



## St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church

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Of the Diocese of Miami and the Southeast

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Saturday: Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday: Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

November 4, 2018

The 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after Pentecost and the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of St. Luke

Plagal Tone 2 ~ Eothinon 1

*Christ is in our midst. He is and ever shall be.*

### To Our Guests:

**Holy Communion is open only to those Orthodox Christians who are in good standing with the Church and have prepared themselves by prayer, fasting and a recent confession.** If you are not in good standing with the Church or are not an Orthodox Christian please do not be offended by this. While we are not yet in formal inter-communion with other faith traditions, we have much respect for their rites of worship and sanctuaries of prayer. We welcome you to our church and invite you to receive a blessing and partake of the antidoron at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

**Please Note:** Food and drinks in church are not appropriate except for life threatening circumstances. This includes, but is not limited to, snack items, cheerios, fruit, fruit snacks, sandwiches, meals, or drink items of any sort. If your child cannot wait until liturgy is over in order to eat, please take him or her to the church hall. Thank you.

### ***The Mission of St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church...***

We love and worship God, proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ through the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Christian Faith, and serve those in our parish, our larger community, and God's people everywhere through worship, prayer, fellowship, education, charity, and outreach.

### ***The Vision of St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church...***

St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church is committed to growth: growth of our members spiritually, and growth of our members in the participation of parish life. We are committed to the education in the faith of our members and non-members. We will identify and initiate strategies to increase the involvement of the teens and the 20-40 age group of the parish. We will reach out to the larger community with invitations and messages about the Holy Orthodox Christian Faith and St. Basil Antiochian Orthodox Church. We will identify and implement strategies to enhance our financial stability.

### ***Saints du Jour (November 4)***

Venerable Ioanikios the Great of Mount Olympus; Hieromartyers Nicander, bishop of Myra and Hermas the priest; Martyr Porphyrios the Mime; Emperor John Batatze, the Merciful; George Karslidis of Pontos.

***Apolytikion of the Resurrection – Plagal Tone 2:*** When Mary stood at Thy grave looking for Thy sacred Body angelic pow'rs shown 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.

***Apolytikion of St. Ioanikios the Great – Plagal Tone 4:*** 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 hundredfold. 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.

***Apolytikion of St. Basil the Great – Tone 1:*** Into all the world that received thy word went out thy voice; thereby didst thou divinely teach, explaining the nature of existing things and ordering the conduct of men. O venerable father, royal priesthood Basil, intercede with Christ our God for the salvation of our souls.

***Kontakion of the Theotokos – Tone 2:*** O undisputed Intercessor of Christians, constant Advocate before the Creator, do not despise the cry of us sinners, but in thy goodness come speedily to help us who call on thee in faith. Hasten to hear our petition and to intercede for us, O Theotokos, for thou always protect those who honor thee.

***Prokeimenon:*** O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance.

***Verse:*** To You, O Lord, have I cried, O my God.

***Epistle:*** The reading is from St. Paul's letter to the Ephesians.

(Chapter 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.

***Gospel:*** The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Luke

(Chapter 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

### GOSPEL CONTINUED

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.'"

### WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Saturday, Nov. 10<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 11<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Nov. 17<sup>th</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Nov. 18<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Wednesday, Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> – Orthros, 9:00 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 10:00 A.M. (Entry of the Theotokos)

Saturday, Nov. 24<sup>th</sup> – No Great Vespers & Confessions

Sunday, Nov. 25<sup>th</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

Saturday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> – Great Vespers & Confessions, 5:00 P.M.

Sunday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> – Orthros, 8:30 A.M.; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 A.M.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

Please remember to **silence your cell phones** before you come into the church temple. Thank you.

**Today's Ushers:** Volunteers. **Next Sunday:** Michael Zelesnik.

Today's **coffee hour:** Team 6. Thank you. **Next Sunday:** Team 1.

The **Ladies Guild** shall hold their monthly meeting next Sunday, Nov. 11, after Divine Liturgy. All ladies of the parish are invited to attend.

An **Orthodoxy 101/Inquirers' Class** shall be offered on the first Tuesday of each month. Our next gathering is on Nov. 6 at 6:30 P.M. A potluck meal shall be served followed by a presentation and discussion. Everyone is welcome!

***Attention St. Basil's:** As you know it is that time of year when we start taking inventory of our cold weather gear. Time to pull out our jackets and sweaters to make sure they still fit. What do you do if they don't? Not to worry. St. Basil's youth is holding a coat drive. We are looking for coats, jackets and sweaters that are in good condition. Please make sure that buttons and zippers are in good working order. Remember we are trying to keep someone warm this winter. Thank you for all you do. God Bless! (For more information, please see Tania Russell.)*

### ANNOUNCEMENTS CONTINUED

**Russian lessons** for beginners started on September 17. We have two groups - at 12 pm and at 6:30 pm. Please contact **Marianna Avery** for more questions.

The church bulletin is available by email. Please tell Fr. Peter if you would like to receive it.

Donations for last week's Seminary collection totaled \$392.00. These funds are being forwarded to the Archdiocese Chancery. Thank you for your generosity.

As of Nov. 1, 2018, 43 pledges were received totaling \$100,750. The collection for Oct. 28, 2018, totaled \$1,111.25 for a year-to-date total of \$108,510.83, a weekly average of \$2,523.51. As of Oct. 30, 2018, our expenses are \$119,896.04, a weekly average of \$2,788.28.

### From Rob Booms, Chairman of Parish Council

The Parish Council wishes to thank all who took time to have fellowship with His Grace Bishop NICHOLAS during his visit. Special thanks to Nadia Khashou and the Ladies Guild for the meal, Elena for the pastries, our Ethiopian members for the coffee and the Choir for the wonderful liturgical music. The Bishop thought that our church was very beautiful and was very complimentary about Fr. Peter and all of us. He noted that St. Basil reminded him of the Parish he had before he was a Bishop. Like us, it had a mix of Orthodox Christians of Arab, Eastern European and Ethiopian background as well converts. He commended Fr. Peter and the Parish for new members in the last couple of years and said that we are moving in the right direction. The Parish Council at its October meeting unanimously thanked Fr. Peter for his ministry and our parishioners for welcoming new Orthodox Christians to our Parish family. May God bless the Holy Orthodox Church and our part in it--Rob

### Spiritual Counsels...

"No harm can come to the virtuous man, but the wicked have their fill of troubles." – Prov. 12:21

### **The Venerable Ioannicius the Great**

The great spiritual light Ioannicius was born in the village of Marycata in the province of Bithynia, of his father Myrtricius and his mother Anastasia. As a youth, he was a shepherd. While tending his sheep, he would often retreat into solitude and remain in prayer the whole day, encircling his flock with the sign of the Cross so that the flock would not stray and scatter. Later, he was taken into the army and displayed marvelous courage, particularly in the wars with the Bulgarians. Following his military service, Ioannicius withdrew to Mount Olympus in Asia Minor, where he was tonsured a monk and dedicated himself completely to asceticism until his repose in great old age. He lived in asceticism for over 50 years in various places, and received from God a truly abundant gift of wonderworking. He healed all sicknesses and pains, drove out demons, and tamed wild beasts. He especially had power over snakes, could cross over water as on dry land, could be invisible to men when he so desired, and could foretell future events. He was distinguished by overwhelming humility and meekness. His outward appearance was that of a giant--massive and powerful. He took an active part in the destiny of God's Church. During the iconoclast controversy, he was deceived at first, but later tore himself away from the iconoclast viewpoint and became an ardent champion of the veneration of icons. He had a great friendship with Patriarch Methodius of Constantinople. Ioannicius lived for 94 years and entered peacefully into rest in the Lord in the year 846 A.D. He was a great miracle-worker both during his life and after his death.

*from: The Prologue from Ochrid*

## **Diocese Of Miami & the SouthEast**

### **2019 Winter Retreat**

~ Bishop NICHOLAS, presiding, cordially invites you to attend ~



### **DOMSE 2nd Annual Winter Retreat**

Hosted at St. Elias Church in Atlanta, GA

**Pastors Only: Jan. 23 - 24, 2019; all Pastors to arrive in Atlanta by Jan. 22**  
Attached Clergy & Assistant Pastors are strongly encouraged to participate & arrive on the same date!

**Clergy, Antiochian Men, Women, & Young Adults: Jan. 25 - 27, 2019**

*Note: Teen SOYO's part in the Winter Retreat will be moved to the Spring to accommodate for Winter Camp*

ALL must register! \$50 fee per person to cover meals & all other retreat expenses

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