

Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen!

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)

The Ukraine Crisis

<https://iocc.org/blog/category/where-we-serve/ukraine>

(**BLOOD DONORS...** if you have planned this far in advance, please note the correction of times for the July 2 Blood Drive - **9 AM to 2:30 PM.**)

WE ARE WRAPPING UP this year's Church School on Sunday, May 22. Given the uncertain, transitional nature of COVID school years 2020-22, it is not too early for us to be talking about registering for next year. (Registration Forms for 2022-23 are already available at the entrance doors of the church.) We will also be planning on some Summer educational opportunities, such as the first Altar Server Meeting in many a moon on Sunday, June 5.

In a nutshell, here is the current framework for our Program:

Children begin our Church School Program at age 4. On Sunday mornings, students and teachers are invited to be at the head of the Holy Communion line to afford as much time as possible for meaningful instruction (they receive the Sacrament and head out the door to class). The guiding curriculum will be provided by either the Christian Education Department of our Antiochian Archdiocese or the Orthodox Christian Education Commission (OCEC). Some modifications to those class resources are always in play. We're also blessed to have Fr. Larry Daniels periodically presenting on special topics. Our children also participate in church activities such as decorating the Christmas tree, distributing palms on Palm Sunday, and collecting sweet-filled eggs on Holy Pascha!

Our children and grandchildren live in a world which leads them away from the eternal Truths of Christ and His Church. Our Church School time is short --- which means not only will we try to provide what education we can to the students, but also to be supportive of parents being able to take the teaching home where it can really be put to use and sink into the heads and hearts of our children.

Thank you to our teachers, Lindsey Stewart, Andrew Cuff, Fotini Wetzel, and their director, Kh. Melanie Bell for their caring diligence. With them, we look forward to building momentum from today forward to our Fall Church School resumption!

We are in the midst of The Feast of Feasts. Christ is risen!
*This is the liturgical season of the Pentecostarion,
the 50 days from Holy Pascha to the Great Feast of Pentecost (June 12),
the descent of the Holy Spirit on the Apostles and Disciples,
the birthday of the Church!*

Schedule of Services and Church Events

(Check this calendar for Usher, Fellowship Hour and lock-up schedules.)
Secretary Debbie will be in the office on **Monday** this week.

SUNDAY, May 15 - The Paralytic

(Ushers - Gust Flizanes, Dina Papas, Michael Senerius)

8:45 AM - ORTHROS

10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY *(may we strive to arrive in church early)*

- Church School

- Fellowship Hour (weekly coordinator - Raymounda Chaho)

- Thank you to Dianne Anton, Sara Armanious and Raymounda Chaho
for hosting today.

- Sign up in the Fellowship Hall to be part of our
Ministry Team Revival.

(Lock-up - Christine Mansour)

MONDAY, May 16

9:00AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Theodore the Sanctified)

TUESDAY, May 17

7:00 PM - Parish Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY, May 18

9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Mid-Pentecost)

6:00 PM - Bible Bowl Practice

SATURDAY, May 21

9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY (Constantine and Helena)

6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

SUNDAY, May 22 - Samaritan Woman

(Ushers - Wayne Macuga, Elias Memari, Gust Flizanes)

8:45 AM - ORTHROS

10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY *(may we strive to arrive in church early)*

- 40 Day Memorial - Angelo George Manolis

- Church School

- Fellowship Hour (weekly coordinator - Raymounda Chaho)

- Thank you to Fotini and Matt Wetzel for hosting today
in honor of son Nicholas' high school graduation.

- Sign up in the Fellowship Hall to be part of our
Ministry Team Revival.

(Lock-up - Michaelene McWhinney)

Confessions are heard when scheduled on calendar,
by appointment in church, or by visit.
Call Fr. John at (724) 244-1228.

AT DIVINE LITURGY, among others, we will be praying for... (bold=recently added)

...ADEL & SARA Armanious, Mat. SOPHIE Daniels, THOMAS Abraham, MARY Andrews, FRED Charles, MARGARITA (Peggy) Bolha, GREGORY Cervo, HELEN Ciavarra (*Valerie Flizanes' mother*), JILLIAN Crowe, JAMES Dayoob, MICHAEL Evans, MICHAEL Hamwey, **RONALD** and JOANNE Hasnauer, CAROLYN Hill, BONNIE Koury, SAMUEL Koury, KARIM Khalil, CJ Kudlik, IDA Langer, JOHN Mansour, NATHANIEL McNicol, LINDA Neffield (*Michelle & Lou Gajewski's friend*), HEATHER, KARIN & DALE Personett, SAM Nataros (*Jennifer Sacksen's brother*), FRANK Porembka, NICOLE Rosado, NICK Senuta, JACK Copeland (*father of Kh. Melanie, Melinda Copeland, Stephanie Heydorn*), BERNADETTE Brietinger (*wife of friend of Jeff Stewart*), ANTHONY & JILLIAN Crowe, baby JOSEPH PAUL Cervo and parents JOSEPH & ANGELINA; SHELLY Hoover (*Michele Murray's friend*), YULIYA Eisenmann, ROB Newton, DINA Papas (*recovering from 5/2 surgery*), PAULETTE Sproch, baby LEO Szymkowiak, PAULETTE Weiss, CINDY & ROBERT Stupak (*cancer and Parkinson's; Janet Mochak's sister and bro-in-law*)... that they may have mercy, life, peace, health, salvation and visitation.

...**birthday celebrants** --- ANGEL Moore (5/15), MARK Yazge (5/15), JORDAN Giandomenico (5/16), MATHEW Hahey (5/16), ETHAN Kushner (5/16), JOACHIM Sacksen (5/18), Kh. KRISTINA Abernathy (5/19), MORIYA Wedel (5/19), MARILYN ELIAS (5/21). God grant them many years!

...**baptismal/chrismation day celebrants** --- SAMANTHA Dellorso (5/18), JILLIAN Crowe (5/20). God grant them many years!

WE WILL REMEMBER THE DEPARTED SERVANTS OF GOD... Archbishop PAUL (OCA), Metropolitan PHILIP, Bishop ANTOUN, Archimandrite GEORGE, Protospesbyter GEORGE Livanos, Kh. STEFANIE Yazge. May their memories be eternal.

PRAYERS OF OBLATION ARE OFFERED...

...in memory of ANGELO George Manolis by brother
George and Joan Kotjarapoglus.
...in memory of HELEN Porembka by Dolores Albert.
...in memory of JOANNE Chedrick by John and Christine Mansour.
...in memory of LAURA Nicholas by Tom and Paulette Sproch.
...in memory of DIANA Roberts by Dina Papas.
...in memory of parents DAAS Abboud and MAHASIN Banout
by Ruwaidah Abboud Munirji.
...for the health of children AMY and ALAN by Ruwaidah Munirji.

ON SUNDAY, MAY 29, WE WILL REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING PEOPLE WHO DEPARTED THIS LIFE DURING MAYs PAST ---

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- **CYNTHIA** Abraham (5/3/1959), **JULIA** Slyman (5/3/1999), **SELMA** Nakad (5/6/2021), **ELSIE** Asa (5/10/2003), **MEROPI** Papanastasiou (5/11/89), **ROBERT** Kalp (5/12/2001), **LOUISE** Hamwey (5/15/2017), **WALTER** Orange (5/19/1994), **MARY** Black (5/22/2011), **TIMOTHEA** Papanastasiou (5/23/42), **TED** Despot (5/23/03), **AUDREY** Oross (5/24/19

98), **LARRY** Charley (5/25/2000), **MARY** Volchko (5/26/2008), Kh **JOANNE** Abdalah (5/27/2008), **MICHAEL** Asa (5/28/1996), **NABIHA** Jabbour (5/?10-20?/2021), **TYLER** Personett (5/??/2021), **DARRYL** Hill (5/26/2021), **ALEX** Curry (5/30/1998).

To add to the memorial list, call (724) 834-1311 and leave the name and date.

Raymounda coordinates the 2022 Fellowship Hour Hosting Schedule. Call or text Raymounda - (412) 558-5877 - and leave your NAME, NUMBER and DATE(s) you'd like to reserve. *Realizing that hosting a Fellowship Hour may be financially difficult for some of us, let that not be a reason for feeling unable to support our weekly Sunday post-Divine Liturgy time with each other. Everyone is always encouraged to step up and into the kitchen to find out how they can help!*

WE NEED...

- **BREAD BAKERS AND WHEAT MAKERS.** Leave your name and number on the church voicemail (724-834-1311) and we will contact you regarding the details of what you'd have to know and do.

- **USHERS.** *See Fr. John or Gust Flizanes to sign up to serve.*

- **IDEAS for Fund-raising (and people to act on their ideas).** For support, direction and coordination regarding your ideas, speak with Elias Memari (724-244-3055) or Stephanie Heydorn (724-216-7866). **Thank you to Elias and Stephanie for their willingness to be Fund-Raising Co-Coordinators.** They will take on the task of helping to break inertia and give momentum to the return of active fund-raising events to our financial and budgetary plan.

For good order and safety ---
Please follow the directional arrows in our parking lot.

UPCOMING MEETINGS / EVENTS / DEADLINES

- **Saturday, May 21** - Chick-Fil-A Spirit Day - We earn a percentage of sales identified as friends of St. Michael's at the point of purchase for eat-in and take-out sales. Tell all your friends and bring them with you to the **Eastgate Plaza Chick-Fil-A, 5156 State Route 30**, Greensburg; (724) 836-6501. Tell you order taker you're there to support St. Michael's!

- **Saturday, May 21** - Paths of Righteousness" Hike #3
RSVP Pete Papas (txt or call 412-558-1246; pnpapas@verizon.net)
(The rest of the scheduled hikes will be the Saturdays
of June 25, July 30, September 10.)

- **Sunday, May 22** - Scrip Gift Card deadline (we profited \$145 last time)
- **Saturday, May 28, 10 AM** - Life Lessons - Saturday Series - Weekly synaxis
presented by Sophie Daniels, author of "30 Steps," guided by Fr. John - all are welcome -
The Old... to reflect and repent, The Young... to change their ways before they need to
reflect and repent. (OTS,STL)

- **Sunday, June 5** - Altar Servers Meeting after Divine Liturgy

- **Wednesday, June 29 to July 3** - Parish Life Conference
at Antiochian Village - We co-host with St. Mary Church (Johnstown)
Our two main speakers will be Fr. Theodore Pulcini and Fr. Nicholas Belcher, along with a number of
sessions for all ages. Mark your calendars for this enlivening weekend!

REGISTER NOW!

Events: <https://www.antiochianevents.com/ny>

Rooms & Meals: <https://registration.antiochianvillage.org/ParishLife2022>

- **Saturday, July 2, 9:00 AM to 2:30 PM** - Red Cross Blood Drive

- **Wed., July 6, game time 7:05 PM** - Yankees vs. Pirates at PNC Park

We'll be carpooling to the game.

Sign up on the bulletin board in the Fellowship Hall by the kitchen door.

\$31 per ticket (includes \$10 food voucher)

Checks payable to "St. Michael's Antiochian Women"

See Michelle Gajewski for details and payment.

- **Thursday, Nov 10 - Sun, Nov 13** - Ancient Faith Women's Retreat
at Antiochian Village

REGISTER NOW!

Info/Registration at <https://store.ancientfaith.com/2022-afwr>

- Parish Council Members -

(year designates final year of term)

Sara Armanious '23 (Chair), **Christine** Mansour '22 (Vice-Chair), **Samar** Khalil
'23 (Treasurer), **Joyce** Eger '23 (Recording Secretary), **Carolyn** Hill '22 (Corresponding
Secretary), **Raymounda** Chaho '24, **Andrew** Cuff '24, **Christina** Armanious
'24, **Michaelene** McWhinney '22, **Tom** Sproch '23, **Lisa** Stewart '24, **Donald** Yoder '22.