

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.

**July 6, 2014**  
**The Fourth Sunday after Pentecost**  
**Tone 3 ~ Eothinon 4 ~ Ps. 109:8**

*CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST! HE IS AND EVER SHALL BE!*

**Holy Communion is only open 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. 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.

**Saints du Jour (July 6)**

Venerable Sisoës the Great, Apostles Archippos, Philemon and Onesimos of the Seventy; Martyrs Lucia the Virgin, Rex the Imperial Vicar in Campania and 24 others with them, Martyrs Apollonios, Epimachos and Alexander; Venerable-martyr Cyril.

***Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 3:*** Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and became the First-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the great mercy.

***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 Theotokos – Tone 2:*** O undisputed Intercessor of Christians, constant Advocate before the Creator, do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou always protect those who honor thee.

***Prokeimenon:*** Sing praises to our God, sing praises.

***Verse:*** Clap your hands, all you nations.

***Epistle:*** The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Romans.  
(Chapter 6:18-23)

BRETHREN, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

***Gospel:*** The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew  
(Chapter 8:5-13)

At that time, Jesus entered Capernaum and a centurion came forward to Him, beseeching Him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home in terrible distress." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered Him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have You come under my roof; but only say the word and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him He marveled and said to those who were following Him, "Truly, I say to you not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

**WORSHIP SCHEDULE**

Saturday, July 12<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday, July 13<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.  
Saturday, July 19<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.  
Saturday, July 26<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.  
Sunday, July 27<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Congratulations to **Archbishop JOSEPH**, who was elected Metropolitan of our Archdiocese by the Holy Synod of the Patriarchate of Antioch.

Coffee hour is provided today by **Phil and Rose Hrabar**. Thank you.

The **St. Basil Youth Group** shall have their monthly meeting after Divine Liturgy today, July 6. All teens and tweens of the parish are invited to attend.

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED**

The **Ladies Guild** shall have their monthly meeting after Divine Liturgy next Sunday, July 13. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The **weekly church bulletin** is being emailed to parishioners at this time. Those persons interested in having the bulletin sent to them by email should see Father Peter. Hard copies of the bulletin shall continue to be available in the narthex as well.

The frozen, ready-to-cook packages of Lebanese recipes can now be bought at a discount. The beef shawarma (which sells for \$12 a package) can be bought 3 for \$30. The chicken shish ta'ouk (which sells for \$10 a package) can be bought 3 for \$25. A mixed group can be bought 3 for \$28. There are still a few frozen quarts of lentil soup, which can be bought for \$5.00 a piece.

As of June 29, 2014, 39 pledges were received totaling \$73,985.00. The budget approved at our Annual General Parish Meeting was for \$136,480.00. Approximately \$2,625/week is needed in donations to meet this obligation. The collection for June 29, 2014, totaled \$8,120 for a year-to-date total of \$60,254.41 (~\$2,317/week). We are approximately \$8,008 short of where we need to be at this time.

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

“When virtuous men are in power, the people are joyful, when the wicked rule, the people groan.”

Proverbs 29:2