St. Michael the Archangel Antiochian Orthodox Church

62 Main Street, Cotuit, MA 02635



Sunday, July 25, 2021

Dormition of Righteous Anna, mother of the Theotokos

Celebrant: Fr. Ben Kjendal

LITTLE ENTRANCE WEEKLY VARIABLES

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN): In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord, from the springs of Israel. 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 FOR THE DORMITION OF ST. ANNA IN TONE FOUR: O Godly-minded Anna, thou didst give birth unto God's pure Mother who conceived Him Who is our Life. Wherefore, thou hast now passed with joy to thy heavenly rest, wherein is the abode of them that rejoice in glory; and thou askest forgiveness of sins for them that honor thee with love, O ever-blessed one.

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 DORMITION OF ST. ANNA IN TONE TWO: We celebrate now the mem'ry of Christ's ancestors, while asking their help with faith, that we may all be saved from all manner of tribulation as we fervently cry aloud: Be Thou with us, O Lord our God, Whose pleasure it was to glorify them both.

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, July 24 7:00 PM Vespers Sunday, July 25 8:30 AM Orthros

9:30 AM Divine Liturgy

Saturday, July 31 7:00 PM Vespers

*** Dormition Fast Begins ***

Sunday, August 1 8:30 AM Orthros

9:30 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!

PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR

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 Dormition of St. Anna)

God is wondrous in His saints. In the churches, bless ye God.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Galatians. (4:22-27)

Brethren, Abraham had two sons, one by the handmaid, and one by the freewoman. But the one from the handmaid is born according to the flesh; whereas the one from the freewoman is through the promise. These things are an allegory, for these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for bondage, which is Hagar. For Sinai, which corresponds to Hagar, is a mountain in Arabia, and resembles the present Jerusalem, for she is in bondage with her children. But the Jerusalem that is above is free, and she is the mother of us all. For it is written, "Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and cry out, you who are not in travail: For many are the children of the desolate, much more than of her who has a husband."

THE GOSPEL

(For the Fifth Sunday of Matthew)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (8:28-9:1)

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met Him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one could pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have we to do to Thee, O Son of God? Art Thou come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged Him, "If Thou castest us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And He said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw Him, they begged Him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat He crossed over and came to His own city.



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ST. MICHAEL HAPPENINGS

WEEKLY BULLETIN CAN BE VIEWED ON OUR WEBSITE ALL FOR THE GLORY OF GOD AND HIS CHURCH

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL IS BACK!!!

All children ages nine and younger are welcome to join us for Vacation Church School July 28-30 from 9:30 to 11:30 at St. Michael. The cost is \$30 for one child and \$10 for each additional sibling. Parents with children under five years old are asked to stay with their children, and all parents are invited and encouraged to participate in the program. Please register with Kh. Alyssa by Friday 7/23. Take a look at the pictures in the fellowship hall from previous years of VCS to get an idea of how much fun is packed into these three days of exciting faith-filled programming!



WOMEN'S GROUP MEETING, JULY 18

Women's Group will meet 3rd Sunday of the month. It's time for us to get back to work after such a long hiatus. All women of the parish are members of the Women's group. Please join us in the conference room directly after Liturgy. Coffee and refreshments will be provided for you in the conference room. Please do not go downstairs first.

We have some exciting projects to discuss. See you there!

THE COOKBOOKS ARE AVAILABLE AGAIN AT THE VERY LOW PRICE OF ONLY \$30

These are high quality paper, full color, and large print. They are very easy to use and showcase our traditions and our stories. Please let Soraya know if you would like to have one (sbandeli@comcast.net or 617-842-8591)

Thank you to everyone who has supported this effort in any way!

Village at Cataumet: St. Michael is donating a lawn dart game and three basketballs to the Village at Cataumet, a transitional housing shelter for families. Any donations to cover the cost of these items would be greatly appreciated. Thank you!



A Baby Center: Throughout the month of July, we will be collecting NEW or VERY GENTLY USED children's books (appropriate for newborns through age 4) to donate to A Baby Center in Hyannis. Look for the collection box in the side entrance vestibule (by the elevator). Thank you!!!