

On Sunday, April 2, 2017 we commemorate: Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt Titus the Wonderworker Theodora the Virgin-martyr of Palestine Amphianos & Aedesios the Martyrs of Lycia



Άπολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον

Έξ ὕψους κατῆλθες ὁ εὕσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι

Δόξα. Τῆς Ὀσίας.

Έν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ κατ' εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν, ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράττουσα ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς παρέρχεται γάρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς, πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ Ἁγγέλων συναγάλλεται Ὀσία Μαρία τὸ πνεῦμά σου.

Troparion of St. George

Ως τών αιχμαλώτων ελευθερωτής, καί τών πτωχών υπερασπιστής, ασθενούντων ιατρός, βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστώ τώ Θεώ θήναι τάς ψυχάς ημών.

Κοντάκιον

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.

Glory. For the Devout Woman.

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

Troparion of St. George

Liberator of captives, defender of the Poor, physician of the sick, and champion Of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Kontakion

O Protection of Christians unshamable, mediation with the Creator immovable, we sinners beg you, do not despise the voices of our prayers, but anticipate, since you are good, and swiftly come unto our aid as we cry out to you with faith: Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who defend now and ever those who honor you.



St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14

BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.



The Gospel according to Mark 10:32-45

At that time, Jesus taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory," But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared." And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them. "You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Children's Sundays

Beginning on April 2nd, and continuing on the first Sunday of every month, Fr. Sean will be presenting a Children's Sermon for all of our parish children. Please pass the news on and bring your kids, grandchildren, godchildren, nieces, and nephews and have them sit up in the first few pews, as Father will be speaking directly to them. The Liturgy on those days will be mostly in English to accommodate our young people so that they may understand the Liturgy better. This is a good way to get our kids involved and have them feel as though they are a major part of our community of faith. Please get them here on time! If they show up after the Gospel reading they will miss the lesson of the day!

Bible Study

Bible Study/Orthodoxy Class will be the first and third Mondays of each month.

Class will be held in the upstairs classroom in the Hellenic Center.

Father Sean will offer each Study at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, in order to give people a choice of which time is convenient for them. The same material will be presented at both sessions.

The Stewardship Committee kindly asks that you submit your 2017 Stewardship Pledge before Pascha.

PARISH INFORMATION

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Orthros: 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM Rev. Fr. Demetrios Sean Govostes, Proistamenos

Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 AM – 2 PM Parish Office closed on Friday

Church User Assignment

Sunday, April 2, 2017 Team B Scott Morlock, Lainie Christou, Alexandra Casey, Dimitrios Koutsopoulos, Brian Goodale

Sunday, April 9, 2017 Team C Lucy Brady, Athena Pagnotti, Panagiota Giakoumis, Frank Rossetti, Van Stathis

April Events

Sunday, April 2, 2017	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Children's Sunday Russell Wilson Memorial
Monday, April 3, 2017	11:00 AM Bible Study 6:00 PM Bible Study
Wednesday, April 5, 2017	6:00 PM Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, April 8, 2017	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Saturday of Lazarus Children's Breakfast and Folding of Palms following Divine Liturgy
Sunday, April 9, 2017	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Palm Sunday Palm Sunday Luncheon following Divine Liturgy 6:00 PM Bridegroom Service
Monday, April 10, 2017	6:00 PM Bridegroom Service - Holy Monday
Tuesday, April 11, 2017	6:00 PM Bridegroom Service - Holy Tuesday
Wednesday, April 12, 2017	6:00 PM Service of Holy Unction - Holy Wednesday
Thursday, April 13, 2017	10:00 AM Vesperal Liturgy - Holy Thursday 6:00 PM 12 Gospels Service
Friday, April 14, 2017	10:00 AM Royal Hours - Holy Friday 3:00 PM Apokathelosis 6:00 PM Lamentations
Saturday, April 15, 2017	10:00 AM Protoanastasis 11:00 PM Resurrection Service
Sunday, April 16, 2017	11:00 AM Agape Vespers - Great and Holy Pascha
Monday, April 17, 2017	Bright Monday - Office is closed