

EIGHTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

August 3, 2014

Saints Commemorated today: St. Isaacius, Dalamatus & Faustus of the Dalmation Monastery; St. Salome the Myrrhbearer; and St. Theoctistus the Wonderworker

EPISTLE READING

I Corinthians 1:10-17

Brethren, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispus and Gaius; lest anyone should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized anyone else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:14-22

At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish." And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

ENTRANCE HYMN: GRAVE TONE

(Page 46 in "The Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom")

Thou hast Destroyed Death by Thy Cross; Thou hast opened Paradise to the thief; Thou hast changed the lamentation of the Myrrh-bearers; into joy; and Thou hast commanded Thine Apostles to proclaim that Thou, O Christ our God, hast arisen, granting to the world the Great Mercy.



PARAKLESIS (SUPPLICATION) SERVICE

The holy service of the Paraklesis (Supplication) will take place almost every evening at 7:00 p.m. either at our Holy Dormition Chapel or at St. Andrew. Make every effort to attend as a family and seek the blessings from the Ever-Virgin Mary and Theotokos for you and your family. Please submit the Orthodox Baptismal names (just the first name of course) to your priest to pray for their well being and protection.

HOLY DORMITION DONATIONS

Any donations towards flowers, olive oil, charcoal and candles would be appreciated. Please contact the office if you would like to donate.

THE LAMPOS POST

As you know, the Fast for the Holy Dormition of the Theotokos begins on August 1. *The Lenten Cookbook for Orthodox Christian* (641.566 L46) gives a guide for the foods allowed along with Lenten recipes. We have a children's section in the Library. Please encourage your children to grow in Christ with spiritual reading. We have two children's books perfect for the Holy Dormition: *Our Hymn to the Mother of God* (264.019 H4 2011) and *The Story of Mary the Mother of God* (232.91 P36 2000).

ICONOGRAPHY

The drive to complete the third phase of Iconography has begun. We invite and encourage everyone to donate towards this last phase. If you would like to make a donation towards a specific Icon please contact Father George or Chris Kirgios. (We have emailed the price and schematics to the parish, if you did not receive this email or would like a hard copy, please contact the office.) If you would like to make just a general donation, please make your checks out to St. Andrew Church and note in the memo line "Iconography." Thank you.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTS/HOSTESSES

We are in need of Coffee Hour hosts/hostesses for many Sundays throughout the year. Please take a minute to sign up on the sheet in the Fellowship Hall. All parishioners of Saint Andrew are welcome to sign up. Thank you.

RED VIGIL LIGHTS

The suggested donation for the red vigil lights is \$7 per candle and \$40 per case. Thank you.

FREE WI-FI IS NOW AVAILABLE

Wi-fi is now available. Please see Father George, a Council Member, the church office or Joseph for access information.

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

Please remember to check the ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR when scheduling activities. They should ***not*** be scheduled during service times. This is disrespectful to God and unacceptable. Thank you.

PROSFORO COMMITTEE

We are in need of Prosforo bakers, please contact the office to sign up!!!

Please note that without the Prosforo, Divine Liturgy cannot be conducted. Recently, we have had several members of this committee that are unable to continue to be a part of the committee. If you would be willing to sign up to make Prosforo twice a year (once every six months), please contact the office or Artemis Hoke. If you are currently a member of the committee and unable to provide it on your scheduled Sunday please contact the office, so that we may make arrangements. Thank you. Current Members: Maria Angelos, Arlene Batalis, Marina Carlin, Cindy Crawford, Maria Giannakakis, Artemis Hoke, Athina Kamiotis, Anthoula Kanalos, Pres. Elaine, Mary Koucouthakis, Ted Poledor, Penny Poulos, Joan Prathaftakis, Nick Proicou, Rose Rorres, Sigrid Thanos, Mary Jo Tirikos, Neovi Karakatsanis, Ioanna Bilionis and Janice Lampos.

REMINDER FOR PARISHIONERS

There should be NO talking in the Narthex during the Divine Liturgy. (No one should be congregating in the hallways or Fellowship Hall). It is completely disrespectful to God and to the worship service of our Church.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

The Little Lamb bags, located in the coat room, are available for your child(ren) to use during church service. Please, follow the instructions. Thank you. **Please** keep the numbered books in the correct bags. We also have had a few books destroyed. Let's try to be gentle.

For the convenience of parents with crying children, a "cry room" is located off the Narthex for your use. ATTENTION PARENTS: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN ARE NOT WANDERING AROUND THE CHURCH DURING SERVICES. THIS IS VERY DISRUPTIVE TO EVERYONE. THANK YOU!

PARKING

PLEASE NOTE: Many people are parking in the 'No Parking' and 'Handicap' parking areas. We have many parishioners who have a legitimate need to park there. Please do not use the handicap spaces unless you have a tag or plate. Please **do not** park in the **NO PARKING AREAS** at all. We appreciate your cooperation in this. Thank you.

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

Please remember to dress appropriately and modestly for church services. There is no chewing gum, talking or crossing your legs in church. Everyone should arrive on time for the Liturgy. Do not leave trash (bulletins, paper, etc) in the pews. It is considered disrespectful for anyone attending Orthodox Christian services to cross their legs during service, chew gum or come in late. Also women who are planning on taking Communion should not wear lipstick or should remove it before going up for Communion. **TURN OFF CELL PHONES.** Thank you.

A NOTE TO OUR VISITORS

People of different religious affiliation or tradition who behave in a respectful manner are always welcome at the liturgical services of our Holy Orthodox Church but **ONLY MEMBERS OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH who share a common faith and practice a specific spiritual discipline may participate in the Church's sacraments and receive Holy Communion at the Orthodox Divine Liturgy. The Greek Orthodox Church has a closed communion and no intercommunion with any**

other Christian body. We are blessed by your presence with us and thank you for your understanding. May God bless you always.

A NOTE TO ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS

ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS PLEASE NOTE: The proper preparation for receiving Holy Communion is: 1) prayer; 2) keeping the fast throughout the year (Wednesdays, Fridays, Great Lent, fast of the Holy Apostles, fast of the Dormition and the Christmas Fast, etc); and 3) most important, participating in the Sacrament of Holy Confession and Repentance. **ALSO follow these guidelines as you approach for Holy Communion: Take the red cloth from the person before you and place it under your chin. Say your baptismal name. Open your mouth wide and receive the Holy Spoon in your mouth, lower your lips on the Holy Communion spoon and carefully remove the Holy Eucharist so that there is nothing left. After partaking of the Sacrament blot your lips and hand the red cloth to the person behind you. Receive one piece of antidoron, return to your seat and read the post communion prayer. Lipstick, lip gloss, lip balm, etc, should be removed prior to approaching the chalice. Receiving the precious Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ should not be treated like a fast food service. You should come on time for the Divine Liturgy (that means at the beginning) and not leave until the completion of the service.** *This means that every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes. It follows that if anyone eats the Lord’s bread or drinks from his cup in a way that dishonors him, he is guilty of sin against the Lord’s body and blood. So then, everyone should examine himself first, and then eat the bread and drink from the cup. For if he does not recognize the meaning of the Lord’s body when he eats the bread and drinks from the cup, he brings judgment on himself as he eats and drinks. That is why many of you are sick and weak, and several have died. If we would examine ourselves first, we would not come under God’s judgment. But we are judged and punished by the Lord, so that we shall not be condemned together with the world. (1 Corinthians 11:26-32).*

At the time of communion, please allow families with infants to approach first, followed by the children and then the adults. Thank you.

The Communion Prayer is located in the Divine Liturgy Books on page 40 (old edition) and 66 (new edition). Everyone is encouraged to participate in the reciting of the Communion Prayer together.

YOUR PRAYERS HELP...

“...I was sick and you visited Me...” St. Matthew 25:36. “Holy Father, Physician of our souls and bodies have mercy, forgive and heal thy servants.” The following brothers and sisters in Christ need your constant prayers and love, *recovering at home or ill at home/ hospital:* Nick Limberopoulos, Chris Magrames, Ted Poledor (home), Mary Verongos (Sanctuary at Holy Cross), and Nick Rorres (home). *In nursing homes or home bound:* Artemis Hoke (Holy Cross Rehab), Chris Bouris (St. Joseph Rehab), Esther Magrames (home), Mary Manos (home), Bill and Betty Kanalos (Hearth at Juday Creek), Amelia Morris (Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton), Joan Rekos (Signature), Helen Kaldis, Mary Rudhman (home), and Telesila Yustwan (Home).

Today's **Ushers** are: Andy Manos, Manolis Anagnostou, George Mighion, Chris Strafford, Pete Arvan, Mike Chronopoulos. If you are not serving in the pangari today, you should join everyone in the Sanctuary. Thank you.

Today’s **Epistle Lesson** will be read by **an Altar Boy**. **Arlene Batalis** prepared the Prosforo for this morning. May our God grant you spiritual joy always. **The Coffee Hour** was lovingly prepared for our entire community by **Mike Popyk**. We thank you for your love and generosity.

THIS WEEK	
Monday, August 4	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm
Tuesday, August 5	Orthros 9am Great Vespers for Holy Transfiguration 5p
Wednesday, August 6	Holy Transfiguration 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Supplications 7p.m

Thursday, August 7	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Friday, August 8	Orthros 9am Supplications 7p.m. at Holy Dormition Chapel
Saturday, August 9	Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, August 10	9 th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
LOOKING AHEAD	
Monday, August 11	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Tuesday, August 12	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Wednesday, August 13	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Thursday, August 14	Great Vespers for the Falling Asleep of the Theotokos 7p.m. at Holy Dormition Artoklasia (Blessing of the Loaves) Epitaphio of the Virgin Mary with Procession
Thursday, August 15	Holy Dormition of Theotokos at Holy Dormition Chapel 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
Saturday August 16	Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, August 17	10 th Sunday of Matthew at Holy Dormition (St Andrew Closed) 9:30 Orthros 10:30 Divine Liturgy Annual Picnic following Liturgy
MARK YOUR CALENDARS	
Sun, August 17	Holy Dormition Picnic following Liturgy (all at Holy Dormition Chapel, New Carlisle)
Tue, August 26	Parish Council 7pm
Sat, October 18	SAREF Dinner 7pm
Sun, October 26	School of Mediterranean Cookery 3-6pm
June 12-14, 2015	Grecian Festival

2014 Financial Report
(Does not include Festival)

July 14 Income	July 14 Expenses	Monthly Balance	July 13 Income	July 13 Expenses	July 13 Balance
\$8,230.60	\$23,743.90	--\$15,512.49	\$15,389.77	\$26,199.74	--\$10,809.97

YTD Income	YTD Expense	YTD Balance	13 YTD Inc	13 YTD Ex	13 YTD Bal
\$157,520.32	\$196,749.23	--\$39,228.91	\$153,317.08	\$182,325.50	--\$29,008.42

Stewardship Report

July Pledge Income	July Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income	YTD Pledge Inc	YTD Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income
\$7,655.50	\$10,500.00	--\$2,844.50	\$92,351.00	\$100,500.00	--\$8,149.00

*Year-to-date as of July 25, 2014

Our monthly stewardship goal in July is \$10,500; we have received \$7,655.50

Our **current bank balance is \$23,450.82 (As of 7-25-14).**

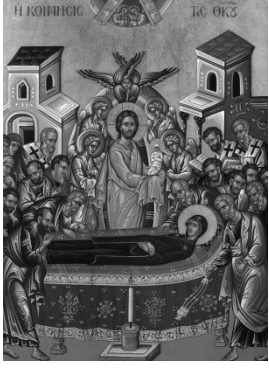
Please do not forget to send in your generous pledges: we count on you to have a balanced budget by the end of the year, and we want to avoid seeing our general fund balance dangerously reduced. Thank you for your continuous support to our parish. **We plead with you to do everything that you can to send in your pledges in a timely and generous manner.**

OUR HOLY MISSION

St. Andrew’s Greek Orthodox Church of South Bend, IN is a Christian Community committed to serving our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, guided by the Holy Spirit, and united in faith and in love with God, and called to make that love real to others through...

- WORSHIP (the Divine Liturgy) and the reception of the Sacrament of Holy Communion by which we achieve union with Jesus Christ and with each other.
- PHILANTHROPIC DIAKONIA (service) to those people in need of our love and compassion. In teaching His disciples the Lord said, “...as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.” (Matthew 25:40)
- EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES which enable Orthodox Christians to grow in Christ and be faithful disciples and prepares them to strengthen their personal commitment to our Lord, His Church and the holy Gospel.
- NATIONAL AND PARISH MINISTRIES of our Holy Orthodox Church which provide opportunities for Parish Outreach and to live as an integral and vital part of the community. The prime objective is to encourage a greater participation in the life of the Church and the world.
- TEACHING the commandment of the New Life, imparting a clear knowledge of the doctrines, traditions, canons and disciplines of the Church and guiding the growth, progress and enlightenment
- of all Orthodox Christians.

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**ELEVENTH ANNUAL
HOLY DORMITION FEAST DAY
PARISH PICNIC
AT THE
HOLY DORMITION CHAPEL GROUNDS,
32365 CHICAGO TRAIL, NEW CARLISLE, IN**

WHEN: SUNDAY, AUGUST 17, 2014

**TIME: 9:30 ORTHROS
10:30 DIVINE LITURGY**

Services held at Holy Dormition Chapel (St. Andrew closed)

IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING LITURGY start with social hour, coffee, and donuts, then lunch buffet (Greek salad, pasta salad, chicken breast, rice, special burgers, chips, bread, corn-on-the-cob, dessert, coffee soft drinks and bottle water) \$12 person; \$3 for children (10 and under)

Wine \$10 btl, beer \$3 btl

All proceeds for chapel improvements for future events.

Fresh air and good food cooked on the Chapel grounds. Let's have an enjoyable day together with our families

Kids games and activities.

There will be a tent with tables and chairs for all to enjoy.

Chairman: Mr. Nick Giannakakis 269-449-2112

Co-Chairs: Mrs. Effie Limberopoulos, Mr. Tim Karamalegos

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