

Memorials & Trisagia

October 22

6-month Memorial for Metropolitan Iakovos of Blessed Memory
40-day Memorial for Nancy (Maria) Koclanes, sister of Judy Bellos, Alexandra (Eugene) Goldsand, Kathleen (Ben) Schabelsky

October 29

2-year Memorial for Olga Despotis, mother of George (Vonna) Despotis
1-year Memorial for George T. Denos, brother of Maria (George) Kantis
25-year Memorial for Peter Thomas Denos, brother of Maria (George) Kantis
25-year Memorial for Photini (Fanny) Denos, mother of Maria (George) Kantis
27-year Memorial for Thomas P. Denos, father of Maria (George) Kantis
45-year Memorial for Vasiliki (Bessie) Denos Panourgias, sister of Maria (George) Kantis
65-year Memorial for George Tsamingos, grandfather of Maria (George) Kantis

November 5

6-month Memorial for Christos Zeris, husband of Despina Zeris, father of Joann (George) Glikos and George (Marty) Zeris
50-year Memorial for Stavros Kolivakis, father of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis and Irene (Chris) Tsoubanos

December 17

1-year Memorial for Ollie (Alexander) S. Aslan, husband of Valasia Aslan, father of Jim (Jackie) Aslan and Andy (Nicki) Aslan

In Our Prayers:

Nora (Elaine) Bangert, Tom Dubis, Seraphima Henderson, Achilles Kirkou, Michael Labis, George and Janice (Ioanna) Paradissis, Elaine Scott, Despina Zeris.

October 22: Saint Abercius, Bishop of Hieropolis and Equal to the Apostles. The Holy Seven Youths of Ephesus

Saint Abercius, Bishop of Hieropolis in Phrygia in the times of Marcus Aurelius, was adorned with the grace of wonderworking and with apostolic zeal. During the festival in honour of Apollo, the chief deity of Hieropolis, the holy bishop was instructed in a revelation to destroy the idols. He went to the temple by night and overturned the statues of Apollo and the others. When this was discovered, the Saint boldly cried out that the gods, becoming drunk from the wine of the libations offered them, had struck one against another in their confusion. A multitude of furious pagans came to avenge the insult to their gods, but when the Saint cast the demons out of three afflicted young men, fear fell upon the idolators and they with the whole city became Christians. After many labours and afflictions, Saint Avercius reposed in peace about the year 167 (or, according to some, 186).

The *Seven Youths* hid themselves in a certain cave near Ephesus in the year 250, to escape the persecution of Decius. By divine grace, a sleep came upon them and they slept for 184 years, until the reign of Saint Theodosius the Younger, when the doctrine of the resurrection was being assailed by heretics. They then awoke, that is, were resurrected, confirming in the sight of all the bodily resurrection; and again after a short time, by divine command, they reposed in the Lord in the year 434.

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Ἀπολυτίκιον τοῦ Ἱεράρχου.

Ἦχος δ΄.

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος,
ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ
ποιμνῇ σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια·
διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτίσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά,
τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, πάτερ ἱεράρχα
Ἀβέρκιε· πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς
ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Apolytikion For Hierarch Averkios.

Mode 4.

The actual facts of your life manifested you to your flock as a rule of faith and an icon of gentleness and a teacher of self-control. By humility, therefore, you acquired the things on high, and riches through poverty. Father holy hierarch Averkios, intercede with Christ our God, entreating Him to save our souls.

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.

6th 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 8:26-39

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.



Announcements

Change in Schedule: We will not be celebrating Orthros and Divine Liturgy on Saturday, October 28th due to an extenuating circumstance.

Air Conditioner Update: Thank you to everyone who has given so generously towards the new Sunday School Hallway air conditioner. We still need about \$20,000 in order to pay off the loan. Please send donation to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church with "Sunday School air conditioner" in the memo.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Oct 22: Isapostle Averkios; 7 Youths of Ephesus
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School
12:15 pm Greek School
2:00 pm Mylonas Lecture, "Lord of the Gold Rings: The Grave of the Griffin Warrior at Pylos" at the St. Louis Art Museum
5:30 pm Pan-Orthodox Choir Concert at Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church
- Monday, Oct 23: **Apostle Iakovos, Brother of the Lord**
8:30 am Orthros
9:30 Divine Liturgy (please note change of time due to the funeral of John Mezinis)
- Tuesday, Oct 24: Great Martyr Arethas; Martyr Sebastiane
5:45 pm Greek School
6:30 pm Vespers
7:20 pm Bible Study
- Wednesday, Oct 25: Martyrs Markianos & Martyrios the Notaries (Fast)
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Oct 26: **Great Martyr Demetrios**
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
10:00 am Women's Book Study
7:00 pm Women's Evening Book Study
- Friday, Oct 27: Martyr Nestor Salonica; St. Prokla, wife of Pilate (Fast)
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Oct 28: Thanksgiving of Protection of the Theotokos
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm Oxi Day Dinner Dance
- Sunday, Oct 29: St. Anastasia of Rome; Sts. Avramios & Mary
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School
12:15 pm Greek School



Christ is Everything. He is joy. He is life. He is light. He is the true light who makes man joyful, makes him soar with happiness; makes him see everything, everybody; makes him feel for everyone, to want everyone with Him, everyone with Christ. - St. Porphyrios