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Marietta, GA

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

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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. You can't miss it!

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

Normalcy among COVID-19: A fleeting Reality?



Week after week I look out from the Holy Altar yearning to see again the beautiful faces of my parishioners, but I am met with the masked reminder that we are not living in normal times.

Day after day, I check the news and announcements from the medical world yearning for the joyful tidings of a breakthrough in the development of treatments, both preventive and therapeutic, for COVID-19, but I am met with the grim reality of more infections and more deaths. In addition, everyone is predicting that these numbers will keep rising through the colder months.

There seems to be no respite in sight from this pandemic!

This reality settles in even further as I receive calls, texts and messages that yet one more parishioner has contracted the virus

and has even been hospitalized, leaving their families concerned for their life.

These are times of tribulation, as many people are facing increased need, financially, emotionally and spiritually, while at the same time are scared for their health. And as if all this is not enough, many are also stuck at home, isolated from friends and relatives, unable to socialize as usual and even scared to come to church or receive Holy Communion.

I live with this reality daily, and I turn in prayer to God asking for His mercy, healing for those afflicted and protection for those at risk. That's how I find comfort, assurance and hope. I think of all of you whom I have not been able to see since the shutdown and pray for God's comfort for you. I also rejoice for those who do make it to the church services and pray that they may stay healthy.

Hope is the key to these difficult times. We need hope in order to continue our lives. We need joy in order to avoid depression and acedia, a spiritual state of inertness, listlessness and torpor.

And the Lord is the source of all hope. His promise is that He will never abandon us. "For the needy shall not be forgotten, and the hope of the poor shall not perish for ever." (Psa. 9:18)

Happiness comes to those who hope in Him. (Psa. 146:5)

Our life can be full of hope and joy even in the worst of situations, if we turn our hearts to God. Hope comes from the assurance that He will be there for us even during the most difficult of times. Joy comes from hope in His Love and caring for us. Normalcy can be our steady dependance on Him. Normalcy can be our Trust in His assurance that He will never abandon us.

Normalcy can be preserved through our routine and familiar worship services as we attend in person or participate via the live streams. The familiar hymns and music, the familiar faces of our clergy, the beautiful ambiance of our sanctuary, provide continuity and normalcy that brings comfort and hope, which leads to trust in the Lord and fills the heart with joy.

Dear brothers and sisters, please continue to return to our worship services online or in person so that you may not lose the normalcy provided through them. Try not to miss them, as God works through them to reach our hearts and minds, to give us comfort and hope, to give us joy and happiness in His sacred Normalcy.

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

November 2020

November 1, Sunday. Sts. Cosmas & Damianos. 5th Sunday of Luke (*Daylight Savings Time Ends*)

Bishop Sevastianos Presiding

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

November 7, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm. Feast of the Archangels.

November 8, Sunday, Synaxis of the Holy Archangels Michael & Gabriel and all the Angels.

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

Sunday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm. Feast of St. Nektarios.

November 9, Monday, Feast of St. Nektarios of Aegina.

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

November 12, Thursday, Evening: Great Vespers followed by Vigil 6:00 pm. Feast of St. John Chrysostom **at the Annunciation Cathedral. Metropolitan Alexios Presiding.**

November 13, Friday, Feast of St. John Chrysostom at our Parish.

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

November 14, Saturday, Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

November 15, Sunday, Eighth Sunday of Luke. *Beginning of the Fast of Christmas.*

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

November 20, Friday Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Presentation of the Theotokos.

November 21, Saturday, Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos to the Temple.

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

Saturday, Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

November 22, Sunday, Ninth Sunday of Luke.

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

November 24, Tuesday Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm- Feast of St. Catherine the Great Martyr.

November 25, Wednesday, Feast of St. Catherine the Great Martyr.

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

November 26, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Happy Thanksgiving!

November 28, Saturday, Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

November 29, Sunday, Thirteenth Sunday of Luke.

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

Sunday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm. Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle.

November 30, Monday, Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle, the First Called. **Feast of our Chapel.**

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



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December 2020

December 1, Tuesday. Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm, Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis.

December 2, Wednesday. Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis.

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

December 3, Thursday. Great Vespers for Feast of St. John of Damascus & St. Barbara 6:00 pm.

December 4, Wednesday. Feast of St. John of Damascus & St. Barbara.

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

December 5, Saturday. Great Vespers for Feast of St. Nicholas 5:00 pm.

December 6, Sunday. 10th Sunday of Luke & Feast of St. Nicholas.

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

December 11, Friday Evening: Great Vespers for Feast of St. Spyridon 6:00 pm

December 12, Saturday. Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythos.

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

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

December 13, Eleventh Sunday of Luke. Feast of the Forefathers of our Lord.

Feast of St. Modestos the healer of Animals (transferred from December 18)

and *St. Dionysios*, Archbishop of Aegina the Wonderworker (transferred from Dec. 17).

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. *Blessing of the Animals, 3:00 pm.*

December 19, Saturday before Christmas. Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm - *Anointing of the sick*

December 20, Sunday before Christmas. Feast of all the Righteous people from Adam to Joseph.

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

December 24, Thursday. THE GREAT HOURS OF CHRISTMAS, 9:30 am

CHRISTMAS EVE-THURSDAY EVENING: CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION, THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

EVENING CHRISTMAS LITURGY 5:30 pm, *Divine Liturgy* of St. Basil the Great.

The Christmas Reception will not be held this year due to COVID-19 concerns.

DECEMBER 25, FRIDAY, CHRISTMAS DAY, THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom 10:00 am.

December 26, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

December 27, Sunday after Christmas. St. Stephanos the First Martyr.

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

December 30, Wednesday. Great Vespers 6:00 pm

December 31, Thursday, Apodosis of Christmas, Feast of St. Melania the Roman

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

Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm - Circumcision of Christ, St. Basil the Great.



Live Streaming of our Worship Services

In an effort to provide opportunities for everyone to participate in the worship services of our parish we provide Live Streaming of the Services for all to join remotely if they are unable to join us in person.

Live Streaming of our Worship Services is provided for Saturday evening Vespers, as well as Orthros & Divine Liturgy on Sunday mornings. It is also provided for weekday services, as well. Please check with the church office for more information and sign up to receive our e-mails with the Live Streaming Links.

Please NOTE: You may go to **Trisagion Films YouTube Channel** at <https://www.youtube.com/c/trisagionfilms> where you will find the current live-stream for the day, as well as the most recent services that have been live-streamed.

Trisagion Films, is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization serving Orthodoxy worldwide, and has been providing this service for our parish since the beginning of the Pandemic. **Please support Trisagion Films via PayPal or Patreon.**

We are hoping to continue live-streaming the services for as long as some of our people are unable to attend in person. We want everyone to be present in some way, even remotely, when necessary.

Due to the fact that COVID-19 is still being transmitted *and* that there is still no available preventive or other effective therapeutic measures in place for those infected, we are exercising an abundance of caution during this re-opening process, and are asking everyone to strictly abide by the guidelines and protocols requested by the State and local Laws and the directives of our Metropolitan.

DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH via the "Electronic Tray"

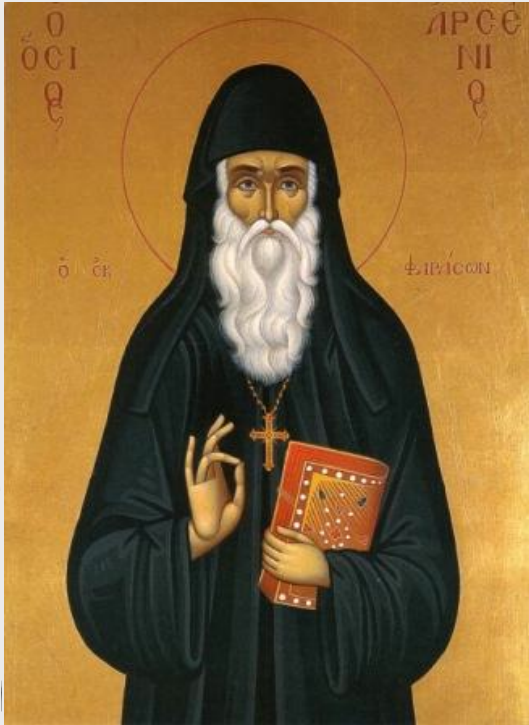
Please remember to care for our parish: As you are unable to attend Divine Services in person, please make your donations electronically to keep our parish alive during these difficult times.

Online Giving is available in different ways. Please go to the parish website to donate online here: <http://www.holytransfiguration.info/online-giving/>. This is the **"Electronic Tray"** of our parish right now.

You may also make your donation by sending a check to the parish office at Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church, 3431 Trickum Road NE, Marietta GA 30066

Saint Arsenios of Cappadocia (+1924)

November 10th



The town of Farasa, Cappadocia as it appears today

The life of Saint Arsenios of Cappadocia was written by Elder Paisios the Athonite, who was baptized by St. Arsenios prior to the saint's death.

Cappadocia (in eastern Turkey) is virtually devoid of Christians now, but in 1840, when St Arsenios was born there, there were still vital Orthodox communities. He became a monk and was sent to his native town, Farasa, to serve the people. He became known as a mighty intercessor before God, praying for all who came to him, Muslims as well as Christians. His countless miracles of healing became known throughout Cappadocia; those who could not come to see him would sometimes send articles of clothing for him to pray over. He became known as Hadjiefendis, a Muslim term of honour for pilgrims, because he made pilgrimage to the Holy Land every ten years on foot. He never accepted any gifts in return for his prayers and healings, saying: "Our faith is not for sale!"

He concealed his holiness as much as he could beneath a rough and sharp-tempered exterior. If anyone expressed admiration for him, he would reply: "So you think I'm a saint? I'm only a sinner worse than you. Don't you see that I even lose my temper? The miracles you see are done by Christ. I do no more than lift up my hands and pray to him." But as the Scriptures say, "the prayers of a righteous man avail much", and when St Arsenios lifted up his hands, wonders often followed.

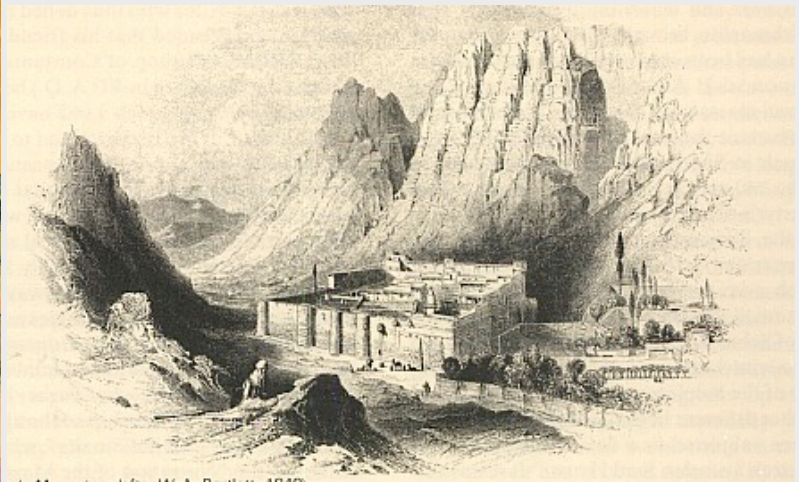
He lived in a small cell with an earthen floor, fasted often and was in the habit of shutting himself in his cell for at least two whole days every week to devote himself entirely to prayer.

Father Arsenios predicted the expulsion of the Greeks from Asia Minor before it happened, and organized his flock for departure. When the expulsion order came in 1924, the aged Saint led his faithful on a 400-mile journey across Turkey on foot. He had foretold that he would only live forty days after reaching Greece, and this came to pass.

The Theotokos appeared to St. Arsenios three days prior to his repose and took him to all the monasteries and churches of Mount Athos, which he had longed to visit and see. His last words were: "The soul, the soul, take care of it more than the flesh, which will return to earth and be eaten by worms!" Two days later, on November 10, 1924, he died in peace at the age of eighty-three on the island of Kerkyra.

Saint Katherine the Great Martyr of Alexandria

November 25



Saint Catherine, who was from Alexandria, was the daughter of Constatas (or Cestus). She was an exceedingly beautiful maiden, most chaste, and illustrious in wealth, lineage, and learning. By her steadfast understanding, she utterly vanquished the passionate and unbridled soul of Maximinus, the tyrant of Alexandria; and by her eloquence, she stopped the mouths of the so-called philosophers who had been gathered to dispute with her. She was crowned with the crown of martyrdom in the year 305. Her holy relics were taken by Angels to the holy mountain of Sinai, where they were discovered many years later; the famous monastery of Saint Catherine was originally dedicated to the Holy Transfiguration of the Lord and the Burning Bush, but later was dedicated to Saint Catherine. According to the ancient usage, Saints Catherine and Mercurius were celebrated on the 24th of this month, whereas the holy Hieromartyrs Clement of Rome and Peter of Alexandria were celebrated on the 25th. The dates of the feasts of these Saints were interchanged at the request of the Church and Monastery of Mount Sinai, so that the festival of Saint Catherine, their patron, might be celebrated more festively together with the Apodosis of the Feast of the Entry of the Theotokos. The Slavic Churches, however, commemorate these Saints on their original dates.

Apolytikion in the Plagal of the First Tone

Let us praise the most auspicious bride of Christ, the divine Katherine, protectress of Sinai, our aid and our help. For, she brilliantly silenced the eloquence of the impious by the sword of the spirit, and now, crowned as a martyr, she asks great mercy for all.

Kontakion in the Second Tone

O friends of martyrs, now divinely raise up a renewed chorus, praising the all-wise Katherine. For, she proclaimed Christ in the arena, trampled on the serpent, and spat upon the knowledge of the orators.



Christ is born, Glorify Him!

The humble baby Jesus in the manger, kept warm by the breath of animals, provides an image of weakness and vulnerability, but at the same time defeats the arrogance of King Herod and the haughtiness of all powerful men of the world. The humility of the baby Jesus, who is God Himself, provides an image of encouragement for the humble and weak of the world who find themselves confronted with the haughtiness of the rich and powerful men of the world of all times. God, in the end, has authority over life and death, sickness and suffering, the elements and the laws of nature. He showed that by His life and miracles on earth and the power He granted to His disciples of all generations after that. He is the One who has the ultimate say as to where each one of us ends up.

The Gentleness of God

There is a very unique tenderness in the feast of Christmas; God has lowered Himself to reach us, and He has gone all the way as He lowered Himself to the

ultimate gentleness, fragility and vulnerability of a baby. This is one of those real human moments that God has embraced, which make us stand in awe at His love for us.

As a newborn child He is inviting us to also become gentle, vulnerable and tender, to become like Him in every way.

This awesome feast provides a great opportunity for reflection on the state of our lives and a time to reconsider the way we deal with each other. This is the time to forgive each other's failings and start afresh, to cleanse our hearts and open our minds to His Grace.

Then, joy will fill our hearts, and the Spirit of God will dwell among us. Then, we will hear with the humble shepherds the angelic hymn "Glory to God in the Highest and on Earth Peace, Good Will to Humankind."

Christ is Born, my brothers and sisters! Christ is Born, Glorify Him!

+ Fr. Panayiotis

Apolytikion of Christmas Tone 4.

Your nativity, O Christ our God, has caused the light of knowledge to rise upon the world. For therein the worshippers of the stars were by a star instructed to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know You as Orient from on high. Glory to You, O Lord.

Katavasia of Christmas I, Ode i. Tone 1.

*Christ is born; glorify Him! * Christ is come from heaven; go and meet Him. * Christ is on earth; arise to Him. * Sing to the Lord, all you who dwell on the earth; * and in merry spirits, O you peoples, praise His birth. * For He is glorified.*

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - NOVEMBER

11/1/2020	Sunday:	John 21:1-14 Luke 16:19-31	St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8
11/2/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 2:13-20	Luke 11:29-33
11/3/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 2:20-23; 3:1-3	Luke 11:34-41
11/4/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:17-25; 4:1	Luke 11:42-46
11/5/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 4:2-9	Luke 11:47-54; 12:1
11/6/2020	Friday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 8:1-6	Luke 12:8-12
11/7/2020	Saturday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 5:1-10	Luke 9:1-6
11/8/2020	Sunday:	John 21:14-25	St. Paul's letter to the Hebrews 2:2-10 Luke: 8:41-56
11/9/2020	Monday:	John 10:1-9 Luke 12:13-15, 22-31	St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians 1:1-5
11/10/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's first Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	Luke 12:42-48
11/11/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15	Luke 12:48-59
11/12/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11	Matthew 5:14-19
11/13/2020	Friday:	John 10:1-9 St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2	John 10:9-16
11/14/2020	Saturday:	St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	John 1:43-51
11/15/2020	Sunday:	Matthew 28:16-20 St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:4-10	Luke 10:25-37
11/16/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:11-21; 11:1-2	Matthew 9:9-13
11/17/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:7-11	Luke 14:25-35
11/18/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians 4:1-12	Luke 15:1-10
11/19/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians 4:18-5:10	Luke 16:1-9
11/20/2020	Friday:	St. Paul's First Letter to the Thessalonians 5:9-13; 5:24-28	Luke 16:15-18; 17:1-4
11/21/2020	Saturday:	Luke 1:39-49, 56 St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7	Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28
11/22/2020	Sunday:	Mark 16:1-8 St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:14-22	Luke 12:16-21
11/23/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians 1:1-10	Luke 17:20-25
11/24/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 3:10-21; 4:1-3	Luke 17:26-37; 18:8
11/25/2020	Wednesday:	Matthew 25:1-13 St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5	Mark 5:24-34
11/26/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians 2:13-17; 3:1-5	Luke 18:31-34
11/27/2020	Friday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to the Thessalonians 3:6-18	Luke 19:12-28
11/28/2020	Saturday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:3-10	Luke 10:19-21
11/29/2020	Sunday:	Mark 16:9-20 St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4:1-7	Luke 18:18-27
11/30/2020	Monday:	Matthew 4:18-23 St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	John 1:35-51

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - DECEMBER

12/1/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 1:8-14	Luke 19:45-48
12/2/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 1:18-20; 2:8-15	Luke 20:1-8
12/3/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 3:1-13	Luke 20:9-18
12/4/2020	Friday:	Matthew 25:1-13	St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5
12/5/2020	Saturday:	Luke 6:17-23	St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2
12/6/2020	Sunday:	Luke 24:1-12	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 13:17-21
12/7/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 5:1-10	Luke 20:27-44
12/8/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 5:11-21	Luke 21:12-19
12/9/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Galatians 4:22-27	Luke 8:16-21
12/10/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 6:17-21	Luke 21:28-33
12/11/2020	Friday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 1:1-2; 8-18	Luke 21:37-38, 22:1-8
12/12/2020	Saturday:	John 10:1-9	St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19
12/13/2020	Sunday:	Luke 24:13-35	St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:4-11
12/14/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:20-26	Mark 8:11-21
12/15/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 1:8-18	Mark 2:23-28; 3:1-5
12/16/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 4:9-22	Mark 8:30-34
12/17/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2	Mark 9:10-15
12/18/2020	Friday:	St. Paul's Letter to Titus 1:15-16; 2:1-10	Mark 9:33-41
12/19/2020	Saturday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:8-12	Luke 13:19-29
12/20/2020	Sunday:	Luke 24:36-53	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:9-10; 32-40
12/21/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 3:5-11, 17-19	Mark 9:42-50; 10:1
12/22/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 4:1-13	Mark 10:2-12
12/23/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 5:11-14; 6:1-8	Mark 10:11-16
12/24/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 1:1-12	Luke 2:1-20
12/25/2020	Friday:	Matthew 1:18-25	St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:4-7
12/26/2020	Saturday:	St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 6:11-16	Matthew 2:1-12
12/27/2020	Sunday:	John 20:1-10	Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60
12/28/2020	Monday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 8:7-13	Matthew 2:13-23
12/29/2020	Tuesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 2:11-18	Luke 14:25-35
12/30/2020	Wednesday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 10:1-18	Matthew 2:13-23
12/31/2020	Thursday:	St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 10:35-39; 11:1-17	Mark 8:22-26
			Luke 14:1-11

STEWARDSHIP

The 2021 Stewardship Drive is Coming . . .



The priority of compassionate stewardship is not to pay the bills. It is about how we, as a community, can do God’s work with love and compassion. It is less about the parish’s need to receive, and more about our need to give. It is our generosity with the gifts and blessings God has entrusted to us. Compassionate stewardship is an attitude and a way of life.

“My hope is that we will seize the opportunity that is literally being forced upon us, to become more altruistic, more compassionate toward others, more patient, and indeed more faithful.”

- Archbishop Elpidophoros of America

WHAT DOES THE BIBLE SAY ABOUT STEWARDSHIP?

Give with gratitude - “We thank you, our God, and praise your glorious Name ...for all things come from you and we have only given back what is yours already.” (I Chronicles 29:13-14)

Give without show – “Let not your left hand know what your right hand is doing.” (Matt.6:3).

Give with regularity in proportion – “Upon the first day of the week let everyone of you lay by him in store, as God has prospered him.” (I Cor. 16:2)

Give liberally – “He who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” (II Cor. 9:6)

Give cheerfully – “Let everyone give as his heart tells him, neither grudgingly, nor under compulsion, for God loves the man that gives cheerfully.” (II Cor. 9:7)

STEWARDSHIP . . . continued

What you need to know about the 2021 Pledge Drive

It is anticipated that the church will need around \$725,000 in pledges in 2021 to pay for general operating expenses including payroll, ministries, utilities and insurance, etc.

We currently have 361 pledged members with an average pledge of \$1687 per family. If the 2021 budget is to be met without a deficit, this average would need to increase to \$2025. **Every pledge counts** so more pledges can help as reach this goal. Please prayerfully consider increasing your pledge amount or pledging for the first time, if not currently a member.

December 13th is the kick-off for the 2021 Stewardship Drive. Leading up to this date, we will discuss the importance of stewardship during the preceding Sunday services, beginning November 22nd. On December 13th, we will distribute the Stewardship Card Packages. A Stewardship package will also be mailed to your home. If you have recently moved or do not receive a package in the mail, please contact the church office.

Each year, we ask you to affirm or reaffirm your commitment to our church, with your time, talents and treasure. It is important to commit early so that the Parish Council can plan a budget for the upcoming year and allow the general assembly to vote on the budget. Without your commitment, it is difficult to forecast a budget. Time and talent is also important so that we can plan for ministry activities and resources needed.

We ask that you turn in your 2021 pledge card by January 10, 2021, either by mail, online or in person so that they can be blessed on January 17, 2021.

What's New for 2021?

Complete your Stewardship form online - You have the option to complete your pledge online instead of submitting a paper form. The link to the form will be included in the church's website.

Stewardship cards for all adult members of your household – Our desire is to have every adult member in your household, age 18 and over, become a pledged member. Your packet will include additional pledge cards for these members of your household. It is important that we instill in the young adults the true meaning of stewardship in ways to become an adult member, especially through time and talent. It will lead to a life-long habit of practicing Christian Stewardship.

Capital Campaign Pledge included on the Stewardship Pledge form – You will have the opportunity to make your pledge towards the Capital Campaign Fund (also referred to as the Building Fund). This is a five-year campaign which began in 2019 to pay down our mortgages, originally for \$3.5 million secured for our multi-purpose building, which houses the administrative offices, classrooms and gymnasium. If you have previously pledged towards the Capital Campaign, you will not need to complete this section of the pledge form again. Your existing pledge will carry forward.

Stewardship Materials on our website – We will be adding Stewardship materials and resources to the Holy Transfiguration website to assist you with understanding the meaning of stewardship.

Please contact the church office if you have any questions or reach out to Maria Alberts at 404-966-6694 or maria.alberts29@gmail.com if you would like to assist with the 2021 Stewardship Drive.

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TOTAL: 361

Walking into the Future Together Capital Campaign



We have accomplished so much in the past 30 years together . . . As we walk into the future together with this five year capital campaign, our goal is to have 100% participation. If our whole parish family works together, we can raise the funds to pay off our mortgage ~ \$3,500,000

THANK YOU TO THOSE FAITHFUL THAT HAVE SUBMITTED PLEDGE CARDS FOR THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ~ TOTAL PLEDGED as of 11/01/2020 is \$1,617,375

(If you have not yet returned your pledge card, please do so; if you need a pledge card, please ask. Your personal commitment is so important, and so appreciated!)

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The Necessity of Stewardship

Our Parish depends on the Stewardship of its members. Our Parish is funded by us.

Let us offer to our Parish from the Gifts of God to us. Let us offer in proportion of His Gifts to us. Let us bring our offering with a joyful heart.

You will be Blessed greatly if you support the work of our Parish and the work of His Church.

Have you submitted your Stewardship Form? If not, please do so today.

MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I pray that each of you are doing well navigating the challenges everyone has faced during the Covid 19 pandemic. I know each parish member has been impacted in different ways. I encourage our community to take advantage of the many resources our church offers to help our church family during this difficult time.

We are excited that our Catechism program is up and running. I would like to thank our Catechism Director, David Linebaugh, as well as our teachers for getting our program started safely and for their willingness to teach in person and online during these unique times. I encourage all parents who have catechism age children to register their children and depending on their age bring them to class or attend online.

If you have not had an opportunity to see the pavilion and the surrounding area, please take a minute to do so. Thank you to Father Michael, Dennis Koutouzis, our Young Adult Group and Goyans for their work cleaning the pavilion area, building the bridge across the stream and clearing the path to the garden area. The group did an outstanding job and we appreciate their hard work. The work will help our community take full advantage of our beautiful outdoor space.

I would like to thank the entire parish family for the support they have given to our community and their willingness to follow the guidelines that allow us to conduct services and keep everyone safe. Your cooperation has made the process much easier for those who are tasked with enforcing these policies.

Finally, thank you to my fellow Parish Council members for their support helping navigate this very unique time. Often your behind the scene work goes unnoticed, but we could not operate as a church without your leadership and support.

I am confident that in time the isolation and physical distancing will pass and we will return to normal. In the meantime, we will continue to look for opportunities to bring our community closer together while maintaining the health and safety of our parish. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to call me at 770-356-9111.

Yours in Christ,

Mike Jacobs, Parish Council President

A Picture Is Worth A Thousand Words

To gain access to your IconCMO account, please email Anne, holytrans@comcast.net so that she can send you an IconCMO email with set-up instructions.

NOTE: Only Anne can upload a picture. Please email the jpg photo for yourself or your family to her.

Our Parish Directory has thousands of words: names, addresses, telephone numbers, and emails. But what it lacks today are the photographs we had in our printed directory. Photos are important to a useful parish directory because they link our names to our faces. Sometimes we can't remember someone's name, but we know her face or his smile, the photo connects us. We want to see you and your family in the Parish Directory, not a tree or sofa, **so let's focus on faces, as in the picture of Sophia Linebaugh, or as shown below for the Kollias family and the Karampelas family.**



Let's make our new online Parish Directory now on IconCMO a useful and attractive Parish Life tool. **Each parishioner** can have someone take a photo of them or the family with a camera or cell phone, but be sure it's in **jpg format**, and send it to Anne.

George J. Lopos, Parish Council, Parish Life

Christmas Remembrance

If you would like to make a donation for a Christmas poinsettia to decorate the church this holiday season, please contact Anne in the Church office, holytrans@comcast.net or 770.924.8080 or fill out this form and put it in the mail or offering tray.

Name: _____

In Memory of: _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

or

For the Health of: _____

(PLEASE PRINT)

Amount of Donation: \$_____ (Check or through Vanco)

The names of donors & dedications will be published in the bulletin on **Sunday, December 20th.**



O Come let us
adore him,
Christ the Lord.

If you would like for your name to be included in our Parish Christmas Card which benefits our GOYANs, please complete the form below and return it along with your free-will donation to the Church Office or drop it in the offering tray during Church services no later than Sunday, December 6th! Thank you!

I would like my name(s) to read as follows:

(PLEASE PRINT)

Amount Enclosed _____

Please make your check payable to HTGOC; you may also pay through Vanco

Mail to: Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
3431 Trickum Road
Marietta, GA 30066

Our Youth at Work

IN LIEU OF NORMALCY, LET'S CHOOSE LIFE!

Fr. Michael Tishel



We've all been struck by the lack of normalcy these days. Our youth and young adults are no exception. Faced with online schooling, decreased in-person socializing, and the fear of the unknown, this new “normal” can provide quite the challenge for their mental and spiritual well-being.

And in the midst of it all, if there's one thing we learned, it's that GOYAns do *not* like Zoom.

So after much prayer, (mostly failed) experimentation, and more prayer, we stumbled upon what seemed to strike a nerve with our youth in an unprecedented way—hard work and the outdoors! After some planning and scheming, a Youth and Young Adult Workday was scheduled!

Our Youth at Work

Building Bridges

An Experience for Life

Over 40 participants came together for a socially-distanced outdoor workday, where we rehabilitated the forest path up to the garden, and built a simple footbridge across the stream down by the playground.

Faces were beaming with life and joy to be together and to be doing something active. God is so good, even in the midst of these trying times.

We pray that our youth and young adults will continue to serve the Church by finishing the path and perhaps even helping out in the garden at some point!

Moral of the story: if you can't hug another person, hug (or, even better, work with) the earth! It's where we came from after all!



GOYA/Young Adults

Youth & YA Workday Recap

HUGE THANKS to all our GOYAns and Young Adults who came out last Saturday to continue the work of creating a community prayer trail in our church backyard!! After starting the day with a beautiful Outdoor Liturgy in the pavilion and a delicious lunch from It's Greek To Us (thank you Trinity Asprakis!), we split into three masked & socially-distanced teams and jumped to work. The Trail Team cleared out a marked path in the woods leading from the playgrounds up to Holy Transfiguration Garden - a perfect spot to retreat in nature! The Bridge Team successfully moved 4 telephone poles to create a simple footbridge across the creek leading up to the trail - an incredible process & feat! And our Tire Team cleared out the riverbank near the firepit and disposed of tons of trash and debris to clean up the grounds - 18 tires found in total!

A big thank you also to Dennis Koutouzis and Armando for guiding these groups and planning the vision & plan for the workday and to Fr. Panayiotis, Fr. Michael, Michael Gavalas and Parish Council President Mike Jacobs for always encouraging and inspiring this group!

The entire day was so successful and incredible and could not have been possible without each of you!

Young Adults: Alex Atalis, Socrates Atmatzidis, Michael Brotsis, Panagiota Charalambous, Eleftherios Chasanidis, Constantine Gavalas, Josh Great, Nick Grivas, Maria Hagen, Katie Jacobs, Daniel Johnson, Constantine Katsoudas, Kysia Katsoudas, Vangeli Katsoudas, Alex Lilly, Maria Linebaugh, Sophia Linebaugh, Anna-Marie Mayfield, Peter Milios, Avery Myers, Steven Pelky, Pres. Catherine Tishel

GOYAns: Diana Agne, Sarah Agne, Dimitri Angelakos, Nicholas Angelakos, Stacie Angelakos, Billy Asprakis, Evanthia Bilson, Sophia Bradford, Zach Bradford, Angelica Christofil, Hailey Demakis, Nicholas Demakis, Allie Jansma, Will Jansma, Cecilia Lukens, Marina Quintero, Csaba Wagner, Jazmin Wagner, Romeo Wagner

We're grateful for the chance to put our minds and hands to work in such a creative and fulfilling project, right in our own backyard. Thank you again to all involved for such a great day!

GOYA Advisors & TWHF Committee (Till We have Faces YA Movement)



CHILDREN'S SERMON





HELLENIC STUDIES

2019-2020 SCHOOL YEAR

WE'RE BACK IN SESSION!

THANK YOU to the parents, students and teachers for returning for our 2020-2021 School Year which has been running smoothly in our virtual environment. Despite all of the challenges that Covid-19 threw our way since March, we are grateful to be able to continue the education of our students in the Greek Language, Greek culture and Orthodox faith.

The teachers are doing an excellent job of not only maintaining the students' skills, but also progressing with new material and most importantly...having fun!

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AND ORGANIZATIONS for their generous donations to our scholarship program:

- Jimmy and Helen Carlos, *in memory of Kiria Eftichia Macris, who was their Greek School teacher*
- Jo Kastner
- AHEPA Chapter 519

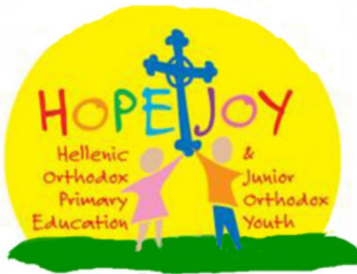
Ευχαριστούμε πάρα πολύ! We thank you very much!

It's not too late to join this year's program!

Our virtual instruction maybe of interest especially to those of you who may live farther away and couldn't attend in the past due to distance.

Please contact us at hellenicstudiesmarietta@gmail.com for more info.

HOPE & JOY NEWS



Thank you to all our families who joined us for the **pumpkin decorating event** in October. We had a *great* time decorating pumpkins, and enjoying some time together after many months apart!



Please stay tuned to our [Facebook page](#), as well as your email inbox, for regular Hope & Joy updates! We continue to send regular emails with *learning and craft opportunities* from home, as well as *parent surveys* to ask for feedback on how you would like to see this ministry adapt going forward.

**We hope to plan another fun event sometime in January,
to include our younger kiddos as well!**

Please continue to give your feedback and ideas to ministry co-chairs:
Tasia Kipreos (tasia22@hotmail.com) and Sarah Pentazakis (spentzakis@gmail.com)

Hellenic Dance News



Dear Dance Family,

It has been a long seven months and we miss seeing everyone! We hope you all have been keeping safe and staying healthy during the pandemic. Father Panayiotis has given us his blessing to allow our high school group, Eleftheria, to resume dance practice this fall under strict safety guidelines. Please be on the look out for an email and a post on our Facebook page with more information about this exciting news. The dances we will work on will be no contact, line dances and all practices will take place outdoors. We are grateful to be able to continue our fellowship learning the art of Hellenic dance. In the meanwhile, if your high schooler is interested in participating, please make sure you are registered with the church and have completed your stewardship form for 2020. Feel free to contact Paulina Vastakis, director, with any questions at paulinasox3@att.net.

Life & Faith Transitions Group



Saturdays (10 am to 11:30 am)

November 14th and 28th

December 5th and 19th

Zoom Meeting

(contact BJ for an invitation)

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Holding Fast During Turbulent Times

2020 has been a year filled disruptions and change, many of which have come upon us with such swiftness and intensity that we can hardly catch our breath. Our daily lives have been upended as we confront the constraints caused by the coronavirus as well as political, social and cultural upheaval. Many of us continue to struggle with jobs, school, socializing, and caring for our families, especially older loved ones, who are most at risk. Even gathering together at church to worship our Lord has required new accommodations.



St. Paul reminds us in his Letter to the Hebrews, that our Lord, Jesus Christ, “has said, ‘*I will never leave you or forsake you*’” (Heb 13:5). Even though we hold fast to this promise, we may feel like we are being swept along by the world’s craziness and unable to grab hold of anything solid to steady us. We may also feel isolated as we endeavor to avoid exposure to the coronavirus and to navigate the many changes in our lives. This journey can be disconcerting, especially if we go it alone.

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Presently, we are using Dr. Albert Rossi’s book, *Becoming a Healing Presence*, to inspire our discussions and deeper reflection on our own experiences, blessings, struggles, and joys. Our discussions are respectful, lively, and enlightening. This group is not a book study nor a support group in the traditional sense, although if one of our group needs extra love and attention or would like to talk over something, we offer a safe and confidential place to do just that. We listen with our hearts.

The Life & Faith Transitions Group meets on average twice a month via Zoom, until we can meet again in person. Everyone is welcome! If a group does not suit you, I am available to talk with you privately. For more information or to join our group, please reach out to me at spanosbj@gmail.com or 404-771-9335.

Our next sessions are November 14th, November 28th, December 5th and December 19th.

BJ Spanos, Life & Faith Transitions Group Leader



PHILOPTOCHOS

Greetings parish family!

We are grateful to see many of you again. We know that you missed our annual Fall Fundraiser, we had planned a fun and fabulous event. We missed it, too! **Yet, the work of Philoptochos continues...even during a pandemic.**

On November 1st we will offer Artoklasia for Saints Cosmas and Damianos, the Patron Saints of Philoptochos.

We are in the process of updating and expanding *The Feast*, our very own Philoptochos cookbook! Look for details in the future.

Once again, this holiday season we will be donating dozens of backpacks for the homeless ministry at our sister parish, Saint John the Wonderworker. The backpacks will be filled with hats, gloves and socks.

Philoptochos is here for you! If your family or someone that you know is in need of support, meals, a visit, a ride to somewhere, a call or a card of encouragement, please reach out to us. If you know of someone that is ill and needs assistance, please reach out to us. Niki Gess will arrange for visits, cards and calls. She can be reached at 770.973.9673.

Here's a list of upcoming opportunities for you to be involved:

Philoptochos will have a donation box in the Narthex for the philanthropic programs and charities of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Please consider making a donation; the box will be there November 1st- 8th.

MUST Ministries is in need of toiletries for the needy. Donations will be collected Sunday, Nov. 8 until Sunday, Nov. 15. See the enclosed flyer for details. Thank you for your generosity with our food drive!

So Blue Greek Ceramics and Gifts continues to donate 10% to our chapter on all sales placed when the code "MARIETTA10" is used at the time of purchase. You will receive 10% off as well. Their website is <https://so-blue-greek-ceramics-gifts.myshopify.com/> Do some Christmas shopping and support our ministries at the same time!

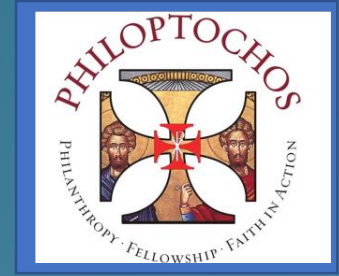
Make a child feel special! This year, due to the pandemic we will have a "Virtual Angel Tree" for Prison Ministries. We would like to provide gift cards to 30 children. Along with the gift card, they will receive a Christmas card containing a prisoner-parent message, a message of the Gospel and an opportunity to request a free Bible. Look out for more information and choose a child to sponsor.

In His service,

Patricia Koutouzis, Philoptochos President and the Panagia Chapter Board

Must
Ministries

Serving Our Neighbors in Need



Sponsored By
Philoptochos Panagia Chapter

Sunday, November 8th

and

Sunday, November 15th

Drop Off Location: Church Exonarthex

MUST MOST NEEDED TOILETRIES

**Shampoos Conditioners Bath Gels Lotions
Deodorants Toothpaste Mouthwash Floss
Feminine (Always) Tampons and Napkins
Pampers Sizes 4 & 5**

Specific Items Needed

**Carol's Daughter Shampoo and Conditioner
Shae Shampoo and Conditioner
Women & Men Disposable Razors
Shave Cream**

November 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>1</p> <p>Daylight Saving Time ends</p> <p>Fifth Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:45 AM A 40 day Memorial Service is given by Despina Mavromatides and 12:30 PM Philoptochos Artokelesia for Sts. Cosmas & Damianos 	<p>2</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Election Day (General Elections)</p>	<p>4</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>5</p>	<p>6</p>	<p>7</p> <p>3:30 PM Geyer Wedding (Andrea & Chase)</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of the Archangels</p>
<p>8</p> <p>Synaxis of the Holy Trinity and the Angels</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM Second Sunday 11:40 AM A 40 day Memorial Service is given by 11:50 AM A two year Memorial Service is given 12:30 PM Parish Assembly 5:00 PM Feast of St. Nektarios 	<p>9</p> <p>Feast of St. Nektarios of Aegina</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes 	<p>10</p> <p>6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting</p>	<p>11</p> <p>Veterans Day</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>12</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers & Vigil for St. John Chrysostom</p>	<p>13</p> <p>Feast of St. John Chrysostom</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>14</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p>
<p>15</p> <p>Eighth Sunday of the Fast of Christmas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>16</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p>	<p>17</p> <p>4:30 PM Rental: Les Marmitons of Atlanta</p>	<p>18</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>19</p> <p>7:00 PM Third Thursday YA Hangout</p>	<p>20</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Presentation of the Theotokos</p>	<p>21</p> <p>Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 3:30 PM Bertram Baptism (Aria) 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>22</p> <p>Ninth Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>23</p> <p>Hellenic Studies Class and Thanksgiving Break</p>	<p>24</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Catherine the Great Martyr</p>	<p>25</p> <p>Feast of St. Catherine the Great Martyr</p> <p>Hellenic Studies Class and Thanksgiving Break</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>26</p> <p>Thanksgiving Day</p>	<p>27</p> <p>Native American Heritage Day</p> <p>Black Friday</p>	<p>28</p> <p>3:30 PM Tidwell Baptism (Georgia)</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p>
<p>29</p> <p>Thirteenth Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle 	<p>30</p> <p>Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle and St. Nicholas</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes 	<p>1</p> <p>11:00 AM Agiasmos—the Blessing of the Waters</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis</p>	<p>2</p> <p>Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>3</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. John of Damascus & St. Barbara</p>	<p>4</p> <p>Feast of St. John of Damascus and St. Barbara</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>5</p> <p>9:00 AM Bulgarian Divine Liturgy</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Nicholas</p> <p>6:00 PM Tiliacos/Vlamiis Wedding Rehearsal</p>

December 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Thirteenth Sunday of Luke</p> <p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle 	<p>Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle</p> <p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes 	<p>11:00 AM Agiasmos—the Blessing of the Waters</p> <p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis</p> <p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>Feast of St. Porphyrios Kafsokalivitis</p> <p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. John of Damascus & St. Barbara</p> <p>3</p>	<p>Feast of St. John of Damascus & St. Barbara</p> <p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>9:00 AM Bulgarian Divine Liturgy</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Nicholas</p> <p>6:00 PM Tiliacos/Vlamiis Wedding Rehearsal</p> <p>5</p>
<p>10th Sunday of Luke... Feast of St. Nicholas</p> <p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 4:30 PM Tiliacos/Vlamiis Wedding 	<p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>7</p>	<p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>9</p>	<p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>10</p>	<p>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythos</p> <p>11</p>	<p>Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythos</p> <p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers 	<p>Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythos</p> <p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>11th Sunday of Luke... from Dec 17</p> <p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM Second Sunday YA Class & Discussion (in Person) 3:00 PM Blessing of the Animals 	<p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>14</p>	<p>6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting</p> <p>15</p>	<p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies Classes</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p> <p>16</p>	<p>7:00 PM Third Thursday YA Hangout</p> <p>17</p>	<p>18</p>	<p>5:00 PM Great Vespers—Anointing of the sick.</p> <p>19</p>
<p>Sunday before Christmas</p> <p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>Hellenic Studies Christmas Break</p> <p>21</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>Hellenic Studies Christmas Break</p> <p>23</p>	<p>Christmas Eve</p> <p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:30 AM The Great Hours of Christmas 5:30 PM Christmas Eve, The Nativity of Christ—Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great. 	<p>Christmas Day, The Nativity of Christ</p> <p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom 	<p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p> <p>26</p>
<p>Sunday after Christmas</p> <p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>Hellenic Studies Christmas Break</p> <p>28</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>Hellenic Studies Christmas Break</p> <p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Vespers 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>Apollonia's Eve</p> <p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 6:00 PM Great Vespers—Circumcision of Christ, St. Basil the Great 7:00 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 	<p>Circumcision of Christ</p> <p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:00 AM Agiasmos—the Blessing of the Waters 	<p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p> <p>2</p>

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DATE	PC DUTY	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	PROSFORO	USHERS
11/1				Evelyn Bilson	
11/8				Athena Burke	
11/15				Paula Christopher	
11/22				Cathy Costarides	
11/29				Marty Driscoll	
12/6				Stephanie Gianaris	
12/13				Tina Johansen	
12/20				Niki Kakissis	
12/27				Elena Kay	

St. James Altar Servers: Captain-Matthew Buchan

Evan Bilson, Andrew Bourgeois, Alex Goldsholl, Gabriel Hennefent, Nicholas Levantis, Jeremy Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Aubrey Moraitakis, George Moraitakis, Matthew Paulson, Nicholas Rury, Niko Tiller, Alexander Makris, Thanos Perry, Nicholas Brezi, Matthew Dela Torriente, Lio Bruce

St. John Altar Servers: Captain-Alex Gekas

Vassilios Asprakis, Andrew Bass, Kaleb Hotnog, William Jansma, Alexander Morgan, Robbie O'Brien, Alexander Thorne, Branden Thorne, Casaba Wagner, Romeo Wagner, Eli Zavala, Dimitri Angelakos, Nicholas Angelakos, Aristotle Lilly-Ladas

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Hal Bradford, III, Zack Bradford, Brody Brooks, Nicholas Demakis, Manuel Frangis, Zayne Isaac, Aeneas Maniatis, Luke Melissas, Alex Miltiades, Evan Strakes, Yianni Vacratsas, Stefano Vacratsas, Michael Vastakis, Panayiotis Vlachos, Sam Comsudes, Lucas Karampelas, Jacob Imbeault, Theodore Vatzakas, Anthony Vattelana, Cole Foster

Note: If your son is not listed and should be, please contact Fr. Michael.