

In Our Prayers:

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Announcements

New Stage Curtain: Our stage curtain is falling apart and desperately needs to be replaced. Donations are needed to purchase a new one. Please make checks payable to Assumption Church and write "stage curtain" in the memo line. Thank you!

College Scholarships: The St Louis AHEPA Chapter 53 Scholarship Foundation is now accepting applications for the 2017 year. Please email to bdpappas@yahoo.com to request an application. The due date is April 15 with no exceptions.

Study Opportunity: Dr. Debbie Psihountas is teaching two summer courses through Webster University for people interested in doing business in Greece. Students will visit Greece for one week during the 8 week online course. Register by April 28 at webster.edu/walkerglobalhybrids.

Memorials & Trisagia

April 30

40-day Memorial for Mary Karaganis, mother of Julie (Michael) Barro
5-year Memorial for Nicholas Georgen, husband of Katherine Georgen, father of Elaine (Rodney) Been, Dennis (Vickie) Georgen and Andy (Therese Marie) Georgen

May 7

2-year Memorial for Angelo (Evangelos) V. Panourgias, husband of Betty Panourgias, father of Laura (Dino) Polimeropoulos and Pam (Greg) Goodwin
2-year Memorial for Helen Papavramides, mother of Bessie (Taki) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Agnes Willis, and Jinny Murray
5-year Memorial for Stergios (Steve) Papavramides, father of Bessie (Taki) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Agnes Willis, and Jinny Murray
1-year Memorial John M. Surgant, Sr., father of John (Carol) and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant
2-year Memorial for Danny (Daniel) Taylor, husband of Stephanie Surgant, father of Daine, Miko, Achilles and Ares Surgant
14-year Memorial for James (Demetrios) Menas, uncle of John (Carol) and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant
20-year Memorial for Mary Leras, aunt of John (Carol) and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant
25-year Memorial for John Ratushinsky, close friend of the Surgant Family
50-year Memorial for Calliope Menas, aunt of John (Carol) and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant
71-year Memorial for Panagiota Menas, grandmother of John (Carol) and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant

May 21

1-year Memorial for Agne Karagiannis, wife of Harry Karagiannis, mother of Timothy (Jill) Karagiannis, Steve (Krisanthe) Karagiannis, Mike (Kate) Karagiannis, and John Karagiannis
9-year Trisagion for Dorothy (Dorothea) Tharenos, mother of Tony (Joyce) Tharenos, Nick (Becky) Tharenos, and Mary Jackman

June 30

1-year Memorial for Kathrine Kapros, mother of Dessie (Sonny) Roedersheimer, Stacy Grzeskowiak, Demetra (Rick) Johnson, and John Kapros

Sunday Bulletin

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Ἀπολυτίκιον

Ἦχος α΄

Τὴν κοινὴν Ἀνάστασιν πρὸ τοῦ
σοῦ Πάθους πιστούμενος, ἐκ νεκρῶν
ἤγειρας τὸν Λάζαρον, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός·
ὄθεν καὶ ἡμεῖς ὡς οἱ Παῖδες, τὰ τῆς νίκης
σύμβολα φέροντες, σοὶ τῷ Νικητῇ τοῦ
θανάτου βοᾶμεν· Ὡσαννὰ ἐν τοῖς ὑψίστοις,
εὐλογημένος ὁ ἐρχόμενος, ἐν ὀνόματι
Κυρίου.

Apolytikion

Mode 1

To confirm the general resurrection
before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus
from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore
imitating the children, carrying the symbols
of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over
death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are
You, the One, who comes in the name of the
Lord."

Welcome to all our visitors.

Welcome to the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. It is our hope that your visit here will bring you many blessings from God and that you will visit with us again soon. Please join us for coffee hour in the Church Hall.

Palm Sunday

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9

BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading: John 12:1-18

Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazarus was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazarus was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazarus, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazarus also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazarus out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

April 9: The Holy Martyr Euphrosyne of Caesarea

This holy Martyr was from the parts of Cappadocia, and lived a blameless life with his wife. During the reign of Julian the Apostate, this blessed one was filled with divine zeal and, with other Christians, destroyed the pagan temple dedicated to Fortune. Because of this he received the crown of martyrdom by beheading in the year 362.

Dismissal Hymn

Thy Martyr, O Lord, in his courageous contest for Thee * received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. * For since he possessed Thy strength, he cast down the tyrants * and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. * O Christ God, by his prayers, save our souls, since thou art merciful.

Excerpted from: The Great Horologion or Book of Hours, Trans. Holy Transfiguration Monastery. Holy Transfiguration Monastery Press, Brookline, MA, 1997.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Apr 9: **Palm Sunday** (Fish permitted)
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
12:00 pm Palm Sunday Luncheon
7:00 pm Bridegroom Orthros
- Monday, Apr 10: **Holy Monday** (Fast)
9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy at St. Thomas Romanian Orthodox Church
7:00 pm Bridegroom Orthros
- Tuesday, Apr 11: **Holy Tuesday** (Fast)
9:00 am Presanctified Liturgy at St. Thomas Romanian Orthodox Church
7:00 pm Bridegroom Orthros
- Wednesday, Apr 12: **Holy Wednesday** (Fast)
Everyone should come and receive the Sacrament of Holy Unction either at the afternoon or at the evening service. This is the sacrament of healing in the Orthodox Church, the healing of body, heart, mind and soul.
9:00 am 9th Hour and Presanctified Liturgy
4:00 pm Holy Unction with His Grace Bishop Demetrios
7:00 pm Orthros with Anointing
- Thursday, Apr 13: **Holy Thursday** (Fast)
9:00 am Dyeing of Eggs
9:30 am Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy (*commemorating the Mystical Supper*)
6:30 pm Orthros of the Passion (*We read the Twelve Passion Gospels.*)
- Friday, Apr 14: **Holy Friday** (Fast)
We encourage you to have your children dismissed from school on this day. Letters for the schools are available at the candle stand in the narthex of the church.
8:30 am Great Hours
10:00 am Decorating the Epitaphios and cleaning the Church*
1:00 pm Youth Retreat *
3:00 pm Great Vespers
7:00 pm Orthros of Lamentations **
- Saturday, Apr 15: **Holy Saturday** (Fast)
9:00 am Great Vespers and Divine Liturgy
11:30 am Church Decorating
11:00 pm Vigil, Orthros, & Divine Liturgy
- Sunday, Apr 16: **Great and Holy Pascha**
12:00 pm Agape Vespers

* *Youth Retreat: age 4 through grade 4 - Retreat concludes with Great Vespers. Students should plan to attend Vespers. Please bring a change of clothing for the Vespers service.*

** *Myrrh bearers 3rd-12th grades please wear white dresses*