

Memorials & Trisagia

August 20

- 6-month Memorial for Constantine (Dean) S. Bellos, son of Steve & Dessie Bellos
6-month Memorial for Panagiotis (Peter) Ellis, husband of Paula Ellis, father of Adrienne (Menalaos) Karamichalis, Paul (Melissa) Ellis, and Christopher (Kellie) Ellis
4-year Memorial for Anna Koclanes, Godmother of Laurie Zafiroopoulos
9-year Memorial for Nicholas Koclanes, Godfather of Laurie Zafiroopoulos
8-year Memorial for Kyriaki Zafiroopoulos, mother of Tony (Laurie) Zafiroopoulos
23-year Memorial for Vasilios Zafiroopoulos, father of Tony (Laurie) Zafiroopoulos

August 27

- 40-day Memorial for Eleftheria Beys, mother of Vicki (Jim) Palmer, Dimitra Beys, and Sam (Gretchyn) Beys
5-year Memorial for Alexandra Leara, grandmother of Kevin Yorga
8-year Memorial for Olga Yorga, mother of Kevin Yorga
Memorial for Angelo Leara, uncle of Kevin Yorga

September 3

- 20-year Memorial for Eugenia Soldatos, mother of Sophia (Wayne) Flynn and Dean Soldatos
20-year Memorial for Anthony Soldatos, father of Sophia (Wayne) Flynn and Dean Soldatos

September 10

- 40-day Memorial for Marietta Potsos, mother of Maria (David) Wagner, Nicholas Potsos, and George Potsos
1-year Memorial for Elizabeth (Liz) Tsaoussis, daughter of Maria Tsaoussis, sister of Flora (Charlton) Dimitriou

September 17

- 6-month Memorial for Mary Karaganis, mother of Julie (Mike) Barro

August 20: The Holy Prophet Samuel

This most holy man, a Prophet of God from childhood, was the last judge of the Israelite people, and anointed the first two Kings of Israel. He was born in the twelfth century before Christ, in the city of Armathaim Sipha, from the tribe of Levi. He was the fruit of prayer, for his mother, being barren, conceived him only after she had supplicated the Lord with many tears; wherefore she called him Samuel, that is, "heard by God." As soon as Hannah had weaned him, she brought him to the city of Silom (Shiloh), where the Ark was kept, and she consecrated him, though yet a babe, to the service of God.

Samuel was chosen to be the protector of the people, and he judged them with holiness and righteousness. When Samuel was old, the people asked him for a king, but he was displeased with this, knowing that God Himself was their King. But when they persisted, the Lord commanded him to anoint them a king, saying, "They have not rejected thee, but they have rejected Me from reigning over them" (I Kings 2:26); so Samuel anointed Saul. But Saul transgressed the command of God repeatedly, so Samuel anointed David. Having lived blamelessly some ninety-eight years, and become an example to all of a God-pleasing life, he reposed in the eleventh century before Christ. Many ascribe to him the authorship of the Books of Judges, and of Ruth, and of the first twenty-four chapters of the First Book of Kings (I Samuel).

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Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς. Ἦχος α΄.

Ἐν τῇ Γεννήσει τὴν παρθενίαν
ἐφύλαξας, ἐν τῇ Κοιμῆσει τὸν κόσμον οὐ
κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν
ζωὴν, μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ
ταῖς πρεσβείαις ταῖς σαῖς λυτρομένη, ἐκ
θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Apolytikion of the Feast of the Dormition Mode 1.

In giving birth you retained 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
deliver our souls from death.

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.

11th Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:2-12

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a sister as wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:23-35

The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the torturers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

Announcements

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.

Presentation of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Monastery Patronal Feast: 28650 105th St., Weatherby, MO 64497. Friday, September 15 at 5:00 pm – Vespers; Saturday, September 16 at 8:00 am - Matins, Hours and Divine Liturgy followed by a Procession to the Trapeza for lunch and tour of the Monastery; Akathist, 6:00 pm – Great Vespers. Call (660) 749-5325 to RSVP.

Babysitters Needed: Alex and Amanda Alyatim are in need of a babysitter for their three and six-year old children three days a week in St. Charles. The hours would be Monday and Wednesday, 5 - 8:30 pm and Saturday 6 - 10:30 pm. Please call the church office if you are interested. 314-966-2255.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Aug 20: Prophet Samuel; St. Loukios the Sernator
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
12:00 pm Panagia's Panegyri - Assumption Feast Day Picnic
- Monday, Aug 21: Apostle Thaddeus of the 70; Martyr Vassa and sons
- Tuesday, Aug 22: Sts. Agathonikos, Zotikos, Zenon and Theoprepios
8:30 am Orthros
6:30 pm Vespers
7:15 pm Young Adult League (YAL) Bible Study
- Wednesday, Aug 23: Martyr Loupos; St. Irenaeus of Lyons (Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
7:30 Vespers for St. Dionysios of Zakynthos
- Thursday, Aug 24: Hieromartyr Euteches; Sts. Kosmas of Aitolos
8:30 am Orthros
9:30 am Divine Liturgy
- Friday, Aug 25: Apostle Titos of the 70, Bishop of Crete (Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Aug 26: Sts. Adrianos & Natalia; Righteous Ioasaph
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm GOYA Pool Party, Stamos Home
- Sunday, Aug 27: Righteous Poemen; Great Martyr Phanourios
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy



In Our Prayers:

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