

# St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church

A Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese of North America

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## 4 November 2018

**WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS** If you would like to receive our weekly email of events and services, please complete the Welcome Card located in the pew pocket, and place it in the offering tray or give it to one of the ushers. You are welcome to join us next door for coffee and fellowship following the service.

**RECEIVING COMMUNION** While only Orthodox Christians who have spiritually prepared themselves by fasting, prayer and confession may receive Holy Communion, all are welcome to venerate the Cross and receive the blessed bread at dismissal.

**CELL PHONES** and all other electronic devices should be shut off during Divine Liturgy.

**BULLETIN DEADLINE** To include information in the bulletin, please notify the Church Office by 9:00AM Wednesday at [OfficeOfStAnthony@gmail.com](mailto:OfficeOfStAnthony@gmail.com).

**PRAYER REQUESTS** To be included on the prayer list, or to join the parish prayer chain, please contact the Church Office.

### TODAY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BREAD OF OBLATION** is offered by Fadia Khoury

**COFFEE HOUR** is sponsored by the Nassif Family

**STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN MONTH** begins in November. Each Sunday, a member of our congregation will give a brief personal testament of what giving to the church means to them.

**BISHOP BASIL PASTORAL VISIT** is scheduled for this Tuesday, November 6. The women of our parish are invited to have tea with His Grace Bishop Basil that evening at 5:30p in the Fellowship Hall. Following the tea, we will have Great Vespers with His Grace at 6:30p, followed by a talk given by His Grace. **We need 10 people to help set up, clean up, and serve. If you would like to help, please contact Theresa Allen ([dandt3@att.net](mailto:dandt3@att.net)).**

**MAM THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON TICKETS** now available in the church narthex. Adults \$12, children \$8.

**NAM THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** of non-perishable food items are now being collected. A collection box is in the narthex. For more information, please see p. 6 of this bulletin.

**NOVEMBER CALENDAR** is available in the narthex and in the hall.

### SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING DIVINE SERVICES

Tuesday, November 6	6:30 p	Great Vespers with Bishop BASIL
Wednesday, November 7	6:30 p	Vespers (followed by Study)
Saturday, November 10	4:30 p 5:00 p	Confession (or by appointment w/Fr. Anthony or Fr. John) Great Vespers
Sunday, November 11	8:45 AM 10:00 AM	Orthros Divine Liturgy

### UPCOMING MEETING AND ACTIVITIES

**WEDNESDAY NIGHT VESPERS AND STUDY** continues this Wednesday, November 7. We will have Daily Vespers (6:30-7p) followed by a study from 7-8p with Fr. John Ballard. We are studying the Gospel of St. Mark.

**MAM LADIES MEETING** is scheduled for Tuesday, November 13, at 5:30p.

**PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** is scheduled for Thursday, November 15 at 7:15p.

**ADVENT PARAKLESIS** to the Mother of God will be served Friday November 16 at 6:00p and Wednesday November 28 at 12:00p.

**TEEN SOYO BAKESALE** to benefit the Special Olympics will be Sunday, November 18, following Divine Liturgy.

**DIVINE LITURGY FOR THE ENTRANCE OF THE THEOTOKOS** will be served Wednesday, November 21, at 9:00 AM.

### NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

**MINI-DESSERTS FOR TEA WITH BISHOP BASIL** If you signed up to bring mini-deserts for the tea on November 6, please place them in cupcake holders and arranged on a china or crystal plate or serving tray. All plates, cups and saucers must be brought to the church on or before Tuesday, November 6. Please be sure to take your china with you after the event.

**IT'S BAKLAVA TIME!** See the order form in this bulletin if you would like to purchase delicious baklava baked by the Ladies of St. Anthony. It makes a great gift, too! **Supplies are limited.**

**MAM THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON** is set for November 11. Please see info on p. 4 of this bulletin.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** Help families in need to have a happy holiday season! Please bring non-perishable food items such as canned fruit and vegetables, canned sweet potatoes, canned soup and boxed stuffing mix to Church. The collection box is located in the narthex. Items collected will be given to the Northwest Assistance Ministries to help area families in need.

**ST. EMMELIA ORTHODOX HOMESCHOOL CONFERENCE** Interested in homeschooling? Are you a homeschooling family? Mark your calendars for Friday through Sunday, January 11-13, at The Saint Constantine School in Houston for "Charting & Staying the Course". Fr. John Whiteford, of St. Jonah Orthodox Church in Spring will be the keynote speaker. Registration is coming soon! Please see [www.saintemmeliaconferences.com](http://www.saintemmeliaconferences.com) for more information.

### YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS AND EVENTS

**TEEN SOYO DINNER** is scheduled for Friday, November 16, following the Advent Paraklesis service at 6:00p.

**JOY CLUB PIZZA PARTY** will be Sunday, November 25, following Divine Liturgy.

**YOUNG ADULT OUTING** is scheduled for Friday, November 30, at 6:00p at Fire Ant Brewery.

**CAMP ST. RAPHAEL DATES** for 2019 are as follows: Session 1: June 30 - July 6, Session 2: July 7-13, Session 3: July 14-20. Please plan accordingly as these dates are a week later than our usual camping sessions.

### SPECIAL OLYMPICS BAKESALE

Sunday, November 18

Following Divine Liturgy

Stop by the hall after Liturgy to enjoy a tasty treat while helping this worthy cause!



### Food For Parish (FFP)

**Drop-Off Schedule: Sunday, November 11 ~ Non-Perishables**

**Sunday, November 25 ~ Non-Perishables**

Any St. Anthony parishioner who is in need is invited to set a confidential appointment with our Church Secretary, Bonnie (281.251.6000) or Fr. Anthony for pickup.

## VENERABLE IOANIKIOS THE GREAT OF MOUNT OLYMPUS

### Entrance Hymn of Ordinary Sundays

Come, let us worship, and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

### Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 6)

When Mary stood at Thy grave, looking for Thy sacred body, angelic powers shone above Thy revered tomb; and the soldiers who were to keep guard became as dead men. Thou led Hades captive and wast not tempted thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst give life to the world, O Thou, Who art risen from the dead, O Lord, glory to Thee.

### Troparion of St. Ioanikios the Great (Tone 8)

The barren wilderness thou didst make fertile with the streams of thy tears; and by thy deep sighing thou hast given fruit through thy struggles a hundred-fold. Accordingly, thou hast become a star for the universe, sparkling with miracles. Therefore, O righteous Father Ioanikios, intercede with Christ God to save our souls.

### Troparion of St. Anthony, our Patron (Tone 4)

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah, and didst follow John the Baptist in his upright ways, as a dweller in the wilderness, thou didst steady the world by prayer, O Father Anthony, intercede with Christ our God for our soul's salvation.

### Kontakion of Ordinary Sundays (Tone 2)

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

### THE EPISTLE

*O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.  
To Thee, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.*

### The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Ephesians. (2:4-10)

Brethren, God, Who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which He loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with Him, and made us sit with Him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages He might show the immeasurable riches of His grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God—not because of works, lest any man should boast. For, we are His workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

### THE GOSPEL

### The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke. (16:19-31)

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover, the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to him, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if someone should rise from the dead.'



**Great holiday gifts for your company, loyal customers, vendors, family and friends.**

Last Day to Order is December 9, 2018, based on availability.

Orders must be picked up at St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church, 7202 FM 2920 in Spring, Texas.

Tuesday to Friday, 9 a.m. – 3 p.m.

For questions, please contact Randa Nassif @ 281-655-0070 or the church office @ 281-251-6000.

**PLACE YOUR ORDER TODAY!**

*Please make a copy for your records.*

Company Name / Name \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of boxes \_\_\_\_\_ X \$18.00 per box – Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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**Cash, Check or Credit Card Payment is due on pick up of orders.**

Mail this Order Form to:

St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church

7202 FM 2920

Spring, TX 77379





## STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

November begins our Stewardship Campaign for our General Operating Fund. This account is what allows our Church to operate and its funds come from pledging members of our parish. Our Church depends on you, and this is the time of year when we try to communicate the needs.

As a point of reference, for 2019, our projected expenses are estimated to be \$440,000 – that's an average of over \$36,000/month or \$1,200/day! These expenses include everything from paying the monthly mortgage to clergy and staff salaries to all the bills: electric, gas, water, waste, cleaning service, lawn care, etc.

Following Divine Liturgy today and for the next several Sundays through December, a member of our congregation will give a personal testimonial of what giving to the Church means to him/her in the hopes that it will inspire you to offer your gifts to the Church. Please consider completing a 2019 Pledge Form and submitting it before December 31.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

<b>Tuesday, November 6</b>	<b>5:30 PM</b>	Ladies' Tea with Bishop Basil
	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Great Vespers
	<b>7:30 PM</b>	Reception & Discussion w/BB
<b>Sunday, November 11</b>		<b>Thanksgiving Luncheon after Liturgy</b> \$12/adult ~ \$8/child
<b>Thursday, November 15</b>		<b>Advent Fasting Season Begins</b>
<b>Friday, November 16</b>	<b>7:00 PM</b>	<b>SOYO Dinner</b>
<b>Sunday, November 18</b>		<b>SOYO Bake Sale</b> ~ Special Olympics Awareness Day
<b>Wednesday, November 21</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Entrance of Mary into the Temple
<b>Friday, November 23</b>	<b>6:30 PM</b>	Magnolia Home Outreach

# THANKSGIVING LUNCHEON

~ Sponsored by the MAM Ladies Society ~



Join us for a Thanksgiving Feast!  
Delicious turkey prepared by Chip & Rusty's Meat Emporium!

### Menu

Turkey  
Mac and Cheese  
Cornbread Dressing  
Gravy  
Cranberry Sauce  
Carrots, Green Beans, Corn  
Salad & Rolls  
Ice Tea, Lemonade

And an assortment of pies to choose your slice!

**\$12 Adults ~ \$8 Children**

Tickets are available following Divine Liturgy in the narthex,  
or the Church Office during the week.