

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 9, 2016

3RD SUNDAY OF LUKE

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Grave Tone

Thou didst abolish death by Thy Cross; Thou didst open Paradise to the thief; Thou didst transform the myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and didst bid Thine Apostles to preach that Thou art risen, O Christ God, granting great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion for Apostle James, Son of Alphaeus in the Third Tone

O Holy Apostle James, intercede with the merciful God that He grant unto our souls forgiveness of offences.

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: Ted Poplos

Prosfora: Enosis Touliatos

Usher Duty Team 4: Vasili Semos & Harry Sinis

Greeters: Sarkis & Jenny Kish

Coffee Hour hosted by Thomas Family in honor of Elpinike's 10th Birthday.



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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 9th day of the month of October, we commemorate the Third-Sunday of Luke, Poplia the Confessor of Antioch, James the Apostle, son of Alphaeus, Andronicus & his wife Athanasia of Egypt and the Righteous Patriarch Abraham and his nephew Lot.

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

Epistle Reading - II Corinthians 6:1-10

Prokeimenon. Grave Tone. Psalm 28.11,1.

The Lord will give strength to his people.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God,
bring to the Lord honor and glory.

BRETHREN, working together with him, then, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Gospel Reading - Luke 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

VISITATION COMMITTEE

The following parishioners have requested visitation. Please contact them directly to schedule visitations. For address &/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the office.

Alec Collis

Pat Bacopulos Cooper - contact Marianthe Pilcher for visiting arrangements

George Limberakis is requesting cards only - no visitors please.

Edna Nichopoulos

Zoe Nickas

Presvytera Bess Vieron

Visitation Committee Volunteers for 2016-2017

August: Stephanie Poplos & friend

September: Susanna Peters, Maria Apalodimas & Cathe Skefos

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

November: Connie Cotros, Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jameson

January: Nancy Tashie & Jan Futris

February: Vicki Hoover & family

March: Linda Nichols & Anne Schmitt

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham & Emily Love

June: Despina Karas/Angela Tobias

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the visitation committee.

FASTING THIS WEEK

This week we observe a strict fast on Wednesday and Friday.
The rest of the week we are fast free.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday, October 9 Third Sunday of Luke

- ◆ **Orthros/8:45 am; Divine Liturgy immediately following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ◆ **Coffee Hour** hosted by the Thomas Family in Honor of Elpinike's 10th Birthday
- ◆ **DOP Board Meeting 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Athenian Dance Troupe Practice**
 - ◆ Juniors 12:00 Noon
 - ◆ Seniors 1:00 pm

Monday, October 10, Columbus Day

- ◆ **Parish will be closed**

Thursday, October 13

- ◆ **Girl Scouts 4:15 pm**

Saturday, October 15

- ◆ **DOP Prepping** for the Ole Miss Fundraiser Luncheon

Sunday, October 16, Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45 am; Divine Liturgy immediately following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30 am - 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Sunday School 11:00 am**
- ◆ **GOYA Meeting 12:00 Noon**
- ◆ **Daughters of Penelope host Ole Miss Museum Fundraiser Luncheon** 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall with Guest Speaker Brad Cook "Greek Inscriptions in Oxford, Mississippi - *Seeing Voices from the Past*" All proceeds to benefit the University of Mississippi Museum's Greek & Roman Antiquities Collection
- ◆ **More Than a Meal** - Serving Team 3:00 pm

Monday October 17

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

- ◆ *Father Simon will be away on Vacation October 10th-16th.*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Daughters of Penelope Board Meeting** - Sunday October 9 following Divine Liturgy
- ◆ **Athenian Dance Troupe Practice** Sunday, October 9
 - ◆ Juniors 12:00 Noon
 - ◆ Seniors 1:00 pm
- ◆ **Welcome Father Micah Hirschy** Sunday, October 16th! Father Simon will be away on vacation October 10th-16th. On Sunday, October 16th, Father Micah Hirschy, a former pastoral assistant here at the Annunciation, and currently the Assistant Priest at Holy Trinity-Holy Cross Cathedral in Birmingham, Alabama will celebrate the Liturgy. Please welcome Father Micah back to the Annunciation in Memphis!
- ◆ **Ole Miss Museum Fund Raiser Luncheon** hosted by Daughters of Penelope - Sunday October 16 at 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **Community Christmas Card** - If you'd like to participate in the Community Christmas Card, your names and donation of \$25.00 are now being collected by Sophie Theodore in Cotros Hall on Sundays. Cash or Check is acceptable. Please make check to ELPIS. If you are unable to attend church, you can mail your check to Sophie Theodore at 3554 Kenwood Ave., Memphis, TN 38122. Proceeds benefit parishioners in need.

SAVE THE DATE

- ◆ **Thomas Family Open House & OktoberFest**, Friday, October 21, 6:00 pm - Midnight (7:00 pm Beer Tasting)
- ◆ **Saints Gerasimos & Demetrios Luncheon** hosted by Elpis Philoptochos - Sunday, October 23 at 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **JOY - Pumpkin Picking**, October 29 at 2:00 pm at Cedar Hill Farms in Hernando, MS.
- ◆ **Parish Assembly** Sunday, October 30th in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy