

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JUNE 9, 2019**

### **JOIN US FOR FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING THE LIUTRGY TODAY**

Coffee hour is hosted today by Samir and Selena Kanazeh.

*Sign-up sheets for hosting coffee hour as well as for the Church School snack are posted on the bulletin board next to the elevator. (Something simple is all that's expected, though you may do more, if you want, for a special occasion.)*



## **DIOCESE OF TOLEDO AND THE MIDWEST PARISH LIFE CONFERENCE**

**HOSTED BY: ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH; URBANA, IL**

**UNIVERSITY OF ILLINOIS NEWMAN CENTER ~ JUNE 19 - 22, 2019**

### **Have you registered for this year's PLC?**

We are getting close to filling up rooms at the Newman Center, and the chef is planning some great meals for us to have together.

**The deadline for MEAL TICKETS is June 10!**

**Workshops and Speakers** that will challenge and inspire us!

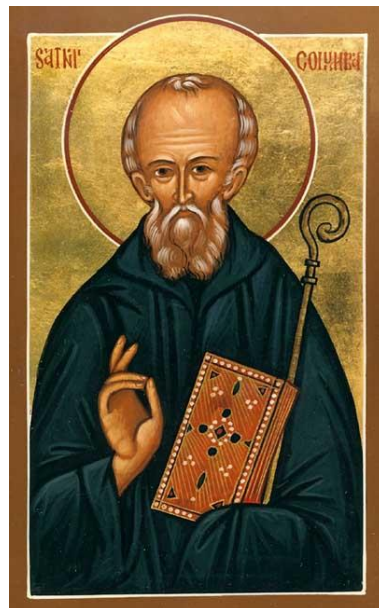
Fun free social events planned after the Bible Bowl on Thursday evening.

[www.antiochianevents.com/toledo.html](http://www.antiochianevents.com/toledo.html)

## ST. COLUMBA OF IONA

Our venerable and God-bearing Father Columba of Iona, Enlightener of Scotland (December 7, 521 - June 9, 597) (also known as Columcille, meaning "Dove of the Church") was an Irish missionary who helped re-introduce Christianity to Scotland and the north of England.

He was born to Fedhlimidh and Eithne of the Ui Neill clan in Gartán, near Lough Gartán, Donegal. On his father's side he was great-great-grandson of Niall of the Nine Hostages, an Irish king of the fourth century. He became a monk and soon rose in the church hierarchy to the rank of priest. Tradition asserts that, sometime around 560, he became involved in a copyright wrangle with St. Finian of Moville over a psalter. The dispute eventually led to the pitched Battle of Cul Dremhe in 561, during which many men were killed. (Columba's copy of the psalter has been traditionally associated with the Cathach of St. Columba.) As penance for these deaths, Columba was ordered to make the same number of new converts as had been killed. He was also ordered to leave Ireland and move such that he could not see his native country.



He travelled to Scotland, where it is reputed he first landed at the southern tip of the Kintyre peninsula, near Southend. However, being still in sight of his native land he moved further north up the west coast of Scotland. In 563 he founded a monastery on the island of Iona off the west coast of Scotland which became the centre of his evangelising mission to Scotland. There are many stories of miracles which he performed during his mission to convert the Picts.

Columba is also the source of the first known reference to the Loch Ness Monster. According to the story, in 565 he came across a group of Picts who were burying a man killed by the monster, and brought the man back to life. In another version, he is said to have saved the man while the man was being attacked, driving away the monster with the sign of the cross.

St. Columba's feast day is June 9, and with St. Patrick of Ireland (March 17) and St. Brigid of Kildaire (February 1) is one of the three patron saints of Ireland. The three are buried together in Downpatrick in County Down, deep within the famous Hill of Down.



St. Columba's Bay, where the saint first landed on Iona

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## AC2019 IS GOING TO BE HISTORIC

It's the story of the lives of generations  
of Antiochian Orthodox Christians

We will be celebrating  
**40 Years of the Antiochian Village**  
and  
**50 Years of NAC TEEN SOYO**

History was made during those decades, when lifelong  
friendships were formed and faith flourished at Camp & at SOYO.

**History will be made again**, as generations of youth now in their prime, reunite, reminisce, and  
relive days of old and dreams of new as they think about how they "can do all things through  
Christ who strengthens" them.

Through the years, Antiochian Village has inspired many a clergyman and ministry leader,  
and sparked many a marriage. SOYO has given birth to a lifetime of friends in faith.

**Come be a part of the remarkable vision** that helped grow the young Orthodox into  
the leaders they are today, in our church and in our society.

**ANNIVERSARIES, REUNIONS, CELEBRATIONS AT AC2019.  
BE WHERE YOUR FRIENDS AND CLERGY  
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*Antiochian Village  
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The Orthodox Christian Churches of Central Indiana Present:

## *Dr. Peter Bouteneff: “How to Be a Sinner”*

7 pm Monday, June 17, 2019

Ss. Constantine & Elena Orthodox Church  
3237 W. 16th St., Indianapolis



Peter Bouteneff teaches courses in theology, spirituality and the arts at St Vladimir’s Orthodox Seminary, where he is Professor of systematic theology.

His book *How to Be a Sinner* is a series of compassionate reflections on how to understand the Church's language of repentance, touching on issues of sin, shame, guilt, forgiveness and mercy.

*How to Be a Sinner* isn't advice on how to sin better. It's a series of compassionate reflections on what it actually means to identify myself as a sinner, and to do so in a healthy way. Because how I identify myself is important, and the "sinner identity" can potentially be a problem, Dr. Bouteneff will address the questions:

- *Is “wrong” at the core of my very being?*
- *What does it do to me, to be seen constantly as falling short?*
- *Isn't there a good kind of self-love and self-care?*

*Owning the “sinner identity” is a key component of a healthy life; it's part of self-care; it's part of my salvation. “There is a crack in everything. That's how the light gets in.”*