

## Announcements

**Coffee Hour** today is sponsored by the familiae of Vasili and Eugenia Pantazo, Haralabos Pelekanos and Eleni Balakos.

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

**Fr. Athinagoras Loukataris** from Faros Tou Losmou in Thessalaniki, Greece, will be visiting Assumption Church on Sunday, July 3rd.

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

**St. Herman of Alaska Orthodox Christian Home School Group:** A new homeschooling group made up of Orthodox families will be attending Divine Liturgy at Assumption on Thursday mornings during the summer at 9:30 am followed by a Pot-luck luncheon in the Philoptochos Room about 11:00 am. If you are interested in participating, or for more information, please contact Jennifer Hock at 859-630-9157 or at [jenniferhock@illumination.learning.com](mailto:jenniferhock@illumination.learning.com).

**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.

## June 26

### **The Appearance of the Icon of Our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos of Tikhvin. Our Righteous Father David of Thessalonica**

According to one tradition, this icon was painted by Saint Luke the Evangelist. It was formerly situated in the famous Church of Blachernae in Constantinople. In 1383, it appeared upon the waters of Lake Ladoga, whence it travelled miraculously through the air to the city of Tikhvin; there, it remained by the Rover Tikhvinka, and a monastery was built to shelter the icon. In 1613-14 this monastery miraculously withstood the many attacks of the Swedish invaders. In the twentieth century it was brought to America, where it remains to the present day. The holy icon is renowned for a great many miracles wrought through it by the all-holy Mother of God, especially for the healing of children.

*Saint David*, who was from Thessalonika, lived a most holy and ascetical life. For some years, he took up his dwelling in the branches of an almond tree, exposed to all the elements and extremes of the weather. He reposed in peace during the reign of Saint Justinian the Great, in the sixth century.

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

## **Sunday Bulletin**

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### **Ἀπολυτίκιον. Τῶν Ἀγίων**

Ἦχος δ΄.

Τῶν ἐν ὄλῳ τῷ κόσμῳ Μαρτύρων σου,  
ὡς πορφύραν καὶ βύσσον τὰ αἵματα, ἡ  
Ἐκκλησία σου στολισαμένη, δι' αὐτῶν  
βοᾷ σοι· Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, τῷ λαῷ σου τοὺς  
οἰκτιρμούς σου κατάπεμψον, εἰρήνην τῇ  
πολιτεία σου δώρησαι, καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς  
ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

### ***Apolytikion for the Feast of All Saints***

Mode 4.

Your Church is arrayed in the holy blood of  
Your Martyrs who witnessed throughout the  
world, as though in purple and fine linen.  
Through them she cries to You, Christ our God,  
"Send down to Your people Your tender love,  
grant peace from above to Your common-  
wealth, and to our souls Your great  
mercy."

### **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.

## **Sunday of All Saints**

***Epistle Reading: Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2***

BRETHREN, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

***Gospel Reading: Matthew 10:32-33, 37-38; 19:27-30***

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

## **Memorials & Trisagia**

### **June 26**

40-day Memorial for Eugenia Pantazo, mother of Christine (John) Warmbrodt, Katherine Pantazo, George (Judith) Pantazo, and Athena "Nikki" (David) Miller.

10-year Memorial for Vasilios Pantazo, father of Christine (John) Warmbrodt, Katherine Pantazo, George (Judith) Pantazo, and Athena "Nikki" (David) Miller.

2-year Memorial for Haralambos Pelekanos, husband of Fani Pelekanou, father of Alexandra Pelekanou and George Pelekanou

2-year Memorial for Eleni Balakos, sister of Fani Pelekanou

### **July 3**

1-year Memorial for Marika Kriqi, mother of Edlira (Arban Ndriollari) Kriqi and Roland Kriqi  
Reposed Hierarchs of the Russian Church Outside Russia

### **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

### **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.

## **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, June 26:	<b><u>Sunday of All Saints</u></b> 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Divine Liturgy
Monday, June 27:	St. Sampson the Innkeeper; St. Joanna the Myrrhbearer (Apostles Fast)
Tuesday, June 28:	Relics of Sts Cyrus and John; St. Pappias the Martyr (Apostles Fast) 8:30 am Orthros 6:30 Vespers
Wednesday, June 29:	<b><u>Apostles Peter &amp; Paul</u></b> (fish allowed) 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy 2:00 pm Kafenio 6:30 pm Great Vespers
Thursday, June 30:	<b><u>Synaxis of the Apostles</u></b> 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Friday, July 1:	<b><u>Holy Unmercenaries Kosmas &amp; Damianos</u></b> (wine & oil allowed) 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy No Friday Luncheon
Saturday, July 2:	Deposition of Robe of the Theotokos in Vlachernae 5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sunday, July 3:	St. Hyacinth of Caesarea; St. Anatolios, Patriarch of Constantinople 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Divine Liturgy

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*If you see a man who has sinned and you do not pity him, the grace of God will leave you. Whoever curses bad people, and does not pray for them, will never come to know the grace of God.*

- St. Silouan the Athonite, Writings, VII.4, VIII.6