

Ninth Sunday of Matthew

August 5, 2012

Saints Commemorated today: St. Eusygnius the Martyr of Antioch

EPISTLE READING

I Corinthians 3:9-17

Brethren, for we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 14:22-34

Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. But the boat was now in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You command me to come to You on the water." So he said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God."

ENTRANCE HYMN: 4TH PLAGAL TONE

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

Thou didst descend from on High, O Merciful Savior, and didst endure the grave for three days, that Thou mightest free us from anguish. Glory to Thee, O Lord, our Life and our 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, August 6 th	Holy Transfiguration 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Supplications 7p.m
Tuesday, August 7 th	Orthros 9am Supplications 7p.m.
Wednesday, August 8 th	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm
Thursday, August 9 th	Orthros 9am Supplications 7p.m.
Friday, August 10 th	Orthros 9am Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Saturday, August 11 th	Supplications 7pm at Holy Dormition Chapel
Sunday, August 12 th	10 th Sunday of Matthew 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy

LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, August 13 th	Orthros 9am
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Supplications 7pm

Tuesday, August 14th

Great Vespers for the Falling Asleep of the Theotokos 7p.m.
Artoklasia (Blessing of the Loaves) **at Holy Dormition**

Wednesday, August 15th

Holy Dormition of Theotokos at **Holy Dormition Chapel**
9:00 Orthros
10:00 Divine Liturgy

Friday, August 17th

Paraklesis Theotokos 9a
Vespers 4:30pm

Saturday, August 18th

Great Vespers 5pm

Sunday, August 19th
St. Andrew CLOSED

10th Sunday of Matthew at **Holy Dormition Chapel**
9:30 Orthros
10:30 Divine Liturgy
Holy Dormition Picnic following Liturgy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, August 19th

Catechetical School Registration Due
Picnic at Holy Dormition Chapel

Sunday, September 9th

Grandparent's Sunday

Sunday, September 16th

Catechetical School begins

Tuesday, October 16th

Good Samaritan Salad Luncheon

Friday, October 26th

Trivia Night

June 7-9, 2013

Grecian Festival

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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.

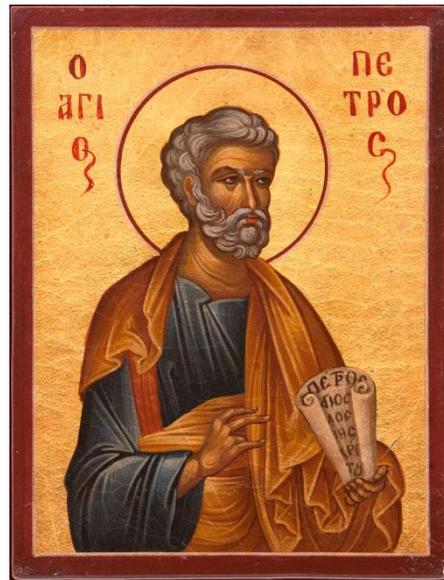
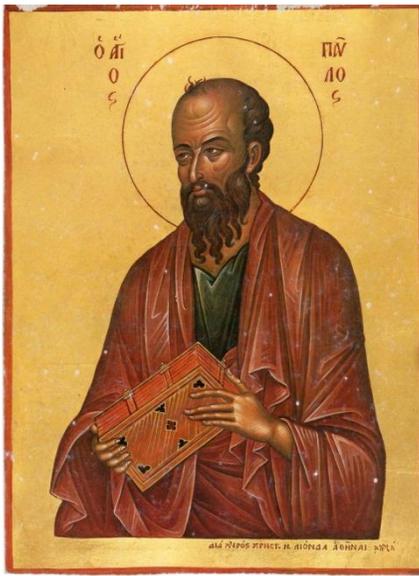
If you would like to make a donation for the second phase (or third phase) of Iconography, please contact the Church office during normal business hours or send in your check writing “Iconography – Phase II” in the memo line, and let Father George or Amber know which icon or icons you would like your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

