# St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

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# Sunday, October 05, 2025 Tone 8 / Eothinon 6; Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost & Second Sunday of Luke

Holy Martyr Charitina of Amisos; John, bishop of Euchaïta; Eudokimos of Vatopedi monastery on Athos

# **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.

<u>RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE EIGHT</u>: From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the threeday burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

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.

<u>ORDINARY KONTAKION IN TONE TWO</u>: 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, 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:

- Saturday, October 4
  - 5:00 PM Vespers
- Sunday, October 5
  - 9:00 AM Orthros / 9:15 AM Bible Study (kids 10+)
  - 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
  - Church School
  - Teen SOYO Meeting
  - Outreach Meeting
  - Saturday, October 11
  - o 5:00 PM Vespers
  - Sunday, October 12
  - o 9:00 AM Orthros / 9:15 AM Bible Study (kids 10+)
  - 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
  - Church School
  - 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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

God is known in Judah; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:16-7:1) Brethren, we are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them," says the Lord, "and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

# THE GOSPEL

(For the Second Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (6:31-36)

The Lord said: "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for He is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."



# ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

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

# **HELP VETERANS**

David Easa is helping collect socks, gloves and hats for veterans this October. If anyone would like to participate in this collection, please let David know before the end of October.

# **GET YOUR THANKSGIVING BAKED GOODS!**

Saint Michael Sisterhood is holding a bake sale the Sunday before Thanksgiving (November 23rd). Mark your calendars!!!



# SHRED-IT EVENT

A veteran owned Mashpee company Great White Shred will be at the church from 9-12 on Saturday October 25th offering paper shredding services. This is a way to destroy personal or financial records and to help raise money for our community. The cost is \$10 per box with no minimum of boxes and a portion of the proceeds donated to the church.



## THE SYNAXARION

On October 5 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Martyr Charitina of Amisos.

#### Verses

That for which she prayed, the loosing of the body, Charitina receiveth, behold, by praying. On the fifth Charitina entered the city of God.

Orphaned young, Charitina was adopted by an eminent Christian man called Claudius, who brought her up as his own daughter. Charitina studied the law of God, day and night, and vowed to live in perpetual virginity as a true bride of Christ. The governor Dometius wanted to kill Charitina because she led many to the Lord. A judge ordered that her hair be cut off and live coals put on her head, but the maiden was preserved by God's power. She was bound to a wheel which began to turn, but an angel of God stopped the wheel and Charitina remained unharmed. Then the wicked judge sent some dissolute youths to take her virginity. Fearing this attack, Charitina knelt in prayer to God to receive her soul before that could happen. At that moment, her soul soared to the immortal Kingdom of Christ in 290.

On this day, we also commemorate Venerable John, bishop of Euchaïta; and Venerable Eudokimos of Vatopedi monastery on Athos. By the intercessions of Thy saints, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.

#### SAVE THE DATE!

- October 25: Shred-It Event
- November 15: Diocesan Choral Workshop-St. John of Damascus
- November 16: Bishop John visiting for the Feast Day of St. Michael
- November 23: Thanksgiving Bake Sale

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 <a href="mailto:dnjamesirving@gmail.com">dnjamesirving@gmail.com</a>. Fr. James is available for confession by appointment.