THIRD SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
July 10, 2016

Saints Commemorated today: 45 Holy Martyrs of Nikopolis, Armenia; Our Holy Father Gregory, Bishop of Assa; 10,000 Fathers Martyred in Egypt; St. Apollonios the Martyr; Deposition of the Precious Robe of our Lord Jesus Christ in Moscow; Righteous Father Anthony of the Kiev Caves; and Sts. Parthenios & Eumenios of Koudoumas

EPISTLE READING
Romans 5:1-10

Brethren, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man -- though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

GOSPEL READING
Matthew 6:22-33

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is not sound, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear? For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well."

ENTRANCE HYMN: 2ND TONE
(Page 45 in "The Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom")

When Thou, the Deathless Life, didst descend toward Death, then didst Thou put to death Hades through the dazzling brightness of the Godhead; and when Thou didst raise up the dead from the Abyss, all the powers of the Heavens cried aloud: O Christ our God, Giver of Life, glory to Thee.

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GREEK FESTIVAL

Hello Everyone, As promised, reaching out regarding our **festival volunteer appreciation luncheon**. The details are as follows:

When: Sunday, August 28 immediately after liturgy. (Everyone should be back from summer vacations).

Where: Good Samaritan Hall

Why: Thank all of our volunteers for their hard work with Greek Fest 2016, share final festival financials report and hear your ideas for next year's event.

Who: This event is open to all individuals (parishioners and community members) who actively participated in the planning and execution of the event.

Please RSVP to the church office no later than August 19. This is important so we can make efficient catering plans.

Help Request: Please text or call me directly if you can help with planning and/or execution of this event. 574-404-1184.

Thank you in advance for your continued help and support of your church's key fundraising effort.

Regards, Spyro Sinis-Terezis

BULLETIN FLYERS

We will no longer be including flyers in the weekly bulletin. They are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. This week there are flyers for: **Direct** (**Auto) Debit forms**. Please take what you need.

REQUEST FOR TRANSFERRING PARISHIONERS

We are blessed to welcome new parishioners to Saint Andrews. We ask that you pick up a welcome packet from the table in the Fellowship Hall. You should call the office and schedule an appointment with Father prior to beginning to receive the Sacraments. *We also ask transferring parishioners to follow the Uniform Parish Regulations, Art 18, Sec 2: "A parishioner wishing to move from one Parish to another must present a letter of transfer from the Priest of the Parish from which he or she is moving stating that he or she is in good standing."*

CHURCH ETIQUETTE

There should be NO talking in the Narthex during the Divine Liturgy. (No one should be congregating in the hallways or Fellowship Hall). It is completely disrespectful to God and to the worship service of our Church.

Please remember to dress appropriately and modestly for church services. There is no chewing gum, talking or crossing your legs in church. Everyone should arrive on time for the Liturgy. Do not leave trash (bulletins, paper, etc) in the pews. It is considered disrespectful for anyone attending Orthodox Christian services to cross their legs during service, chew gum or come in late. Also women who are planning on taking Communion should not wear lipstick or should remove it before going up for Communion.

TURN OFF CELL PHONES. Thank you.

A NOTE TO OUR VISITORS

People of different religious affiliation or tradition who behave in a respectful manner are always welcome at the liturgical services of our Holy Orthodox Church but **ONLY MEMBERS OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH who share a common faith and practice a specific spiritual discipline may participate in the Church's sacraments and receive Holy Communion at the Orthodox Divine Liturgy. The Greek Orthodox Church has a closed communion and no intercommunion with any other Christian body.** We are blessed by your presence with us and thank you for your understanding. May God bless you always.

A NOTE TO ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS

ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS PLEASE NOTE: The proper preparation for receiving Holy Communion is: 1) prayer; 2) keeping the fast throughout the year (Wednesdays, Fridays, Great Lent, fast of the Holy Apostles, fast of the Dormition and the Christmas Fast, etc); and 3) most important, participating in the Sacrament of Holy Confession and Repentance. **ALSO follow these guidelines as you approach for Holy Communion: Take the red cloth from the person before you and place it under your chin. Say your baptismal name. Open your mouth wide and receive the Holy Spoon in your mouth, lower your lips on the Holy Communion spoon and carefully remove the Holy Eucharist so that there is nothing left. After partaking of the Sacrament blot your lips and hand the red cloth to the person behind you. Receive one piece of antidoron, return to your seat and read the post communion prayer. Lipstick, lip gloss, lip balm, etc, should be removed prior to approaching the chalice. Receiving the precious Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ should not be treated like a fast food service. You should come on time for the Divine Liturgy (that means at the beginning) and not leave until the completion of the service**. *This means that every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. It follows that if anyone eats the Lord's bread or drinks from his cup in a way that dishonors him, he is guilty of sin against the Lord's body and blood. So then, everyone should examine himself first, and then eat the bread and drink from the cup. For if he does not recognize the meaning of the Lord's body when he eats the bread and drinks form the cup, he brings judgment on himself as he eats and drinks. That is why many of you are sick and weak, and several have died. If we would examine ourselves first, we would not come under God's judgment. But we are judged and punished by the Lord, so that we shall not be condemned together with the world. (1 Corinthians 11:26-32).*

At the time of communion, please allow families with infants to approach first, followed by the children and then the adults. Thank you.

The Communion Prayer is located in the Divine Liturgy Books on page 40 (old edition) and 66 (new edition). Everyone is encouraged to participate in the reciting of the Communion Prayer together.

MINISTRY ACTIVITIES

Please remember to check the ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR when scheduling activities. They should ***not*** be scheduled during service times. This is disrespectful to God and unacceptable. Thank you.

REMINDER FOR PARENTS

For the convenience of parents with crying children, a "cry room" is located off the Narthex for your use. ATTENTION PARENTS: **PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN ARE NOT WANDERING AROUND THE CHURCH DURING SERVICES. THIS IS VERY DISRUPTIVE TO EVERYONE.** THANK YOU!

ST. NEKTARIOS CHAPEL

Please remember that although the St. Nektarios Chapel does not have an Iconostasis, the altar is still the altar and as in the main church only the priest should be in the altar. When Metropolitan Iakovos consecrated the church of St. Andrew he also consecrated the Chapel and it should be treated with the same respect and reverence. Please consider all of the raised area in the Chapel the altar and do not enter it or touch anything on the altar table. Thank you.

YOUR PRAYERS HELP…

"…I was sick and you visited Me…" St. Matthew 25:36. "Holy Father, Physician of our souls and bodies have mercy, forgive and heal thy servants." The following brothers and sisters in Christ need your constant prayers and love, *recovering at home or ill at home/hospital:* Jim Zeinis (home), Anthoula Pefanis (home), Tom Allen (home), Nick Limberopoulos.
In nursing homes or home bound: Diana Katsanis (Golden View), Chris Bouris, Esther Magrames (Waterford), Phyllis Leonakis (Wellbrooke), Bill Kanalos (Heritage Point), Amelia Morris (Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton), Joan Rekos (Signature), Mary Rudhman (home), and Telesila Yustwan (home).

Today's **Ushers** are: Manolis Anagnostou, Terry Karaszewski, Leon Andrews, Bruno Zovich, Nick Giannakakis. If you are <u>not</u> serving in the pangari today, you should join everyone in the Sanctuary. Thank you.

Today's **Epistle Lesson** will be read by **an Altar Boy.**
Anthoula Kanalos prepared Prosforo for this morning**.** May our God grant you spiritual joy always.
The Coffee Hour was lovingly prepared for our entire community by. We thank you for your love and generosity.

THIS WEEK

Monday, July 11	St. Euphemia the Great Martyr 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
Tuesday, July 12	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Wednesday, July 13	Paraklesis to St. Nektarios 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Friday, July 15	Paraklesis to the Theotokos 10am,**Holy Dormition Chapel** Vespers 4:30pm
Saturday, July 16	Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, July 17	Sunday of the Holy Fathers 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy

LOOKING AHEAD

Sunday, July 24	Fifth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy

MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, August 28	Festival Volunteer Luncheon following Liturgy
Sunday, September 11	St. Andrew Parish 90th Anniversary Celebration

2016 Financial Report

(Does not include Festival**)**

July 16 Income	July 16 Expenses	Monthly Balance	July 15 Income	July 15 Expenses	July 15 Balance
$3,585.00	$14,333.47	--$10,748.47	$16,189.75	$29,519.36	--$13,329.61

YTD Income	YTD Expense	YTD Balance	15 YTD Inc	15 YTD Ex	15 YTD Bal
$148,477.19	$179,117.02	--$30,639.83	$150,220.64	$183,289.24	--$33,068.60

Stewardship Report

July Pledge Income	July Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income	YTD Pledge Inc	YTD Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income
$945.00	$18,000.00	--$17,055.00	$94,477.00	$158,000.00	--$63,523.00

*Year-to-date as of July 8, 2016

June 2016 we received $6,071 in stewardship. (The goal was $19,000)
June 2015 we received $6,455 in stewardship. (The goal was $15,000)
1st Half 2016 we received $93,532 in stewardship. (The goal was $140,000)
1st Half 2015 we received $83,536.50 in stewardship. (The goal was $137,000)
THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!!!