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Sunday, August 17, 2025

**Tone 1 / Eothinon 10; Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
& Tenth Sunday of Matthew**

After-feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

**Hieromartyr Myron of Kyzikos;
the righteous siblings Eutychios, Eutychian, and
Kassiane of Crete**

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 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, Quodoos 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:

- **Thursday, August 14**
 - 5:00 PM Divine Liturgy for the Dormition of the Theotokos
- **Saturday, August 16**
 - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, August 17**
 - 8:30 AM Orthros
 - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
- **Saturday, August 23**
 - 5:00 PM Vespers
- **Sunday, August 24**
 - 8:30 AM Orthros
 - 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
 - Choir Rehearsal

*****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 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

HELP NEEDED for a 98-year-old woman in South Yarmouth. She is mobile but needs assistance with household tasks 2-3 hours a day, 5-6 days a week. This is a cash payment position. For more information please contact her daughter-in-law Elena (our summer parishioner) at 917-589-5348.

BACKPACK BLESSINGS

It's BACK-TO-SCHOOL time of year again! Cataumet Village, a transitional housing facility moved from Falmouth to South Dennis. Now it is called The Family Empowerment Center, supporting families coming out of homelessness. These clients, mostly mothers and children, are getting ready to go back to school and need our help. We will be collecting school supplies through the month of August. More information to follow. Monetary donations can be made to St. Michael Outreach with a memo Backpack Blessings. As always, thank you for your generosity as we care for those in need. If you have any questions, please see Michelle, Emma or Soraya.

CALENDAR SPONSORSHIP NEEDED

We are looking for businesses or individuals who would like to help sponsor the calendars we publish and distribute in December. These list the Feast days, and other information such as fast days. Please see or contact Father James before August 26 if you're interested.

SILENT AUCTION

St. Michael is excited to offer an online auction for a beautiful hand-painted icon by Zoya Sheglov, in traditional Russian style. Please click the link for the icon and bid details. The highest bidder will be supporting St. Michael's general fund.

<https://forms.gle/MMFrDVqp5cWNdhn29>



May you always be blessed. Thank you for your generosity and your prayerful consideration on our behalf.

For questions, please contact Soraya Bandeli 617-842-8591 / sbandeli@comcast.net

SAVE THE DATE! DIOCESAN CHORAL WORKSHOP NOVEMBER 15

Diocesan Choral Workshop with Mareena Boosamra Ball Chairwoman of the Department of Sacred Music

Saturday, November 15

10am - 4pm

St. John of Damascus Church

Also, COMING SOON:

Registration for Fall Semester at Antiochian Orthodox Ecclesiastical Online Music School. Classes start the week of September 8.

RAFFLE FOR TWO FOOTBALL TICKETS

PATRIOTS VS. STEELERS

GILLETTE STADIUM

SEPTEMBER 21st 1:00 pm

Tickets
\$10 EACH
3 FOR \$25




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Venmo to @soraya-bandeli
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Venmo payers send an email with
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Drawing on Sept. 7th
Proceeds Support St. Michael
Women's Group Stewardship

THE SYNAXARION

On August 17 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we continue to celebrate the Dormition of the Most Holy Theotokos, and we commemorate the holy Hieromartyr Myron the Presbyter of Kyzikos.

Verses

*What care I for the severing of my head, saith Myron,
In compare of the very precious crown soon to crown me?
On the seventeenth, a keen sword cut Myron down.*

Myron was a priest in the town of Achaia of wealthy and prominent origin and by nature was kind and meek, both a lover of God and of man. During the reign of Emperor Decius and, on the Feast of the Nativity of Christ, pagans charged into the church, dragged Myron out from the service and subjected him to torture. While in the fire, an angel appeared to Myron and encouraged him. After that, torturers began to cut his skin in strips. The martyr grabbed one strip of his skin and, with it, struck the torturer—the judge—on the face. The judge Antipater, as though possessed, took a sword and killed himself. Finally, torturers took Myron to the city of Kyzikos and there slew him with the sword in 250, and he entered into the Heavenly Kingdom.

On this day, we also commemorate the righteous siblings Eutychios, Eutychian, and Kassiane of Crete. By the intercessions of Thy saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon 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.
