

St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, January 16, 2022

Twenty-ninth Sunday after Pentecost

Veneration of the Precious Chains of the Apostle Peter

Peusippos and Neonilla, and the martyrs of Cappadocia;

Hieromartyr Damaskinos of Hilandar monastery on Athos

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. PETER THE APOSTLE IN TONE FOUR: Thou hast come to us without leaving Rome, O thou who dost preside over the Apostles, by the power of the venerable chains thou didst bear. While honoring them with faith, we beseech thee, that through thine intercessions, God may grant us 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.

KONTAKION OF THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE: Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

TRISAGION PRAYER

English Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have Mercy on us

Arabic Qudoos El Laah, Qudoos El Qawi, Qudoos El Lathi La Yamoot, Urhamnah

Greek Agios O Theos, Agios Ischiros, Agios Athanatos, Eyleison Imas

Russian Svyatij Bozhe, Svyatij Krepkij, Svatij Bessmertnij pomiluj nas

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:

<u>Saturday, January 15</u>	5:00 PM Vespers
<u>Sunday, January 16</u>	9:00 AM Orthros / Church School 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy Women's Group Meeting
<u>Saturday, January 22</u>	5:00 PM Vespers
<u>Sunday, January 23</u>	9:00 AM Orthros / Church School 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Winter Weather announcement for St Michael Parish In case of inclement weather this winter on Sundays, Fr. Ben will make the decision as to whether Liturgy will take place. Communication to the parish announcing either a delay or a cancellation will be made via: the parish email; announcements on Cape radio stations - WQRC - [99.9 The Q](#), WKPE - [Cape Country 104](#), WFCC - [Classical 107.5](#), WOCN – [Ocean 104.7](#), [CapeCod.com](#); and all Boston TV station.
Be safe during storms.

*****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 & 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

(For the Twenty-Ninth Sunday after Pentecost)

How magnified are Thy works, O Lord; in wisdom hast Thou made them all. Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Colossians. (3:4-11)

Brethren, when Christ, Who is our life, appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these, the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its Creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Twelfth Sunday of Luke—“Ten Lepers”)

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (17:12-19)

At that time, as Jesus entered a village, He was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, “Jesus, Master, have mercy on us.” When He saw them He said to them, “Go and show yourselves to the priests.” And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus’ feet, giving Him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then Jesus said, “Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?” And He said to him, “Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well.”



ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

WEEKLY BULLETIN CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE

ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH

Painting the Church On Monday, January 17th, we will begin a two week project to repaint the nave of our beautiful church. The painters will paint the ceiling the week of January 17th and the walls the week of January 24th. Painting will be completed in time for us to ready the church for services on the weekends of January 22nd and January 29th. Our

thanks to Becky Manikas, Lynn O'Hara and Zondra Rapazzini for lending their expertise to this effort.

Before painters can start, we will need to remove the chairs, roll up the rugs and remove the Nativity garland from the iconostasis. Many hands will make this short work, so we'd appreciate your assistance after Liturgy this Sunday, January 16th.

ITALIAN DINNER NIGHT: Join us for delicious food and fellowship immediately following Vespers (begins at 5) on Saturday, February 12. Dinner is \$15 for adults, \$7 for children. Food will be prepared and served by the Teen SOYO, and the proceeds will go to fund their mission trip to Mount Tabor School of the Liberal Arts in June. Thank you for your support!

Camp St. Herman - August 7-13, 2022: Save the Date! Our Diocese will sponsor a one-week camp program in New Hampshire modeled after the camp program at Antiochian Village.

If you are interested in serving on camp staff for the week, or assisting with in support of this program, please contact Fr. Ben Kjendal or Khalil Samara. Camper Registration and Staff Applications will be available in February.

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Supply Chain Blues? Shop SOYO bookstore We have your any occasion needs covered. Books. Icons. Incense. Crosses. Prayer ropes. So much variety for you. Our bookstore is fully stocked and ready. If you need something specific please speak with one of our teens. All proceed support projects in our local community. Thank you as always for your continued support of St. Michael.

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.

THE SYNAXARION

On January 16 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we celebrate the veneration of the precious chains of the holy and glorious Apostle Peter.

Verses

Release me from the long chain of mine offenses, as I worship thine honorable chain, O Peter. On the sixteenth I worship Peter's chain.

As Peter sat in prison shackled by the lawless Herod, an angel appeared to him: "Suddenly the angel of the Lord stood by him and a light shone in the cell. He tapped Peter on the side and awakened him, saying: 'Get up quickly.' The chains fell from his wrists" (Acts 12:7). The chains were preserved by Christians as much for the memory of this great Apostle as well as for their healing power, for many of the sick were healed by touching them as well as with the towel of the Apostle Paul, "then when the face cloths or aprons that touched his skin were applied to the sick, their diseases left them and the evil spirits came out of them" (Acts 19:12). Juvenal, the Patriarch of Jerusalem gave these chains as a gift to the Empress Eudocia, the exiled wife of the Emperor Theodosius the Younger. She divided them into two and sent one half to the Church of the Holy Apostle in Constantinople and the other half to her daughter Empress Eudoxia in Rome, the wife of Valentinian. Eudoxia built the Church of St. Peter and deposited these chains in it, together with those chains with which Peter was shackled before his death under Emperor Nero.

On this day, we also commemorate Peusippos and Neonilla, and the martyrs of Cappadocia; and Hieromartyr Damaskinos of Hilandar monastery on Athos. By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O God, have mercy upon us. Amen.