

Announcements

Coffee Hour today is sponsored by the families of Agni Karagiannis and John Surgant Sr.

In Our Prayers: Nora Bangert, Tom Dubis, Seraphima Henderson, Jean Kotakis, Michael Labis, George and Janice Paradissis, Elaine Scott, Elizabeth Despina Tsoussis, Chris & Despina Zeris.

Donations Needed: We sponsored a booth for Faros Tou Kosmou at the Clergy/Laity Congress this past week in Nashville. Donations are needed to cover the cost of business cards (\$75), flyers (\$500), an observer packet and miscellaneous needs (\$300), and items for the booth including electricity (\$250). Please make checks out to Assumption Church and write "Clergy/Laity Booth" in memo line. Any extra funds will be given to Faros Tou Kosmou.

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.

Orthodox Young Professionals Conference: August 18 - 21 in New Orleans, LA. A weekend of spiritual growth and fellowship with other young adults: people beyond the college years navigating through the daily struggles of life as an Orthodox Christian in their mid-twenties through thirties. Attended by His Eminence Metropolitan Joseph and keynote speaker, Archdeacon Saed Rihani, with workshop speaker Jacob Saylor. For more information and to register online go to www.oypc2016.com.

July 10:

The Deposition of the Precious Robe of Our Lord Jesus Christ in Moscow. Our Righteous Father Anthony of the Kiev Caves.

After the Crucifixion of our Lord, His most precious robe was obtained by lot by a certain Elioz, a Georgian soldier who took part in the execution. He in turn brought it to Georgia where it remained until that land was overrun by the Persians. Shah Abbas, seeking to establish good relations with Tsar Michael Feodorovich, sent the Robe to Moscow as a gift for the Tsar and Patriarch Philaret. This took place in March of 1625, and was appointed to be celebrated on this day in July.

Saint Anthony, who was born in the province of Chernigov, was tonsured in the Monastery of Esphigmenou on the Holy Mountain, Athos, from whence he was sent by his Abbot to Kiev to plant the monastic life in 1013, two years before the death of Saint Vladimir, Great Prince of Kiev. Dwelling at first as a hermit, the saint gradually drew to himself others wishing to emulate his way of life. When the number of the brethren grew, a wooden church in honour of the Dormition of the Theotokos was built, thus laying the foundation of what was to become the renowned Kiev Caves Lavra. Refusing the abbotship, Saint Anthony entrusted this to his disciples, first to the blessed Barlaam, then to Saint Theodosius (see May 3), and his whole life struggled as a cave-dwelling hermit. He reposed in peace in 1073 at the age of ninety.

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

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος β´

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ
Ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας
τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς
τεθνεῶτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας,
πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων
ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν
δόξα σοι.

Resurrectional Apolytikion, Mode 2

When You descended unto death, O Lord
who yourself are immortal Life, then did You
mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your
Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from
the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens
were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our
God, glory to You.

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.

3rd Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 5:1-10

BRETHREN, since we are justified by faith, we have peace with God through our Lord Jesus Christ. Through him we have obtained access to this grace in which we stand, and we rejoice in our hope of sharing the glory of God. More than that, we rejoice in our sufferings, knowing that suffering produces endurance, and endurance produces character, and character produces hope, and hope does not disappoint us, because God's love has been poured into our hearts through the Holy Spirit which has been given to us. While we were still weak, at the right time Christ died for the ungodly. Why, one will hardly die for a righteous man -- though perhaps for a good man one will dare even to die. But God shows his love for us in that while we were yet sinners Christ died for us. Since, therefore, we are now justified by his blood, much more shall we be saved by him from the wrath of God. For if while we were enemies we were reconciled to God by the death of his Son, much more, now that we are reconciled, shall we be saved by his life.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 6:22-33

The Lord said, "The eye is the lamp of the body. So, if your eye is sound, your whole body will be full of light; but if your eye is not sound, your whole body will be full of darkness. If then the light in you is darkness, how great is the darkness! No one can serve two masters; for either he will hate the one and love the other, or he will be devoted to the one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon. Therefore I tell you, do not be anxious about your life, what you shall eat or what you shall drink, nor about your body, what you shall put on. Is not life more than food, and the body more than clothing? Look at the birds of the air: they neither sow nor reap nor gather into barns, and yet your heavenly Father feeds them. Are you not of more value than they? And which of you by being anxious can add one cubit to his span of life? And why are you anxious about clothing? Consider the lilies of the field, how they grow; they neither toil nor spin; yet I tell you, even Solomon in all his glory was not arrayed like one of these. But if God so clothes the grass of the field, which today is alive and tomorrow is thrown into the oven, will he not much more clothe you, O men of little faith? Therefore do not be anxious, saying, 'What shall we eat?' or 'What shall we drink?' or 'What shall we wear?' For the Gentiles seek all these things; and your heavenly Father knows you need them all. But seek first his kingdom and his righteousness, and all these things shall be yours as well."

Memorials & Trisagia

July 10

40-day Memorial for Agni Karagiannis, wife of Harry Karagiannis, mother of Tim (Jill) Karagiannis, Michael (Kate) Karagiannis, Steve (Krisanthe) Karagiannis, and John Karagiannis
40-day Memorial for John Surgant Sr., father of John (Carol) Surgant and Ted (Carolyn) Surgant

July 17

5-year Memorial for Gregory Pappas, husband of Patricia Pappas, father of Teresa (Tim) Willyard and Peter (Eleni) Pappas

July 24

40-day James (Demetrios) Beys, husband of Eleftheria Beys, father of Vicki (Jim) Palmer, Dimitra Beys, and Sam (Gretchyn) Beys.

August 7

4-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolivaki, mother of Aleka Karagiannis and Irene Tsoubanos

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, July 10: 45 Martyrs of Nikopolis, Armenia; Martyr Apollonios
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
- Monday, July 11: **Great Martyr Euphemia**
7:45 am Orthros
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
8:50 am Vacation Church School
- Tuesday, July 12: Sts. Proklos & Hilarios of Ancyra; St. Michael Maleinus
Vacation Church School
7:30 am Orthros
6:30 Vespers
- Wednesday, July 13: Synaxis of Archangel Gabriel; St. Stephanos of Savvas Monastery (fast day)
Vacation Church School
7:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, July 14: St. Aquila of the 70; St. Joseph the Confessor
Vacation Church School
7:30 am Orthros
6:30 pm Vespers
7:15 pm Parish Council Meeting
- Friday, July 15: St. Julitta & Kyrikos the Martyrs Vladimir, Equal-to-the-Apostles (fast day)
Vacation Church School
7:45 am Orthros
9:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, July 16: St. Athenogenes of Heracleopolis; St. Julia of Carthage
5:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, July 17: St. Marina of Antioch; Sts Veronika & Speratos the Martyrs
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. Our parish goal is to raise \$5,000 towards this historic church. Please make checks out to Assumption and write "St. Nicholas Shrine" in the memo line.