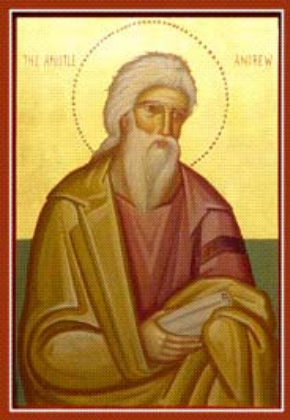


St. Andrew Orthodox Church

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May 2006



Rev. Fr. Christopher Rozdilski,
Pastor

Rectory: (517) 351-4627
Emergencies ONLY: (517) 256-7399

Saturday Vespers 6 pm
Confessions (following)

Sunday Liturgy 9:30 am
Confessions 9:00 am

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When a man detaches his mind from the earth and opens it to God with the desire of pleasing Him, then God reveals His will to him in various ways. St Peter Damascene writes: 'If a man has a wholehearted desire to please God, to him will God show His will through his thoughts, or through some other person or through Holy Scripture.' Such a man will be careful and will await the promptings of God, both inward and outward. For him there is no such thing as a chance, and the world becomes for him as a ten-stringed harp that gives forth no sound but in response to the finger of God.

St. Nikolai Velimirovic, The Prologue from Ochrid, Vol, 2, pg39

Calendar of Events

May

- 6) 6 pm Vespers / Confession (every Saturday)
- 7 Myrrh-Bearing Women
- 13) Brotherhood preparation for brunch
- 14) Mother's Day Brunch
- 16) 6:30 pm Parish Council Meeting
- 17) 7:00 pm Sisterhood Meeting
- 21) Mid-Year Parish Meeting
- 28) Memorial Weekend

June

- 1) 9:30 am Ascension Liturgy
- 4) Church School Awards and Ice Cream Sundaes



Thank You

To all who helped complete the mosaic icon.
Father Christopher will bless the icon on May 7.

Deadline for the June Newsletter is May 21

This edition of the Newsletter is sponsored by Don and Jennifer Beck in memory of her father, Terry Hayes.

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Parish Council—Samir Matta, Chair

With the start of the Spring Season, and warm weather, the Parish Council anticipates a lot of activities within our parish community. We would like to keep you informed and ask for your assistance and support. Some of the upcoming activities and events include:

1. **The Parade of Homes, June 3-13**, sponsored by the Brotherhood. We anticipate having a house in the DeWitt area that we will need to staff for the open house.
2. **MSU Concessions for 2006 Football Season** sponsored partially by the Sisterhood and organized by Barb Pierpont. Thanks to all who work hard to make this event a success. It is one of the best fund raiser events for our parish. **Your dedication and support is much appreciated.**
3. **Property at 1556 Greencrest Avenue** will require much attention this spring, as the house needs a major cleaning and some upgrades in order to be used for whatever function the parish thinks appropriate. Our insurance provider has deemed the roof a hazard and consequently lowered the coverage to \$45,000 unless we completely replace it. Our estimate for replacement is in the \$5,000 to \$6,000 range. All able-bodied in the parish will be needed to perform many of the chores anticipated.
4. **A General Parish Meeting on May 21** to discuss the State of the Parish and the many issues to be addressed this year. One of these issues is the opportunity to amend the Parish By-Laws to incorporate “Pledging” as a means for becoming a member of our parish. Please watch for articles and additional information about the pledge concept which will be provided for your reading pleasure.
5. **Stained Glass Windows Repair:** The condition of the windows is worsening every year and we need to formally decide whether to attempt to restore them (at a high cost) or replace them entirely (with a different window style.) Your input is welcomed and encouraged. The Council understands the complexity of the replacement option, especially with the possibility of eliminating the original donor names. Our first priority is to restore, if possible, and to ask the families of the original donor(s) if they would like to sponsor the needed repairs.
6. **Parking Lot, Sidewalk and Driveway Repairs:** As you may have noticed, the parking lot is breaking up, the sidewalk and driveway to the garage at the rectory have settled, and numer-

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ous sections have spalled or have a number of breaks in them. A new section of sidewalk is needed to connect the church to the property at 1556 Greencrest.

7. **A Riding Lawn Mower** will be needed to help maintain the grounds around the Church, Rectory, and the property at 1556 Greencrest. Anyone interested in donating part or all of the cost of this purchase, please contact any member of the Parish Council.

The parish council appreciates all of your efforts, feedback and support.

Your Parish Council

Sisterhood - Tsveta Lambo, President

The Sisterhood has been busy cooking and baking this spring. Irene Lambo flew in from Wisconsin to give us a lesson on how to make pierogi. We had our Pascha bread sale, which was very successful. We received delivery of the white altar cloths for Pascha.

Our spring rummage sale will be on May 6. The money raised will be used to buy the rest of the ceiling panels for the social hall. Anything you want to donate can be brought to the church. Our flea market will be on June 17.

The Sisterhood purchased a wireless microphone for Fr. Christopher to wear during Sunday Services.

Barbara Pierpont is looking for volunteers for the MSU football games. This is an excellent fund raiser for our church. If you are able to help, please see Barb in church on Sundays, and sign up.

Our next meeting will be May 17, at 7:00 p.m.

To Donate ...

The church has an organ, valued at \$1100-1200, and would like to donate it to some worthy organization. It is in good condition, has not been used often, but needs tuning. If you know of an appropriate "home" for the organ, please contact Fr. Christopher



FOCA/OCF—Laura Patrick, Coordinator

Pop Can Schedule

May Parapovic
June Matta



Parish Family Picnic

Mark your calendars now and plan to attend our third annual family picnic on Sunday, August 20, 2006. It will be held at the beautiful Scenic Lake Park in Laingsburg. More details will be forthcoming.

Don't Miss It!

Congratulations

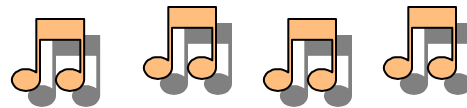
To Andrew and Erin Shauver, who were Chrismated on Holy Saturday morning.

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Church School—Jennifer Beck

Christ is Risen! Our Church School year is drawing to a close and we will be having graduation on Sunday, June 4 immediately following liturgy. Children will be receiving certificates of participation for good attendance and every child will be receiving a small gift. Please join us downstairs following graduation for ice cream sundaes in celebration of our completion. Thanks to everyone who supported and helped the Church School throughout the year. As the saying goes, "It takes a village to raise a child" and how true that is, especially in their growing faith.

Thank you!
Jennifer



I would like to express my sincerest appreciation to all choir members for their excellent participation and performances during the Lenten services, especially those of Holy Week. Regardless of how many practices or services anyone attended, it was a total choir effort that not only I admired, but the parish itself.

Thank you.
Ted Lopushinsky, Director

Ushers Coffee Hour Sponsors and Prosfora Donors for May

	<u>Ushers</u>	<u>Coffee Hour</u>	<u>Prosfora</u>
7	Hattrem	Tatyana / Zhanna	John & Fran Johnson for Micki & Matt Warneke on their anniversary
14	Anna Zivic / Jack Stein	Mother's Day	Luba Evanoff in memory of father, Vasil Tsintsaroff
21	Nevenka Dines / John Johnson	deMorrow	Catherine Hattrem for husband Doug on his birthday
28	Covell	Parapovic	Father Christopher in memory of his father, Father Raphael Rozdilski

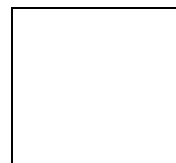
Church Cleaning Schedule for May (Dates are for the end of your week)

	<u>Upstairs</u>	<u>Downstairs</u>
6	Patrick / Jr. FOCA	Cathy Estrada / Parapovic
13	Greve / Hubinger	Volunteers Needed
20	Britton / Additional Volunteer Needed	Hattrem
27	Matta	Pierpont / Fortais

MAY 2006

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6 6 p.m. Vespers followed by Confession
7 Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women	8	9	10	11	12	13 6 p.m. Vespers followed by Confession
14 Mother's Day Brunch	15	16 6:30 p.m. Parish Council Meeting	17 7:00 p.m. Sisterhood Meeting	18	19	20 6 p.m. Vespers followed by Confession
21 Mid-Year Parish Meeting	22	23	24	25	26	27 6 p.m. Vespers followed by Confession
28 Memorial Weekend	29	30	31 6:00 p.m. Vespers for Ascension Eve	1 9:30 a.m. Ascension Liturgy		

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