



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 18, 2024

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PENTECOST**

& SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

LEO THE GREAT, POPE OF ROME;

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HIS COMPANIONS

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 4

Having learned the joyful message of the Resurrection from the angel the women disciples of the Lord cast from them their parental condemnation. And proudly broke the news to the Disciples, saying: Death hath been spoiled; Christ God is risen, granting the world Great Mercy.

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 Seventeenth Sunday after Pentecost)

*O Lord, how magnified are Thy works. In wisdom hast Thou made them all.
Bless the Lord, O my soul.*

From the Second Epistle of St. Paul to the Corinthians. (6:16-7:1)

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, “I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be My people. Therefore, come out from them, and be separate from them,” says the Lord, “and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be My sons and daughters,” says the Lord Almighty. Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

THE GOSPEL

(For the Seventeenth Sunday of Matthew)

From the Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew. (15:21-28)

At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, “Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon.” But He did not answer her one word. And His disciples came and begged Him, saying, “Send her away, for she is crying after us.” He answered, “I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel.” But she came and knelt before Him, saying, “Lord, help me.” And He answered, “It is not fair to take the children’s bread and throw it to the dogs.” She said, “Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master’s table.” Then Jesus answered her, “O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire.” And her daughter was healed instantly.



CALENDAR

Saturday, February 24

2:00 PM – Catechumen Class

2:45 PM – Bible Study

4:00 PM – Great Vespers

Sunday, February 25

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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