



Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church

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Our Father and Chief Shepherd:

His Eminence,

Metropolitan NICHOLAS of Detroit

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MR. WILLIAM A. KALLAS, Pastoral Assistant

Welcome!

We are blessed that you have chosen to participate in our worship service and pray that you will be both enlightened and inspired. We encourage you to ask questions and please contact our ministry leaders if you would like to volunteer your time and talents. Thank You!

SUNDAY DIVINE SERVICES BEGIN AT 9:00am

NURSERY AVAILABLE AT 10:00am

GUIDELINES FOR HOLY COMMUNION

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist—the Lord's Supper—to be primarily the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our modern day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox faith. While we fervently pray for this unity, as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church, we must offer a reminder that only baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians may receive Holy Communion. All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the conclusion of our divine services.

Sunday, August 25th, 2019

THE 10th Sunday of Matthew

Epistle Reader: Ted Poplos

Homilist: Mr. William A. Kallas

Visitation Committee: Aug. 16-31

**Debie Bookas, Linda Nichols, &
Anne Schmitt**

HYMNS OF THE DAY

FIRST ANTIPHON

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name. (Psalm 102:1)

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you. (Psalm 102:2)

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His Kingdom rules over all. (Psalm 102:17)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

SECOND ANTIPHON

Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia.

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being. (Psalm 145:1-2)

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God. (Psalm 145:5)

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation (Psalm 145:10)

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit; both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

THIRD ANTIPHON

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION: FIRST MODE

GREEK TEXT: Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτὴρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε φιλόνητο.

GREEK PHONETICS: Tou lithou sfragisthentos epo ton Ioudaion ke stratioton filassonton to archranton sour Soma, anestis trimeros Soter, doroumenos to kosmo tin zoin, dia touto ai Denameis ton ouranon evoon soi zoodota. Doxa ti Anastasei sou Christe, doxa ti vasileia sou, doxa ti oikonomia sou, mone filanthrope.

ENGLISH TEXT: The stone before Your tomb had been sealed by the Jews; Soldiers stood on guard, keeping watch there beside Your most pure Body; but, Savior, in three days You did rise, bestowing unto all creation Life. Thus the powers of the Heavens cried out to You, for You are the Giver of Life. Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom. Glory to Your Dispensation, O God, Who alone loves mankind.

HYMNS OF THE DAY

APOLYTIKION FOR THE APOSTLES: THIRD MODE

Ἀπόστολοι Ἅγιοι, πρεσβεύσετε τῷ ἐλεήμονι Θεῷ, ἵνα πταισμάτων ἄφεσιν, παράσχη ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν.

O holy Apostles, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

APOLYTIKION FOR THE ANNUNCIATION: FOURTH MODE

GREEK TEXT: Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

GREEK PHONETICS: Simeron tis sotirias imon to kefaleon ke tu ap eonos mistiriu e fanerossis, o Ios to Theou, Ios tis Parthenu ginete ke Gavriil tin harin evangelizete. Thio ke e mis sin afto ti Theotoko voisomen, Haire ke haritomeni o Kirios meta Su.

ENGLISH TEXT: Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

KONTAKION: FOURTH MODE

Ἰωακεῖμ καὶ Ἄννα ὄνειδισμοῦ ἀτεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδὰμ καὶ Εὐά, ἐκ τῆς φθορᾶς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν, Ἄχραντε, ἐν τῇ ἀγία γεννήσει σου· αὐτὴν ἐορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαὸς σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν πταισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἡ στεῖρα τίκτει τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.

Both Joachim and Anna from their sterility's stigma, and Adam and Eve from their mortality's ruin have been set free, O immaculate Maid, by your holy nativity. For this do your people hold celebration, redeemed from the guilt of transgression as they cry to you, "The barren one bears the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life."

READINGS OF THE DAY

EPISTLE READING

Saint Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians (4:9-16)

Prokeimenon. First Mode. Psalm 32.

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us, as we hope in You.

Verse: Rejoice greatly in the Lord, O righteous ones; praise is fitting for the upright.

Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to Saint Matthew (17:14-23)

At that time, a man came up to Him and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

DURING THE WEEK

Sunday, August 25th (*Titus the Apostle of the 70, John the Cappadocian, Epiphanius & Menas*)

Fast Free Day

12:00pm—Junior GOYA Meeting (Grades 6th—8th)

Monday, August 26th (*Martyrs Adrian and Natalie, Righteous Father Joseph*)

Fast Free Day

6:30pm—YAL Professional Networking Event (at St. John's Antiochian Church)

Tuesday, August 27th (*Pimen the Great, Martyr Phanurius, Anthousa the Martyr*)

Fast Free Day

Library Open 10:00am—2:00pm

7:00pm—Parallel Love Movie (Malco Paradiso)

Wednesday, August 28th (*Moses the Black of Scete, Diomedes & Laurence the Martyrs*)

Strict Fast: Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs

5:00pm—Byzantine Chant Class

6:30pm—Bible Study

Thursday, August 29th (*Beheading of the Holy & Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John*)

Strict Fast: Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs

9:00am—Orthros/Divine Liturgy

Friday, August 30th (*Alexander, John, and Paul the New—Patriarchs of Constantinople*)

Strict Fast: Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs

Saturday, August 31st (*Cyprian the Hieromartyr & Bishop of Carthage*)

Fast Free Day

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES

2018 Parish Registry Statistics

Baptisms: 17 Chrismations: 10

Marriages: 5 Deaths: 9

2019 Parish Registry Statistics

Baptisms: 5 Chrismations: 1

Marriages: 3 Deaths: 1

YOUTH MINISTRY UPDATES

If your family has not registered for Sunday School or completed the waiver forms, please see our Pastoral Assistant after Divine Services to get registered today!

SENIOR GOYA—Our next meeting is scheduled for Sunday, September 1st following Sunday School classes.

JUNIOR GOYA—Any adult interested in being the advisor for our new Junior GOYA group (Grades 6th—8th), please contact our Pastoral Assistant for details! Our first Junior GOYA meeting will be held TODAY following Sunday School classes.

Basketball Court Update— Our parish recently purchased and installed a basketball hoop in the parking lot for our GOYAn's to practice their skills as we prepare for the 2020 Dayton GOYA Basketball Tournament during President's Day weekend!

All children in grades 6th-12th will be welcome to participate in this tournament. If you would like to help support our GOYA basketball team, please contact our GOYA advisors (Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Douglas).



Philoptochos News

Sunday, September 1st — Coffee Fellowship for

Ecclesiastical New Year

Sunday, September 8th—Parish Auxiliary Fair

Sunday, September 15th— 3:00pm More than a Meal

(Grace—St. Luke's Episcopal Church)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Young Adults

Saint John's Antiochian Orthodox Church will be offering a professional networking event on Monday, August 26th at 6:30pm. All Young Adults are invited!

SAVE THE DATE: The young adults of our parish are invited to the home of Michael & Kathy Zambelis for a BBQ & Brew! Please RSVP to Mrs. Kathy and indicate any food or drink you will be able to bring. We look forward to seeing you there!

Elpis

Join us on Saturday, August 24th at 8:00am as we run/walk a 5K to raise money for the Forrest Spend Fund. Be a part of our team, "AGOC." All are welcome to attend. Event begins at 8:00am at the Memphis Botanical Garden. There is a \$25 entry.

Byzantine Chant Classes

Byzantine Chant classes are back! Classes are scheduled on Wednesday's from 5:00pm till 6:30pm or by appointment. Classes can be arranged via FaceTime or Skype! Please contact our Pastoral Assistant for additional information. No experience necessary.

Parish Choir

We welcome ALL to choir rehearsals! No auditions, only your spirit and willingness to sing! Also, there is no obligation to sing in the loft; your voice can be useful in the congregation. Let us sing in praise and worship together! Rehearsals will be held on the following **Thursday: September 5th.**

Visitation Committee

There is a need for volunteers for all of September!

October 1-15: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

October 16-31: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

The following members of our parish have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.

Alec Collis

Niki Gikas

Maria Hetos

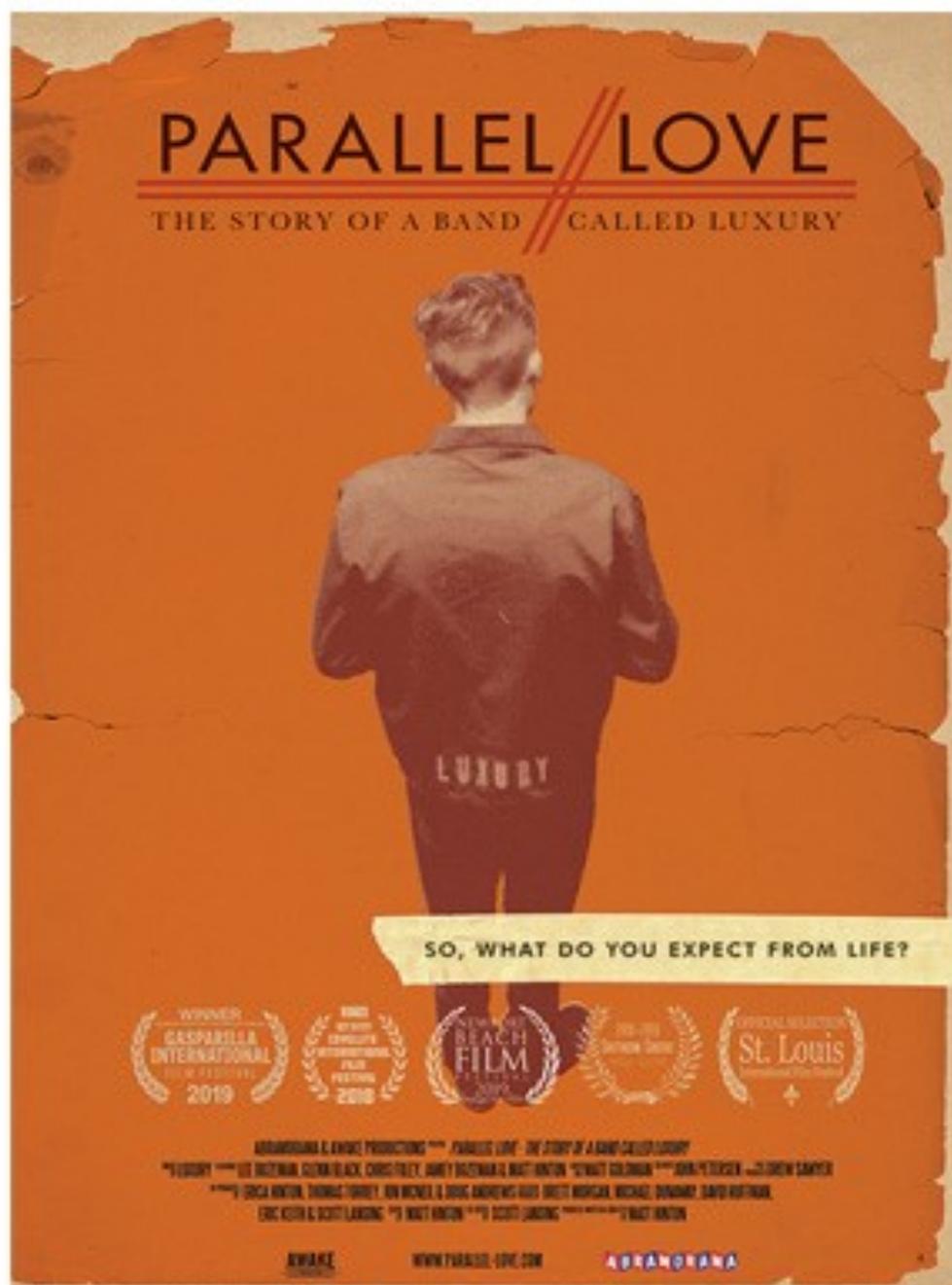
Stella Nichols

Kosta Taras

Georgia Smith

Jimmy Smith

(New visitation: **Angelo Pantos**)



PARALLEL LOVE:

THE STORY OF A BAND CALLED LUXURY

Showing at -

Malco Paradiso Cinema Grill and IMAX
on Tuesday, August 27th
7:00pm