St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

62 Main Street, Cotuit, MA 02635



Sunday, February 21, 2021 **Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican**

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 FOUR: Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

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 FOR THE PHARISEE AND PUBLICAN IN TONE FOUR: Let us flee the Pharisee's * conceited vaunting; * let us learn the Publican's * humility, and cry with groans * unto the Savior: Thou Who alone * art swiftly reconciled, be gracious unto us.

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

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

Saturday, February 20 5:00 PM Vespers Sunday, February 21 9:00 AM Orthros

10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

Saturday, February 27 5:00 PM Vespers **Sunday, February 28** 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 Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican)

Make your vows and pay them to the Lord our God.

God is known in Judea; His Name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to St. Timothy. (3:10-15)

My son Timothy, you have followed my teaching, conduct, purpose, faith, longsuffering, love, patience, persecutions, sufferings, what things befell me at Antioch, at Iconium, and at Lystra. What persecutions I endured! And out of them all the Lord delivered me. Indeed all who would live a godly life in Christ Jesus will be persecuted. But people who are wicked and deceivers will proceed from worse to worse, deceiving and being deceived. But as for you, continue in the things which you have learned and have been assured of, knowing from whom you have learned them, and how from infancy you have known the sacred temple writings which are able to make you wise for salvation through faith in Christ Jesus.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of the Pharisee and Publican)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (18:10-14)

The Lord spoke this parable: "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank Thee that I am not like other men, extortionists, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week; I give tithes of all that I get.' But the tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."



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ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

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Tying Scarfs Scarves on Main Street, Hyannis was a success. Thanks to everyone who came out to hang scarves and leave care packages for those who need.

FOOD for FAMILIES at CATAUMET! This February we will be providing food (breakfast/lunch/snack) items for the struggling families in the transitional housing shelter at the Village at Catumet. If you would like to donate funds toward the purchase of this food, please send checks (payable to St. Michael with "Food for Cataumet" in the memo) to Kh. Alyssa (PO Box 46, Sagamore, MA 02561). Thank you for your generosity.



2021 Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 27: All are invited to attend the annual Diocese Lenten Retreat sponsored by the Diocese of Worcester & New England Antiochian Women. We are very excited to welcome Gregory Abdalah, D.Min, Pastoral Assistant at St. George Orthodox Church in Phoenix, AZ, as the Keynote Speaker for 2021! The topic for the retreat is "Don't Stop Believin': A Journey to the Kingdom of Heaven."

The schedule is as follows:

- 1:00 pm Session 1
- Break
- 2:00 pm Session 2 and Q&A
- Concludes with Great Vespers

EVERYONE is required to pre-register -- online AND in-person attendees. In-person attendance, if allowable at the time of the retreat (per Archdiocesan and State directives) will be "first come first served" based on the date of your registration. You will be notified the week of the retreat regarding (1) if you have made the in-person cut-off number and (2) the up-to-date protocols required for attendance. Everyone will receive an email with instructions as to how to view online.

ATTENDANCE FEE WAIVED for this year

Please register in advance no later than March 20, 2021.

Register at https://downe2021.eventbrite.com