

St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, September 26, 2021

Rest of St. John the Evangelist and Theologian

Celebrant: Fr. Ben Kjendal

LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FIVE: Let us believers praise and worship the Word; coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For, He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST IN TONE TWO: O Apostle John, beloved of Christ our God, hasten to deliver a defenseless people. He that allowed thee to recline on His breast receiveth thee bowing in intercession. Implore Him, O Theologian, to dispel the persistent cloud of the heathen, and ask for us His peace and Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL: O ye foremost of the heavenly host, we beseech thee, though we are unworthy. Pray that we may be encompassed with the shadow of thy unearthly glory. Preserving us who kneel and cry endlessly. Deliver us from oppression since Ye are the princes of the highest power.

ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO: O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

TRISAGION PRAYER

<i>English</i>	Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have Mercy on us
<i>Arabic</i>	Qudoos El Laah, Qudoos El Qawi, Qudoos El Lathi La Yamoot, Urhamnah
<i>Greek</i>	Agios O Theos, Agios Ischiros, Agios Athanatos, Eyleison Imas
<i>Russian</i>	Svyatij Bozhe, Svyatij Krepkij, Svatij Bessmertnij pomiluj nas

KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN) FOR ST. JOHN IN TONE EIGHT

His sound hath gone forth into all the earth; and his words to the ends of the world. Alleluia.

The Mission of St Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church is to love and worship God, to grow closer to Him, and to proclaim and to spread the Good News of the salvation of Jesus Christ to our parishioners, our neighbors and people everywhere.

We worship and pray in English. We experience the beauty and joy of living the Holy Orthodox Christian faith – sharing love and fellowship, teaching and leading by example, growing together through service, education, stewardship and forgiveness.

A NOTE REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION: *Since we understand Communion to mean we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession may participate in Holy Communion. We invite all present to partake of the blessed bread distributed at the end of the service.*

UNLESS YOU ARE INJURED OR UNABLE, PLEASE REMAIN STANDING DURING COMMUNION

SCHEDULE

Saturday, September 25 5:00 PM Vespers
Sunday, September 26 9:00 AM Orthros / Church School
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Saturday, October 2 5:00 PM Vespers
Sunday, October 3 9:00 AM Orthros / Church School
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Based on recent reports from various medical experts, the new COVID variants are highly transmissible. In light of this, St. Michael's goal is to be cautious, not only to protect all parishioners but to make all who attend church feel at ease. As a community, it is our obligation to work together to safeguard all.

Consistent with CDC and Massachusetts guidelines that advise people to wear a mask or face covering when indoors, we invite / encourage all parishioners and guests to wear a mask or face covering during services. At same time, we respect those who either choose not to, or for medical reasons are unable to, wear a mask.

We are blessed that our attendance is growing so we will do everything possible, within our very limited space, to accommodate social distancing, including the opening of windows and doors of the church except for extenuating circumstances.

We appreciate your cooperation and understanding.

In case of emergency, there are emergency numbers posted next to the telephones in the coat room and in the kitchen

PLEASE SEE ST MICHAEL HAPPENINGS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AND CHARITABLE NEEDS OVER THE COMING WEEKS. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU!

*** DON'T FORGET NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS FOR FOOD PANTRY ***

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR

Our People are our Choir! We love to hear you sing with us! WELCOME!

We are glad to have you worship with us today!

Father Ben Kjendal is available to visit with you in your home for pastoral care, counseling and inquiries regarding Orthodoxy by appointment. His cell number is (978) 397-3285.

If you need anyone remembered during services (in Memory of or for Good Health of), please let Fr. Ben know **AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE** so they can be included in all the prayers during Vespers, Orthros (Matins) and Liturgy

THE EPISTLE

His voice has gone out into all the earth. The heavens declare the glory of God.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. John. (4:12-19)

Brethren, no one has ever seen God. If we love one another, God abides in us, and His love is perfected in us. By this we know that we abide in Him, and He in us, because He has given us of His Spirit. And we have seen, and do testify that the Father has sent the Son to be the Savior of the world. Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God. And we have known and believed the love which God has for us. God is love; and he who abides in love abides in God, and God abides in him. In this is love perfected with us, that we may have boldness in the Day of Judgment; because as He is, even so are we in this world. There is no fear in love, but perfect love casts out fear, because fear has torment; but he who fears is not perfected in love. We love God, because He first loved us.

THE GOSPEL

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John. (19:25-27; 21:24-25)

At that time, standing by the Cross of Jesus were His mother, and His mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw His mother, and the disciple whom He loved standing near, He said to his mother, "Woman, behold, your Son!" Then He said to the disciple, "Behold, your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own. This is the disciple who is bearing witness to these things, and who has written these things; and we know that his testimony is true. But there are also many other things, which Jesus did; were every one of them to be written, I suppose that the world itself could not contain the books that would be written. Amen.



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ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

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International Food Festival – Cooking/Preparation Schedule – MANY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

The following is the cooking and preparation plan for our upcoming International Food Festival. It is important to note that all cooking will be done at the church and we can only proceed with an item if we get enough volunteers. Please let Soraya know when you can help: sbandeli@comcast.net

- Saturday, September 25 @ 10:00 am
 - Graybeh shortbread cookies preparation, baking, packaging
- Sunday, September 26 after Liturgy
 - Dolmathes preparation, cooking, packaging, freezing
- Thursday, September 30 @ 10:00 am
 - Pizzelle preparation / packaging
- Saturday, October 2 @ 9:00 am
 - Koulourakia preparation, packaging
- Sunday, October 3 after Liturgy
 - Baklava preparation, baking, packaging
- Monday, October 4 @ 9:30 am
 - Biscotti preparation, baking, packaging
- Thursday, October 7
 - @ 9:30 am - Spanakopita baking, packaging
 - @ 11:00 am - Rice Pudding preparation and packaging
- Friday, October 8
 - @ 10:00 am – Kibbe baking, packaging
 - @ 11:00 am – Hummus
 - @ 11:00 am – Russian Beet Vinaigrette salad
 - @ 5:30 pm - Russian Borcht preparation and packaging
- **Saturday, October 9 – Food Festival** – many people needed for distribution of take-out food, receiving payment, running food from kitchen to the tables set up with food for sale – starting at 8:00 am until we run out of food (festival hours are 10 am - 2 pm). **Please let us know what time you can be at church and how many hours you can commit. 1-2 hours of your time are greatly appreciated if that is all you can offer.**

We will also be taking pre-orders so stay tuned for order forms.

Thank you as always for your support of St. Michael.

"THE ARCHANGELS" ANY OCCASION GREETING CARDS ARE HERE We are excited to announce that the Archangel icons painted and donated by our own Zoya Sheglov have been made into blank greeting cards for use on any occasion.

The icons were blessed during vesper service on November 7, 2020 to commemorate the Synaxis of the Archangel Michael and the Heavenly Bodiless Powers. They hang in the nave of St Michael. The cards created out of these icons are a beautiful set of 8, one for each Archangel, that will be available on Sunday as a complete set for only \$10. They include the icon, the story of the Archangel, and a prayer to each Archangel.

Thanks to Zoya Sheglov for her beautiful work and generous donation of the icons; to Mircea Dumitrescu for taking the pictures of each icon; and to Ksenia Pryme for formatting the cards and getting them ready to print.

God bless you all for your support of St. Michael!

