

SAINT MELETIUS, ARCHBISHOP OF ANTIOCH

Saint Meletius was Bishop of Sebaste in Armenia when he was summoned to Antioch by the emperor Constantius to help combat the Arian heresy. He was later appointed to that See.

Saint Meletius struggled zealously against the Arian error; but through the intrigues of the heretics, he was thrice deposed from his cathedra by the Emperor Constantius, who had become surrounded by the Arians and had accepted their teachings. In all this, St. Meletius was distinguished by an extraordinary gentleness, and he constantly led his flock by the example of his own virtue and kindly disposition, supposing that the seeds of the true teaching sprout more readily on such soil.

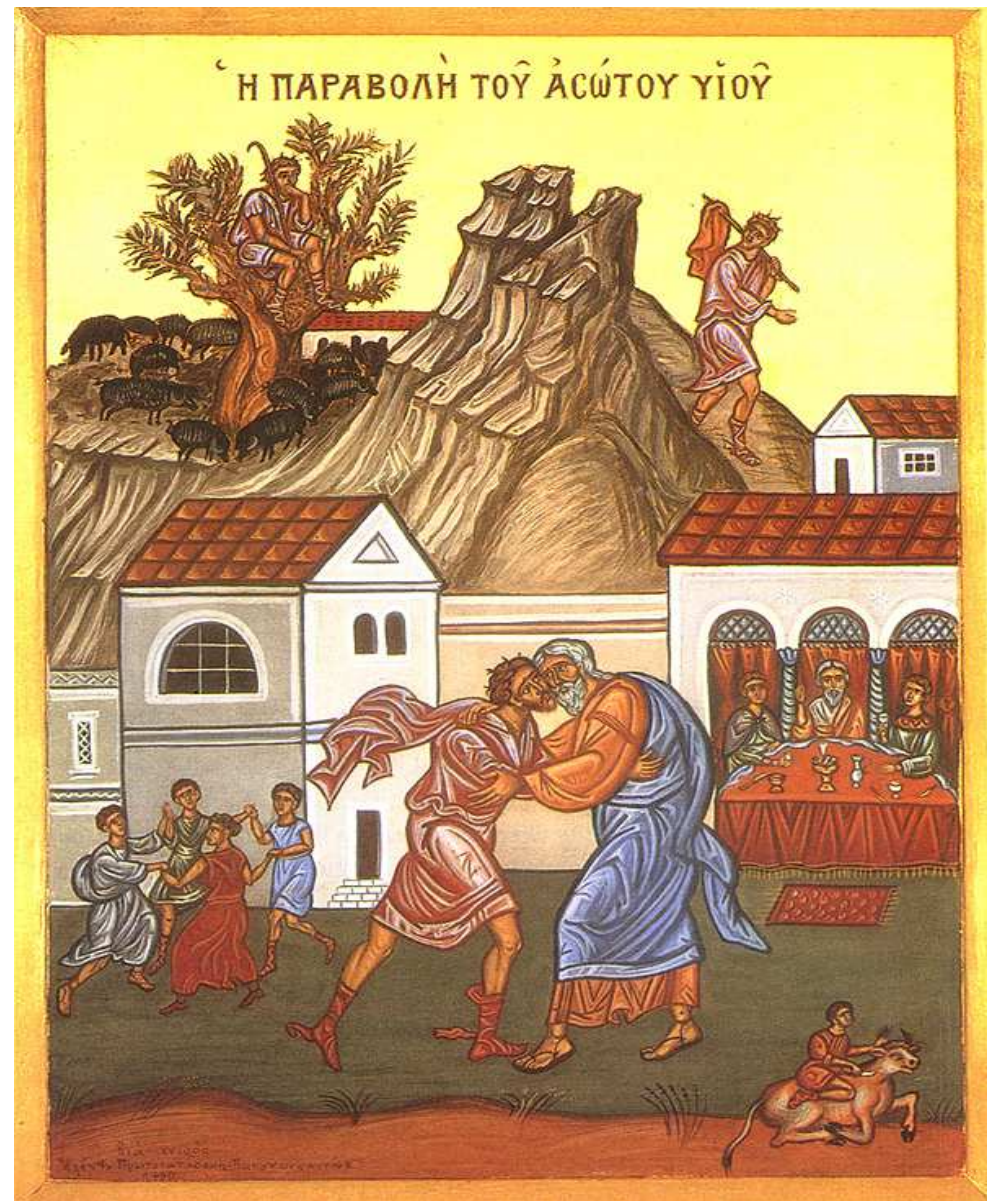
Saint Meletius was the one who ordained the future hierarch St. Basil the Great as deacon. St. Meletius also baptized and encouraged another of the great luminaries of Orthodoxy—St. John Chrysostom, who later eulogized his former archpastor.

After Constantius, the throne was occupied by Julian the Apostate, and the saint again was expelled, having to hide himself in secret places for his safety. Returning under the emperor Jovian in the year 363, St. Meletius wrote his theological treatise, “Exposition of the Faith,” which facilitated the conversion of many of the Arians to Orthodoxy.

In 381, under the emperor Theodosius the Great (379-395), the Second Ecumenical Council was convened. St. Meletius presided over it. Before the start of the Council, he raised his hand displaying three fingers, and then withdrawing two fingers and leaving one extended, he blessed the people, proclaiming: “We understand three hypostases, and we speak about a single nature.” With this declaration, a fire surrounded the saint like lightning. During the Council, St. Meletius fell asleep in the Lord. St. Gregory of Nyssa honored his memory with a eulogy.

St. Meletius has left treatises on the consubstantiality of the Son of God with the Father, and a letter to the emperor Jovian concerning the Holy Trinity. The relics of St. Meletius were transferred from Constantinople to Antioch.

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THIRTY-FIFTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

*St. Meletius, Archbishop of Antioch; Ven. Mary, and her father, Ven. Eugene at Alexandria;
St. Anthony, Patriarch of Constantinople;
St. Aleksey, Metropolitan of Moscow and Wonderworker of All Russia;
St. Kristo the Gardener; St. Meletius, Archbishop of Kharkov;
The "IVERON" Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos*

"I have recklessly forgotten Your glory, O Father, and among sinners I have scattered the riches which You had given me. Therefore, I cry to You like the Prodigal: 'I have sinned before You, O compassionate Father, receive me a penitent and make me as one of Your hired servants.'"

Kontakion, Tone III

"You appeared to your flock as a rule of faith, an image of humility and a teacher of abstinence. Because of your lowliness, Heaven was opened to you. Because of your poverty, riches were granted to you. O holy Bishop Meletius, pray to Christ, our God, to save our souls."

Troparion, Tone IV

TODAY'S EPISTLE: I CORINTHIANS 6:12-20

TODAY'S GOSPEL: LUKE 15:11-32

HOLY WORSHIP THIS WEEK:

Friday, February 17	6:00 p.m. Memorial Vespers
Saturday, February 18	9:00 a.m. Memorial Saturday Divine Liturgy
	5:00 p.m. Great Vespers

WELCOME VISITORS!

We are very glad you have come to worship the Holy Trinity with us this morning! Please participate in the services at your comfort level. Our greeters will kindly assist you with whatever questions or needs you may have. The communion of Christ's Body and Blood is reserved for practicing Orthodox Christians. All are invited to come forward at the end of the service to receive the blessed bread. Please stay after the Divine Liturgy for coffee hour in the Fellowship Hall so we can get to know you better!

Daily Scripture Readings

Monday, February 13	I John 2:18-3:10	Mark 11:1-11
Tuesday, February 14	I John 3:10-20	Mark 14:10-22
Wednesday, February 15	I John 3:21-4:6	Mark 14:43-15:1
Thursday, February 16	I John 4:20-5:21	Mark 15:1-15
Friday, February 17	II John 1:1-13	Mark 15:22,25,33-41
Saturday, February 18	I Corinthians 10:23-28	Luke 21:8-9,25-27,33-36
(Departed)	I Thessalonians 4:13-17	John 5:24-30

COMING EVENTS

FEBRUARY:

- 12-19 Food Collection for St. Mary of Egypt Mission
- 12, TODAY Second Sunday Food Sale
- 19, Sunday Parish Council meeting
- 20, Monday Cooking for St. Herman's House
- 22, Wednesday Serving dinner at St. Herman's House
- 23, Thursday 7:00 p.m. Choir Rehearsal
- 26, Sunday Mission Sunday

FELLOWSHIP HALL TODAY!!

Two events are taking place today after the Divine Liturgy: Our Church School is serving a brunch for our Coffee Hour. And our Second Sunday Food Sale is set up as well. Please support these fundraisers!

MISSION SUNDAY:

Feb. 26 is Mission Sunday for Orthodox Christians. An informative letter from Bishop Demetrios, the Episcopal Liaison to the Orthodox Christian Mission Center, is included in today's Trinitarian.

SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY:

This year Holy Trinity will host the Pan-Orthodox Vespers service that is celebrated on the first Sunday of Lent, the Sunday of Orthodoxy, which is March 5. Please plan to attend the service and offer to help with hosting duties. Details will follow as the date nears.

HOME BLESSINGS:

House blessings are ongoing now through February 26. If you want your home blessed but did not yet sign up, please contact Father Christopher.

FOOD COLLECTION FOR MISSION:

We are holding a Food Collection for St. Mary of Egypt Mission Center. Next Sunday is the last day for items to be brought to the Fellowship Hall. Items being requested are: Canned meats and tuna; dry and canned milk; coffee and boxed tea bags; oatmeal and cereals; rice; cooking ingredients such as spices, baking soda, cornstarch and baking powder.

FLOWERS:

The flowers today are offered by Nancy Scardon.

"OUR DIOCESE" APP:

The Diocese of the Midwest has released an app, accessible on Apple and Android devices as well as through an internet browser, that will connect you to information from our parish and parishes throughout our Diocese, with different levels of use and accessibility. It is exciting to note that there is a level for our youth, which will give them an opportunity to stay connected with their church school, church camps, etc.

Joining is limited to an invite from the priest of each parish, extended via email. If you want to be included, please contact Father or the church office if we do not already have your email address; or email your information to: frchristopher@holy-trin.org

SUMMER CAMP:

St. Vladimir's Orthodox Summer Camp is currently registering youth ages 8-17 for summer sessions. Session 1 is July 2-8, for ages 8-12; Session 2 is July 9-15 for ages 10-17; and Session 3 is July 16-22 for ages 13-17. The Camp is located in Farmdale, OH; photos and complete registration information can be found at www.stvladimirscampohio.com

IOCC ANNUAL BANQUET:

Save the date of Monday, May 8, 6:00-9:00 p.m., for the IOCC Banquet at St. Michael's Woodside. Tickets are \$60, for sale now until 2 weeks prior to event. See Paula Svilar or Diane Hastings. Sponsor donations will be advertised in a booklet that evening if you would like to donate additional funds.

TRINITARIAN COVERS:

The covers are offered by Shirley Weitzel in blessed memory of her parents, Joseph and Irene Greslick.

THE GIFTS WE OFFER TO THE LORD WE LOVE

REGULAR COLLECTION, 2/5/2023	\$ 4237.00
CHURCH ADMINISTRATION ASSESSMENT	1007.00
BUILDING FUND	1159.00
CANDLES	158.00
ORTHODOX MISSIONS	10.00
COFFEE HOUR 1/29/23	121.00



ASSEMBLY OF CANONICAL
ORTHODOX BISHOPS
OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

Mission Sunday 2023

For so the Lord has commanded us 'I have set you as a light to the Gentiles, that you should be for salvation to the ends of the earth.'
– Acts 13:47

To the Reverend Clergy, Monastics, and Faithful
of the Holy Orthodox Churches in the United States:

On Sunday, February 26, just prior to Great Lent, our Orthodox Christian churches throughout our nation will be observing **Mission Sunday**, a time to recall our own mission as the People of God within this world. As we begin our Lenten preparation for Pascha, throughout these days we will affirm “the Light of Christ illumines all” (at each Presanctified Divine Liturgy), culminating in receiving the Light as we proclaim and glorify the Lord’s Resurrection.

The Orthodox Christian Mission Center is the agency of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States that coordinates our international missionary service by:

- **Sending Missionaries** – Currently, 24 OCMC missionaries and their families – from diverse professional backgrounds – are serving in Albania, Fiji, Guatemala, Mexico, Romania, Southeast Asia, and elsewhere around the world.
- **Supporting Mission Priests** – Almost 500 local priests, mostly in Africa, receive monthly financial assistance to minister – often to multiple parishes.
- **Training Church Leaders and Clergy** – In Albania, Guatemala, Kenya, Madagascar, Southeast Asia, and elsewhere OCMC sends missionaries and/or funds to help train future clergy and church leaders who share and teach the faith to people in their native language and culture.
- **Funding Missions Initiatives** – In 2022, just over \$1 million was sent to Orthodox missionaries and dioceses around the world so that the church could minister to the physical, emotional, and spiritual needs of people.

Therefore, on Mission Sunday, on behalf of OCMC and our Assembly of Bishops, I hope that each of us will support the Holy Church’s most central mission by one or more of the following:

1. **Pray** for the missionaries and mission priests around the world who, like the apostles, preach the Gospel of the Lord’s salvation to all peoples.
2. **Give** a financial gift to OCMC in support of its ministries to make more mission work possible.
3. **Engage** your communities and youth in this important work throughout Great Lent by ordering special missions Coin Boxes and Sunday School Lesson Plans to help spread the Light of Christ.

May your Lenten journey be blessed with good strength and may the call to share Christ’s triumphant Resurrection fill our hearts. The world needs the light of Christ. You are needed to take the Light to the ends of the earth!

With Blessings in Christ,

Bishop Demetrios
Episcopal Liaison to OCMC

Holy Trinity Outreach Prayer List for week of February 5, 2023 UPDATE

Memory Eternal

- 1 May the Lord God receive the soul of His servant, the newly-departed **Archpriest Daniel Rentel**, into the mansions of the righteous. Memory Eternal+
- 2 **Matthew**, 54, cousin of Laura Gluntz has fallen asleep in the lord. May his memory be eternal+
- 3 **Lois**, mother of Barry Gluntz has entered into eternal rest. May her memory be eternal+
- 4 **Very Reverend Sergius S. Kuharsky** fell asleep in the Lord on Jan 5. Please pray for comfort for his family. May his memory be eternal+

Specific Prayer Requests

- 1 Marin and Adam Uziel ask for prayers for their mother **Marsha** who is having surgery on her knee this week. May our dear Lord guide the hands of the surgeons and provide Marsha with a speedy recovery.
- 2 Joanne Stoyka asks for prayers for her cousin **Jeanie** who is having surgery on Friday. May our dear Lord guide the hands of the surgeons.
- 3 Joanne and Frank Stoyka ask for prayers for health and healing for their friend **Neil Quint**.
- 4 Joanne and Frank Stoyka ask for prayers for health and healing for their friend **George**.
- 5 Marsha Uziel asks for prayers for her friend **George** who is having serious health issues. Please also pray for his wife **Joyce** who is also suffering health issues.
- 6 Please offer prayers for health and healing for **Rachel** and **Pamela**.
- 7 Please offer prayers for **Valerie Spoerl** who is recovering from surgery.
- 8 Bruce Billow asks for prayers for **Roy** - from Saint Herman's who fell and has been hospitalized. Please pray for his speedy and full recovery.
- 9 Jessie Pechuch asks for prayers for continued health and healing for her father **George** following surgery.
- 10 Please offer special prayers for health and healing for **Ruth Flewelling**.
- 11 Joanne Stoyka asks for prayers for continued prayers for health and healing for her nephew, **Patrick**.
- 12 Frank and Joanne Stoyka ask for prayers of health and healing for their friend, **Neil**, who was life flighted to UH for aortic valve surgery.
- 13 Karen Sherwood asks for prayers for her cousins **Don** and **Joanne**. They are suffering from covid and Don is also in the hospital with a broken arm.
- 14 Protodeacon Anthony asks for prayers for his brother **Jerry** who is recovering from hip surgery.
- 15 Michele Kuhar asks for prayers for her friend **Patricia N.** who is recovering from surgery.

Update

- 1 Elliott McNeely's friend **Ava** is home from the hospital and doing well. Thank to everyone for your prayers!
- 2 Marsha Uziel's daughter **Maren** is recovering well from her surgery and will return to work soon. Many thanks for your prayers!

Continued prayers for the health, peace and well-being of:

- 1 **Becky and Evie**
- 2 **V. Reverend Father Vladimir and Margarita Berzonsky**
- 3 **Carol Bohurjak**
- 4 **Tommy Bohurjak**
- 5 **Marie Borland**
- 6 **Christine** who is undergoing cancer treatment
- 7 **Jennie Cundik**
- 8 **Baby Emilija Markov**, granddaughter of Ana Billow
- 9 **Anna DiDonato**

- 10 **Eva**, daughter of Nadine Svilar's cousin
11 **Barb Phillipow**
12 **Ruth Flewelling**
13 **Gil and Pat George**
14 Pauline Smolarchuk's friend's son **Jimmy**
15 **Mark Karpowicz**
16 **Lydia Kelbach**
17 **Liam James Kepner**
18 **John Kules**
19 **Olga Lobas**
20 **Kalle Lyytinen**
21 **George Mravitz**
22 **Michael**, Nephew of Pauline Smolarchuk
23 **Ellen Myerly**, daughter of Pat Schwartz
24 **Peter, and Rebecca**, nephew and niece of Ruth Flewelling.
25 **Jessica Pecuch**
26 **Kira Pilat**
27 **Olga Przybys**
28 **Carol Range**
29 **Betty Reis**
30 **Mark S.** friend of Michael Sabat
31 **Betty Scherry**
32 **Pat Schwartz**
33 **Gregg Sepic**
34 **Pauline Smolarchuk**
35 **Eleanor Steve**
36 **Ernie and Maryann Schmidt**
37 **Nadine Svilar**
38 **Teresa**, friend of Pauline Smolarchuk
39 **Tressa Thorpe**, friend of Jessie Pecuch
40 **Marsha Uziel**
41 **Marge Virosteck**

A Prayer for Deliverance From Illness

O most Holy God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, Trinity undivided;
pour forth Thy mercy upon Thy sick servant (name);

take away all (his/her) pain and anguish, forgive all (his/her) sins, grant relief from all suffering, restore health and
strength to body and soul.

Grant Thy servant peace, patience and understanding of Thy will for (his/her) life, that (he/she) may return from the
bed of sickness

completely restored to health and able to praise Thy Holy Name, O Lord God and our Creator.