



St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

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His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, Auxiliary Bishop
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Saturday: Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

February 10, 2019

The Hieromartyr Haralampos & the 17th Sunday of Matthew

Tone 4 ~ Eothinon 4

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.

Please Note: Food and drinks in church are not appropriate except for life threatening circumstances. This includes, but is not limited to, snack items, cheerios, fruit, fruit snacks, sandwiches, meals, or drink items of any sort. If your child cannot wait until liturgy is over in order to eat, please take him or her to the church hall. Thank you.

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 (February 10)

Hieromartyr Haralampos the wonder-worker, bishop of Magnesia; Anastasios, patriarch of Jerusalem; Porphyrios and Baptos the Monk-martyrs; Venerable Zenon.

Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Tone 4: Having learned the joyful message of the resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation and proudly broke the news to the disciples saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world great mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Haralampos – 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 Priests, Haralampos, 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 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: The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord.

Verse: O God, hear my prayer

Epistle: The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy.
(Chapter 2:1-10)

TIMOTHY, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hard-working farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. Therefore, I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

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

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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

Saturday, Feb. 16th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Feb. 17th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Feb. 23rd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Feb. 24th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Mar. 2nd – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Mar. 3rd – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Mar. 9th – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Mar. 10th – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

As God so wills, **His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS** shall visit our parish on Feb. 22-24, 2019. Please mark your calendars for this wonderful occasion.

Please remember to **silence your cell phones** before you come into the church temple. Thank you.

Today’s Ushers: Dwight Gillis and Tania Russell. **Next Sunday:** Michael Zelesnik.

Today’s **coffee hour:** Team 5. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 6.

WEEKEND SCHEDULE WITH BISHOP NICHOLAS

On Friday evening, Feb. 22:

6:30 – 8:30 P.M. dinner with the Parish Council at a local restaurant

On Saturday, Feb. 23:

10 A.M. – 12 P.M.: Meeting with youth

12 – 1 P.M.: Lunch with youth and teens

1 – 3 P.M.: Meeting with the teens

3 – 5 P.M.: Meeting with the ladies

5 – 6 P.M.: Great Vespers

6 – 7 P.M.: Parish-wide dinner with His Grace

7 – 9 P.M.: Meeting with the young adults

On Sunday, Feb. 24:

8:30 – 9:30 A.M.: Orthros

9:30 – 11:30 A.M.: Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

11:30 A.M. – 12:30 P.M.: Coffee Hour & Annual General Parish Meeting

12:30 – 2:30 P.M.: Meeting with the men

ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

Many thanks to everyone who assisted in the cleanup of the church temple and hall this past week. May God bless your generosity.

The holy bread is offered today by **Sophia & Jim Hashek** in memory of **Nicholas Kogos**. May his memory be eternal.

The **Ladies Guild** meeting is scheduled for today after liturgy. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

The **Parish Council** meeting is scheduled for next Sunday, Feb. 17, after liturgy. All Council members please attend.

Our **Annual Pledge Drive** is currently underway for the calendar year 2019. 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 February 24, 2019, after Divine Liturgy. All members of the parish are encouraged to attend the meeting. 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, are eligible to vote.

We fast Wednesday and Friday this week.

An **Orthodoxy 101/Inquirers’ Class** shall be offered on the first Tuesday of each month. Due to Great Lent, our next gathering is on May 7 at 6:30 P.M. A potluck meal shall be served followed by a presentation and discussion. Everyone is welcome! Using the text, Beginning to Pray, a series of discussions on prayer will occur after the Wednesday Presanctified Liturgies during Great Lent.

Russian lessons for beginners started on September 17. The group meets at 12 P.M. on Mondays. Please contact **Oksana Mahecha** for more questions.

Please call Fr. Peter at 888-8114, or send an email to him, if you want to have your home blessed.

As of Feb. 5, 2019, 33 pledges were received for 2019 totaling \$81,936. The collection for Feb. 3, 2019, totaled \$6,040.78 for a year-to-date amount of \$21,185.78, a weekly average of \$4,237.16. As of Feb. 3, 2019, our expenses are \$1,190.28, for a year-to-date amount of \$16,514.59, a weekly average of \$3,302.92.

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From Rob Booms, Chairman of Parish Council

Ask what you can do for your Parish. At the direction of His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS, we changed the next annual Parish Annual meeting to February so that he can join us. At that time, we will be adding new members to the Parish Council. The Council meets once a month after church for about an hour. Please consider serving on the Council. There are three open positions to be elected, two for a 3-year term and one for a one-year term. If you wish to have your name placed in nomination, please let Fr. Peter or me know by January 20. If you do not want to be involved in an election, our Parish Constitution also permits Fr. Peter to appoint one member for a 3-year term and one for a one-year term. Let him know if you would like to be considered for an appointment. We anticipate continued growth in 2019 and need your participation and prayers for the challenges that lie ahead. Thanks and God Bless--Rob

Spiritual Counsels...

“Virtue preserves the man of honest life, wickedness proves the ruin of the sinner.” – Prov. 13:6

The Hieromartyr Charalampus

This great saint was bishop in Magnesia, and suffered for Christ at the age of 113. When a violent persecution broke out under the Emperor Septimus Severus, the aged Charalampus did not hide from his persecutors, but freely and openly preached the Christian faith. He endured all tortures as though not in the body, and when they flayed the living flesh from him, the godly saint said to the Emperor's soldiers: 'Thank you, my brethren, for scraping off the old body and renewing my soul for new and eternal life.' He performed many wonders and brought many to the Faith. Even the Emperor's daughter, Gallina, repudiated the paganism of her father and became a Christian. Condemned to death and led to the place of execution, St. Charalampus raised his arms to heaven and prayed for all men, that God would give them bodily health and salvation of soul, and that He would grant them the fruits of the earth in abundance: 'Lord, Thou knowest that men are flesh and blood; forgive them their sins and pour out Thy blessing on all.' After praying thus, the saintly elder gave his soul to God before the executioner had laid his sword to his neck. He suffered in 202. Gallina took his body and buried it.

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