

## Memorials & Trisagia

### February 11

19-year Trisagion for Mary Labis, wife of Mike Labis

### February 18

40-day Memorial for Avgerini Tsigogias, mother of Cristos Tsingogias, sister of Vasiliki (Nicholas) Trifonas, George Karagiannis, and the late Christoforos (Vasiliki) Karagiannis

1-year Memorial for Peter (Panagiotis) Ellis, husband of Paula Ellis

### February 25

40-day Memorial for Thomas (Anastasios) Masa, husband of Barbara Masa, father of Barbie Deddens and Steven (Ann) Deddens

1-year Memorial for Constantine (Dean) Bellos, son of Steve and Dessie Bellos, brother of Tom Bellos

### March 4

1-year Memorial for Christophoros Dafnides, husband of Antigoni Dafnides, Father of Joanne (Elias) Matsakis and Tina (Greg) Riemer

3-year Memorial for Danny (Daniel) Taylor, husband of Stephanie Schulz, father of Daine, Mikail, Achilles, and Ares Taylor

### March 11

1-year Memorial for Mary Karaganis, Mother of Julie (Mike) Barro

### March 18

25-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolivakis, grandmother of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis and Irene (Chris) Tsoubanos

### May 13

3-year Memorial for Helen Papavramides, mother of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

6-year Memorial for Stergios Papavramides, father of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

36-year Memorial for Agnes Harris (Harizopoulos), grandmother of Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

36-year Memorial for George Harris (Harizopoulos) uncle to Bessie (Dimitrios) Theodorou, Frank Papavramides, Jinny Murray (Curt Shelton), and Agnes Willis

### February 11 - Theodora the Empress

As for the renowned Empress Theodora, she was from Paphlagonia and was the daughter of a certain Marinus, the commander of a military regiment. While being the wife of the Emperor Theophilus, the last of the Iconoclasts, she adorned the royal diadem with her virtue and piety; as long as her husband Theophilus lived, she privately venerated icons, despite his displeasure. After his death, she restored the holy icons to public veneration; this is commemorated on the Sunday of Orthodoxy, the First Sunday of the Great Fast. She governed the Empire wisely for fifteen years, since her son Michael was not yet of age. But in 857 she forsook her royal power and entered a certain convent in Constantinople called Gastria, where she finished the course of her life in holiness and reposed in the Lord. Her sacred incorrupt remains are found in Corfu, in the Church of the Most Holy Theotokos of the Cave, in the capital city of the island (see also Dec. 12).

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### This coming Saturday, February 17th,

will be the 2nd Saturday of the Souls and we will celebrate the Feast of Great Martyr Theodore with Orthros at 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am.

**Ἀπολυτίκιον Τοῦ ἁγίου Μάρτυρος Θεόδωρος  
Ἦχος β**

Μεγάλα τὰ τῆς πίστεως κατορθώματα!  
ἐν τῇ πηγῇ τῆς φλογός, ὡς ἐπὶ ὕδατος  
ἀναπαύσεως, ὁ ἅγιος Μάρτυς Θεόδωρος  
ἠγάλλετο· πυρὶ γὰρ ὀλοκαυθθεῖς, ὡς  
ἄρτος ἡδύς, τῇ Τριάδι προσήνεκται. Ταῖς  
αὐτοῦ ἱκεσίαις, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, ἐλέησον  
ἡμᾶς.

**Apolytikion for Great Martyr Theodore  
Mode 2.**

Magnificent are Faith's accomplishments!  
The holy Martyr Theodore greatly rejoiced  
as he stood in the fountain of fire as if beside  
the still waters. He was consumed by fire and  
offered like sweet bread to the Trinity. At his  
entreaties, O Christ God, 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.

## **Judgment Sunday**

### ***Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2***

Brethren, food will not commend us to God. We are no worse off if we do not eat, and no better off if we do. Only take care lest this liberty of yours somehow become a stumbling block to the weak. For if any one sees you, a man of knowledge, at table in an idol's temple, might he not be encouraged, if his conscience is weak, to eat food offered to idols? And so by your knowledge this weak man is destroyed, the brother for whom Christ died. Thus, sinning against your brethren and wounding their conscience when it is weak, you sin against Christ. Therefore, if food is a cause of my brother's falling, I will never eat meat, lest I cause my brother to fall.

Am I not free? Am I not an apostle? Have I not seen Jesus our Lord? Are not you my workmanship in the Lord? If to others I am not an apostle, at least I am to you; for you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord.

### ***Gospel Reading: Matthew 25:31-46***

The Lord said, "When the Son of man comes in his glory and all the holy angels with him, then he will sit on his glorious throne. Before him will be gathered all the nations, and he will separate them one from another as a shepherd separates the sheep from the goats, and he will place the sheep at his right hand, but the goats at the left. Then the king will say to those at his right hand, 'Come, O blessed of my Father, inherit the kingdom prepared for you from the foundation of the world; for I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me.' Then the righteous will answer him, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you, or thirsty and give you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcome you, or naked and clothe you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visit you?' And the King will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brethren, you did it to me.' Then he will say to those at his left hand, 'Depart from me, you cursed, into the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels; for I was hungry and you gave me no food, I was thirsty and you gave me no drink, I was a stranger and you did not welcome me, naked and you did not clothe me, sick and in prison and you did not visit me.' Then they also will answer, 'Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty or a stranger or naked or sick or in prison, and did not minister to you?' Then he will answer them, 'Truly, I say to you, as you did it not to one of the least of these, you did it not to me.' And they will go away into eternal punishment, but the righteous into eternal life."

## **Announcements.**

**AHEPA Scholarship:** The St. Louis AHEPA Chapter 53 Scholarship Foundation will begin accepting requests for applications from February 15 - March 31, 2018. Please e mail [bdpappas@yahoo.com](mailto:bdpappas@yahoo.com) for an application. Note the due date as there are no exceptions.

**2018 Heritage Greece Program:** The Heritage Greece Program is a gift from the National Hellenic Society (NHS) to enrolled college students ages 18-26 of Greek or Cypriot descent. The program runs from June 7-24, 2018. Application deadline is March 15th. For more information, please go to <http://www.acg.edu/admissions/study-abroad/heritage-greece/apply-heritage-greece/>.

**Motorcycle Collection for Kenya Clergy:** His Grace Bishop Neofitos is in need of 8-10 more motorcycles for his clergy. If you would like to contribute, please send your donation made payable to either OCMC or the St. Louis Clergy Brotherhood, c/o Saints Constantine & Helen Church, 405 Huntwood Rd., Swansea, IL 62226. Write in the memo line: Kenya - Motorbike Fund. Thank you!

## **Calendar of Events**

Sunday, Feb 11:

### **Judgment Sunday - Meatfare Sunday**

#### **Godparent Sunday**

8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy chanted by Eikona & Sunday School  
12:00 pm GOYA Lunch  
12:00 pm Philoptochos Meeting  
12:15 pm Greek School  
3:00 pm GOYA and Jr. GOYA to Sunset Hills Rehabilitation Center

Monday, Feb 12:

Patriarch Meletios of Antioch; Patriarch Antonius of Constantinople

Tuesday, Feb 13:

Righteous Martinianos; St. Eulogios of Alexandria  
5:45 pm Greek School  
6:30 pm Vespers  
7:20 pm Bible Study

Wednesday, Feb 14:

Righteous Auxentios, Maron and Abraham  
2:00 pm Kafenio

Thursday, Feb 15:

Apostle Onesimus of the 70; Martyr Maerus  
9:00 am Orthros  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy

Friday, Feb 16:

Martyr Pamphilos; Patriarch Flavianos of Constantinople  
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon

Saturday, Feb 17:

### **2nd Saturday of Souls**

Great Martyr Theodore the Tyro; Isapostle Mariamne  
9:00 am Orthros  
10:00 am Divine Liturgy & Memorial  
**3:00 pm Mission Retreat Meet & Greet with Bishop Neofitos at St. Thomas Orthodox Church**  
5:00 pm Great Vespers  
**6:00 pm Apokreatioko Glendi**

Sunday, Feb 18:

### **Forgiveness Sunday- Cheesefare Sunday**

St. Leo, Bishop of Rome; Confessor  
8:30 am Orthros  
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School with Procession  
**6:30 pm Forgiveness Vespers**