

## Memorials & Trisagia

### November 6

1-year Memorial for Nicholas Kotakis, husband of Jean Kotakis, father of Penelope (Tyler) Burch and Paul (Laurie) Kotakis  
6-month Memorial for John Surgant, Sr., father of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
3-year Memorial for Evangeline Surgant, mother of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
3-year Memorial for Adamantia Menas, aunt of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
21-year Memorial for Penelope Strousser, aunt of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
26-year Memorial for Theodore Menas, uncle of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
33-year Memorial for John Leras, uncle of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
41-years Memorial for Thomas (Trifon) Strousser, uncle of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
76-year Memorial for Aristotle Menas, grandfather of John (Carol) Surgant & Theodore (Carolyn) Surgant  
19-year Memorial for Afrodite Tsevis Margaritis, mother of Kathy (Pete) Makos and Peter Tsevis  
23-year Memorial for Eftihia Halastanis, sister of Kathy (Pete) Makos and Peter Tsevis  
34-year Memorial for Constantine Tsevis, brother of Kathy (Pete) Makos and Peter Tsevis  
63-year Memorial for Christos Tsevis, father of Kathy (Pete) Makos and Peter Tsevis  
Departed Members of the Hellenic American Progressive League (HAPL)

November 13

### December 4

40-day Memorial for George Denos, brother of Mary (George) Kantis

### December 11

6-month Memorial for Demetrios (Jim) Beys, husband of Eleftheria Beys, father of Vicki (Jim) Palmer, Dimitra Beys, and Sam (Gretchyn) Beys

### November 6: Saint Paul the Confessor, Archbishop of Constantinople

Saint Paul was from Thessalonika. He became the secretary of Alexander, Patriarch of Constantinople, a deacon, and then the successor of Saint Alexander in about 337. Because of his virtue, his eloquence in teaching, and his zeal for Orthodoxy, the Arians hated and feared him. When the Arian Emperor Constantius, who was in Antioch, learned of Paul's election, he exiled Paul and proclaimed the Arian Eusebius Patriarch. Saint Paul went to Rome, where he found Saint Athanasius the Great also in exile. Provided with letters by Pope Julius, Paul returned to Constantinople, and after the death of Eusebius in 342, ascended again his rightful throne; the Arians meanwhile elected Macedonius, because he rejected the Son's consubstantiality with the Father (and the divinity of the Holy Spirit besides). When Constantius, yet in Antioch, learned of Paul's return, he sent troops to Constantinople to drive Paul out. The Saint returned to Rome, where Saint Athanasius was again in exile. Constans, Emperor of the West, Constantius' brother, but Orthodox, wrote to Constantius that if Athanasius and Paul were not allowed to return to their sees, he would come with troops to restore them himself. So Paul again returned to his throne. After the death of Constans, however, Constantius had Paul deposed. Because of the love of the people for Saint Paul, Philip the Prefect, who was sent for him, was compelled to arrest him secretly to avoid a sedition. Paul was banished to Cucusus, on the border of Cilicia and Armenia; a town through which his most illustrious successor, Saint John Chrysostom, would also pass on his way to Comana in his last exile. In Cucusus, about the year 350, as Saint Paul was celebrating the Divine Liturgy in the little house where he was a prisoner, the Arians strangled him with his own omophorion, so much did they fear him even in exile. His holy relics were brought back to Constantinople with honour by the Emperor Theodosius the Great.

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#### Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ἱεράρχου.

Ἦχος γ΄.

Θείας πίστεως ὁμολογία, ἄλλον  
Παῦλον σε τῇ Ἐκκλησίᾳ, ζηλωτὴν ἐν  
ἱερεῦσιν ἀνέδειξε, Συνεκβοᾷ σοι καὶ Ἄβελ  
πρὸς Κύριον, καὶ Ζαχαρίου τὸ αἶμα τὸ  
δίκαιον, Πάτερ Ὅσιε, Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν  
ἰκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

#### Apolytikion for the Hierarch.

Mode 3.

Your confession of the true divine faith \*  
manifested you unto the whole Church \* as  
another Paul and zealot among the priests. \*  
With you together is shouting the righteous  
blood \* of Zacharias and Abel unto the Lord.  
\* Holy Father Paul, beseech Christ our God  
fervently, \* entreating that He grant us His  
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.

## **Seventh Sunday of Luke**

### ***Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19***

BRETHREN, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

### ***Gospel Reading: Luke 8:41-56***

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

## **Announcements**

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

**2016 Stewardship:** Please make your 2016 Stewardship commitment by the end of December. Assumption currently has 347 pledged families; however, we need to have at least 400 by the end of this year. It is vital that all families make a stewardship donation and return it to the Church as soon as possible. Thank you for your generosity and for supporting Assumption Church.

**New Year's Eve Planning Meeting:** Any one interested in planning this special event is welcome and encouraged to attend: Thursday, November 17 from 7:15 - 8:15 pm in the Philoptochos Room.

**Mom's Club:** Saturday, November 12th from 10:00 - 11:00 am. Moms with infants and toddlers are welcome to come to Assumption for a casual playdate. Bring your own coffee; snacks will be provided. RSVP to Nicole Balkenbusch (937-367-9087) or Emily Johnson (314-420-9283) by Nov. 10th.

## **Calendar of Events**

- Sunday, Nov 6: St. Paul the Confessor  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School  
11:00 am Artoklasia for Philoptochos' Feast Day Celebration  
12:00 pm Sunday School Bake Sale  
12:00 pm Philoptochos Meeting
- Monday, Nov 7: 33 Martyrs of Melitene; St. Lazarus the Wonderworker
- Tuesday, Nov 8: **Archangel Michael, Gabriel & all the Bodiless Powers**  
Election Day  
9:00 am Orthros  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy  
5:45 pm Greek School  
6:30 Vespers  
7:20 pm Bible Study
- Wednesday, Nov 9: **Wonderworker Nektarios** (Fast)  
9:00 am Orthros  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy  
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Nov 10: St. Olympas of the 70; St. Arsenius of Cappadocia  
8:30 am Orthros  
10:00 am Women's Morning Book Study  
7:00 pm Women's Evening Book Study
- Friday, Nov 11: St. Menas of Egypt; Sts. Victor & Stephanie (Fast)  
8:30 am Orthros  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Nov 12: St. John the Merciful of Alexandria; St. Nilus the Ascetic of Sinai  
10:00 am Mom's Club (Infants, toddlers & moms)  
3:00 pm Philoptochos Santorini & Sangria Night  
5:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, Nov 13: **St. John Chrysostom**  
Youth Sunday  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School

## **St. Nicholas Shrine**

Please help Assumption Greek Orthodox Church contribute to the rebuilding of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in New York City, the only place of worship destroyed in the attack on 9/11. The Shrine is being built as an Orthodox Monument to that tragic event, to attest to Orthodoxy as a major faith, and to speak about universal Hellenic values. All parishes have been asked to donate. Please make checks out to Assumption and write "St. Nicholas Shrine" in the memo line.