

## Memorials & Trisagia

### October 28

40-day Memorial for Mary Shomaly, mother of Ellen (Majed) Alyatim and Bassam Shomaly

1-year Memorial for Issa Shomaly, father of Ellen (Majed) Alyatim and Bassam Shomaly

3-month Memorial for Roman Mandrapa, son of Aleksandra Mandrapa

### 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 Τῆς Θεοτόκου.

Ἦχος α΄.

Τῆς Σκέπης σου Παρθένε, ἀνυμνοῦμεν  
τάς χαρίτας, ἦν ὡς φωτοφόρον νεφέλην,  
ἐφαπλοῖς ὑπὲρ ἔννοϊαν, καὶ σκέπεις τὸν  
λαόν σου νοερῶς, ἐκ πάσης τῶν ἐχθρῶν  
ἐπιβουλῆς. Σὲ γὰρ σκέπην καὶ προστάτιν  
καὶ βοηθόν, κεκτήμεθα βοῶντές σοι·  
Δόξα τοῖς μεγαλείοις σου Ἁγνή, δόξα τῇ  
θείᾳ Σκέπῃ σου, δόξα τῇ πρὸς ἡμᾶς σου,  
προμηθεΐᾳ Ἄχραντε.

### Apolytikion For the Theotokos.

Mode 1.

We sing the praise of the graces of  
your Protecting Veil, O Virgin, which like  
a light-bearing cloud you unfold beyond  
understanding, and you spiritually protect  
your people from every assault of their  
foe. For we have gained you as Protection  
and defender and helper, as we cry out to  
you: Glory to your mighty deeds, O Pure  
one; glory to your Protection; glory to your  
providence towards us, O Immaculate!

### 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.

## Seventh Sunday of Luke

### ***Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 6:11-18***

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

### ***Gospel Reading: Luke 8:41-56***

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.



## **October 28 - The Holy Protection of the Theotokos**

The Feast of the Protection commemorates the appearance of the most holy Theotokos in the Church of Blachernae in Constantinople in the tenth century, as recorded in the life of Saint Andrew the Fool for Christ's sake. While the multitudes of the faithful were gathered in church, Epiphanius, the friend of Saint Andrew, through the Saint's prayers, beheld the Virgin Mary above the faithful and spreading out her veil over them, signifying her unceasing protection of all Christians. Because of this we keep a yearly feast of gratitude, imploring our Lady never to cease sheltering us in her mighty prayers.

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 28:	<b><u>Protection of Theotokos</u></b> 8:30 am Orthros 9:45 am Divine Liturgy & Sunday School 11:15 am Blessing of the Artoklasia for the Feast Day of Philoptochos <b>12:00 pm Oxi Day Commemoration</b>
Monday, Oct 29:	St. Anastasia of Rome; Sts. Avramios & Mary
Tuesday, Oct 30	Martyr Zenobias; Martyr Zenobia 5:45 pm Greek School 6:30 pm Vespers 7:00 pm Youth Night 7:20 pm Bible Study
Wednesday, Oct 31:	Appostles Stachys, Apellos, Amplias, and Urban of the 70 (Fast) 9:30 am Grief Share 2:00 pm Kafenio
Thursday, Nov 1:	<b><u>Holy Unmercenaries Kosmas and Damianos</u></b> 9:00 am Orthos 10:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Women's Book study at the Ambort home
Friday, Nov 2:	Martyrs Akindynos, Pegasios & Aphthonios (Fast) 11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
Saturday, Nov 3:	Sts. Akepsimas & Joseph; Relics of St. George 5:00 pm Great Vespers
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



## **In Our Prayers**

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



Prayer is the seed of gentleness and the absence of anger... Prayer is a remedy against grief and depression... Whatever you have endured out of love of wisdom will bear fruit for you at the time of prayer... If you want to pray properly, do not let yourself be upset or you will run in vain.

–Abba Nilus