

SUNDAY, AUGUST 9, 2015
10TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Tone

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate Body, You did arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to You, O Lifegiver: Glory to Your Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Apolytikion for Afterfeast of the Transfiguration in the Grave Tone

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples Your glory as each one could endure. Shine forth Yourself on us, who are sinners all, Your light ever-unending, through the prayers of the Theotokos. Light-bestower, glory be to You.

Hymn of the Annunciation in the First Tone

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, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

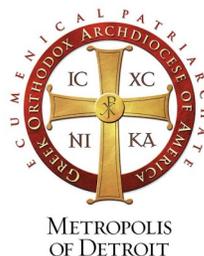
Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Grave Tone

You were transfigured upon the mount, O Christ our God, and Your disciples, in so far as they could bear, beheld Your glory. Thus, when they see You crucified, they may understand Your voluntary passion, and proclaim to the world that You are truly the effulgence of the Father.

DORMITION FAST THIS WEEK

Today we abstain from meat, dairy and fish with wine and oil permitted. Monday through Friday we observe a strict fast and abstain from meat, dairy, fish, wine and oil. Saturday, on the Dormition of the Theotokos, we will be Fast Free.



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We welcome you to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and are blessed that you have come to our worship service. We hope that this worship experience is both enlightening and inspirational. Each Sunday is the day in which we commemorate the Resurrection of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are a visitor to our Parish we encourage you to follow the Divine Liturgy book to assist you in following the Liturgy. Please understand that the Christian Orthodox Church does not practice inter-communion with other Christian denominations. Though we may share a common belief in the Holy Trinity, our churches are not yet one in faith and practice. We believe that Holy Communion is not the means to Christian unity but it is in fact the fullest expression of that unity. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every divine service of the Orthodox Church. Please do not approach for Holy Communion if you are not a baptized/chrisdated Orthodox Christian. Feel free to contact Father Simon if you desire to learn more about the Christian Orthodox Church, the Church of the New Testament.

We would like to remind all Orthodox Christians to be spiritually prepared and in proper canonical standing with the Church in order to partake of the Holy Eucharist.

THE LIVES OF THE SAINTS

On this the 9th day of the month of August, we commemorate: the Holy Apostle Matthias, Anthony the Martyr of Alexandria and the Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

By their holy intercessions, O Christ our God, have mercy on us. Amen.

EPISTLE READING - 1 CORINTHIANS 4:9-16

For I think that 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 offscouring 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.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

Sunday August 9

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30am - 12noon**
- ◆ **Sunday School Registration for New Students - See Anna Paris in Cotros Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy**

Monday August 10

- ◆ **Paraklesis (Supplication) Service 6:30pm**

Wednesday, August 12

- ◆ **Paraklesis (Supplication) Service 6:30pm**

Friday, August 14

- ◆ **Great Vespers 6:30pm**

Saturday, August 15 - Feast of the Dormition

- ◆ **Orthros 8:00am; Divine Liturgy Following**
- ◆ **Elpis Summer Picnic 5:00pm**

Sunday, August 16

- ◆ **Orthros 8:45am; Divine Liturgy following**
- ◆ **Blessing of the 5 Loaves**
- ◆ **Nursery Available 9:30am - 12noon**
- ◆ **First Day of Sunday School/Blessing of the Students**
- ◆ **Coffee Hour for Dormition Sunday**
- ◆ **GOYA Kick-Off**
- ◆ **More Than A Meal 3:00pm**

GOSPEL READING - MATTHEW 17:14-23

And when they came to the crowd, 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 from here to there,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you." 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." And they were greatly distressed.

THIS WEEK'S SERVERS

Epistle Reader: Paul Vieron

Prosforo: Enosis Touliatos

Usher Duty Team 6: Maria Moore & Peter Melonas

Greeters: Theodore Vergos & Nick Argol

Coffee Hour:

The Coffee Hour sign up for 3rd quarter still has several openings, including but not limited to the following:

September 6	September 20	October 4	October 18
September 13	September 27	October 11	October 25

Please consider serving your parish in this way. We are also looking for a coffee hour coordinator. Please contact Father Simon if interested.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- ◆ **Friends of the Metropolis:** Please give prayerful thought to your donation to Friends of the Metropolis this year. Informational flyers can be found in the Narthex. You can also visit the Friends website at detroit.goarch.org/ministries/friends.

REQUESTING PRAYERS

- ◆ Angelo Liollo
- ◆ Eleni Holland
- ◆ Lorrie Tingle
- ◆ Nikita

PARISH ACTIVITIES

- ◆ **Memphis Redbirds Time!** - Saturday August 22nd. \$16/tkt - See Nick Fox on Sunday in Cotros Hall to purchase tickets.
- ◆ **ELPIS Summer Picnic** Saturday August 15th - Annual Summer Party at the home of Ted & Stephanie Poplos. See email from Cyndi Dety for more details.
- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting** - Monday August 17th 6:30pm