

St. Panteleimon Orthodox Church

OCA - Diocese of the Midwest

Fr. Andrew Bartek, Rector V. Rev. Anthony Spengler, Attached

Protodeacon Robert Northrup

Parish Council President: John Grabavoy



WELCOME, YOUR GRACE BISHOP PAUL

Bishop Paul was born in 1953 to Nicholas and Georgia Gassios, natives of Castanea, Greece. He, his parents, and his sister Agatha lived in Detroit until their move to the suburbs in 1973.

As an infant, he was baptized with the name Apostolos, in honor of the holy Apostle Paul, at Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church, Detroit, MI—his home parish for the first 28 years of his life.

He graduated from Detroit's Cooley High School, where he was a member of the National Honor Society, in 1971, after which he enrolled in Wayne State University as a history and psychology major. After his graduation in 1976, he worked with emotionally and physically abused children. He furthered his education at Wayne State, from which he received a Master of Social Work degree in 1980, and continued to work in his chosen field.

In the mid-1980s, he became a member of Holy Transfiguration Church, Livonia, MI. He began theological studies in September 1991 at Saint Vladimir's Seminary, Yonkers, NY, from which he received his Master of Divinity degree summa cum laude and served as valedictorian in 1994. He was ordained to the priesthood by His Eminence, the late Archbishop Job of Chicago and the Midwest, on June 25, 1994.

After ordination, he was assigned Priest-in-Charge of Saint Thomas the Apostle Church, Kokomo, IN, which he served until June 2005, after which he resided at Saint Gregory Palamas Monastery, Hayesville, OH until May 2006. He briefly served as Rector of Archangel Michael Church, St. Louis, MO and the Nativity of the Holy Virgin Church, Desloge, MO before his transfer to the OCA's Bulgarian Diocese and assignment as Dean of Saint George Cathedral, Rossford, OH in 2007. In August 2014, he was named Administrator of the Diocese of the Midwest and relocated to Chicago.



On October 20, 2014, he was tonsured to monastic rank with the name Paul, in honor of Saint Paul the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople. On October 21, 2014, the Holy Synod elected him to fill the vacant Episcopal See of Chicago and the Diocese of the Midwest.

Archimandrite Paul was consecrated to the Episcopacy and enthroned as Bishop of Chicago and the Midwest at Chicago's historic Holy Trinity Cathedral on Saturday, December 27, 2014. Concelebrating at the Consecration Liturgy were His Beatitude, Metropolitan Tikhon; His Eminence, Archbishop Nathaniel of Detroit and the Romanian Episcopate; His Eminence, Archbishop Benjamin of San Francisco and the West; His Eminence, Archbishop Melchisedek of Pittsburgh and Western Pennsylvania; His Eminence, Archbishop Nicolae of the Romanian Orthodox Archdiocese in the Americas; His Grace, Bishop Irénée of Ottawa and Canada; His Grace, Bishop Michael of New York and New Jersey; His Grace, Bishop Alexander of Toledo and the Bulgarian Diocese; and His Grace, Bishop David of Sitka and Alaska.



Sunday, January 15, 2017

Gospel: St. Luke 18:18-27

Tone 5

Epistle: Colossians 3:12-16

30th Sunday After Pentecost

Ven. Paul of Thebes (341) and John Calabytes ("the Hut-dweller")

Ven. Pansophius of Alexandria, Martyr

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By Mr. & Mrs. Nick Cavaligos in Memory of John Hartel

Liturgical & Events Schedule

Sunday, January 15

9:30 am: Greet Bishop Paul @ Church

9:40 am: Hours

10:00 am: D.L. w/ His Grace, Bishop Paul / small social

12:45 pm: Leave for "March for Life-Chicago"

2:00 pm: March For Life begins w/ opening prayer by His Grace, Bishop Paul.

Monday, January 16

8:00 am Beyond the Classroom Meeting-
Foran Funeral Home

5:00 pm: Martin Luther King Services @
Antioch Baptist Church in Summit

Wednesday, January 18

6:00 pm: St Blasé Soup Kitchen

6:30 pm: Boy Scout Meeting- Bedford Park

7:30 pm: Bible Study

Thursday, January 19

6:00 pm: Kids Safe City Meeting- Bedford
Park

6:30 pm: Neighborhood watch Meeting @
Police Station in Summit

Friday, January 20

5:00 pm: Blessing Home

Saturday, January 21

5:00 pm: Great Vespers

6:00 pm: St Joes Catholic Church Hawaiian
Luau dinner & Show

Sunday, January 22

9:40 am: Hours

10:00 am: D.L. / Memorial Sunday / Social /
Church School / Monthly Board
Meeting

6:00 pm: Sanctity of Life Prayer Service w/
His Grace Bishop Paul @ St. Peter
& Paul in Burr Ridge

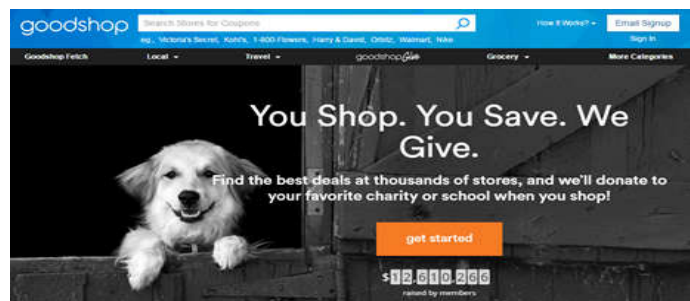
SCRIP FUNDRAISING PROGRAM UP & RUNNING

Who to see: Matushka Susan

When: 1st & 3rd Sundays of each month

- In order for the program to be cost effective for us, a minimum \$300 order must be placed.
- A list of participating businesses is available for your review.

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Did you know that \$90.24 was donated to the parish in 2016? How much more can be done in 2017?!

Goodshop also has a free app. Check it out!



Gertrude Hawk Candy Fundraiser

Please place your order by March 5th w/ Mat. Susan

Venerable Paul of Thebes

Commemorated on *January 15*

Saint Paul of Thebes was born in Egypt around 227 in the Thebaid of Egypt. Left orphaned, he suffered many things from a greedy relative over his inheritance. During the persecution against Christians under the emperor Decius (249-251), Saint Paul learned of his brother-in-law's insidious plan to deliver him into the hands of the persecutors, and so he fled the city and fled into the wilderness.

Settling into a mountain cave, Saint Paul dwelt there for ninety-one years, praying incessantly to God both day and night. He sustained himself on dates and bread, which a raven brought him, and he clothed himself with palm leaves.

Saint Anthony the Great (January 17), who also lived as an ascetic in the Thebaid desert, had a revelation from God concerning Saint Paul. Saint Anthony thought that there was no other desert dweller such as he. Then God said to him, "Anthony, there is a servant of God more excellent than you, and you should go and see him."

Anthony went into the desert and came to Saint Paul's cave. Falling to the ground before the entrance to the cave, he asked to be admitted. The Elders introduced themselves, and then embraced one another. They conversed through the night, and Saint Anthony revealed how he had been led there by God. Saint Paul disclosed to Saint Anthony that for sixty years a bird had brought him half a loaf of bread each day. Now the Lord had sent a double portion in honor of Saint Paul's visit. The next morning, Saint Paul spoke to Anthony of his approaching death, and instructed him to bury him. He also asked Saint Anthony to return to his monastery and bring back the cloak he had received from Saint Athanasius. He did not really need a garment, but wished to depart from his body while Saint Anthony was absent.

As he was returning with the cloak, Saint Anthony beheld the soul of Saint Paul surrounded by angels, prophets, and apostles, shining like the sun and ascending to God. He entered the cave and found Abba Paul on his knees with his arms outstretched. Saint Anthony mourned for him, and wrapped him in the cloak. He wondered how he would bury the body, for he had not remembered to bring a shovel. Two lions came running from the wilderness and dug a grave with their claws.

Saint Anthony buried the holy Elder, and took his garment of palm leaves, then he returned to his own monastery. Saint Anthony kept this garb as a precious inheritance, and

wore it only twice a year, on Pascha and Pentecost.

Saint Paul of Thebes died in the year 341, when he was 113 years old. He did not establish a single monastery, but soon after his end there were many imitators of his life, and they filled the desert with monasteries. Saint Paul is honored as the first desert-dweller and hermit.

In the twelfth century Saint Paul's relics were transferred to Constantinople and placed in the Peribleptos monastery of the Mother of God, on orders of the emperor Manuel (1143-1180). Later, they were taken to Venice, and finally to Hungary, at Ofa. Part of his head is in Rome.

Saint Paul of Thebes, whose Life was written by Saint Jerome, is not to be confused with Saint Paul the Simple (October 4).

Colossians 3:12-16 (Epistle)

Therefore, as the elect of God, holy and beloved, put on tender mercies, kindness, humility, meekness, longsuffering; bearing with one another, and forgiving one another, if anyone has a complaint against another; even as Christ forgave you, so you also must do. But above all these things put on love, which is the bond of perfection. And let the peace of God rule in your hearts, to which also you were called in one body; and be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly in all wisdom, teaching and admonishing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing with grace in your hearts to the Lord.

Luke 18:18-27 (Gospel)

Now a certain ruler asked Him, saying, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" So Jesus said to him, "Why do you call Me good? No one is good but One, that is, God. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery,' 'Do not murder,' 'Do not steal,' 'Do not bear false witness,' 'Honor your father and your mother.' And he said, "All these things I have kept from my youth." So when Jesus heard these things, He said to him, "You still lack one thing. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow Me." But when he heard this, he became very sorrowful, for he was very rich. And when Jesus saw that he became very sorrowful, He said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God. And those who heard it said, "Who then can be saved?" But He said, "The things which are impossible with men are possible with God."

Hundreds of students attend OCF's three regional Christmas conferences

Every December, hundreds of Orthodox Christian college students flock to one of three simultaneously held regional conferences during the week after the Great Feast of the Nativity. As in past years, the conferences were sponsored by the [Orthodox Christian Fellowship](#) were held at Antiochian Village, Bolivar, PA; Saint Iakovos Retreat Center, Kansasville, WI; and Saint Nicholas Ranch, Dunlap, CA December 27-30, 2016.

In addition to celebrating the liturgical services and Divine Liturgy, participants heard challenging presentations, participated in discussion groups and workshops, and enjoyed meeting their peers from around the country. Students also were delighted by the presence of His Grace, Bishop Gregory of Nyssa of the American Carpatho-Russian Orthodox Diocese of the USA, who delivered the homily during the conference Divine Liturgy.

The theme of this year's conferences was "Come and See." Introducing and developing the theme at the East Coast Conference at Antiochian Village was Archpriest Timothy Hojnicky, Rector of Holy Apostles Church [OCA], Mechanicsburg, PA. In his keynote address, he reflected on how people see Christ in us and how to share our faith with others. Other speakers included Archpriests Joel Gilliam [Antiochian Archdiocese] and Anthony Hughes [Greek Archdiocese]; Priests Nicholas Belcher, Bogdan Bucur, and Paul Abernathy, all of the Antiochian Archdiocese; and Jason Cantanese.

The theme was further developed in a series of workshops that enabled the participants to take a deeper look into prayer, the Orthodox Christian understanding of salvation, living the Christian life as a layperson, Scripture reading, and living the sacramental life.

"It is quite a remarkable event to have close to 300 college students come together from all over the country, from different jurisdictions (even calendars!), during their Christmas break and participate in this wonderful four-day event," observed Father Timothy. "We had an intense schedule of workshops, fellowship and worship services that filled these days of spiritual reflection with grace that will be felt for a lifetime!"

Emma Solak, a senior at the University of Pittsburgh, Student Leadership Board Chairman and a member of the OCA [Youth Department](#), agreed. "College Conference is a time to actively engage in the Faith—whether that's through the speakers, developing new friends or reconnecting with old ones, participating in the services, or taking the time for personal reflection," she said. "I think as college students we too often passively participate in the life of the Church because we get bogged down by the chaos of the semester. College Conference always reminds me to take a step back and focus on deepening my relationship with and love for Christ and my neighbor."

Through the generosity of the OCA faithful and the [Stewards of the Orthodox Church in America](#), ten scholarships were made available to OCA students to help defray their expenses in attending the conferences.

In related news, OCF is accepting applications from those interested in participating in its annual "Real Break" mission trips in March 2017. As an alternative to "Spring Break" activities, "Real Break" makes it possible for Orthodox Christian students to put their faith into action in a variety of domestic settings—including Alaska, Cleveland, New Orleans and Project Mexico—as well as in Thessaloniki, Romania and Jerusalem. [Details and registration information](#) may be found on the OCF web site.

Orthodox Christian Fellowship is the official campus ministry organization of the [Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America](#).

ORTHODOX ICONS AIDS TO OUR SALVATION

Learn how Icons inspire and help us worship the Lord. Fr. Jonathan Bannon will show us how an icon is much more than the image we see. He will give us the tools to enter the icon so that we can lay aside the cares of this world and focus on the next through prayer.

Saturday, January 28 - 10:00am
St Basil Greek Orthodox Church
733 S Ashland Ave., Chicago, IL
Free Admission
See Bulletin Board for Flier.

IOCC's 25th Anniversary to be celebrated in Milwaukee January 28

A "classic" Wisconsin tailgate celebration will mark the 25th Anniversary of International Orthodox Christian Charities at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, 9440 West Congress Street, Milwaukee, WI on Saturday, January 28, 2017. The event will follow the celebration of Vespers at 5:00 p.m.

Brats and brews will be accompanied by live music, a silent auction and a presentation on IOCC's ministry around the world. Attendees are invited to wear their favorite team's jersey.

Tickets are [available on-line](#) at \$25.00 for adults, \$10.00 for children under the age of 12. Donations above the ticket price will be matched dollar-for-dollar up to \$10,000.00.

For additional information please contact Katherine Newhouse at 414-305-4691.

Prayer List - UPDATED 1-15-17

Priests: His Beatitude Metropolitan Theodosius, His Beatitude Metropolitan Herman, His Eminence Archbishop Iagovos His Grace Bishop Matthias, Anthony Spenglar, John Kuchta, James Gleason (*Fr.'s spiritual father*), John Duranko, ***Ted Bobosh**, Archimandrite Vladimir, ***Joseph Kopka**, ***Joseph Gibson**, * **Philip Lashbrook**, ***John Reeves**, **Fr. Emilian Hutnyan**, **Deacon Bohdan Melnychenko**

Matushkii: ***Carol Janacek**, **Mary Perez**, **Snezana Ruzic**, **Laryssa Hutnyan**, Pani Patricia Duranko

Parishioners: Karen Muzyka, Ronald Stachowiak, Rebecca Eggers, Sonja Harris, Pauline Michals, Marilyn, Michals

Parishioner's Family: Sandra (*Karen's sister*), Erika Northrup, Mary Northrup, Raymond Northrup, Mark Svara, Joey Krush, Jan Kost (*Linda's sister*), Tommy Leonchik, Jimmy Tilghman, Linda Davik, Jason Kirnbauer, Lucille (Carol's mom), Edward Arendt (Joann's uncle), Stephen Holly & Walter Litzie (*Fr.'s cousin*), (*Spengler Family*): Bruce (*fr.'s Kurt's brother*) Jacob, Emilian, Joyce, John, Robert, William & Dana, Mark, Eve

Other Requests: June & James (Hruban friend), Elizabeth Lilos, Jemsey Pradun, Hermenegil & Lydia Guerrero (*Neighbor*), Cathleen Rebollar, Eva Quagon (*Andy friend*), John & Mary Ann Magerko, Gloria Salgado (*Lynn's Friend*), Vivian (*friend of Becky Eggers*), Marlyn (Karen's friend), Laurel (Bill Rudolph's daughter), Carol Marino (*Fr cousin's friend*), Deputy Chief Frank Batura, ***John Sedor**, * **Daria Petrykowski**, ***Cynthia Koranda**, Marlyn (friend of Karen M.), Alice Sutko, Michelle & her unborn baby, Crystal & her unborn baby

Military: Fr. Herman, Fr. Gregory, Amber, Caleb, Nicholas, David, Timothy, Robert, Kristen, Matthew, Brian, Daniel, Joseph

Captives: Metropolitan Paul (*Orthodox Archdiocese of Aleppo*), Archbishop John (*Syriac Archdiocese of Aleppo*), for the UN & IOCC humanitarian aid workers in & around Syria / Those suffering persecution in Iraq, Syria, Israel, Egypt, Ukraine and throughout the world / Those held captive throughout the world.

Additions or removals from the list? Please notify Fr. Andrew.



Celebrate Valentine's Day a little early!

Take your sweetie out for a delicious **Lasagna Dinner** complete with salad, bread and dessert. Make your reservations early!

When: Saturday, February 11, 2017

Time: 4:00 p.m. To 7:00 p.m.

RSVP by February 8th for discounted cost

- Before 2/8: Adults ~ \$10.00 / Children (10 & under) ~ \$7.00
- After 2/8: Adults ~ \$15.00 / Children (10 & under) ~ \$10.00

Call Fr. Andrew at the Rectory 708-552-5276 OR Karen Muzyka 708-924-1933 to make your reservations.

Delivery available to shut-ins in SUMMIT ONLY.



**FIRST ANNUAL POLISH-AMERICAN
SMORGASBORD FEAST**

When: Sunday, January 29, 2017
Where: Sawa's Old Warsaw Restaurant, 9200 W. Cermak Road., Broadview, IL

Noon: Cocktails (cash bar)
1:00 pm: Dinner
Tickets: \$25 (now to 1/24/17). After 1/24/17: \$30. Children 10 & under \$12
See Karen Muzyka (708-924-1933) for tickets.

This event is open to all the surrounding sister parishes. Cash or checks payable to *St. Panteleimon Orthodox Church*. Checks can be mailed to:

Karen Muzyka
7253 White Ash Drive, Justice, IL 60458

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| Carved Roast Beef | Chicken Noodle Soup |
| Ham off the bone | Mushroom Soup |
| Broasted Chicken | |
| Roast Duck | Best Salad Bar in Town |
| Sliced Roast Pork | Potato Salad |
| Smoked Polish Sausage | Three-Bean Salad |
| Fresh Polish Sausage | Macaroni Salad |
| | Beet Salad |
| Sauerkraut | Apple Blintzes |
| Boiled Potatoes | Cheese Blintzes |
| Potato Pancakes | Fresh Paczki |
| Cabbage Pierogies | Cherry Kolaczki |
| Stuffed Cabbage | Apricot Kolaczki |
| Potato Dumplings | Cheesecake |
| Mashed Potatoes | Various Cakes |
| Green Beans | Make your own Sundaes |

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JANUARY CELEBRATIONS

BIRTHDAY	NAMES DAY	ANNIVERSARY
5- Karina Posada 5- Jack Eilrich 7-Lueleta Dardovski 8- Susie Joynt 17- Natalie Northrup 21-Alex Posada 24-Becky Eggers 31-Julie Dardovski 31- Heidi Rutkowski	Sunday After Nativity- Protodeacon Robert 19- Retired Bishop Mark of Boston	01-24-15 The Rt Rev. Daniel Bishop of Santa Rosa, CA 26-Fr. James Gleason

If there are those names to be added or removed, please contact Fr. Andrew. He would like to list all members of your family Orthodox and non-Orthodox.

JANUARY-REPOSED

1-Anna Wojciechowski (00) 2- Fr. Richard Everman (07) 4- George Bartek (83) 6- Helen Pender (16) 11- Matthew Lyons (16) 12- Adam Kuzmich (98) 13- Joseph Bloschynsky (00) 14- Joseph Dubovik (99)	14- Dorothy Michaluk (08) 16- Theodore Grabavoy (89) 20- Joshua Zdinak- (16) 22- Anna Grabavoy (77) 24- Helen Dubovik (11) 26- Jacqueline Marie Hansen (08) 29- John Mahalko (90) 29- Olga V Foraker (05)	1938: Paul Zeleniek Anisia Sloboda Theodore Kozliak Peter Begal 1939: Lawrence Zalena Ivan Yakel Michael Blarzko
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Remember those who have gone before us in prayer. If there is a name missing from the above list, please speak to Fr. Andrew to have them added.