



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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April 29th, 2018
Sunday of the Paralytic
أحد المخلع



Christ is Risen! Indeed He is Risen!
Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs bestowing life!

Weekly Schedule of Services:
Saturday Great Vespers 5:00pm
(Confessions heard after Great Vespers)
Sunday Orthros 8:45am followed by Divine Liturgy 10:00am
Wednesday Morning Prayers followed by Arabic Bible Study 10:00am
Check our website for feast day services and all other services

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.

Changes in the Liturgy

عيد الفصح المجيد المقدس

First Antiphon

Shout with joy to God, all the earth. Sing to His name; give glory to His praises.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

Say to God: How awesome are Thy works; let all the earth worship Thee, and sing to Thee. Let it sing a song to Thy Name, O Most High.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior save us!

هللوا لله يا جميع الأرض، رتلوا لاسمِهِ أعطوا مجداً لتسبجتهِ.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا!

قولوا لله ما أرهَبَ أعمالك، كلُّ مَنْ في الأرضِ يسجدونَ لك ويرتلونَ لاسمِكَ أيها العلي.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا!

المجد للآبِ والإبنِ والروحِ القدس الآن وكل أوانٍ وإلى دهرِ الداهرين آمين.

بشفاعاتِ والدةِ الإلهِ يا مخلصُ خلصنا!

Second Antiphon

May God have mercy upon us, and bless us, and may He cause His face to shine upon us, and have mercy on us.

Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, who sing to thee, Alleluia!

That thy way may be known upon earth, thy salvation among all nations. Let the peoples give thanks to Thee, O God; let all the peoples give thanks to Thee.

Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, who sing to thee, Alleluia!

May God bless us, and may all the ends of the earth fear Him.

Save us, O Son of God, who art risen from the dead, who sing to thee, Alleluia!

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

O only-begotten Son, etc.

ليترأف الله علينا ويباركنا، وليضئ بوجهه علينا ويرحمنا.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات لترتل لك هلولويا!

لتُعرف في الأرض طريقك وفي جميع الأمم خلاصك.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات لترتل لك هلولويا!

تعترف لك الشعوب يا الله تعترف لك.

خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الأموات لنرتل لك هلوليا!
المجد للآب والإبن والروح القدس، الآن وكلّ أوانٍ وإلى دهرِ الداهرينَ، آمين.
يا كلمة الله الابن الوحيد...

Third Antiphon

Let God arise, and let his enemies be scattered, and let those who hate Him flee from his face.
Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life!

As smoke vanishes, let them vanish; as wax melteth before the fire.

Christ is risen, etc.

So let sinners perish at the presence of God, and let the righteous be glad.

Christ is risen, etc.

This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad therein.

Christ is risen, etc.

ليقم الله ويتبدد جميع أعدائه ويهرب مبغضوه من أمام وجهه.
المسيح قام من بين الأموات، ووطئ الموت بالموت، ووهب الحياة للذين في القبور!
كما يباد الدخان يبادون وكما يذوب الشمع من أمام وجه النار.
المسيح قام من بين الأموات...
كذلك تهلك الخطاة من أمام وجه الله والصديقون يفرحون ويتهللون أمام الله ويتنعمون بالسرور.
المسيح قام من بين الأموات...
هذا هو اليوم الذي صنعه الرب لنفرح ونتهلل به.
المسيح قام من بين الأموات...

Entrance Hymn (Tone Two)

In the gathering places, bless ye God the Lord from the springs of Israel. Save us O Son of God, Who art Risen from the dead, who sing unto thee: Alleluia!

في المجامع باركوا الله، الرب من ينابيع إسرائيل. خالصنا يا ابن الله، يا من قام من بين الأموات، لنرتل لك هلوليا!

Paschal Troparion (Tone Five)

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and upon those in the tombs, bestowing life. (Thrice)

المسيح قام من بين الأموات، ووطئ الموت بالموت، ووهب الحياة للذين في القبور. (ثلاثاً)

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone Three)

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm, He hath trampled down death by death and became the first-born from the dead; He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the great mercy .

لِتَفْرَحِ السَّمَاوِيَّاتُ وَلِتَبْتَهِجِ الْأَرْضِيَّاتُ. لِأَنَّ الرَّبَّ صَنَعَ عِزًّا بِسَاعِدِهِ، وَوَطَّئَ الْمَوْتَ بِالْمَوْتِ وَصَارَ بِكُرِّ الْأَمْوَاتِ. وَأَنْقَذَنَا مِنْ جَوْفِ الْجَحِيمِ. وَمَنَحَ الْعَالَمَ الرَّحْمَةَ الْعَظْمَى.

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.

فِي مِيلَادِكَ حَفِظْتِ الْبَتُولِيَّةَ وَصَنَنْتَهَا وَفِي رِقَادِكَ مَا أَهْمَلْتِ الْعَالَمَ وَتَرَكْتِهِ يَا وَالِدَةَ الْإِلَهِ. لِأَنَّكَ انْتَقَلْتِ إِلَى الْحَيَاةِ بِمَا أَنْكَ أُمُّ الْحَيَاةِ. فَبِشَفَاعَاتِكَ أَنْقِذِي مِنَ الْمَوْتِ نَفُوسَنَا.

Kontakion of Pascha (Tone Eight)

O Immortal One, when Thou didst descend into the tomb, Thou didst destroy the power of Hades; and Thou didst rise victorious, O Christ God. Thou hast said to the ointment bearing women: Rejoice! And Thou gavest peace to Thy Disciples, O Bestower of Resurrection to those Who had fallen.

وَلِئِنْ كُنْتَ نَزَلْتَ إِلَى قَبْرِ يَا مَنْ لَا يَمُوتُ. إِلَّا أَنْكَ حَطَمْتَ قُوَّةَ الْجَحِيمِ وَقُفِّمْتَ غَالِبًا أَيُّهَا الْمَسِيحُ الْإِلَهِ. وَلِلنِّسْوَةِ الْحَامِلَاتِ الطَّيِّبِ قَلْتَ افْرَحْنَ وَلرُّسُلِكَ وَهَبْتَ السَّلَامَ. يَا مَانِحَ الْوَاقِعِينَ الْقِيَامَ.

Epistle of the Sunday of the Paralytic

الرسالة لأحد المخلع

Sing praises to our God, sing praises!

Clap your hands, all you nations!

The Reading is from the Acts of the Apostles (9:32-42).

In those days, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

رتلوا لإلهنا رتلوا!

يا جميع الأمم صَفِّقُوا بِالْأَيْدِي!

فصلٌ من أعمال الرُّسُلِ القديسينَ الأطهار (٤٢-٣٢:٩).

في تلك الأيام فيما كان بطرس يطوف في جميع الأماكن نزل أيضاً إلى القديسين الساكنين في لُدَّة * فوجد هناك إنساناً اسمه أَيْنِاسَ مُضْطَجِعاً على سريرٍ منذَ ثمانين سنين وهو مُخْلَعٌ * فقال له بطرس يا أَيْنِاسَ يشفيك يسوع المسيح فم وافترش لنفسك. فقام للوقت * ورأه جميع الساكنين في لُدَّة وسارون فرجعوا إلى الرب * وكانت في يافا تلميذة اسمها طابيتا الذي تفسيره طيبة. وكانت هذه ممتلئة أعمالاً صالحةً وصدقاتٍ كانت تعملها * فحدث في تلك الأيام أنها مرضت وماتت. فغسلوها ووضعوها في العليّة * وإذ كانت لُدَّة بِقُرْبِ يافا وسمع التلاميذ أن بطرس فيها أرسلوا إليه رجلين يسألانه أن لا يبطين عن القدوم إليهم * فقام بطرس وأتى معهما. فلما وصل صعدوا به إلى العليّة ووقف لديه جميع الأرامل يبكين ويرينهُ أقمصةً وثياباً كانت تصنعها طبيّة معهن * فأخرج بطرس الجميع خارجاً وجثا على ركبتيه وصلى. ثم التفت إلى الجسد وقال يا طابيتا قومي. ففتحت عينيها. ولما أبصرت بطرس جالست * فناولها يده وأنهضها. ثم دعا القديسين والأرامل وأقامها لديهم حياةً * فشاع هذا الخبر في يافا كلها. فآمن كثيرون بالرب.

Gospel of the Sunday of the Paralytic

الإنجيل لأحد المخلع

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (5:1-15).

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethzatha, which has five porticos. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there for a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk?'" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befalls you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

فصلٌ شريفٌ من بشارَةِ القديسِ يوحنا الإنجيليِّ البشيرِ، التلميذِ الطاهرِ (١٥-١: ٥) .

في ذلكَ الزمانِ صعدَ يسوعُ إلى أُورشليمِ * وإنَّ في أُورشليمَ عندَ بابِ العَنَمِ بَرَكَةً تُسَمَّى بالعبرانيةِ بَيْتَ حِسدا لها خمسةُ أروقةٍ * كانَ مُضطجِعاً فيها جُمهورٌ كثيرٌ مِنَ المَرَضِي مِنَ عُميانٍ وَعُرجٍ ويابسي الأعضاءِ يَنْتَظِرُونَ تحريكَ الماءِ * لأنَّ ملاكاً كانَ يَنْزِلُ أحياناً في البِرَكَةِ ويَحَرِّكُ الماءَ . والذي كانَ يَنْزِلُ أولاً مِن بعدِ تحريكِ الماءِ كانَ يُبرَأُ مِن أَيِّ مَرَضٍ اعتراهُ * وكانَ هناكَ إنسانٌ بِهِ مَرَضٌ مُنذُ ثمانِ وثلاثينَ سنةً * هذا إذ رآه يسوعُ مُلقىً وَعَلِمَ أَنَّ لَهُ زماناً كثيراً قالَ لَهُ أترِيدُ أن تَبْرَأَ * فأجابَهُ المريضُ يا سيدُ ليسَ لي إنسانٌ متى حُرِّكَ الماءُ يُلقيني في البِرَكَةِ بل بينما أكونُ آتياً يَنْزِلُ قبلي آخِرُ * فقالَ لَهُ يسوعُ قُمْ احمِلِ سَريرَكَ وامشِ * فللوقتِ برىَ الرَّجُلُ وَحَمَلَ سَريِرَهُ ومَشى . وكانَ في ذلكَ اليومِ سبتٌ * فقالَ اليهودُ للذي شُفي إِنَّهُ سَبَتٌ فلا يَحِلُّ لكَ أن تَحْمِلَ السَّريرَ * فأجابَهُمُ إنَّ الذي أبرأني هو قالَ لي احمِلِ سَريِرَكَ وامشِ * فسأَلوه مَن هُوَ الإنسانُ الذي قالَ لكَ احمِلِ سَريِرَكَ وامشِ * أما الذي شُفي فلم يَكُنْ يَعْلَمُ مَن هُوَ . لأنَّ يسوعَ اعْتَرَلَ إذ كانَ في الموضعِ جَمْعٌ * وبعدَ ذلكَ وَجَدَهُ يسوعُ في الهيكلِ فقالَ لَهُ ها قد عُوِفيتَ فلا تَعُدْ تُحطِئُ لئلاً يُصيبَكَ أَشْرٌ * فذهبَ ذلكَ الإنسانُ وأخبرَ اليهودَ أَنَّ يسوعَ هو الذي أبرأه .

Megalynarion for the Sunday of the Paralytic (Tone One)

The angel spake to her that is full of grace, saying, O pure Virgin, rejoice; and I say also, rejoice; for thy Son is risen from the tomb on the third day.

We believers in unison bless thee, O Virgin, crying: Rejoice, O gate of the Lord. Rejoice, O living city. Rejoice, O thou from whom didst rise upon us from the dead the Light of Resurrection, He Who wast born of thee .

إن الملاك هتف نحو الممتلئة نعمة أيتها العذراء النقية افرحي . وأيضاً أقول افرحي لأن ابنك قد قام من القبر في اليوم الثالث .

أيتها البتول نغبطك نحن المؤمنين بأصوات متفقته هاتفين: افرحي يا باب الرب، افرحي يا مدينة متنفسه، افرحي يا من بها أشرق لنا اليوم، من الأموات، نور قيامة المولود منك .

Koinonikon (Communion Hymn)

Receive ye the Body of Christ, and taste ye Him who is the Fountain of Immortality.

Alleluia!

جسد المسيح خذوا، والينبوع الذي لا يموت ذوقوا. هلوليا!

Instead of “We have seen the true light”, we sing “Christ is Risen” (Once)

وبدلاً من "قد نظرنا"، نرتل "المسيح قام" (مرة واحدة)

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

4/29: Romel and Nabeela Sweis & Family

5/6: Emile and Eideh Haddad & Family

5/13: Bishara Sweis & Family



3rd & 9th Day Memorial

Jeries Ziadat

Memory Eternal!



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Lucas

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Epistle Reading

4/29: Elaine Riadi & Joleat Samawi

5/6: Subdn. Matthew & Lily Sweiss

REMINDER

In an effort to eliminate distractions, collection baskets will not be passed during the Divine Liturgy. Instead, we kindly ask you to make your donation or pledge before or after service by placing it in the **donation box** at the entrance of the church. Envelopes are available on both sides of the donation box. Please keep this in mind since we depend on your contributions. Thank you for your generosity!



Upcoming Events

Thurs Apr 26	6:00pm	IOCC Annual Grand Banquet & Silent Auction Café La Cace, 2777 Mannheim Rd, Des Plaines, IL
Fri Apr 27	7:00pm	Antiochian Women Meeting
Sat Apr 28	10:45am	Arabic School
	1:30pm	Basketball League
	5:00pm	Great Vespers (followed by confession)
	5:00pm	Couples Ministry Wine & Cheese Night
Sun Apr 29	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
	10:00am	Sunday School
	12:30pm	YAM Bible Study
Wed May 2	10:00am	Morning Prayers
	10:30am	Arabic Bible Study
	6:30pm	SOYO Night
	7:00pm	Adult Christian Education Class
Sat May 5	10:45am	Arabic School
	5:00pm	Great Vespers (followed by confession)
Sun May 6	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
	10:00am	Sunday School
Wed May 9	10:00am	Morning Prayers
	10:30am	Arabic Bible Study
	6:30pm	SOYO Night
	7:00pm	Adult Christian Education Class

Direct Debit Program

At St. Mary, we created a system to financially support our parish using the teachings of Jesus Christ on giving. That is, we give secretly, regularly and generously. We no longer pass around a collection basket during Church Services, because that it interferes with our goal of a solemn, prayerful and holy environment, as God deserves nothing less. Instead, we offer our beloved parishioners two ways to support St. Mary financially: You may deposit your donation in the Donation Box either before or after Church Services. This Donation Box is located at the entrance of the church. The preferred method is using our Direct Debit Program (the same way you pay your utility bills, cell phone, etc...). This secure and safe system helps us better plan and budget for future programs, as we are constantly expanding our ministries to accommodate the spiritual needs of all segments of our parish, especially our youth. We currently have 76 people on Direct Debit. THANK YOU! Our goal is to have 100 people enrolled. To sign up, please follow the instructions below:

1. Go to stmaryoc.org
2. Click on “Stewardship”
3. Click on “Direct Debit”



4. This will take you to a page that explains how direct debit works and gives you two options to enroll: Either through a secure electronic form or you can print a hardcopy to fill out and bring to church.

We also highly encourage the faithful to consider the Biblical teaching on ‘Tithing’ (or 10% of income) when considering your regular donation to St. Mary. Whether you choose 1% or 10%, it’s an acknowledgment that all that we have is a gift from God, and we’re simply returning a portion of it in gratitude and for the glory of His name. Thank you for your past and continued support of our parish, as we grow together in our love for Jesus Christ and for each other. May God bless you and reward you as only He can.

“Honor the Lord with your wealth, with the first fruits of all your crops.” Prov 3:9

Thank you for your generosity and support of our parish!

Saint Mary's ALTAR SERVERS' MINISTRY
"UPON THIS ROCK I WILL BUILD MY CHURCH"



April 29 Team A: Murad Salman, David Sweiss, Michael Sweiss, Kyse Dahdal, Joseph Haddad, Rami Sweis, Saleem Swaiss, Samer Sweis, Christian Sweis, Charlie Sayeg, Malik Tadros, Ameer Tadros, Faris Makhamreh, Issa Khoury, Philip Haddad, Yazan Swaiss, Yanal Swaiss, Joseph Fallouh, Abdallah Sweis, Jordan Haddad.

May 6 Team B: Sharbel Samawi, Anthony Haddad, Hashem Tadros, Yousef A. Tadros, Jacob Tadros, Yousef R. Tadros, Faris Tadros, Basil Tadros, David Alnemri, Daniel Alnemri, Jaisingh Riske, Sharbel Alafnan, Michael Galuszynski, Nicholas Abu-Manneh, Sleman Shaheen, Gus Bousheh, Nicholas Bousheh, Abraham Sweis, Ryan Alhourani, Adrian Alhourani, Nicholas Alswais, Mark Salman, Michael Salman.

John 12:26 *If anyone serves me, he must follow me; and where I am, there will my servant be also. If anyone serves me, the Father will honor him.*

ATTENTION ALL ALTAR SERVERS
and PARENTS of ALTAR SERVERS

PARENTS PLEASE NOTE THE CHANGE BELOW, AND INFORM
YOUR CHILDREN WHO ARE SERVING

(NOTE the new entrance to the Holy Altar, and arrival time)

ENTERING THE HOLY ALTAR:

When entering the Holy Altar, no one is allowed to enter through the curtains of the Iconostas. You MUST enter through the walkway BEHIND the Chanters/Choir to the far left of the church. **No one is allowed to enter through the Curtains of the Iconostas.**

ARRIVAL TIME: The Divine Liturgy begins at 10am; All Altar Boys MUST be in the Altar BEFORE 10am; if you arrive late, you will be sent back to sit with your family.

TEAMS:

All Altar boys must follow the schedule of their Team. Please only serve on those designated dates for your Team. If there's a need for additional Altar Servers, the SubDeacons will ask you to serve.

DRESSING for the Altar:

Gym/Running shoes are not appropriate for the Holy Altar. You must wear dress/casual shoes. Also, no shorts or T-shirts are allowed.

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Girls Retreat

June 1st-3rd 2018

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Please join us for our girls retreat! Young ladies ages 13 years and up are welcome to attend. This amazing experience will provide the opportunity to visit the beautiful monastery, speak with the nuns, walk the grounds, engage in sessions, and build strong relationships. Mothers are encouraged to attend.
(We will be leaving Friday evening and returning Sunday afternoon)

Cost: \$50 per person

**Registration form, waiver, and payment is due
Sunday, May 13th!**

Scholarships are available. If anyone is in need of financial assistance please see Fr. Mousa.

See Fabiola Sweis or Dn. Jacob with questions.

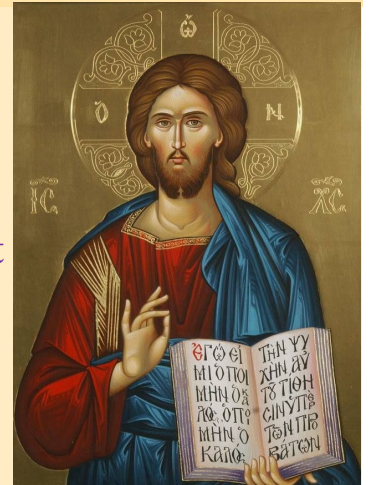
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Adult Christian Education Series

Fall 2017 and Spring 2018



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Everyone age 18 and older is invited to enrich their faith and knowledge of the Orthodox Church. Class begins promptly at 7:00pm and will conclude at 8:30pm.

THE CLASSES ARE FREE. Materials will be provided to all attendees. **See schedule below.**

Join us for our final session starting Wednesday, April 18th.

Session and dates (Wed. evenings)

Topic

Fall Session I: Sep. 20 through Oct. 25

Sources of Christian Doctrine

Fall Session II: Nov. 8 through Dec.13

The Symbol of Faith: Nicaean Creed

Spring Session I: Jan. 10 through Feb. 14

The Holy Trinity / Salvation History

Spring Session II: April 18 through May 23

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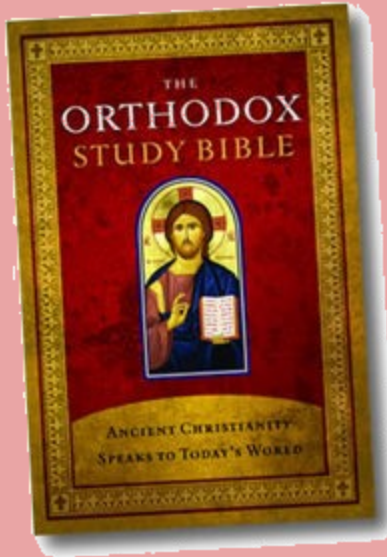
YAM Bible Study

April 29, 2018

Immediately After Liturgy

*We will be having a Q & A
with Deacon Jacob*

Light refreshments will be served.



Upcoming Events Young Adult Ministry

Parish Life Conference

Wednesday, June 20- Sunday, June 24, 2018

St. Elias Antiochian Orthodox Church

Sylvania, Ohio

**Details coming soon!*

Orthodox Young Professionals Conference

Thursday, August 16 - Sunday, August 19, 2018

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Mother's Day Party & Fashion Show

Saturday, May 12th

12:00pm - 4:00pm

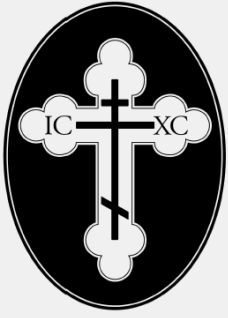
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See any of the Antiochian Women for tickets



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3v3 Basketball Tournament



Where: St. Mary's Gymnasium 6330 W 127th St, Palos Heights, IL 60463

When: Sunday, May 20th, 2018 at 4pm

Requirements:

- Ages 16 & up
- Signed Waiver
- \$45 per team

***Prize rewarded to winning team**

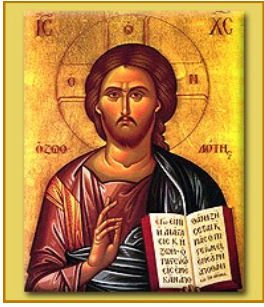
Forms, Teams, and Fees due by May 18th, 2018

Contact:

Nidal Haddad (708)-691-8849

or

Murad Salman (708)-979-0101



Weekly Synaxarion



On April 29 in the Holy Orthodox Church, we commemorate the Apostles Jason and Sosipater of the Seventy; Martyr Kerkyra of Corfu; John the New Almsgiver, metropolitan of Thebes; Martyr John of Romania; Basil of Ostrog, Metropolitan of Zakhum in Serbia. On this day, the fourth Sunday of Pascha, we commemorate the Paralytic and, as is right, we celebrate the miracle wrought for him. Jesus healed the Paralytic at the Sheep's Pool, located near the Sheep's Gate of Jerusalem, where people sacrificed their beasts and washed their insides. The pool had five sides, with a porch and arch on each. A number of people, afflicted with various diseases, passed through them, waiting at the water for an angel to come down and stir it. Once it moved, whoever stepped into the water first was instantly healed. One poor man, whose story is recounted in today's Gospel lection in the Divine Liturgy, waited 38 years for someone to lower him into the water, because he was unable to move into the water himself. However, the Savior merely commanded the man to get up and walk, and he was healed. In Thine infinite mercy, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen .

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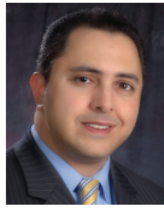
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