

Memorials & Trisagia

November 4

1-year Memorial for Demetrios Liyeos, brother of Art (Martha) Liyeos
Memorial for the Departed Members of the Hellenic-American Progressive League

November 18

40-day Memorial for Amalia Karagiannis, mother of Photini (Vangeli) Pappas, Frances Karagiannis, and Voula (Pete) Kardakos

40-day Memorial for Despina Stergen, mother of Nicholas (Despo) Stergen and Frances (James) Hoekel

6-month Memorial for George Vagionakis, husband of Soula Vagionakis and step-father of Diane (Gus) Kapodistias

November 25

9-month Memorial for Constantinos Papavlasopoulos, husband of Nasika (Nancy) Papavlasopoulos, father of Maria (Matt) Peters and Pete Papavlasopoulos

December 2

65-year Memorial for Michael Tharenos, father of Tony (Joyce) Tharenos and Nick (Becky) Tharenos



Announcements

Prison Ministry Coat Drive: The Assumption Prison Ministry is conducting a Winter Coat Drive for men and women who are ex-offenders. New or gently-used coats may be dropped off in the Prison Ministry collection box located in the Narthex.

Beds Needed: A family is in need of a new or gently used full size bed set (frame, box spring/mattress). If you are able to provide either of these items, please contact Fr. Achilles Karathanos at 618-277-0330 or cell: 314-288-8036.

Kisumu Well Project: The Clergy Brotherhood of Greater St. Louis are raising funds to help the OCMC (Orthodox Christian Mission Center) support the final digging of and plumbing for a well in Kisumu, Western Kenya. Please give donations to Assumption marked “Kisumu Well Project” by November 30th.

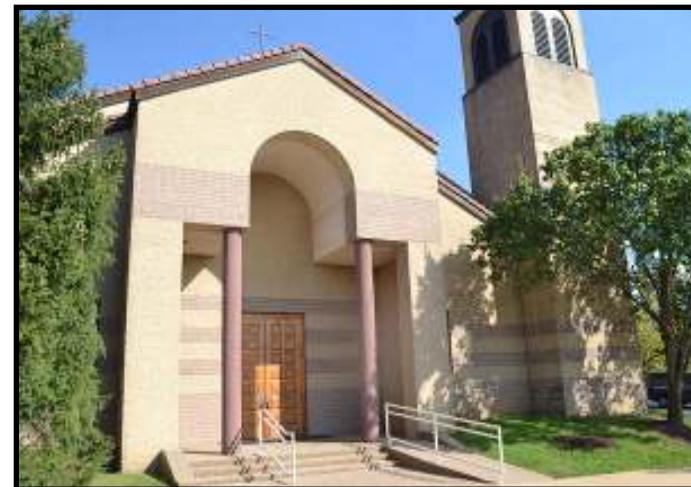
Dinner for FOCUS: Assumption is hosting the Thanksgiving dinner for Focus this year on Sunday, November 18, 2018. Amy Kirkou is chairing this event and needs volunteers to help serve. Please contact her at 314-265-4416.

Help Needed for New Years Eve: Dr. Jenny Kardaris is chairing this year’s New Year’s Eve Party and is looking for volunteers. Please call her at 636-751-9696 if you are able to help.

Matching Fund Drive: A very generous donor has pledged \$6,500 to Assumption for a matching fund drive in order to pay off the air conditioner for the Sunday School classrooms. Please help expunge this debt by donating what you are able. We need an additional \$6,500 to close the loan. Please write “Air Conditioner” in the memo line of your checks, and thank you for your generosity!

Sunday Bulletin

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Ἀπολυτίκιον. Τοῦ Ὁσίου.

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Ταῖς τῶν δακρύων σου ῥοαῖς, τῆς ἐρήμου τὸ ἄγονον ἐγεώργησας, καὶ τοῖς ἐκ βάθους στεναγμοῖς, εἰς ἑκατὸν τοὺς πόνους ἐκαρποφόρησας, καὶ γέγονας φωστὴρ τῇ οἰκουμένῃ, λάμπων τοῖς θαύμασιν, Ἰωαννίκιε Πατὴρ ἡμῶν Ὅσιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Apolytikion For the Devout Man.

Mode pl. 4.

With the rivers of your tears you made the barren desert bloom; and with your sighs from deep within, you made your labors bear their fruits a hundredfold; and you became a star, illuminating the world by your miracles, O Ioannikios, our devout father. Intercede with Christ our God, for the salvation of 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.

Fifth Sunday of Luke

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:4-10

Brethren, God who is rich in mercy, out of the great love with which he loved us, even when we were dead through our trespasses, made us alive together with Christ (by grace you have been saved), and raised us up with him, and made us sit with him in the heavenly places in Christ Jesus, that in the coming ages he might show the immeasurable riches of his grace in kindness toward us in Christ Jesus. For by grace you have been saved through faith; and this is not your own doing, it is the gift of God: not because of works, lest any man should boast. For we are his workmanship, created in Christ Jesus for good works, which God prepared beforehand, that we should walk in them.

Gospel Reading: Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazaros, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazaros in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazaros to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazaros in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"

November 4 Joannicius the Great

Saint Joannicius was born in Bithynia about the year 740. His father was named Myritrikes and his mother Anastaso. When he had reached maturity, he excelled in soldiery and was counted worthy of royal honours for his bravery. He had been brought up an iconoclast, but while yet a soldier, he was converted to Orthodoxy by a certain holy elder. He later forsook all things and departed for Mount Olympus, where he spent the remainder of his life in asceticism. Becoming great in virtue, he reposed in the Lord in the year 834, having lived some ninety-four years. To this Saint is ascribed the brief prayer, "My hope is the Father"

The Holy Hieromartyrs Nicander, Bishop of Myra, and Hermias the Presbyter

The holy Martyrs Nikandros and Hermias were ordained by the holy Apostle Titus. When they had drawn many to the Faith of Christ, they were accused to Libanius, the Count of the city of Myra, where, after suffering many torments, they were enclosed in a tomb alive, and thus surrendered their spirits into the hands of God.

Excerpted from: The Great Horologion or Book of Hours, Trans. Holy Transfiguration Monastery. Holy Transfiguration Monastery Press, Brookline, MA, 1997.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Nov 4: St. Ioannikios the Great; St. Nikandros of Myra
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
12:00 pm Philoptochos General Meeting
- Monday, Nov 5: St. Galaktion & Epistemel Apostle Hermas of the 70
- Tuesday, Nov 6: Patriarch Paul I; Righteous Luke
5:45 pm Greek School
6:30 pm Vespers
7:20 pm Bible Study
- Wednesday, Nov 7: 33 Martyrs of Melitene; St. Lazaros of Galesio (Fast)
2:00 pm Kafenio
6:30 pm Great Vespers at St. Michael the Archangel Orthodox Church
- Thursday, Nov 8: **Archangel Michael & Gabriel & All the Bodiless Hosts**
9:00 am Orthos
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
10:00 am Women's Book study at the Assumption
- Friday, Nov 9: Wonderworker Nektarios (Fast)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Nov 10: Appostles Olympas, Sosipatros, Rodion & Erastos of the 70
9:00 Time & Talents Workshop
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm Youth Sunday Prep Night at Church (5th grade - High School)
- Sunday, Nov 11: **Youth Sunday**
St. Menas of Egypt, St. Victor of Italy & St. Vincent of Spain
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
12:00 pm Sunday School Bake Sale
12:00 pm Parish Assembly

In Our Prayers

Nora (Elaine) Bangert, Seraphima Henderson, Thekla (Rebecca) Kagaris, Dean Kases, Janie (Zafera) Kyraramios

God in His goodness has arranged things perfectly, so that with our gifts, we can help each other, and with our faults, we can be humbled by each other. For every person has some gifts; but everyone also has some faults which one must struggle to overcome.

- Saint Paisios of Mount Athos