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Sunday, July 6, 2025

Tone 3 / Eothinon 4

Fourth Sunday after Pentecost

& Fourth Sunday of Matthew

Righteous Father Sisoës the Great of Egypt;

Apostles Archippos, Philemon and

Onesimos of the Seventy

Hierarchs and Parish Clergy:

His Eminence Metropolitan SABA (Isper)

Antiochian Archdiocese of North America

His Grace Bishop JOHN (Abdalah)

Bishop of the Diocese of Worcester & New England

Father James Irving, Pastor

Subdeacon Joseph Boruch

LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE THREE: Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the 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

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.

Slavonic: 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:

- **Saturday, July 5**
 - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, July 6**
 - 8:30 AM Orthros
 - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
 - Choir Rehearsal
- **Saturday, July 12**
 - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, July 13**
 - 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 JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR

It is a great joy to have so many people join us for coffee hour! Please remember that coffee hour is potluck and is successful when we all pitch in by bringing food, serving, helping with set up and clean up or offering donations in the offering box on the counter. Please ask someone in the kitchen how you can help. May God continue to bless our community!

Our People are our Choir! We love to hear you sing with us! WELCOME! We are glad to have you worship with us today!

THE EPISTLE

(For Fourth Sunday after Pentecost)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands all ye peoples.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans. (6:18-23)

Brethren, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Fourth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:5-13)

At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching Him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And Jesus said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered Him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, He marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the Kingdom of Heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.



ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

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

PARISH YARD SALE A large parish wide yard sale is being planned for **July 19th** (rain or shine). Please save the date and put aside any household items you can donate for the sale.

Drop off: At church to Elaine Burke or Pauline Rassias at fellowship after Liturgy beginning JUNE 1.

Needed: DONATIONS and VOLUNTEERS. Call your relatives, friends, neighbors for donations. Women, *Contact Elaine Burke (540 272 0433) or Pauline Rassias (781) 690 2891). Men, Contact Mike Simoneau. We need people to sort, price, display and sell, set up and break down, donate leftovers.

DONATIONS WE WILL ACCEPT

***ONLY clean items in good condition and/or good working order.

***Nothing rusted, bent, chipped, cracked or worn.

- Antiques and collectables...See or call Zondra Davis
 - Artwork, preferably framed
 - Baskets (not bread baskets)
 - Books, hardcover and paperback
 - China/crystal, cups/saucers, dinnerware, decorative items such as vases, platters, figurines, candy dishes,
 - Furniture. Small pieces only. End tables, chairs, folding tables and chairs, stools, benches. Please plan to take back anything that does not sell.
 - Home Goods, such as pots and pans, lamps, mixing bowls, kitchen utensils, coffee or tea pots, toasters, Corelle Dinnerware, Corning Ware, Pyrex ware, Tupperware. **No plastic, please!
 - Jewelry White or yellow gold. Costume jewelry.
 - 4 or more matching mugs, cups and saucers, plates, glasses, cereal and soup bowls.
 - No odd or single items unless fine china or collectable.
 - Pocketbooks/wallets/totes. Must be clean with no signs of wear!
 - Sporting Goods. Golf clubs, balls, tennis rackets, etc
 - Tools, Toys
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WE WILL HAVE A SMALL RACK OF CLOTHING. Only accepting clean, pressed, on hangers, no rips, tears, stains. Limited space. Only like new items, please!

- Coats, Jackets, blazers, suits, sport jackets, skirts, pants, dresses
- Wraps, shawls, hats, scarves, and gloves
- NO CHILDREN'S CLOTHING, NO bedding, NO undergarments, pajamas or socks.



Yard Sale

Saturday July 19 • 9am – 3pm

Home Goods • Jewelry • Vintage/Designer Clothing • Toys
Sporting Goods • Tools • Antique/Vintage

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Light refreshments will be available for purchase.

THE SYNAXARION

On July 6 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate our Righteous Father Sisoës the Great of Egypt.

Verses

When he died, this was written upon the tablet: Sisoës, the tablet of the Divine Spirit. On the sixth, Sisoës went blameless from earth to Heaven.

Sisoës was a disciple of St. Anthony the Great. Imposing difficult ascetic labors on himself in the wilderness for 60 years, Sisoës humbled himself so much that he became meek and guileless as a lamb. God endowed Sisoës with abundant grace so that he was able to heal the sick, drive out unclean spirits and resurrect the dead. Sisoës taught those who visited him: "Regardless in what way temptation comes to man, a man should give himself to the will of God and to recognize that temptation occurred because of his sins. If something good happens, it should be said that it happened according to God's Providence." Sisoës died peacefully in extreme old age in 429.

On this day, we also commemorate the Apostles Archippos, Philemon and Onesimos of the Seventy. By the intercessions of Thy Saints, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

If you need to contact a member of the clergy in the event of a pastoral emergency, please contact Fr. James Irving, who can be reached by phone or text at (781) 468-8709 or by email at dnjamesirving@gmail.com. Fr. James is available for confession by appointment.
