St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church 62 Main Street, Cotuit, MA 02635 (508)420-1113• www.stmichaelcapecod.org Sunday, December 6, 2020 Nicholas the wonderworker, archbishop of Myra in Lycia & Tenth Sunday of Luke

Celebrant: Fr. Benjamin Kjendal

LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): 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.

<u>RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE ONE</u>: While the stone was sealed by the Jews, and the soldiers were guarding Thy most pure body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world. For which cause the heavenly powers cried aloud unto Thee, O giver of life. Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ, glory to Thy kingdom, glory to Thy providence, O Thou Who alone art the lover of mankind.

<u>APOLYTIKION OF ST. NICHOLAS IN TONE FOUR</u>: Thy works of justice did reveal thee to thy community as a canon of faith, the likeness of humility and the teacher of abstinence, O thou Father and great Bishop Nicholas. Wherefore, by humility thou didst achieve exaltation, and by thy meekness wealth. Intercede, therefore, intercede with Christ that He will save our souls.

<u>APOLYTIKION OF ST. MICHAEL THE ARCHANGEL</u>: 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.

TRISAGION PRAYER

English Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have Mercy on us Arabic Qudoos El Laah, Quodoos 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

<u>The Mission of St Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church</u> 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.

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 COMMUNION

Sunday, December 6	9:00 AM Orthros
	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
	Special dismissal for children for the Feast of St Nicholas
Saturday, December 12	5:00 PM Vespers
Sunday, December 13	9:00 AM Orthros
	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Annual Parish Meeting	

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

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 for their tireless efforts in purchasing /delivering food donations!

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, Orthros (Matins) and Liturgy

THE EPISTLE

(For St. Nicholas)

Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. What shall I render to the Lord for all that He has given me?

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (13:17-21)

Brethren, obey your leaders and submit to them; for they are keeping watch over your souls, as men who will have to give account. Let them do this joyfully, and not sadly, for that would be of no advantage to you. Pray for us, for we are sure that we have a clear conscience, desiring to act honorably in all things. I urge you the more earnestly to do this in order that I may be restored to you the sooner. Now may the God of peace Who brought again from the dead our Lord Jesus, the great shepherd of the sheep, by the blood of the eternal covenant, equip you with everything good that you may do His will, working in you that which is pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ; to Whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Tenth Sunday of Luke)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (13:10-17)

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, He called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And He laid His hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrite! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his ass from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham, whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" As Jesus said this, all His adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by Him.



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2020 Annual Parish Meeting

The 2020 Annual Parish Meeting on **Sunday December 13, 2020** immediately following the Divine Liturgy at 11:45. Your participation at the meeting is very important.

Please note that the meeting will be held in 3 ways to accommodate everyone:

- in-person for those who attend Liturgy
- on ZOOM at the following link: Join Zoom Meeting <u>https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89254978744?pwd=b21zY0V0aEIFNDJURIRqWGJIb1ArZz09</u> Meeting ID: 892 5497 8744 Passcode: 428233
- by Phone via a ZOOM phone number below:
 Dial 1 929 205 6099, and use the above Meeting ID and Passcode.

As with all ZOOM meetings, you will be admitted to the meeting by the host. Please begin the log-in process at 11:40. Should you have any difficulties, please contact Joe Rahal at 402 960 0348 or Fr Ben at 978 397 3285

<u>Christmas Meals</u>: Not surprisingly, families are struggling now more than ever! We will, once again, be donating Christmas meals to Faith Family Kitchen to be distributed to families in need. Please send your monetary contribution to Kh. Alyssa (PO Box 46, Sagamore, MA 02561), with your check made out to "St. Michael" and "Christmas Meals" in the memo. Thank you for sharing the light of Christ with those who are struggling this Christmas!

<u>Christmas Wishes program</u>: SOYO is adopting a family for the Christmas Wishes program. We chose a family with a single mom, an 8 year old girl, and a 10 year old boy. They have been struggling financially and with family issues, which have been heightened by the pandemic. SOYO plans to go shopping for them after church on December 6, and we are asking for donations to make that possible. Thank you!

<u>ST. MICHAEL MAIL BUDDIES</u>: Do you like writing letters? Do you enjoy receiving letters? Are you interested in getting to know a member of our Saint Michael family who was born a few decades apart from you? If you answered "yes" to any of these questions, send your name and (snail) mailing address to Kh. Alyssa (<u>alyssakjendal@yahoo.com</u>), and she will send you the name and (snail) mailing address of your St. Michael Mail Buddy. What an amazing opportunity to get to know and build a relationship with another member of our parish!