

**Memorials & Trisagia**

**October 8**

6-month Memorial for Presvytera Theodora Azkoul, mother of Diane (Rick) Sieckmann

**October 15**

Memorial for the Departed Members of the Brotherhood of Alexander

**October 22**

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**

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

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**In Our Prayers:**

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

**October 8: Saint Pelagia the Former Courtesan**

This saint was a prominent actress of the city of Antioch, and a pagan, who lived a life of unrestrained prodigality and led many to perdition. Instructed and baptized by a certain bishop named Nonnus (Saint Nonnus is commemorated Nov. 10), she departed for the Mount of Olives near Jerusalem, where she lived as a recluse, feigning to be a eunuch called Pelagius. She lived in such holiness and repentance that within three or four years she was deemed worthy to repose in an odour of sanctity, in the middle of the fifth century. Her tomb on the Mount of Olives has been a place of pilgrimage ever since.

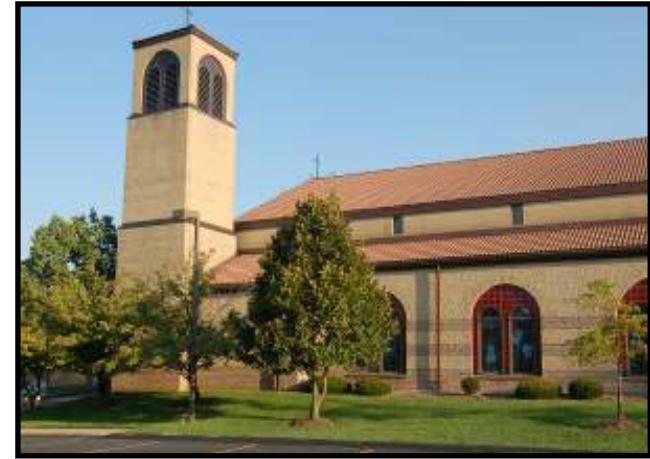
Kontakion. Second Tone  
*Thou soughtest the heights*

With fasting didst thou \* consume thy body utterly; \* with vigilant prayer \* didst thou entreat thy Fashioner \* that complete forgiveness of thy former deeds be granted thee, \* which, O Mother, thou didst receive. \* The path of repentance hast thou shown to us.

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**Sunday Bulletin**

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**Ἀπολυτίκιον Τῆς Ὁσίας.  
Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.**

Ἐν σοὶ Μῆτερ ἀκριβῶς διεσώθη τὸ  
κατ' εἰκόνα· λαβοῦσα γὰρ τὸν σταυρόν,  
ἠκολούθησας τῷ Χριστῷ, καὶ πράπτουσα  
ἐδίδασκες ὑπερορᾶν μὲν σαρκὸς  
παρέρχεται γὰρ, ἐπιμελεῖσθαι δὲ ψυχῆς,  
πράγματος ἀθανάτου· διὸ καὶ μετὰ  
Ἀγγέλων συναγάλλεται Ὁσία Πελαγία, τὸ  
πνεῦμά σου.

**Apolytikion For the Devout Woman.  
Mode pl. 4.**

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Pelagia, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

**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.

### Third Sunday of Luke

#### **Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11**

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God..

#### **Gospel Reading: Luke 7:11-16**

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"



### Announcements

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

**Please support Fr. Achilles Karathanos and the October OCMC Mission Team to Kenya:** The Mission team is currently traveling in Kenya. Here are some ways to help finance their needs: Make an online Donation to support the cost of the trip: Visit: [www.ocmc.org/about/open\\_teams.aspx](http://www.ocmc.org/about/open_teams.aspx), find "Kenya Youth," and click "support" next to "Fr. Achilles Karathanos"; send a check to OCMC, 220 Mason Manatee Way, St. Augustine, FL 32086 made out to "OCMC" with "Fr. Achilles Karathanos" in memo; write a check to "Sts. Constantine and Helen" with "Kenya Mission Trip" in memo and send to the Church by September 15th: Sts. Constantine & Helen, 405 Huntwood Rd, Swansea, IL 62226; donate the needed Great Horologion Liturgical book~ \$130.00 (see Fr. Achilles or call Church Office: 618-277-0330 ); donate an iPad or other Tablet with minimum 9.7" display~ (larger preferred) for E-Matins liturgical use at the Nyeri Cathedral, Kenya~ please speak to Fr. Achilles.

**Air Conditioner:** We purchased at badly needed new air conditioner for the Sunday School Hallway. The cost was \$39,200.00. Donations to help pay for it are greatly appreciated. Please send donation to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church with "Sunday School air conditioner" in the memo. A \$5,000 matching fund has been offered to double donations up to that amount.

**Mission Team-St. Louis and IOCC:** Need new members. Please speak with Fr. Joseph.

### Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Oct 8: New Martyr Ignatios; Virgin Martyr Pelagia  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School  
12:15 pm Greek School
- Monday, Oct 9: Apostle Iakovos Alphaeus; Righteous Athanasia
- Tuesday, Oct 10: Saints Eulampios & Eulampia; Righteous Theophilos  
5:45 pm Greek School  
6:30 pm Vespers  
7:20 pm Bible Study
- Wednesday, Oct 11: Apostle Philip; Confessor Theophanes (Fast)  
2:00 pm Kafenio  
6:30 pm Vespers  
7:15 pm Sunday School Teacher Meeting
- Thursday, Oct 12: Saint Symeon the New Theologian  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:30 am Divine Liturgy  
10:00 am Women's Book Study  
6:30 pm Vespers  
7:00 pm Women's Evening Book Study at the home of Janice Hazeltine  
7:15 pm Parish Council Meeting
- Friday, Oct 13: Martyrs Karpos, Papylos & Agathodoros (Fast)  
11:00 am 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Oct 14: Saints Nazarios & Gervasios; Hagiopolite Kosmas  
10:00 am Parent & Child Playdate (Parents & kids ages infant to kindergarten)  
5:00 pm Great Vespers  
6:00 pm AOC (Adult Orthodox Christians) at the home of Soula Marcou
- Sunday, Oct 15: Hieromartyr Loukianos; Righteous Savinos  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School  
12:00 pm Philoptochos General Meeting  
12:15 pm Greek School



*Life and death depend on our neighbor, because if we win over our neighbor, we win over God, but if we offend our neighbor, we offend God.*

- St. Anthony the Great