



THE FOURTH SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY
JANUARY 28, 2018

JESUS today is worshipped as the supreme lawgiver and ruler of His universe. All His laws for governing the association of peoples with one another are applications of the law of love. And all His governing of the universe is for the protection of the life that He gave us—both our natural life and His own divine life shared with us.

Our Lord did not let the winds or the sea destroy the new hierarchy of the Church that He came to establish and to spread over the earth. He will not let anything happen that might defeat His purposes and plans. We have only to believe and to love. The growth, the strength, and the fruition of Christ's Mystical Body on earth depend on how firmly we believe in God and on how deeply we love all men as our brothers and sisters in Christ.

PRELUDE	<i>Chorale</i>	Cesar Franck
ASPERGES ME	<i>(a weekly reminder of our Baptism)</i>	plainsong
<i>(We KNEEL as the priest quietly begins the Prayers at the Foot of the Altar, pg. 8-II.)</i>		
INTROIT (KNEEL)	<i>Adorate Deum</i>	Ps. 96:7-8; 1
KYRIE (KNEEL)	<i>Missa Marialis</i>	plainsong
GLORIA (STAND)		plainsong
COLLECTS (STAND)		
THE EPISTLE (SIT)		Rom. 13:8-10
<i>In everyone's physical or spiritual need, in every offense or irritation, in every scandal or fault, Christ is saying to each Christian, "You owe me the debt of love."</i>		
GRADUAL (SIT)		Ps. 101:16-17
ALLELUIA (SIT)		Ps. 96:1
THE HOLY GOSPEL (STAND)		Matthew 8: 23-27
<i>The Apostles, still in training, failed when their faith in Jesus was put to the test. Jesus rebuked them and worked a double miracle to save them. Though our faith be tried, we know that Jesus remains in control of His world.</i>		
SERMON (SIT)		Monsignor John Mangels
NICENE CREED (STAND) [Missal pg. 15]		plainsong
OFFERTORY VERSE (STAND)		Ps. 117:16, 17
HYMN	<i>St. Matthew</i>	Hymnal No. 517

"PRAY BRETHERN"

Missal pg. 21

The Lord receive this sacrifice at thy hands, to the praise and glory of his name, to our benefit also, and that of all his holy Church.

SURSUM CORDA (pg. 22) & PREFACE OF THE TRINITY (pg. 23) (STAND)

SANCTUS (KNEEL, pg. 33)

chant

THE CANON OF THE MASS (KNEEL)

Missal pg. 35

THE LORD'S PRAYER (STAND)

Missal pg. 44

AGNUS DEI (KNEEL, pg. 46)

chant

PRAYER BEFORE COMMUNION

Missal pg. 50a

COMMUNION VERSE

Luke 4:22

Following the reception of Holy Communion, it is proper to return to your pew, kneel, and make your **Thanksgiving after Communion** (*Missal, pg. 51 or St. Ambrose Prayer Book, pg. 177*). If you have not received Holy Communion, you should make a **"Spiritual Communion"** (*St. Ambrose Prayer Book, pg. 187*). This is far more spiritually beneficial and preferable to "people-watching."

COMMUNION

Ecce Panis Angelorum

Don Lorenzo Perosi

POSTCOMMUNION COLLECT (STAND)

DISMISSAL & BLESSING (KNEEL)

LAST GOSPEL (STAND)

John 1:1-14

HYMN

Dulce Carmen

Hymnal No. 54

POSTLUDE

Sortie in B minor

Jean-Marie Plum



ANNOUNCEMENTS

WELCOME to all our guests and visitors. There are Service books in the pews for your use. While Holy Communion may **be received only by prepared Orthodox Christians**, our non-Orthodox guests are welcome to come forward at Communion for a blessing and the *pain benit*—blessed bread. Please fill out one of the "visitor cards" found in the pew racks and take a moment to sign our guest book in the Narthex! Please join us for Coffee Hour in the Parish Hall (*downstairs*).

Orthodox Christians **must be prepared** for Holy Communion through Sacramental Confession, fasting, prayer, and being at peace with others. A prepared person must have been to Confession recently (*frequency established by his Pastor*), have abstained from food and drink from Midnight and have attended Mass regularly. Please seek and give forgiveness before receiving Communion.

THOSE WHO NEED OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for: Andrew Appel, June Huang, Nancy Douglas Gale, Erin Lefke, Charles Rubey, Marta Lewis, Brian Glass, Ruth Sanchez, Robert Jostmeyer, Phyllis Roberts, the suffering Christians in Syria and the Middle East, Metropolitan Boulos of Aleppo, Metropolitan Mar Gregorios Yohanna Ibrahim of Aleppo, Jim Sanders.

THANK YOU!

We are so grateful to all of our parishioners who attended and participated in the Annual Meeting of the Parish. The materials from the meeting are available in the Parish hall for anyone who was unable to attend.

Think About It: A sure sign of the deadening of the soul is the avoidance of church services. **St. John Climacus** (+649)

THE IMPORTANCE OF SUNDAY LITURGY

Secularism is the great modern enemy of Christianity. For secularism teaches us that God, faith, church, etc. belong to a category called “religious life” while all other activities belong to regular (read “real”) life. Secularism subtly places religion and religious behavior in its own separate drawer unrelated to life. It compartmentalizes “religion” so that it becomes something even *other* than life.

But the Christian Church is different. Christ did not come to establish a “religion,” He came to give us “Life” (and “life in abundance”, i.e. real life! See John 10:10). Instead of adopting a secular worldview Christians are to bring all of creation into the sanctity that comes to us through Christ. St. Paul tells us that we are to “sanctify our time” (Eph. 5:16; Col. 4:5). Living within the rhythm and cycle of the Church year helps us to sanctify not only time but to bring sanctification to our hearts more and more deeply and authentically. As an electric current requires a ground wire, the corporate worship life of the Church keeps us grounded in the Faith.

KING SOOPERS CARDS

Debbie has 6 King Soopers cards. They are preloaded for \$25 and you can reload up to \$500. If the card is not used in a 90-day period, it is closed. Don't forget this painless and cost-free way to help St. Augustine for purchases you would make anyway. We mentioned last week at the meeting that our revenue from the Cards is down. Perhaps you could get a card and start using it.

CANDLES IN ORTHODOX WORSHIP

As we approach the **Feats of the Purification of the B.V.M/Presentation of Christ in the Temple (February 2)** it seems as though a little catechesis on Candles in Orthodox Tradition is called for. Candles appeared in all Orthodox churches in the first centuries of our era. Eusebius of Caesarea records that during the paschal vigil such a quantity of candles were lit by the faithful that the night itself became as day. There were wax candles the sizes of which made them look like actual pillars. In answer to the accusations of the schismatic Vigilantius, who berated the Orthodox for lighting candles in their churches during daylight also, St. Jerome (342-420) says "in all Orthodox churches candles are lit during the reading of the Gospel not only so as to shed light and dispel the gloom but also to proclaim one's joy."

Over the centuries, the Orthodox candle has burnt gently and humbly and is now, as it was then, imbued with profound meaning, inalienable from our Orthodox divine services and Orthodox piety. Candles on the Altar are mandated for the celebration of the Liturgy and Offices; The Sanctuary lamp burns as a sign of Christ's Eucharistic Presence in the Tabernacle; the Paschal Candle is the symbol of the Resurrected Christ among us; Advent candles remind us of the centuries of anticipation before the coming of Christ; and the faithful light vigil candles as they pray as a sign of their prayer before God. The “sacrifice”—the amount given as an offering—is used to purchase new candles.

Church Fathers Speak: If you want to tune in to God so He listens to you when you pray, turn the knob to humility. God always monitors this frequency. Always humbly ask for His mercy. **St. Paisios the Athonite** (+1994)

SOME UP-COMING EVENTS: MARK YOUR CALENDARS.

- **The Presentation of Our Lord & Purification of Mary, Friday, February 2**
We will have High Mass and the blessing of Candles on “Candlemas Day”, Friday, February 2 at 7:00pm.
- **Saint Blaise Day, Saturday, February 3** Low Mass and Blessing of Throats at 10:00am.
- **Septuagesima Sunday**—the beginning of Pre-Lent is **Sunday, February 4.**
- **Ash Wednesday** Orthodox Christians of the Western Rite begin the Great Lent

REQUEST FROM DEBBIE BRAUN

Debbie will be gathering letters from anyone who would like to participate for her mother, Judy Jarrett's birthday. (*Judy was a long-time parishioner of St. Augustine's and is now living in Texas.*) Debbie is asking that a personal letter be written to Judy that is “warm and fuzzy” for her mother's birthday on 4/7. The deadline to get the letters to Debbie is 3/23/18 and if you have a picture you would like to share please include that. Debbie plans to create a book of the letters from family and friends. She can be reached at 720-289-2061 or dbraun66@comcast.net.

THE CHURCH FATHERS SPEAK: Be careful when you are in church...You must know my child that there are countless angels also present, singing along with the faithful. But when one of the people begins to joke, or talk about worldly things, or comment about others, the angels weep bitterly for his/her plight. **St. Nephon Bishop of Constantia Cyprus** (4th cent.)

PARISH HOSPITALITY

Thank you to all of our Coffee Hour Hosts! This ministry within our parish is so valued. If you have not taken an opportunity to provide refreshments to your brothers and sisters and our visitors, you can sign up on the Sign-Up Sheet by the door to the entrance of the Kitchen. You can always ask another family or person to “partner with you” and if it is a financial strain, please let Father John or someone on the Parish Council know as funds are available to help out and encourage everyone to take a turn. Don't forget—**WE NEED CLEAN-UP HELP** every Sunday as well, including **EMPTYING THE TRASH EVERY WEEK.**

Wisdom from the Church Fathers: The fear of God makes a person wise. What is the fear of God? Not that one should be afraid of God, but to be afraid to sadden someone, to harm someone, to do them wrong, to make accusations. This is wisdom. After all this, God will illumine you as to what to do in your life. **St. Sophia of Kleisoura** (+1974)

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THIS WEEK AT SAINT AUGUSTINE'S

Monday, January 29	feria	
Tuesday, January 30	St. Martiana, VM	Mass 7:00pm
Wednesday, January 31	feria	No Mass this evening
Thursday, February 1	St. Ignatius of Antioch, BM	
Friday, February 2	Purification BVM <i>abstinence</i>	High Mass 7:00pm
Saturday, February 3	St. Blaise, BM	Low Mass 10:00am
Sunday, February 4	Annual Blessing of Throats Septuagesima Sunday	High Mass 10:00am

CONFESSIONS: *The Sacrament of Confession is available after all weekday Services, and anytime by appointment.*