

ANNOUNCEMENTS

**WELCOME FR. SIMON THOMAS, PRESVYTERA STEPHANIE,
ELPINIKE AND DEMETRI TO ANNUNCIATION!**

REQUESTING PRAYERS

Vangie Vafines

PARISH ACTIVITIES

- ◆ **ELPIS SUMMER PICNIC** Saturday August 15th - Annual Summer Party at the home of Ted & Stephanie Poplos. See email from Cyndi Dettu for more details.
- ◆ **SUNDAY SCHOOL will begin the fall term on August 16th.** Registration for NEW Students will be held each Sunday from July 26-Aug 9 in Cotros Hall following Divine Liturgy. **Please see Anna Paris for details.**

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH, SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 4TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

- ◆ **Orthrox 8:45am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **40 day Memorial for Ioan Trif, father of Maria Trif**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30am - 12noon**
- ◆ **Special Coffee Hour to welcome our new Priest. Rev. Fr. Simon Thomas, Presvytera Stephanie and their children Elpinike and Demetri to Annunciation. Today in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy.**
- ◆ **More Than a Meal** This afternoon at Grace-St. Luke's. We will be cooking and serving as well as creating a take home bag for those in need. See Cyndi Detti for more details.

MONDAY, JULY 20TH

- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting 6:15pm in the Library**

SUNDAY JULY 26TH

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30am - 12noon**
- ◆ **COMMUNITY PICNIC TODAY FOLLOWING DIVINE LITURGY** in the "back yard" of the church. AHEPA, YAH and DOP will be joining our efforts. Our plan is to grill hamburgers and hot dogs and ask the community to bring side dishes. We will be renting an inflatable slide and offer face painting for the kids. Bring your chairs and plan to have a great time!



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SUNDAY, JULY 19, 2015

We welcome you to Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and are blessed that you have come to our worship service. We hope that this worship experience is both enlightening and inspirational. Each Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are a visitor to our Parish we encourage you to follow the Divine Liturgy book to assist you in following the Liturgy. Please understand that the Christian Orthodox Church does not practice inter-communion with other Christian denominations. Though we may share a common belief in the Holy Trinity, our churches are not yet one in faith and practice. We believe that Holy Communion is not the means to Christian unity but it is in fact the fullest expression of that unity. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every divine service of the Orthodox Church. Please do not approach for Holy Communion if you are not a baptized/christmated Orthodox Christian. Feel free to contact a Parish Council Member if you desire to learn more about the Christian Orthodox Church, the Church of the New Testament.

We would like to remind all Orthodox Christians to be spiritually prepared and in proper canonical standing with the Church in order to partake of the Holy Eucharist.

THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS

On this, the 19th day of the month of July, we commemorate: the Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council, Macrina the Righteous, sister of St. Basi, Dium, Abbot of Antioch, The Translation of the Holy Relics of Righteous Seraphim of Sarov and Saint Theodore, Bishop of Edessa.

By their holy intercessions, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

SUNDAY, JULY 19TH, 2015

SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE 4TH ECUMENICAL COUNCIL

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION IN THE PLAGAL SECOND TONE

Angelic powers were above Thy tomb, and they that guarded Thee became as dead. And Mary stood by the grave seeking Thine immaculate Body. Thou hast despoiled Hades and wast not tried thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst grant us life. O Thou Who didst arise from the dead, Lord, glory be to Thee.

APOLYTIKION FOR SUN. OF THE HOLY FATHERS IN THE PLAGAL FOURTH TONE

Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast established our Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to Thee.

HYMN OF THE ANNUNCIATION IN THE FIRST TONE

Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

SEASONAL KONTAKION IN THE SECOND TONE

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

EPISTLE READER: Patricial Grantham

USHER DUTY TEAM 3: Maria Moore & Harry Sinis

GREETERS: Nick Fox & Nicole Fox

PROSFORO: Enosis Touliatos

MODIFIED FAST THIS WEEK

On Wednesday, we fast from meat, dairy and fish with wine and oil permitted. On Friday, we observe a strict fast and abstain from meat, dairy, fish, wine and oil.

EPISTLE READING - TITUS 3:8-15

TITUS, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen. after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

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GOSPEL READING - MATTHEW 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."