



# ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, July 29,  
2018**

Ninth Sunday of Mat-  
thew

**Holy Bread**

Enosis Touliatos

**Ushers**

Demie Bitinis

Diane Kavelaras

Naji Nassif

**Epistle Reader**

Scott McKee

**Coffee Fellowship**

Dedicated to the In-  
ternational Orthodox  
Christian Charities  
(IOCC)

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 Eighth Mode*

From on high did You descend, O Compassionate One; to burial of three days have You submitted that You might free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to You.

## **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 Grave Mode*

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.

**Sunday, July 29, 2018**

St. Kallinikos of Asia Minor  
St. Theodote & her Children

**Monday, July 30, 2018**

Sts. Silas & Silvanos of the 70  
St. Julitta of Caesaria

**Tuesday, July 31, 2018**

Forefeast of the Precious Cross  
St. Joseph of Arimathea

**Wednesday, August 1, 2018**

The Procession of the Cross  
The Holy Seven Maccabee Children, Solomon  
Their Mother & St. Eleazar, their Teacher

**Thursday, August 2, 2018**

Translation of the Relics of St. Stephen the Protomartyr  
St. Theodore of the Dardanelles

**Friday, August 3, 2018**

Sts. Isaacius, Dalmatus, & Faustus  
St. Salome, the Myrrhbearer

**Saturday, August 4, 2018**

The Seven Holy Youths of Ephesus

## Epistle: 1 Corinthians 3:9-17

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**Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4.  
Psalm 75.11,1**

Make your vows to the Lord our God  
and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah;  
his name is great in Israel.

**The reading is from  
St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:9-17**

Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw - each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

**Sunday, July 29, 2018**

**Today is Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

**Monday, July 30, 2018**

**Today is Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

**Tuesday, July 31, 2018**

**Today is Fast Free** | No fasting restrictions.

**Wednesday, August 1, 2018**

**Strict Fast** | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

**Thursday, August 2, 2018**

**Strict Fast** | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

**Friday, August 3, 2018**

**Strict Fast** | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

**Saturday, August 4, 2018**

**Fast Day (Wine and Oil Allowed)** | Wine and oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.

## **Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34**

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At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying "Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

# Visitation Committee

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**August:** Elaine Daniels & Friend

**September:** Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

**October:** Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

**November:** Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

**December:** Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

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

**February:** Vicki Hoover & Evangelina Panas

**March:** Linda Nichols, Anne Schmitt, & Debbie Bookas

**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

**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  
Maria Hetos

Stella Nichols  
Kosta Taras

Georgia Smith  
Jimmy Smith

***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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## ◆ **Fall Sunday School Information**

The first day of Sunday School for the Fall Sessions will be August 12th. Sunday School Registration will be held on Sundays, July 29th & August 5th in Cotros Hall.

## ◆ **Library Summer Hours**

The library is open all summer long 10:00 am—2:00 pm every Tuesday. Please take some time during a lunch break to stop by for a quiet place to read or contemplate. We also have a great Children's Section.

## ◆ **Looking for Books.**

If you have previously checked out a book from the library and have finished it, we encourage you to bring it back in and check out another gem to read. You can drop the book off during the week at the office, Tuesday's during library hours, and even after service, just give them to Billy Benson.

## ◆ **Parish Directory**

The new directory is available on Sundays & in the Church Office. This will be something we can update on a regular basis. Please pick one up and take a look at the make-up of our Parish. We are accepting a recommended donation of \$5 to help offset the costs, but this is not obligatory.

## ◆ **Supplication Services 6:30 pm—7:30 pm**

- ◆ Wednesday, August 1
- ◆ Friday, August 3
- ◆ Monday, August 6
- ◆ Wednesday, August 8
- ◆ Friday, August 10
- ◆ Monday, August 13

## ◆ **Water & Hydration for our First Responders at Tillman Police Station & Fire Station # 17**

We will be collecting bottles water, Gatorade, Powerade, etc. for the next few weeks during this hot summer. You can drop donations off at the designated table in Cotros Hall any time the church is open.

# Weekly Schedule

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## **Sunday, July 29th, Ninth Sunday of Matthew**

- † Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am
- † Nursery Available 10:00 am
- † Coffee Fellowship dedicated to the IOCC
- † Sunday School Registration 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall

## **Wednesday, August 1st, Small Paraclesis**

- † Dormition Fast Begins
- † Supplication Service 6:30 pm

## **Friday, August 3rd, Small Paraclesis**

- † Supplication Service 6:30 pm

## **Sunday, August 5th, Tenth Sunday of Matthew**

- † Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am
- † Nursery Available 10:00 am
- † Coffee Fellowship hosted by DOP 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall
- † Sunday School Registration 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall

## **Monday, August 6th, Feast of the Transfiguration**

- † Orthros 9:00 am
- † Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
- † Supplication Service 6:30 pm

## **Supplication Services 6:30 pm—7:30 pm**

- † Wednesday, August 8
- † Friday, August 10
- † Monday, August 13