

St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church

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*Diocese of Charleston, Oakland and the Mid-Atlantic
Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese
of North America.*

(See the back cover for detailed contact information.)

Sunday, April 29, 2018

***To all who are present with us this morning,
Christ is risen! Thank you for being here!***

***Please join us for "coffee and..."
in the Fellowship Hall following Divine Liturgy.***

You May Find the Text of the Divine Liturgy beginning on the bottom of page 91 of the Service Book (gold embossed cross on the reddish brown cover) or in the green-spiral-bound book; sheet music can be found in the 8.5" x 11" large, spiral-bound booklet.

At the Kiss of Peace our practice is for each of us to greet the person to our right and left with the bowing of our head, hands held in a prayerful clasp or crossed on the chest, while offering each other the seasonal Christian greeting, "Christ is risen!" and responding, "Truly, He is risen!"

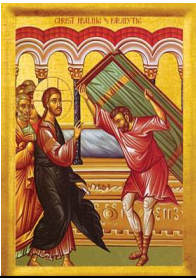
Please remember that Holy Communion is reserved for those Chrismated Orthodox Christians who have appropriately prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and Confession to receive the Holy Mysteries of the Church. The bread (*anti'doron*, which means 'in place' of the gifts) which we share after Communion and at the end of the Liturgy is for all.

Being mindful we are in church, let us always remember to...

...be quiet and attentive. Let us sing, pray, stand, sit, kneel and respond where responses are indicated. Let us not talk, look around, text message, play games, etc. Especially let us work at this in the Communion line and when in line to venerate the Cross and depart. If we cannot hear the post-Communion prayers being chanted during our church departure, we are way too noisy.

...refrain from eating, drinking or chewing gum. (most obviously and especially if you will be receiving Holy Communion).

...stay put. Except in rare cases, there are few of us who cannot stay in one location for two hours (actually less, for most of us).



Jesus Heals
The Paralytic

The Mission of Our Church

The mission of St Michael's Antiochian Orthodox Christian Church is to tend the flock of our Lord Jesus Christ and to spread the Good News of Christ to those outside the flock. This mission is to be accomplished by a) living a full liturgical and sacramental life, b) proclaiming the Orthodox Christian faith to all people, c) providing effective charitable and social programs, and d) establishing strong spiritual leadership and resources.

TONE 3

Arr: Basil Kazan.

Let the hea - vens re-joice and the earth be glad;
For the Lord hath done a migh-ty act with His own arm;
He hath tram-pled down death by death, and be - came the first
born from the dead; He hath de - liv - ered us from the
depths of Ha - des, gran - ting the world the great mer - cy.

SYRIAN CHRISTIAN RELIEF

As the Syrian crisis continues, we continue to accept *donations* to do what we can to help ease the suffering there. Checks may be written to "St. Michael's" with the note "Syrian Relief." The following is a link to International Orthodox Christian Charities ((IOCC) "Response to the Crisis in Syria" page with more information on what you can do to help:

http://www.iocc.org/countries/countries_syria.aspx

Sunday of the Paralytic; April 29, 2018

Greeting: Christ is risen!

Response: Indeed, He is risen!

Tone: 3

Eothonon: 5

Fourth Sunday of Pascha; Sunday of the Paralytic; Apostles Jason and Sosipater of the Seventy; Martyr Kerkyra of Corfu; John the New Almsgiver, metropolitan of Thebes; Martyr John of Romania; Basil of Ostrog, Metropolitan of Zakhum in Serbia.

THE READING

From the Acts of the Apostles (9:32-42)

I**N THOSE DAYS**, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments, which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

According to St. John (5:1-15)

A**T THAT TIME**, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first, after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for 38 years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befalls you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE OF REMINDERS, DATES AND EVENTS

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Sunday, May 20 next “*Shop with Scrips*” order due

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Saturday, June 2

Blessing of the Animals

9:00 AM in the Church Parking Lot

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Wednesday to Sunday, June 27 to July 1

Parish Life Conference at Antiochian Village
(St. Michael’s will be closed on Sunday, July 1)

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Thursday, August 16

Pirates vs. Cubs at PNC Park

7:05 PM — \$30 (includes a \$10 meal ticket)

Get tickets from Michelle Gajewski; sign up in Fellowship Hall.

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Sunday, August 19

St. Michael’s Family Picnic

Twin Lakes Park following Divine Liturgy

Please sign up at entrance to church.

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Friday thru Sunday, September 14-17

Antiochian Village Adult Camp

Registration opens May 1st

<https://avcamp.org/other-programs/adult-camp/>

St. Michael’s Financial Summary

Year to Date as of February 28, 2018

	<u><i>This Year</i></u>	<u><i>Last Year</i></u>	<u><i>Budget</i></u>
Income	\$38,283.98	\$41,779.07	\$34,679.90
Expenses	<u>\$43,342.78</u>	<u>\$37,420.32</u>	<u>\$43,704.23</u>
Net Income/ (<i>Loss</i>)	\$ <u>(5,058.80)</u>	\$ <u>(4,358.75)</u>	\$ <u>(2,024.33)</u>

Questions may be addressed to Christian Sam or Jeff Curry.

REMEMBER, the **Second Week** on this schedule **May Change...**
ALWAYS USE THE MOST CURRENT BULLETIN!

*Secretary Debbie will be
in the office
Mon., Wed. and Fri. from 9 to 3.*

April 29 thru May 5

Sunday, April 29 - The Paralytic

- 8:45 AM - MATINS
- 10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Church School
- Antiochian Women's Meeting

Monday, April 30

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Ap. James, brother of Ev. John

Tuesday, May 1

- 12:00PM Food on the Hill
- 6:00 PM - VESP. DIV. LIT'GY
- Mid-Pentecost

Wednesday, May 2

- 6:00 PM - Church School Meeting
- at Wetzel home

Thursday, May 3

- 9:00 AM - Women cooking —

Saturday, May 5

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Great Martyr Irene of Thessalonika
- 5:15 PM - Byzantine Chant Reh'sal
- 6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS

May 6 thru May 13

Sun., May 6 - The Samaritan Woman

- 8:45 AM - MATINS
- 10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Church School Lunch and
- Recognition Program

Monday, May 7

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- Alexis Toth of Wilkes-Barre

Tuesday, May 8

- 9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY
- John the Theologian
- 6:30 PM - St. M's Mediterranean
- Buffet Meeting

Thursday, May 10

- 6:00 PM - VESP. DIV. LIT'RGY
- Cyril and Methodios

Saturday, May 12

- 9 AM to 2 PM  Blood Drive
- 6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS
- 7:00 to 10:00 PM - **Dance -**



Wayne Macuga
Band —

**\$10 donation
benefits the
General Fund —**

BYOB; 'lunch' provided,

Our Sincerest Condolences to JOANNE and RONALD Hasnauer
and the family and friends of Joanne's sister, SARA Plate, who fell
asleep in the Lord this past Wednesday, April 25. Christ is risen!

THANK YOU to all who sent cards, made calls and visits, brought gifts
and food, and remembered me in prayers throughout my unexpected
illness. All is greatly appreciated. — *Frank Porembka, Jr.*
