



# From The Ambvon

## ST MICHAEL ORTHODOX CHURCH

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12th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 3. Ven. Pœmen the Great (ca. 450). Hieromartyr Kuksha and Ven. Pimen (Pœmen) of the Kiev Caves (Near Caves—12th c.). St. Hosius the Confessor, Bishop of Córdoba (359). St. Liberius, Pope of Rome (366). Ven. Pœmen of Palestine (ca. 602). Martyr Anthusa. Ven. Savva of Benephali. St. Cæsarius, Bishop of Arles (543).

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### Birthdays & Anniversaries for August

**Birthdays:** Savina Shepherd (8/5); Fr Michael Shepherd (8/18); Justin Kane (8//21);

**Nameday:**

**Anniversary:** Eli & Paula Stavisky (8/4);

**Baptism:**

**Travelers:**

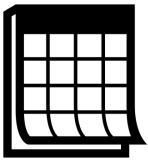
**Prospora Schedule:** We need families to start baking prospora at home

**Counting:** Please Sign up to Count for the month of August

**Visitors:** *PLEASE JOIN US FOR COFFEE HOUR DOWNSTAIRS for an Agape Meal. Thank you to everyone who donated. Please donate what you would spend for a cup of coffee at the agape me to replenish our supplies.*

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DEAR GUESTS AND FRIENDS: *A most sincere and heartfelt welcome to you from our community. According to the ancient traditions of the Orthodox Church, the Sacrament of Holy Communion is to be administered only to Orthodox Christians who have prepared to receive themselves by fasting and a recent (monthly) confession..If you have questions please ask Fr Michael!*



## Service Schedule

SAT, Sep 2nd: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers. Confession following  
SUN, Sep 3rd: Hours @ 9:20 AM Hours, 13th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone  
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SAT, Sep 9th: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers. Confession following  
SUN, Sep 10th: Hours @ 9:20 AM Hours, 14th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 5.  
Afterfeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos. Sunday before Elevation.

WED, Sep 13th: @ 5:00 PM Great Vespers w/Litya  
THURS, Sep 14th: Hours @ 9:00 AM Hours, The Universal Exaltation of the Precious and Life  
Giving Cross



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## Announcements

### Upcoming Parish & Diocesan Events

**Silent Prayers and Confession:** Every Wednesday 11:00AM - 1:30PM or you can make an appt for confession.

**Monthly Panikhida:** August 31st 2pm. Please submit the name of family members you would like to be remembered.

**Inquirers/Catechumen/Continuing ED Class:** Every Saturday 3:30pm-4:30pm. COME AND LEARN ABOUT YOUR FAITH!

**Bible Study:** Every Thursday 11am - Noon. Bring a sack Lunch. We will start with Romans chapter 1.

**Church Work Day:** Every Friday is Church Maintenance day. Come help! Please come and help maintain the Church and its grounds.

**Heavenly Host Program:** Natasha Coyoy is our coordinator. Need to schedule a date for a briefing.

**Parish Council Meeting: 03Sept23 All are invited. (Every first Sunday of the Month)** Please come and see the great things our parish council is doing and the vision we have. The Annual Parish census is coming up and is due to the chancery in October. Please visit our website to review our bylaws. To be a voting member I need a statement of Intent signed by you and the commitment to God and His church by Time, Talent, Treasure, Confession, & Communion.

**Registration** - Please continue to sign up on the website to receive the weekly emails. We are going live with our services! Please go to the website to register for our youtube channel.

**Pasta Dinner** - Nov 11th, Veterans Day. Please see Tamara Wytovich to help Volunteer.

## *Parish Prayer List*

**NEWLY DEPARTED:** *Matushka Dolores Donlick (7/28);*

**DEPARTED:** *Matushka Karen Mahaffey (8/8); Barbara Pecuch (8/9); Patricia Chesniak (8/15); Femia Pasternak (8/23); Stephen Pasternak (8/24)*

**Please remember in your prayers LIVING**

Ill-afflicted *Archpriests John Nightingale & Theodore Orzolek*

**Servants of God** *Barbara Sevensky, Bernie & Beverly Elko, Sandra Condon, Marie Pasternak, Ann Tyrpak, Sandy & Danny Pregmon, Walter Pritchky, Michael & Euphemia Keklak; Elizabeth Jackson; Justin Kane; Maria & Vitaliy Rakovsky; Ekaterina & Anna; Joe & Kelly Cigna; George, Natasha, & Rosa Coyoy; Paul & Ann Newmeyer; Mat. Emilia, Blaise, Maximus, Rodion, Savina Shepherd; Joseph, Emilia, Judah, Nadezda, & Silas Hart; Eli & Paula Stavisky, Helen Wytovich, Tammy Wytovich, Charissa & Daniel Voroziichak, Nadia Macheska, Paulette Ezbiansky,*

**All those caring for the sick and suffering at this time throughout the world, especially our families and friends:** *Christine Sevensky, Mike Jadick, Margaret Pregmon, Daniel Jones, Matushka Paula Soucek; Alexander Horek; The child of God Abigail and Nathan.*

### **How Much is my tithe**

Weekly	2%	4%	5%	10%
<b>\$200</b>	\$4	\$8	\$10	\$20
<b>\$500</b>	\$10	\$20	\$25	\$50
<b>\$750</b>	\$15	\$30	\$37	\$75
<b>\$1000</b>	\$20	\$40	\$50	\$100
<b>\$1500</b>	\$30	\$60	\$75	\$150

**WEEKLY GIVING UPDATE:** We thank you for your continued giving in gratitude for all that our loving God does for each of us, for His Holy Church, **and** all the blessings we receive through her.

**August Income:** \$18,987.62

**Expenditures:** \$14,888.89

**Bank Balance:** \$110,918.86

**Weekly Cost to Keep the Church Open:** \$3,225.62

**Monthly Cost to Keep the Church Open:** \$12,902.49



**Epistle: 1 Corinthians 15:1-11**

**Gospel: Matthew 19:16-26**

### *From the Saints & Teachers*

1 COR 15:1 *The Gospel in Which You Stand*

**The Message of the Gospel. St John Chrysostom:** When St Paul calls the Corinthian Christians his brothers, he establishes the basis for most of his subsequent assertions. For we became brothers through the work of Christ in his earthly life and death. After all, what is the gospel but the message that God became man, was crucified and rose again? This is what the angel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary, what the prophets preached to the world and what all the apostles truthfully proclaimed. **Homilies on the Epistles of St Paul to the Corinthians 38.2.**

Matthew 19:16 *Having Eternal Life*

**What Must I Do to Inherit Eternal Life? St John Chrysostom:** And, behold, one came and said to him, “Good Master, what deed must I do to inherit eternal life?” Some criticize this young man as dissembling and wicked, approaching Jesus to put him to the test. I would not hesitate to say that he is avaricious and greedy since Christ also showed him up as such. Yet I would by no means call him a dissembler, because it is not safe to venture on things uncertain and especially in a case of blame. Such is also true because Mark has taken away the suspicion of dissembling. For Mark says, “A man ran up and kneeling before him asked him” and “Jesus looking upon him loved him.” The tyranny of money is a powerful thing, as is clear here. Though we are practiced in the other virtues, avarice brings the others to ruin. **The Gospel of St Matthew, Homily 63.1.**