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Marietta, GA

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DORMITION of the THEOTOKOS

Η Κοίμησις της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου

The falling asleep of the Most Holy Theotokos

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Orthros..... 8:30 am Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am

PARISH CLERGY

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Directions to our Parish:

FROM I-75 Exit at 267-A. At 1st light, turn right (Sandy Plains Road). Continue for 3-4 miles until you see a CVS Pharmacy on your left. At that light turn left onto Trickum Rd. Proceed Approx 1/2 mile. Church will be on your left. Can't miss it!

<http://www.holytransfiguration.info/directions/>

WAS YOUR VACATION GOOD FOR YOUR SOUL?



Dear friends and parishioners,

Vacations can be good and relaxing, but they may also become tiring and even exhausting if we allow ourselves to go too far.

What is even worse, vacations can become a source of spiritual harm and anguish if we place ourselves in settings and situations of sin and temptation. God wants us to be happy and joyful. He wants us to enjoy life as much as possible. He wants us to enjoy nature and the whole creation responsibly within the boundaries of His love and according to His Commandments. God does not want us to

suffer! The greatest source of spiritual anguish and psychological pain is our sin, our separation from our Creator. God cares about us and does not want us to sin for our own good, for our own benefit.

Unfortunately, vacations, many a time, become a cause for sin, because not only do we relax our bodies, but we also relax our guard against the devil and his devices. The crafty one is tirelessly waiting for us to lower our spiritual defenses, to drop our guard, to abandon our prayer, which creates a hedge around us, so that he can enter the house of our soul and loot, ravage and ruin whatever gifts and virtues we have built up over time with great labor and God's Grace.

Vigilance and prudence are required as we watch over our soul and our salvation during this time of vacationing and relaxation. Just because we are on vacation it does not mean that we should abandon our spiritual efforts. It does not mean that we should stop praying and glorifying God. It does not mean that we should sleep in on Sunday morning or go fishing or swimming. Our vacation has to be as blessed and holy as the rest of the time of our life. Every day of our life has to be an opportunity to praise and honor God. Every moment of our life has to be connected to our source of comfort, wisdom and strength, our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

My brothers and sisters,

Let us enjoy what God has given us without disconnecting from Him. Let us guard our lives and souls to keep them holy as the Lord wants them to be.

As we return from our vacations, let us glorify God and examine our souls for anything that might have polluted them. Repentance and Confession are the means of cleansing as we approach the Holy Chalice again.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

July 2013

July 1, Monday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

July 6, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

July 7, Second Sunday of Matthew.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 13, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

July 14, Third Sunday of Matthew.

Sunday of the 630 Holy Fathers of 4th Ecumenical Synod at Chalcedon (451)

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 15, Monday, Feast of St. Kyrikos & his mother Ioulita the martyrs.

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 19, Friday, Great Vespers for Feast of Prophet Elias (Elijah) 6:00 pm

July 20, Saturday, Feast of St. Elias (Elijah) the Prophet

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 20, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

July 21, Fourth Sunday of Matthew.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 24, Wednesday, Great Vespers 6:00 pm

July 25, Thursday, Dormition of St. Anna, mother of the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary and Feast of St. Olympias the Deaconess.

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

July 26-27, Friday-Saturday, Feast of St. Panteleimon-Overnight Vigil (Ἀγρυπνία)

Friday Evening: Great Vespers **9:00 pm** followed by Orthros and Divine Liturgy (to finish after midnight)

July 27, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

July 28, Fifth Sunday of Matthew.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.





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August 2013

August 1, Thursday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

Beginning of the Fast of August. Oil and wine is allowed only on Saturdays and Sundays.
Fish is allowed on August 6 for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Savior.

Thursday Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 2, Friday, Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 3, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 4, Sixth Sunday of Matthew. Forefeast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

August 5, Monday Evening: Great Vespers - the Transfiguration of our Savior Christ

Great Vespers begins at 7:00 pm -- Feast-Day of our Parish begins.

Reception to follow the Great Vespers in our Parish Hall.

August 6, Tuesday. The Transfiguration of our Savior. **Parish Feast-Day.**

Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am, followed by coffee and social time in our church hall - *Today we eat fish.*

Tuesday Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 7, 8, 9 Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 10, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 11, Sunday. Seventh Sunday of Matthew, Sunday after the Transfiguration of the Lord

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

August 12, 13 Monday & Tuesday Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 14, Wednesday Evening: Great Vespers, Dormition of the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 15, Thursday. Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

August 17, Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 18, Sunday. Eighth Sunday of Matthew.

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

August 24, Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 25, Sunday. Ninth Sunday of Matthew. Feast of St. Phanourios (moved from Aug 27)

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

August 28, Wednesday. Great Vespers, Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner 6:00 pm

August 29, Thursday. Remembrance of the Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner (Baptist)

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. *This is a day of strict fast.*

August 31, Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

The Transfiguration of our Lord on Mount Tabor

Celebrated on August 6

Hymn of the Feast

Apolytikion of the feast

(Grave Tone)

You were transfigured on the Mount, Christ God revealing Your glory to Your disciples, insofar as they could comprehend. Illuminate us sinners also with Your everlasting light, through the intercessions of the Theotokos. Giver of light, glory to You.

Commentary:

Our Lord had spoken to His disciples many times not only concerning His Passion, Cross, and Death, but also concerning the coming persecutions and afflictions that they themselves would endure. Since all these evils were near at hand, but the enjoyment of good things which they hoped to receive in their stead was yet to come, our Savior desired to give them full assurance, evidently and openly, concerning that glory which is prepared for those who endure to the end. Therefore, fulfilling that which He had promised shortly before, that "there be some standing here which shall not taste of death, till they see the Son of man coming in His Kingdom" (Matt. 16:28), He took His three foremost disciples and ascended Mount Tabor, where He was transfigured before them. His face shone like the sun, and His clothes became white as the light. Suddenly, together with this dread and marvelous effulgence of light, there appeared those pinnacles of the Prophets, Moses and Elias, who spoke with the Lord Jesus concerning His saving Passion which was about to take place. Standing before Him as reverent servants, they showed that He is the Lord of both the living and the dead, for Moses came forth from Hades, having died many centuries before, and Elias, as it were from heaven, whither he had been taken up while yet alive. After a little while a radiant cloud overshadowed them and out of the cloud they heard that same voice which had been heard at the Jordan at the Baptism of Christ, testifying to the Divinity of Jesus and saying: "This is My beloved Son, in Whom I am well-pleased; hear ye Him" (Matt. 17: 5).

Such are the marvels, truly worthy of God, celebrated in this present feast, which is an image and prefiguring of the future state of the righteous, whose splendor the Lord spoke of, saying: "Then shall the righteous shine forth as the sun" (Matt. 13:43). It is because of this that the Kontakion of this Feast is said daily (when there is not a great feast) in the Service of the Typica in perpetual commemoration of the glory that will be the lot of the Saints. According to tradition, the Lord's Transfiguration came to pass forty days before His Crucifixion; this is why the Transfiguration is celebrated forty days before the Exaltation of the Cross.

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The Apolytikion is courtesy of Narthex Press, Northridge, CA

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The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

Celebrated on August 15

On August 15 we celebrate the Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Most Holy Virgin Mary the Theotokos, the one who gave birth to our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ.

Hymn of the Feast

Apolytikion of the feast

First Tone

In giving birth, O Theotokos, you have retained your virginity, and in falling asleep you have not forsaken the world. You who are the Mother of Life have passed over into life, and by your prayers you do deliver our souls from death.

Hymns from the Vespers Service

From the Lity. Tone Plagal of the First

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit.

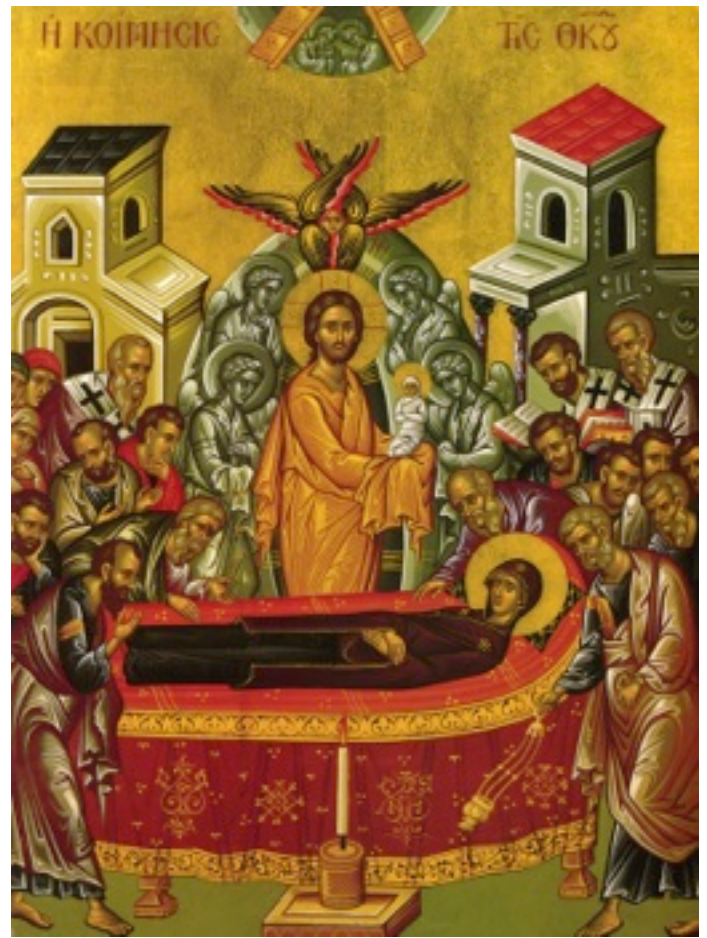
Come, O gathering of those who love to keep the feasts, come and let us form a choir. Come, let us crown the Church with songs, as the Ark of God goes to her rest. For today is heaven opened wide as it receives the Mother of Him who cannot be contained. The earth, as it yields up the Source of life, is robed in blessing and majesty. The hosts of angels, present with the fellowship of the apostles, gaze in great fear at her who bore the Cause of life, now that she is translated from life to life. Let us all venerate and implore her: Forget not, O Lady, your ties of kinship with those who commemorate in faith the feast of your all-holy Dormition.

Now and ever and unto the ages of ages. Amen.

Sing, O ye people, sing ye the praises of the Mother of our God: for today she delivers her soul, full of light, into the immaculate hands of Him who was made incarnate of her without seed. And she entreats Him without ceasing to grant the inhabited earth peace and great mercy.

From the Aposticha. Fourth Tone.

Come, O ye people, and let us sing the praises of the pure and most holy Virgin, from whom the Word of the Father ineffably came forth incarnate. Let us cry aloud and say: Blessed are you among women and blessed is your womb that held Christ. Having delivered your soul into His holy hands, do you, O most pure, entreat Him for the salvation of our souls.



From the Aposticha.

Tone Plagal of the 4th (by Sergios of the Holy City)
Glory to the Father and to the Son and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever and unto ages of ages. Amen.

At your departing, O Virgin Theotokos, to Him who was ineffably born of you, James the first bishop and brother of the Lord was there, and so was Peter, the honored leader and chief of the disciples, and the whole sacred fellowship of the apostles. In discourses that showed forth heavenly things they sang the praises of the divine and amazing mystery of the dispensation of Christ our God; and they rejoiced, O far-famed Virgin, as they buried your body, the origin of the Life and holder of God. On high the most holy and venerable of the angelic powers bowed in wonder before this marvel, and said one to another: 'Open wide your gates and receive her who bore the Creator of heaven and earth. With songs of praise let us glorify her precious and holy body, dwelling-place of the Lord on whom we may not gaze.' Therefore we too, as we keep your feast, cry out to you, O far-famed Lady: Raise up the Christian horn and save our souls.

The Beheading of St. John the Forerunner and Baptist

Celebrated on August 29

Hymn of the Feast

Apolytikion of the feast

(Second Tone)

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise, but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner; for thou hast proved to be truly even more venerable than the Prophets, since thou was granted to baptize in the running waters Him Whom they proclaimed. Wherefore, having contested for the truth, thou didst rejoice to announce the good tidings even to those in Hades: that God hath appeared in the flesh, taking away the sin of the world and granting us great mercy.

Commentary: The divine Baptist, the Prophet born of a Prophet, the seal of all the Prophets and beginning of the Apostles, the mediator between the Old and New Covenants, the voice of one crying in the wilderness, the God-sent Messenger of the incarnate Messiah, the forerunner of Christ's coming into the world (Esaias 40: 3; Mal. 3: 1); who by many miracles was both conceived and born; who was filled with the Holy Spirit while yet in his mother's womb; who came forth like another Elias the Zealot, whose life in the wilderness and divine zeal for God's Law he imitated: this divine Prophet, after he had preached the baptism of repentance according to God's command; had taught men of low rank and high how they must order their lives; had admonished those whom he baptized and had filled them with the fear of God, teaching them that no one is able to escape the wrath to come if he do not works worthy of repentance; had, through such preaching, prepared their hearts to receive the evangelical teachings of the Savior; and finally, after he had pointed out to the people the very Savior, and said, "Behold the Lamb of God, Which taketh away the sin of the world" (Luke 3:2-18; John 1: 29-36), after all this, John sealed with his own blood the truth of his words and was made a sacred victim for the divine Law at the hands of a transgressor.

This was Herod Antipas, the Tetrarch of Galilee, the son of Herod the Great. This man had a lawful wife, the daughter of Arethas (or Aretas), the King of Arabia (that is, Arabia Petraea, which had the famous Nabatean stone city of Petra as its capital. This is the Aretas mentioned by Saint Paul in II Cor. 11:32). Without any cause, and against every commandment of the Law, he put her away and took to himself Herodias, the wife of his deceased brother Philip, to whom Herodias had borne a daughter, Salome. He would not desist from this unlawful union even when John, the preacher of repentance, the bold and austere accuser of the lawless, censured him and told him, "It is not lawful for thee to have thy brother's wife" (Mark 6: 18). Thus Herod, besides his other unholy acts, added yet this, that he apprehended John and shut him in prison; and perhaps he would have killed him straightway, had he not feared the people, who had extreme reverence for John. Certainly, in the beginning, he himself had great reverence for this just and holy man. But finally, being pierced with the sting of a mad lust for the woman Herodias, he laid his defiled hands on the teacher of purity on the very day he was celebrating his birthday. When Salome, Herodias' daughter, had danced in order to please him and those who were supping with him, he promised her -- with an oath more foolish than any foolishness -- that he would give her anything she asked, even unto the half of his kingdom. And she, consulting with her mother, straightway asked for the head of John the Baptist in a charger. Hence this transgressor of the Law, preferring his lawless oath above the precepts of the Law, fulfilled this godless promise and filled his loathsome banquet with the blood of the Prophet. So it was that that all-venerable head, revered by the Angels, was given as a prize for an abominable dance, and became the plaything of the dissolute daughter of a debauched mother. As for the body of the divine Baptist, it was taken up by his disciples and placed in a tomb (Mark 6: 21 - 29). Concerning the finding of his holy head, see February 24 and May 25.



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Apolytikion courtesy of Holy Transfiguration Monastery, Brookline, MA

The Mission Statement of our Parish

Our Parish is the local eucharistic community of the Church in this locality;

The aims and purposes of our Parish are to keep, practice and proclaim the Orthodox Christian Faith pure and undefiled.

The diakonia (ministry) of the Parish includes proclaiming and teaching the Gospel in accordance with the Orthodox Faith; sanctifying the faithful through God's grace in worship, the Divine Liturgy and the other sacraments; enhancing its parishioners' spiritual life; and adding to the numbers of the faithful by receiving persons into the Church through instruction, Baptism and/or Chrismation. In addition, the Parish has established educational and philanthropic activities to foster the aims and mission of the Parish and to edify its parishioners in the Faith and ethos of the Church.

The ultimate goal of our Parish is to lead its members into the Kingdom of God.

See UNIFORM PARISH REGULATIONS. CHAPTER ONE, ARTICLE 15

The Practice of "Confession" In the Bible

Old Testament

"He shall confess his sin that he has committed. And he shall make full restitution for his wrong, adding a fifth to it and giving it to him to whom he did the wrong." Num. 5:7

"Those of Israelite descent separated themselves from all foreigners, and they stood and confessed their sins and the guilt of their fathers. While they stood in their places, they read from the book of the law of the LORD their God for a fourth of the day and spent another fourth of the day in confession and worship of the LORD their God." Nehemiah 9:2-3

New Testament

"Confessing their sins, they were baptized by John in the Jordan River." Matthew 3:6

"And there went out unto John all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized by him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins." Mark 1:5

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16

"Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices." Acts 19:18

"Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses." 1 Timothy 6:12

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - JULY

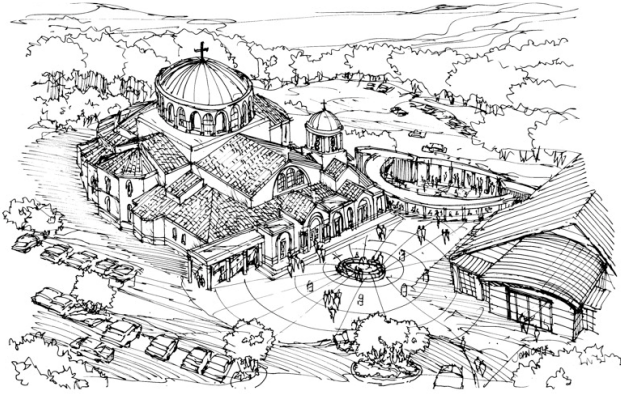
7/1/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8	Gospel: Matthew 10:1, 5-8
7/2/2013	Matins: Luke 1:39-49, 56 Gospel: Luke 1:39-49, 56	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7
7/3/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 4:13-25	Gospel: Matthew 7:21-23
7/4/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 5:10-16	Gospel: Matthew 8:23-27
7/5/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2	Gospel: Matthew 11:27-30
7/6/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 3:19-24	Gospel: Matthew 7:1-8
7/7/2013	Matins: Mark 16:1-8 Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5
7/8/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 4:9-15	Gospel: Luke 6:17-19, 9:1-2, 10:16-22
7/9/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 7:14-8:2	Gospel: Matthew 10:9-15
7/10/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 8:2-13	Gospel: Matthew 10:16-22
7/11/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10	Gospel: Luke 7:36-50
7/12/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 9:6-19	Gospel: Matthew 10:32-36; 11:1
7/13/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 2:2-10	Gospel: Matthew 7:24-29; 8:1-4
7/14/2013	Matins: Mark 16:9-20 Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15	Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19
7/15/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 13:11-14; 14:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 17:24-27; 18:1-4	
7/16/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:11-21; 11:1-2	Gospel: Matthew 11:16-20
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7/18/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 11:13-24	Gospel: Matthew 11:27-30
7/19/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 11:25-36	Gospel: Matthew 12:1-8
7/20/2013	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 5:10-20	Gospel: Luke 4:22-30
7/21/2013	Matins: Luke 24:1-12 Gospel: Matthew 8:5-13	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 6:18-23
7/22/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:2-12	Gospel: Luke 8:1-3
7/23/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 14:9-18	Gospel: Matthew 12:14-16; 22-30
7/24/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 15:7-16	Gospel: Matthew 12:38-45
7/25/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:22-27	Gospel: Luke 8:16-21
7/26/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5	Gospel: Mark 5:24-34
7/27/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10	Gospel: Luke 21:12-19
7/28/2013	Matins: Luke 24:13-35 Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:1-10
7/29/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:17-24	Gospel: Matthew 13:10-23, 43
7/30/2013	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 15:35-41	Gospel: Matthew 13:24-30
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DAILY BIBLE READINGS - AUGUST

8/1/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2	Gospel: Matthew 10:16-22
8/2/2013	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60	Gospel: Mark 12:1-12
8/3/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 9:1-5	Gospel: Matthew 9:18-26
8/4/2013	Matins: Luke 24:36-53 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14
8/5/2013	Epistle: St. Peter's First Universal Letter 1:1-25; 2:1-10	Gospel: Matthew 13:54-58
8/6/2013	Matins: Luke 9:28-36 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9	Epistle: St. Peter's Second Universal Letter 1:10-19
8/7/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 7:12-24	Gospel: Mark 9:2-9
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8/9/2013	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 1:12-17, 21-26	Gospel: Matthew 15:29-31
8/10/2013	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:1-6	Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42, 11:1
8/11/2013	Matins: John 20:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 15:1-7
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HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Love One Another



This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you.You are My friends if you do whatever I command you.I choose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit,These things I command you that you may love one another.

John 15:12-17

Please fill out your Membership/Stewardship Form today and bring your offering to the Lord.

"Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce." (Proverbs 3:9)

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY CORNER – Larry Gess, Chair

For the first time in many years, our parish is trying to adequately finance the various ministries, especially the youth ministries. As a result, the total budgeted income from the parishioners' donations to the General Fund (i.e., stewardship donations) was increased about 8.6% to \$478,500. This means that we all need to donate monthly about \$40,000 collectively to the General Fund if the parish is to meet its 2013 budget. So far, our collective donations have been nearly \$34,400 per month – up slightly from the last STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY CORNER report. Still we are about thirteen percent behind where we should be at mid-June. The primary reason for this gap is that 16% of the parish members have not yet donated anything this year and one-third of the parish members are behind with regard to what they reported they would be donating. If the parish is to implement the ministry programs in the fashion approved by the February Parish Assembly, especially during these summer months when church attendance is low, we kindly urge that each of us do the following as it applies:

- (1) If you have not yet done so, please complete and return a Membership/Stewardship Form as soon as possible;
- (2) If at all possible, please donate monthly at least one-twelfth of what you indicated you will donate to the General Fund so that the parish may meet its obligations; and
- (3) Please donate even more than you planned each month if God's blessing allows you to do so, thereby enabling the parish to fully support its ministries this year and to pay its monthly bills during the summer.

Your expression of love and thanksgiving to God through your unselfish donation of time, talents, and treasures to continue His work here on earth is an essential component of your pathway to eternal salvation.

THE DIVINE LITURGY AND STEWARDSHIP

BY LARRY GESS

During the Divine Liturgy, the Priest prays for the precious Gifts. In his very next petition that follows “..., (in) receiving them (the precious gifts)...”, the Priest asks that God ‘...will send down upon us in return His divine grace and the gift of the Holy Spirit...’

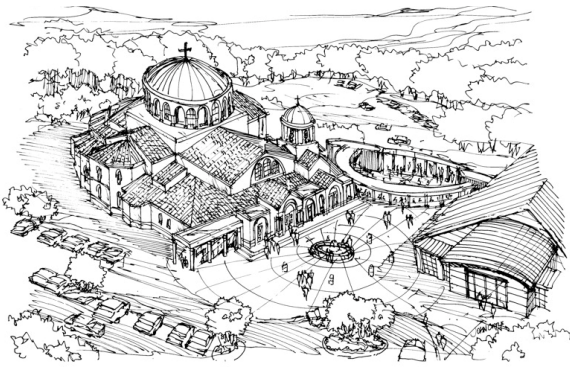
The first important stewardship point is that the Priest presents the precious Gifts in behalf of us all – a stewardship act of an offering to God from His bounty to us in thanksgiving to Him. As the result of another stewardship act of offering our time, we are present so God can bestow His grace and the Holy Spirit upon us during the Divine Liturgy.

Beyond continuing to praise and thank God throughout the remainder of the Divine Liturgy, we can do one additional important stewardship act to show God we love Him as well as to acknowledge that He is the continued source of our blessings – we can sacrificially give to His earthly work from our personal treasures when the tray is passed.

During every Divine Liturgy offered to us, it is very important to link all aspects of our stewardship – our time (being present), our talent (joining into the hymns and prayers), and treasures (our gifts for His work) to His Gifts of Grace and the Holy Spirit as we worship and praise Him together. If we would only stop and reflect upon this interrelationship, it would become clear that we all have been blessed by His grace throughout our lives. The Devil and his demons would have made our lives intensely miserable without our God-given protection. Thus let us all rededicate ourselves to offering the stewardship of our time by responding to Christ’s invitation to be present during the ***Last Supper*** each time it is offered.

Stewardship





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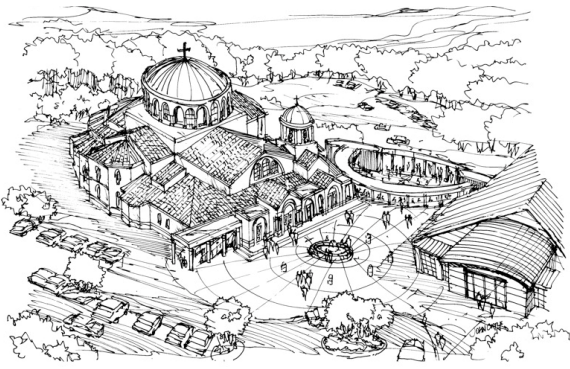
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Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Zakreski
Mr. & Mrs. Marco Zavala

Total Members: 309

ANNOUNCEMENTS



ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED IN
CHRIST HAVE PUT ON CHRIST. ALLELUIA.

Nathaniel Isaksson - May 4, 2013 (Chrismation)
Kyrikos (Kurk) Johnson - May 4, 2013
Elizabeth Simpson - May 11, 2013



CROWN THEM WITH GLORY
& HONOR

Konstantinos Pourenaras & Maria Macris - May 11, 2013
Gary Teague & Betty Thomas - May 26, 2013
Thomas Strickland & Valerie Chechopoulos - June 1, 2013
Steven Boettcher & Nikki Tsarouhas - June 8, 2013

Matthew Kiritsy - April 26, 2013
Donald Sprouse - May 21, 2013
James R. Pinter - June 3, 2013
Jim Paul Norman - June 4, 2013
Shirly Vail - June 9, 2013
Bob Bates - June 20, 2013



May Their
Memory Be
Be Eternal!

Announcing a new church ministry.....

JACOB'S CUPBOARD

**"In days to come Jacob shall take root,
Israel shall blossom and put forth shoots,
and fill the whole world with fruit."
Isaiah 26**

Holy Transfiguration's Philanthropy Ministry is beginning as a result of our Strategic Planning meetings. Our Parish will provide food to less fortunate children in our community. We are establishing a garden on our new property, next door, and building a food cupboard downstairs in the PLC. We have a working committee,

and all are welcome to help us build a fresh food program for the kids in the Trickum Road area. If you want to help with the garden, donate equipment or money, help build out the pantry, or just want to get involved, contact Randy Rogers at rogers@rogersstrimban.com or (770) 427-7881.



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Save the dates - August 5th and 6th!

August 5th - 7:00 pm - Great Vespers for the Transfiguration of the Savior followed by a reception in the Parish Life Center.

August 6th - Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior
8:30 am Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy



Ministry registration for the fall will take place on the last two Sundays of August, the 18th and the 25th, following the Divine Liturgy. Be sure to sign your children up for Catechism, HOPE/JOY, GOYA, Hellenic Dance or Hellenic Studies.

We also need volunteers to help each of our ministry heads carry out their plans for 2013 and 2014. Please lend a helping hand.

Also, plan to join Bible Study, Introduction to Orthodoxy, and Spiritual Book Club to learn more about our Orthodox faith!



"As Iron Sharpens Iron, One Man Sharpens Another" (Proverbs 27:17)

GREAT NEWS!!!

I am proud to announce the 9 AHEPA Chapter Scholarship recipients from our parish! Kathryn O. Jacobs, George A. Caras III, Alexa A. Jacobs, Jonathan G. Radivoj, Melina A. Blasetti, Theodore W. Ehmer, Alexandra A. Lilly, Ourania Georgacopoulos, and Victoria E. Tidwell.

District scholarship award winners will be announced later this month. We are very proud of you!

Upcoming Events--BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!

There will not be a meeting in July.

Our August meeting will be Tuesday, August 13. Location TBD.

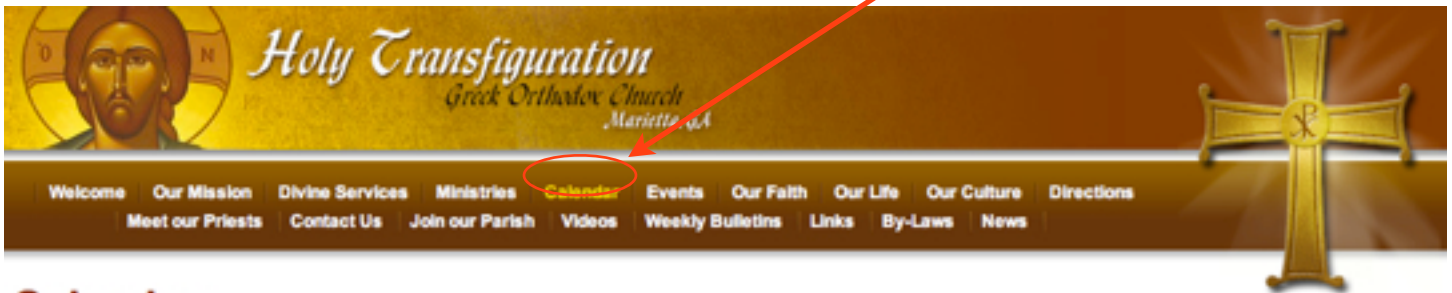
Our Fall Kick off Steak Dinner will be Tuesday, September 10, 6:30 pm in the PLC. If you are interested in joining AHEPA or would like to learn more about our group, please attend.

Questions about AHEPA? Please contact any Board Member.

Your Board: President, Harry Kipreos; Vice-President, Jim Tidwell; Treasurer, Zack Kollias; and Secretary, Dr. Phil Vodas. Vice-Presidents: Alan Levine, Michael Gavalas, Theodore Georgacopoulos, and Ron Sprouse

Online Church Calendar

It is now possible to view the times and dates for upcoming divine services, ministry meetings, and sacraments on the parish website. To access the calendar, simply open your internet browser, go to the parish website (holytrans.org), and click on the “Calendar” link in the middle of the first row of links in the banner.



Calendar

Click on these buttons to view past and future events.

Choose the calendar view you prefer by clicking on the different tabs.

Divine Services

Today June 2013

Print Week Month Agenda

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
Sunday of the Paralytic 8:30am Orthros 11:30am A six month Men's Ministry +2 more			7pm GOYA Meeting	6:30pm Philoptochos Board 6:15pm Chechopoulos/St. Nicholas 3:30pm Chechopoulos/St. Nicholas		Jun 1
Sunday of the Samaritan 8:30am Orthros 10am Divine Liturgy +2 more		10:30am Prime Timers' B	7:30pm GOYA Senior Gathering		7pm Tsarouhas Wedding 4:30pm Nikki Tsarouhas' Reception	
Sunday of the Blind Man 8:30am Orthros 10am Divine Liturgy	Church Day Camp		6:30pm Festival Re-Cap 7pm GOYA End-of-Year Luncheon	The Ascension of the Lord 8am Orthros 10am Divine Liturgy		
Sunday of the 318 Holy Fathers 8:30am Orthros 10am Divine Liturgy 11:45am Oath of Office-P	7pm Philoptochos Board		7pm GOYA Meeting 7pm Facilities Meeting			Saturday of the Souls 10am Divine Liturgy

How can you use the online calendar?

- To plan for sacraments you anticipate (baptisms, weddings, etc.)
- To integrate the church calendar with other online calendars you have
- To plan to attend divine services
- For ministry leaders: to plan upcoming ministry events or activities

Music

Imagine a basketball game at which everyone is cheering.
Imagine a rock & roll concert at which everyone is singing along.
Imagine a political rally at which everyone is chanting a slogan.

Now imagine a church service with everyone worshipping together.

Wouldn't that be amazing?!

Now you can learn our hymns at home!

Check our website for recordings of hymns that you can practice and learn at home.

Then join us in singing them at church!

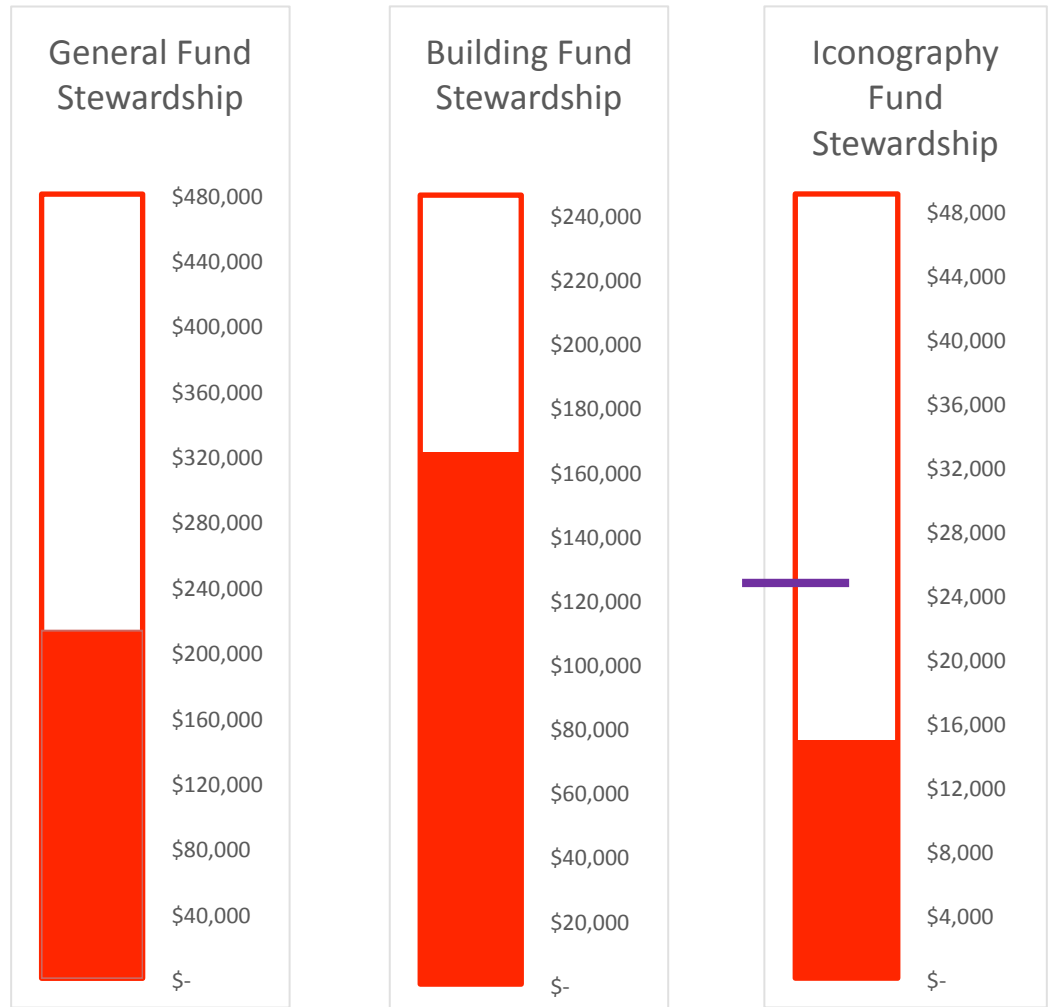


To find recordings of hymns on our website, click on "Our Faith" and then click in the subpage entitled "Hymns" in the left sidebar menu. From there, you can click on the titles of various hymns to hear them. You can also sign up for weekly updates about new recordings by clicking on the link at the bottom of the page. For more information, please contact Paul Lundberg.

TREASURER'S CORNER

Welcome to the Treasurer's Corner, your monthly update on Holy Transfiguration's finances. The Parish Council thanks you for your generous support of the parish. We encourage you to keep your donations current so that cash flow obligations can be met.

Line Represents
Needs as of July



Reminders

When making your donations, please write a separate check for each church fund to which you donate (i.e. General, Building, Iconography, etc.). In the memo section of each check, please indicate the fund you are donating to along with your church PIN (e.g., General Fund PIN 234).

You can monitor your donations online through the IconCMO system. To get your PIN and setup your account, ask Anne (770-924-8080, holytrans@comcast.com), and she will send you an email from the IconCMO website which will provide your PIN and a temporary password which you can use to setup your IconCMO account.

If you ever have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours in Christ,

Christopher Hansard
Treasurer

Athan Tsarouhas
Assistant Treasurer

Larry Gess
Stewardship Liaison

TRANSFIGURATION GARDENS ORTHODOX CEMETERY AT GREEN LAWN CEMETERY, ROSWELL, GA

Our Parish has purchased 50 plots, which we are making available at a reduced price of \$2,900. This price includes one plot with a vault.

This is an effort of our parish to provide a resting place for our people where you can also have a headstone with a cross and the names of the deceased and where the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on a regular basis and our people will be commemorated for centuries to come. One of our parishioners has paid for the construction of a monument in the center of this Orthodox Cemetery, which provides an Altar for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

You may purchase plots through the church office.

An additional benefit provided by Dignity Funeral Home is a reduced price Funeral package of \$7,500 available during 2013.



Hellenic Dance News



SPECIAL THANKS...

We would like to thank the parishioners who helped in sewing our new costumes this year: Nikki Kakissis made the men's Thraki costumes that the Young Adult group (Metamorphosi) wore. Anna Lerios made the inside dresses for the Asteria (2nd-3rd grade) group. We would like to thank Lykion ton Ellinidon (Atlanta chapter) for selling their costumes to us at a reduced price, which allowed us to dress the 2nd- 5th graders in brand new costumes!

WE WOULD ALSO LIKE TO THANK...

Our instructors: Kathy Bylos, Elaine Bilson, Paulina Vastakis, Dorian Bafas, Tina Johansen, Agapi Chryssopoulos, Demetra Lilly, and Ted Gormanos. Also, we want to thank Sandy Papadopoulos from the Atlanta cathedral for working with our Metamorphosi group, as well as Despina Chryssopoulos, Stratis Papageorgiou and Allen Vatzakas for instructing, collecting music and assisting the ministry in other ways.

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We want to extend our WARMEST THANKS to all the DANCERS! We received many compliments about our performances!! Thanks also to the PARENTS for their continued support. We look forward to another great year!

CHURCH NAMEDAY AND KICK-OFF PARTY (and brief meeting)

→ **Sunday, August 10**, following coffee hour. Parents of ALL dancers (any age) are welcome to join us for lunch, dessert and drinks outside in the pavilion and playground area. We will have a *brief meeting* for parents of dancers in the 6th – 12th grades. This is a very **important** meeting... please make every effort to have your family represented!

Phoenix (6th-8th) & Eleftheria (9th-12th) will begin practicing on Sunday, August 18 ~ New practice time: 1:30pm start time – ON THE DOT!!

This will give everyone time to get lunch...but please don't be late!

Phoenix – 1:30-3:00 // Eleftheria 1:30-3:30 ...Location - TBA

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SPECIAL MARIETTA WORKSHOP ANNOUNCED:

Save the date for September 7th all-day workshop

More details to follow!

Dancers in 6th grade and up are strongly encouraged to attend!!!

HOUSEHOLD ITEMS NEEDED:

Cleaning out your home or garage? The Dance Ministry needs some items to add to our props for our live shows. We can provide you with receipt made for this tax-deductable donation. We need the following items: *Folding card tables, table linens, plates, glasses, old Greek household items (copper hammered pots or pans, baskets, pottery, etc.)*

PARENT HELPERS - DANCE MOMS/DADS NEEDED...

If anyone is interested in assisting any of our instructors during the dance year, we could use your help! Some ways you can help are - *taking attendance for the instructors, running the music, helping with costumes, bringing snacks or drinks, etc.* If you have the time, we would love to have you!! If you are available weekly, monthly or year round, we will take any time you have to give.

MARIETTA GREEK DANCERS...

...are on FACEBOOK! Over the past year we have developed a private, locked group on Facebook. If you are a parent of a dancer (any age) or a dancer yourself...just "friend" Paulina Vastakis to be added to the group. We post dance updates, documents, video clips and photos on this page. **ALL PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO JOIN US!**



Metropolis ODYSSEY Scholarship Winners From Marietta...

We are so proud of Christina Honey and Mike Steffas for winning the Odyssey Scholarship and joining the Metropolis' Odyssey Trip to Greece! Their hard work over the last six years in our dance group has earned them a free trip to Greece! This year they will visit the Northern and Western mainland areas of Greece: Messologhi, Ioannina, Kozani, Florina and Kalambaka. These are just a few areas where they will visit - performing in the plateas of these towns, learning Greek folk dance from renowned instructors, visiting monasteries, attending folk costume workshops and visiting folk dance theaters. We hope they represent Marietta well...CONGRATULATIONS!!

The next Odyssey opportunity will be 2017. To be eligible for the Odyssey Scholarship, you must attend 3 out of the next 4 HDF competitions and 2 out of 4 workshops. Dancers, start earning your Odyssey points by attending HDF this year...it takes place over January 18-21 (Martin Luther King Jr. weekend) in Orlando, Florida.



Hellenic Studies Program

Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

www.holytransfiguration.info/hellenic-studies

It's back to school time!

Youth and Adult language classes begin on **Tuesday, August 27th at 5:30pm.**

We will begin with a blessing from Father, followed by registration and class assignments.



Some important information to note...

We will *continue* to offer **Biblical Greek** ...however this year the course will be offered on Tuesday evenings from 5:30-7:00pm, along with our other classes.

We are preparing a number of *new and exciting* activities for our Youth program – including a **full-immersion** (language) day camp next summer. Stay tuned for details!

Please see our *website* for up-to-date information on the latest news and announcements.

www.holytransfiguration.info/hellenic-studies

Looking forward to an *amazing* year!

Eleni Clement, Program Director



PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Please congratulate the 2013-2015 Philoptochos Executive Board:

- President: Linda Lopos
- 1st Vice-president: Pat Koutouzis
- 2nd Vice-president: Dorothy Macris
- Treasurer: Nancy Barke
- Assistant Treasurer: Dorothy Botni
- Recording Secretary: Leslie Hansard
- Corresponding Secretary: Annette Jacobs
- Advisor: Christine Sprouse

Board Meeting - Monday, July 15 at 6:00 pm in OCR.

Join us for Book Club on Thursday, July 25 (book and home TBD).

Thank you to GOYA for cooking and serving at MUST ministries in June.

The next soup kitchen will be on Thursday, July 25. Anyone who would like to help cook, serve or make a monetary donation, please contact Athena Burke at ibgreek@bellsouth.net or 770-973-3111.

In order to continue our mission of helping those in need, we welcome donations to our social service fund.



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July 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
30 Sunday of All Saints 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	1 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water	2	3	4 Independence Day	5	6 12:00 PM Carra Baptism (Thomas) 5:00 PM Great Vespers
7 Second Sunday of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	8	9 10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting	10	11 Prime Timers' Event	12	13 5:00 PM Great Vespers
14 Third Sunday...alcedon (451) 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM A 16 year Memorial Service is given by Beth James and Pam Starks for William Gus James.. May his memory be 2:30 PM Liakakos Baptism (Tentative)	15 Feast of St. K...the martyrs. 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 6:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting	16 6:30 PM PC Meeting	17 6:00 PM GOYA Officers Council	18	19 6:00 PM Great Vespers for Feast of Prophet Elias (Elijah)	20 5:00 PM Great Vespers
21 Fourth Sunday of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	22	23	24 6:00 PM Great Vespers	25 Dormition of...e Deaconess 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:00 AM Soup Kitchen 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club	26 Feast of St. P...ernight Vigil 9:00 PM Great Vespers/Orthros/Divine Liturgy	27 11:00 AM Pethel Baptism (Levi) ... Great Vespers/Orthros/Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers
28 Fifth Sunday of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM A 40 day Memorial Service is given by Roseann Bates for her husband, Bob. May his memory be eternal! 11:30 am	29	30	31	1 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos	2 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos	3 12:00 PM Rogers Baptism (Evangelina) 5:00 PM Great Vespers 5:00 PM Luke Tassopoulos Scout Awards

August 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>28</p> <p>Fifth Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM A 40 day Memorial Service is given by Roseann Bates for her husband, Bob. May his memory be eternal! 11:30 am 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Great Vespers for the Transfiguration of the Savior 8:00 PM Name Day Dinner 	<p>30</p> <p>Transfiguration...Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 12:00 PM Rogers Baptism (Evangeline) 5:00 PM Luke Tassopoulos Scout Awards 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>4</p> <p>6th Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Great Vespers for the Transfiguration of the Savior 8:00 PM Name Day Dinner 	<p>6</p> <p>Transfiguration...Jesus Christ</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>11</p> <p>7th Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 12:30 PM Hellenic Dance Dancer/Parent/Teacher Meeting 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:30 PM PC Meeting 	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Vespers – Forefeast of the Dormition of the Theotokos 	<p>15</p> <p>Feast of the...he Theotokos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM McQueary-Wells Wedding Rehearsal 	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:45 PM Wells Baptisms (Katherine & Michael) 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>18</p> <p>8th Sunday of Matthew</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 1:30 PM Phoenix/Elftheria Dance Practice 5:00 PM McQueary-Wells Wedding 	<p>19</p>	<p>20</p>	<p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Catechism Workshop 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>25</p> <p>9th Sunday...from Aug. 27)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 1:30 PM Phoenix/Elftheria Dance Practice 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Starts 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Vespers, Beginning of St. John the Fore-Runner 	<p>29</p> <p>Remembrance...ner (Baptist)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>30</p>	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:00 PM Great Vespers

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July 7, 2013	G. Lopos/S. Tingas	Team I	M. Alberts/P. Koutouzis	M. Papadimitriou/R. Peppas
July 14, 2013	C. Hansard/J. Tidwell	Team II	P. Koutouzis/E. Markley	I. Steffas/S. Tidwell
July 21, 2013	C. Costarides/A. Miltiades	Team I	P. Dunkerly/D. Levine	M. Tingas/F. Tucker
July 28, 2013	D. Koutouzis/A. Tsarouhas	Team II	M. Alberts/D. Bafas	N. Barke/T. Vamvakias
Aug. 4, 2013	G. O'Brien/R. Rogers	Team I	L. Sampanes/M. Zavala	A. Burke/C. Costarides/ M. Driscoll
Aug. 11, 2013	L. Gess/S. Steffas	Team II	K. Bilson/B. Valagohar	M. Eleftheriou/T. Georgacopoulos/N. Kakissis
Aug. 18, 2013	A. Miltiades/S. Tingas	Team I	C. Kollias/S. Lukens	E. Kay/T.& T. Kipreos
Aug. 25, 2013	C. Hansard/J. Tidwell	Team II	P. Koutouzis/E. Markley	L. Lopos/K. Melissas/ M. Militades

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Team 2: Theo Bliss, Matthew Buchan, Brody (Thomas) Brooks, Christos Costarides, Yianni Costarides, Chris Danos, Nick Danos, Leo Frangis, Manuel Frangis, Niko Gekas, Alex Gekas, Alexander Georgacopoulos, Yianni Gormanos, Morgan Lilly, Michael Marianos, Gabriel Mavromatidis, Jeremy Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Eli Nichols, Angelo Nichols, Evans Nichols, Tommy O'Brien, Michael Papadimitriou, Dean Papastrat, Matthew Paulson, Alex Skarpelis, Mitchell Starks, Evan Strakes, Luke Tassopoulos, Nicholas Tassopoulos, Braden Thorne, Alex Thorne