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# St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church


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**Sunday January 20, 2019** 34th SUNDAY AFTER  
PENTECOST – Tone 1. Ven. Euthymius the Great  
(473). Ven. Eofimii (Euthymius), Schema-Monk (14th c.),  
and Laurentii (Lawrence) the Recluse (13th-14th c.), of the  
Kiev Caves (Far Caves). Ven. Eofimii (Euthemius) of  
Syanzhémsk (Vologdá – ca. 1470). Martyrs Innas, Pinnas,  
and Rimmas, disciples of the Apostle Andrew, in Scythia  
(1st-2nd c.). Martyrs Bassus, Eusebius, Euthychius, and  
Basileides, at Nicomedia (303).

## This Week's Schedule

Wednesday 1/23 Little Angels 9:30 a.m.

Thursday 1/24 Study Group 10 :00 a.m.

Saturday 1/26 Great Vesper 5:00 p.m.

Sunday 1/27 Sacrament of Holy Baptism 8:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

*followed by Coffee Hour*

## Reader Schedule

<b>DATE</b>	<b>3<sup>RD</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>6<sup>TH</sup> HOUR</b>	<b>EPISTLE</b>
Jan-20	WALES	WALES	WALES
Jan-27	SOUDER	PECK	PECK
Feb 2	MEETING OF THE LORD		
Feb-3	BUNITSKY	BUNITSKY	FINCK
Feb-10	WALES	WALES	WALES

## Hymns and Prayers

### **Tone 1 Troparion**      *(Resurrection)*

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews,  
while the soldiers were guarding Your most pure ^body,  
You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life to the world.  
The powers of heaven therefore cried to You, O Giver of Life:  
“Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ!  
Glory to Your ^Kingdom!//  
Glory to Your dispensation, O  Lover of mankind!”

### **Tone 4 Troparion**      *(Venerable Euthymius)*

Rejoice, barren wilderness!  
Be glad, sterile desert that has never known the travail of birth!  
The man of desires, Euthymius, has multiplied your sons;  
he has planted them in faith and piety.  
He has watered them with the Holy Spirit;  
they grow in self-denial and perfect virtue.//  
Through his intercessions, Christ our God, preserve Your people in  
peace!

### **Tone 1 Kontakion**      *(Resurrection)*

As God, You rose from the tomb in glory,  
raising the world with Yourself.  
Human nature praises You as God, for death has vanished.  
Adam exults, O Master!  
Eve rejoices, for she is freed from bondage and cries to You://  
“You are the Giver of Resurrection to all, O Christ!”

### **Tone 8 Kontakion** *(Venerable Euthymius)*

The wilderness rejoiced at your birth, holy Father Euthymius.  
In your memory, it brings a harvest of joy through your many miracles.  
Pour the wonders on our souls as well and cleanse us from our sins,  
that we may sing: “Alleluia!”

### **Tone 1 Prokeimenon**

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us as we have set our hope on You!  
(Ps 32/33:22)

*v: Rejoice in the Lord, O you righteous! Praise befits the just! (Ps 32/33:1)*

## **Tone 7 Prokeimenon**

*Precious in the sight of the Lord is the death of His saints. (Ps 115/116:15)*

### **Epistle Colossians 3:4-11**

*When Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with Him in glory.*

*Therefore put to death your members which are on the earth: fornication, uncleanness, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry.*

*Because of these things the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience, in which you yourselves once walked when you lived in them.*

*But now you yourselves are to put off all these: anger, wrath, malice, blasphemy, filthy language out of your mouth.*

*Do not lie to one another, since you have put off the old man with his deeds, and have put on the new man who is renewed in knowledge according to the image of Him who created him, where there is neither Greek nor Jew, circumcised nor uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave nor free, but Christ is all and in all.*

### **Hebrews 13:17-21 (Ven Euthymius)**

*Obey those who rule over you, and be submissive, for they watch out for your souls, as those who must give account. Let them do so with joy and not with grief, for that would be unprofitable for you.*

*Pray for us; for we are confident that we have a good conscience, in all things desiring to live honorably.*

*But I especially urge you to do this, that I may be restored to you the sooner.*

*Now may the God of peace who brought up our Lord Jesus from the dead, that great Shepherd of the sheep, through the blood of the everlasting covenant, make you complete in every good work to do His will, working in you what is well pleasing in His sight, through Jesus Christ, to whom be glory forever and ever. Amen.*

## **Tone 1**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia.*

*v: God gives vengeance unto me, and subdues people under me..  
(Ps 17/18:47)*

*v: He magnifies the salvation of the King and deals mercifully with  
David, His anointed, and his seed forever. (Ps 17/18:50)*

**Tone 6**

*v. Blessed is the man who fears the Lord, who greatly delights in His  
commandments. (Ps 111/112:1)*

**Gospel Luke 18:35-43**

*Then it happened, as He was coming near Jericho, that a certain blind  
man sat by the road begging.*

*And hearing a multitude passing by, he asked what it meant.*

*So they told him that Jesus of Nazareth was passing by.*

*And he cried out, saying, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!"*

*Then those who went before warned him that he should be quiet; but he  
cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!"*

*So Jesus stood still and commanded him to be brought to Him. And when  
he had come near, He asked him, saying, "What do you want Me to do  
for you?" He said, "Lord, that I may receive my sight."*

*Then Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you  
well."*

*And immediately he received his sight, and followed Him, glorifying  
God. And all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.*

**Luke 6:17-23 (Ven Euthymius)**

*And He came down with them and stood on a level place with a crowd of  
His disciples and a great multitude of people from all Judea and  
Jerusalem, and from the seacoast of Tyre and Sidon, who came to hear  
Him and be healed of their diseases,  
as well as those who were tormented with unclean spirits. And they were  
healed.*

*And the whole multitude sought to touch Him, for power went out from  
Him and healed them all.*

*Then He lifted up His eyes toward His disciples, and said: "Blessed are  
you poor, for yours is the kingdom of God.*

*Blessed are you who hunger now, for you shall be filled. Blessed are you  
who weep now, for you shall laugh.*

*Blessed are you when men hate you, and when they exclude you,  
and revile you, and cast out your name as evil, for the Son of  
Man's sake.*

*Rejoice in that day and leap for joy! For indeed your reward is great in heaven, for in like manner their fathers did to the prophets.*

### **Communion Hymns**

Praise the Lord from the heavens! Praise Him in the highest! (*Ps 148:1*)  
The righteous shall be in everlasting remembrance. He shall not fear evil tidings. (*Ps 111/112:6b-7a*)  
Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia!

### **This Week's Announcement**

***Holy Water and Home Blessings*** Holy water will be available for the next few weeks in the church. Holy water is also available throughout the year upon request. Fr. Barnabas is available for home blessings, please see Fr. Barnabas or Mat. Daria for scheduling.

***Family Promise*** Thanks to everyone who cooked, served, drove van, and shared hope and compassion with local homeless families this week through the Family Promise program. Special thanks to Susan Skomorucha for coordinating details with St. Philips staff. Please continue to remember this ministry to Wilmington's homeless.

***Finck Baptism*** Next Sunday Jan. 27<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. we will welcome into the Church John David Finck through the sacraments of Baptism and Chrismation. All are welcome to join us!

***Meeting of the Lord in the Temple*** The feast of the Presentation or Meeting of the Lord in the Temple takes place forty days following the Nativity of Jesus (Feb. 2). The feast celebrates Christ's fulfillment of the Law of Moses calling for all the first born; whatever is the first to open the womb among the people of Israel, be consecrated to God. At this time, we also see His mother Mary undergo the ritual purification offering the sacrifices prescribed in the Law. In the feast Christ's encounters, the Elder Simeon who had long awaited His coming, and inspired by the Holy Spirit, leads the Messiah into the Temple. We will celebrate the feast this Friday evening Feb. 1<sup>st</sup> at 7:00 p.m. with Vespers and Saturday Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m. Join us!

***Special Choir Rehearsal*** On Feb. 2<sup>nd</sup> following the liturgy for the feast we will be offering a special choir rehearsal. The rehearsal is for both

current and non-choir persons, so all are invited. We will have a small coffee hour for all participants. Please consider offering yourself to our choir ministry.

**No Study Group** Our study group will not meet this week. We will resume Thurs. Jan. 31<sup>st</sup> at 10 a.m.

**Mission Service March 17** St. Michaels will be hosting a Lenten Mission Service (Orthodoxy Sunday) on Sunday March 17 at 4:00 p.m. We are asking for volunteers to help organize and put the meal together. We will need everyone's help as we will be hosting The Philadelphia Clergy Brotherhood as well as the faithful from our surrounding area. Please email Alice Morjana at [namorjana@aol.com](mailto:namorjana@aol.com) or see Alice to let her know you can help.

**Lenten retreat March 22-23** St. Michaels will be hosting a Lenten retreat with guest speaker and author Dr. Philip Mamalakis. We would like to invite the surrounding churches to share in this retreat therefore we need volunteers to help organize this two-day event for Friday evening and Saturday March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>. There will be more details to follow on Dr Mamalakis' agenda. Please see Jeff Kendall or Alice Morjana to volunteer.

**Parish Giving** We continue to progress to the diocesan proportional giving of 10% of our operating budget to the National and Diocesan Church. The yearly National and Diocesan Assessments are determined based on the parish approved budgets. As a result of the approved 2019 parish budget for St. Michael's and moving to a level 4 Tithing, the annual assessment for each adult over 18 will be \$189 per year. This can be paid at one time or easier quarterly payments of \$47.25. Envelopes are available in the Narthex if you wish to use them as a reminder. Thank you for your continued support.

## Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

*"I would wish to speak about a more subtle and profound topic to the best of my ability. Wherefore, listen attentively to me. The infinite, inaccessible and uncreated God has assumed a body, and on account of His immense and ineffable kindness, if I may say it, He diminished Himself, lessening His inaccessible glory so as to be able to be united with His creatures, so they can be made participators of divine life [2 Peter 1:4]. God who transcends all limitations and far exceeds the grasp of our human understanding, through His goodness has diminished Himself and has taken the members of our human body which He surrounded with inaccessible glory. And through His compassion and love for mankind, taking upon Himself a body, He mingles Himself and becomes "one spirit" [1 Corinthians 6:17] with them, according to Paul's statement. He becomes a soul, if I may so say it, in a soul, substance in substance so that the soul may live in God, and sense the immortal life and become a participator in eternal glory."*

*St. Macarius the Great*

*Just as grace is given from the Father through the Son, so there could be no communication of the gift to us except in the Holy Spirit. But when we share in the Spirit we possess the love of the Father, the grace of the Son, and the communion of the Spirit himself.*

*St. Athanasius of Alexandria*

*'Human affairs are fainter than a shadow; more deceitful than a dream. Youth fades more quickly than the flowers of spring; our beauty wastes with age or sickness. Riches are uncertain; glory is fickle. The pursuit of arts and sciences is bounded by the present life; the charm of eloquence, which all covet, reaches but the ear: whereas the practice of virtue is a precious possession for its owner, a delightful spectacle for all who witness it. Make this your study; so will you be worthy of the good things promised by the Lord.'*

*St. Basil the Great*

**Prayers for the Departed:** Virginia Sekerak Marie Holowatch, Maria Proch, Mark Gundersen, John Berket, George Sarmousakis, Alfred Mokhiber.

**Prayers for the Sick and Those in Need:** Fr. John Zabinko, Fr. Joseph Chupeck, Fr. Josef Petranin, Fr. John Nightingale, Fr. Deacon James Carpenter, Mat Julia Petranin, Mat. Ellen Chupeck, Lemlem Resat, Peter Melnik, Olga Riley, Marie Karawulan, Barbara Hicks, James Hicks, Anna Herko, Luke & Anna Wales, Nona Carey, Maria & Doug Dozier, Mona Elia, Mary Anne Farrell, John Griffith, Cynthia Griffith, Benjamin, Patrica, Lubov Baldychev, Stephanie Hojnicky, Michael Sinovich, Laura Cristina Najemy, Harry Kutch, Dimitrios Jim Petrides, Catalina Mary Finck, Infant John David Finck

**Prayers for Catechumen:** Robert Jaquette

**Prayers for Women and the Child to be born:** Ruth Kendall, Bisrat Gabriel

<b>Date</b>	<b><u>Coffee Hour</u></b>	<b><u>Service Duty</u></b>	<b><u>Church Cleaner</u></b>	<b><u>Library</u></b>
<b>20-Jan</b>	J. Peck/Sue Dorazio	Hojnicki/Souder	Skomorucha/Lewis Kiflemarian	Skomorucha
<b>27-Jan</b>	Hamwi/Morjana	Telep/Baldychev	S. Peck	Maloney
<b>3-Feb</b>	Najemy/Kendall	Bunitsky/Morjana	N. Carey	Gundersen
<b>10-Feb</b>	Bacuta/Fravel	Riley/Riley	Baldychev/Shatley/	Farrell
<b>17-Feb</b>	Pacienza/George/Grishin	Sulpizi/Finck	Suplizi	Skomorucha