

UPCOMING SERVICES, SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT & EVENTS

- † **Great Vespers**, Saturday nights, 6:00 pm
- † **Akathist of Thanksgiving** - Wednesday, November 25, 6:00 pm
- † **Patronal Feast of St. Andrew - November 30th**
 - Vespers & Artoklasia - Sunday, November 29, 11:15 am
 - Patronal Feast Fish Fry - Sunday, November 29, 12:00 pm
 - Orthros - Monday, November 30, 9:00 am
 - Divine Liturgy - Monday, November 30, 10:00 am
- † **Paraklesis for Nativity**, Wednesday nights, 6:00 pm
with **Adult Study Group**, 6:45 pm following service
Dec 2, 9, & 16
(See more information on Adult Study Group in item in bulletin)
- † **Great Vespers for St. Nicholas**, Saturday, December 5, 6:00 pm
- † **Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ**, Wednesday, December 23, 6:00 pm
- † **Celebration of the Nativity of Christ**
Thursday, December 24
Vesperal Divine Liturgy for the Paramon (Eve) of the Nativity, 9:00 am

Orthros for the Nativity of Christ, 9:00 pm
Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ, 10:00 pm
- * **On-Line calendar:** standrewpns.org; then click on the **calendar button**.

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November 22, 2015
Twenty-fifth Sunday after Pentecost
& Ninth Sunday of Luke
After-feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos

Wednesday	November 25	Akathist of Thanksgiving (No Adult Study Group)	6:00 pm
Saturday	November 28	Great Vespers	6:00 pm
Sunday	November 29	Orthros Divine Liturgy Vespers & Artoklasia for St. Andrew Fish Fry Dinner for Feast of St. Andrew	8:50 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 12:00 pm
Monday	November 30	Feast of St. Andrew Orthros Divine Liturgy	9:00 am 10:00 am

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Sisterhood of St. Photini Antiochian Women News

Next General Meeting - Sunday December 20, 12:00 pm



2015 Holiday Sweet Shop and Freezer Sale final cook days are:

Tues	Dec. 1	10:00 am - 'til finished	Kourambiethes
Wed	Dec. 2	10:00 am - 'til finished	Kourambiethes & Cookie Gift Packs
Sat	Dec. 12	9:00 am - 12:00 pm	Pick-up
Sun	Dec. 13	12:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Pick-up

The Adult Study Group

... class will not meet this week but will resume on Wednesday evenings after Vespers on December 2nd through December 16th. The book, *Meditations for Advent: Preparing for Christ's Birth* by the Archimandrite Vassilios Papavassiliou, is being used as a basis for a study of the hymnology, Feast Days, and Scriptural references during the period of the Nativity Fast. All are welcome to attend any of the classes. Refreshments will be provided. If you would like a copy of the book (\$12), please see Fr. David. The book is also available for Kindle.

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Have you considered hosting Coffee Fellowship in honor of a loved one's feast day, birthday or anniversary, or in memory of a loved one, or for other occasions? Simple refreshments are all that is needed. Join another family and share the blessing.

Pamela & Janean make the coffee and lemonade. You are requested to please handle the setup and help with clean up.

Please sign up on the board on the wall in the Great Room. If you have any questions, see Pamela or Janean.

November 22 - Volunteer(s) needed

November 29 - Patron Saint Fish Fry



Thank you to all who have provided the enjoyable treats in the past!



Prayers Requested



Your prayers are requested for the health and return of Archbishops Paul and John of Aleppo, Syria, who were abducted on Monday, April 22, 2013.

Please pray for peace for the people of Syria. Syria is the home of our Patriarchate which is located on Straight Street in Damascus where St. Paul was taken to regain the sight he lost when encountering Jesus Christ (Acts 9) and has maintained continuous succession in the Apostolic Faith.

Antwanette, Rami, & Nael (*Ibrahim's mother & brothers in Syria*)
Ferial & Antoine; Aline, Jamil & Krystal (*Nadine's mother, father & twin sister & family now in Germany from Syria*)

Shadia & family, Dema & family, Ghassan & family (*Shadi's sisters and brother & their families in Syria*)

Dean, Priest

Dean (*Mary's brother*)

Kh. Nora

Wally

Diane, Presbyteria

Eleni

Theodore & Kleoniki (Dn. Ted's parents)

Paulette (*Mary's friend*)

Mary Lou (*Mark's sister*)

Phillip

Christopher (*Tom's son*)

Norma & Ron (*Stacy's parents*)

Bonnie (*Sam's mother*)

Jim (*Dan's friend*)

Liza (*Penny's friend*)

Helen (*Penny's friend*)

Tammy (*Pam's friend*)

John (*Sam's friend*)

Georgette (*Dorothy & Syd's friend*)

Anthony/Bubba

Jimmy (*Sandra's cousin*)

Marcy (*Sophia's friend*)

Penny

Donna

Miriam (*Penny's friend*)

Xenia (*Laura's friend*)

Mary (*Christine's daughter*)

Barbara (*Tamparys' friend*)

Joyce & Dan

Kay

Hunter (*Stacy & Anthony's friend*)

Zach

Ralph (*Penny's friend*)

Martha (*Penny's sister*)

Anna (*Fotios' friend*)

Jammie (*Louann's friend*)

Ann (*Kay & Donna's friend*)

Richard (*Dawn's nephew*)

Ethel & Nick (*Bob & Petrula's friends*)

Alice

Lucille and Louann

Shawna (*Dawn's niece*)

Laura, Roger (*Dorothy's sister, brother-in-law*)

Victoria & infant Luke

Yves and Linda

Patti & Don (*Pam's friends*)

Bill & Gini (*Penny's friends*)

Winn (*Sam's friend*)

Bill (*Dan and Joyce's friend*)

Carmen (*Jim's father*)

Robert (*Emily's cousin*)

Bob (*Bob & Petrula's friend*)

Richard & Joyce (*Kay & Donna's friends*)

Faye (*Petrula's friend*)

Sharon (*Penny's niece*)

Jim (*Dan and Joyce's friend*)

Sherry (*Dorothy's friend*)

Ray (*Mary's cousin*)

Vicky & Larry (*Dorothy & Bubba's friends*)

Sheree (*Stacy's friend*)

Prayer requests for the prayer list will be listed for four weeks at a time. After that time, please let Fr. David or Dorothy know if the person or persons whose names were submitted need to remain on the list.

Thank you for your intercessions.

****SPECIAL NOTE ON THE NATIVITY FAST****

We began, with God's help, the forty-day NATIVITY FAST in preparation for the feast of the Nativity of Christ on December 25. The Nativity Fast is divided into two periods. The first period is November 15 through December 19 when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine and oil) is observed with allowance for wine and oil on Tuesdays and Thursdays, and for fish, wine and oil on Saturdays and Sundays. The second period is December 20 through 24 when the traditional fasting discipline (no meat, poultry, eggs, dairy, fish, wine and oil) is observed with allowance for wine and oil only, not fish, on Saturday and Sunday.

*On Thanksgiving Day,
a special dispensation is made allowing meat and dairy.*

The Holy Virgin Martyr Cecilia

Cecilia was born in Rome of wealthy and eminent parents. She had great faith in Christ the Lord and a great zeal for the Faith. Vowing life-long virginity to God, St. Cecilia wore a coarse hair shirt beneath the costly raiment that her parents gave her. When her parents coerced her into marriage with Valerian, a pagan, Cecilia counseled her bridegroom on their wedding night to go to Bishop Urban to be baptized, and then live in chastity. Accepting the Christian Faith, Valerian also converted his brother Tiburtius. Soon after, both brothers were condemned to death for their faith. But their faithfulness did not falter, even in the face of death. Led to the place of execution, these wonderful brothers also succeeded in converting the captain of the guard, Maximus, to the Faith. Then all three suffered together for Christ the Lord. St. Cecilia buried their bodies together. Cecilia was then brought to trial, for she tirelessly won pagans over to the Christian Faith. In only one evening, she won over four hundred souls. When the judge asked her from whence such boldness came, she answered: "From a pure conscience and undoubting faith." After cruel torture, Cecilia was condemned to beheading. The executioner struck her three times on the neck with the sword, but he was unable to kill her. She was only wounded, and blood flowed from her wounds, which the faithful collected in handkerchiefs, sponges and bowls for the sake of healing. Three days after this, the martyr and virgin of Christ gave her soul to her Lord, with Whom she eternally rejoices. St. Cecilia suffered with the others in about the year 230. Her relics lie in Rome, in the church dedicated to her. In the Western Church, St. Cecilia is regarded as the patroness of church singing and music.

From the Desert Fathers

We do not need words only, for, at the present time, there are many words among men, but we need works, for this is what is required, not words which do not bear fruit.
(Abba James)

ST. ANDREW REMINDERS

1. DIRECTORY - Please have Family Update Sheet turned in by Sunday, November 29

Place it in the basket on the table under the AED in the hallway, or mail it to the church, or scan and email it to dtampary@me.com.

To submit a family/individual photo for the directory, please either scan the photo and email to dtampary@me.com or place the photo in the basket/mail with your completed update sheet. A photo taken with a smart phone can be easily submitted.

2. 2016 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE - Please complete your 2016 Stewardship Pledge Card as soon as possible.

Place your card in the tray at church or mail it in.

Please take a moment to reflect on the gifts you have received from God and the importance of your church home.

See Stewardship Chairman Mike Papadelias or Fr. David if you have questions or need a card.

St. Andrew the Apostle Antiochian Orthodox Church Services & Events Calendar

November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
22 Holy Bread - Stacy Orthros 8:50 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Sunday School 11:30 am	23	24	25 Akathist of Thanksgiving 6:00 pm	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28 Great Vespers 6:00 pm
29 Holy Bread Sandi Orthros 8:50 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Vespers & Antoklasia for St Andrew the Apostle 11:15 am Fish Fry Dinner for Feast of St. Andrew 12:00 pm	30 Orthros for St Andrew 8:00 am Divine Liturgy for St Andrew the Apostle 10:00 am	1 Kourambliethies 10:00 am 4:00 pm	2 Kourambliethies 10:00 am 4:00 pm Paraklesis for Nativity 6:00 pm Adult Study Group 6:45 pm	3	4	5 Great Vespers for St Nicholas 6:00 pm
6 Holy Bread - Olga Orthros 8:50 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Sunday School 11:30 am	7	8	9 Paraklesis for Nativity 6:00 pm Adult Study Group 6:45 pm	10 Choir Rehearsal 5:45 pm	11	12 Bake Sale Pick Up 9:00 am 12:00 pm Great Vespers 6:00 pm
13 Holy Bread Petruia Orthros 8:50 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Sunday School 11:30 am Bake Sale Pick Up 12:00 pm 2:00 pm	14 Parish Council Meeting 6:00 pm	15	16 Paraklesis for Nativity 6:00 pm Adult Study Group 6:45 pm	17 Choir Rehearsal 5:45 pm	18	19 Great Vespers 6:00 pm
20 Holy Bread Laura Orthros 8:50 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Sunday School 11:30 am St Photini General Meeting 12:00 pm	21	22	23 Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ 6:00 pm	24 Christmas Eve Vespers Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ 9:00 am Orthros for the Nativity of Christ 9:00 pm Divine Liturgy for the Nativity of Christ 10:00 pm	25 Christmas Day	26 Great Vespers 6:00 pm

December 2015

ST. ANDREW DIRECTORY INFORMATION SHEET

Family Last Name:		Please fill out any/all applicable information for your family and each individual.
Home Address:		Check the column to the left of the information for any piece of information that you <u>do not want to be shared</u> in the parish directory
Home Phone:		
#1 Name:		#2 Name:
Age:	Grade in School:	Age:
Birthday:		Anniversary:
Patron Saint/Feast Day:		Patron Saint/Feast Day*
Email:		Email:
Cell/Work Phone:		Cell/Work Phone:
#3 Name:		#4 Name:
Age:	Grade in School:	Age:
Birthday:		Anniversary:
Patron Saint/Feast Day:		Patron Saint/Feast Day*
Email:		Email:
Cell/Work Phone:		Cell/Work Phone:
#5 Name:		#6 Name:
Age:	Grade in School:	Age:
Birthday:		Anniversary:
Patron Saint/Feast Day:		Patron Saint/Feast Day*
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