

# St. Michael's Orthodox Christian Church

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(See the back cover for detailed contact information.)

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## Sunday, November 4, 2018

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

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

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*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 in our midst!" and responding, "He is and shall be!"

*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).

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## **The mission of the members of St. Michael's Orthodox Church is to become completely loving people.**

*(see Lk 10:27) This will occur by the Grace of God as we strive to live holy lives, using the tools He has given us for this endeavor: prayer, fasting, charitable works, and the constant remembrance of death.*

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### TONE 6

Arr: Basil Kazan.

When Ma - ry stood at Thy grave look - ing for Thy sa - cred Bo -  
dy, an - gel - ic pow'rs shone a - bove Thy re - vered tomb,  
and the sol - diers who were to keep guard be -  
came as dead men. Thou led Ha - des cap - tive and was not  
temp - ted there - by; Thou didst meet the Vir -  
gin and didst give Life to the world; O Thou Who art  
ri - sen from the dead, O Lord glo - ry to Thee.

## **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](http://www.iocc.org/countries/countries_syria.aspx)

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**Greeting:** Christ is in our midst! **Response:** He is and shall be!

**Tone:** 6      **Eothinon:** 1

*Twenty-third Sunday after Pentecost & Fifth Sunday of Luke;  
Venerable Ioanikios the Great of Mount Olympus; Hieromartyrs  
Nicander the bishop of Myra and Hermias the priest; Martyr  
Porphyrios of Ephesus; Emperor John the merciful.*

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## **THE EPISTLE READING**

*St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (2:4-10)*

**B**RETHREN, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

## **THE HOLY GOSPEL**

*According to St. Luke (16:19-31)*

**T**HE LORD SAID, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'"

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## **VOTIVE CANDLE OFFERINGS**

*In memory of parents Miller and Pat Abraham by Dana Abraham.  
For the health of Merissa, Anthony and Jillian Crowe by Dana  
Abraham.*

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### **A few HIGHLIGHTS of UPCOMING EVENTS**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4 - TODAY !!!!!**

- Christmas Bake Sale Order Deadline
- Shop with Scrip Order Due

**TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6 - Food on the Hill**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10 - 9:00 AM - AMEN Meeting at  
Bean and Baguette**

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11 - Decorate Advent (then Christmas) Tree**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17 - Workshop at St. George Cathedral  
“Becoming Truly Human” (more info coming)**

**SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18 - IOCC Day of Sharing (special collection)  
- Sarris Candy Order Due**

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1 - Antiochian Women Retreat 9:30am  
to 3:00pm (includes lunch).**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2 - Annual General Parish Meeting**

**WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5 - 6:00 PM Divine Liturgy; St. Nicholas Day;  
Pasta Dinner, visit from St. Nicholas**

**SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16 - Women and Church School Bake Holy Bread**

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*Have you returned your  
2019 Pledge Card yet?*

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

*Debbie will be in the office on  
Monday, Wednesday and Friday  
from 9 am to 3 pm.*

**November 4 thru November 10**

**Sunday, November 4**

- **8:45 AM - ORTHROS**
- 9:30 - Choir Rehearsal
- **10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**
  - Church School
  - Memorial (1 year) —  
Norma Nicholas;  
newly departed Robert
  - Ministry Team Sign-Ups
  - *Special Choir Rehearsal*

**Monday, November 5**

- **9:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**  
Galaktia and Epistemia

***Fr. John will be at the Clergy  
Synaxis at Antiochian Village,  
from Tuesday through Friday.***

**Tuesday, November 6**

- 12:00 PM - Food on the Hill

**Thursday, November 8**

- 9:00 AM - Ladies — spanakopita
- 7:00 PM - Choir Rehearsal

**Sat'day, Nov. 10 (Happy B'day, USMC)**

- 9:00 AM - Antiochian MEN Meeting  
at Bean & Baguette
- **6:00 PM - GREAT VESPERS**

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**NOVEMBER is  
MINISTRY TEAM MONTH**

During this month we take the particular opportunity to focus on all of our participation in the life of our church and how we might consider contributing to our good communal health in the coming year. Your various options are displayed on tables in the Fellowship Hall today.

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**November 11 thru November 17**

**Sunday, November 11**

- **8:45 AM - ORTHROS**
- 9:30 - Choir Rehearsal
- **10:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**
  - (Church School Sermon)
  - Church School 'Assembly'  
with Fr. John (all welcome)
  - Advent Tree Set-Up
  - Ministry Team Sign-Ups

**Tuesday, November 13**

- **8:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**  
John Chrysostom  
Archbishop of Constantinople
- 9:15 AM - Stewardship Team Mtg.

**Wednesday, November 14**

- **8:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**  
Apostle Philip of the 12

**Thurs., Nov. 15 - Advent begins**

**Friday, November 16 (wine & oil ok)**

- **8:00 AM - DIVINE LITURGY**  
Evangelist Matthew

**Saturday, Nov. 17 (fish, wine & oil ok)**

- "Becoming Truly Human" W' shop  
St. George, Oakland
- **NO** Great Vespers

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**ALL SAINTS CONCERT**  
featuring  
**PAN-ORTHODOX  
CHOIR OF PITTSBURGH**

under the direction of  
Father Thomas Soroka

**TODAY, November 4, 4 PM**

**First English Evangelical  
Lutheran Church**

**615 Grant St., Pittsburgh**  
(the oldest church in the Burgh)

FREE ADMISSION

**[www.flcpittsburgh.org](http://www.flcpittsburgh.org)**