

The mission of St. Andrew's is to glorify our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ through our words and actions, according to the Holy Traditions and Sacred Teachings of our Holy Orthodox Christian Faith.



Share the Good News!

December 2017

CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST! Welcome to Saint Andrew's!

"As for me and my house, we will serve the Lord." ~ Joshua 24: 15b

Sunday schedule: Divine Liturgy starts at 10 am

Wisdom of the Fathers

A man in this world must solve a problem: to be with Christ, or to be against Him. And every man decides this, whether he wants to or not. He will either be a lover of Christ or a fighter of Christ. There is no third option.
St. Justin Popovich, Explanation of I John 4.3

Stewardship of St. Andrew's

Stewardship Year 2018 is upon us, and we gratefully welcome your generous and faithful support of our St. Andrew Orthodox Church and its ministry.

We ask, "What is a steward of St Andrew?" In the Christian sense, a steward is a manager of the affairs of God on earth. God has made each of us a steward and has given us abilities and talents that are unique. We should use these abilities and talents to serve God. Everything we have is given to us by God - time, health, environment, relationships, talents, property and the gospel. A Christian steward serves God out of love and gratitude for these gifts, knowing that it is not how much we have but what we do with what we have that is important.

Like good stewards of the manifold grace of God, serve one another with whatever gift each of you has received. ~ I Peter 4:10

Stewardship Commitment Information and Forms for 2018 are in the pews. God bless you for your continued support.

Stewardship Committee

Fall Festival Update

Our 2017 Fall Festival was a huge success again this year! We want to thank everyone who donated baskets and auction items, baked goods, food, and their valuable time! We could not have done it without you.

God Bless You!

Congratulations!

Our very own Michael Podrasky was selected a member of the Sussex Academy Chapter of the National Honor Society at Sussex Academy High School on November 2. Membership is based on Scholarship, Service, Leadership, and Character.

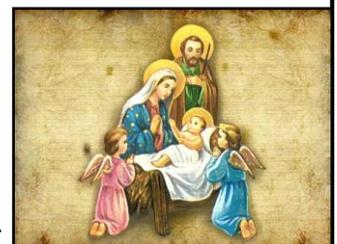


Angel Tree

St. Andrew's will sponsor an Angel Tree again this year to benefit residents of a nursing home who have no family to provide them with a gift for Christmas. This project was such an overwhelming success last year that we have requested even more names this year! Please reach into your heart and share your love this year with someone who would otherwise be overlooked. Names with ideas for each will be available on December 3, and gifts are due in church by December 17. Choose one item, or as many as you would like to give. Thank you for your generosity!

Sunday School Pageant

The Sixth Annual Sunday School Christmas Pageant will be held following Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, December 17.**



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St. Andrew's – Schedule for December 2017 through January 1, 2018

Saturday, December 2 – 6 pm Vespers

Sunday, December 3 – 10 am Divine Liturgy

26th Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 1

Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-19

Eothinon 4

Liturgy Gospel: Luke 18:35-43

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION – 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!

Saturday, December 9 – 6 pm Vespers

Sunday, December 10 – 10 am Divine Liturgy

27th Sunday after Pentecost

Tone 2

Epistle: Ephesians 6:10-17

Eothinon 5

Liturgy Gospel: Luke 13:10-17

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION – 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!

NOTE: A memorial for Maria Kolyvas' mother and Bill Kolyvas' brother will follow Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 16 – 6 pm Vespers

Sunday, December 17 – 10 am Divine Liturgy

Sunday of the Forefathers of Christ

Tone 3

Epistle: Colossians 3:4-11

Eothinon 6

Liturgy Gospel: Luke 14:16-24

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION – Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad; for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death and become the First-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depth of hades, granting the world the Great Mercy!

NOTE: The Sunday School Pageant will follow Divine Liturgy

Saturday, December 23 – 6 pm Vespers

Sunday, December 24 – 10 am & 8 pm Divine Liturgy *NOTE TIME*

Nativity of Christ

Tone 4

Epistle: Hebrews 11:9-10, 32-40

Eothinon 7

Liturgy Gospel: Matthew 1:1-25

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION – 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!

Saturday, December 30 – 6 pm Vespers

Sunday, December 31 – 10 am Divine Liturgy

Sunday before Theophany

Tone 5

Epistle: II Timothy 4:5-8

Eothinon 8

Liturgy Gospel: Mark 1:1-8

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION – Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation; for He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh, to suffer death, and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Monday, January 1 – 10 am Divine Liturgy

Circumcision of Christ & Feast of St. Basil

NOTE: A potluck luncheon will follow Divine Liturgy

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION

All of us have the opportunity to be Stewards in Action this Nativity season. Help someone in need by choosing a name from the Angel Tree.

STEWARDSHIP

To Tithe is to Love your Church!

Date/Attendance/Offerings

11/05	120	\$2,232
11/12	76	\$2,312
11/19	78	\$ 912
11/26	97	\$1,428

God bless you and thank you for your generosity.

NATIVITY FAST

November 15 to December 24

Fasting guidelines are available on the foyer table.

Start planning!



Antiochian Village
Summer Camp
sign up begins in
December!

www.orthodoxdelmar.org

Have you visited our website lately?

Calendar - Photos - Expansion - In The News - Resources - and more!

We are working to update the website regularly. Please let Kh. Vera know if there is anything you would like to see included.

Lighting of Candles

It is a pious Orthodox tradition to light candles for personal petitions and intercessions when entering the Holy Church in the Narthex. The lighted candle symbolizes our prayers rising to heaven and the light of Christ in our midst.

SOURCE: *A Guide to Parish Etiquette*

The disciples were called Christians first in Antioch (Acts 11:26)