

Saints Michael and Gabriel Antiochian Orthodox Church (SMG)

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines

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Sunday, 28 October 2018

**9am Matins – Orthros | 10am Divine Liturgy (English) | 6pm Divine Liturgy (Arabic) |
Tone 5 | Eothinon 11 | Seventh Sunday of Luke**

Commemorated today: Martyrs Terence and Neonilla and their children; Venerable Bishop Stephen of Mar Sabbas monastery in Palestine; Athanasios I, patriarch of Constantinople; Venerable Job of Pochaev

Welcome to SMG

Welcome to our parish and please stay after the Divine Liturgy to share in fellowship with us as we would love to get to know you better. During school term, your children are also welcome to join our Church School lessons, which takes place directly after the Divine Liturgy in the Parish house.

You will notice that at SMG we do not pass a plate collection, and that general donations and offerings can be placed in the donation boxes located at the candle stands as you enter the Church. Generally, our parishioners participate in the Financial Stewardship Program based on regular ongoing pledging.

We look forward to meeting you. And please feel free to take this bulletin home.

Today's Divine Liturgy

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Troparion Of The Resurrection, In Tone 5

Let us believers praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the spirit, born of the virgin for our salvation, for He took pleasure in ascending the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious Resurrection.

Troparion Of The Archangels, In Tone 4

Commanders of the heavenly hosts, we who are unworthy beseech you; by your prayers encompass us under the wings of your incorporeal glory, and faithfully preserve us who fall down and cry out to you; deliver us from all harm, for you are the commanders of the powers on high.

Kontakion Of The Theotokos, In Tone 4

Protector of Christians, champion undefeated, mediator most sure with our creator, disregard not the voice of prayer of sinners, but come quickly in your goodness, to help us who cry out to you with faith: Be swift to intercede, make hast to supplicate, O Theotokos, protector always of those who honour you.

The Epistle

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Prokeimenon: You, O Lord, shall preserve us and keep us from this generation. Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has disappeared.

The Reading From The Epistle Of St. Paul To The Galatians. (6:11-18)

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the Law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all, who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

The Gospel

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The Reading From The Holy Gospel According To St. Luke (8:41-56)

At that time, there came a man named Ja'irus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As Jesus went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you, and you say, "Who touched me?" But Jesus said, "Someone touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace."

While Jesus was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher anymore." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when Jesus came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and James and John, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but Jesus said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand Jesus called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and Jesus directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

Important Messages

Confessions and prayer requests



Father Michal is available to hear confessions and receive prayer requests at any time during the week and weekend.

Please contact Fr Michal via mobile/ SMS on 0403 847 690 or email parishpriest@smg.org.au

Hospitality Sundays



"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by doing that some have entertained angels without knowing it." (Hebrews 13:2)

As many of you know, following Sunday Divine Liturgy we gather to enjoy fellowship and a light snack. This is a wonderful time to catch up with fellow parishioners and greet our guests. Hospitality Sundays are hosted by parish volunteers, one of the many service opportunities at Sts. Michael and Gabriel.

Maybe you also want to celebrate a special occasion in your family? Hosting a Hospitality Sunday is a great way to bring that celebration into the church family.

We ask people hosting to please observe fasting guidelines. Please also note that Sts. Michael and Gabriel parish supplies coffee, tea, milk, cups, plates and cutlery.

Please contact Fr Michal with your preferred date.

Calendar Of Events

Our Liturgical Calendar



SMG Feast Day

Vespers , Wednesday 7 November 2018 at 7pm

Vigil night for SMG Feast Day and St Nectarios

Thursday, 8 November 2018 at 6.30pm

SMG Adult Bible Study



Adult Bible study

Next Adult Bible Study: Friday, 2 November 2018 at 7pm. Topic: Matthew 11. Both John The Baptist and Jesus Christ are Rejected despite the Signs that were Prophesied by Isaiah.

For more information please contact Ray via raymondhaddad5@gmail.com

Ladies Auxiliary Bible study

Session are held every second Monday at 7pm. after the Paraklesis service. Hosted by Fr Michal.

For more information please contact Fr Michal or Nouha on 0404 886 964.

SMG Church School



Church School lessons are held in the parish house after Divine Liturgy during school term. All students are encouraged and welcome to join the children's choir.

Contact: Christine Ayoub, SMG Church School Director
0410643685 | cjabbour23@hotmail.com

SMG Under 5's Playgroup



Playgroup is held every Thursday during school term, 10am-12pm at Shepherd's Bay Community Centre, 3a Bay Drive, Meadowbank.

The playgroup is an informal gathering for parents and caregivers with children under the age of 5. All children must be supervised by an adult carer.

For more information please contact: Dr Victoria Khoury via drvictoriajk@ihug.com.au or 0414 547 842. Facebook: SMG Playgroup Meadowbank.

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia, New Zealand, and the Philippines



Celebrating the First Anniversary of the Enthronement of His Eminence Metropolitan Basilios Kodseie

On this memorable occasion under his patronage and attendance, the Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese of Australia, New Zealand and the Philippines, clergy and laity cordially invite you to a banquet dinner.

Date: Thursday, 29 November 2018 at 7.30m

Venue: The Lemnos, 42 Albert St, Belmore NSW.

Cost: \$120

Antiochian Orthodox Archdiocese Parent and Teacher Retreat: *Education, fellowship and renewal.*



Saturday 17 November 9am-3-30pm St Mary's Antiochian Orthodox Church 139 Burnett St, Mays Hill

Schedule of speakers and topics:

Rev. Fr. Dr. John El Karaan
Direction of Spiritual Life according to Isaiah

Deacon John Daher
Raising Orthodox Children

Mr Wissam Abwi
Living Orthodoxy (History and basics of the Orthodox Faith)

Sub Deacon Michel Nahas and Mrs Mary Jamhour
A lifetime of Church school teaching and inspiration

Register by 2 November via Mrs Christine Ayoub, SMG Church School Director, mob: 0410643685. Cost: \$10 (cash only) payable to Mrs Ayoub.

NO PARKING

KEEP DRIVEWAY

CLEAR

THANK YOU

Please do not block our neighbours' driveways or park on any footpath or grassed areas.

Thank you for your cooperation.