

St. Anthony the Great Orthodox Church

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WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS AND GUESTS It is a joy to have you with us this morning, and we invite you to join us in the social hall after the service for food and fellowship. Please feel free to complete the Welcome Card or sign the Guestbook in the vestibule. Thank you for worshipping with us!

RECEIVING COMMUNION While the Orthodox Church continues to pray for the unity of all, Holy Communion is only served to Orthodox Christians who have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession.

ELECTRONIC DEVICES Upon entering, we ask that you silence your cell phone and refrain from using electronic devices during the service.

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

YOUTH BAKESALE is in lieu of Coffee Hour

FR. GABRIEL TANNOUS from St. Elias Orthodox Church in Atlanta, Georgia, is serving today's Divine Liturgy.

FR. ANTHONY is in Fort Worth for a wedding, and is returning this evening.

TODAY IS YOUTH SUNDAY The youth of our parish will read the Epistle, usher and sing during Holy Communion. A children's sermon will be offered.

YOUTH BOOK AND BAKE SALE FUNDRAISER is today after Divine Liturgy in the hall.

SCHEDULE OF THIS WEEK'S DIVINE SERVICES

Wednesday, May 22	9:30 am	Divine Liturgy for Mid-Pentecost
Saturday, May 25	4:30 p 5:00 p	Confession (or by appointment w/ Fr. Anthony or Fr. John) Great Vespers
Sunday, May 26	8:45 AM 10:00 AM	Orthros Divine Liturgy

CHRIST is RISEN ~ Indeed HE is RISEN!

Al-Masseh Qam! ~ Haqqan QAM!

Le Christ est ressuscite! ~ En verite Il est ressuscite!

Christos Anesti! ~ Alithos ANESTI!

Hristos Vaskrese! ~ Vaistinu VASKRESE!

Hristos a Inviat! ~ Adeverat a INVIAT!

Cristo ha Resucitado! ~ Verdadermente ha
RESUCITADO!

UPCOMING MEETING AND ACTIVITIES.

IT'S TIME TO MAKE BAKLAVA! Join the Ladies of St. Anthony on Wednesday, May 29th in preparing baklava from 10:00 AM – 2:00 p for the Annual Baklava Sale. Bring your apron and pastry brush, and join us for a time of fun and fellowship! *Please note there will be no baking this week on Wednesday, May 22nd.

MEDITERRANEAN NIGHT COMMITTEE MEETING is scheduled for Wednesday, May 29th at 7:00 p.

NOTICES & ANNOUNCEMENTS

STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN DRIVE continues. If you have already received your pledge form in the mail, please submit it as soon as possible. Forms are available in the narthex.

MEDITERRANEAN NIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED This year the Med Night Gala will be Saturday, September 21. To make this event a great success, we will need volunteers, especially the week of the event! Please contact Deanne Nassif (deanne.nassif@gmail.com) or Adella Winder (adellawinder@gmail.com) to volunteer for this year's event.

FOOD FOR PARISH (FFP) We are especially in need of fresh items such as milk, eggs, cheese, ground beef, and chicken. 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.

JOB OPENINGS AT THE SAINT CONSTANTINE SCHOOL Thanks to continuing growth in student enrollment, TSCS (Houston's new classical Orthodox Christian school, serving PK-12 through College) will be hiring part-time and full-time positions for the 2019-20 school year and encourages applications from our local parishes. Visit saintconstantine.org/careers/.

2019 DIOCESE OF WICHITA & MID-AMERICA PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE This year the PLC will be held June 19-22 in the Dallas-Fort Worth area! To register, go to antiochianevents.com/wichita.html.

ARCHDIOCESE CONVENTION is scheduled for July 21-28 in Grand Rapids, Michigan. Topics to be discussed will relate to how to live our Orthodox faith in the modern world. To register, go to ac2019qr.org.

YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT NEWS AND EVENTS

GRADUATION SUNDAY will be celebrated on Sunday, June 2. If your child is graduation from High school or University this year, please fill out the form in the narthex and hall.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL Mark your calendars for Vacation Bible School June 10-13, 2019! Contact Adella to volunteer!

BIBLE BOWL If your child is interested in competing in the Bible Bowl on June 20th at the Parish Life Conference in Ft. Worth, contact Adella for more details. Age groups are: Junior (10-12 yrs old), Teen (13-19 yrs old), and Adult (20+).

ORATORICAL FESTIVAL If your child is interested in competing in this year's Oratorical Festival at the P.L.C. in Ft. Worth, June 20, please contact Adella or visit orthodoxyouth.org/oratorical. Oratorical is for ages 13 - 19. *Senior Division (age 16-19) contestants have the chance to advance to nationals and be awarded college scholarships.*

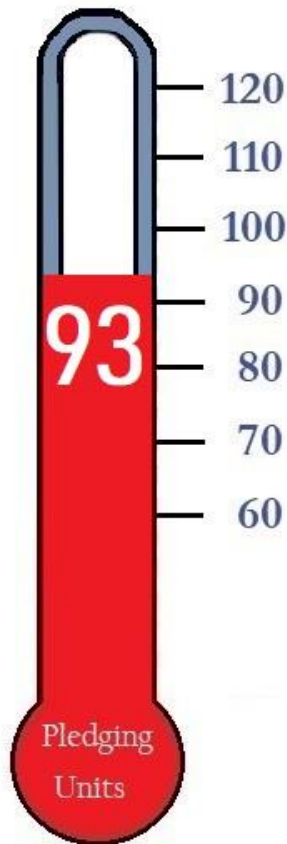
CAMP ST. RAPHAEL 2019 Registration has begun has just a few spots left. 2019 are as follows: Session 1: June 30 – July 6, Session 2: July 7-13, Session 3: July 14-20. Our parish attends third session. To register, visit CampStRaphael.org. Needs-based scholarships are available.

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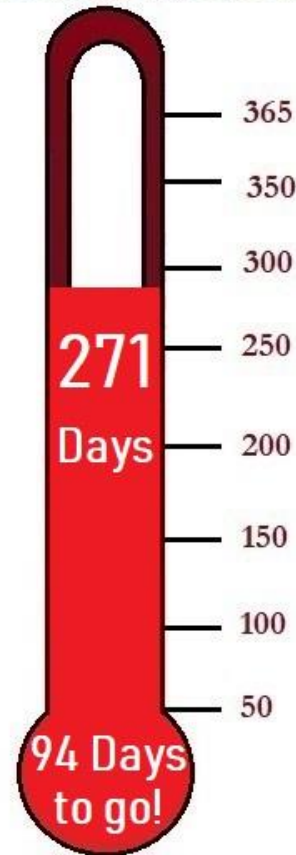
STEWARDSHIP CAMPAIGN

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. Our parish serves approximately **150** families. We are striving for strong participation and are hopeful you will help us reach that goal.

Number of Pledges



The number of pledges rec'd to date cover this many days for 2019



Avg. operating cost/day = \$1,200

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

Troparion of PASCHA (Tone 5)

Christ is risen from dead, trampling down death by death. And upon those in the tomb bestowing life.
Arabic: Al-Maseeh qam min bain il-am-wat wa wa ti al mowt-a bil-mowt, wa wa-ha bil ha-yat-a lil-la-thee na fil qu boor.
Greek: Christos anesti ek-nekron, tha-na-to, tha-na-ton pati-sas, ke-tees en tees mni-masi, zoeen, kha-ree sa meh-nos.
Slavonic: Hree-stos vos-krese, eez mertveeh, smer-tee-yoo smert po-prav, ee su-scheem vo gro-byeh, zhi-vot da-ro-vah.

1. *Let God arise, let His enemies be scattered; let those who hate Him flee from before His face.*
2. *As smoke vanishes, so let them vanish; as wax melts before the fire.*
3. *So the sinners will perish before the face of God; but let the righteous be glad.*
4. *This is the day which the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad in it.*

Little Entrance Hymn

In the gathering places bless ye God the Lord from the springs of Israel. O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead, save us who sing unto Thee: Alleluia.

Troparion of the Resurrection (Tone 3)

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 became the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Troparion of St. Anthony the Great, our patron (Tone 4)

Thou didst become like the zealous Elijah, and didst follow John the Baptist in his upright ways, as 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 PASCHA (Tone 8)

Thou didst descend into the tomb, O Immortal. Thou didst destroy the power of death. In victory didst thou arise, O Christ God, proclaiming rejoice to the myrrh-bearing women, granting peace to Thine apostles and bestowing resurrection on the fallen.

THE EPISTLE

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all you nations.

The Reading is from the Acts of the Sainly and Pure Apostles (9:32-42).

In those days, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments, which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

THE GOSPEL

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to St. John (5:1-15).

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda, which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water. For an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first, after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for 38 years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, He said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered Him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the Sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the Sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk'?" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befalls you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus Who had healed him.

ST CYRIL ORTHODOX CHURCH CHORAL

JOURNEY TO PASCHA

MUSIC OF LENT, HOLY WEEK AND PASCHA



SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2019
3 PM

John Lickwar, Music Director

This first in a musical/poetic concert series, 'Journey to Pascha,' touches the listener's heart with the beauty of the Gospel message. Harmonies of Orthodox Christian Chant, set in English text, empower and connect personal repentance and salvation to the experience of fasting and rejoicing.

A musical journey to 'begin the fast with joy, and make a spiritual effort to cleanse the flesh and purify the soul.'

A musical climax of receiving the living Christ within, who tramples down death by death; bestowing life!

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