

St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, August 21, 2022

Tenth Sunday after Pentecost

After-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy;

Martyrs Bassa, Theognios, Agapios and Pistos of Edessa

Celebrant: Fr. Joseph Butts

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 ONE: While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

APOLYTIKION OF THE DORMITION IN TONE ONE: In thy birth-giving, O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling-asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore, by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

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 DORMITION IN TONE TWO: Verily, the Theotokos, who is ever watchful in intercessions, and whose prayers are never rejected, neither tomb nor death could control. But since she is the Mother of Life, He Who dwelt in her ever-virgin womb did translate her to life.

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:

- **Sunday, August 21**
 - 8:30 AM Orthros
 - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
- **Saturday, August 27**
 - 7:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, August 28**
 - 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.

THE EPISTLE

(For the Tenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Let Thy mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (4:9-16)
Brethren, God has exhibited us Apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill clad and buffeted and homeless; and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the Gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Tenth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (17:14-23)

At that time, a man came up to Jesus and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Thy disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" Jesus said to them, "Because you have no faith. For truly, I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. This kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were traveling together through Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will rise on the third day."



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!!

Parish Directory Update: Last Calls for Parish Directory Updates!! Gonzalo Fernandez will be available after Divine Liturgy on the following three Sundays, August 21st and August 28th, to take Parish Directory photos. If you have already had your photo taken, please return the form provided by Erica via email to stmichael@stmichaelcapecod.org or, while you are in church, complete an information form, copies of which can be found on the table at the back of the church, and leave your completed form in the basket on that table.

Thank you!

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.

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. You can find full fee schedule for all items on the website.

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!

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- 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.

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>

Backpack Blessings: Once again we are collecting NEW school supplies for 15 children living at the Village at Cataumet, a transitional housing shelter. Please see the list of suggested items and bring your donations to church by Sunday, August 21. On Sunday, August 28 we will pack and deliver the filled backpacks to be distributed as needed to the children at the Village at Cataumet. Thank you for donating time, supplies, and money to help these kids start the school year off on the right foot!!! Please see Kh. Alyssa for details.

New Year's Party: Much time and many resources have been being poured in to completely transforming our Church School into what is going to be an amazing and beautiful program (see Kh.Yvonne or Kh. Alyssa for details), and I hope you will take the opportunity to fully engage your children in this life-changing experience. That said, in lieu of a three day VCS, we will be kicking off the Church Year on Thursday, September 1 with a New Year's Party! There will be food! There will be fun! There will be service to our community! All (not just kids) are invited to attend as we kick off the Liturgical Year together! Please see Kh. Alyssa for details.

THE SYNAXARION

On August 21 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we continue to celebrate the Dormition of the Mostholy Theotokos, and we commemorate the holy Apostle Thaddeus of the Seventy.

Verses

*O Thaddeus! What other fair laurel shall I weave thee,
Than to call thee the Word's initiate and eyewitness?
Thaddeus on the twenty-first flew up out of life.*

After His glorious Resurrection and Ascension, the Lord sent Thaddeus to his birthplace of Edessa, in fulfillment of His promise to Prince Avgar, which He made when He sent him the napkin with the imprint of His face (see Aug. 16). By kissing this napkin, Avgar was healed of his leprosy, though a little remained on his face. When Thaddeus visited Avgar, Christ's Apostle instructed him in the true Faith and then baptized him. When the baptized Avgar came up out of the water, the remaining leprosy fell from him. Glorifying God, Prince Avgar desired that his people should come to the knowledge of the true God and glorify Him. Hearing the Apostle's words about Christ and seeing their miraculously-healed prince, the people of Edessa cast away their idols and their unclean living, embraced the Christian faith and were baptized. Thaddeus preached the Gospel throughout Syria and Phoenicia, and entered into rest in the Lord in Beirut.

On this day, we also commemorate the Martyrs Bassa and her sons Theognios, Agapios, and Pistos of Edessa. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.
