



# Weekly Bulletin

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<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar 11</b>	<i>3rd Sunday of Great Lent / Tone 7 / Veneration of the Cross</i>	
		9:00 am	Church School
		10:00 am	Divine Liturgy      Coffee Hour
		5:00 pm	Akathist to the Cross / St Michael's
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>Mar 14</b>	<i>4th Wednesday of Great Lent</i>	
		4:00 pm	Confession
		6:30 pm	Presanctified Liturgy
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Mar 17</b>	<i>4th Saturday of Great Lent</i>	
		4:00 pm	Confession
		5:30 pm	Great Vespers      Confession
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>Mar 18</b>	<i>4th Sunday of Great Lent / Tone 8 / St John Climacus</i>	
		Readings:	Eph 5:9-19      Matt 4:25-5:12
		9:00 am	Church School
		10:00 am	Divine Liturgy      Coffee Hour

**ATTENDANCE / STEWARDSHIP / Mar 4**

Attendance: (Adults 100, Children 32)	132
Operating	\$3,972.00
OCA Assessments	166.00
St John's	250.00
Uganda Children	49.00
Charities	24.00
Alms	213.00
Icons	15.00
Lagusch Memorial (Icon Fund)	50.00

**EVENING ADULT CLASS**

The Class will meet this Tuesday, March 12 at 7:00 pm.

**COUNCIL MEETING**

Thursday, March 15 at 7:00 pm. The Council will be installed right before the meeting.

**CHURCH CLEAN-UP FOR PASCHA**

Please come and help Clean-up for Pascha this Saturday, March 17 beginning at 9:30 am. See Jessica Chongris with any questions.

**CONFESSION NOTE**

Confession is in order for all Orthodox Christians during Great Lent. Please note the special times scheduled for Confession and approach in a timely manner throughout the season. Saturday, March 31 is the last

day for Confessions. Also, when you come for Confession, consider helping with the reading of the Psalms while awaiting your turn.

**PRAYER CORNER + + + + +**

Eleanor Alexander (Tom's mom), Perry (Capitan), Sbdcn Leonard, Kathy (Denise F's sis), Jim (Ruth's dad), Michael (Chongris nphw), Ted Geletka, (Fr's frnd), Alex Dzura, Bill, infant Julian, John Clements, Willie (Elena G's son), Sarah Crivella, Andy Dzura, Darlene (Mary V's csn), Donald Starr (Scott C's fr-n-lw), suffering Christians in Ukraine and the Middle East.

**Birthdays:** Elijah Moore (3/13), Bobby Wick (3/16).

**Newborns:** Henry (Fred & Faith), Michael David (Cole & Sarah), Nina Margret (Matt & Krista), Andrew James (James & Lisa).

**Expecting:** Matt & Michelle, Tom & Miranda, Mitch & Winnie, Brian & Nicole, Jon & Larissa.

**Our Seminarian:** Brian Crivella & Family.

**Our Missionaries:** Peter & Sharon.

**Our Catechumens:** Cami Price, Stephanie Iorga.

**Memory Eternal:** James Balamaci (Fr's frnd, 2/1) Maria Lagusch (2/14).

# Youth & Young Adult Programs at the All-American Council

The Orthodox Church in America's Department of Youth, Young Adult and Campus Ministries looks forward to welcoming youth ages 5-18 from across North America to the 19th All-American Council (AAC) in St. Louis, Missouri, July 23-27, 2018.

"Like the AAC at large, our youth and teen program will focus on the theme of 'For the Life of the World,'" said Priest Benjamin Tucci, 19th AAC youth program coordinator. "We will explore the ways our children can live as Orthodox Christians in today's challenging secular world."

The five-day program will include:

## **Worship**

A teaching liturgy and daily morning/evening services

## **Fellowship**

Daily excursions to local sites including Six-Flags and the St. Louis Arch

## **Service**

Volunteering in a social responsibility project at a local food pantry

## **Education**

Discussions and lessons on the sacramental life of the church

Activities and content will be organized in four specific age groups. "The richness of our Orthodox Faith provides limitless opportunities to encounter God," Father Benjamin explained, "Whether it be in the divine liturgy, or serving those in need, or spending time with friends, we will explore many of

the countless ways youth can live a sacramental life wherever they live."

This year's program looks to build upon the success of previous AAC youth programs, most recently in Atlanta, Georgia in 2015.

## **Who Can Attend:**

- Youth at least 5 years old (and have completed Kindergarten by July 1, 2018)
- Teens of any age, including those entering 12th grade in the Fall of 2018
- Recent high school graduates and young adults (ages 18-20) are encouraged to serve as junior counselors
- Those ages 21+ are welcome to serve as counselors
- Seminarians or Parish Youth Directors

## **Registration**

The youth program registration is open. An early bird registration rate will be offered until March 1, 2018. Exact pricing is still being determined to ensure as many young people can attend as possible. Final registration will close on May 1, 2018.

"Youth and teens who typically don't have an opportunity to attend an Orthodox summer camp may want to consider joining us in St. Louis at the All-American Council in 2018," Fr Benjamin said, adding, "Where else can you spend a week with hundreds of Orthodox youth from across North America? It will be a wonderful opportunity to nurture the faith of our youth."

# Smile!

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