

*St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church*

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**Sunday, December 2, 2018**

**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday After Pentecost/14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke**

**Celebrant: Fr. Benjamin Kjendal**

**LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES**

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAYS 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.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE TWO When Thou didst submit Thyself unto death, O Thou deathless and immortal One, then Thou didst destroy hell with Thy Godly power. And when Thou didst raise the dead from beneath the earth, all the powers of Heaven did cry aloud unto Thee: O Christ, Thou giver of life, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL: O ye foremost of the heavenly host, we beseech thee, though we are unworthy. Pray that we may be encompassed with the shadow of thy unearthly glory. Preserving us who kneel and cry endlessly. Deliver us from oppression since Ye are the princes of the highest power.

KONTAKION OF PREPARATION OF CHRIST'S NATIVITY IN TONE THREE On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to \* God the Word ineffably, \* Who was before all the ages. \* Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing \* the gladsome tidings; \* with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him \* Who is willing to be gazed on \* as a young Child Who \* before the ages is God.

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In case of emergency, there are emergency numbers posted next to the  
telephones in the coat room and in the kitchen

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The Mission of St Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church is to love and worship God, to grow closer to Him, and to proclaim and to spread the Good News of the salvation of Jesus Christ to our parishioners, our neighbors and people everywhere.

We worship and pray in English. We experience the beauty and joy of living the Holy Orthodox Christian faith – sharing love and fellowship, teaching and leading by example, growing together through service, education, stewardship and forgiveness.

Welcome! أهلا بك καλως ΗΡΘΑΤΕ!  
добро пожаловать! Bine ati venit!

**A NOTE REGARDING HOLY COMMUNION:** *Since we understand Communion to mean we have all things in common, sharing an identical Faith, only those who are members of the Orthodox Church and who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession may participate in Holy Communion. We invite all present to partake of the blessed bread distributed at the end of the service.*

**UNLESS YOU ARE INJURED OR UNABLE, PLEASE REMAIN STANDING DURING**

**Sunday December 2** 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy / 9:15 Church School

**Saturday December 8** 5:00 PM Vespers

**Sunday December 9** 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy / 9:15 Church School  
Please stay after Liturgy for our Annual Meeting today followed by coffee hour

PLEASE SEE ST MICHAEL HAPPENINGS FOR UPCOMING EVENTS AND CHARITABLE NEEDS  
OVER THE COMING WEEKS. MAY GOD CONTINUE TO BLESS YOU!

\*\*\*\*\* DON'T FORGET NON-PERISHABLE ITEMS FOR FOOD PANTRY \*\*\*\*\*

THANK YOU to Jasmine & Paul Andrews, Jourdan & Charlie Clough and to Anna Lemanis for their  
tireless efforts in purchasing /delivering food donations! We need your support. The need is great!  
Please make your non-perishable or monetary donation

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS. PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR

THANK YOU TO OUR PARISHIONERS FOR MAKING COFFEE HOUR POSSIBLE

This week hosted by: **Tatyana & Zoya – NATIVITY FAST**

Next week: **Parish Council – NATIVITY FAST**

**Please let us know if you are interested in being included on the coffee hour rotation schedule!**

### **Trisagion Prayer**

English	Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have Mercy on us
Arabic	Qudoos El Laah, Qudoos El Qawi, Qudoos El Lathi La Yamoot, Urhamnah
Greek	Agios O Theos, Agios Ischiros, Agios Athanatos, Eyleison Imas
Russian	Svyatij Bozhe, Svyatij Krepkij, Svatij Bessmertnij pomiluj nas

### **THE EPISTLE**

(For the Twenty-Seventh Sunday after Pentecost)

*The Lord is my strength and my song. With chastisement hath the Lord chastened me.*

### **The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (6:10-17)**

Brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore, take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

THE GOSPEL  
(For the Fourteenth Sunday of Luke)

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:35-43)**

At that time, when Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, Jesus asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed Jesus, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

***Our People are our Choir! We love to hear you sing with us! WELCOME!  
We are glad to have you worship with us today!***

Father Ben Kjendal is available to visit with you in your home for pastoral care, counseling and inquiries regarding Orthodoxy by appointment. His cell number is (978) 397-3285.

If you need anyone remembered during services (in Memory of or for Good Health of), please let Fr. Ben know **AT LEAST ONE WEEK IN ADVANCE** so they can be included in all the prayers during Vespers, Matins and Liturgy



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**ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS  
WEEKLY BULLETIN CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE  
ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH**

**NATIVITY FAST THRU DEC 24 2018**

**PLEASE SUPPORT SOYO RELIGIOUS ITEMS BOUTIQUE** As a steward of St Michael, SOYO is running a religious items store for all your needs. **ALL** proceeds from the store will be **DONATED BACK** to St Michael to support a **NEEDY FUND AND OUTREACH PROGRAMS** for the parish and its friends.

**Please stop by and help support your neighbors in need with every purchase!**

**\*\*\* SAVE THE DATE\*\*\* ANNUAL PARISH MEETING SUNDAY DECEMBER 9** directly following Liturgy. Learn about our tremendous progress in 2018 and find out how you can help us grow in 2019! There are many ways to serve. We need your support, your prayer, and your participation! May God continue to bless you!

**SHOP ON AMAZON AND SUPPORT ST. MICHAEL** You start at [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and do your regular logon it. Designate St Michael The Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church as your charity. That is all! As you shop, Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchase to St Michael. Please consider taking this one extra step to your normal shopping routine! Tell your family and friends about it! Together we can raise some funds for our many programs!

**ST MICHAEL RIDE SHARE PROGRAM** Do you need a ride to church for any of our services? Can you offer a ride to someone who needs one? This is a good opportunity to spend quality time in the car with one of our church family members. Please see David Easa if you are interested.

**CHRISTMAS MEALS!!!** It's time to start preparing for our Christmas meal delivery. We are in need of monetary donations to purchase 40 hams and 40 \$25 grocery store gift cards. **Over \$1,000 is needed** to make this project possible. Please be as generous as you are able! Food-insecurity is a real issue for more families than we realize, and we have an amazing opportunity to help 40 families have a nutritious and full meal on Christmas! In addition, **we are in need of 120 dozen cookies** to include with our meal delivery. If you are able to bake a few dozen cookies, please sign up with Kh. Alyssa.

- We will be packing cookies on Sunday 12/16 during Coffee Hour.
- We will be delivering the meals on Wednesday 12/19 @ 1:00.

**CHRISTMAS WISHES** : Over the next few weeks, as we have in the past, we will be collecting to provide some happiness to a needy family at Christmas. We have selected a family described below through The Christmas Wishes Program of Cape Cod Broadcasting. A collection will be taken in church on December 2, 9 and 16 or you may mail your check to St. Michael the Archangel Church 62 Main Street Cotuit MA 02635 and indicate Christmas Wishes on the memo line. We ask you, yes again, to open your Christian hearts and share the abundance with which God has blessed you. **Our goal is to raise \$350.**

**St. Michael will Sponsor this Family!**

Mom is a single parent who has had to raise her two children by herself for many years. Mom moved into her mother's house with the children for support but last year her mother passed away due to failing health. The family is currently looking for a new place to live as they cannot afford to stay in the grandmother's house. Finances are tight and she is worried that future landlords will not allow them to rent because of the mental health issues with one of the daughters. Please bring a little cheer to this family this holiday season.

**Thank you for your loving generosity**