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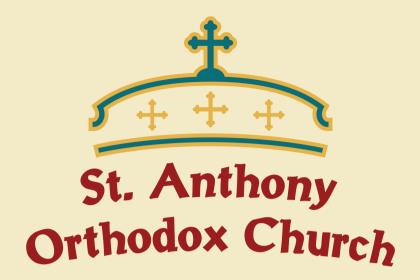
God Bless You!



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Antiochian Orthodox Christian Archdiocese

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Our mission: We strive to bear witness to the Orthodox Faith by caring for the people of God and our community and to embody Christ's teachings through the practice of prayer, study, and hospitality. We live to proclaim the fullness of the Orthodox faith in our lives and to the city of Butler as we share with others our love, fellowship, and charitable works.

Sunday after the Elevation of the Holy Cross September 15, 2024

First Antiphon:

- -O God, my God, attend to me; why hast Thou forsaken me? Far from my salvation are the words of my transgressions. (Re)
- -My God, I will cry by day, and wilt Thou not hearken? And by night, and it shall not be unto folly for me. But as for Thee, Thou dwellest in the sanctuary, O Praise of Israel. (Re)

Refrain: <u>Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.</u>

-Glory... Both now.... (Re)

Second Antiphon:

- -O God, why hast Thou cast us off unto the end? Remember Thy congregation which Thou hast purchased from the beginning. (Re)
- -This is Mount Zion wherein Thou hast dwelt. (Re)

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast crucified in the flesh; as we chant to Thee: Alleluia!

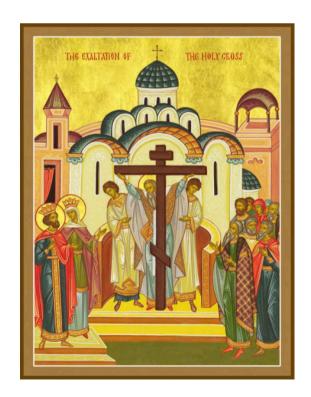
-God is our King before the ages. He hath wrought salvation in the midst of the earth. (Re)

-Glory... Both now...(Re)

Only begotten Son and Word of God...

WELCOME!

- Thank you for coming today and praying with us.
- Parish Council Meeting in September
- Outside Grounds Clean Up in October
- Please sign up for Refreshment dates in October.
- Thank you all for your continued financial support of our Parish. It helps us greatly with our commitments including our energy needs and upcoming snow removal - so THANK YOU!



Remember in Your Prayers:

LIVING: Dollie; Maura (Andronic); Joseph (Totin); Christine (Abraham); Venetia; Maura; Anne; Ed, Peter, John, Mother Barbara, Jonathan and Joanna; Andrei; Diane; Susannah; David, Evelyn, Sally, Courtney, Jean, Jennifer, Jesse, Kaela, Elsa, Brad, Moses, Lee, Christina, Tyler, Jacob, Maria, and Ann.

DEPARTED: Karen (Jane Best's daughter);
Joseph Sipos (Dolly's husband), Frank
(Seba's brother); Kurt (Melinda's father);
Jackie (Rose Totin's mother); Maria (Stella
Lyras' sister); Sula; Kurt (Diane's son);
Norma; Miltiades; Tim (Becker); Silviu; Ross
(Chrissi's friend); Richard Johns; Viorica;
Bishop Antoun; Vito (DiPento); Jim and
Marion (Raimondi); Stephanie (Yazge); Job;
George (Georgiades); Abie (Abraham); Bill
(Thomas); Marta, Lance, Glenn, Kent (Jean's
husband), Carol, Jeffrey, Janet (Seba's
Sister), Jason, Michael, and Bonnie Weaver

At the Little Entrance

Come let us worship and fall down before Christ.

Save us, O Son of God, Who are risen from the dead as we chant to thee, Alleluia

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION (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 become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION: THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (Tone 1)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

TROPARION OF ST. ANTHONY (Tone 4 Russian)

Like the zealous Elijah thou didst become, and followed John the Baptist in his upright ways. A dweller in the wilderness, thou didst steady the world by prayer. O Father Anthony, intercede with Christ our God for our souls' salvation.

KONTAKION: THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS (Tone 4)

Do Thou, Who of Thine own good will was lifted up upon the Cross, O Christ our God, bestow Thy bounties upon the new Nation which is called by Thy Name; make glad in Thy might those who lawfully govern, that with them we may be led to victory over our adversaries, having in Thine aid a weapon of peace and a trophy invincible.

Today's Epistle Reading:

Prokeimenon:

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands all ye peoples.

The Reading is from the Epislte of St. Paul to the Galatians (2:16-20)

Brethren, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. Even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the Law died to the Law, that I might live to God.

I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ Who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Today's Gospel Reading:

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark (8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the Gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and of My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels."

And He said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the Kingdom of God come with power.