



SAINT MARY ORTHODOX CHURCH

The Self-Ruled Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

"The disciples were first called Christians in Antioch." (Acts 11:26)

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September 29, 2013 Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost



Weekly Schedule of Services

Saturday: 5:30 p.m. -- Great Vespers

Sunday: 8:45 a.m. Matins -- 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Wednesday: 10:00 a.m. Matins -- 10:30 a.m. Bible Study
(Confessions by Appointment)

Welcome to St. Mary Orthodox Church! We extend our warmest and heartfelt greetings to you and your family. If this is your first time with us, we pray that you feel at home. After all, we are gathered together in our Father's house. For more information, please see one of the ushers at the end of the service for a "Welcome Packet." May God bless you and give you many healthy years in His service.

Hymns of the Day

Entrance Hymn (Tone Two)

O Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia!

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone Five)

Let us believers praise and worship the Word coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He took pleasure in ascending the Cross in the flesh to suffer death; and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion of St. Kyriakos (Tone one)

Thou didst appear making the wilderness thy home, an angel in the flesh, a doer of wonders and by fasts, vigils, and prayers thou midst receive heavenly gifts. Therefore, thou test heal the sick and the souls of those who hasten to thee, O God-mantled Father Kyriakos. Glory to him who hath given thee power glory to him who hath crowned thee glory to him who through thee accomplished healing for all.

Troparion of the Dormition (Tone One)

In thy birth giving O Theotokos, thou didst keep and preserve virginity; and in thy falling asleep thou hast not forsaken the world; for thou wast translated into life, being the Mother of Life. Wherefore by thine intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion of the Theotokos (Tone Four)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Epistle for the Fourteenth Sunday after Pentecost

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us!

Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed!

The Reading is from Saint Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians (1:21-24; 2:1-4)

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me—it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

Gospel of the Second Sunday of St. Luke

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (6:31-36).

The Lord said, “As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful.”

PARISH NEWS



Honoring your loved ones: Please consider signing up for one or more Sundays to provide Holy Bread and Coffee hour. It's this gift of Holy Bread that we use to prepare communion and to share with our parishioners at the end of the service. *What better way to honor your loved ones on their birthday, anniversary, graduation or memorial.* It takes minimal effort, and it encourages fellowship among our community.

Holy Bread and Coffee Hour

9/29: Wajih Salim Tadros & Family

10/6: Jamal and Kholoud Swais & Family

10/13: Luai and Suha Sweiss & Family

Epistle Reading

9/29: Norma Tadros & Lana Ammari

10/6: Josaphine Tadros & Marram Salman



Bulletin Blurb for Sunday September 29, 2013 OCCHY Quiz

Question:

What are some of the LEGAL consequences of drug abuse?

Answer:

Licenses: Having a criminal record can prevent a person from getting many sorts of licenses.

Criminal Record: You will have a criminal record on your file, and will not look good any times you have a case with authorities.

Career and Employment: Many employers and jobs will turn you down because you have a criminal record, and no employer wants criminals around.

<http://eschooltoday.com/drug-abuse-and-teens/consequences-of-drug-abuse.html>



2 Year Memorial
Mary Tadros

1 Year Memorial
Nizar Alnaser

May their memory be eternal!



September 27th, 2013

7:00 p.m.

Antiochian Women Meeting



October 5th, 2013

10:00 a.m.

**St. Mary's Fishers of Men
Monthly Breakfast**

“Bible Verse of the Week”

My little children, these things I write to you, so that you may not sin. And if anyone sins, we have an Advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the righteous. 1 John 2:1

Upcoming Events

Fri Sep 27	7:00pm	Antiochian Women Meeting - Fellowship Hall
	7:30pm	Co-Ed Volleyball League Open Gym - St. Mary's Gym
Sat Sep 28	8:00am	Annual IOCC Walk - St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church. 5649 N. Sheridan Rd., Chicago, IL
	11:00am	Arabic School - Education Building
	1:30pm	Youth Sports League - St. Mary's Gymnasium
	5:30pm	Great Vespers
Sun Sep 29	8:45am	Matins
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy / Sunday School
	3:00pm	Co-Ed Volleyball League Games
Wed Oct 2	10:00am	Morning Prayers
	10:30am	Parish Bible Study - St. Mary's Fellowship Hall
Fri Oct 4	7:30pm	Co-Ed Volleyball League Open Gym - St. Mary's Gym
Sat Oct 5	10:00am	St. Mary's Fishers of Men Monthly Breakfast - St. Mary Fellowship Hall
	11:00am	Arabic School - Education Building
	1:30pm	Youth Sports League - St. Mary's Gymnasium
	5:30pm	Great Vespers
Sun Oct 6	11:30	Parents Day - Sunday School
	8:45am	Matins
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy / Sunday School
	11:30am	SOYO Sub Sandwich Sale - St. Mary's Fellowship Hall

Join the clergy of St. Mary's and "Walk The Walk For IOCC"

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES



WALK THE WALK FOR IOCC

Join us for our annual 5K Walk/Run to support
IOCC global humanitarian aid programs!

Saturday, September 28, 2013

St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church
5649 N. Sheridan Rd. • Chicago, IL 60660

Registration: 8:00 AM • Walk/Run Begins: 9:00 AM • Breakfast: following the race
Adult: \$20 • Children 12 and under: \$10 • Day of Race: \$25

Register Online at iocc.org/chicago



St. Mary's
Annual Thanksgiving Dinner

(Hosted by Our Antiochian Women)

Saturday
November 9th, 2013

Saints Constantine and Helen Church

11025 S Roberts Road
Palos Hills, IL 60465

Ticket: Adults - \$30
Children (6-12yrs) - \$15
Doors open at 6:00pm

"It is a good thing to give thanks unto the Lord."

Please contact Rita Sweis 773-510-4303 or
Yasmin Sweis 708-712-9502 for Tickets.



St. Mary's Co-Ed Volleyball League Games

Start This Sunday

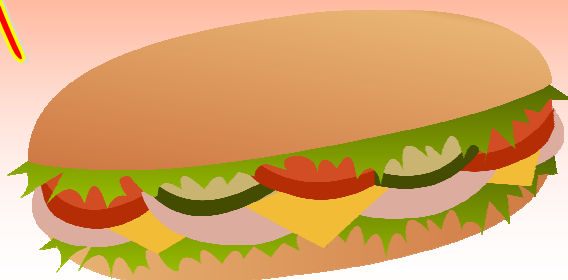
September 29, 2013

3:00pm - 7:00pm

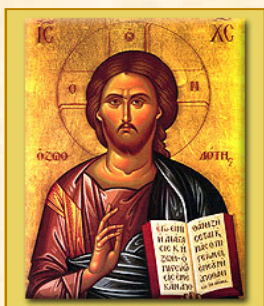
Come out and show your support!

Teen SOYO Sub Sandwich SALE

Next Sunday



October 6th



Weekly Synaxarion



On September 29 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate our righteous father Kyriakos the Hermit of Palestine. Kyriakos was born in Corinth to John and Eudoxia. His father John was a presbyter and Peter, Bishop of Corinth, was his relative. In his early youth, the bishop tonsured Kyriakos as a reader in the cathedral church. Reading the Holy Scripture, Kyriakos marveled at God's providence: how God glorified all His true servants and how He arranged the salvation of the human race. At age eighteen, Kyriakos began a life of asceticism that eventually took him to the community supervised by St. Chariton at Souka. Kyriakos became a celebrated canonarch, defender of Orthodoxy, ascetic, priest, miracle-worker and comforter. Kyriakos was large and strong in body, even in deep old age, despite strict fasts and vigils. In the wilderness, for years he ate only raw greens called squills. Kyriakos entered the eternal joy of his Lord in 557 at age 109. On this day, we also commemorate the Martyr Petronia and those with her in Palestine; Mother Mary the hermit of Palestine; and Martyrs Gudelia, Casdous, Casdoa, Gargalus, Dada and Gobdelaas of Persia. By their intercessions, O Christ God, have mercy upon us. Amen.