

Memorials & Trisagia

September 3

- 20-year Memorial for Eugenia Soldatos, mother of Sophia (Wayne) Flynn and Dean Soldatos
20-year Memorial for Anthony Soldatos, father of Sophia (Wayne) Flynn and Dean Soldatos

September 10

- 40-day Memorial for Marietta Potsos, mother of Maria (David) Wagner, Nicholas Potsos, and George Potsos
1-year Memorial for Elizabeth (Liz) Tsaoussis, daughter of Maria Tsaoussis, sister of Flora (Charlton) Dimitriou

September 17

- 40-day Memorial for Judge Ellis (Elias) Gregory, husband of Shirley Gregory and father of Carolyn (Jere) Reed
6-month Memorial for Mary Karaganis, mother of Julie (Mike) Barro

September 24

- 40-day Memorial for Angie (Angeliki Vangiani) Antonopoulos, wife of Peter Antonopoulos, mother of Louis (Meghan), and sister-in-law of Roberta Korfias

December 17

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

In Our Prayers:

Nora (Elaine) Bangert, Tom Dubis, Seraphima Henderson, Achilles Kirkou, Michael Labis, George and Janice (Ioanna) Paradissis, Elaine Scott, Despina Zeris.

September 3: The Holy Hieromartyr Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedia; Our Righteous Father Theoctistus, Fellow Ascetic of Saint Authymius the Great

After the death of the 20,000 Martyrs of Nicomedia (see Dec. 28), their Bishop Anthimus fled to a certain village to care for his remaining flock. The Emperor Maximian sent men in search of him. When they found him, he promised to show Anthimus to them, but first took them in as guests, fed them, and only then made himself known to them. Amazed at his kindness, the soldiers promised him to tell Maximian that they had not found him. But Anthimus went willingly with them, and converting them by his admonitions, baptized them on the way. He boldly confessed his Faith before Maximian, and after frightful tortures was beheaded in the year 303 or 304.

Saint Theoctistus, a monk at the Palestinian lavra of Pharan, embraced a more severe life in the wilderness with his friend Saint Euthymius the Great (see Jan. 20). They founded a monastery, of which Theoctistus was the abbot. He reposed in deep old age in 451.

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Ἀπολυτικίον τοῦ Ἱερομάρτυρος. Ἦχος δ΄

Καὶ τρόπον μέτοχος, καὶ θρόνων
διάδοχος, τῶν Ἀποστόλων γενόμενος, τὴν
πρᾶξιν εὗρες Θεόπνευστε, εἰς θεωρίας
ἐπίβασιν· διὰ τοῦτο τὸν λόγον τῆς ἀληθείας
ὀρθοτομῶν, καὶ τῇ πίστει ἐνήθλησας μέχρις
αἵματος, Ἱερομάρτυς Ἀνθιμῆ· πρέσβευε
Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Apolytikion for the Hieromartyr Mode 4

Becoming a partner with the Apostles
in way of life and successor to their thrones,
O God-inspired Saint, in the active life you
found an entrance to contemplation. Hence
you rightly expounded the word of truth,
and you shed your blood in struggling for
the faith, O Hieromartyr Anthimos. Intercede
with Christ our God, beseeching Him to save
our souls.

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.

13th Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 16:13-24

Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicos, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:33-42

The Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it is marvelous in our eyes?'"



Announcements

Air Conditioner: We purchased at badly needed new air conditioner for the Sunday School Hallway. The cost was \$39,200.00. 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. A \$5,000 matching fund has been offered to double donations up to that amount.

Presentation of the Virgin Mary Orthodox Monastery Patronal Feast: 28650 105th St., Weatherby, MO 64497. Friday, September 15 at 5:00 pm – Vespers; Saturday, September 16 at 8:00 am, Matins, Hours and Divine Liturgy followed by a Procession to the Trapeza for lunch and tour of the Monastery; Akathist, 6:00 pm – Great Vespers. Call (660) 749-5325 to RSVP.

Babysitter Needed: Alex and Amanda Alyatim are in need of a babysitter for their three and six-year old children in St. Charles. The hours are Saturday 6 - 11:00 pm. Please call the church office if you are interested at (314) 966-2255.

Mission Team-St. Louis and IOCC: Need new members. Please speak with Fr. Joseph.

Calendar of Events

- Sunday, Sept 3: Hieromartyr Anthimos; New Martyr Polydoros
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy
- Monday, Sept 4: Labor Day - Church Office Closed
Hieromartyr Babylas; Prophet Moses
- Tuesday, Sept 5: Prophet Zacharias; Martyr Medimnos
8:30 am Orthros
5:45 pm Greek School Opening Assembly
6:30 pm Vespers
- Wednesday, Sept 6: Miracle of Archangel Michael at Colassai (Fast)
8:30 am Orthros
2:00 pm Kafenio
- Thursday, Sept 7: Martyr Sozon; Hynographer Kassiane
8:30 am Orthros
7:00 pm Great Vespers at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church - Madison, IL
- Friday, Sept 8: **Nativity of the Theotokos** (Fish Allowed)
9:00 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy at Assumption and
10:00 am Divine Liturgy at Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church
11:00 am - 2:00 pm Friday Luncheon
- Saturday, Sept 9: The Holy and Righteous Ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna
5:00 pm Great Vespers
6:00 pm Philoptochos Paint Night
- Sunday, Sept 10: Martyrs Menodora, Metrodora, and Nymphodora
8:30 am Orthros
9:45 am Divine Liturgy, First Day of Sunday School with Procession



Acts of charity, almsgiving and all the external good works do not suppress the arrogance of the heart; but noetic meditation, the labor of repentance, contrition and humility--these humble the proud mind.

- Elder Joseph the Hesychast