

Memorials & Trisagia

February 4

9-month Memorial for His Eminence Metropolitan Iakovos of Blessed Memory
40-day Memorial for Despina Peppes, mother of Victoria (Sid) Ambort and Nicholas Peppes

February 11

19-year Trisagion for Mary Labis, wife of Mike Labis

February 18

40-day Memorial for Avgerini Tsigogias, mother of Cristos Tsigogias, sister of Vasiliki (Nicholas) Trifonas, George Karagiannis, and the late Christoforos (Vasiliki) Karagiannis

1-year Memorial for Peter (Panagiotis) Ellis, husband of Paula Ellis

February 25

40-day Memorial for Thomas (Anastasios) Masa, husband of Barbara Masa, father of Barbie Deddens and Steven (Ann) Deddens

1-year Memorial for Constantine (Dean) Bellos, son of Steve and Dessie Bellos, brother of Tom Bellos

March 4

1-year Memorial for Christophoros Dafnides, husband of Antigoni Dafnides, Father of Joanne (Elias) Matsakis and Tina (Greg) Riemer

March 11

1-year Memorial for Mary Karaganis. Mother of Julie (Mike) Barro

March 18

25-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolivakis, grandmother of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis and Irene (Chris) Tsubanos

May 13

3-year Memorial for Helen Papavramides, mother of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

6-year Memorial for Stergios Papavramides, father of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

36-year Memorial for Agnes Harris (Harizopoulos), grandmother of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

36-year Memorial for George Harris (Harizopoulos) uncle to Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

February 4 - St. Isidore of Pelusium

This Saint was from Alexandria and was a disciple of Saint John Chrysostom. He struggled in asceticism in a monastery at Mount Pelusium, and became abbot of the monks struggling in that monastery. He wrote a great many epistles replete with divine grace, wisdom, and much profit. Over 2,000 of them are preserved in Volume 78 of Migne's *Patrologia Graeca* (PG 78:177-1646); according to some, he wrote over 3,000 epistles, according to others, 10,000. He reposed on February 4, 440.

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Sunday Bulletin

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This coming Friday, February 9th,

we celebrate the Feast of the St. Haralambos
with Orthros at 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am.

Please note that the memory of St. Haralambos is observed on February 9th
when the Saturday of Souls falls on February 10th.

Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ἁγίου Χαράλαμπες Ἦχος δ΄.

Ὡς στῦλος ἀκλόνητος, τῆς Ἐκκλησίας
Χριστοῦ, καὶ λύχνος ἀείφωτος τῆς
οἰκουμένης σοφέ, ἐδείχθης Χαράλαμπες,
ἐλαμψας ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ, διὰ τοῦ μαρτυρίου,
ἔλυσας τῶν εἰδώλων, τὴν σκοτόμαιναν
μάκαρ· διὸ ἐν παρρησίᾳ Χριστῷ, πρέσβευε
σωθῆναι ἡμᾶς.

Apolytikion for St. Haralambos Mode 4.

A pillar unshakable are you in Christ's
holy Church, * and, as your own name
denotes, an ever radiant lamp, * all-blessed
Haralambos, * shining throughout the whole
world * by your feats as a martyr, * driving
away the darkness of the worship of idols. *
With confidence, therefore, pray to Christ, *
entreating Him to save our souls.

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.

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 3:10-15

Gospel Reading: Luke 15:11-32

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his belly with the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

Announcements.

Return Holy Water Bottles and Calendar Icons: Please remember to return your Holy Water Bottles and the icons from last year's calendar to the Church Office so that they can be re-used or disposed of properly.

AHEPA Scholarship: The St. Louis AHEPA Chapter 53 Scholarship Foundation will begin accepting requests for applications from February 15 - March 31, 2018. Please e mail bdpappas@yahoo.com for an application. Note the due date as there are no exceptions.

2018 Heritage Greece Program: The Heritage Greece Program is a gift from the National Hellenic Society (NHS) to enrolled college students ages 18-26 of Greek or Cypriot descent. The program runs from June 7-24, 2018. Application deadline is March 15th. For more information, please go to <http://www.acg.edu/admissions/study-abroad/heritage-greece/apply-heritage-greece/>.

Spiritual Retreat Sponsors: We are looking for individuals to sponsor the upcoming Spiritual Retreat scheduled for February 9th - 11th. If you would like to sponsor this wonderful retreat to our parish, please speak to Farid or Anna Sadaka

Motorcycle Collection for Kenya Clergy: His Grace Bishop Neofitos is in need of 8-10 more motorcycles for his clergy. If you would like to contribute, please send your donation made payable to either OCMC or the St. Louis Clergy Brotherhood, c/o Saints Constantine & Helen Church, 405 Huntwood Rd., Swansea, IL 62226. Write in the memo line: Kenya - Motorbike Fund. Thank you!

Calendar of Events

Sunday, Feb 4:

Sunday of the Prodigal Son

Isidore of Pelusium; Confessor Nicholas

8:30 am Orthros

9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School

12:15 pm Greek School

4:00 pm Super Bowl Party at the home of Rich and Eleni Murphy

Monday, Feb 5:

Martyr Agatha of Sicily; Patriarch Polyeuktos

Tuesday, Feb 6:

Sts. Bukolas & Photios

5:45 pm Greek School

6:30 pm Vespers

7:15 pm Youth Night

7:20 pm Bible Study

Wednesday, Feb 7:

Righteous Parthenios; St. Luke of Greece

2:00 pm Kafenio

Thursday, Feb 8:

St. Theodore Stratelates; Prophet Zacharias

Friday, Feb 9:

St. Haralambos*

9:00 am Orthros

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon

6:30 pm Paraklesis chanted by Eikona followed by refreshments

8:00 pm 1st Session - Spiritual Retreat with Fr. Theodore Dorrance

Saturday, Feb 10:

1st Saturday of Souls

8:15 am Orthros

9:30 am Divine Liturgy & Memorial chanted by Eikona

11:00 am Retreat Registration & Continental Breakfast

11:30 am Retreat 2nd Session

1:00 pm Retreat Lunch

2:00 pm Retreat 3rd Session

3:30 pm Eikona Concert

5:00 pm Great Vespers

Sunday, Feb 11:

Judgment Sunday - Meatfare Sunday

8:30 am Orthros

9:45 am Divine Liturgy chanted by Eikona & Sunday School

12:00 pm Coffee Hour with Fr. Theodore Dorrance and Eikona Sisters

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