen, O Christ, granting to the world the great mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Ignatius of Antioch – Tone 4: Thou hast become like the Apostles in their states, a successor to their throne, finding indeed the intelligential ladder, O thou God-inspired. Therefore, thou hast followed the Word of God in righteousness, and striven unto blood for the Faith. O Martyr among Bishops, Ignatius, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

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: 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 the St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians.

(Chapter 6:16-18; 7:1)

BRETHREN, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore, come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

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

(Chapter 15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus went away to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But Jesus did not answer her a word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." Jesus answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before Him, saying, "Lord, help me." And Jesus answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their masters' table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed at that very hour.

WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Thursday, Feb. 2nd – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Presentation of Christ)

Saturday, Feb. 4th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Feb. 5th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. (Publican & Pharisee)

Saturday, Feb. 11th – No Great Vespers & Confessions

Sunday, Feb. 12th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M. (Prodigal Son)

WORSHIP SCHEDULE CONTINUED

Saturday, Feb. 18th – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Saturday of Souls)
Saturday, Feb. 18th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Feb. 19th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.
Saturday, Feb. 25th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.
Sunday, Feb. 26th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today’s Ushers: Mihai Leustean and Emma Nugent. **Next Week:** Dwight Gillis and Terr Mehari.

Coffee hour is hosted by the Ladies Guild today. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 6.

We fast Wednesday and Friday this week.

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 today, January 29, 2017, after Divine Liturgy and shall convene in the Church Hall. 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.

The **St. Basil Youth Group** shall hold their monthly meeting next Sunday, Feb. 5th, after Divine Liturgy. All teens and tweens of the parish are welcome to participate.

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.

Ladies Guild are hosting a luncheon on Sunday, Jan. 29, after Divine Liturgy. The menu includes a choice of seafood gumbo with andouille sausage and rice, or black beans and rice with sausage. There will be salad, bread, desert (king cake) and a drink; you can eat at the church or take home. The price is \$10, children under 10 are free.

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

As of Jan. 23, 2016, 18 pledges were received totaling \$43,100. The collection for Jan. 22, 2017, totaled \$1,184.48 for a year-to-date total of \$10,095.33, a weekly average of \$2,523.83. As of Jan. 22, 2017, our expenses are \$17,638.84, a weekly average of \$4,409.71.

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

Spiritual Counsels...

“The slack hand brings poverty, but the diligent hand brings wealth.” – Proverbs 10:4

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)

The Holy Priestly-Martyr Ignatius the God-Bearer, [Theophorus]

The principal feast of St. Ignatius is celebrated in winter on December 20. On this date is commemorated the translation of his relics from Rome, where he suffered martyrdom, to Antioch where earlier he was a bishop. When St. Ignatius was summoned to Rome before Emperor Trajan to account for his faith, he was accompanied on this long journey by several citizens from Antioch who were motivated in this by a great love toward their wonderful Arch-shepherd. Since he would never deny his faith in Christ, this saint of God who abhorred all adulation and promises of Emperor Trajan, was condemned to death and was thrown into the Circus Maximus before wild beasts. The wild beasts tore him apart, and he gave up his soul to God. His companions then gathered his exposed bones and took them to Antioch and honorably buried them. But when the Persians captured Antioch in the sixth century, the relics of St. Ignatius were again translated from Antioch to Rome.

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