

**THE HOLY APOSTLES SILAS (SILVANUS), CRESCENS, EPENETOS, &
ANDRONIKOS OF THE 70**

In addition to the inner circle of 12, Christ had an outer circle of 70 more Apostles, 4 of whom are commemorated today---all 4 worked with St. Paul. St. Silas (also called Silvanus) traveled on missionary journeys with Sts. Paul & Barnabas, as recounted in the book of Acts. Later in life, he was bishop of Corinth, Greece. St. Crescens (mentioned in II Timothy 4: 10) traveled some with Paul and ended up preaching in Galatia when Paul went on his final trip to Rome. St. Epenetos, (mentioned in Romans 16:5), was one of St. Paul's first converts in Asia Minor. He later became bishop of Carthage in Africa. St. Andronikus is mentioned by Paul in Romans 16:7 and called Paul's "kinsman". Some think Paul meant to say he was Jewish as was Paul. Some think he was related to Paul. Paul says that Andronikus became a Christian before he himself did. It is said that in the later part of his life he did missionary work in Central Europe, where the Czech Republic is today. We commemorate these 4 Saints all together each year on July 30.

SERMON COPIES from the last couple of Sundays are usually available on the long table in narthex near coat rack.

ZOE for Life!! Needs Your Help

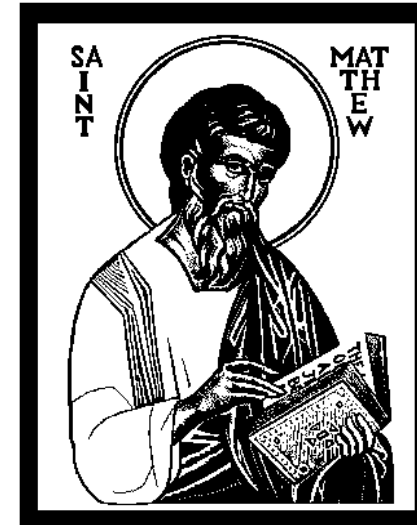
May we ask you to help us provide mothers coming to Zoe House for assistance for new or gently used strollers, high chairs, walkers for babies, baby swings and activity centers? If you are able to help with any of these items, we ask you to contact us at 216-465-9030, and thank you in advance for your help for His little ones.

NORTH ROYALTON MINISTERS' ASSOCIATION---COMMUNITY MONTHLY MEAL---This ministry has been organized with Orthodox (2 parishes), Catholic, Lutheran, Baptist, Nazarene, & Methodist participation. The basic plan is for the parishes to go together to serve a hot meal to all who can come---the target group was originally the needy, but all are welcome! The next meal is TODAY, 3-5 p.m., and will be at St. Albert Catholic Church on Wallings Road. If you can help in any way, please contact Father Andrew.

"MERCY MEALS" MINISTRY JUST BEGINNING

If you are able to make meals **and/or** deliver meals to parishioners needing help in difficult circumstances, please contact Lisa [Amer-----lisa.amer@att.net](mailto:lisa.amer@att.net),
home—440-826-6372, cell---440-415-9126

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Saturday Vespers 5:00 PM

Sunday Matins 8:50 AM

Saturday Confessions 5:30 PM

Sunday School 9:00 AM

Sunday Confessions 9:45 AM

Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

THE EIGHTH SUNDAY AFTER PENTECOST

**The Holy Apostles Among the 70 Silas (Silvanus), Crescens, Epenetos, & Andronikus;
The Holy Martyr Bishop Valentine of Terni, Italy & His Companions; St. John the
Warrior; St. Herman of Solovky, Angelina, Sovereign Lady of Serbia**

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS TODAY! We are glad to have you praying with us today!

*And we hope you will stay as our guests for our coffeetime right after the service. **The reception of the Sacrament of Holy Communion** is limited to members of the Orthodox Church who are in good sacramental standing and have made proper preparation to receive. All are welcome to receive a portion of the blessed bread distributed at the end of the service.*

THE HOLY BREAD OF OBLATION is offered today by the Patrick family for the health & safety of Camille and Daniel on their birthdays; and is offered by the Harmons for the health & safety of Anthony on his birthday; and is being offered by Larry & Gail Malaniak for the health & safety of Larry's mother, Mary, on her 87th birthday; and is being offered by Jean Fadil and Ralph & Elle Parker in beloved memory of Jean & Elle's father, Elias Fadil.

DURING TODAY'S LITURGY WE WILL PRAY FOR THE HEALTH & SAFETY OF:

Josephine Katzbach	Jamie Pepper	Sydney Hudacek
Justin Mosier	Fouad & Selwa Zogheib	Sylvia Audey
Ardelle George	Mary Farage	Peter George
Corinne Farris	Marc Balke	Nancy Donnelly
Joanne Esber	Christopher Samuel	Georgeta Popa
Edmund & Jeri Farris	Emily Bsharah	Issa Zaboura
Caroline Fish	Tony Burhen	Mary Kirkwood
Francisca Melendez	Rosalee Haddad	Evelyn Farage
Ruth Humphrey	Richard Hakaim	Lucy Kincaid
Sam & Mary Violanti	Father Seraphim & Matushka Holland	Father Joseph Gleason
Bella, Bret, & Savayah Pacl	Presbyteria Rosy Tanveer (Pakistan)	Heidi Menoes

WE WILL ALSO PRAY TODAY for the newly departed servants of God, Metropolitan PAUL Saliba, Metropolitan ANTONIOS Shidrawi, Serrieh Saddic (Hani Saddic's mother), Daria Petrokowski, Daniel Resanovich, Ed Madias (Francene Comstock's father), Joyce Nader, Khourie Stephanie Yazge, Douglas Montgomery (Bud Linder's nephew), & Daniel Holland.

TODAY'S SERVICE

EPISTLE LESSON---I Corinthians 1: 10-17 **Reader:** Judy Yanik

GOSPEL LESSON---Matthew 14: 14-22

HOMILY: "Is Christ Divided? -I Corinthians 10"

Altar Boys: Shadi Zogheib, Caleb Blazek, Xavier Blazek, Nicholas Katsaros, Emad Zogheib

Ushers: Anthony Yanik, George Nassif **Greeters:** Georgette Dye, Judy Yanik

NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 6, HOLY TRANSFIGURATION DAY.---The holy bread of oblation will be offered by the Vazquezs for Joel Gazal's birthday; grapes will be blessed as is customary for Tranfiguration Day.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH COUNCIL---- 7 p.m., Monday, July 31

SOUTH BIBLE STUDY---6:30 p.m., Tuesday, August 1, at Dr. Craig & Cindy George's, 9451 Sherwood Trail, Brecksville. We are studying the book of Hebrews---all are welcome!

PARAKLESIS SERVICES FOR THE THEOTOKOS for the Dormition Fast---Wednesday, August 2; Friday, August 4; Monday, August 7; Wednesday, August 9. All at 6:30 p.m. *After the first one, Wednesday, August 2, we will have Fasting Fellowship coffeetime---coffee and light Lenten type snacks and a chance to visit. Bring anything (strict fast) that you wish.*

CHANTING CLASS---4 p.m., Saturday, August 5

VESPERS---Saturday, July 29, 6:30 p.m. *Please notice earlier time than normal.*

THE GREAT HOLY DAY OF THE TRANSFIGURATION OF JESUS CHRIST IS AUG. 6.

Our schedule—Saturday, Aug. 5---Vespers with Artoklasia, 5 p.m.

Sunday, Aug. 6—Festal Matins, 8:50 a.m.; Liturgy, 10 a.m. *Grapes are always blessed at this liturgy, so bring some if you like.*

ST. HERMAN'S MEAL SERVING—**NEXT SUNDAY, AUGUST 6** is our monthly meal serving at St. Herman Orthodox Homeless Shelter in Cleveland. We already have cooks lined up (Rajka & David Ries---thanks!), but will need volunteers to serve the meal. See Deacon Basil to volunteer to help serve food. The meal is at 5:30.

WOMEN'S PRAYER GROUP-----Tuesday, August 8, 7 p.m., at Jean Fadil's, 477 Cranston Drive, Berea. Call Joanne Vazquez, 440-239-9464, for more info.

CHAT AND CHEW DISCUSSION PARTY---Friday, August 11, 6:30 p.m., at Beth Snyder's, 9314 Towpath Trail, Seville. Come enjoy snacks (Lenten, please, as we will be in Dormition Fast), fellowship, & discussion. The topic will be "The Physical Side Of Being Spiritual", led by Deacon Basil

WEST BIBLE STUDY-----Saturday, August 12, 5:45 p.m. (after 5 p.m. Vespers). We are studying the book of Daniel---all are welcome.

TEEN & ADULT HOME BIBLE STUDY/LUNCH---After church, Sunday, August 13. At Justin Nassif's house, 9213 West Hampton Drive, North Royalton. **FOOD, FUN, & BIBLE!**

THE ANNUAL PARISH PICNIC HAS BEEN SCHEDULED FOR SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10---- As always, hosted by the Brotherhood and free of charge.

MINISTRY TO THE HOMELESS---Some of our parishioners will be delivering personal necessity bags, sandwiches, clothing, water, etc. to the homeless on the streets of Cleveland **SUNDAY, AUG. 20**. If you can help by donating items for future deliveries, please let Josie Katzbach know, 440-668-9831, or contact Fr. Andrew. **ESPECIALLY NEEDED NOW—SOCKS (see big box on table in hall) AND WATER. And please remember the need for cash funding—please put your donations in alms box in church narthex.** And a new need---we are “adopting” some folks in need of tents. Can you donate a tent? Any size is fine. Either new or used but in good shape and ready to use...Just let Josie know.

NEED FOR COFFEETIME HOSTS---- COFFEETIME IS A VERY IMPORTANT PART OF OUR PARISH LIFE-----it is where we greet our visitors, make new friends, and see old friends. It is crucial to our parish family life. **THE COFFEETIME SIGN-UP SHEET FOR THE SECOND HALF OF 2017 IS NOW ON BULLETIN BOARD IN THE HALL (in the rear).** Please take a look at it and sign up to host for a Sunday---it’s fine for 2 families to host together. Coffee and paper products are provided. *And if you are not signed up for Coffeetime but decide to bring food, please let coordinator Jean Fadil, 440-234-3064, know ahead of time so as to avoid confusion—thanks!*

Acts 20: 35---“remembering the words of the Lord Jesus, how He said, ‘It is more blessed to give than to receive.’”

A “FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS BOOK” FOR ST. MATTHEW’S IS NOW AVAILABLE IN OFFICE FOR YOU TO SEE---in the interests of parish financial transparency you are welcome to look at it to view current financial reports. Just check with any Parish Council member or Father Andrew.

As of 7/23/2017

Total Pledged \$ 88,910.46

Total Received \$ 83,606.11

Difference \$ 5,304.35

Percent Received 94%

SUNDAY EVENING TEACHING SERIES LED BY PAUL FINLEY

“Who Is Killing Your Faith?”

6 p.m., Sundays, Sept. 10, 17, 24, & Oct. 1

Here at St. Matthew’s