

SAINT WILLIBRORD ORTHODOX CHURCH

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

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

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DIVINE LITURGY FOR SUNDAY, APRIL 07, 2024 TONE 3 | THIRD SUNDAY OF GREAT LENT

VENERATION OF THE PRECIOUS AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS

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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 3

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord hath done a mighty act with His own arm. He hath trampled down death by death, and become the first-born from the dead. He hath delivered us from the depths of Hades, granting the world the Great Mercy.

Apolytikion for the Holy Cross

Tone 1

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance, granting to Thy people victory over all their enemies, and by the power of Thy Cross preserving Thy commonwealth.

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 Sundays in Great Lent (and Akathist Saturday) *Tone 8*

To thee, the Champion Leader, do I offer thanks of victory, O Theotokos, thou who hast delivered me from terror; but as thou that hast that power invincible, O Theotokos, thou alone can set me free: from all forms of danger free me and deliver me, that I may cry unto thee: Hail, O Bride without Bridegroom.

The Anti-Trisagion Hymn

Before Thy Cross we bow down in worship, Master, and Thy Holy Resurrection we glorify. (thrice)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and ever, and unto ages of ages. Amen.

And we glorify Thy Holy Resurrection.

Dynamis!

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THE EPISTLE

(For the Third Sunday of Great Lent)

O Lord, save Thy people and bless Thine inheritance.

Unto Thee, O Lord, will I cry, O my God!

The Reading from the Epistle of St. Paul to the Hebrews. (4:14-5:6)

Brethren, since we have a great High Priest, Who has passed through the heavens, Jesus the Son of God, let us hold fast the confession. For we do not have a High Priest Who is unable to sympathize with our infirmities, but one Who has been in all points tempted like as we are, yet without sin. Let us therefore draw near with boldness to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy, and may find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest, being taken from among the people, is appointed on behalf of the people in things pertaining to God, that he may offer up both gifts and sacrifices for sins; who can have compassion on the ignorant and on those who are erring, since he himself also is encompassed with infirmity. Because of this he is bound, as for the people so also for himself, to offer up for sins. And no one takes the honor upon himself, but as being called by God, as was Aaron. So Christ also did not glorify Himself to become a High Priest, but it was by the One saying to Him, "Thou art My Son, today I have begotten Thee." As He says also in another place, "Thou art a Priest forever, according to the order of Melchizedek."

THE GOSPEL

(For the Third Sunday of Great Lent)

The Reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Mark. (8:34-9:1)

The Lord said, "If any man would come after Me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow Me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for My sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man to gain the whole world and forfeit his soul? For what can a man give in return for his soul? For whoever is ashamed of Me and My words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when He comes in the glory of His Father with the holy angels." And Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some

standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

St. 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.

Koinonikon (Communion Hymn) for Third Sunday of Great Lent

The light of Thy countenance, O Lord, hath been signed upon us. Alleluia.



CALENDAR

Wednesday, April 10

6:00 PM Presanctified Liturgy

Friday, April 12

6:00 PM Akathist to the Theotokos

Saturday, April 13

2:00 PM - Catechumen Class

4:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, April 14

8:30 AM - Matins

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

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

FUTURE PRIEST FUND PROGRESS

2024 Goal: \$15,148.14 | Year-to-date: \$2,475.00 | To-go this year: (\$12,673.14)

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