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**Sunday, July 31, 2022**

**Seventh Sunday after Pentecost**

**Holy and Just Eudokimos of Cappadocia**

**Righteous Joseph of Arimathea; Germanos, bishop of Auxerre**

**Celebrant: Fr. Ben Kjendal**

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## LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE SIX: When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. EUDOKIMOS IN TONE FOUR: The One that hath called thee from the earth to Heaven to dwell preserveth thy body uncorrupted after thy death, O saintly Eudokimos; for in living modestly and chastely, O blest one, thou didst keep thy flesh free of all stain and defilement; with boldness, therefore, pray unto Christ that we may all be saved.

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 TRANSFIGURATION IN TONE SEVEN: Thou wast transfigured on the mount, and Thy Disciples, in so far as they were able, beheld Thy glory, O Christ our God; so that, when they should see Thee crucified, they would remember that all Thy suffering was voluntary, and could declare to all the world that Thou art truly the effulgent Splendor of the Father.

### TRISAGION PRAYER

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

*Arabic* Qudoos El Laah, Quodoos 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.**

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**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, July 30**
  - 7:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, July 31**
  - 8:30 AM Orthros
  - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
- **Saturday, August 6**
  - 7:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, August 7**
  - 8:30 AM Orthros
  - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

**\*\*\*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.

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THE EPISTLE

(For the Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)

*O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.*

*Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry, O my God!*

**The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (15:1-7)**

Brethren, we who are strong ought to bear the infirmities of the weak, and not to please ourselves. Let each one of us please his neighbor for that which is good for his edification. For Christ also did not please Himself; but, as it is written: "The reproaches of those who reproached Thee fell on Me." For whatever was written beforehand was written for our learning, that we might have hope, through the patience and comfort of the Scriptures. Now may the God of patience and comfort grant you to be of the same mind with one another, according to Christ Jesus, that with one accord and one mouth you may glorify God, even the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ. Therefore, receive one another, even as Christ has also received you, to the glory of God.

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## THE GOSPEL

(For the Seventh Sunday of Matthew)

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (9:27-35)**

At that time, as Jesus passed on from there, two blind men followed him, crying aloud: "Have mercy on us, Son of David." When He entered the house, the blind men came to Him; and Jesus said to them, "Do you believe that I am able to do this?" They said to Him, "Yes, Lord." Then He touched their eyes, saying, "According to your faith be it done to you." And their eyes were opened. And Jesus sternly charged them, "See that no one knows it." But they went away and spread His fame through all that district. As they were going away, behold, a dumb demoniac was brought to Him. And when the demon had been cast out, the dumb man spoke; and the crowds marveled, saying, "Never was anything like this seen in Israel." But the Pharisees said, "He casts out demons by the prince of demons." And Jesus went about all the cities and villages, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing every disease and every infirmity.

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## ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

WEEKLY BULLETIN CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE  
ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH

### International Food Festival REMINDER!

The International Food Fair is scheduled for November 12th!

Next Meeting for Volunteers - Sunday, August 21st

Cooking begins for items to be frozen - September 24th - we need everyone's help!!

Calling all of St Michael's angels... looking for volunteers for a number of roles. Please see either Soraya Bandeli or Rick Bardine if you are interested in volunteering. Have fun and help out!

### SHREDDING and E-waste reduction day

The Parish Council is planning a fall fund raiser to help offset the costs associated with painting the outside of the Church and the tree work necessary before the painting.

**On Saturday September 17 from 9 – 12 we will hold a SHREDDING and E-waste reduction day!**

We will partner with:

- Great White Shred who will handle all paper waste and
- E-Waste, a local non-profit who handles the elimination of all electronics including old TV's, monitors, cell phone, key boards, etc.

Please bring all materials you are looking to get rid of to the Church parking lot on the morning of Saturday, September 17 from 9-12. We will soon publish a full fee schedule for all items.

Here is how you can help us be successful:

- Tell all your friends and neighbors as well. The event is open to the public as the more we fill the trucks, the more we make!
- We are looking for volunteers to help in the planning and on that day. Please let Soraya (617 842 8591) or Joe Rahal (508 385 4405) that you would like to help.

Thank you

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### **Books for A Baby Center**

Throughout the months of July and August we will be collecting NEW or VERY GENTLY USED children's books (appropriate for newborns through age 4) to donate to A Baby Center in Hyannis. Please consider donating Orthodox Christian children's books and help plant seeds of faith in our community!

Need an idea of where to look?

- our Teen SOYO bookstore
  - <https://store.ancientfaith.com/childrens-books-and-gifts/>
  - <https://potamitis.us>
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## THE SYNAXARION

On July 31 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the holy and just Eudokimos, Military Commander of Cappadocia.

### ***Verses***

*Since Godly Eudokimos laughed at life's vain pleasures,  
To translate him from life is the Godhead's good pleasure.*

*On the thirty-first the tomb welcometh Eudokimos.*

Born of devout parents, Eudokimos served as a young military officer in the time of Emperor Theophilus (829-842). He endeavored with his whole heart to live according to the precepts of the Gospel. He kept his purity unstained and avoided converse with any woman except his mother. He was generous to the poor, assiduous in reading holy books and yet more assiduous in prayer to God. He fled vain chatter and idle talk. The emperor made Eudokimos military governor of Cappadocia because of his high virtues. By God's providence, he died early, at the age of 33, and his relics were found to be miraculous. An insane man touched his tomb and was healed, and a paralytic child stood upright and was made whole. After 18 months, his mother opened his coffin, and found his body as though still alive—with no mark of corruption—and a wonderful fragrance arose from the saint's body. His relics were later translated to Constantinople and buried in the new church built by Eudokimos' parents.

On this day, we also commemorate the Righteous Joseph of Arimathea; and Germanos, bishop of Auxerre. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

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