



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, FEBRUARY 11, 2024

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THEODORA THE EMPRESS; NEW-MARTYR GEORGE OF SERBIA

WE at Saint Willibrord Orthodox Church welcome you. We are pleased that you have joined us today in worshipping 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 of St. Blaise

Tone 4

By choosing the Apostles' way of life, thou hast succeeded to their throne. Inspired by God, thou didst find the way to divine contemplation through the practice of virtue. After teaching the Word of Truth without error, thou didst defend the Faith to the very shedding of thy blood, O Holy Martyr among bishops Blaise. Entreat the Lord our God to save our souls.

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.

Ordinary Kontakion

Tone 2

O protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the Creator most constant, O despise not the suppliant voices of those who have sinned; but be thou quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession, and speed thou to make supplication, thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

THE EPISTLE

(For the Sixteenth Sunday after Pentecost)

Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Clap your hands, all ye peoples.

The Reading from the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:1-10)

Brethren, working together with Him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For He says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in anyone's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew)

The reading from the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (25:14-30, + Luke 8:8)

The Lord spoke this parable: A man going on a journey called his servants and entrusted to them his property; to one he gave five talents, to another two, to another one, to each according to his ability. Then he went away. He who had received the five talents went at once and traded with them; and he made five talents more. So also, he who had the two talents made two talents more. But he who had received the one talent went and dug in the ground and hid his master's money. Now after a long time the master of those servants came and settled accounts with them. And he who had received the five talents came forward, bringing five talents more, saying: "Master, you delivered to me five talents; here I have made five talents more." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master." And he also who had the two talents came forward, saying: "Master, you delivered to me two talents; here I have made two talents more." His master said to him, "Well done, good

and faithful servant; you have been faithful over a little, I will set you over much; enter into the joy of your master.” He also who had received the one talent came forward, saying: “Master, I knew you to be a hard man, reaping where you did not sow, and gathering where you did not winnow; so I was afraid, and I went and hid your talent in the ground. Here you have what is yours.” But his master answered him, “You wicked and slothful servant! You knew that I reap where I have not sowed, and gather where I have not winnowed? Then you ought to have invested my money with the bankers, and at my coming I should have received what was my own with interest. So take the talent from him, and give it to him who has the ten talents. For to everyone who has will more be given, and he will have abundance; but from him who has not, even what he has will be taken away. And cast the worthless servant into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.” As Jesus said these things He cried out: “He who has ears to hear, let him hear!”



CALENDAR

Saturday, February 17

- 2:00 PM – Catechumen Class
- 2:45 PM – Bible Study
- 4:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, February 18

- 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: \$1059 | To-go this year: (\$14,089.14)

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