



SAINT WILLIBRORD ORTHODOX CHURCH

*A Missionary Parish of the Antiochian Orthodox
Christian Archdiocese of North America,
Diocese of Toledo and the Midwest*

His Eminence, SABA, Metropolitan of North America

His Grace Bishop ANTHONY, Auxiliary Bishop of the Diocese of
Toledo and the Midwest

Rev. Fr. Seraphim Schlueter, Pastor



DIVINE LITURGY FOR SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

TONE 8 | SUNDAY OF FORGIVENESS (CHEESE FARE)

VENERABLE ALEXIOS THE 'MAN OF GOD;' PATRICK, BISHOP OF
ARMAGH AND ENLIGHTENER OF IRELAND

WE at Saint Willibrord Orthodox Church welcome you. We are pleased that you have joined us today in worshiping God, the Holy Trinity.

If you are an Orthodox Christian, you are welcome to receive the immaculate Body and precious Blood of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ if you have properly prepared yourself through prayer, fasting, and recent sacramental confession.

If you are not Orthodox, we invite you to worship with us, ask questions, and learn about our parish and the Orthodox Christian faith. Although you may not receive Holy Communion, you are welcome to receive some of the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

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HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Tone 8

From the heights Thou didst descend, O compassionate One, and Thou didst submit to the three-day burial, that Thou might deliver us from passion; Thou art our life and our Resurrection, O Lord, glory to Thee.

Troparion of St. Willibrord

The word of God to the Patriarch Abraham, “Go forth from thy country,” thou hast received as a command for thyself, as the Lord doth ask to leave all things for His sake. As an inheritance He hath given thee a distant land which thou hast won for Him through the labor. Intercede for us, O holy Father Willibrord, that we may become worthy children of the Light.

Kontakion for Forgiveness Sunday

Tone 6

O Thou Who guidest to wisdom, and givest understanding and intelligence, the Instructor of the ignorant, and Helper of the poor, strengthen my heart and grant it understanding, O Master. Give me word, O Word of the Father; for behold, I shall not refrain my lips from crying to Thee, O merciful One, have mercy upon me who am fallen.

THE EPISTLE

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

Make your vows unto the Lord and perform them.

God is known in Judah; His name is great in Israel.

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Romans.

(13:11-14:4)

Brethren, now is our salvation nearer than when we believed. The night is far spent, the day is at hand. Let us therefore cast off the works of darkness, and let us put on the armor of light. Let us walk becomingly, as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in

chambering and licentiousness, not in strife and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh to fulfill its lusts. But as for the one who is weak in faith, receive him, but not for disputes over opinions. For one believes he may eat anything; but the weak person eats herbs. Let not him who eats despise him who does not eat, and let not him who does not eat judge him who eats; for God has received him. Who are you to be the judge over the servant of a stranger? To his own master he either stands or falls; but he will be made to stand; for God is able to make him stand.

THE GOSPEL

(For Sunday of Forgiveness)

**The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew.
(6:14-21)**

The Lord said to His Disciples: If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father Who is in secret; and your Father Who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also.



CALENDAR

Monday, March 18 | 6:00 PM Canon of St. Andrew

Wednesday, March 20 | 6:00 PM Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, March 22 | 6:00 PM Akathist to the Theotokos

Saturday, March 23

2:00 PM – Catechumen Class

2:45 PM – Bible Study

4:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, March 24

8:30 AM – Matins

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

11:30 AM – Icon Procession

Confessions may be made before or after services or by appointment.

FUTURE PRIEST FUND PROGRESS

2024 Goal: \$15,148.14 | **Year-to-date:** \$1955 | **To-go this year:** (\$13,193.14)

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