

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2015

7TH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Second Tone

Angelic powers were above Your tomb, and they that guarded You became as dead. And Mary stood by the grave seeking Your immaculate Body. You have despoiled Hades and were not tried thereby. You did meet the Virgin and did grant us life. O You Who did arise from the dead, Lord, glory be to You.

Apolytikion for Synaxis of the Archangels in the Fourth Tone

Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of Heavens, we, the unworthy, impotune and beseech you that by your supplications you encircle us in the shelter of the wings of your immaterial glory, guarding us who now fall down and cry to you with fervor: Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, as the great marshal of the heavenly hosts on high.

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 ἢ 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 Fourth Tone

Today, the most pure temple of the Savior, the precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of God, enters the house of the Lord, bringing the grace of the Divine Spirit. The Angels of God praise her. She is the heavenly tabernacle.

FASTING THIS WEEK

On Wednesday we observe a strict fast and Friday Wine and Oil are allowed. The rest of the week is fast free.



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We welcome you to the 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/chrismated Orthodox Christian. Feel free to contact Father Simon 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 8th day of the month of November, we commemorate the Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & the other Bodiless Powers: Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel & Barachiel.

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

EPISTLE READING - HEBREWS 2:2-10

Brethren, if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him, while God also bore witness by signs and wonders and various miracles and by gifts of the Holy Spirit distributed according to his own will. For it was not to angels that God subjected the world to come, of which we are speaking. It has been testified somewhere, "What is man that thou art mindful of him, or the son of man, that thou carest for him? Thou didst make him for a little while lower than the angels, thou hast crowned him with glory and honor, putting everything in subjection under his feet." Now in putting everything in subjection to him, he left nothing outside his control. As it is, we do not yet see everything in subjection to him. But we see Jesus, who for a little while was made lower than the angels, crowned with glory and honor because of the suffering of death, so that by the grace of God he might taste death for every one. For it was fitting that he, for whom and by whom all things exist, in bringing many sons to glory, should make the pioneer of their salvation perfect through suffering.

GOSPEL READING - LUKE 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and could not be healed by any one, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ♦ **Community Christmas Card** participation - \$25 payable to ELPIS by Nov 23. See Sophie Theodore for details.
- ♦ **Greek Dressing & Rice Pudding** for Thanksgiving can now be ordered. Please see Enosis Touliatos for details.
- ♦ **Thanksgiving Luncheon** in Cotros Hall on Sunday, November 22, immediately following Divine Liturgy. Please see flier in Epistle and on Bulletin Board for details.
- ♦ **Greek School Adult Classes** - if you are interested in a daytime class please come on Mondays at Noon upstairs in the Greek School Class Room.
- ♦ **Elpis Bookstore Christmas Open House** - Join Us on Sunday, November 15 for our Annual Christmas Open House! We will feature items perfect for the holiday season. Our store offers books, icons, jewelry and many gift items perfect for every person on your list. Don't see what you want, ask a manager to order it for you!

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Reader:

Prosfora: Laura Couloubaritsis

Usher Duty Team 1: George Deitz & George Karkatsugas

Greeters: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jameson

Coffee Hour hosted by the Parish Council

The Coffee Hour sign up still has two openings: December 20 & 27

This Week's Schedule

Sunday November 8

- ❖ " **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ❖ " **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12 noon**
- ❖ " **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ❖ " **Coffee Hour** - hosted by the Parish Council
- ❖ " **General Assembly & Parish Council Nominations 12:00 noon**
- ❖ " **DOP Meeting** following General Assembly - Mother Nektaria "Women in the Church" (light lunch in the library)
- ❖ " **Athenian Dance Troupe Practice** - Juniors 12:30 pm; Seniors 2:30 pm

Monday, November 9 Saint Nektarios of Pentapolis

- ❖ " **Orthros/Divine Liturgy 9:00 am**
- ❖ " **Studies in the Faith Class 6:00 pm** in Cotros Hall

Tuesday, November 10

- ❖ " **Greek School 3:00 pm**
- ❖ " **AHEPA Meeting 6:30 pm** in Cotros Hall

Thursday, November 12

- ❖ " **Girl Scouts 3:30 pm** in Cotros Hall
- ❖ " **Elpis Girls' Night Out/Cooking Lesson 6:00 pm** in Cotros Hall & Kitchen

Friday, November 12

- ❖ " **Greek School 3:00 pm**

Saturday, November 14

- ❖ " **DOP Monthly Meeting & Prep for Soup Sunday** in Cotros Hall & Kitchen

Sunday, November 15

- ❖ " **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ❖ " **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12 noon**
- ❖ " **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ❖ " **Soup Sunday Luncheon** hosted by Daughters of Penelope
- ❖ " **90th Anniversary Celebration for Father Vieron**
- ❖ " **Elpis Philoptochos Bookstore Open House**
- ❖ " **GOYA Meeting 12:00** in the GOYA Room
- ❖ " **More Than a Meal 3:00 pm** at Grace-St. Luke's