



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, August 26,
2018**

Thirteenth Sunday
of Matthew

Holy Bread

Enosis Touliatos

Ushers

Demie Bitinis

Diane Kavelaras

Naji Nassif

Epistle Reader

Scott McKee

Coffee Fellowship

Hosted by DOP for
St. Phanourios

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

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

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

Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the Fourth Mode

Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the Angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples of the Lord spake to the Apostles exultantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy to the world.

Hymn for Martyrs Adrian & Natalie

Sung after the hymn above in the Third Mode

You did deem that Faith which has salvation to be riches never lost or plundered. You forsook your fathers' impiety, and you did follow your Master, becoming rich in His divine gifts, O glorious Adrian. With the godly-minded Natalie, who emboldened you, entreat Christ God, O Martyr, that our souls be saved.

Hymn of the Annunciation

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

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

In your holy birth, Immaculate One, Joachim and Anna were rid of the shame of childlessness; Adam and Eve of the corruption of death. And so your people, free of the guilt of their sins, celebrate crying: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos, who nourishes our life."

Sunday, August 26, 2018

Sts. Adrian, Natalia & 33

Companions

St. Joseph the Righteous

Monday, August 27, 2018

St. Poimen the Great

St. Phanourious the Great

Martyr

Tuesday, August 28, 2018

St. Moses the Black of

Scete

Sts. Diomedes & Lau-

rence

**Wednesday, August 29,
2018**

The Beheading of the
Forerunner, St. John the
Baptist

St. Theodora of Thessalo-
niki

Thursday, August 30, 2018

Sts. Alexander, John &
Paul, the New Patriarchs
of Constantinople

Friday, August 31, 2018

Honorable St. Sash of The-
otokos

St. Cyprian, Bishop of Car-
thage

**Saturday, September 1,
2018**

The Return of the body of
Bartholomew

St. Titus of the 70

Epistle: 1 Corinthians 16: 13-24

Prokeimenon. Fourth Tone. Psalm 103.24,1.

○ Lord, how manifold are your works. You have
made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

**The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corin-
thians 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.

Sunday, August 26, **Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42**

Today is Fast Free | No fasting restrictions.

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Wednesday, August 29, 2018

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

Thursday, August 30, 2018

Today is Fast Free | No fasting restrictions.

Friday, August 31, 2018

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

Saturday, September 1, 2018

Today is Fast Free | No fasting restrictions.

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?'"

Visitation Committee

August: Elaine Daniels & Maria Wasserman

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

- ◆ **St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund Presentation Coffee Fellowship & Presentation after the Liturgy, Sunday, August 26 in Cotros Hall.**

Annunciation invites you to attend a presentation by Peter & Sharon Georges representing the St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund. Come & learn about this exciting Orthodox ministry to AIDS orphans and vulnerable children in the slums of Kampala, Uganda. Pete & Sharon will share their experiences from more than sixteen years serving in Uganda and provide a colorful and inspiring update on the current work of the Children's Fund.

- ◆ **Parish Auxiliary Fair, Sunday, September 9th**

Please watch for details.

- ◆ **St. Photios Greek Orthodox Shrine Annual Essay Contest**

The St. Photios Foundation, Inc. invites all 13-19 year olds to submit a 1,000 word essay to the St. Photios Essay Committee for the Annual Essay Contest. Prizes are awarded to the top three essays: 1st Place: \$500/2nd Place \$250/3rd Place \$100. For more information, please visit the website at <http://stphotios.org/assets/files/2018-19%20Essay%20Contest.pdf>.

- ◆ **Father Simon's Weekly Bible Study** has resumed for the Fall Session. We meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall. You are welcome to bring pot-luck to share with the group.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, August 26th, Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† Blessing of the Phanouropita

† Nursery Available 10:00 am

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† DOP Coffee Fellowship for St. Phanourios hosted by DOP 12:00 pm in Cotros Hall

† St. Nicholas Uganda Children's Fund Presentation 12:00 Noon in Cotros Hall

Tuesday, August 28th

Library Open 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Wednesday, August 29th, Beheading of St. John the Baptist

† Orthros 9:00 am

† Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

† Bible Study, 6:30 pm in Cotros Hall

September 1st, Ecclesiastical New Year

† Orthros 9:00 am

† Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

September 2nd, Fourteenth Sunday of Matthew

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† One Year Memorial for Presvytera Bess Vieron

† Nursery Available 10:00 am

† Sunday School 11:00 am

† Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Vieron family for the 1 Year Memorial of Presvytera Bess Vieron