

Announcements

In Our Prayers: Ollie (Alexander) Aslan, Nora Bangert, Tom Dubis, Seraphima Henderson, Jean Kotakis, Michael Labis, George and Janice Paradissis, Elaine Scott, Elizabeth Despina Tsaoussis, Chris & Despina Zeris.

Thank you to Soula Marcou, Dean Bellos, and all who helped to make the Panagia's Panegyri a beautiful celebration.

Monastery Pilgrimage: The Assumption Ladies Philoptochos is sponsoring a trip to the Monastery of St. John Chrysostomos in Pleasant Prairie, WI, Friday, October 21- Sunday, October 23. The \$70 cost includes transportation and meals at the monastery. Please bring spending money for meals and snacks for the bus trip or purchases at the Monastery. Payment needed by August 31st to hold reservations. Meet at the Church at 11:30 am. Checks payable to Assumption Church. Questions, call 314-966-2255

Greek School Registration now open: Classes begin on Tuesday, September 6 at 5:45 pm. Tuition is \$120 for the whole year for one child or adult, and \$110 for a second child. Students may register on Tuesday, August 30th at 5:45 pm at Church. Registration forms are available in the Narthex or on Assumption's website at www.assumptiongoc.org under "Ministries."

Hellenic-Link Midwest Scholarship Applications: Applications are now available to college and university undergraduate students of Hellenic descent who have completed at least one year of college of university level work. For more information please visit their website at <http://www.helleniclinkmidwest.org/HLMW-scholarship.html>.

Missing: Fr. Joseph has misplaced a black robe. If anyone knows where it is, please call the office at 314-966-2255. Thank you!

August 28: Our Righteous Father Moses the Ethiopian. The Synaxis of the Fathers of the Far Caves in Kiev

Saint Moses, who is also called Moses the Black, was a slave, but because of his evil life, his master cast him out, and he became a ruthless thief, dissolute in all his ways. Later, however, coming to repentance, he converted, and took up the monastic life under Saint Isadore of Scete. He gave himself over to prayer and the mortification of the carnal mind with such diligence that he later became a priest of exemplary virtue. He was revered by all for his lofty ascetical life and for his great humility. Once the fathers in Scete asked Moses to come to an assembly to judge the fault of a brother, but he refused. When they insisted, he took a basket which had a hole in it, filled it with sand, and carried it on his shoulders. When the fathers saw him coming they asked him what the basket might mean. He answered, "My sins run out behind me, and I do not see them, and I am come this day to judge failings which are not mine." When a barbarian tribe was coming to Scete, Moses, conscious that he himself had slain other men when he was a thief, awaited them and was willingly slain by them with six other monks, at the end of the fourth century. He was a contemporary of Saint Arsenius the Great (see May8).

On this day we celebrate the *Synaxis of the Kiev Cave Fathers* who were laid to rest in the Far Caves of Saint Theodosius in Kiev (see also Sept. 22-28).

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Απολυτίκον του Ὁσίου Μωσῆς του Αιθίοπα. Ἦχος α'

Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης, καὶ ἐν σώματι Ἄγγελος,
καὶ θαυματουργὸς ἀνεδείχθης, θεοφόρε Πατήρ
ἡμῶν Μωσῆ, νηστεία, ἀγρυπνία, προσευχή,
ουράνια χαρίσματα λαβὼν, θεραπεύεις τοὺς
νοσοῦντας, καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν πίστει
προστρέχόντων σοι, Δόξα τῷ δεδωκότι σοι
ισχύν, δόξα τῷ σέ στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ
ἐνεργούντι διὰ σοῦ πάσιν ἰάματα.

Apolytikion of Moses the Ethiopian in the First Tone

Thou didst prove to be a citizen of the desert, an
angel in the flesh, and a wonderworker, O
Moses, our God-bearing Father. By fasting,
vigil, and prayer thou didst obtain heavenly
gifts, and thou healest the sick and the souls of
them that have recourse to thee with faith.
Glory to Him that hath given thee strength.
Glory to Him that hath crowned thee. Glory to
Him that worketh healings for all through thee.

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.

10th Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16

BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 17:14-23

At that time, a man came up to Him and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Tone

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν. Διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι Ζωοδότα· Δόξα τῇ ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ Βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate Body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Thy Kingdom. Glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Memorials & Trisagia

October 16

6-month Memorial for Kristalo Gantari, sister of Elefteria Makridis, and aunt of Christina Mousadakos
Memorial for the Departed Members of the Brotherhood of Alexander

October 30

1-year Memorial for Olga Despotis, mother of George (Vonna) Despotis

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Aug 28: St. Moses the Black of Scete; Sts. Diomedes & Laurence
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
6:30 pm Great Vespers
- Monday, Aug 29: **Beheading of St. John the Baptist**
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
- Tuesday, Aug 30: Sts. Alexander, John & Paul, New Patriarchs of Constantinople
8:30 am Orthros
5:45 pm Greek School Registration
6:30 Vespers
- Wednesday, Aug 31: The Honorable Sash of the Theotokos (Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Sept 1: **Ecclesiastical New Year**
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
- Friday, Sept 2: St. Mammias the Martyr; Patriarch John of Constantinople (Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Sept 3: St. Anthimos of Nicomedeia
5:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, Sept 4: St. Babylas the Hieromartyr; Moses the Prophet and Godseer
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy

Please help Assumption Greek Orthodox Church contribute to the rebuilding of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in New York City. In the aftermath of September 11th, and the destruction of their parish by the collapse of the Twin Towers, St. Nicholas has been tasked with building an Orthodox Monument to what is arguably the greatest tragedy of our lives. A small community has been given the opportunity to show the entire world the resilience of the Orthodox Church in the face of tragedy. All parishes in the Archdiocese have been asked to join the parishioners of St. Nicholas in building what will be a worldwide landmark. All Greek Orthodox parishes have been asked to raise \$10,000 towards this historic church. Please make checks out to Assumption and write "St. Nicholas Shrine" in the memo line.