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# ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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Rev. Father Simon Thomas, Parish Priest

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**Sunday, October 8,  
2017**

St. Pelagia the Righteous

**Holy Bread**

Enosis Touliatos

**Ushers**

Endy Carter & Vasili Semos

**Greeters**

**Epistle Reader**

Kathy Zambelis

**Coffee Fellowship**

Coffee will be available in Cotros Hall following Divine Liturgy

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate 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 attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

## First Antiphon

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*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

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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

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Apolytikion of the Sunday

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.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

# Resurrectional Apolytikion

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*Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the First Mode*

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.

# Hymn for Righteous Pelagia

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*Sung after the hymn above in the Eighth Mode*

In you the image was preserved with exactness, O Mother; for taking up your cross, you did follow Christ, and by your deeds you did teach us to overlook the flesh, for it passes away, but to attend to the soul since it is immortal. Wherefore, O righteous Pelagia, your spirit rejoices with the Angels.

# Hymn of the Annunciation

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*Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode*

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

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*Sung after the hymn above in the Second Mode*

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto you: Hasten to intercession and speed you to make supplication, O you who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor you.

**Sunday, Oct 8, 2017**

St. Pelagia the Righteous

St. Pelagia of Antioch

**Monday, Oct 9, 2017**

St. James the son of Alphaeus

St. Andronicus & Athanasia of Egypt

**Tuesday, Oct 10, 2017**

St. Eulampios & Eulampia

St. Theophilus the Confessor

**Wednesday, Oct 11, 2017**

St. Philip the apostle of the 70

St. Theophanes, Bishop of Nicaea

**Thursday, Oct 12, 2017**

St. Symeon the New Theologian

Sts. Provos, Andronicus, & Tarachos

**Friday, Oct 13, 2017**

Sts. Carpos, Papylos, Agathodoros, & Agathoniki,

St. Benjamin the Deacon

**Saturday, Oct 14, 2017**

Sts. Nazarios, Gervasios, Protasios, & Celsius

St. Kosmas the Hagiopoli-  
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## Epistle: II Corinthians 9:6-11

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**Prokeimenon. Mode 1.**

**Psalm 32.22,1**

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the  
Corinthians 9:6-11

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

**Sunday, Oct 8, 2017**

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

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**Tuesday, Oct 10, 2017**

Fast Free Day (No fasting restrictions)

**Wednesday, Oct 11, 2017**

Strict Fast Day (Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.)

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## **Gospel: Luke 7:11-16**

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At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

# Visitation Committee

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**October:** Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

**November:** Connie Cotros, Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

**December:** Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

**January:** Nancy Tashie, Jan Futris & Tina Liollo

**February:** Vicki Hoover & Family

**March:** Linda Nichols & Anne Schmitt

**April:** Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

**May:** Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, Emily Capadalis Love, Georgia Karris

**June:** Despina Karas & Angela Tobias

**July:** Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

**August:** Stephanie Poplos & Friend

**September:** Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

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

Alec Collis

Diana Mazas

Kosta Taras

Larkin Griffin

Stella Nichols

***Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2018-2019 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.***

# Announcements

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- ◆ **Coffee Fellowship** hosted by Elpis & DOP in memory of Presvytera Bess Vieron, Sunday, 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **DOP General Meeting**, Sunday, October 8th, 12:00 Noon in the Library
- ◆ **Office will be closed for Columbus Day, October 9th.**
- ◆ **Library Open**, Tuesday, October 10th 10:00 am—2:00 pm
- ◆ **Elpis Board Meeting**, Tuesday, October 10th, 6:30 pm in the Library
- ◆ **Bible Study**, Wednesday, October 11th 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **JOY Event**, Saturday, October 14th, 1:00 pm at Cedar Hill Pumpkin Patch in Hernando, MS. Joy Families please check your emails for final details.
- ◆ **DOP Cooking & Hall Set up for Sunday Breakfast**, Saturday, October 14th at 10:00 am in Cotros Hall & Kitchen
- ◆ **DOP Community Breakfast**, Sunday, October 15th, 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- ◆ **More Than a Meal Cooking & Serving Teams**, Sunday, October 15th, 3:00 pm at Grace -St. Luke's
- ◆ **Parish Council Meeting**, Monday, October 16th, 6:15 pm in the Library
- ◆ **St. George Orthodox Church invites us to a public talk from the Very Rev. Dr. Chad Hatfield**, President of St. Vladimir's Orthodox Theological Seminary.  
Topic: Orthodoxy & Evangelism. Monday, October 16th at 7:00 pm at St. George Orthodox Church, 6984 Hwy 70, Bartlett, TN 38133
- ◆ **School Kit Drive for the Children in Greece.** Sponsored by Elpis Philoptochos & the International Orthodox Christian Charities  
During the month of October, there will be a table set up in Cotros Hall for supply drop off. For more information visit the table, check the Annunciation Facebook page or see the October Epistle.
- ◆ **Make a Difference Month October 2017**  
We salute the Brave Men & Women who fearlessly serve our country. We invite members of our community to create homemade "Thank You" cards for soldiers and veterans hospitalized in the Memphis Area VA Hospital. All are welcome to participate.  
Drop-off boxes will be placed in the upstairs Sunday School Hallway as well as Cotros Hall. Please drop off your cards anytime in October. WE will deliver them to the hospital in time for Veterans Day. - sponsored by ELPIS Philoptochos.
- ◆ **Directory Picture Review**  
Please stop by the table in Cotros Hall on Sunday to review and select your photos for the Directory. You will have an opportunity for each of the next two Sundays, October 8, & 15. If you do not pick one, a photo will be selected for you. If you didn't have a picture made and would like to add your own to the directory, please submit a hi-res copy to the office by October 15th.

# Weekly Schedule

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## **Sunday, October 8th, Third Sunday of Luke**

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† 40 Day Memorial for Presvytera Bess Vieron

† Nursery Open 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by Elpis & DOP in memory of Presvytera Bess Vieron

† Bring School Supplies for Elpis/IOCC School Kit Drive for Children in Greece.  
Please drop off at Table in Cotros Hall.

† Daughters of Penelope General Meeting 12:00 Noon in Library

† Review Directory Pictures in Cotros Hall after Divine Liturgy.

## **Monday, October 9th Columbus Day**

† **Office Closed**

## **Tuesday, October 10th**

† Library Open, 11:00 am—1:00 pm

† Elpis Board Meeting 6:30 pm in Library

## **Wednesday, October 11th**

† Bible Study 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall

## **Saturday, October 14th**

† DOP Cooking & Hall Setup for Sunday Breakfast 10:00 am

† JOY Outing to Cedar Hill Pumpkin Patch in Hernando, MS 1:00 pm

## **Sunday, October 15th, Sunday of the Seventh Ecumenical Council Leadership 100 Sunday**

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Nursery Open 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† DOP Community Breakfast in Cotros Hall following Divine Liturgy

† More Than a Meal Cooking & Serving Teams 3:00 pm at Grace-St.Luke's

+ Review Directory Pictures in Cotros Hall after Divine Liturgy. **\*\*LAST DAY\*\***