

Sunday of the Holy Fathers

July 15, 2012

Saints Commemorated today: Sts. Julitta & Kyrikos the Martyrs; St. Vladimir, Equal-to-the-Apostles of Kiev and the Finding of the Head of St. Matrona of Chios

EPISTLE READING

Titus 3:8-15

Brethren, this is a faithful saying, and those things I want you to affirm constantly, that those who have believed in God should be careful to maintain good works. These things are good and profitable to men. But avoid foolish disputes, genealogies, contentions, and strivings about the law; for they are unprofitable and useless. Reject a divisive man after the first and second admonition, knowing that such a person is warped and sinning, being self-condemned. When I send Artemas to you, or Tychicus, be diligent to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Send Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their journey with haste, that they may lack nothing. And let our people also learn to maintain good works, to meet urgent needs, that they may not be unfruitful. All who are with me greet you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 5:14-19

“You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let you light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets. I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.”

ENTRANCE HYMN; 1st PLAGAL TONE

(Page 45 in “The Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom”)

Let us, the faithful, praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, who for our salvation was born of a Virgin. For He willed to be lifted up upon the Cross in the flesh, and to endure death, and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

RUMMAGE SALE

The Annual Rummage Sale will NOT take place this year. Thank you for your support in the years past.

HOLY DORMITION

We will need incense, flowers, candles, etc., for the Feast of the Holy Dormition. If you would like to donate, please contact the office. Thank you.

CATECHETICAL SCHOOL TEACHERS

We are in great need of three teachers for Catechetical School in the fall. Please see Father George if you are willing to teach or be an assistant teacher. Thank you.

DISCRETIONARY FUND

We have a parishioner that we are helping with transportation to and from Church. If you would like to help please contact Father George or make donations payable to the *Discretionary Fund*.

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 and Mary Jo Tirikos.

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).*

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:*

In nursing homes or home bound: Bill and Betty Kanalos (Brentwood at Niles), Amelia Morris (Southfield Village), Joan Rekos (Kindred), Anna Moskolis (Kindred), John Kouroubetes (Woodridge). Chris and Peggy Bouris (home), Helen Kaldis, Mary Rudhman (home), and Telesila Yustwan (Home).

THIS WEEK	
Monday, July 16 th	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Tuesday, July 17 th	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Wednesday, July 18 th	Paraklesis to St. Nektarios 9a Vespers 4:30pm
Friday, July 20 th	St. Elias the Prophet 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Vespers 4:30pm
Saturday, July 21 st	Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, July 22 nd	Seventh Sunday of Matthew 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
LOOKING AHEAD	
Monday, July 23 rd	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Tuesday, July 24 th	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Wednesday, July 25 th	Paraklesis to St. Nektarios 9a

Vespers 4:30pm

Thursday, July 26th

St. Hemolaos & His Companions

9:00 Orthros

10:00 Divine Liturgy

Vespers 4:30pm

Friday, July 27th

St. Panteleimon

9:00 Orthros

10:00 Divine Liturgy

Vespers 4:30pm

Saturday, July 28th

Great Vespers 5pm

Sunday, July 29th

Eighth Sunday of Matthew

9:00 Orthros

10:00 Divine Liturgy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Wednesday, August 1st

Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel

Thursday, August 2nd

Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel

Friday, August 10th

Supplications 7pm Holy Dormition Chapel

Saturday, August 11th

Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel

Tuesday, August 14th

Great Vespers for the Falling Asleep of the Theotokos

7pm Holy Dormition Chapel

Wednesday, August 15th

Holy Dormition of Theotokos Orthros 9; Divine
Liturgy 10 at Holy Dormition Chapel

Tuesday, October 16th

Good Samaritan Salad Luncheon

Friday, October 26th

Trivia Night

June 7-9, 2013

Grecian Festival

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.

St. Andrew Iconography **Phase II**

Dear Parishioners,

Many of you are aware that the second of three phases of Iconography for St. Andrew has begun and is scheduled to be completed by the feast-day of our Church on November 30. Many parishioners have expressed their desire to make Iconography donations and it came to our attention that additional clarification for the second phase of Iconography is needed.

There will be a total of three phases of iconography for the Church. Phase II of the Iconography will consist of two icons in the Nave of the Church and six icons in the Narthex as described below.

Nave:

- 1) The Koimisis (Dormition) of the Ever-Virgin Mary and Theotokos (North Wall) –**donation received.**
- 2) Moses/Burning Bush (West Wall – Above the Cry Room) - \$15,000

Narthex:

- 1) The Holy Icon of the Holy Family - \$8,000
- 2) The Holy Icon of the Holy Napkin – **donation received.**
- 3) The Holy Icon of Saint Peter and Paul - \$2,500 each (\$5,000 Total)
- 4) The Holy Icon of Christ “o anapeson” or reclining Christ - \$6,000
- 5) The Holy Icon of Christ as Angel - \$6,000
- 6) The Medallion of Christ - \$2,000

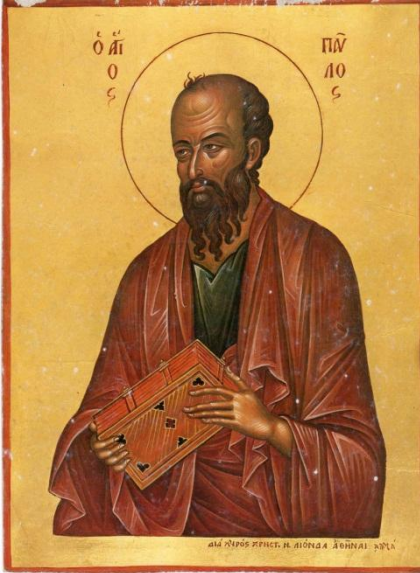
All of the Holy Icons for the first phase of Iconography were donated by parishioners either as individuals or as families. Donations for Phase II (or Phase III) are encouraged. Any amount is welcomed and appreciated. Our goal is to do in Phase II what we did in Phase I: collect enough private donations to cover the cost of the entire effort at no expense to the Parish.

If you would like to make a donation for the second phase (or third phase) of Iconography, please contact the Church office during normal business hours or send in your check writing “Iconography – Phase II” in the memo line, and let Father George or Amber know which icon or icons you would like your donation to go towards.

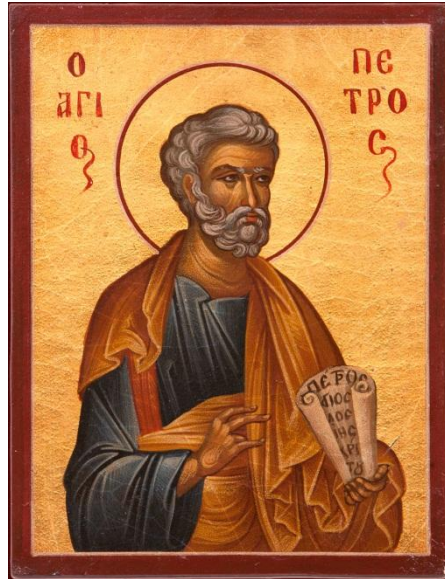
Sincerely,

The Parish Council

St. Paul



St. Peter



The Holy Icon of the Holy Family The Holy Icon of the Holy Napkin



The Holy Icon of Christ "O anapeson" or reclining Christ



The Medallion of Christ

Moses / Burning Bush



The Holy Icon of Christ as Angel



The Koimisis (Dormition) of the Ever-Virgin Mary

