

St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Sunday, January 24, 2021

**Thirty-first Sunday after Pentecost &
Blessed Xenia of St. Petersburg, fool-for-Christ**

Celebrant: Fr. Ben 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.

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE EIGHT: From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

APOLYTIKION OF ST. XENIA OF ST. PETERSBURG IN TONE EIGHT: In thee, O wandering stranger, Christ the Lord hath given us an ardent intercessor for our kind. For having received in thy life sufferings and grief and served God and men with love, thou didst acquire great boldness. Wherefore, we fervently hasten to thee in temptations and grief, crying out from the depths of our hearts: Put not our hope to shame, O Blessed Xenia.

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 THE PRESENTATION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE: Thou, O Christ God, Who by Thy Birth, didst sanctify the Virgin's womb, and, as is meet, didst bless Simeon's arms, and didst also come to save us; preserve Thy fold in wars, and confirm them whom Thou didst love, for Thou alone art the Lover of mankind.

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 Ischiro, Agios Athanatos, Eyleison Imas

Russian Svyatij Bozhe, Svyatij Krepkij, Svatij Bessmertnij pomiluj nas

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.

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

On behalf of the Parish Council, we wish our entire parish a Blessed Christmas and a healthy 2021. We thank everyone for their commitment and all they do for St Michael. As we enter the Holidays, please take a few minutes and reach out to others in the parish to say hello or to just check in on how they are doing. It is important that we stay connected to each other as a community through this unique time.

St. Michael's Parish Council

<u>Sunday, January 24</u>	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
<u>Saturday, January 30</u>	5:00 PM Vespers
<u>Sunday, January 31</u>	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

*****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 the Thirty-first Sunday after Pentecost)

O Lord, save Thy people, and bless Thine inheritance.

Unto Thee have I cried, O Lord, my God.

The Reading from the First Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (1:15-17)

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display His perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in Him for eternal life. To the King of Ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Fourteenth Sunday of Luke)

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

At that time, as 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 Him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.



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ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

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SOYO: We are pleased to introduce the newly-elected SOYO Officers:

Erika Kjendal President, 2nd term

Jacob Butts Treasurer, 1st term

Mary Kjendal Secretary, 1st term

May God grant them many years and guide them in their leadership roles as they continue to be the Light of Christ's love on Cape Cod and beyond!

Note from the office of Church Treasurer: Annual Contribution Statements were mailed on Monday, January 11, 2021. When you receive your statement please review it carefully and if you have any questions do not hesitate to reach out to Michelle Mullaney, our Church Treasurer, at (508) 245-2536.

Also, please contact Michelle if you do not receive your statement by January 25th.

Thank you for your stewardship and support of our church throughout 2020 it was truly an unprecedented year and your love and support helped minimize the impact to our church and its parishioners.

Stewardship Envelope Update: Last year, we started a stewardship envelope system with boxed envelopes. These envelopes are a convenient way to donate weekly, whether we are attending in person or attending via YouTube. The envelopes also help to simplify the Treasurer's job to properly record where you wish your gift to be used.

For 2021, the envelopes have been simplified by removing dates and identifying numbers. This allows leftover envelopes to be used in subsequent years. Please be sure to write your name on the envelopes to help us properly record your donation.

Envelopes are available at the church, if you attend in person. If you are not attending in person and would like to receive envelopes, please call the church and leave a message, or email the stewardship committee at stewardship@stmichaelcapecod.org. We will try to arrange for envelopes to be dropped off to you, or arrange a time for you to pick them up at the church (perhaps after Liturgy).

Thank you for your on-going stewardship, in this uncertain time. We pray that we will soon be able to see and worship with you in person.

Yours in Christ,

Subdeacon Joseph

Save the date! On Sunday, January 31 (after coffee hour) we will be heading to Main Street in Hyannis to hang handmade scarves for homeless. This year, in addition to the scarves, we will also be placing "care bags" around town that will be filled with items such as tooth paste, socks, etc. Please join us for this heart-warming outreach endeavor!

