THE MANTLE

Saint Michael's Orthodox Church

7313 N. Waukegan Road Niles, Illinois 60714-4321 August 19, 2018

12th Sunday after Pentecost ~ Afterfeast of the Dormition

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Schedule of Events

Today:

- **9:00 A.M.** Confessions heard by appointment!
- 10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy begins!

Combined Panachida for God's Departed Servants:

Martha & Michael Pavlik Ann Kochevar

offered by Nicholas Pavlik, Helen Janowiak & her family

 The Coffee Social is sponsored today by the Zabrodsky Family. All of our faithful and guests are invited and encouraged to attend and join in fellowship!

Today's Rubrics

Hardbound Divine Liturgy Book:

(Page 87) Resurrection Tropar - Tone 3
(Page 169) Dormition Tropar - Tone 1
(Page 169) Dormition Kondak - Tone 2
(Page 89) Prokimen - Tone 3
(Page 89) Alleluia Verses
Instead of "You are Truly Deserving" on page 47:
(Pages 170-171) Glorification and Irmos

Sunday, August 26:

- 9:00 A.M. Confessions heard by appointment!
- 10:00 A.M. Divine Liturgy begins!
- A Combined Panachida is scheduled to be served.
- A sponsor is needed for the **Coffee Social** to be held.

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CHURCH SCHOOL KICKOFF TAILGATE PICNIC Sunday, Sept. 9th



\$15 Donation includes all you can eat & drink
Serving time is 12-1:30pm

No charge for our Church School Students & Teachers BOUNCE HOUSE

GAMES & ACTIVITIES START AT 1:30 PM RAFFLE AT 3 PM

Thank you to our Church Board for donating the food and drink! Bounce House donations would be appreciated.

Today's Epistle Reading

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 15:1-11. Brethren, I would remind you in what terms I preached to you the gospel, which you received, in which you stand, by which you are saved, if you hold it fast -- unless you believed in vain. For I delivered to you as of first importance what I also received, that Christ died for our sins in accordance with the scriptures, that he was buried, that he was raised on the third day in accordance with the scriptures, and that he appeared to Cephas, then to the twelve. Then he appeared to more than five hundred brethren at one time, most of whom are still alive, though some have fallen asleep. Then he appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, as to one untimely born, he appeared also to me. For I am the least of the apostles, unfit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God. But by the grace of God I am what I am, and his grace toward me was not in vain. On the contrary, I worked harder than any of them, though it was not I, but the grace of God which is with me. Whether then it was I or they, so we preach and so you believed.

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Today's Gospel Reading

Saint Matthew 19:16-26. At that time, a young man came up to Jesus, kneeling and saying, "Good Teacher, what good deed must I do, to have eternal life?" And he said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. If you would enter life, keep the commandments." He said to him, "Which?" And Jesus said, "You shall not kill, You shall not commit adultery, You shall not steal, You shall not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother, and You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The young man said to him, "All these I have observed; what do I still lack?" Jesus said to him, "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." When the young man heard this, he went away sorrowful; for he had great possessions. And Jesus said to his disciples, "Truly, I say to you, it will be hard for a rich man to enter the kingdom of heaven. Again I tell you, it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." When the disciples heard this they were greatly astonished, saying, "Who then can be saved?" But Jesus looked at them and said to them, "With men this is impossible, but with God all things are possible."

Saints and Feasts

Andrew the General & Martyr & his 2,593 soldiers: During the reign of Maximian, about the year 289, Antiochus the Commander-in-Chief of the Roman forces sent Andrew with many other soldiers against the Persians, who had overrun the borders of the Roman dominion. Saint Andrew persuaded his men to call upon the Name of Christ, and when they had defeated the Persians with unexpected triumph, his soldiers believed in Christ with him. Antiochus, learning of this, had them brought before him. When they confessed Christ to be God, he had Andrew spread out upon a bed of iron heated fiery hot, and had the hands of his fellow soldiers nailed to blocks of wood. Antiochus then commanded some thousand soldiers to chase the Saints beyond the borders of the empire. Through the instructions of Saint Andrew, these soldiers also believed in Christ. At the command of Antiochus, they were all beheaded in the mountain passes of the Taurus mountains of Cilicia.

Holy Martyrs Timothy, Agapius and Thecla Theophanes the New Wonderworker of Macedonia Eutychianos and Strategios the Martyrs

Wisdom of the Fathers

'But I say to you,' the Lord says, 'love your enemies; do good to those who hate you, pray for those who persecute you.' Why did he command these things? So that he might free you from hatred, sadness, anger and grudges, and might grant you the greatest possession of all, perfect love, which is impossible to possess except by the one who loves all equally in imitation of God.

St. Maximos the Confessor

Passing on the Good News

Have you ever watched a relay race? Maybe you have seen runners in the Olympics. In a relay race, one runner runs, and then he passes a baton to another runner. Then that runner keeps running. After that, he passes it to somebody else.

In today's epistle reading, we hear about a kind of relay race in the Church! The Apostle Paul writes to the new Christians, "Now I would remind you, brothers and sisters, of the good news that I proclaimed to you, which you in turn received." Saint Paul told them about the good news of Jesus Christ, but he had heard the good news from somebody else. It was like he got the baton and ran with it!

And what was that good news? Saint Paul says, that good news was "that Christ died for our sins, and that He was buried, and that He was raised on the third day, and that He appeared to Peter and then to the twelve. Then He appeared to more than 500...then He appeared to James, then to all the apostles. Last of all, He appeared to me." All these people heard the good news of Jesus Christ. Then they passed it on to somebody else!

We all have heard about our Lord, Jesus Christ, too. Did you know that God wants us to pass the baton on to other people, to people who might not know about Him? You can pass that good news on when you show people you are a good Christian, that you love Jesus Christ, and you love others!

By Presvytera Alexandra Houck in The Children's Word

MAINTENANCE

Your support is needed! Donation is \$250 per square. Sign-up is on the Bulletin Board. Once again, if all sixty squares are paid for by November 30, 2018, the John C. Kulis Charitable Foundation will provide a much-needed dollar-for-dollar matching grant to our parish.

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Tailgate Picnic Setup ~ Can you Help?

We need a firm commitment ahead of time for the **9:30am Saturday morning (Sept. 8)** Tailgate Picnic setup. We are in need of a few young/strong men and women to assist in carrying up chairs and tables from the basement. Help in setting up tents is also needed. If you can help in this area, please send an e-mail to Father Sam (FrSam@juno.com) or add your name to the sign-up posted on the bulletin board downstairs!

Volunteers for coordinating the games are also needed! Maybe a few of our teenagers can help?

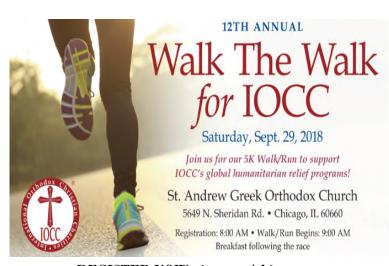
Donations toward the **Bounce House** for our Back-to-Church School Tailgate Picnic on September 9th would be appreciated. Total cost will be \$374.75.

Make-a-Wish ... from Steve Smandra

Consulted with our Lord Jesus as to participating in the Milwaukee Make-a-Wish fund raising event on 25th of August and he said "Go for it". I thank you all who in the past supported me and Team Antioch. If you are so inclined, I would greatly appreciate your support one more time to make WISHES become reality for terminally ill children.

ALL-CASH RAFFLE

Please support our Saint Michael's All-Cash Raffle to be held on **Sunday, September 9, 2018**, during our Welcome Back to Church School Tailgate Picnic. Kindly see Wes Stinich to receive tickets or to return your tickets stubs and money. Thank you for your support!



REGISTER NOW: iocc.org/chicago

Chicago Orthodox Christian Synergy 2018 Annual Symposium

The Nones: Who are They and How Do We Reach Them?

Dr. Nathan Jacobs, Director of the documentary Becoming Truly Human, will talk about the increasing number of "Nones" (those describing themselves as religiously unaffiliated) and what the Church and its members can do to connect with them and bring them back into the faith.

Where:

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church 2350 E. Dempster Street Des Plaines, IL

When:

Saturday, October 20, 2018 9:30am-1:30pm



For more information or to register, go to www.chicagosynergy.org

Vigil Candles at the Iconostas

In Memory of **Barbara Geibig** Anniversary of Repose (8/25/1999) offered by Fr. Sam & Paňi Bonnie



In Loving Memory of **Lawrence Zydowsky** Anniversary of his Birth (8/23/1912) offered by Children & Grandchildren

> In Memory of **Steve Foltman** Anniversary of Repose (8/12/2005) offered by Janet Foltman & Family

Beloved mother and father **Martha & Michael Pavlik** for their anniversary (8/13) offered by Nicholas Pavlik, Helen Janowiak & her family

Beloved sister **Ann Kochevar** for her birthday (8/13) offered by Nicholas Pavlik, Helen Janowiak & her family

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Saint Michael's Faithful are urged to contribute to the DDD Program, which benefits Camp Nazareth in Mercer, Pennsylvania.

\$100 Entry \$250 Bronze \$500 Silver \$1,000 Gold \$10,000+ Platinum

Donors (\$150 or more) are invited to attend a:

CHAMPAGNE BRUNCH

12:30pm on Sunday, October 21, 2018

Allgauer's Restaurant 2855 N. Milwaukee Avenue ~ Northbrook, IL 60062

Following is a form your donation. All checks must be made payable to "*Distinguished Diocesan Donors*" and given to Father Sam for submittal to the Diocesan Treasurer. In order to attend the Brunch, Father Sam must receive this form <u>and</u> payment *no later than October 7, 2018*.

Thank you for your support!

Attached is my contribution of \$	to support the	DDD.
I am unable to attend the Brunch but will support the DDD!		
Name		
Guest (s)		
Address		
City	State	Zip
Parish		
(A donation of \$50 must be included for each adult brunch guest; children 4-12 are \$24)		