

## Memorials & Trisagia

### December 3

- 6-month Memorial for His Eminence Metropolitan Iakovos of Blessed Memory.  
40-day Memorial for Gus (Constantine) Maris, Husband of Pamela Maris, father of Michael and George Maris

### 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

- 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, brother 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.

### **December 3: The Holy Prophet Sophonias (Zephaniah)**

This prophet, who is ninth in order among the minor Prophets, was the son of Chusi (Cushi), from the tribe of Levi, or according to some, the great-grandson of Hezekias. He prophesied in the years of Josias, who reigned in the years 641-610 before Christ. His book of prophesy is divided into three chapters. His name means “*Yah* is darkness.”

### **Kontakion. Fourth Tone**

You were shown to be illumined by the Divine Spirit, O Prophet Sophonias, proclaiming God’s manifestation, and thou didst preach: Rejoice greatly, O daughters of Sion and of Jerusalem; behold, your King cometh, bringing Salvation.

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## **Sunday Bulletin**

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### **This week we celebrate the Feast of St. Nicholas the Wonderworker.**

Please join us on Wednesday, December 6th for  
9:00 am Orthros and 10:00 am Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Church.

### **Ἀπολυτίκιον. Ἦχος δ΄.**

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, εγκρατείας  
Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῆ ποιμνῆ σου, ἡ τῶν  
πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια, διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῆ  
ταπεινώσει τὰ υψηλά, τῆ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια,  
Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ  
Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

### **Apolytikion. Mode 4.**

A model of faith and the image of gentleness, the example of your life has shown you forth to your sheep-fold to be a master of temperance. You obtained thus through being lowly, gifts from on high, and riches through poverty. Nicholas, our father and priest of priests, intercede with Christ our God that He may save our souls.

### **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.

## 14th Sunday of Luke

**Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19**

**Gospel Reading: Luke 18:35-43**

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

## Announcements

**Parish Council Elections:** 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/](http://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.

**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.

**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 of funds, the Metropolis recently had it's electricity turned off for about three weeks. If you would like to donate to this important cause, please send a check payable to Assumption Church with "Orthodox Missions Mexico" written in the memo line.

**The Holy Monastery of the Annunciation of the Theotokos in Ormylia, Greece** has a Philanthropic center called "Panagia Philanthropini - Our Lady who Loves Mankind," 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.

## Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Dec 3: Prophet Zephaniah; New Martyr Angelis (Fish allowed)  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy and Sunday School  
12:15 pm Greek School  
**12:30 pm Philoptochos Christmas Party**  
5:00 pm Great Vespers & Reception at St. John of Damascus Mission in Carbondale, IL
- Monday, Dec 4: **Great Martyr Barbara; St. John of Damascus** (Fish allowed)  
9:00 am Orthros  
9:30 am Divine Liturgy at St. John of Damascus Mission in Carbondale, IL  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy at Assumption
- Tuesday, Dec 5: St. Savvas the Sanctified; Martyr Diogenes (Fish allowed)  
5:45 Greek School  
5:00 pm Great Vespers and Reception at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church  
*No Bible Study until January 9*
- Wednesday, Dec 6: **Wonderworker Nicholas** (Fast)  
9:00 am Orthros at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church  
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Dec 7: Bishop Ambrose of Milan; St. Gerasimos of Euboia (Fish allowed)
- Friday, Dec 8: Righteous Patapios; Apostles Sosthenes and Apollo of the 70 (Fast)  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Dec 9: **Conception of the Theotokos** (Fish allowed)  
9:00 am Orthros  
10:00 Divine Liturgy  
5:00 pm Great Vespers  
6:00 pm St. Nicholas Church 100th Anniversary Banquet
- 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**

**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.