SECOND SUNDAY OF MATTHEW June 18, 2023

Saints Commemorated today: Leontius, Hypatius & Theodore the Martyrs of Syria; Leontios the Myrrh-Streamer of Argos; Aithenos the Martyr of Nicomedia

EPISTLE READING

Romans 2:10-16

Brethren, glory and honor and peace for every one who does good, the Jew first and also the Greek. For God shows no partiality. All who have sinned without the law will also perish without the law, and all who have sinned under the law will be judged by the law. For it is not the hearers of the law who are righteous before God, but the doers of the law who will be justified. When Gentiles who have not the law do by nature what the law requires, they are a law to themselves, even though they do not have the law. They show that what the law requires is written on their hearts, while their conscience also bears witness and their conflicting thoughts accuse or perhaps excuse them on that day when, according to my gospel, God judges the secrets of men by Christ Jesus.

GOSPEL READING Matthew 4:18-23

At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their boat and their father, and followed him. And he went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

ENTRANCE HYMN: 1ST MODE

When the stone was sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life unto the world. For which cause the powers of heaven cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: Glory to Thy resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Thy Kingdom. Glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

APOLYTIKION OF OUR PARISH

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.

FATHER JOHN IN CLASS

As Fr. John discussed after Liturgy last Sunday, as part of the Metropolis of Chicago's ongoing education initiative for clergy, Fr. John will be in class full-time for the next two weeks (June 9th-June 23rd.) Thank you for your understanding

ALTAR BOY ROBE FUNDRAISER

It has been a blessing to see an increase in interest from our young boys to serve the Lord in altar! Our current altar boy robes are too big to accommodate our upcoming group of acolytes so we will be purchasing the sizes we need to allow them to serve. Funds from the coffee hour on Father's Day will go directly towards this effort. If you are interested in donating please contact Amber in the office or Cindy Giannakakis (269) 449-5387. Thank you for your support!

FEED THE HUNGRY

We will be serving dinner at Hope Ministries on June 27, 5:30 - 7 pm. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Spyro at 574-404-1184 or corfu1000@gmail.com.

Hope Ministries is located in downtown South Bend, and helps many people who have less than us, who can use a helping hand to turn their lives around and thrive. "Verily I say unto you, in as much as ye have done it unto one of the least of these my brethren, ye have done it unto me" Matthew 25-40 Dates for the remainder of the year are June 27, July 25, Aug 22, Sep 26, Oct 24, Nov 28 and Dec 26. We arrive at 5:30pm, bring some simple desserts to add to the donated food, and are finished no later than 7:30. This past week we actually finished at 7 pm. A good number of volunteers is 4-5 based on our first experience.

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN 2023

Our Stewardship pledges and committed payments are the lifeblood of our church. Stewardship is our generous offers of time, our God-given talents and our treasure. Thank you to those who have volunteered to consistently give their time every week to clean the part of the church that our cleaning service is not cleaning, based on what our budget can support. If we had a few more parishioners volunteer to clean the rest of the church, we could save over \$10,000 per year.

It's now that time of year to get serious about building the raised beds which will form our Unity Garden. If you like gardening and have time, we'd love to have you join the garden team. Contact the church secretary or Kurt Metros, our Garden Master, if you're interested.

Thank you to the 135 parishioners who have submitted their pledges (totaling \$235,186 with \$137,652 received) 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. Scan the QR Code to renew your stewardship now!

Please keep in mind that pledging is the first step of the treasure part of Stewardship. The second and most important component is actually making the payment you committed on the timing you committed. This is an area that we currently see some opportunity, so thank you for your understanding and cooperation in meeting your pledge commitments. And lastly, thank you to the anonymous donor who has offered to fill in the big pot holes in our parking lot. As you know, the church has ongoing annual operational expenses, but as homeowners know, something always breaks at home. So our church budget needs to be prepared to address those incidentals.

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: Janice Lampos (home), Chester Kozyra (home), Makarios Ngure (home), Vasilios Spentzos (home).

Today's **Ushers** are: Manolis Anagnostou, Anna Napoleon, Leon Andrews, Liz Farr, Nick Giannakakis. If you are <u>not</u> serving in the pangari today, please join everyone in the Sanctuary.

Today's Epistle Lesson will be read by an Acolyte.

Cindy Crawford prepared the Prosforo for this morning. May God grant you spiritual joy always.

Coffee Hour was lovingly prepared for our entire community by **the Acolytes.** We thank you for your love and generosity.

THIS WEEK

THIC WEEK		
Sun Jun 25	Third Sunday of Matthew	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
LOOKING AHEAD		
Tue Jun 27	Feed the Hungry at Hope Ministries	5:30-7:30pm
Thu Jun 29	Sts. Peter & Paul	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Sat Jul 1	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Jul 2	Fourth Sunday of Matthew	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Mon Jul 3 - Fri Jul 7	Office Closed	
Sat Jul 8	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Jul 9	Fifth Sunday of Matthew	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Fri Jul 14	Paraklesis at Holy Dormition	9:30am
Sat Jul 15	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Jul 16	Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Thu Jul 20	The Prophet Elias	8:30 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Sat Jul 22	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Jul 23	Seventh Sunday of Matthew	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine Liturgy
Tue Jul 25	Feed the Hungry at Hope Ministries	5:30-7:30pm
Thu Jul 27	St. Panteleimon the Great Martyr & Healer	9:30 Divine Liturgy
Sat Jul 29	Great Vespers	5pm
Sun Jul 30	Eighth Sunday of Matthew	8:20 Matins 9:30 Divine 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.

- *Alexandrou, Aris *Anagnos, Katina
- *Andrews, Leon & Jennie
- *Antsaklis, Lily
 *Arvanitis, Esther
 *Assimos, Tina
 *Bechaka, Terry
- *Bilionis, Louie & Maria
 *Bilionis, Peter & Laura
 *Blatter, Constance
 *Bouris, Peter
 *Callas, George
 *Carroll, Ruth
 *Christ, Christine
- Deak, Arthur & Esther
- *DiPietro, Jerry *Farr, Elizabeth

*Christy, Luke

- *Friedline, Bruce & Mary Frances *Gergis, George & Monique *Giannakakis, Nikolaos & Maria
- *Hahn, Alex & Marianthi *Hawthorne, Krista *Hendricks, Maxine *Himonas, Alex & Nahid Hutchinson, Tim
- *Kamiotis, George & Athina Kapsaskis, Christopher Karagiannis, Kathy
- *Karamitsos, Tony & Jennifer
- *Katris, Nitsa
- *Kirgios, Hristos & Claudia *Konstantopoulos, Mariam *Kotziampasis, Dimiti
- *Krekelas, Spiro
- *Kulwicki, Daniel & Athena *Lambrou, Kosta & Miranda
- *Lampos, Janice

- *Allen, Tom & Colleen *Anagnostou, Manolis *Antonakakis, Kathleen
- *Antsaklis, Panagiotis & Melinda *Arvanitis, Pano & Beth Ann
- *Bechaka, Leah
- *Bilionis, George & Chrysoula
- *Bilionis, Joanne
- *Bilionis, Tasos & Jamie *Bonnell, Larry & Maria
- *Callas, Christine
- *Carroll, John & Kandyn
 *Choflet, Joseph & Adrienne
 *Christodoulakis, Chris & Maria
- *Crawford, Dain & Cindy
- Demetriou, Athanasios & Melissa
- El-Zind, Samira
- Fotopoulos, John & Eleni *Gachumi, Stephen & Sophia
- *Gevas, Nick & Ephie
- *Giannakakis, Vasilios & Chrisanthi
- *Hartlep, Zachary *Heinbokel, Timm
- *Hibshman, Justus & Grace *Hostetler, Bill & Catherine
- *Iuston, Natasha
- *Kanalos, Dean & Anthoula Karagiannis, John & Tressa *Karamalegos, Nicolas
- *Katris, Chris
- *Katsaris, Aliki Antonis
- *Konstantopoulos, Fr. George & Pres. Elaine
- *Konstantopoulos, Stefan *Koucouthakis, Manuel
- *Kristos, Elena
- *Kurtis, Christ & Pam *Lampos, Bill & Linda
- *Lenzo, Nicholas & Christina

*Leonakis, Catherine Limberopulos, Efigenia

*Limberopoulos, Nick & Rachel

*Low, Kevin & Laura *Magrames, Angela *Martino, Cleo *Mattheos, Mattheos

*McCormick, Paul & Helene

*Metros, Kurt & Lisa *Mihail, Andy & Christine

*Moskolis, Sam

*Muffloletto, Tony & Helen *Napoleon, Tom & Anna *Nigrahos, Panos & Georgea

*Niarchos, Panos & Georgeann

*Popyk, Mattheos Rogers, James & Rita *Samoilis, Sam & Elaine *Sinioris, Athanasios & Marie

Smith, Justin & Juliana *Spentzos, Vasilios

*Stangas, George & Nancy

*Stangas, Peri

*Stavropulos, Connie *Stavros, Jim & Terri *Strafford, Chris & Maria *Taluzek, Jeremy & Eleni *Thanos, Nick & Sigrid *Thrapsimis, Angelos

*Torrance, Fr. Alexis & Pres. Eugenia

*Tselios, George & Pam *Tucker, Zachary & Gabriella *Tyler, Gregory & Sue

*Walsh, Eirene

*Ward, Moses & Marie

*Wilkinson, Matthew & Alexis

*Leonakis, Tom & Deb

*Limberopoulos, Nick & Joanna *Limperopoulos, Tom & Joanne

*Madias, John & Kathy

*Manos, Andy

*Matchette, Matthew

*Mattheos, Pete & Nektaria

*Metros, Ellen

*Mighion, George & Christine

Monokroussos, Jessica *Mudis, Eleas & Christa *Napoleon, Dimitri Nazaroff, George *Pagedas, Athena

*Popyk, Michael & Kalliopi

*Rorres, Rose

*Schlitt, Michael & Jasmine *Sinis, Orestis & Maria

*Solomon, David & Mary Lou

*Stangas, Deanna *Stangas, Jim Stauffer, Deandra *Stavros, Demetre *Strafford, Alaina

*Swarts, Jonathan & Karakatsanis, Neovi

*Terezis, Thanasis & Spyro *Thorpe, Brian & Alicia *Tirikos, Mary Jo

*Tripodis, Dino

*Tsikalas, Fr. John & Pres. Kahlee

*Turley, Adam & Connie *Verhamme, Phil & Kathy Ward, John & April

*Wedrychowicz, Christopher & Savvopoulou, Anna

*Williams, James & Tina