

ALL SAINTS ANTIOCHIAN ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Saturday & Sunday, May 4-5, 2024

Midnight Office, Rush Procession, Orthros, & Divine Liturgy, Sat. 10pm
Agape Vespers, Sunday 1pm



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At the Paschal Divine Liturgy:

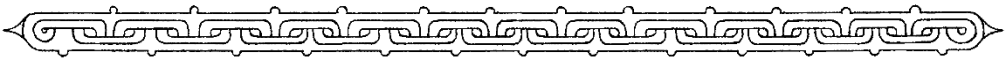
Paschal Troparion: Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death; and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Entrance Hymn: In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, save us who sing to Thee: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Hypakoe for Pascha (Tone 8): Before the dawn, Mary and the women came and found the stone rolled away from the tomb. They heard the angelic voice: “Why do you seek among the dead as a man the one who is everlasting Light? Behold the clothes in the grave! Go and proclaim to the world: The Lord is risen! He has slain death, as He is the Son of God, saving the race of men.”

Kontakion for Pascha (Tone 8): Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal; Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst Thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming ‘Rejoice’ to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles, and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

Trisagion Hymn (Tone 1): As many as have been baptized into Christ have put on Christ. Alleluia.



THE EPISTLE READING

For Pascha

This is the day which the Lord hath made; let us rejoice and be glad therein!

O give thanks unto the Lord, for He is good; His mercy endureth forever.

The reading from the Acts of the Apostles (1:1-8)

In the first book, O Theophilus, I have dealt with all that Jesus began to do and teach, until the day when He was taken up, after He had given commandment through the Holy Spirit to the Apostles whom He had chosen. To them He presented Himself alive after His passion by many proofs, appearing to them during forty days, and speaking of the kingdom of God. And while staying with them He charged them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for

the promise of the Father, which, He said, “You heard from me; for John baptized with water, but before many days you shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit.”

So when they had come together, they asked Him, “Lord, will you at this time restore the kingdom to Israel?” He said to them, “It is not for you to know times or seasons which the Father has fixed by His own authority. But you shall receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you shall be my witnesses in Jerusalem and in all Judea and Samaria and to the end of the earth.”

THE GOSPEL READING

For Pascha

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (1:1-17)

In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God. He was in the beginning with God; all things were made through Him, and without Him was not anything made that was made. In Him was life, and the life was the light of men. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it.

There was a man sent from God, whose name was John. He came for testimony, to bear witness to the light, that all might believe through him. He was not the light, but came to bear witness to the light. The true light that enlightens every man was coming into the world. He was in the world, and the world was made through Him, yet the world knew Him not. He came to His own home, and His own people received Him not. But to all who received Him, who believed in His name, He gave power to become children of God; who were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God.

And the Word became flesh and dwelt among us, full of grace and truth; we have beheld His glory, glory as of the only Son from the Father. (John bore witness to Him, and cried, “This was He of whom I said, ‘He who comes after me ranks before me, for He was before me.’”) And from His fullness have we all received, grace upon grace. For the law was given through Moses; grace and truth came through Jesus Christ.



Paschal Hymn to the Theotokos (Tone 1): The angel cried to the Lady full of grace: Rejoice, rejoice O pure Virgin! Again I say: Rejoice! Your Son is risen from His three days in the tomb. With Himself He has raised all the dead; rejoice, rejoice O ye people. Shine, shine,

shine O new Jerusalem! The glory of the Lord has shone on you. Exult now, exalt, and be glad, O Zion. Be radiant, O pure Theotokos, in the resurrection of your Son.

Announcements and Upcoming Events

For a full calendar of events and services at All Saints, see our website www.allsaintsorthodox.org

Holy Saturday and Pascha Sunday:

- Chrismation of Rob Caro & Vespers Divine Liturgy of St. Basil, Saturday 10am
- Paschal Midnight Office, Rush Procession, Orthros, & Divine Liturgy, beginning Saturday 10pm. (See note below about food preparation and breakfast.)
- Agape Vespers, Sunday 1pm. *It is customary at the service to read the Gospel (John 20:19-29) in as many different languages as possible. If you can read in another language, please bring the text and come prepared!*

Tuesday May 7: Paschal services for our Chicago deanery churches at St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church in Palos Heights. Orthros 8:45am; Divine Liturgy 10am.

Wednesday, May 8: Paschal Vespers, 7pm

Saturday, May 11:

- All Saints Icon Academy, 9am-5pm
- Teen SOYO Bible Bowl study, 5-7pm
- Vespers, 7pm

Sunday, May 12: St. Thomas Sunday

- Orthros & Liturgy, followed by coffee hour (R-Z) and church school for all ages.
- Adult church school will be taught by Fr. Pat.

IF WE ARE INCAPABLE OF DOING ANYTHING, LET US AT LEAST REALIZE WHO WE ARE AND WHERE WE STAND, AND AT THE FINAL HOUR TURN TO CHRIST WITH THE CRY, THE APPEAL OF THE THIEF, "REMEMBER ME, LORD, IN THY KINGDOM."

(METROPOLITAN ANTHONY BLOOM)

PASCHAL BREAKFAST. We will once again celebrate the glorious resurrection of our Lord with a Paschal breakfast meal at the church after the 10pm vigil services.

- You may put your Pascha baskets downstairs before the service begins; Fr. Andrew will come down to bless them at the end of the service. (If you don't know what a Pascha basket is or what to put in it, ask Fr. Andrew or someone who has been around for a while!)
- Let us keep this meal simple. We don't need people downstairs missing any of our beautiful Paschal service to prepare food. We will eat out of our baskets; any food you'd like to share may be placed in the baskets to be blessed.
- Please, as we used to do in the past, let us limit alcohol to wine only: no beer or hard liquor. The last thing we want to do is create a scandal for each other, or to be responsible for anyone driving home impaired!

PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE 2024: All Saints Church will be co-hosting our diocese Parish Life Conference this summer, along with Holy Transfiguration in Warrenton. Mark your calendars: the dates are **Wednesday, June 26 through Saturday, June 29**. We will be in need of volunteers, particularly folks to help staff the registration table Wednesday through Friday, and volunteers for the kids' club events – curriculum planning and teaching.

Register online and see more information: Antiochianevents.com/Toledo

We are also collecting items for registration welcome bags to give out at the conference.

We need 300 of the following items:

- Pens
- Small Notepads (4 x 6)
- Protein or Granola Bars
- Bottles of hand sanitizer

If you wish to contribute any of these items, please contact Paul Cline at officehtaoc@gmail.com or (630) 836-1319.



Volunteer Schedule

| Date | Reader | Prospora | Greeter | Coffee | Food |
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| <u>Sat, May 4</u> <i>Holy Saturday</i> | Michelle C | Sandy A | Azizeh | Zach C | <i>Potluck</i> |
| Sun, May 5 <i>Pascha</i> | Sd Joseph | Debbie K | Nancy L | n/a | <i>Baskets</i> |
| Sun., May 12 <i>St Thomas Sun.</i> | Paul K | Domitille | John O | Lydia A | R-Z |
| Sun, May 19 | Christy K | Cristina P | James B | Zach C | A-F |
| Sun, May 26 | Joseph L | Sarah S | Azizeh | Alina S | G-K |
| Sun, June 2 | Richard C | Sandy A | Nancy L | Domitille | L-P |
| Sun, June 9 | Doug J | Debbie K | John O | Lydia A | R-Z |
| <u>Wed, June 12</u> <i>Ascension</i> | Sd Joseph | Dn Walid | JoAnne T | <i>Volunteer</i> | <i>Potluck</i> |
| Sun, June 16 | Michelle C | Pat K | James B | Zach C | A-F |
| Sun, June 23 <i>Pentecost</i> | Christy K | Domitille | Azizeh | Alina S | G-K |
| Sun, June 30 <i>All Saints</i> | Jim K | Cristina P | Nancy L | Domitille | L-P |

For Sunday coffee hour, the church has been divided into four parts alphabetically (A-F, G-K, L-P, and R-Z). On your assigned week, please bring something simple to share with everyone for coffee hour.

***Shaded dates** indicate fasting – no meat, dairy, or eggs should be served on these days.*

*If you have children, please monitor them as they go through the coffee hour line, and help them clean up after themselves. **Weekly clean-up will be the responsibility of those providing coffee hour.** And of course, things go faster when we all pitch in and help!*

:: BISHOP ANTHONY'S PASCHAL LETTER 2024 ::

Beloved Clergy and Faithful of the Midwest Diocese,

Christ is risen! Indeed He is risen!

“God created man in His own Image, in the image of God He created him; male and female He created them” (Genesis 1:27). Our Lord Jesus Christ “is the image of the invisible God.” We were created in Him (Colossians 1:15-16a) and through Him (Hebrews 1:2).

We received from Adam, the first created man, a humanity that was damaged and weakened by corruption that came from Adam’s sin.

The created image of God, mankind, needed to be remade, refashioned in order to resume the path laid out by God in the beginning, to be perfect and immortal. “For as in Adam all die, so also in Christ shall all be made alive” (1 Corinthians 15:22).

By His birth from the Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, He healed this crippled and disabled humanity. In His Holy Resurrection, He revealed the resurgent, rebuilt human nature both in soul and body, “for as by a man came death, by a man (the God-Man, Jesus) has come also the resurrection of the dead” (1 Corinthians 15:21).

In our baptism, we were given this new human nature. We were re-created in Christ, the Image of God the Father: “We were buried therefore with Him by baptism into death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the glory of the Father, we too might walk in newness of life” (Romans 6:4). As Saint Paul says, just as a little toddler, a little child, learns to walk after being born in this world, we must learn to walk in the newness of life. Born and raised “in the flesh” we are also now reborn and raised in the Spirit: “That which is born of the flesh is flesh, and that which is born of the Spirit is spirit” (John 3:6).

Raised brand new by Christ’s Resurrection, we are taught to live the new life by the Holy Spirit in the Sacraments, prayers, practices, and disciplines of His Holy Church. Resurrection in Christ! Rehabilitation in the Holy Spirit! Reception into God’s Kingdom when our Lord returns at the Second Coming!

As a patient takes the skilled hands of the physical therapist and starts to walk again until regaining full strength, let us take the hands of Christ, our Spiritual Therapist, in the power of the Holy Spirit, in His Church, and learn to walk again in the absolute joy and fullness of the Resurrected life!

Yours in our Risen Lord,

+Bishop ANTHONY

Bishop of Toledo, Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America



DAILY BIBLE READINGS

MAY 5-11, 2024

ADAPTED FROM THE
LECTIONARY OF THE ANTIOCHIAN ARCHDIOCESE

Sunday, May 5: Holy Pascha

Mark 16:1-8 / Acts 1:1-8 / John 1:1-17 / John 20:19-25

Monday, May 6: Holy Prophet Job the Long-Suffering

Genesis 1:1-2:3¹ / Acts 1:9-14 / John 1:18-28

St. George: Luke 12:2-12 / Acts 12:1-11 / John 15:17-16:2

Tuesday, May 7: Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem

Isaiah 60:1-16 / Acts 1:15-26 / John 1:29-51

Wednesday, May 8: Holy Apostle John the Theologian

Exodus 12:1-11 / Acts 2:1-36 / John 2:1-12

Thursday, May 9: Holy Prophet Isaiah

Jonah 1 / Acts 2:37-47 / John 2:13-25

Friday, May 10: Theotokos of the Life-giving Spring

Holy Apostle Simon the Zealot

Jonah 2 / Acts 3:1-10 / John 3:1-21

Saturday, May 11: Sts. Methodius & Cyril, Illuminators of the Slavs

Acts 3:11-26 / John 3:22-36

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¹ Old Testament readings for Bright Week and the rest of the Paschal season, unless otherwise noted, are adapted from the baptismal readings of the Divine Liturgy of Holy Saturday.