

UPCOMING SERVICES, SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT & EVENTS

- † **Vespers, Wednesdays, 6:00 pm**
followed by Adult Study Group, 6:45 pm - through January
- † **Great Vespers, Saturdays, 6:00 pm**

Special Services

- † **Blessing of Homes**
Contact Fr. David to schedule the blessing of your home.
- † **Divine Liturgy for the Departed
(Soul Saturday)**
Saturday, February 10 - 9:00 am
- † **Forgiveness Vespers** to begin Great Lent
Sunday, February 18 - 1:00 pm following Cheesefare Buffet Lunch
- † **Sunday of Orthodoxy (First Sunday of Great Lent)**
Sunday, February 25
- † **Lenten Retreat** - more information forthcoming in future bulletins
Saturday, March 10

St. Andrew the Apostle Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Week of
February 4, 2018
**Sunday of the Prodigal Son &
After-feast of Presentation (Meeting) of Christ**

Wednesday	Feb. 7	Vespers	6:00 pm
Thursday	Feb. 8	Choir Rehearsal	5:45 pm
Saturday	Feb. 10	Divine Liturgy for Departed (Soul Saturday) Great Vespers	9:00 am 6:00 pm
Sunday	Feb. 11	Orthros Divine Liturgy Youth Sunday School Judgement Sunday Meatfare Buffet Lunch sponsored by the men of St. Andrew (Men: see info in this bulletin)	8:50 am 10:00 am 11:15 am 11:30 am

Hierarchs:

His Eminence Metropolitan JOSEPH,
Archbishop of New York & Metropolitan of all North America
His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS,
Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of Miami and the Southeast

Pastor:

Very Rev. David Bleam

Prayers Requested for Month of February

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

PLEASE NOTE: The names on the St. Andrew Prayer List will be listed through the month of February. If you have names of family or friends you would like to have listed in March, please write the name and your name on paper to give Dorothy or send it to her by email (dtampary@me.com)

Kleoniki	Donna	Tom & Mandy	Dan & Joyce
Yves & Linda	Janice	Petrula	Kim & Shawn
Lucille	Louann	John	Gary
Phyllis	Mary	John & Glennis	Alla
Eleanor	Chris	Blaine	Debbie

MEAT and CHEESE FARE SUNDAYS

February 11, 2018 – MEATFARE - sponsored by the men

Calling on the men of St. Andrew... it is time to show your culinary skills. MeatFare Sunday begins the Lenten Fasting. So clean out your freezers of meats and bring them to church on Sunday, February 11th. The grills will be hot and ready. Cooks will be prepared to cook your donation for our Coffee Hour. Or, bring your meat specialty prepared beforehand at home.

February 18, 2018 – CHEESEFARE - sponsored by the women

Calling on the women of St. Andrew... The Sisters of St. Photini will host CheeseFare Coffee Hour on Sunday, February 18th. Make your plans to bring a delicious dairy entrée, appetizer or dessert.

The women challenge the men to present as outstanding a meal for MeatFare Sunday as the women will for CheeseFare the following Sunday... even though we women will have fewer choices of foods to work with... No meats! Perhaps The Sisters' creativity with delicious dairy delights will best the culinary creativity of the men!

SIGN UP TO HOST A COFFEE FELLOWSHIP! YES... YOU CAN DO IT!!

You may want to join another family or two and host Coffee Fellowship. A birthday coming up? An anniversary?

Want to honor someone or remember a loved one?

All you need are some simple refreshments!

The coffee and lemonade are made ahead of time.

Please check with Janean with any questions.

You are requested to please handle the setup and clean up.

The sign-up sheet is in the Great Room on the bulletin board.

- Today - John Drap - Mardi Gras theme
- February 11 - Meatfare Sunday... St. Andrew's menfolk
- February 18 - Cheesefare Sunday ... Sisters of St. Photini
- February 25 -



Coffee Fellowship



HAPPY BIRTHDAY FOR LATE JANUARY and FEBRUARY

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY FOR FEBRUARY

If a birthday or anniversary has been mistakenly omitted or listed incorrectly or if you are new to the parish, please place correction and additions in the Sisters of St. Photini mail drawer in Treasurer's office or give to Dorothy.

MONTCLAIR BACKPACK MEALS NEWS sponsored by the Sisterhood of St. Photini Antiochian Women

Thank you all for your wonderful, generous support of the project for our neighborhood school, Montclair Elementary. The students and staff are grateful for our participation in the weekend Backpack Meals program for chronically hungry children. St. Andrew sponsors 10 children weekly.

**For the remainder of this school year, we need the following:
Boxed White or Chocolate Milk, Individual mac & cheese bowls
Chef-Boy-R-Dee meals**

No more Ramen Noodles, canned fruit, or snack items for the remainder of this school year.

Cash/check contributions are always welcome.

Then we are able to purchase exactly the things we don't have.

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

February 2018

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 Choir Rehearsal 5:45pm 6:45pm	2 Orthros for the Feast of the Presentation of Christ into the Temple 5:00pm Divine Liturgy for the Presentation of Christ into the Temple 6:00pm	3 Vespers 6:00pm
4 Holy Bread Dorothy Orthros 8:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 11:15am	5	6	7 Vespers 6:00pm	8 Choir Rehearsal 5:45pm 6:45pm	9	10 Divine Liturgy for the Departed (Soul Saturday) 9:00am Vespers 6:00pm
11 Holy Bread Stacy Judgement Sunday (Meatfare) Orthros 8:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 11:15am	12 Parish Council Meeting 6:00pm	13	14 Valentine's Day Vespers 6:00pm	15 Choir Rehearsal 5:45pm 6:45pm	16	17 Vespers 6:00pm
18 Holy Bread Sandi Orthros 8:50am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 11:15am Chaestare Jan. Theon 11:30am Forgiveness Vespers 1:00pm	19 President's Day Great Lent Begins Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete 6:00pm	20 Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete 6:00pm	21 Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 6:00pm	22 Choir Rehearsal 5:45pm 6:45pm Great Compline with Canon of St Andrew of Crete 6:00pm	23 Akathist with Salutations to the Theotokos 6:00pm	24 Vespers 6:00pm
25 Holy Bread Olga Orthros 9:50am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 11:15am	26	27	28 Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 6:00pm			

Saint Isidore of Pelusium

Saint Isidore of Pelusium lived during the fourth-fifth centuries. He was a native of Alexandria, and was raised among pious Christians. He was a relative of Theophilus, Archbishop of Alexandria, and of his successor, Saint Cyril. While still a youth he quit the world and withdrew to Egypt to Mount Pelusium, which became the site of his monastic efforts. Saint Isidore's spiritual wisdom and strict asceticism, combined with his broad learning and innate knowledge of the human soul, enabled him to win the respect and love of his fellow monks in a short time. They chose him as their head and had him ordained a priest (The earliest sources for his life, however, say nothing of him being an igumen).

Following the example of Saint John Chrysostom, whom he had managed to see and hear during a trip to Constantinople, Saint Isidore devoted himself primarily to Christian preaching, that "practical wisdom" which, in his own words, is both "the foundation of the edifice and the edifice itself", while logic is "its embellishment, and contemplation its crown".

He was a teacher and a willingly provided counsel for anyone who turned to him for spiritual encouragement, whether it was a simple man, a dignitary, a bishop, the Patriarch of Alexandria, or even the emperor. He left behind about 10,000 letters, of which 2,090 have survived. A large portion of these letters reveal profound theological thought and contain morally edifying interpretations of Holy Scripture. Saint Photius calls Isidore a model of priestly and ascetical life, and also a master of style.

Saint Isidore's love for Saint John Chrysostom resulted in his support of Saint John when he was persecuted by the empress Eudoxia and Archbishop Theophilus. After the death of Saint John, Saint Isidore persuaded Theophilus' successor Saint Cyril to inscribe the name of Saint John Chrysostom into the Church diptychs as a confessor. Through the initiative of Saint Isidore the Third Ecumenical Council was convened at Ephesus (431), at which the false teaching of Nestorius concerning the person of Jesus Christ was condemned. Saint Isidore lived into old age and died around the year 436.

From the Desert Fathers

"If one desires that his virtues appear great, let him consider them small, and they will surely manifest themselves as great."

(Isidore of Pelusium)