



SAINT ANDREW ORTHODOX CHURCH

Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America
Diocese of Wichita and Mid-America
Metropolitan JOSEPH, Primate – Bishop BASIL, Bishop of Wichita

Rev. Fr. Patrick Henre, Pastor

Welcome to all our visitors worshipping with us!

We look forward to meeting you after the service and welcoming you personally to Saint Andrew. *We're glad you're here!*

October 7, 2018

Nineteenth Sunday after Pentecost

Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus of Syria; Hieromartyr Polychronios of Nicaea; Priest Julian and Deacon Caesarius of Campania; Venerable John the hermit and those with him; Venerable Sergius of Nurma

Tone 2, Eothinon 8

Antiphons and Little Entrance

The usual Antiphons and Little Entrance as printed in the service booklet. The Third Antiphon is the Tone 2 Resurrection Hymn, "When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death...". See below for music.

Hymns of the Day

For the Resurrection

Tone 2 Byzantine

Kazan



When thou—didst sub-mit thy-self-un-to death, O



thou death-less and im-mor-tal One, then thou didst de-

stroy_hell with thy God - ly pow'r, and when thou didst
 raise the dead_from be-neath_the earth, all the pow'rs of
 heav-en did cry a-loud_un-to thee: O Christ,_thou Giv-
 er of life, glo - ry to thee.

For Saints Sergius and Bacchus

Tone 4 Byzantine

St. Anthony Monastery

Be quick to anticipate...

Thy Mar - tyrs, O Lord, in their cou - ra - geous
 con-test for Thee re-ceived as the prize the crown of in-cor-
 rup-tion and life from Thee, our im-mor-tal God. For since
 they pos-sessed Thy strength, they cast_down the ty-rants
 and whol-ly de-stroyed the de-mons' strength-less pre-
 sump-tion. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls,



since Thou art mer - ci - ful.

For Saint Andrew

Tone 4 Byzantine

Barr



As the first-called of the A - pos - tles, and broth - er



of their lead - er, O An - drew, en - treat the



Mas - ter of all to grant peace to the world and to our



souls the great mer - cy.

Sunday Kontakion

Karam



O un - dis - put - ed in - ter - ces - sor of Christ - ians, the



med - i - a - trix, who is un - re - ject - ed by the Cre - a -



tor. Turn not a - way from the voice of our pe - ti -



tions, though we be sin - ners. Come to us with aid in



time, who cry un - to thee in faith, for thou art -

good. Has - ten to us with in - ter - ces - sions, O The - o -
to - kos, who dost ev - er in - ter - cede for those who
hon - or thee.

Trisagion Hymn

The usual Trisagion as in the service booklets.

The Epistle

2 Corinthians 11:31-12:9

The Lord is my strength and my song (Ps. 117:14). v. The Lord has chastened me severely (Ps. 117:18).

Brethren, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, He Who is blessed forever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands. I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who 14 years ago was caught up to the third heaven — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise — whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows — and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but He said to me, “My grace is sufficient for you, for My power is made perfect in weakness.”

I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

The Gospel

Luke 7:11-16

v. The Lord hear thee in the day of trouble; the Name of the God of Jacob defend thee (Ps. 19:2).

v. O Lord, save the king, and hear us in the day when we call upon Thee (Ps. 19:10).

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and many of His disciples and a great crowd went with Him. As He drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, He had compassion on her and said to her, “Do not weep.” And He came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And Jesus said, “Young man, I say to you: arise.” And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And Jesus gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, “A great prophet has arisen among us!” and “God has visited His people!”

Cherubic Hymn

Yupik Chant setting; see the service booklet for music.

Megalynarion

Namie setting; see the service booklet for music.

Communion Hymn

Ps. 148

Finley

Praise_ye the Lord from the hea - vens; praise Him_

in _____ the_high - est. Al - le - lu - ia, Al -



le - lu - ia, Al - le - lu - ia.

Verses from Psalm 148 may be chanted between each refrain.

On Receiving Holy Communion in the Orthodox Church

Only Orthodox Christians who are prepared through prayer, fasting, and a recent confession should approach the Chalice for Communion. All others are encouraged to come receive a blessing from the priest and partake of the Holy Bread as they exit the Communion line.

The remainder of the Liturgy concludes as usual.

Kontakion and Ikos

Thou didst arise from the grave, O Almighty Savior, and Hades seeing the miracle wast astonished, and the dead arose. Creation doth see this and doth rejoice with Thee, whilst Adam joins in exaltation, and the world doth praise Thee forever, O my Savior.

Thou art the Light of those in darkness; Thou art the Resurrection and the Life of all whom Thou hast raised, having destroyed the power of death, O Savior, and shattered the gates of Hades, O Word. Seeing such wonders, mortals were astonished, and all creation rejoices in Thy Resurrection, O loving One. Therefore, all doth glorify and praise Thy condescension, and the world doth praise Thee forever, O my Savior.

Synaxarion

On October 7 in the Holy Orthodox Church we celebrate the holy Great Martyrs Sergius and Bacchus of Syria.

O Bacchus, brass were thy sinews before the whips' violence,
And burning fire was thy heart before the sword, O Sergius.
On the seventh, sword slew Sergius, and whips, Bacchus.

They were noblemen at the court of Emperor Maximian whose esteemed them greatly because of their courage, wisdom and fidelity. Once, when there was a great sacrificial offering to idols, the emperor demanded that

Sergius and Bacchus offer sacrifices with him, but they openly refused. Beside himself with rage, Maximian commanded that their military garments, rings and emblems be stripped from them and that they be dressed in women's clothing. He then placed iron hoops around their necks and paraded them through the streets of the city of Rome to be mocked by everyone. Afterward, he sent them to Antiochus, his deputy in Asia, for torture. Antiochus had risen to his position with Sergius and Bacchus' help, as they had at one time recommended him to the emperor. When Antiochus implored them to deny Christ and save themselves from dishonorable suffering and death, these saints replied: "Both honor and dishonor, both life and death — all are the same to him who seeks the Heavenly Kingdom." The souls of Sergius and Bacchus went to Paradise, where they received crowns of immortal glory from Christ in 303.

On this day, we also commemorate the Hieromartyr Polychronios of Nicaea; Priest Julian and Deacon Caesarius of Campania; Venerable John the hermit and those with him; and Venerable Sergius of Nurma. By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

Persecution

by Fr. Thomas Hopko

The third century opened with relatively widespread persecution of Christians under Emperor Septimius Severus (r. 193–211). The Passion of Saints Perpetua and Felicitas vividly recounts the victorious suffering of some of those who were martyred in Carthage (western North Africa) at this time. Also in this wave of persecution, in Alexandria in Egypt, Origen's father, Saint Leonides, was martyred. And when Clement, the head of the important catechetical school there, fled the city, the brilliant and fervently pious Origen was appointed by Bishop Demetrius to be the head of the school, even though he was only about 18 years old.

The Christian Church lived in relative peace from the death of Septimius Severus to the time of Emperor Decius (r. 249–251). But very soon after Decius came to power, he inaugurated an intense persecution of Christians throughout the whole empire. This wave of persecution ended with his death in 251, but another wave began in 257 under Emperor Valerian (r. 253–260). In these times, not only were the Christians forced to sacrifice to the imperial gods, but also the higher clergy were specifically sought out to be executed, in the erroneous expectation that by eliminating the Church's leaders, Christianity would wither and die.

Then, after Valerian's death, his son, Emperor Gallienus (r. 260–268), stopped the policy of general persecution, and the Christians once more lived in relative peace, until the beginning of the next century. During this period, there was ongoing, steady growth in Church membership, which perhaps reached up to ten percent of the population in the Empire by the year 300 — or about 6,000,000.

Excerpt from The Orthodox Faith, Vol. 2: Worship.

This Week

Tuesday, October 9

- 7:00 pm, Choir Practice

Wednesday, October 10

- 6:00 pm, Daily Vespers
- 6:30 pm, Divine Liturgy Class

Saturday, October 13

- 5:00 pm, Great Vespers

Fr. Patrick is available for confession following the Service.

Sunday, October 14

- 9:00 am, Orthros
- 10:00 am, Divine Liturgy



Prospora Schedule

Oct. 14: Wingerd

Oct. 21: Fisher

Oct. 28: OPEN

Nov. 4: OPEN

Nov. 11: OPEN

Nov. 18: McNeil

Nov. 25: OPEN

Dec. 2: OPEN

To add your name to this list, please notify Don Cox. You can also sign up online at <http://goo.gl/0ul9NW>.

Coffee Hour Hosts

Oct. 14: Cox

Oct. 21: Monthly Potluck

Oct. 28: McNeil

Nov. 4: Manitzas

Nov. 11: Wingerd

Nov. 18: Monthly Potluck

Nov. 25: OPEN

Dec. 2: OPEN

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You can also sign up online at <http://goo.gl/6LdC4h>.*

October Epistle Readers

Oct. 7: Fisher

Oct. 14: Graham

Oct. 21: Telep

Oct. 28: Miller



Pastoral Care

If you have pastoral needs (illness, confession, etc.) please contact Fr. Patrick Henre at (605) 646-5166, or by email: fr.patrickhenre@gmail.com.

Prayer Requests

LIVING: Matushka Priscilla, Helen, Tunas Family, Gabriela, the Youngblood family, Aileen Shocklee, Georgeta Paltl, Amy Kathryn, Priest Peter, Matushka Nadia, Priest Vasili, Matushka Lesya, Luanne Klaras, Mary and her unborn child, Judy and Charles, Emilia and her unborn child, Joyce, Christopher, Jason, Shelley, Christopher McNeil, Laura, Mason, George, Ramona, Yvonne, Holley, Kathryn, Abram, David

DEPARTED: Justin

Announcements

Parish Retreat

We will have a Parish Renewal and Revitalization Retreat on November 9-10, led by Dn. Finn Roberts.

Divine Liturgy Class

Fr. Patrick is leading a class on the services of the Church on Wednesdays through October 10th after Daily Vespers. Please join us!

Nominating Committee

The Parish Nominating Committee is currently taking submissions for anyone interested in serving on the Parish Council. The Nominating Committee this year consists of Nancy McNeil (Chair), Kathy Cox, and Karen Graham. In January, we will be selecting 3 parish council members and need at least 6 nominees for the selection. All qualified and willing candidates need to submit their name in writing to anyone serving on the Nominating Committee. "Qualification for selection to the Parish Council: A Candidate must be twenty-five (25) years of age or over, have been a Voting Member of the parish for a period of two (2) years and have fulfilled the Canonical requirements of the Faith."

Donation Income Update

Through August we have received 75% of our yearly budgeted amount of pledge donations. Thanks everyone for supporting our church!

Kitchen Supplies

There is a list in the kitchen of supplies needed. Please check it occasionally so that we can keep our kitchen supplies stocked.

Camp Saint Raphael

Gayle Malone, Executive Director of DOWAMA's Camp Saint Raphael, announces that the dates of all three 2019 summer sessions have been rescheduled. Parents of children and teens, be aware of these new dates as you plan summer holidays. Session One: June 30th - July 6th; Session Two: July 7th-13th; Session Three: July 14th-20th.

2019 Archdiocesan Convention

Hotel registration is open for the 2019 Archdiocesan Convention to be hosted by St Nicholas/Grand Rapids, MI. Register now at the Amway Grand

Plaza, Curio Collection by Hilton for 149^{anight}, or at the JW Marriott for 184 a night. This link will get you the special group rates: <https://book.passkey.com/e/49766461>.

2019 DOWAMA Parish Life Conference

The 2019 PLC will be hosted by St. Peter in Ft. Worth, TX, Wednesday-Saturday, June 19th-22nd, which is the fast-free week following Pentecost. The theme is "The Antiochian Village, Past, Present, and Future: I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me." The study topics for the Bible Bowl are the Epistles of the Holy Apostle Paul to the Ephesians, the Philipians, and the Colossians. The Oratorical theme is Philippians 4:13. Our featured guest speaker will be Fr. James Coles (frjames@cox.net) of St. Ignatius in Mesa, AZ. Mark your calendars now!

Fundraising Ideas

If you have parish fundraising ideas, please provide them in the form of a written proposal to Donna Manitzas or Fr. Patrick.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship (College Ministry)

OCF will be meeting on Thursday evenings at 7:00. Please see Fr. Patrick or Magdalayna if you are interested.

Sunday School Collection

On the first Sunday of every month, the kids will be taking up a collection at the end of service to help fund Sunday School expenses. Sunday School takes place after Communion. We now have 4 levels two accommodate our growing parish, and expenses are growing!

Sign-Up List for Monthly Cleaning Day

The sign-up list for the monthly cleaning day is posted on the bulletin board in the parish hall. **Team #1 is currently in need of at least two more members.** Please be sure to check the list to see which team you are on, and contact your Team Leader with any questions.

Holy Bread and Coffee Hour

Please take the time to check the sign up lists for Coffee Hour and Prospora baking. This is a great opportunity to serve the Church and is really appreciated by everyone. And remember, hosting coffee hour only means that you promise to bring light refreshments for everyone. You are welcome to bring more, but it is not expected.

Prayer List

For all submissions or changes to the Prayer List for the Living and Deceased, please notify Don. A person will stay on the list for the living for 30 days and then automatically drop off, unless they are renewed by someone in the parish. The list for the departed will include people for 40 days after their falling asleep, and they can be commemorated again on the anniversary of their repose.

Do you have news?

Please forward announcements, news, prayer requests, etc. to Paul or Amanda Fisher (*paulandamandafisher@gmail.com*) before 5:00 pm on Wednesday if you would like them to appear in the weekly bulletin and eNews.

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