

SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

September 19, 2021

Saints Commemorated today: Trophimus, Sabbatius, & Dorymedon the Martyrs; Plato the New Hieromartyr of Patmos; Theodore of Tarsus, Archbishop of Canterbury; Afterfeast of Holy Cross

EPISTLE READING

Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

GOSPEL READING

Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

ENTRANCE HYMN: 4TH TONE

Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples spake to the Apostles triumphantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy unto the world.

FOURTH MODE

As the first-called of the Apostles, and brother of their leader O Andrew, entreat the Master of all that peace be granted unto the world and great mercy to our souls.

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METROPOLIS CHOIR FEDERATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE OCT 7-10

The Metropolis Choir Federation conference is next month here at Saint Andrew, Oct 7-10. All profit realized by this event will be split evenly between the choir federation and Saint Andrew, so let's rally around this cause for both fellowship, entertainment and our church's financial health. Deadline to register is **Wed, Sep 22**. We have an amazing line-up of entertainment for the dinners! Friday we have the Motown Machine performing, a local sensation featuring the drumming of Billy Stix Nix, until his passing in 2017. Billy was a former Motown musician and an original member of Jr. Walker and the Allstars. Saturday, in addition to enjoying Chris Kurtis' delicious prime rib dinner, we will be serenaded by the world-renown Notre Dame Glee club (they will be wearing singers' masks) and then by our own byzantine choir member, Eleni Taluzek, who is a lyric mezzo-soprano from Chicago, IL. The night will end with a fabulous as always performance by our Olympic Dance Troupe. So how can you miss these events???? :) Thank you in

advance for your support of this unique opportunity for our parish, and let's be amazing hosts to our guests who are traveling a great distance to have their conference at Saint Andrew.

15TH ANNUAL WALK THE WALK FOR IOCC 5K WALK/RUN

The Chicago IOCC Metropolitan Committee is organizing its Annual 5K Walk/Run in support of International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC), the global humanitarian aid organization of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America. The event will be held on Saturday, September 25, 2021 at St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church. Donations and sponsorships can be made online by September 10, 2021. Online registration will stay open, but register by the deadline to guarantee a t-shirt in your size!

ST. IAKOVOS 15th ANNIVERSARY TELETHON

Celebrate 15 years of the St. Iakovos Retreat Center and participate in the recording of a hour long special on Thursday, September 30, 2021 from 7 PM to 10 PM at the [Cubby Bear](#) in Chicago, IL!

Registration includes drinks and appetizers. Registration opened on Tuesday, August 31, 2021 at 9 AM CST [here](#).

The in-person event will be broadcasted via Facebook and YouTube on Sunday, October 3, 2021 at 7 PM CST. All event proceeds benefit the St. Iakovos Retreat Center.

ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP HOSTED AT ST. ANDREW

We're excited to announce that this October, a local Orthodox Christian iconographer Brian Whirledge will be hosting an iconography workshop at St. Andrew. If you're artistically talented OR just want to learn about the foundations of this sacred art, please consider joining the class. Brian has graciously offered a 20% discount for parishioners. Please click [HERE](#) for more information.

SOCIALLY DISTANCED SECTION

We kindly remind everyone that we have set aside a section of pews for those who wish to wear masks and continue to socially distance. Masks and distancing are required in this section, as per the Metropolis of Chicago. We ask that if you are not wearing a mask and distancing, that you sit in another section. Thank you for your consideration and understanding.

DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Discretionary Fund is to assist local parishioners (individuals, and families) that have encountered financial hardship. If you would like to help please contact Father John or make donations payable to the Discretionary Fund.

VISITING SAINT ANDREW?

People of different religious affiliation or tradition are always welcome at the liturgical services of our Holy Orthodox Church. If you are interested in learning more about Orthodoxy or have specific questions, please set up a time to speak with Father John.

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: Vasilios Spentzos (home) and Nick Limberopoulos (home).

In nursing homes or home bound: Artemis Hoke (Westgate Garden), and Amelia Morris (Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton).

Today's **Ushers** are: Manolis Anagnostou, Anna Napoleon, George Mighion, Chris Strafford, Pete Arvan. If you are not serving in the pangari today, please join everyone in the Sanctuary.

Today's Epistle Lesson will be read by an Altar Boy.

Cindy Crawford prepared the Prosforo for this morning. May our God grant you spiritual joy always. Coffee Hour was lovingly prepared for our entire community by **Mary Scott, Nicole Zanker and Anna Savvopoulou**. We thank you for your love and generosity.

THIS WEEK

Sat Sep 18	Great Vespers	5:00pm
Sun Sep 19	Sunday after the Holy Cross	8:20am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Wed Sep 22	Vespers and Bible Study	6:30pm and 7pm
Fri Sep 24	St Thecla and St. Silouan of Athos	9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sat Sep 25	Great Vespers	5:00pm
Sun Sep 26	St. John the Theologian	8:20am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy

LOOKING AHEAD

Wed Sep 29	Vespers and Bible Study	6:30pm and 7pm
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Orthodox Christian Stewardship is a way of life, which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. A primary goal of Stewardship is to promote spiritual growth and strengthen faith. Becoming a Steward begins when we believe in God, to whom we give our love, loyalty and trust and act on those beliefs. As Stewards, we affirm that every aspect of our lives comes as a gift from Him. Stewardship calls on the faithful to cheerfully offer back to God a portion of the gifts with which they have been blessed.

A steward is one who manages another's property or resources; the Christian, therefore, is a steward of everything he is and has, including his own body and soul, for according to the mystery of salvation, we possess nothing from ourselves, not even our own life and being; all belongs to God and is given to us by the Father through His Son because of the richness of His love and mercy.

from *The Theology of Stewardship in Light of Orthodox Tradition* by Fr Paul Wesche (Light and Life Publishing)

2021 Active Stewards

Allen, Anastasios & Colleen*

Anagnos, Nick & Katina*

Anagnostou, Manolis*

Andrews, Leon & Jennie*

Angelos, Maria*

Antsaklis, Panagiotis & Melinda*

Arvanitis, Esther*

Arvanitis, Panayotis & Beth*

Assimos, Fotine*

Bechaka, Leah*

Bechaka, Terry*

Bilionis, George & Chrysoula*

Bilionis, Ilias & Maria*
Bilionis, Joanna*
Bilionis, Joanne*
Bilionis, Peter & Laura*
Bilionis, Tasos & Jamie*
Blatter, Constance*
Bonnell, Larry & Maria*
Bouris, Peter*
Callas, Christine*
Callas, George*
Carroll, John & Kandyn*
Carroll, Ruth*
Christ, Christine*
Christodoulakis, Chris & Maria*
Crawford, Dain & Cindy*
Christodoulides, Andreas & Jessica*
Christodoulides, Christos*
Christodoulides, Costa*
Christodoulides, George*
Christodoulides, Stelios & Joanne*
DiPietro, Gerald*
Domer, Paul*
El-Zind, Samira
Farr, Elizabeth*
Fotiou, James & Evangelia
Fotopoulos, Nicholaos & Kelsey
Gachumi, Stephen & Ngure, Sophia
Gergis, George and Monique
Gevas, Nicholas & Ephie*
Giannakakis, Nikolaos & Maria*
Giannakakis, Vasilios & Chrisanthi*
Gikopoulos, Bill & Patty*
Hahn, Alexander & Marianthi*
Hartlep, Zachary
Hawthorne, Krista*
Hendricks, Maxine*
Himonas, Alexandrou*
Hoke, Artemis*
Hostetler, William & Catherine*
Iuston, Natasha
Kalafat, George & Peggy

Kamiotis, George & Athina*
Kanalos, Dean & Anthoula*
Karagiannis, John & Tressa
Karagiannis, Kathy
Karamitsos, Tony & Jennifer*
Karaszewski, Terrence*
Katriss, Chris & Sandra*
Katriss, Gus & Nitsa*
Katsampes Graham, Rita*
Katsaris, Alikis*
Kirgios, Erika*
Kirgios, Hristos & Claudia*
Konstantopoulos, Fr. George & Pres. Elaine*
Konstantopoulos, Mariam*
Kotziampasis, Dimitris*
Koucouthakis, Manuel & Inna*
Koucouthakis, Gus*
Kozyra, Chester*
Krekelas, Spyredon*
Kristos, Elena*
Kurtis, Christ & Pamela*
Lambrou, Kosta & Miranda*
Lamos, Janice*
Lamos, William & Linda*
Lenzo, Nicholas & Christina*
Leonakis, Catherine*
Leonakis, Thomas & Deb*
Limberopoulos, George & Billie*
Limberopoulos, Nick & Joanna*
Limberopoulos, Nikolaos & Rachel*
Limberopoulos, Peter & Efigenia
Lykoudis, Michael & Theresa
Madias, John & Kathy*
Magrames, Angela*
Manos, Andrew*
Martino, Jim & Cleo*
Matchette, Matthew
Mattheos, Mattheos*
Mattheos, Pete & Nektaria*
McCormick, Paul & Helene
Metros, Kurt & Lisa*

Mighion, George & Christine*
 Mihail, Andrew & Christine*
 Milak, Nikolas*
 Moskolis, Samuel*
 Mudis, Eleas & Christa*
 Muffoletto, Tony & Helen*
 Napoleon, Dimitri*
 Napoleon, Thomas & Anna*
 Niarchos, Panos & Georgeann*
 Nolan, Robert & Amelia*
 Pagedas, Athena*
 Poledor, Theodore*
 Pomrening, Norman & Anthoula*
 Popyk, Mattheos*
 Popyk, Michael & Kalliopi*
 Rogers, Geoffrey & Patricia*
 Rorres, Rose*
 Samoilis, Sam & Elaine*
 Schlitt, Michael & Jasmine*
 Scott, Michael & Mary
 Sinis, Orestis & Maria*
 Skotadis, Pete & Peggy*
 Solomon, William & Mary Lou*
 Spentzos, Vasilios
 Stangas, Deanna*
 Stangas, Elaine*
 Stangas, George & Nancy*
 Stangas, Peri*
 Stavropoulos, Connie*

Stavros, James & Teresa*
 Strafford, Alaina*
 Strafford, Christopher & Maria*
 Strambu, Florina & Fota, Eugen
 Strickler, Joseph & Christina
 Swarts, Jonathan & Karakatsanis, Neovi*
 Symeonides, Nathanael
 Talia, Faneromeni*
 Taluzek, Jeremy & Eleni*
 Terezis, Thanasis & Sinis-Terezis, Spyro*
 Terezis, Theodore*
 Thanos, Nick & Sigrid*
 Thrapsimis, Angelos*
 Tirikos, Frazier*
 Tirikos, Mary Jo*
 Torrance, Fr. Alexis & Pres. Eugenia*
 Tripodis, Dino*
 Tsikalas, Fr. John & Pres. Kahlee*
 Tsiumas, Sam*
 Tucker, Zachary & Gabriella
 Tyler, Gregory & Soula*
 Verhamme, Phil & Katherine*
 Walsh, Eirene*
 Ward, Moses & Marie
 Watkins, Charles & Marina*
 Wedrychowicz, Christopher & Savvopoulou, Anna*
 Whittenberger, Lynn*
 Williams, James & Tina

*** = Pledged Stewards**

In compliance with the Uniform Parish Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America: Our parish of St. Andrew has adopted an *annual* stewardship pledge as the means of fulfilling a parishioner's financial obligations to the Parish and determining good standing in the Parish.

For the purpose of determining a parishioner's ability to vote at any General Assembly meetings, participate in parish council elections or receive letters of good standing to participate in sacraments, the office should have a pledge card on file each year.

The parish priest may waive a parishioner's financial obligation.

PHILANTHROPY AT ST. ANDREW

Operation Classroom - We are delighted to share with you the result of our first Operation Classroom project - furnishing and decorating the child care room at the Brown Community Learning Center within the South Bend School Corporation. Please see the attached collage prepared by Anthoula Kanalos to show the before and after transformation of the space. Thank you to everyone who helped with time, talent and treasure and to our entire parish family whose donations help fund community outreach projects such as this one. Our plan is to undertake one project per year to support Operation Classroom, a national Philoptochos initiative.



Fellowship Dinner for orthodox students at Notre Dame and Saint Mary's - On Sep 9, we welcomed students from both universities to Saint Andrew for a home cooked dinner, at their home away from home. It was a very delightful night, lots of joy and smiles and happiness felt from the fellowship and the new connections made by students and parishioners alike. Huge thank you to Father John for spearheading this much needed and valuable outreach effort. Philoptochos will continue to support the students throughout the year, and if anyone has any ideas toward this end, please let us know - [via email](#) or 574-404-1184. Here are some pictures from this first annual event of its kind.





CALLING ALL GOYAN



Are you in 7th-12th grade? Ready for fellowship and fun?
Please join us for our monthly GOYA outings!

September 23, 2021

- **Bowling and Pizza**
- **6:30 pm**
- **Location: Joey Armadillos in Niles, MI**
Dinner provided by GOYA

October 21, 2021

- **Corn Maze**
- **6:00 pm**
- **Location: Amazing Acres in Edwardsburg, MI**

November 11, 2021

- **Gyro Night**
- **6:30 pm**
- **Location: Church Hall**
Dinner provided by T-Allen's Gyros

December 9, 2021

- **Ice Skating & Barnaby's Pizza**
- **Ice skating at 6:00 pm, followed by pizza at 7:30 pm**
- **Location: Howard Park & Barnaby's**
Dinner provided by Barnaby's Pizza