

Memorials & Trisagia

October 14

- 40-day Memorial for Evangelos “Van” Evangelopoulos, son of Sofia Evangelopoulos, brother of Glikeria (George Liyeos) Evangelopoulos and Stephanie (Nik) Vojcic.
- 1-year Memorial for John Mezinis, father of Maria Mezinis, brother of Napoleon, Gus, and Greg Mezinis
- 14-year Memorial for Peggy (Pege) Kantis, mother of George (Maria) Kantis, Andrew Kantis, and Debbie Kantis
- 20-year Memorial for Sevasti (Susan) Kantis Poulis, mother of Ellie (Shawn) Wideman
- 39-year Memorial for Costa (Costandinos) Kantis, father of George (Maria) Kantis, Andy Kantis, and Debbie Kantis

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 25

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

Announcements

Coffee Hour is sponsored this week in memory of Van Evangelopoulos, Peggy Kantis, Susan Poulis, Costa Kantis, and John Mezinis.

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. Bishop Athanasios has requested \$5,000 to finish incomplete project. Please give donations to Assumption marked “Kisumu Well Project” by November 30th.

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 accepted. Larger sizes preferred. Please drop off coats in the Prison Ministry collection box located in the Narthex.

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. She 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!

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.

PanHellenic Scholarships: Forty undergraduate scholarships for high academic achievement are given to students of Hellenic descent. Applications are available online at www.panhellenicsf.org. The deadline is January 31, 2018.

Sunday Bulletin

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Απολυτίκιον Τῶν Πατέρων Ἦχος πλ. 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·
πολυεύσπλαγγνε, δόξα σοι.

Apolytikion For the Fathers. Mode pl. 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 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.

Third Sunday of Luke

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: Luke 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."



October 14 - Cosmas the Hagiopolite

Saint Cosmas was from the Holy City, Jerusalem, and was a contemporary and peer of Saint John of Damascus (Dec. 4), with whom also he was reared when, because of his orphanhood he was adopted by Sergius, Saint John's father, and with whom he had the same instructor. About the year 743, he was elected Bishop of Maiuma, a coastal city of Palestine, aforesaid under the jurisdiction of Gaza, with the name Port Gaza. During the reign of Saint Constantine the Great, it became a separate township and at that time was renamed Constantia, after Constantine, the son of the Emperor (see Sozomen, Eccl. Hist., V:3). Cosmas became an excellent hymnographer, from whence he is called "the Composer and Melodist," Among his many compositions are the Canon of the Cross (Sept. 14) and the Canon for the Nativity of Christ, "Christ is born, give ye glory."

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

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Oct 14: **Holy Fathers of the 7th Ecumenical Council**
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
12:00 pm Philoptochos Meeting
12:30 pm Kyklos Dance
- Monday, Oct 15: Hieromartyr Loukianos; Righteous Savinos
- Tuesday, Oct 16: Centurion Longinos; Righteous Malos
5:45 pm Greek School
6:30 pm Vespers
7:15 pm Youth Night
7:20 pm Bible Study
- Wednesday, Oct 17: Prophet Hosea; Righteous Martyr Andrew (Fast)
9:30 am Grief Share
2:00 pm Kafenio
7:00 pm Vigil for St. Luke in Columbia, MO
- Thursday, Oct 18: **Apostle and Evangelist Luke**
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
- Friday, Oct 19: Prophet Joel; Mnason of Cyprus (Fast)
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Oct 20: St. Gerasimos of Cephalonia; Great Martyr Artemios
9:30 am Little Angels/JOY (Infant - 4th grade & parents)
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm AOC (Adult Orthodox Christians at Pete and Joan Regopoulos)
- Sunday, Oct 21: St. Hilarion the Great; Sts. Theodota & Sokratis
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School
5:00 pm FOCUS Concert at St. Nicholas Church



In Our Prayers

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

“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 expectations: then all is justified and life is illumined, whereas otherwise it is an abomination and a burden.”

- *St Maria Skobtsova of Paris*