



SAINT ANDREW THE APOSTLE ORTHODOX CHURCH

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of North America

Christ is The Word LOGOS

*The mission of Saint Andrew the Apostle Orthodox Church
is to glorify our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ through our words and actions according to the Holy Traditions and Sacred Teachings of our
Holy Orthodox Christian Faith*

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!

June 2023

Wisdom

For the LORD gives wisdom; from his mouth come knowledge and understanding; he stores up sound wisdom for the upright; he is a shield to those who walk in integrity, guarding the paths of justice and watching over the way of his saints.

Proverbs 2:6-8

ADULT STUDIES BEGINNING

Inquirers and Refresher Course: The Feasts of the Orthodox Church Year. Tuesdays at 6 pm, beginning June 6.

Bible Study: Overview of the New Testament. Thursdays at 6 pm, beginning June 8.

See the flyer on page 4 for more information.

APPRENTICE WANTED

Do you have experience in accounting or bookkeeping? Looking ahead, we'd like to begin training a new treasurer for St. Andrew's. Please see Priscilla Szlachcianchyn for more information.

HOW TO DRESS FOR CHURCH

- ✦ Wear clean clothes.
- ✦ Wear modest clothing.
- ✦ Save beach wear and muscle shirts for the beach.
- ✦ Avoid clothing with slogans or advertisements.
- ✦ Long pants for men, skirts or slacks for women. (Shorts for small children only.)
- ✦ "Sunday Best" still has meaning for us.
- ✦ Be strict with yourself, be lenient with others.



THE CREED

Beginning Sunday, June 11, Fr. Herman will be presenting lessons on the Nicene Creed in place of the homily in the Divine Liturgy. Be sure to attend weekly to gain the full benefit of these foundational teachings.

I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, Maker of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible;

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Son of God, the Only-begotten, Begotten of the Father before all worlds, Light of Light, Very God of Very God, Begotten, not made; of one essence with the Father, by whom all things were made:

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven, and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary, and became man;

And was crucified also for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried;

And the third day He rose again, according to the Scriptures;

And ascended into heaven, and sitteth at the right hand of the Father;

And He shall come again with glory to judge the living and the dead. Whose kingdom shall have no end.

And I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, and Giver of Life, Who proceedeth from the Father, Who with the Father and the Son together is worshipped and glorified. Who spake by the Prophets;

And I believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

I acknowledge one Baptism for the remission of sins.

I look for the Resurrection of the dead,

And the Life of the world to come. Amen.

Every way of a man is right in his own eyes, but the LORD weighs the heart. To do righteousness and justice is more acceptable to the LORD than sacrifice.

Proverbs 21:1-2



Understanding Irrelevance

by Fr. Marc Boulos

When we set out to start a business, a project, a book, or an endeavor of any kind, most of us begin by asking ourselves, who is my audience, and how can I make my work relevant to them? Outside the arena of biblical preaching, these are normal, practical – even necessary – questions. However, for a priest, this line of thinking is inevitably toxic – good for the material well-being of the church but incompatible with the preaching of the biblical story, entrusted part and parcel with the consecrated Lamb placed in your human hands on the day of your ordination.

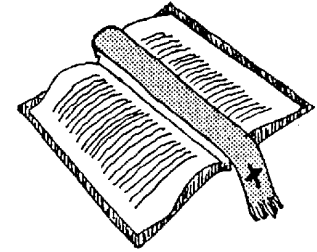
I can't tell you how often people have reacted to the gospel's content by saying, "That's all fine and good, Father, and I agree, but no one today is interested."

This statement reveals two truths: one, that the person who made it is not studying Scripture, and two, that Scripture itself is again fulfilled because, according to Scripture, no generation is, was, or will ever be interested in Scripture. (I explained last week that no one, let alone the preacher, can agree with or is on the side of Scripture, so I'll leave that point aside.)

Irrelevance is the cornerstone of the biblical genre. I dare say that the mercy of the Scriptural God is that he would pause from his laughter to explain to the human race why he is laughing.

His reason unfolds as the content of Scripture:

"A generation goes, and a generation comes...
That which has been is that which will be,
And that which has been done is that which will be done.
So there is nothing new under the sun."
(Ecclesiastes 1:4,9)



The genealogy in Luke, akin to Ecclesiastes and indeed all biblical anti-history, is shared with humanity to help us comprehend our irrelevance. Only when we understand what is irrelevant can we devote ourselves to the one genuinely relevant thing.

Fr. Marc Boulos is pastor of St. Elizabeth Church in St. Paul, MN. This reflection is from their 5/30/23 bulletin.



Charitable Works



Lunchbox Tuesday

Thanks to all who joined us to make 163 sandwiches on Tuesday, May 30! **Please join us next time**, on Tuesday, June 27, at 4 pm when we do it again. Please see Lisa Wolak for details and to inquire about donations needed.

Essential items for the homeless

We are continuing our collection of essential items for the homeless, to be distributed through the Shepherd's Office in Georgetown. **Any** new or gently-used clothing or shoes are welcome. **Always needed and welcome are personal hygiene items, new socks and undergarments, and gently used tents, tarps, and camping goods.**

Ongoing collection of non-perishable foods

We continue to collect non-perishable food items and paper goods for the food pantry at the Christian Storehouse in Millsboro. Please do not donate anything beyond its expiration date.

June 2023

Every Saturday: 5:15 pm Confession 5:30 pm Choir Rehearsal
6 pm Vespers

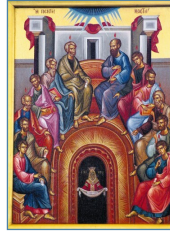
TROPARION OF ST. ANDREW - Tone 4 – As the first-called Apostle and brother of their leader, O Andrew, intercede with the Master of all to grant peace to the world, and to our souls great mercy.

June 4 Holy Pentecost

Righteous Martha and Mary, the sisters of Lazarus (1st cent.)
Venerable Sophia of Ainos (Greece, unk. date)

Epistle: Acts 2:1-11

Liturgy Gospel: John 7:37-52; 8:12



PENTECOST TROPARION - Tone 8 - Most blessed art thou, O Christ our God, who when thou hadst made the fishermen most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, by them didst draw the world into thy net! O Lord of mercy, glory to thee!

June 11 1st Sunday after Pentecost (All Saints)

Apostle Bartholomew of the Twelve (1st cent.)
Saint Luke of Crimea, the Blessed Surgeon (1961)

Tone 8
Eothion 1 (St. Matthew 28:16-20)

Epistle: Hebrews 11:33-12:2
Liturgy Gospel: Matthew 10:32-33,
37-38; 19:27-30

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 8 - 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!

June 18 2nd Sunday after Pentecost (Saints of North America)

Martyrs Leontius, Hypatius, and Theodulus at Tripoli in Syria (1st cent.)
Venerable Canonarch Leontius of the Kiev Far Caves (14th cent.)

Tone 1
Eothion 2 (St. Mark 16:1-8)

Epistle: Romans 2:10-16
Liturgy Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 1 - 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 Saviour, 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!

June 25 3rd Sunday after Pentecost

Venerable Ananias the Iconographer (16th cent.)
Virgin Martyr Febronia of Nisibis (3rd cent.)

Tone 2
Eothion 3 (St. Mark 16:9-20)

Epistle: Romans 5:1-10
Liturgy Gospel: Matthew 6:22-33

RESURRECTION TROPARION - Tone 2 - 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 Thou who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee!

Regular Schedule

Saturday 5:15 pm Confession
6 pm Vespers
Sunday 9 am Orthros
10 am Divine Liturgy

Be sure to **visit our website** at
www.orthodoxdelmar.org/calendar for special services and the most up-to-date schedule.

Finally, my brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the power 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 do not wrestle against flesh and blood, but against principalities, against powers, against the rulers of the darkness of this age, against spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places.

Therefore take up 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 waist with truth, having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the preparation of the gospel of peace; above all, taking the shield of faith with which you will be able to quench all the fiery darts of the wicked one.

And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God;

praying always with all prayer and supplication in the Spirit, being watchful to this end with all perseverance and supplication for all the saints.

Ephesians 6:11-18

Make note of our regular service times:

Saturday Confessions 5:15 pm Sunday Orthros/Matins 9:00 am
Saturday Vespers 6:00 pm Sunday Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Please contact Father Herman for information about becoming a member of St. Andrew Orthodox Church

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Studies for Adults and Teens



Introduction to Eastern Orthodoxy The Feasts of the Church

Beginning June 6
Tuesdays at 6 pm

For those interested in exploring the Orthodox Faith, or refreshing or deepening their understanding.

- You will learn which Gospel provides the text for each of the Great Feasts and why.
- You will reflect on the poetry and imagery of some of the festal texts which are read, chanted, and/or sung.
- You will become acquainted with the meaning and importance of each of the feasts.



Introduction to the New Testament

Beginning June 8
Thursdays at 6 pm

An overview of the New Testament writings, which are foundational to our Christian Faith.

- You will learn about similarities and differences between the four Gospels.
- You will learn about the Gospel through the letters of the Apostle Paul and the other New Testament writers.
- You will be exposed to the meaning and function of the Book of Revelation.

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