

Memorials & Trisagia

- July 1**
9-day Trisagion for Athenasios "Tom" Dubis, husband of Magda Dubis, father of Crist (Tracy) Dubis and Effie Dubis.
40-day Memorial for Achilles Kirkou, husband of Eugenia Kirkou, father of Mary Kirkou, George (Amy) Kirkou, Nick (Kati) Kirkou, stepfather of James (Sarah) Catalano, Angela (Art) Balducci, John Catalano, and Tony Catalano.
40-day Memorial for Elaine (Eleni) Scott, wife of Jim Scott, mother of James (Leslie) Scott, Chris (Christy) Scott, and Nick (Karen) Scott
1-year Memorial for Evangelia Halastanis, mother of Panagiota Christakis, Vasiliki (Brian) Zapf, and Demetri (Brenda) Halastanis
- July 8**
40-day Memorial for George Vagionakis, husband of Sue Vagionakis, and stepfather of Diane (Gus) Kapodistrias
1-year Memorial for Litsa (Eleftheria) Beys, mother of Vicki (Jim) Palmer, Demi Beys, and Sam (Gretchyn) Beys
7-year Trisagion for Gregory Marcus Pappas, husband of Patricia Pappas, father of Pete (Eleni) Pappas and Teresa (Tim) Willyard
- July 29
40-day Memorial for Athenasios "Tom" Dubis, husband of Magda Dubis, father of Crist (Tracy) Dubis and Effie Dubis.
- August 5**
6-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolivakis, mother of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis and Irene (Chris) Tsoubanos



Announcements

Coffee Hour sponsored today by the families of Evangelia Halastanis, Achilles Kirkou and Elaine Scott.

Courtyard Pavers: We are creating a new courtyard in front of the Church. Engraved pavers are available to commemorate our families or memorialize our deceased loved ones. If you would like to donate toward this endeavor, please contact Tony Tharenos or Diane Sieckmann at 314-966-2255.

Consecration Album: If you had an advertisement in the Consecration Album, please pick up your copy of the book from Diane Sieckmann.

Air Conditioner: We purchased at badly needed new air conditioner for the Sunday School Hallway. The cost was \$39,200.00. We have had many generous donations but still have a balance of \$13,100.00. 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.

Sunday Bulletin

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**Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.
Ἦχος δ΄.**

Τὸ παιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα,
ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου
Μαθήτριά, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν
ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι
ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη
Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ
μέγα ἔλεος.

**Resurrectional Apolytikion.
Mode 4.**

When the women Disciples of the Lord
had learned from the Angel the joyful
message of the Resurrection and rejected
the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to
the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been de-
spoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His
great mercy to the world.

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.

Fifth Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8

Brethren, you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, then healers, helpers, administrators, speakers in various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way. If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong, but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1

At that time, when Jesus came to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one would pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged him, "If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.

July 1 - Sts. Kosmas & Damianos

The Holy Martyrs, Wonderworkers and Unmercenary Physicians Kosmas and Damianos were born at Rome, brothers by birth, and physicians by profession. They suffered at Rome in the reign of the emperor Carinus (283-284). Brought up by their parents in the rules of piety, they led strict and chaste lives, and they were granted by God the gift of healing the sick. By their generosity and exceptional kindness to all, the brothers converted many to Christ. The brothers told the sick, "It is not by our own power that we treat you, but by the power of Christ, the true God. Believe in Him and be healed." Since they accepted no payment for their treatment of the infirm, the holy brothers were called "unmercenary physicians."

Their life of active service and their great spiritual influence on the people around them led many into the Church, attracting the attention of the Roman authorities. Soldiers were sent after the brothers. Hearing about this, local Christians convinced Saints Cosmas and Damian to hide for a while until they could help them escape. Unable to find the brothers, the soldiers arrested instead other Christians of the area where the saints lived. Saints Cosmas and Damian then came out of hiding and surrendered to the soldiers, asking them to release those who had been arrested because of them.

An older physician, an instructor, under whom the holy brothers had studied the art of medicine, became envious of their fame. Driven to madness by malice, and overcome by passionate envy, he summoned the two brothers, formerly his most beloved students, proposing that they should all go together in order to gather various medicinal herbs. Going far into the mountains, he murdered them and threw their bodies into a river.

Thus these holy brothers, the Unmercenary Physicians Cosmas and Damian, ended their earthly journey as martyrs. Although they had devoted their lives to the Christian service of their neighbors, and had escaped the Roman sword and prison, they were treacherously murdered by their teacher.

Excerpted from: <https://oca.org/saints/lives/2018/07/01/101859-holy-wonderworking-unmercenary-physicians-cosmas-and-damian-at-r>

Calendar of Events

Sunday, July 1:	<u>Unmercenary Kosmas & Damianos</u> 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Divine Liturgy
Monday, July 2:	Placing of the Robe of the Theotokos at Vlacharnae
Tuesday, July 3:	Martyr Hyakinthos; Patriarch Anatolios 6:30 pm Vespers
Wednesday, July 4:	Andrew, Bishop of Crete; Martyr Kyprilla - (Fast) Office Closed - Happy 4th of July! No Kafenio
Thursday, July 5:	St. Athanasios of Mt. Athos; Righteous Lampados 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Friday, July 6:	St. Sisoës the Great; Virgin Martyr Loukia - (Fast) 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
Saturday, July 7:	Great Martyr Kyriaki; St. Thomas of Mt. Maleon 5:00 pm Great Vespers
Sunday, July 8:	Great Martyr Procopios; St. Theophilos Myrrh-Gusher 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Divine Liturgy



In Our Prayers

Nora (Elaine) Bangert, Seraphima Henderson, Thekla (Rebecca) Kagaris, Dean Kases, Janie Kyramarios, Christopher Martin (Alexandra Martin's grandson), George and Janice (Ioanna) Paradissis, Despina Zeris.



Coffee Hour Cleanup:

Please be sure to clean up your table after Coffee Hour. There is no one else to do so.