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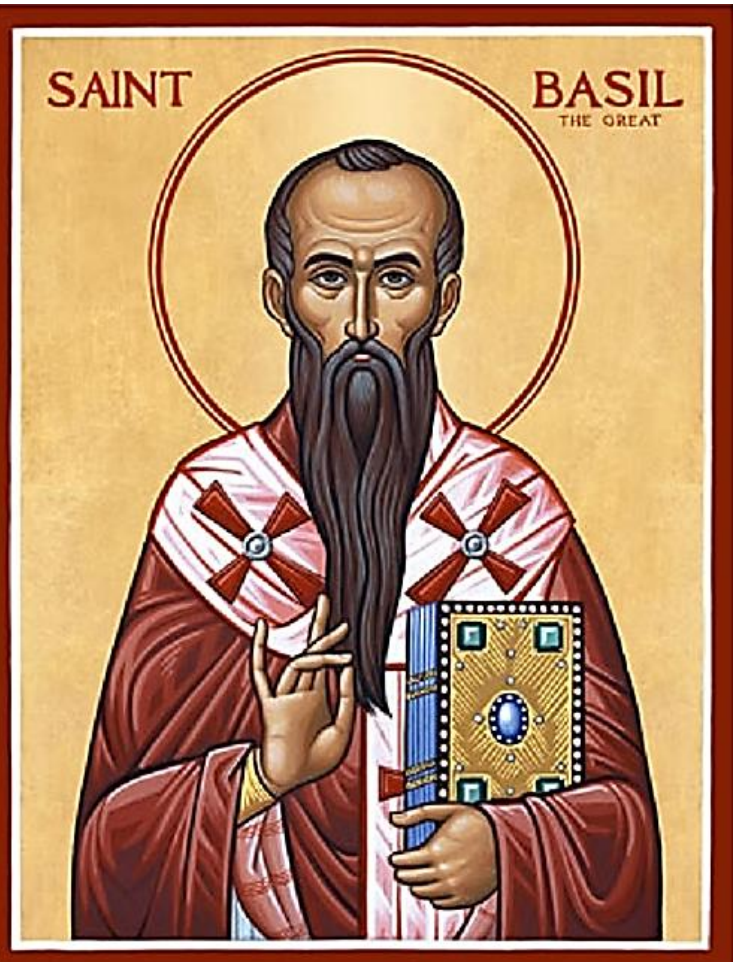
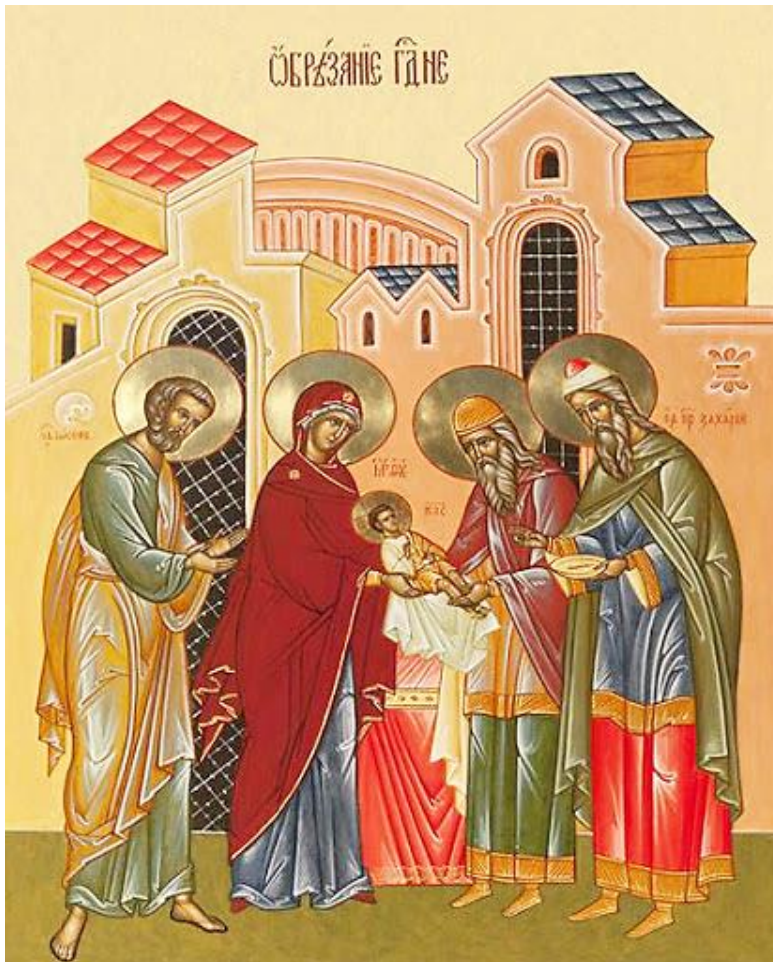
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest

Bishop ANTHONY

“Love, Pray, Repent” / Welcome All!
“One, Holy, Catholic & Apostolic Church”

SUNDAY, 1 JANUARY 2023

Feasts of Circumcision of Christ & St Basil the Great



MATINS/ORTHROS, 8:45 AM • DIVINE LITURGY, 10:00 AM

PASTOR: Father Mark Sahady

PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS:

Elected / Appointed Members

- Melanie Thompson, *Chair*
- Wayne Sanders, *Vice-Chair*
- Ronald Malooley, *Treasurer*
- Nicholas Schaefer, *Secretary*
- George Nimee, *Antiochian Men*
- Rdr Michael Baum, *Ecclesiarch*

Organization Representatives

- Genie Sanders, *Chanters/Choir*
- Dee Khoury, *Antiochian Women*
- Sbdn David Anderson, *Sunday School*
- Robert Abraham, *Facilities*
- Nicholas Medawar, *Order of St Ignatius*
- No Teen Rep Presently, *SOYO*

1 January 2023

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New Year Sunday Bulletin

BULLETIN PART ONE – ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

Contact Fr Mark at 815-664-4540. Council Minutes Binder with Financials is in Hall

WORSHIP On Youtube: https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCVy__6R3xbIrx-UI8H63AUA

STUDIES & MEETINGS (when noted) On Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/5822049765>

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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

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December 31, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**, 6:30 pm Potluck Fellowship
January 1, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins**, **10 am Divine Liturgy**, 11:15 am Fellowship
January 5, Thursday, **9-11 am Royal Hours**, **5 pm Vespersal Liturgy & Blessing Water**
January 6, Theophany Friday, **9 am Matins**, **10 am Divine Liturgy**

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January 7, Saturday, **5:30 pm Vespers**
January 8, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins**, **10 am Divine Liturgy**, 11:15 am Fellowship
11:45 Antiochian Women Meeting

January 11, Wednesday, 9:30 am Membership Meeting, Noon Prayer & Share

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January 14, Saturday, **10:30 am Bless Illinois River** at the IVY Club of Peoria
at 5102 N. Galena Rd.

January 15, Sunday, **8:45 am Matins**, **10 am Divine Liturgy**, 11:15 am Fellowship
11:45 Parish Council Meeting

January 29, Sunday, 11:45 Annual Parish Assembly

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JANUARY BIRTHDAYS & ANNIVERSARIES

Jan. 9 – Efy Trilikis	Jan. 14 – Angelo Fousekas
Jan. 10 – David Kaleel	Jan. 16 – Nicholas Leonard
Jan. 11 – Mitch Kaleel, Judy Abraham, Bridget Spitz	Jan. 22 – Alan Harshman
Jan. 13 – Freda Kapetaneas, Lukas Schrader	Jan. 23 – Sally Favia
	Jan. 24 – Christopher Leonard
	Jan. 31 – Wayne Sanders

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CHURCH FINANCES

November 2022 Income-Expense

Total November Income: \$5,035.02
Total November Expenses: \$8,009.31
Net November Income: \$-2,974.29

2021 November Net Income: \$13,752.24

January-November 2022 Totals

Total Year Income: \$ 64,032.30
Total Year Expense: \$79,057.69
Total Year Net Income: \$-15,025.39

2021 Nov Net Year Income: \$6,324.26

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and clicking the Donate Button at the bottom of the page with PayPal or Credit Card or
contact Fr Mark for Bank Information for Direct Deposit by Transfer from your bank.

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Offering Schedule	Holy Bread & Food Fellowship	Epistle Reader
Sunday, January 1	?	?
Sunday, January 8	?	?
Sunday, January 15	Allyson Scandale	?
Sunday, January 22	The Baums in Memory of Fr Patrick Kinder & Fr Michael Vanderhoef	Rdr Michael Baum
Sunday, January 29	Potluck for General Assembly	Rdr Michael Baum
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BULLETIN PART TWO – WORSHIP

- The “Glory” hymns at the end of Matins:

DOXASTICON FOR SAINT BASIL IN TONE SIX

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

Grace is poured upon thy lips, O righteous father Basil, and thou didst become a shepherd for the Church of Christ, teaching the sheep endowed with speech to believe in the consubstantial Trinity of the one Godhead.

DOXASTICON FOR THE CIRCUMCISION IN TONE EIGHT

Both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

When the Savior condescended for the sake of mankind, He was willing to be wrapped in swaddling clothes, and He Who was eight days old on the side of His Mother, and eternal on the side of His Father did not disdain the circumcision of the flesh. Wherefore, let us cry to Him, O believers, Thou art our God; have mercy upon us.

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THE GREAT DOXOLOGY AND TROPARION “Today is Salvation”

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- The Hymns of the Day during the Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil the Great:

THE GREAT LITANY & THE FIRST ANTIPHON

Verse: Shout with jubilation unto the Lord all the earth. Chant ye unto His name, give glory in praise of Him.

Refrain: Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Savior, save us.

Verse: Say unto God: How awesome are Thy works! In the multitude of Thy power, shall Thine enemies be proved false unto Thee. (*Refrain*)

Verse: Glory... Both now... (*Refrain*)

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THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE SECOND ANTIPHON:

Verse: Let the heavens be glad and let the earth rejoice. Sing unto the Lord; chant unto His Name.

Refrain: Save us, O Son of God, Who wast circumcised in the flesh;
who sing to Thee. Alleluia.

Verse: Out of Zion is the magnificence of His comeliness. (*Refrain*)

Verse: Our God is in heaven and on earth; whatsoever He hath willed, He hath done. (*Refrain*)

Verse: Glory... Both now... O, only begotten Son and Word of God...

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THE LITTLE LITANY AND THE THIRD ANTIPHON:

Verse: I will sing of Thy mercies, O Lord, forever. With my mouth will I tell of Thy truth. Thou hast loved righteousness, and hated iniquity.

APOLYTIKION OF CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Our human form hast Thou taken on Thyself without change, * O greatly compassionate Master, though being God by nature; * fulfilling the Law, Thou willingly * receivest circumcision in the flesh, * that Thou mightest end the shadow and roll away * the veil of our sinful passions. * Glory be to Thy goodness unto us. * Glory be to Thy compassion. * Glory, O Word, to Thine inexpressible condescension.

THE EISODIKON (ENTRANCE HYMN) OF ORDINARY SUNDAY:

Priest: Come, let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God,
Who art risen from the dead, who sing to Thee: Alleluia.

All: Save us, O Son of God, Who art risen from the dead; who sing to Thee. Alleluia

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- *After the Little Entrance (Eisodos), sing these Apolytikia in the following order.*

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN TONE FOUR

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

APOLYTIKION OF CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST IN TONE ONE

Our human form hast Thou taken on Thyself without change, * O greatly compassionate Master, though being God by nature; * fulfilling the Law, Thou willingly * receivest circumcision in the flesh, * that Thou mightest end the shadow and roll away * the veil of our sinful passions. * Glory be to Thy goodness unto us. * Glory be to Thy compassion. * Glory, O Word, to Thine inexpressible condescension.

APOLYTIKION OF SAINT BASIL THE GREAT IN TONE ONE

Thy sound hath gone forth into all the earth, which hath received thy word. Thereby thou hast divinely taught the Faith; thou hast made manifest the nature of all things that be; thou hast adorned the ways of man. O namesake of the royal priesthood, our righteous Father Basil, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

APOLYTIKION OF SAINT SERAPHIM OF SAROV IN TONE FOUR:

THOU didst love Christ from thy youth, O blessed one, and ardently desiring to work for Him alone, thou didst struggle in the wilderness with constant prayer and labor; and having acquired love for Christ with compunction of heart, thou didst prove to be the beloved favorite of the Mother of God. Wherefore, we cry to thee: Save us by thy prayers, O Seraphim, our holy Father.

APOLYTIKION OF SAINT GEORGE IN TONE FOUR:

Since thou art a liberator and deliverer of the captives, a help and succour of the poor and needy, a healing physician of the sick, a contender and fighter for the kings, O great among martyrs, thou victory-clad George: Intercede with Christ God for the salvation of our souls.

KONTAKION OF CIRCUMCISION OF CHRIST IN TONE THREE

Now the Lord of all that is * doth undergo circumcision, * in His goodness cutting off * the sins and failings of mortals. * He this day doth give salvation * unto the whole world; * and the hierarch and bright daystar of the Creator * now rejoiceth in the highest, * Basil the wise and * divine initiate of Christ.

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THE LITANY AND THE TRISAGION HYMN

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- **The Scripture of the day, following the Trisagion Hymn:**

THE EPISTLE (For Saint Basil):

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: My mouth shall speak of wisdom; and the meditation of my heart shall be of understanding. Hear this, all ye people.

Clergy: Wisdom!

Reader: The reading from the Epistle of Saint Paul to the Colossians. (2:8-12)

Clergy: Let us attend!

Reader: Brethren, see to it that no one makes a prey of you by philosophy and empty deceit, according to human tradition, according to the elemental spirits of the universe, and not according to Christ. For in Him the whole fullness of the Godhead dwells bodily, and you have come to fullness of life in Him, Who is the head of all rule and authority. In Him also you were circumcised with a circumcision made without hands, by putting off the body of flesh in the circumcision of Christ; and you were buried with Him in baptism, in which you were also raised with Him through faith in the working of God, Who raised Him from the dead.

Clergy: Peace be to thee, who readest.

Reader: And to thy spirit.

Chanter: Give ear, O shepherd of Israel, Thou Who leadest Joseph like a flock!

All: Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

THE GOSPEL (For the Circumcision):

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to Saint Luke. (2:20-21, 40-52)

And it came to pass that the shepherds returned, glorifying and praising God for all they had heard and seen, as it had been told them. And at the end of eight days, when He was circumcised, He was called Jesus, the name given by the angel before He was conceived in the womb. And the child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon Him. Now His parents went to Jerusalem every year at the feast of the Passover. And when He was twelve years old, they went up according to custom; and when the feast was ended, as they were returning, the boy Jesus stayed behind in Jerusalem. His parents did not know it, but supposing Him to be in the company they went a day's journey, and they sought Him among their kinsfolk and acquaintances; and when they did not find Him, they returned to Jerusalem, seeking Him. After three days they found Him in the temple, sitting among the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions; and all who heard Him were amazed at His understanding and His answers. And when they saw Him they were astonished; and His mother said to Him, "Son, why hast Thou treated us so? Behold, Thy father and I have been looking for Thee anxiously." And Jesus said to them, "How is it that you sought Me? Did you not know that I must be in My Father's house?" And they did not understand the saying which He spoke to them. And He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and His mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus increased in wisdom and in stature, and in favor with God and man.

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• Instead of "It is truly meet..." Sing:

SAINT BASIL LITURGY MEGALYNARION

All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace: the angelic hosts and the race of men. O hallowed temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virgins, of whom God was incarnate and became a little child, even our God who is before all the ages; for he made thy womb a throne, and thy body more spacious than the heavens. All creation rejoiceth in thee, O thou who art full of grace. Glory to thee.

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- After “And of All Mankind” Sing the Megalynarion of the Saint Seraphim:
MEGALYNARION OF SAINT SERAPHIM OF SAROV IN TONE EIGHT

The thieves who came to rob thee Saint Seraphim found nought to take, for thy riches were laid up where neither moth nor rust corrupt; and the very axe of thy poverty they took up to destroy thy life, since thou chocest death over self-defence; but heaping blows upon thee, they piled thy riches higher, since thou didst suffer all for Jesus' sake.

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- After “One is Holy, One is Lord...” & “I Believe O Lord and I Confess...” Sing:
THE ORDINARY KOINONIKON (COMMUNION HYMN):

Praise the Lord from the Heavens. Praise Him in the Highest. Alleluia.

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- After Communion, instead of “We have seen the true light”, sing the Apolytikion of the Circumcision in Tone One.

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- Following “Blessed be the Name of the Lord”: Prayer for beginning of the Civil New Year and the Blessing of the Saint Basil Bread (Vasilopita).

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COMMEMORATION: He Who on the eighth day deigned to be circumcised in the flesh for our salvation, and rose from the dead, Christ our true God... our father among the saints, Basil the Great, archbishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia... the new-martyr Peter of the Peloponnesos.

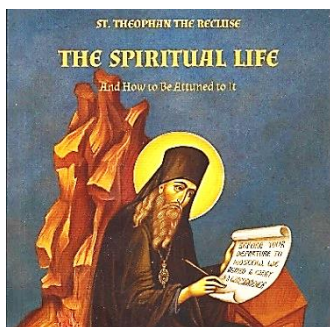
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BULLETIN PART THREE – MORE ANNOUNCEMENTS & INFO

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A-Men’s Spaghetti Dinner Fundraiser on Tuesday, Jan 31st, at Angelo’s Restaurant

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Book Study starting Thursday, 19 January 2023 at 2 pm:

The Spiritual Life and How to Be Attuned to It,

by Saint Theophan The Recluse,

Translated by Alexandra Dockham, 4th Edition,

Published by The Holy Monastery of Saint Paisius in Safford, AR.

www.stpaisiusmonastery.org

Study Weekly together at the Parish Rectory or [On Zoom.](#)

Saint Theophan the Recluse carved out a genuine understanding of spirituality for the average person to be attuned here upon earth to live eternally with God in Paradise. This book was the result of a correspondence with a young lady. St. Theophan strove to make sure that this young soul would not only be familiar with the principles of spiritual life, but be able to keenly hear the right "tone" of spiritual life. This tuning of the soul is necessary to be in harmony with the voice of God's Providence echoing in the instrument of the heart. In that light, this book is a primer to enter the spiritual life in a light that stresses hope, forgiveness, and mercy.