

10th Sunday of Luke
Gospel Reading: Luke 13:10-17

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

Memorials & Trisagia

December 10

- 40-day Memorial for Dimitrios Liyeos, brother of Art (Martha) Liyeos
6-month Memorial for Labib Rabie, son of Wedad Khamis, and brother of Samia Rabie
7-year Memorial for Maria Potsos, mother of Carol (John) Maniaci and Lewis Potsos.
25-year Memorial for Nicholas Potsos, husband of Donna Potsos, and brother of Carol (John) Maniaci and Lewis Potsos
51-year Memorial for Kostandinos Potsos, father of Carol (John) Maniaci and Lewis Potsos

December 17

- 40-day Memorial for Christos Exarhos, father of Freda (Bill) Simos, grandfather of Chris (Nicole) Simos and Greg (Megan) Simos
6-month Memorial for Evangelia Halastanis, mother of Panagiota Christakis, Vasiliki (Brian) Zapf, and Demetri (Brenda) Halastanis
1-year Memorial for Ollie (Alexander) S. Aslan, husband of Valasia Aslan, father of Jim (Jackie) Aslan and Andy (Nicki) Aslan
2-year Memorial for Angelo (Evangelos) Palladino, son of Stella Palladino, brother of Kathy Palladino and James Palladino
18-year Memorial for George Palladino, husband of Stella Palladino, father of Kathy Palladino and James Palladino

January 21

- 1-year Memorial for A. Glen (Gregor) Beck, father of Cathy (Tom) Reiss and Connie (James) Perch

December 17

- 40--day Prayer Service in memory of Bill Walker, the son-in-law of Maria Vamvas, following the distribution of andidoron.

In Our Prayers:

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

Sunday Bulletin
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This week we celebrate the Feast of St. Spyridon the Wonderworker.

Please join us on Tuesday, December 12th for 9:00 am Orthros and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

Ἀπολυτίκιον

Ἦχος α΄. Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος.

Τῆς Συνόδου τῆς πρώτης ἀνεδείχθης ὑπέρμαχος,
καὶ θαυματουργὸς θεοφόρε, Σπυρίδων Πατὴρ
ἡμῶν· διὸ νεκρᾷ σὺ ἐν τάφῳ προσφωνεῖς, καὶ ὄψιν
εἰς χρυσοῦν μετέβαλες· καὶ ἐν τῷ μέλπει τὰς
ἁγίας σου εὐχάς, Ἀγγέλους ἔσχες
συλλειτουργοῦντάς σοι ἱερώτατε· Δόξα τῷ σέ
δοξάσαντι, δόξα τῷ σέ στεφανώσαντι· δόξα τῷ
ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

Apolytikion

Mode 1. *The stone had been secured.*

At the first of the Synods, you emerged as the champion, * and wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Spyridon. * Therefore, you addressed the dead one in the grave, * and a serpent you changed to gold. * And while chanting in service your sacred prayers,* you had angels celebrating, O most Holy One.* Glory to Christ who glorified you, * glory to Him who crowned you, * glory to the One who works through you, healings for everyone.

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.

A special welcome to Presvytera Konstantina Dalianis and her five children who are visiting today from Chicago, IL.

Announcements

Coffee Hour is sponsored today in memory of Demetrios Liyeos, Konstandinos and Maria Potsos, Nicholas Potsos, and Labib Rabie. May their memories be eternal!

Parish Council Elections: Today, Sunday, December 10th immediately after Divine Liturgy in the Parish Council Room until 2:00 pm. Eligibility to vote: must be an Orthodox Christian, canonically in good Standing with the Church, and must be current in your 2017 Stewardship Commitment. New Stewards of the Parish may vote in the election if they have financially enrolled in the Parish at least three months prior to the election. *No absentee ballots for voting. Voting must be done in person.*

PanHellenic Scholarships: Applications are available online at www.panhellenicsf.org/apply/ Scholarships for high academic achievement and those in financial need of and of Hellenic descent The deadline is Wednesday, January 31, 2018.

Giving Opportunities for this Joyous Holiday Season

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis Mexico is in need of \$5,000 or more for crucial ministries. Work needs to be done in completing the translations of the Divine Liturgy in Spanish and printing the bilingual text, along the printing of a bilingual Gospel Book in Spanish and Greek. The Metropolis of Mexico is a missionary Metropolis which consists of parishes in Central America, Venezuela and Colombia, and is currently experiencing significant growth in Guatemala and Haiti. The vast majority of it's parishioners are very poor. Because of this, the Metropolitan does not get a salary and the Metropolis must be supported primarily by donations outside of the Metropolis. Unfortunately, because of a lack funds, the Metropolis recently had its electricity turned off for about three weeks. If you would like to donate to this important cause, please send a check payable to the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church with "Orthodox Missions Mexico" written in the memo line.

Ormylia Philanthropic Center: "Panagia Philanthopini - Our Lady who Loves Mankind," is a philanthropic center in Greece whose mission is to comfort and alleviate the suffering of the poor and working class public without preference to race, religion, gender, or creed. It is dedicated to spreading the message of God's love and saving grace through medical, educational, scientific research, charitable and spiritual services and ministries. The director of this center is Charles Anthony, a former parishioner of the Assumption Church. During the upcoming holy season, we will take a collection to help the children's programs at this center. Please make donation checks payable to "The Assumption Church" and mark it for "the Ormylia Foundation" and mail or drop it off at the church office. Thank you for your support.

Walmart Gift Cards Needed: Fr. Joseph needs gift cards to Walmart to give to those in need for the holidays. Please bring cards to the church office or to Soula Marcou. Any denomination is greatly appreciated.

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. Please send donation to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church with "Sunday School air conditioner" in the memo.

2017 Stewardship: Please make your 2017 Stewardship commitment by the end of December. Assumption currently has 362 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.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Dec 10: **The Holy Ancestors of Christ** (Fish allowed)
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School
12:00 pm Parish Council Elections
- Monday, Dec 11: Stylites Daniel & Luke the New (Fish allowed)
- Tuesday, Dec 12: **St. Spyridon the Wonderworker** (Fish allowed)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
5:45 Greek School Christmas Program and Party
6:30 pm Vespers
No Bible Study until January 9
- Wednesday, Dec 13: Martyrs Eustratios, Auxenty, Eugene, and Orestes (Fast)
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Dec 14: Martyrs Thyrsos, Leucius & Callinicos (wine & oil allowed)
6:30 pm Vespers
- Friday, Dec 15: **Hieromartyr Eleftherios** (wine & oil allowed)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
5:00 pm YAL in St. Charles
- Saturday, Dec 16: Prophet Haggai; Empress Theophana (wine & oil allowed)
5:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, Dec 17: **The Holy Ancestors of Christ** (wine & oil allowed)
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School
12:00 pm Christmas Pageant and Social
12:00 pm Mission Team St. Louis Sale



The Divine Liturgies on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day will be in the morning. On Christmas Eve there will be Great Vespers in the evening at 5:00 pm, not Divine Liturgy. If you wish to receive Holy Communion, you must attend one of the two morning Divine Liturgy services. Please let your family and friends know. Thank you.