



METROPOLIS
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ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, October
7, 2018**

Third Sunday of
Luke

Holy Bread

Enosis Touliatos

Ushers

Endy Carter

Ted Poplos

Vasili Semos

Epistle Reader

Scott McKee

Coffee Fellowship

hosted by the
Thomas Family for
Elpinike & Christos
to celebrate their
birthdays

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate 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 attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.

Psalm 102:1

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you.

Psalm 102:2

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 102:17

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being.

Psalm 145:1-2

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Psalm 145:5

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:10

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Third Antiphon

Apolytikion of the Sunday

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the Second Mode

When You did descend unto death, O Life Immortal, then did You slay Hades with the lightning of Your Divinity. And when You did also raise the dead out of the nethermost depths, all the powers in the Heavens cried out: O Life-giver, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Hymn for Martyrs Sergius & Bacchus

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

Your Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for You received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from You, our immortal God. For since they possessed Your strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since You are merciful.

Hymn of the Annunciation

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

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

Sung after the hymn above in the Second Mode

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 you: Hasten to intercession and speed you to make supplication, O you who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor you.

Sunday, October 7, 2018

Sts. Sergius & Bacchus of Syria

St. Polychonios the Hieromartyr

Monday, October 8, 2018

St. Pelagia the Righteous

St. Pelagia of Antioch

Tuesday, October 9, 2018

St. James the son of Alphaeus

Sts. Andronicus & Athanasia of Egypt

Wednesday, October 10, 2018

Sts. Eulampios & Eulampia

St. Theophilus the Confessor

Thursday, October 11, 2018

St. Philip the Apostle of the 70

St. Theophanes, Bishop of Nicaea

Friday, October 12, 2018

St. Symeo the New Theologian

Sts. Provos, Andronicus, & Tarachos

Saturday, October 13, 2018

Sts. Carpos, Papylos, Agathodoros, & Agathoniki

St. Benjamin the Deacon

Epistle: II Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9

Prokeimenon. Second Tone. Psalm 117.14,18.

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9.

Brethren, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise --whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows -- and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Sunday, October 7, **Gospel: Luke 7:11-16**

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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

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

November: Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

January: Nancy Tashie, Jan Futris & Tina Liollo

February: Vicki Hoover & Evangelina Panas

March: Elaine Daniels & Maria Wasserman

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, Emily Capadalis Love, & Georgia Karris

June: Despina Karas & Angela Tobias

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

August: Linda Nichols, Anne Schmitt, & Debbie Bookas

September: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

The following members of our parish family have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.

Alec Collis
Maria Hetos
Stella Nichols

Georgia Smith
Jimmy Smith
Kosta Taras

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2018-2019 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.

Announcements

- ◆ **GOYA Meeting for Students & Parents re: 2019 Ionian Village Trip**, Sunday, October 14th at 12:00 Noon in the Library
- ◆ **Daughters of Penelope host Soup Sunday Luncheon to raise funds for Penelope House**, Sunday, October 14th at 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **Young Adult League (YAL) Barbeque**, Sunday, October 14th at 4:30 pm at the Zambelis Home. Please RSVP to Kathy Zambelis at 901-359-1055.
- ◆ **Pastoral Visit from His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas**.
Oct 20th-21st † Church Sanctuary
His Eminence, Metropolitan Nicholas of Detroit will make a Pastoral Visit to our Parish on Saturday, October 20th and Sunday, October 21st. During this visit, he will bless the work recently completed in the Sanctuary. Please mark your calendars for this visit.
- ◆ **Sts. Gerasimos & Demetrios Luncheon** hosted by the Ladies of Elpis Philoptochos, Sunday, October 21st at 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting**, Monday, October 15th at 6:15 pm in the Library
- ◆ **Parish Assembly**, Sunday, October 28th at 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **Greek School Classes**
Greek School Classes will begin the week of October 8th. Please check with Despina for exact times and days for your class.
- ◆ **Weekly Choir Rehearsals**
Weekly Choir Rehearsals are held **each Thursday evening from 6:30 pm—8:00 pm** unless there is a service scheduled!

Stewardship Update

“STEWARDS OF OUR FAITH:

All Things are Possible to the One Who Believes in Christ” (Mark 9:23)

Christian Stewardship is...

...learning how to be a responsible and concerned caretaker of Christ's Church; it is learning how to enjoy Church life and be happy in Church work, for in Her dwells the fullness of the Spirit of God.

...our active commitment to use all our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgment of Christ's redeeming love.

...caring for the needs of others.

...offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us.

...what a person does after saying "I believe...", as proof of that belief.

...devotion and service to God and His Church as persons, as families, as diocese/metropolis, as national Church and as Church universal.

Williams & McKibben in Oriented Leadership

In the next couple of weeks, you'll be receiving your Stewardship statement showing your progress towards your 2018 commitment. If you notice any errors, please notify the Church office so we can address them. Additionally, you will also be receiving a 2019 Stewardship Commitment Card (we'll have them in the Narthex as well) and ask that you prayerfully consider your 2019 commitment. It is much appreciated by The Annunciation Parish. It's God's home...It's our home.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, October 7th, Third Sunday of Luke

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† 40 Day Memorial for Chris Demopoulos

† Nursery Available 10:00 am

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Thomas Family for Elpinike & Christos to celebrate their birthdays

† DOP Board Meeting 12:00 Noon in Library

Monday, October 8th, Columbus Day

† Parish Offices Closed

Tuesday, October 9th

† Library Open 10:00 am—2:00 pm

Thursday, October 11th

† Choir Practice 6:30 pm—8:00 pm

Saturday, October 13th

† DOP Set up for Soup Sunday

Sunday, October 14th, Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

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† 40 Day Blessing for Elisabeth Anna Buring, daughter of Jacob & Michele

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