



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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Rev. Dn. Jacob Andoun

Parish Council

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February 24th 2019

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

First and Second Discoveries of the Forerunner's Honorable Head

أحد الإبن الشاطر

وتذكار الوجود الأول والثاني لرأس يوحنا المعمدان



Weekly Schedule of Services:

Saturday Great Vespers 5:00pm

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.

Arabian Night

يا مرحبا يا ريحة الورد والهيل.. لا هبت النسمة وتطير عطرها

تتشرف سيدات كنيسة السيده العذراء مريم
دعوتكم لحضور حفل عشاء الفلكلور العربي والذي سوف يقام

March 2nd, 2019 at 6:00pm
St. Mary Antiochian Orthodox Church
6330 W 127th St.
Palos Heights, IL 60463

الدعوه خاصه للسيدات بتبرع بقيمه \$50.00 للشخص
ملاحظه: نتمنى حضوركم باللباس الفلكلوري العربي ان وجد

Please Contact Nihad Sweis (708)951-1019, Muna Salman (708)769-5105,
Rita Sweis (773)510-4303 or any of the Antiochian Women for tickets.

Join us for a night of home cooked Mensaf w/meat & Freekeh w/roasted chicken, music, prizes and Arabic items for sale. In addition we will be raffling off two gold coins.



Changes in the Liturgy

تغييرات في القداس

Entrance Hymn

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!

هلم لنسجد ونركع للمسيح ملكنا والهنا، خلصنا يا ابن الله يا من قام من بين الاموات، لنرتل لك هلوليا!

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone Six)

When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb, and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led hades captive and wast not tempted thereby, Thou didst meet the virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

إن القوات الملائكية ظهروا على قبرك الموقر. والحراس صاروا كالأموات. ومريم وقفت عند القبر طالبةً جسدك الطاهر. فسبيت الجحيم ولم تجرب منها وصادفت البتول يا مانحاً الحياة. فيامن قُمت من بين الأموات يارب المجدلك.

Troparion for St. John (Tone Four)

The Forerunner's sacred head, having dawned forth from the earth, sends rays of incorruption unto the faithful, whereby they find healings of their ills. From on high he gathers the choirs of the Angels and on earth he summons the whole race of mankind, that they with one voice might send up glory to Christ our God.

لقد بزغت هامة السابق من جوف الأرض، فأشرق للمؤمنين بأشعة الأشفية وعدم البلى، وهي تجمع جماهير الملائكة من العلاء، وتدعو كل جنس البشر من تحت للاجتماع معاً لكي يمجدوا المسيح الإله بأصوات متفقة.

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.

في ميلادك حفظت البتولية وصنيتها وفي رقادك ما أهملت العالم وتركته يا والدة الإله. لأنك انتقلت إلى الحياة بما أنك أم الحياة. فبشفاعاتك أنقذي من الموت نفوسنا.

Kontakion of the Prodigal Son (Tone Three)

When I disobeyed in ignorance thy Fatherly glory, I wasted in iniquities the riches that thou gavest me. Wherefore, I cry to thee with the voice of the prodigal son, saying: I have sinned before thee, O compassionate Father, receive me repentant, and make me as one of thy hired servants.

لما عصيت مجدك الأبوي بجهل وغباوة، بددت في المعاصي الغنى الذي أعطيتني. فلذلك أصرخ إليك بصوت الابن الشاطر هاتفاً: خطئْتُ أمامك أيها الأب الرؤوف، فاقبلني تائباً واجعلني كأحد أجرائك.

Epistle for the Discovery of the Forerunner's Honorable Head

الرسالة لتذكار الوجود الأول والثاني لرأس يوحنا المعمدان

The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord!

Hear my prayer o Lord!

The Reading is from Saint Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians (4:6-15).

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people, it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

يَفْرَحُ الصَّدِيقُ بِالرَّبِّ!

استمع يا الله لصوتي!

فصل من رسالة القديس بولس الرسول الثانية إلى أهل كورنثوس (١٥-٦:٤) .

يا إخوة إنَّ الله الذي أمرَ أنْ يُشْرِقَ مِنْ ظِلْمَةِ نَوْرٍ هو الذي أَشْرَقَ في قُلُوبِنَا لِإِنَارَةِ مَعْرِفَةِ مَجْدِ اللهِ في وجهِ يسوع المسيح * ولنا هذا الكَنْزُ في أَنِيَةِ حَزَنِيَّةٍ لِيَكُونَ فَضْلُ القُوَّةِ لِهَلَاكِنَا * مُتَضَايِقِينَ في كُلِّ شَيْءٍ وَلَكِنْ غَيْرَ مُنْحَصِرِينَ. وَمُتَحَيِّرِينَ وَلَكِنْ غَيْرَ يَائِسِينَ * وَمُضْطَهَدِينَ وَلَكِنْ غَيْرَ مَخْذُولِينَ. وَمَطْرُوحِينَ وَلَكِنْ غَيْرَ هَالِكِينَ * حَامِلِينَ في الجَسَدِ كُلَّ حِينٍ إِمَاتَةَ الرَّبِّ يسوع لِتَظْهَرَ حَيَاةُ يسوع أَيْضاً في أَجْسَادِنَا * لِأَنَّنا نَحْنُ الأَحْيَاءُ نُسَلِّمُ دَائِماً إلى المَوْتِ مِنْ أَجْلِ يسوع لِتَظْهَرَ حَيَاةُ المسيح أَيْضاً في أَجْسَادِنَا المَائِتَةِ * فَالمَوْتُ إِذْهُنْ يُجْرِي فِينَا وَالحَيَاةُ فِينَا * فَإِذْ فِينَا رُوحُ الإِيمَانِ بِعَيْنِهِ على حَسَبِ مَا كُتِبَ إِنِّي آمَنْتُ وَلِذَلِكَ تَكَلَّمْتُ فَنَحْنُ أَيْضاً نَوْمُونَ وَلِذَلِكَ نَتَكَلَّمُ * عَالِمِينَ أَنَّ الذي أَقَامَ الرَّبِّ يسوع سَيُقِيمُنَا نَحْنُ أَيْضاً بِيسوع فَنَنْتَصِبَ مَعَكُمْ * لِأَنَّ كُلَّ شَيْءٍ هو مِنْ أَجْلِكُمْ لِكِي تَتَكَاثَرَ النِّعْمَةُ بِشُكْرِ الأَكْثَرِينَ فَتَزِدَادَ لِمَجْدِ اللهِ.

Gospel for the Sunday of the Prodigal Son

الإنجيل لأحد الإبن الشاطر

The Reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke (15:11-32).

The Lord spoke this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants."' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

فصل شريف من بشارة القديس لوقا الإنجيلي البشير، التلميذ الطاهر (٣٢-١١:١٥).

قال الرب هذا المثل. إنسان كان له ابنان * فقال أصغرهما لأبيه يا أبت اعطني النصيب الذي يخصني من المال. فقسّم بينهما معيشته * وبعد أيام غير كثيرة جمع الابن الأصغر كل شيء له وسافر إلى بلد بعيد وبذر ماله هناك عائشاً في الخلاعة * فلما أنفق كل شيء له حدثت في ذلك البلد مجاعة شديدة فأخذ في العوز * فذهب وانصوى إلى واحد من أهل ذلك البلد فأرسله إلى حقوله يرعى خنازير * وكان يشتهي أن يملأ بطنه من الخرنوب الذي كانت الخنازير تأكله فلم يعطه أحد * فرجع إلى نفسه وقال كم لأبي من أجزاء يفضل عنهم الخبز وأنا أهلك جوعاً * أقوم وأمضي إلى أبي وأقول له يا أبت قد أخطأت إلى السماء وأمامك. ولست مستحقاً بعد أن أدعى لك ابناً فاجعلني كأحد أجرائك * فقام وجاء إلى أبيه. وفيما هو بعد غير بعيد رآه أبوه

فَتَحَنَّنَ عَلَيْهِ وَأَسْرَعَ وَأَلْقَى بِنَفْسِهِ عَلَى عُنُقِهِ وَقَبَّلَهُ * فَقَالَ لَهُ الْإِبْنُ يَا أُمَّتِ قَدْ أَخْطَأْتُ إِلَى السَّمَاءِ وَأَمَامَكَ
 وَلَسْتُ مُسْتَحِقًّا بَعْدَ أَنْ أُدْعَى لَكَ ابْنًا * فَقَالَ الْأَبُ لِعَبِيدِهِ هَاتُوا الْحُلَّةَ الْأُولَى وَالْبِسُوهُ وَاجْعَلُوا خَاتَمًا فِي يَدِهِ
 وَجِذَاءً فِي رِجْلَيْهِ * وَأَتُوا بِالْعَجَلِ الْمُسَمَّنِ وَادْبَحُوهُ فَنَأْكَلُ وَنَفْرَحُ * لِأَنَّ ابْنِي هَذَا كَانَ مَيْتًا فَعَاشَ وَكَانَ ضَالًّا
 فَوُجِدَ. فَطَفِقُوا يَفْرَحُونَ * وَكَانَ ابْنُهُ الْأَكْبَرُ فِي الْحَقْلِ. فَلَمَّا أَتَى وَقَرَّبَ مِنَ الْبَيْتِ سَمِعَ أَصْوَاتَ الْغِنَاءِ
 وَالرَّقْصِ * فَدَعَا أَحَدَ الْعُلَمَانَ وَسَأَلَهُ مَا هَذَا * فَقَالَ لَهُ قَدْ قَدِمَ أَخُوكَ فَذَبَحَ أَبُوكَ الْعَجَلَ الْمُسَمَّنَ لِأَنَّهُ لَقِيَهُ
 سَالِمًا * فَغَضِبَ وَلَمْ يُرِدْ أَنْ يَدْخُلَ. فَخَرَجَ أَبُوهُ وَطَفِقَ يَتَوَسَّلُ إِلَيْهِ * فَأَجَابَ وَقَالَ لِأَبِيهِ كَمْ لِي مِنَ السَّنِينَ
 أَخْدَمْتُكَ وَلَمْ أَتَعَدَّ لَكَ وَصِيَّةً قَطُّ وَأَنْتَ لَمْ تُعْطِنِي قَطُّ جَدِيًّا لِأَفْرَحَ مَعَ أَصْدِقَائِي * وَلَمَّا جَاءَ ابْنُكَ هَذَا الَّذِي أَكَلَ
 مَعِيشَتَكَ مَعَ الزَّوَانِي ذَبَحْتَ لَهُ الْعَجَلَ الْمُسَمَّنَ * فَقَالَ لَهُ يَا ابْنِي أَنْتَ مَعِيَ فِي كُلِّ حِينٍ وَكُلُّ مَا هُوَ لِي فَهُوَ
 لَكَ * وَلَكِنْ كَانَ يَنْبَغِي أَنْ نَفْرَحَ وَنُسِّرَ لِأَنَّ أَخَاكَ هَذَا كَانَ مَيْتًا فَعَاشَ وَكَانَ ضَالًّا فَوُجِدَ.

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Traditionally, at the feast of our Lord's Theophany on January 6th, we bless water which is used to sanctify the homes of all the faithful. In bringing the blessed water to our homes, and sprinkling it in each room, we rid our house of any evil influence, and rededicate it to God in a special way. As we were once renewed by the waters of our own baptism into Christ, so too our home, and our entire lives, are re-dedicated and renewed unto Christ our God each year at this time.

Please contact Fr. Mousa, Fr. Malek, or Fr. Danial if you would like your home blessed this year.



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!



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

2/24: Emad and Nabila Haddad & Family

3/3: Antiochian Women

3/10: Antiochian Women

Epistle Reading

2/24: Yousef A. Tadros & Josephine Tadros

3/3: Nicholas Alswais & Wajih Haddad



25 Year Memorial
Yousef Abdullah Tadros
Memory Eternal!



Memory Eternal!
Bassam Musharbash



Wedding
Melad Kamal Qodsi
and
Nadine Isho
Congratulations!



Engagement
Ghaith Musa Rabadi
and
Christine Edward Eskander
Congratulations!



Engagement
Sultan Zahi Tadros
and
Rhoda Zaid Abudayyeh
Congratulations!

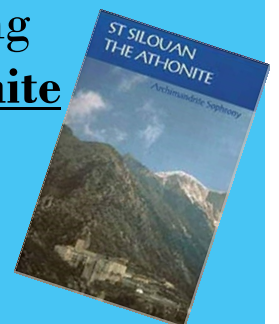


ALL ARE WELCOME!

Join us every Monday for
St. Mary's Book Club, starting
March 11th at 6:00pm
in the Conference Room.

We will be discussing
St. Silouan the Athonite

Discussion will be lead by Dn. Jacob Andoun
St. Silouan the Athonite will be available for
purchase in the church Bookstore.






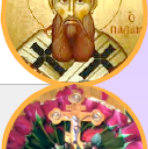


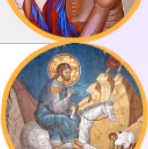





Upcoming Events

Thurs Feb 21	7:00pm	Open Gym
Sat Feb 23	10:45am	Arabic School
Sun Feb 24	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
	10:00am	Sunday School (starts with Divine Liturgy)
Wed Feb 27	10:00am	Morning Prayers
	10:30am	Arabic Bible Study
	6:30pm	SOYO Bowling Outing Centennial Lanes 16050 Centennial Cir., Tinley Park, IL
Thurs Feb 28	6:30pm	OCMC Mission Team Chicago Benefit Dinner St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church 2350 E. Dempster St., Des Plaines, IL
Sat Mar 2	8:45am	Orthros for Saturday of Souls
	9:00am	Marriage Retreat
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy for Saturday of Souls
	10:45am	Arabic School
	6:00pm	Arabian Nights Party
Sun Mar 3	8:45am	Orthros
	10:00am	Divine Liturgy
	10:00am	Sunday School (starts with Divine Liturgy)
Wed Mar 6	10:00am	Morning Prayers
	10:30am	Arabic Bible Study
	6:30pm	Teen SOYO
Thurs Mar 7	7:00pm	Open Gym

OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2019

Created by Fr. Jonathan Bannon (ACROD)

SUNDAYS	THEMES / GOSPEL READING	HOW TO PARTICIPATE:
Fast - Free Week FEBRUARY 17th	 <i>TRIODION WEEKS</i> Publican and the Pharisee Reading: 2 Timothy 3: 10-15 Gospel: Luke 18: 10-14	Trust in God, not yourself! Ask for His help before every task this week!
Normal Fast Week FEBRUARY 24th	 The Prodigal Son Returns! Reading: 1 Corinthians 6: 12-20 Gospel: Luke 15: 11-32	Schedule a Confession. Use up/freeze meats this week.
Meatfare MARCH 3rd FAREWELL TO MEAT TODAY	 The Last Judgment Reading: 1 Corinthians 8: 8-9: 2 Gospel: Matthew 25: 31-46	Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week.
Cheesefare MARCH 10th FAREWELL TO CHEESE TODAY	 Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! <i>FORGIVENESS SUNDAY</i> Reading: Romans 13: 11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6: 14-21	Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed.
1st Sunday of Lent MARCH 17th	 <i>GREAT FAST BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS</i> SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY Reading: Hebrews 11: 24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1: 43-51	Bring an icon to church for a procession.
2nd Sunday of Lent MARCH 24th	 ST GREGORY PALAMAS Reading: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2: 1-12	Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week.
3rd Sunday of Lent MARCH 31st	 VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS <i>HALF WAY TO PASCHA!</i> Reading: Hebrews 4: 14-5: 6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9: 1	Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow!
4th Sunday of Lent APRIL 7th	 ST JOHN of the LADDER Reading: Hebrews: 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9: 17-31	Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross!
5th Sunday of Lent APRIL 14th	 ST MARY of EGYPT Reading: Hebrews 9: 11-14 & Heb 2:11-18 Gospel: Mark 10: 32-45 & LK 1:24-38	Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week.
FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY! APRIL 21st GREAT WEEK BEGINS	 <i>GREAT AND HOLY WEEK</i> ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM Reading: Philippians 4: 4-9 Gospel: John 12: 1-18	Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car!
GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY APRIL 26th	 GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY <i>JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS</i> CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE	Refrain from TV, Internet, & Phones to honor Christ's Death.
FEAST OF FEASTS! APRIL 28th NO FASTING!	 <i>BRIGHT WEEK</i> HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!) Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1: 1-17	Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before good morning and goodnight!

خدمات الصيام والاسبوع العظيم 2019 Lent & Holy Week Services

آذار 2 March	Saturday: Orthros for Saturday of Souls السبت: صلاة السحر لسبت الأموات Liturgy for Saturday of Souls القداس لسبت الأموات	صباحا 9:00am صباحا 10:00am
آذار 3 March	Sunday of the Last Judgment (Meatfare Sunday) أحد الدينونة الأخيرة (مرفع اللحم)	صباحا 10:00am
آذار 9 March	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	مساء 5:00pm
آذار 10 March	Sunday of Forgiveness (Cheesefare Sunday) أحد الغفران (مرفع الجبن) الأحد: غروب أحد الغفران Sunday: Forgiveness Vespers	صباحا 10:00am مساء 6:00pm
آذار 11 March	Monday: Great Compline w/ Canon to St. Andrew الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 12 March	Tuesday: Great Compline w/ Canon to St. Andrew الثلاثاء: صلاة النوم الكبرى	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 13 March	Wednesday: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداس السابق تقديسه الأربعاء: صلاة النوم الكبرى Wednesday: Great Compline w/ Canon to St. Andrew	صباحا 10:00am مساء 7:00pm
آذار 14 March	Thursday: Great Compline w/ Canon to St. Andrew الخميس: صلاة النوم الكبرى	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 15 March	Friday: Akathist w/ Potluck Dinner الجمعة: خدمة مديح والدة الإله	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 16 March	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	مساء 5:00pm
آذار 17 March	Divine Liturgy for the 1st Sunday of Lent القداس الإلهي للأحد الأول من الصوم	صباحا 10:00am
آذار 18 March	Monday: Great Compline الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 20 March	Wednesday: Pan-Orthodox Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداس السابق تقديسه Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian Orthodox Church 8410 W 131st St. Palos Park, IL 60464	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 22 March	Friday: Akathist w/ Potluck Dinner الجمعة: خدمة مديح والدة الإله	مساء 7:00pm
آذار 23 March	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	مساء 5:00pm

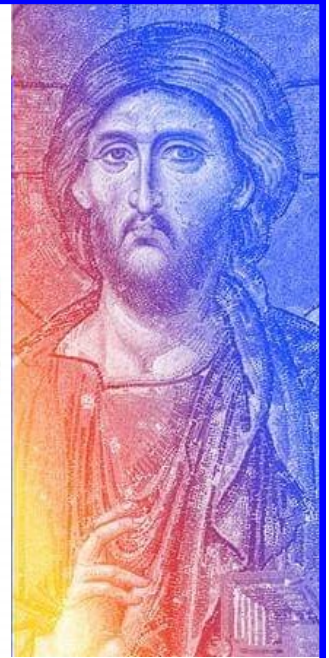
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March 24 آذار	Divine Liturgy for the 2nd Sunday of Lent القداص الإلهي للأحد الثاني من الصوم Great Vespers for the Annunciation w/ Artoklasia صلاة الغروب لعيد البشارة	10:00am صباحا 5:00pm مساء
March 25 آذار	Orthros for the Annunciation صلاة السحر لعيد البشارة Liturgy for the Annunciation خدمة القداص لعيد البشارة Monday: Great Compline الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	9:00am صباحا 10:00am صباحا 7:00pm مساء
March 27 آذار	Wednesday: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداص السابق تقديسه Sts. Peter & Paul Orthodox Church (OCA) 6980 S. County Line Rd. Burr Ridge, IL 60527	7:00pm مساء
March 29 آذار	Friday: Akathist w/ Potluck Dinner الجمعة: خدمة مديح والدة الإله	7:00pm مساء
March 30 آذار	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	5:00pm مساء
March 31 آذار	Divine Liturgy for the 3rd Sunday of Lent القداص الإلهي للأحد الثالث من الصوم	10:00am صباحا
April 1 نيسان	Monday: Great Compline الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	7:00pm مساء
April 3 نيسان	Wednesday: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداص السابق تقديسه St. Luke Orthodox Church (OCA) 10700 S Kean Ave. Palos Hills, IL 60465	7:00pm مساء
April 5 نيسان	Friday: Akathist w/ Potluck Dinner الجمعة: خدمة مديح والدة الإله	7:00pm مساء
April 6 نيسان	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	5:00pm مساء
April 7 نيسان	Divine Liturgy for the 4th Sunday of Lent القداص الإلهي للأحد الرابع من الصوم	10:00am صباحا
April 8 نيسان	Monday: Great Compline الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	7:00pm مساء
April 10 نيسان	Wednesday: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداص السابق تقديسه Hosted by St. Mary Orthodox Church	7:00pm مساء
April 11 نيسان	Thursday: Little Compline w/ Canon of St. Andrew and life of St. Mary of Egypt الخميس: صلاة النوم الصغرى مع قانون القديس اندراوس وسيرة القديسة مريم المصرية	7:00pm مساء

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April 12 نيسان	Friday: Great Akathist w/ Potluck Dinner الجمعة: خدمة المديح الكبير لوالدة الإله	7:00pm مساء
April 13 نيسان	Great Vespers صلاة الغروب	5:00pm مساء
April 14 نيسان	Divine Liturgy for the 5th Sunday of Lent القداس الإلهي للأحد الرابع من الصوم	10:00am صباحا
April 15 نيسان	Monday: Great Compline الإثنين: صلاة النوم الكبرى	7:00pm مساء
April 17 نيسان	Wednesday: Pre-Sanctified Liturgy الأربعاء: القداس السابق تقديسه	7:00pm مساء
April 19 نيسان	Friday: Little Compline w/ Canon to Lazarus الجمعة: قانون سبت اليعازر	7:00pm مساء
April 20 نيسان	Saturday: Lazarus Saturday Orthros السبت: صلاة السحر لسبت اليعازر Lazarus Saturday Liturgy القداس لسبت اليعازر Great Vespers for Palm Sunday w/ Artoklasia صلاة الغروب لعيد الشعانين	9:00am صباحا 10:00am صباحا 5:00pm مساء
April 21 نيسان	Sunday: Palm Sunday Liturgy الأحد: خدمة القداس لعيد الشعانين 1st Bridegroom Service الختن الأولى	10:00am صباحا 7:00pm مساء
April 22 نيسان	Monday: 2nd Bridegroom Service الإثنين: الختن الثانية	7:00pm مساء
April 23 نيسان	Tuesday: 3rd Bridegroom Service الثلاثاء: الختن الثالثة	7:00pm مساء
April 24 نيسان	Wednesday: Holy Unction Service الأربعاء: صلاة الزيت المقدس	7:00pm مساء
April 25 نيسان	Thursday: Vespereal Liturgy of St. Basil الخميس: قداس باسيليوس العظيم Twelve Passion Gospels خدمة أناجيل الآلام الإثني عشر	10:00am صباحا 7:00pm مساء
April 26 نيسان	Friday: Royal Hours الجمعة: خدمة الساعات Taking Down From the Cross خدمة انزال المصلوب Lamentations جناز المسيح (HOLY FRIDAY All-Night VIGIL to follow سهرانية الجمعة العظيمة)	10:00am صباحا 3:00pm مساء 7:00pm مساء
April 27 نيسان	Saturday: Vespereal Liturgy of St. Basil السبت: قداس سبت النور Rush Procession & Matins followed by Paschal Liturgy سحرية العيد، الهجمة و قداس القيامة	10:00am صباحا 10:00pm مساء
April 28 نيسان	Sunday: Agape Vespers الأحد: صلاة الباعوث	1:30pm ظهرا

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The Orthodox churches of the Southwest will come together to celebrate the Presanctified Liturgies of the 2nd, 3rd, 4th, and 5th Wednesdays of Lent at 7:00pm. Each parish will take turns to welcome local Orthodox clergy and laity and provide a Lenten Potluck dinner following the Liturgy. Also, a brief Lenten reflection will be offered by one of our priests. Please mark your calendars with the schedule below.

“Behold, how good and how pleasant it is for brethren to dwell together in unity.” Psalm 133:1

Date (at 7:00pm)	Host Parish	Reflection
Wed, March 20th	Sts. Peter & Paul Ukrainian	Fr. Herman Kincaid
Wed, March 27th	Sts. Peter & Paul OCA	Fr. Mousa Haddad
Wed, April 3rd	St. Luke OCA	Fr. Vasyl Sendeha
Wed, April 10th	St. Mary AOCA	Fr. Paul Jannakos

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March 1st – 3rd**

Hosted by **St. George-Flint, MI**



Weekend Schedule

Date	Time	Event	Notes
Friday, March 1st	7 – 9pm	Registration and Hospitality	at St. George
	9pm	Ask Sayidna	at St. George
Saturday, March 2nd		Breakfast at Hotel	Included with room
	9am	Matins	at St. George
	10am	Antiochian Women, Teen SOYO, Young Adult Ministry meetings	at St. George
	1pm	Lunch	at St. George
	2pm	Teen Community Service Activity	
	5pm	Great Vespers	At St. George Church
	6pm	Dinner and Evening Activity	At St. George Hall
Sunday, March 3rd	8:50am/10am	Matins/Hierarchical Divine Liturgy	
	12pm	Coffee Fellowship	

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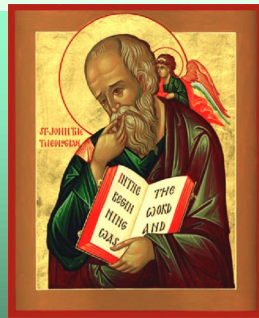
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Morning Prayers
Every Wednesday at
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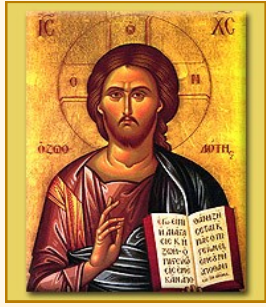
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Weekly Synaxarion



On February 24 in the Holy Orthodox Church we commemorate the First and Second Discoveries of the Honorable Head of the holy Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John. When John was beheaded, Herodias—the wicked wife of Herod—ordered that his head not be buried with his body for she feared that this awesome prophet, somehow, would resurrect. Therefore, she took his head and buried it deep in the ground in a secluded and dishonorable place. Her maidservant, the good and devout Johanna, could not tolerate this. Secretly she unearthed it, translated it to Jerusalem and buried it on the Mount of Olives. After a considerable period of time, the monk Innocent took up abode there, exactly in the place where the head of the Baptist was buried. Wanting to build himself a cell for himself, he dug deep and discovered an earthen vessel and in it a head, which was mysteriously revealed to him to be the head of the Baptizer. He revered it and reburied it in the same spot. Later, according to God's Providence, this miracle-working head of St. John traveled from place to place, sunk into the darkness of forgetfulness and again was rediscovered. Finally, during the reign of the pious Empress Theodora, it was translated to Constantinople. It now rests in the Omayyad Mosque in Damascus, Syria near the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Patriarchate. On this day, we make remembrance of the Parable of the Prodigal Son, which occurs in the noble Gospel and which our deified Fathers reinstated in the Triodion. In the parable our Savior tells, Jesus illustrates three things: the condition of the sinner, the canon of repentance and the knowledge of God's compassion. For in the person of the prodigal son, we view the wretched condition that sin creates for us, distant from God and His Sacraments. However, we become aware of ourselves and awaken, hastening with hope to return to Him through repentance. Our Savior wants to call back to His mansions all those who have been overtaken by despair, lacking hope of forgiveness for their grave sins. The Father encourages all of his lost children to remove the desperation from their hearts, and revive their energies for virtuous deeds. Through Thine ineffable love for mankind, O Christ our God, have mercy upon us. Amen.