

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

March 5, 2023

Saints Commemorated today: Conon the Gardener; Parthenios the New Martyr who contested in Didymoteicho; Mark the Ascetic; Righteous Mark of Athens; John the Bulgarian; Mark the Faster; George the New-Martyr of Rapsani; Eulogios the Martyr; Eulabios the Martyr; Conon the Isaurian; Archelas, the Martyr of Egypt

EPISTLE READING

Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40

Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked to the reward.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets -- who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign enemies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated -- of whom the world was not worthy -- wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

GOSPEL READING

John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and he said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

ENTRANCE HYMN: PLAGAL OF THE FIRST MODE

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate with the Father and the Spirit and from a Virgin was born for our Salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. For in His goodness He was pleased to ascend to the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, and to raise up those who had died, by His glorious Resurrection.

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.

SATURDAY OF THE SOULS

Saturday is the last Saturday Divine Liturgy followed by the Memorial service. Please place the names you wish to commemorate in the basket at the Pangari in the Narthex. Fr. John will read the names all three weeks so please only submit yours one time.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY VESPERS & MEAL

This year, we will host clergy and parishioners from Sts. Peter & Paul Serbian Orthodox Church as well as St. Joseph Orthodox Church from St. Joseph, MI on **Sunday March 5th** for the Sunday of Orthodoxy. Vespers will be at 6pm followed by a Lenten meal hosted by our Philoptochos Ladies. Please join us in offering hospitality and fellowship!

ENTERING THE CHURCH DURING LITURGY

Fr. John has given the ushers instructions on when people should enter the Nave during the Divine Liturgy (which begins right around 9:30am). Please be mindful not to enter the church during the reading of the Epistle & Gospel, during the Sermon, during the Great Entrance, during the Consecration of the Holy Gifts, and during the Lord's Prayer. When in doubt, ask our dedicated ushers for help!

ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

The St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival is set to begin. The Festival gives middle and high schoolers the opportunity to research and share elements of our Faith with the broader community. To see topics and categories of projects, click [HERE](#).

SPRING SPANAKOPITA SALE

The Good Samaritans are taking orders for Spanakopita. Trays are \$25 each. Order deadline is March 24 with pickup on Sunday, April 24. See order form below. Questions please call Terri Stavros at 574-261-9224 or email the Good Samaritans [here](#).

PHILANTHROPY AT ST. ANDREW

Fundraisers:

Easter bake sale: Featuring all the usual items plus adding calamari and shish kabobs (chicken and pork). Deadline for pre-paid orders is April 2. Pick-up is April 7. If you want to order closer to orthodox Pascha just let us know. Email us at philoptochos.sb@gmail.com. "Greek Food" in the subject line and we will reach out to take your pre-paid order.

A **Loukoumades Afternoon** at Saint Andrew, April 29, 1-4 pm. See attached flyer for all the details.

National Commitments we are supporting in March:

Orthodox Christian Missions and Support a Mission Priest Fund

The Society offers financial assistance to Orthodox Christian Mission organizations, strengthening their ability to carry the message of the Orthodox Church through media and missions, throughout the world. In addition, the Support a Mission Priest ministry enables Orthodox bishops and priests in mission areas to build and restore churches, community centers, schools, and medical facilities, and to participate in training, teaching and field management.

Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology Lenten Event Fund

Thank you for your support of our chapter, which is the philanthropic ministry of Saint Andrew.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2023

Stewardship is our response to God's grace and moves us from grace to gratitude. Just as we love because God first loved us (I John 4:14), we give because God first gave to us. The question of the Psalmist "What shall I give to the Lord in return for all His benefits towards me?" (Ps 116:12), is answered in every liturgy when we pray, "Let us offer ourselves and one another and our whole life to Christ our God."

Thank you to the 84 parishioners who have submitted their pledges for 2023. As a reminder: Even if you don't intend to change your pledge amount from 2022, you must still fill out a 2023 stewardship pledge card and submit it to the office. The metropolis asks that every parishioner have a current pledge card on file each year.

And lastly, a very big and heartfelt thank you to all the parishioners (5 to be specific) who have recently offered their time and talent to Philoptochos, to those that are helping clean the church once a week, to the members of the newly formed Building and Grounds committee, to those who envisioned and started the the Unity Garden ministry, and to those who agreed to help decorate our new fellowship area. Thank you to the Sunday school teachers who are helping with some of the cleaning of their classrooms at the end of classes on Sunday. Thank you to those who are helping sort through all the items in the library that were stored there at the start of the renovation project. Thank you to those who helped pick out all the new office furniture. Thank you to those who donated items for the newly renovated space. It certainly feels like we are a church family who is embracing stewardship in the truest sense of the word and its spirit." All things are possible with Christ who strengthens Us". Scan the QR Code to renew your stewardship now!



DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Discretionary Fund is to assist local parishioners (individuals and families) who 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 Orthodox Christianity 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: Chester Kozyra (Memorial Hospital), Makarios Ngure (home), Vasilios Spentzos (home) and Nick Limberopoulos (home).

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.

Maria Giannakakis prepared the Prosforo for this morning. May God grant you spiritual joy always.

Coffee Hour was lovingly prepared for our entire community by **Maria Strafford and Krista Hawthorne**. We thank you for your love and generosity.

THIS WEEK

Fri Mar 3 Small Compline & Akathist Hymn

6:30pm

Sat Mar 4	Commemoration of the Miracle of Kollyva (Sat. of Souls)	9:30 Divine Liturgy followed by Memorial Service
Sat Mar 4	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Mar 5	Sunday of Orthodoxy	8:15 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Sun Mar 5	Sunday of Orthodoxy with local parishes	6:00pm Vespers
Sun Mar 5	Lenten Meal	following Vespers

LOOKING AHEAD

Mon Mar 6	Great Compline	6:00pm
Mon Mar 6	Good Samaritans Meeting	7:00pm
Wed Mar 8	Presanctified Liturgy	6:30pm
Wed Mar 8	Lenten Meal - Philoptochos	following Liturgy
Fri Mar 10	Small Compline & Akathist Hymn	6:30pm
Sat Mar 11	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Mar 12	Sunday of St. Gregory of Palamas	8:15 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Mon Mar 13	Office Closed	
Mon Mar 13	Great Compline	6:00pm
Wed Mar 15	Presanctified Liturgy	6:30pm
Wed Mar 15	Lenten meal - Good Samaritans	following Liturgy
Fri Mar 17	Small Compline & Akathist Hymn	6:30pm
Sat Mar 18	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Mar 19	Sunday of the Holy Cross	8:15 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Mon Mar 20	Great Compline	6:00pm
Mon Mar 20	Parish Council	7:00pm
Wed Mar 22	Presanctified Liturgy	6:30pm
Wed Mar 22	Lenten Meal - Parish Council Members	following Liturgy
Fri Mar 24	Annunciation of the Theotokos	6:30pm Great Vespers
Sat Mar 25	Annunciation of the Theotokos	8:30 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Sun Mar 26	Sunday of St John of the Ladder	8:15 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Mon Mar 27	Great Compline	6:00 pm
Wed Mar 29	Presanctified Liturgy	6:30pm
Wed Mar 29	Lenten Meal - Parishioners of St. Andrew (Last name beginning with A-M; including college students)	following Liturgy
Thu Mar 30	Small Compline & Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete	6:30pm
Fri Mar 31	Salutations to the Theotokos & Akathist Hymn	6:30pm

Wed Apr 5 Presanctified Liturgy

6:30pm

Wed Apr 5 Parishioners of St. Andrew (Last name beginning with N-Z; including college students) following Liturgy

2023 Active Stewards

* = 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.

*Allen, Tom & Colleen	*Anagnostou, Manolis
*Andrews, Leon & Jennie	*Antsaklis, Lily
*Antsaklis, Panagiotis & Melinda	*Assimos, Tina
*Arvanitis, Esther	*Arvanitis, Pano & Beth Ann
*Bechaka, Leah	*Bechaka, Terry
*Bilionis, George & Chrysoula	*Bilionis, Louie & Maria
*Bilionis, Joanne	*Bilionis, Peter & Laura
*Bilionis, Tasos & Jamie	*Blatter, Constance
*Bouris, Peter	*Callas, Christine
*Callas, George	*Choflet, Joseph & Adrienne
*Christ, Christine	*Christodoulakis, Chris & Maria
*Christy, Luke	*Crawford, Dain & Cindy
DiPietro, Jerry	*Farr, Elizabeth
*Friedline, Bruce & Mary Frances	*Gachumi, Stephen & Sophia
Gergis, George & Monique	*Giannakakis, Nikolaos & Maria
*Giannakakis, Vasilios & Chrisanthi	*Hartlep, Zachary
Hawthorne, Krista	Heinbokel, Timm
*Hendricks, Maxine	*Hibshman, Justus & Grace
*Himonas, Alex & Nahid	*Hosteletler Bill & Catherine
Hutchinson, Tim	*Kamiotis, George & Athina
*Kanalos, Dean & Anthoula	Kapsaskis, Christopher
Karagiannis, Kathy	Karamitsos, Tony & Jennifer
*Katriss, Chris	*Katriss, Nitsa
*Kirgios, Hristos & Claudia	*Konstantopoulos, Fr. George & Pres. Elaine
*Konstantopoulos, Mariam	*Konstantopoulos, Stefan
*Kotziampasis, Dimitri	Krekelas, Spiro
*Kristos, Elena	*Kurtis, Christ & Pam
*Lamos, Bill & Linda	*Lamos, Janice
*Lenzo, Nicholas & Christina	*Leonakis, Catherine
Leonakis, Tom & Deb	*Limberopoulos, Nick & Joanna
Limberopoulos, Nick & Rachel	*Madias, John & Kathy
*Manos, Andy	*Martino, Cleo

*Matchette, Matthew
*Mattheos, Pete & Nektaria
*Metros, Alex
*Mihail, Andy & Christine
*Napoleon, Dimitri
*Niarchos, Panos & Georgeann
*Popyk, Mattheos
Rogers, Rita
Schlitt, Michael & Jasmine
Smith, Justin & Juliana
*Spentzos, Vasilios
*Stangas, George & Nancy
*Stangas, Peri
*Stavros, Demetre
*Strafford, Alaina
*Swarts, Jonathan & Karakatsanis, Neovi
*Terezis, Thanasis & Spyro
*Thorpe, Brian & Alcia
*Tripodis-Kulwicki, Athena
*Tsikalas, Fr. John & Pres. Kahlee
*Turley, Adam & Connie
*Ward, Moses & Marie
*Wilkinson, Matthew & Alexis

*Mattheos, Mattheos
*McCormick, Paul & Helene
*Metros, Kurt & Lisa
*Muffoletto, Tony & Helen
*Napoleon, Tom & Anna
*Pagedas, Athena
*Popyk, Michael & Kalliopi
*Rorres, Rose
Sinis, Orestis & Maria
*Solomon, David & Mary Lou
Stangas, Deanna
*Stangas, James
*Stavropulos, Connie
*Stavros, Jim & Terri
*Strafford, Chris & Maria
Taluzek, Jeremy & Eleni
*Thanos, Nick & Sigrid
*Torrance, Fr. Alexis & Pres. Eugenia
*Tripodis, Dino
Tucker, Zachary & Gabriella
Ward, John & April
*Wedrychowicz, Christopher & Savvopoulou, Anna
*Williams, James & Tina

Dear Sunday School Families,

Over Lent there are many services and activities. We wanted to highlight some that particularly appeal to families. We've put together an attachment that is easy to print off and keep handy. We hope your families are able to make it to many of these beautiful Lenten Services.

Some Lenten happenings to look for....

- OCMC coin boxes will be coming home and are to be returned on Palm Sunday.
- Parents with young daughters should expect to receive information on Myrrh Bearers within the next few weeks.
- The Sunday School will be organizing the Holy Friday Memorial Luminaries.
- The Lenten Retreat will be taking place on the Saturday of Lazarus, April 8th (details to foll.

We are hosting the first Presanctified Liturgy dinner which will be on **Wednesday March 1st** this year. We welcome all families and staff participate in this event. We know weeknights can be hectic for families and not many are able to attend the Presanctified services so we have a few options that should work to accommodate all of our families.

-Lenten Dinner dish (things like pastas, salads, shrimp, vegetables, soups, rice or bean dishes for examples)

-Lenten Dessert or Fruit

-Drinks (soda, lemonade, tea)

-Cash Donations

The drinks and cash donations can be brought in this coming Sunday (or any other day the office is open). Food donations will need to be dropped off the day of.

If you'd like to donate, please reply to this email or text Rachel (269-325-1600) or Cindy (269-449-5387) with what you're able to donate. Thank you in advance for your help, we appreciate it! If anyone would like to help setting up the day of please let us know.

There is always a lot of things happening over the Lenten season. We will send reminder emails before any activity or procession to help keep everyone well informed.

In Christ,

Rachel and Cindy

LENTEN SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

2023

February 27 th , MON	GREAT AND HOLY LENT BEGINS
March 1 st , WED	Presanctified Liturgy (6:30) -Dinner hosted by Sunday School Staff and Families
March 5 th , SUN	Sunday of Orthodoxy -Students to bring in an Icon from home for the procession.
March 19 th , SUN	Sunday of the Holy Cross -All students to stay in church for the procession. -Father John will be doing a special sermon for the Sunday School in church following the procession.
April 8 th , SAT	Saturday of Lazarus (Divine Liturgy begins at 10:00) -Making of Palm Crosses after service, a light lunch will be served -Lenten Retreat following lunch until 2:00 *ALL Sunday School students are encouraged to attend.
April 9 th , SUN	Palm Sunday -OCMC Coin boxes to be returned today
April 12 th , WED	HOLY WEDNESDAY Sacrament of the Holy Unction
April 14 th , FRI	HOLY FRIDAY
April 15 th , SAT	HOLY SATURDAY -Resurrection Service (Midnight)
April 16 th , SUN	PASCHA

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GOOD SAMARITAN SPANAKOPITA SALE

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For Easter**

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**ORDER DEADLINE: MARCH 24, 2023 RETURN TO CHURCH OFFICE OR TERRI STAVROS
QUESTIONS CALL TERRI 574.261.9224 OR EMAIL; goodsamaritans1926@gmail.com**

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS _____

CONTACT NUMBER _____

NUMBER OF TRAYS _____

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Loukoumades
Afternoon at
St. Andrew
Greek
Orthodox
Church

Saturday April 29

1-4 pm

52455 N. Ironwood Rd.
South Bend, IN 46635

Loukoumades - Greek Honey Puffs
Traditional Greek mini donuts topped
with cinnamon and honey

MENU

8 Loukoumades with cinnamon & honey \$10

Starbucks Filtered Coffee: \$2

Traditional Greek Coffee : \$3

Additional toppings available for purchase

Take out options available :

10 for \$10 frozen loukoumades - ready to fry at home

*no toppings included

Pre-paid orders available through April 7

To order: email

philoptochos.sb@gmail.com

Both options, fresh fried or frozen for take out, available for pre-order

Write Greek Honey Puffs in subject line and we will contact you to
complete your order!

Thank you for helping support our Philanthropic group at St. Andrew!

Table 1

**SAINT ANDREW PHILOPTOCHOS BAKE SALE
ORDER FORM**

Customer Name:				
Email:				
Phone Number:				
To place an order, email us at philoptochos.sb@gmail.com. In the subject line write "I want Greek pastries". We will respond to take your pre-paid order over the phone.				
Order deadline is Sun, April 2. Order pick up is Fri, April 7, 4-6 pm, behind the church. Earlier pick-up by appointment.				
Item		Unit Price	Quantity	Total
Baklava 6 pieces	Layers of filo dough, with walnut filling and drenched in honey syrup	\$15.00		
Galaktobouriko 4 pieces	Like baklava, but with custard filling	\$13.00		
Cannolis 4 pieces	The Italian icon	\$12.00		
Chocolate Napoleons 4 pieces	Flaky, buttery puff pastry layered between vanilla custard and topped with chocolate	\$13.00		
Mille-feuille (Sugared Napoleon) 4 pieces	Like a Chocolate Napoleon but topped with powder sugar (no chocolate)	\$13.00		
Chocolatina 4 pieces	Very moist chocolate cake	\$13.00		
Tiramisu pastry 4 pieces	The other italian icon	\$13.00		
Eclairs 3 pieces	Log shaped pastry filled with cream and topped with chocolate icing	\$9.00		
Ergolavos 6 pieces	Almond cookies with apricot jam in between	\$9.00		
Kourambiethes cookies 6 pieces	Almond cookies drenched in powder sugar	\$9.00		
Amygthalota cookies 6 pieces	Almond cookies	\$9.00		
Melomakarona cookies 6 pieces	Walnut cookies drenched in honey syrup	\$9.00		
Paximathia 6 pieces	Like Italian biscotti	\$9.00		
Tsoureki (sweet bread) 1 loaf	Sweet bread with almonds on top	\$15.00		
10" Flourless Chocolate Cake	Dense cake made from aerated chocolate custard (gluten free)	\$44.00		
Pastichio 6 lb tray of 15 servings	Greek Lasagna - casserole - layers of meat sauce and pasta covered in beschamel sauce. Frozen ready to bake	\$35.00		
Moussaka 6 lb tray of 15 servings	Casserole -Layers of meat sauce, eggplant and potatoes, covered in beschamel sauce. Frozen ready to bake	\$40.00		
Calamari - 2 1/2 lb package	Breaded and seasoned calamari rings. Frozen, ready to cook	\$35.00		
Pork Shish Kabobs - 40 skewers	Pork pieces on skewers. Frozen ready to grill	\$135.00		
Chicken Shish Kabobs - 40 skewers	Chicken pieces on . Frozen ready to grill	\$140.00		
			Total:	\$0.00