

# THE MANTLE

## Saint Michael's Orthodox Church

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Ninth Sunday after Pentecost

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### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### TODAY:

- **9:30 A.M.** Divine Liturgy begins!
- The Coffee Social Hour will be held following the Liturgy and is sponsored by Pañi Bonnie!

#### Thursday:

- **11:00 A.M.** The annual Orthodox Christian Clergy Association (OCCA) Clergy-Family Picnic will be held here at St. Michael's!

#### SUNDAY, August 1:

- **6:30 A.M.** Campers are to gather here at church and then depart for Camp Nazareth at 7:00 a.m.
- **8:45 A.M.** Our **Saint Michael's Choir** will rehearse up in the Choir Loft! All choir members should plan to attend this important rehearsal.
- **9:30 A.M.** In Father Sam's absence, the beautiful **READER SERVICE** will be held! It will be led by Cantor Emil Misichko. Please note that no Holy Communion or Blessed Bread will be offered!
- A 'sponsor' is needed for the **Coffee Social Hour!**

#### **Father Sam Out of Town**

Father Sam will be out of town from early Sunday morning of August 1<sup>st</sup> until Saturday evening of August 7<sup>th</sup>. He (along with Pañi Bonnie) will drive our campers back and forth to our Camp Nazareth. The rectory phone will be backed up to Father Sam's cell phone in case of any extreme emergencies. All other phone calls will be returned on Monday, August the 9th.

#### ♪ **CHOIR REHEARSAL** ♪

Our Saint Michael's Church Choir is scheduled to rehearse starting at 8:45 a.m. **next Sunday, August 1<sup>st</sup>** up in the Choir Loft! All of our choir members are kindly asked to attend this necessary rehearsal.

#### **Annual All-Cash Raffle**

Our Annual Parish 'All Cash' Raffle will be held on Sunday, September 12<sup>th</sup> in conjunction with our "Welcome Back to Church School" Tailgate Party! **But please note** that due to high flood waters and the closing of major highways in Westchester and surrounding areas, Wes Stinich is unable to be here at church with us today to distribute the Raffle Tickets to our faithful, as previously planned. We apologize for the delay in this area, and thank you in advance for your patience.

#### BLESSING OF FRUIT

It is customary for us to bring fruit to church to be blessed on the Holy Day commemorating the Transfiguration of our Lord (August 6). Since Father Sam will be at Camp Nazareth and no Holy Day Liturgy will be held here at Saint Michael's on that day this year, the Blessing of fruits and vegetables will be held on **Sunday, August 8<sup>th</sup>**. Please place your items on the table that will be located up front here in church by the Iconostas, prior to the start of Liturgy that day!



#### **Pan-Orthodox Youth Meeting**

A meeting will be held Tuesday evening, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church in Cicero, to enable our Orthodox youth and their advisors in Chicagoland to meet and discuss future cooperation. Target age for this group is any youth 13 to 19 years old. This meeting will serve as a catalyst in planning a Pan-Orthodox Gathering of all Orthodox Teenagers in our Chicagoland. The evening begins with a Paraklis at 6pm, followed by the meeting at 7pm.

Since Father Sam will be out of town on this date, a volunteer or volunteers are needed to represent Saint Michael's. If any of our young adults or adults would be interested in attending and then serving as a teen advisor/representative, please let Father Sam know.

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**BANNS OF MARRIAGE** are hereby announced for the first time for **MICHELLE ANN MISICHKO** (of our Parish), daughter of Emil and Patricia (Zabrucky) Misichko and **PAUL VINCENT MOCERI**, son of Daniel and Sharon (Roelle) Mocerri. If anyone knows of any reason why these two young people should NOT be united in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony according to the teachings of the Holy Orthodox Church, please contact the Rectory Office as soon as possible. The wedding ceremony is scheduled to take place here at our Saint Michael's Church on Saturday, August 21, 2010.



### **A NEW COMMANDMENT**

In addition to the Ten Commandments, in which we are given standards of conduct, our Lord gives us another, new commandment: *A new commandment I give to you that you love one another; even as I have loved you, that you also love one another* (John 13:34).

This new love requires that we not only love those who love us, but also to love those who hate us: *But, I say to you that hear, Love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you, pray for those who abuse you. To him who strikes you on the cheek, offer the other also; and from him who takes away your coat do not withhold even your shirt. Give to every one who begs from you; and of him who takes away your goods do not ask them again* (Luke 6:27-30).

It is not even necessary that we like someone in order to love him in the Christian manner, for this love means that we must always be ready to help, to forgive, to be just, and to live by the Golden Rule [As you wish that one would do to you, do so to them. (Luke 6:31)]. By doing this, as our Lord said, all the requirements of the law and prophets are fulfilled and as He further tells us, do this, and you will live (Luke 10:28).

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### *Save the Date - The 2010 Symposium*

#### **The ABCs of Marriage: Assumptions, Blessings, and Challenges**

9:00 am to 1:30 pm on Saturday, October 16

Saint George Antiochian Orthodox Church

1220 S. 60th Ct / Cicero, IL

#### *Speakers:*

His Grace, Bishop Michael (Dahulich)

Khouria Maggie Hock

#### **REGISTRATION INFORMATION WILL BE MAILED IN SEPTEMBER**

Registration and payment prior to October 9:

\$35 (Couples \$50.00); October 10-16: \$40 per person.

High School and College Students: \$20.00.

*Registration includes coffee service and lunch.*

### **THANKS AND APPRECIATION**

Our thanks and appreciation is expressed to the following individuals for their donations to our Saint Michael's Church in memory of God's departed servant **Marilyn Webster**: Olga Horn (\$100), Janet Foltman (\$100), Geary & Donna Foltman (\$25). May God grant a Blessed Repose to Marilyn & Eternal be her memory!

### ***VIGIL CANDLES AT THE ICONOSTAS TODAY***

In Loving Memory of Husband **Norbert Andrews** (7/12) offered by Ann Andrews & Helen Vavrinchik

Health & Healing for **Gerry Bagnowski**  
offered by the Micklewright Family

In Memory of **Marilyn Webster**  
offered by Kay & Steve Charnota

For the Good Health of **Michelle Misichko**  
on the occasion of her Birthday (7/21)  
offered by Mom, Dad and Matthew

In Memory of **Marilyn Webster**  
offered by Janet Foltman

In Memory of **Pauline Kopchak**  
offered by Janet Foltman

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