

Memorials & Trisagia

July 16

40-day Memorial for Mihail Tzianos, husband of Ourania Tzianos, father of Dimitri (Tracey) Tzianos

July 23

40-day Memorial for Elpiniki Xbaze, sister of Eleni Hassos

July 30

40-day Memorial for Labib Rabie, son of Wedad Khamis, brother of Samia Rabie
1-year Memorial for Katherine Kapros, mother of Dessie (Sonny) Roedersheimer, Stacy Grzeskowiak, Demetra (Rick) Johnson, and John Kapros

August 13

40-day Memorial for Evangelia Halastanis, mother of Panagiota Christakis, Vasiliki (Brian) Zapf, and Demetri (Brenda) Halastanis

4-year Memorial for Elizabeth (Betty) J. Harris, mother of Gus Harris

28-year Memorial for Nicholas Harris, father of Gus Harris

5-year Memorial for Vasiliki Kolivaki, mother of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis

50-year Memorial for Stavros Kolivakis, father of Aleka (Larry) Karagiannis

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

September 10

1-year Memorial for Elizabeth (Liz) Tsaoussis, daughter of Maria Tsaoussis, sister of Flora (Charlton) Dimitriou

December 17

1-year Memorial for Alexander (Ollie) S. Aslan, husband of Valasia Aslan, father of Jim (Jackie) Aslan and Andy (Nicki) Aslan

Announcements

Congratulations to Fr. Anastasios and Presvytera Elizabeth on their third wedding anniversary, celebrated this past week on Thursday, July 13th.

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by the family of Mihail Tzianos.

Summer Book Study: This summer's book discussion/potluck luncheon/pool party will meet on Saturday, August 19th from 11 am - 2 pm at the home of Keve Gialouris. We will be reading *Bringing Jesus to the Desert* by Bradley Nassif. Please bring a dish to share. Copies of the book will be available in the Church office.

YAL Bible Study: Each Tuesday evening during the summer, beginning July 11, there will be a Young Adult Bible Study led by Fr. Anastasios. Meetings will take place at 7:15 pm after Vespers in the Parish Council Room. Please speak to Fr. Anastasios for more information.

Mission Team-St. Louis is looking for new members. If you would like to join their efforts, please speak with Fr. Joseph.

IOCC Committee of St. Louis is looking for new members. Please speak to Jan Kanteres if you are interested.

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**Ἀπολυτίκιον Τῶν Πατέρων.
Ἦχος δ΄.**

Ὑπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς
ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας
ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν
ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὀδηγήσας·
πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

**Apolytikion for the Fathers
Mode 4.**

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our
God. You established the holy Fathers upon
the earth as beacons, and through them You
have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly
merciful One, glory be to You.

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.

5th Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15

TITUS, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful.

All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."



July 16: The Holy Hieromartyr Athenogenes

This saint was from Sebastia of Cappadocia and, according to the Synaxaristes, became Bishop of Pidachthoa. He and ten of his disciples were tortured and beheaded by the Governor Philomarchus in the times of Diocletian. There is a second Martyr Athenogenes commemorated today, mentioned by Saint Basil in chapter 29 of his treatise On the Holy Spirit; it is said that as this Athenogenes approached the fire, wherein he was to die a martyric death, he chanted the hymn O Joyous Light in praise of the Holy Trinity.

Kontakion. Fourth Tone

Having followed the Lord's teaching, as an eminent shepherd thou didst lay down thy life for Christ's sheep, O Hieromartyr Athenogenes. Wherefore, we praise thee and thy ten disciples who suffered with thee, guided by the fear of God and thy teaching; for the Lord hath crowned you as Saints with His life-giving right hand. Pray, then, to Him in behalf of us all.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, July 16: **Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council**
Hieromartyr Athenogenes; Martyr Phaustus
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
- Monday, July 17: Great Martyr Marina
Hellenic Culture Camp
- Tuesday, July 18: Martyrs Emilian, Paul, Thea & Wallentini
Hellenic Culture Camp
8:30 am Orthros
6:30 pm Vespers
7:15 pm Young Adult Bible Study
- Wednesday, July 19: Righteous Makrina, Sister of St. Basil the Great (Fast)
Hellenic Culture Camp
8:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, July 20: **Prophet Elias**
Hellenic Culture Camp
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
- Friday, July 21: Righteous John; St. Symeon, Fool for Christ (Fast)
Hellenic Culture Camp
8:30 am Orthros
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, July 22: St. Mary Magdalene; Virgin Martyr Markella
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 Divine Liturgy
5:00 pm Great Vespers
- Sunday, July 23: Hieromartyr Phokas
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
12:30 pm Young Adult League Barbeque at the Dimitriou home



"However hard I try, I find it impossible to construct anything greater than these three words, 'Love one another' —only to the end, and without exceptions: then all is justified and life is illumined, whereas otherwise it is an abomination and a burden."

—Mother Maria of Paris