

Announcements

Guidelines

When signing up for Vespers and Divine Liturgy, please only sign up for one spot for your entire family. For example, simply type in "Avant Family". It does not matter how many people are in your family; just sign up for one spot for that service.

When attending services, please be sure to keep all of your family members together in your spot. Extra chairs may be moved over if needed. Please do not allow children to wander around the church.

The faithful may kiss the icons, holy objects, and the priest's hand.

Fundraiser

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Evergreen Fundraiser! We raised \$500 for the Beautification Campaign. Local Delivery items will be delivered to the church for pick up between November 30th and December 6th. Direct Delivery items will be delivered during the first 2 weeks after Thanksgiving.

Allen Food Pantry Donations

The Allen Food Pantry needs your help! During the Nativity Fast, we will be collecting needed items.

~~11/15: Boxed Meal Helpers and tuna fish~~

11/22: Thanksgiving foods

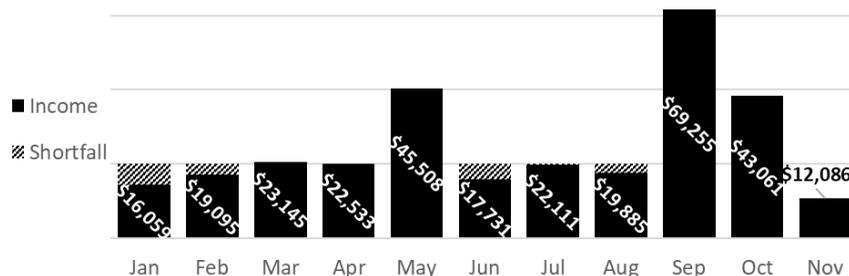
11/29: Canned fruits & vegetables

12/06: Soups & broths

12/13: Dish detergent & laundry detergent

12/20: Bar soaps & personal hygiene.

2020 Parish Income (General Fund)



YTD RUNNING TARGET

\$240,750

ACTUAL DONATIONS

\$310,469

St. Sava Orthodox Church

MAKING DISCIPLES OF OUR NEIGHBORS

Schedule

A limited number of people will be permitted to attend services. All will need to sign-up in advance and follow the instructions given. Services will also be available to view online at www.facebook.com/stsavatx

Saturday (November 21)

Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple

- 9:30am—Festal Divine Liturgy
- 4:00pm—Inquirers' Class (blended online/in-person)
- 5:00pm—Great Vespers
- 6:00pm-7:00pm—Confession (by sign-up only)

Sunday (November 22)

- 9:30am—Divine Liturgy (by sign-up only)
- 11:30am—Tailgate Coffee Hour

Wednesday (November 25)

- 6:00pm-6:30pm—Daily Vespers
- 6:30pm-7:00pm—Confession (by sign-up only)
- 7:15pm-7:45pm—Bible Study (See email for Zoom credentials)

Thursday (November 26)

Thanksgiving Day

- 9:30am—Divine Liturgy (by sign-up only)

Saturday (November 28)

- 4:00pm—Inquirers' Class (blended online/in-person)
- 5:00pm—Great Vespers
- 6:00pm-7:00pm—Confession (by sign-up only)

Sunday (November 29)

- 9:30am—Divine Liturgy (by sign-up only)
- No tailgate coffee hour this week*

Wednesday (December 02)

- 6:00pm-6:30pm—Daily Vespers
- 6:30pm-7:00pm—Confession (by sign-up only)
- 7:15pm-7:45pm—Bible Study (See email for Zoom credentials)

Our Parish Rector, **Fr. Photius Avant**, may be reached by phone at (972) 612-3881 or email to fatherphotius@gmail.com.

Visit our website at stsavaoca.org to keep up to date with the church calendar, Fr. Photius' sermons, upcoming events, photos and more!

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SAINT SAVA

ORTHODOX CHURCH



Sunday, November 22, 2020

24th Sunday after Pentecost

Afterfeast of the Entry Into the Temple

Apostles of the Seventy Philemon and Archippus, Martyr Apphia, wife of Philemon and Equal-to-the-Apostles, and Onesimus, disciple of St. Paul (1st c.)



24th SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST — Tone 7.

Afterfeast of the Entry Into the Temple. Apostles of the Seventy Philemon and Archippus, Martyr Apphia, wife of Philemon and Equal-to-the-Apostles, and Onesimus, disciple of St. Paul (1st c.). Martyrdom of St. Michael, Prince of Tver' (1318). Rt. Blv. Yaropolk, in Baptism Peter, Prince of Vladimir in Volyn' (1086). Virgin Martyr Cecilia and the Holy Martyrs Valerian, Tiburtius and Maximus at Rome (ca. 230). Martyr Procopius the Reader, at Cæsarea in Palestine (303). Martyr Menignus at Parium (250). St. Agabbas of Syria (5th c.). Righteous Michael the Soldier, of Bulgaria (866). Ven. Callistus Xanthopoulos (Mt. Athos—1363).

Hymns

*By Thy Cross Thou didst destroy death. To the thief Thou didst open Paradise.
For the Myrrhbearers Thou didst change weeping into joy,
and Thou didst command Thy disciples, O Christ God,
to proclaim that Thou art risen, granting the world great mercy.*

(Resurrectional Troparion—Tone 7)

*Today is the prelude of the good will of God,
of the preaching of the salvation of mankind.
The Virgin appears in the Temple of God,
in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all.*

Let us rejoice and sing to her:

"Rejoice, O Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation!"

(Troparion for the Entrance of the Theotokos)

*Holy Apostles Philemon, Archipus, Apphia, and Onesimus,
entreat the merciful God to grant our souls forgiveness of transgressions!*

(Troparion for the Apostles)

*The dominion of death can no longer hold men captive,
for Christ descended, shattering and destroying its powers.
Hell is bound, while the Prophets rejoice and cry:*

*"The Savior has come to those in faith;
enter, you faithful, into the Resurrection!"*

(Resurrectional Kontakion—Tone 7)

*Let us praise the Apostles of Christ,
who illumine the ends of the earth like all-radiant stars:
glorious Philemon and dedicated Archippus,
Onesimus, together with Mark and Apollos, and the all-wise Apphia.
Let us cry to them: "Unceasingly pray for us all!"*

(Kontakion for the Apostles)

*The most pure Temple of the Savior;
the precious Chamber and Virgin;
the sacred Treasure of the glory of God,
is presented today to the house of the Lord.
She brings with her the grace of the Spirit,
therefore, the angels of God praise her:*

"Truly this woman is the abode of Heaven!"

(Kontakion for the Entrance of the Theotokos)

Mark 16:1-8 *(1st Resurrectional Matins Gospel)*

Now when the Sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, Mary the mother of James, and Salome bought spices, that they might come and anoint Him. Very early in the morning, on the first day of the week, they came to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they said among themselves, "Who will roll away the stone from the door of the tomb for us?" But when they looked up, they saw that the stone had been rolled away – for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man clothed in a long white robe sitting on the right side; and they were alarmed. But he said to them, "Do not be alarmed. You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He is risen! He is not here. See the place where they laid Him. But go, tell His disciples – and Peter – that He is going before you into Galilee; there you will see Him, as He said to you." So they went out quickly and fled from the tomb, for they trembled and were amazed. And they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

Ephesians 2:14-22 *(Epistle)*

For He Himself is our peace, who has made both one, and has broken down the middle wall of separation, having abolished in His flesh the enmity, that is, the law of commandments contained in ordinances, so as to create in Himself one new man from the two, thus making peace, and that He might reconcile them both to God in one body through the cross, thereby putting to death the enmity. And He came and preached peace to you who were afar off and to those who were near. For through Him we both have access by one Spirit to the Father. Now, therefore,

you are no longer strangers and foreigners, but fellow citizens with the saints and members of the household of God, having been built on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, Jesus Christ Himself being the chief cornerstone, in whom the whole building, being fitted together, grows into a holy temple in the Lord, in whom you also are being built together for a dwelling place of God in the Spirit.

Luke 12:16-21 *(Gospel)*

Then He spoke a parable to them, saying: "The ground of a certain rich man yielded plentifully. And he thought within himself, saying, 'What shall I do, since I have no room to store my crops?' So he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns and build greater, and there I will store all my crops and my goods. 'And I will say to my soul, "Soul, you have many goods laid up for many years; take your ease; eat, drink, and be merry.'" But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul will be required of you; then whose will those things be which you have provided?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God."

