

*SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2015*  
*13TH SUNDAY OF LUKE*

**Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Tone**

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body, You did arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to You, O Lifegiver: Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O only Friend of man.

**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."

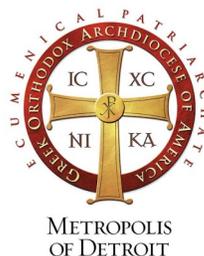
Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριηὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

**Seasonal Kontakion in the Third Tone**

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to \* God the Word ineffably, \* Who was before all the ages. \* Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing \* the gladsome tidings; \* with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him \* Who is willing to be gazed on \* as a young Child Who \* before the ages is God.

***FASTING THIS WEEK***

Fish is allowed all week except Wednesday when we observe a strict fast and Friday when wine and oil are allowed.



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**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29, 2015**

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 29th day of the month of November, we commemorate Paramonus, Philumenus, and their 370 Companion Martyrs in Bithynia, Our Righteous Father Nicholas, Archbishop of Thessalonica, Dionysios, Bishop of Corinth and Akakios of Sinai who is mentioned in the Ladder. By their holy intercessions, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

### EPISTLE READING - EPHESIANS 5:8-19

Brethren, walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

### GOSPEL READING - LUKE 18:18-27

At that time, a ruler came to Jesus and asked him, "Good Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" And Jesus said to him, "Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: 'Do not commit adultery, Do not kill, Do not steal, Do not bear false witness, Honor your father and mother.'" And he said, "All these I have observed from my youth." And when Jesus heard it, he said to him, "One thing you still lack. Sell all that you have and distribute to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me." But when he heard this he became sad, for he was very rich. Jesus looking at him said, "How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God! For it is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God." Those who heard it said, "Then who can be saved?" But he said, "What is impossible with men is possible with God."

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **AHEPA Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser for St. Nicholas Shrine** Sunday, December 6 in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **General Assembly to Approve Budget** Sunday, December 6 in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy
- ◆ **Election of Parish Council** before General Assembly Sunday, December 6, in Library
- ◆ **GOYA Christmas Caroling** Sunday December 6 - See GOYA advisors for details.
- ◆ **Elpis & DOP Christmas Party** Sunday December 6 3:00 - 5:00 pm at the home of Linda Farrell
- ◆ **Young at Heart Christmas Luncheon** Tuesday, December 15 11:30am at Chickasaw Country Club

### THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

#### **Sunday, November 29**

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12 noon**
- ◆ **No Sunday School classes today**
- ◆ **Coffee Hour** hosted by Ted & Stephanie Poplos

#### **Monday, November 30 Feast of St. Andrew**

- ◆ **Orthros/Divine Liturgy 9:00 am**

#### **Tuesday, December 1**

- ◆ **Greek School 3:00 pm**
- ◆ **Elpis Board Meeting 6:30 pm** in the Library

#### **Wednesday, December 2**

- ◆ **Greek School 2:00 pm**

#### **Friday, December 4 St. Barbara the Great Martyr**

- ◆ **Orthros/Divine Liturgy 9:00 am**
- ◆ **Greek School 3:00 pm**

#### **Sunday December 6**

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12 noon**
- ◆ **All Sunday School Classes will meet in High School Classroom for Pageant Practice**
- ◆ **GOYA Meeting 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **AHEPA Pancake Breakfast 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **General Assembly 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Election of Parish Council 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **GOYA Christmas Caroling** meet at Church at 2:30pm
- ◆ **Elpis & DOP Christmas Party 3:00 pm** at Linda Farrell's Home

### THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

**Epistle Reader:** Endy Carter

**Prosfora:** Enosis Touliatos

**Usher Duty Team 4:** Diane Kavelaras & Ed Morrison

**Greeters:** John Tashie & Daughters

**Coffee Hour** hosted by Ted & Stephanie Poplos