

Clean Monday/Καθαρά Δευτέρα:

New this year! Monday, March 14, 11:00 am Great Compline, 12:00 pm Lenten Luncheon.

Bishop Neofitos to visit the Assumption Church

His Grace, Bishop Neofitos of Nyeri and Mt. Kenya will be speaking on “Fasting, Prayer, and Mission,” Tuesday, March 29, at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church. Great Compline will be served at 6:30, followed by his presentation and a reception. Presented in conjunction with Mission Team - St. Louis.

Announcements

In Our Prayers: Nora Bangert, Jim Beys, Tom Dubis, Seraphima Henderson, Agne Karagianis, Jean Kotakis, Michael Labis, George and Janice Paradissis, Elaine Scott, John Surgant, Sr., Elizabeth Despina Tsaoussis, Chris & Despina Zeris.

March 25th - Greek Independence Day! We need you to show support at the St. Louis County Council Chambers on Tuesday, March 15th at 6:00 pm. The St. Louis County Council will be passing a motion to declare March 25th Greek Independence Day. The Chambers is on the 1st Floor, 41 South Central Avenue in Clayton.

Help Needed: On March 20th, a young man from Greece is coming to Children’s Hospital for surgery. If you would like to help with hospitality or transportation, please call the Church office at (314) 966-2255.



March 14 - Enlightener of Georgia

Hearing of the Georgian people, the maiden Nina desired from her early years to travel to Georgia and baptize the Georgians. The Mother of God appeared to her and promised her that she would take her to that land. When the Lord opened the path to her, the young Nina indeed went to Georgia, where she very quickly gained the love of the people. She baptized Mirian, King of Georgia, his wife Nana and their son Bakar, who then zealously aided Nina in her missionary efforts. Nina travelled throughout Georgia in the course of her life, and succeeded in bringing all the people to the Christian faith - and this during a time of fearful persecution of Christians by the Emperor Diocletian. She rested from her many labours and entered into eternal peace in the Lord in the year 335. Her grave is in a church in Samtavro. She performed many miracles both during her lifetime and after her death.

The Prologue from Ochrid: Lives of the Saints and Homilies for Every Day in the Year, vol. 1 by Bishop Nikolai Velimirovic. Translated by Mother Maria. Lazarica Press, Birmingham, 1985.

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Hymn of the Church

In giving birth, you did retain your virginity;
and in dormition, you did not forsake the world,
O Theotokos. You were
translated unto life, being the Mother of Life;
and thus by virtue of your intercessions
you did redeem our souls from death.

Απολυτίκιον Τῆς Ἐκκλησίας

Ἐν τῇ Γεννήσει τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας, ἐν
τῇ
Κοιμήσει τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε.
Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, μήτηρ
ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβείαις
ταῖς σαῖς λυτρομένη,

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.

Judgement Sunday

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφήν καταδέξω τρίήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4

Reading: Matthew 6:14-21

The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses.

"And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you.

"Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

Memorials & Trisagia

March 13

7-year Memorial for Demetra Zervos, sister-in-law of Presvytera Ranae Strzelecki

9-year Memorial for Stephania Zervos, Mother of Presvytera Ranae Strzelecki

28-year Memorial for Panagiota (Tula) Strzelecki, wife of John H. Strzelecki, mother of

Fr. Joseph Strzelecki

March 20

1-year memorial for Constantinos Vithoukias, brother of Georgia (Gus) Antonopoulos

22-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolovaki, grandmother of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis

March 27

23-year Memorial for Konstandinos Karagiannis, father of Vasiliki Stratos, Tom, Harry, Spiro & Larry Karagiannis, and Maria Arvanitakis

24-year Memorial for Efthimia Karagiannis, mother of Vasiliki Stratos, Tom, Harry, Spiro & Larry Karagiannis, and Maria Arvanitakis

1-year Memorial for Kaliope Lontos, mother of Harriet Lontos and Mary (Gary) Charipar

4-year Memorial for Michael Lontos, father of Harriet Lontos and Mary (Gary) Charipar

April 3

1-year Memorial for Jordan Gabriel Sadaka, son of Farid and Anna Sadaka

1-year Memorial for Paraskeve (Voula) Stratos, mother of Harry (Robin) Stratos and Fotina (Willima) Shisko

11-year Memorial for John Stratos, father of Harry (Robin) Stratos and Fotina (Willima) Shisko

14-year Trisagion for George Kapros, husband of Katherine Kapros, father of John Kapros, Stacey Grzeskowlaki, Demetra Weible, and Despina Roedersheimer

April 17

1-year Memorial for Helen Papavramides, mother of Bessie (Taki) Theodorou, Frank (Lynn) Papavramides, Agnes Willis, and Jinny Murray

4-year Memorial for Stergios Papavramides, father of Bessie (Taki) Theodorou, Frank (Lynn) Papavramides, Agnes Willis, and Jinny Murray

4-year Memorial for Nicholas Georgen, husband of Katherine Georgen, father of Elaine (Rodney) Been, Dennis (Vickie) Georgen, and Andrew (Therese Marie) Georgen

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Mar 13: **Forgiveness Sunday / Cheesefare Sunday** (Dairy Allowed)
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
12:00 pm Philoptochos Meeting
6:00 pm Forgiveness Vespers
- Monday, Mar 14: **Clean Monday - Lent Begins** (Strict Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
11:00 am Great Compline
12:00 pm Lenten Luncheon
2:30 pm Vespers
6:30 pm Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew
- Tuesday, Mar 15: St. Agapios & his companions; St. Manuel of Crete (Strict Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
5:45 pm Greek School
6:30 pm Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew
7:15 pm Youth Night
No Bible Study
- Wednesday, Mar 16: St. Savinos of Egypt; St. Christodoulos of Patmos (Strict Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
5:30 pm 9th Hour
6:00 pm Presanctified Liturgy & Lenten Potluck
- Thursday, Mar 17: St. Alexios the Man of God; St. Patrick of Ireland (Strict Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
10:00 am Women's Morning Book Study
6:30 pm Great Compline with Canon of St. Andrew
7:00 pm Women's Evening Book Study
- Friday, Mar 18: Patriarch Cyril of Jerusalem; Ss. Trophimos & Eukarpion (Strict Fast)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
7:00 pm 1st Salutations to the Theotokos & Coffee Hour
- Saturday, Mar 19: **3rd Saturday of the Souls - The Miracle of St. Theodore** (Strict Fast)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm GOYA, meet at Church
6:00 pm Adult Orthodox Christians (AOC)
- Sunday, Mar 20: **Sunday of Orthodoxy** (Strict Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy, Sunday School & Procession
5:00 pm Sunday of Orthodoxy Vespers & Dinner at St. Nicholas