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May 18, 2025 - Sunday of the Samaritan Woman



Χριστὸς Ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς Ἀνέστη!
Christ is Risen! Truly He has Risen!



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TODAY WE COMMEMORATE...

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman, Holy Martyrs: Peter, Dionysius, Andrew, Paul, Christina, Heraclius, Paulinus and Benedimus, Stephen I, Patriarch of Constantinople, Julian the Martyr, Euphrasia the Martyr of Nicea

COFFEE HOUR...

All visitors and guests are encouraged to come to Coffee Hour so we may welcome you!

Coffee Hour is hosted by the families of Dionysia Psychogios and Katerina Episkopou



MAY THE LORD REMEMBER...

Memorials for today, Sunday, May 18, 2025

Memorial for Nasra Issa Rabadi, 40-Day Memorial for Katerina Episkopou, One-Year Memorial for Paula Sarrey, One-Year Memorial for Hisham Rabadi, and 3-Year Memorial for Dionysia Psychogios
 May their memory be eternal!



WE REMEMBER IN OUR PRAYERS

Please pray for your brothers and sisters in Christ at today's Divine Liturgy and throughout the week.

Anastasia Arvanetes – Avondale Woods Dublin
 Vicky Constantinidis-Gardikes – Recovering at home
 Theo Epitropoulos – Recovering at home
 Helen Gardikes – Willow Brook Christian Home Lazelle Rd.
 Minnie Kargiotis – Recovering at home
 Shirley Karageorge – Recovering at home

Dr. John Passias – New Albany Care Center
 Nicoletta Potter – (granddaughter of Karen Kontras) At home.
 Rev. Fr. John Stavropoulos – Recovering at home
 Helen Tornik – Mayfair Village – Columbus
 Mother Theadelphi

If you would like the priest to visit a friend or family member, or if you would like your name (or the name of a loved one) added to this list, please contact the Cathedral Office.

WELCOME TO THE ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL!

We are so happy that you are worshipping with us today! If you are visiting, please fill out a "Visitor Information Card," located in the Narthex, and give it to a Parish Council member at the candle stand in the Narthex. If you are an Orthodox Christian new to the Columbus area, or if you would like to know more about becoming an Orthodox Christian, please introduce yourself to one of the priests who would be most happy to meet with you and discuss membership in our Cathedral. It is our desire that you make the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral your spiritual home! May God richly bless you and your family!

FOR THE RECEPTION OF HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome all Christians not fully united with us. It is a consequence of the sad divisions of Christianity that we cannot extend to all a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is an action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness in faith, life, and worship. Reception of the Eucharist by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist and for which we must all pray.

DIVINE LITURGY BOOK

There are additions that are used in a monastery, but not necessarily in a parish church. Please refer to the following instructions:

- The variable Small Entrance hymns (next page) are sung on Page 13.
- After the Gospel reading on Page 19, go to Page 29.
- On Page 51-53, skip the petitions that are in red.
- After Page 57, skip to Page 61 (60-61). Note the word change and addition to the pre-communion prayer.

Thanksgiving prayers start on Page 73.

*****IMPORTANT – HOLY COMMUNION INFORMATION*****

Release of the Pews for Holy Communion

As you know quite a few people receive Holy Communion on Sunday morning (glory to God). Do not be in a rush. There is plenty for everyone. It takes a while, but we can shorten the time with the following instructions. Please approach in the following order as instructed by the parish council member on duty. If you have a special need or circumstance, they will let you in the line as appropriate:

Order to Receive Holy Communion

1. Newly Baptized and Christmated Orthodox Christians as well as young families with children approach the altar first.
2. Persons with special needs.
3. Any child and teacher attending church school - Let the parish council person know when you approach the aisle for Holy Communion and they will guide you to get in line.
4. Parish council would then release pew by pew starting with the front pew and work our way back.
5. When the choir is singing - The choir and people coming down from the choir loft with the choir should approach down the middle aisle. Two members of the parish council who will be releasing the pews will instruct the choir to feed into the existing line. Once the choir and persons from the loft have fed through the line, the PC will continue to let the rows of pews out through the middle aisle.
6. When the choir is not singing - PC will release pew by pew. People in the loft should wait with others in the narthex until the PC releases you to come down the middle aisle.
7. Parish Council is trying to help - Two members of the parish council will release the pews and two members of the PC will be up front by the first pews to keep the line moving by pointing the communicants to get in line towards a chalice. Many times people are waiting in the middle aisle by the front pew until a chalice is open. Please keep the flow moving and get in line towards the intended chalice immediately. (If you have a special need or circumstance, please let a PC member know when you approach the middle aisle and they will guide you to get in line. Otherwise, we thank you for your patience and prayers.).

How do I receive Holy Communion?

Approach in silence and prayer. You can do a prostration before you approach or the sign of the Cross. Important - please put the cloth under your chin so nothing falls. Come close to the chalice. Look up and open your mouth wide. Do not look down. Do not move your head or back it away. Do not move your mouth. We do not want anything to fall. Either close your mouth when you receive it immediately or keep it wide open and it will be dropped into your mouth. After receiving, dab your lips with the cloth and move away from the chalice slowly so you do not hit it. As you walk away, do the sign of the Cross, and give glory to God.

Hymns for This Morning

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον
πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζωὴν
χαρισάμενος.

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down
upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted
life.

Entrance Hymn, Mode 2

Ἐν ἐκκλησίαις εὐλογεῖτε τὸν Θεόν, Κύριον ἐκ
πηγῶν Ἰσραήλ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς
ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλουῖα.

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains
of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead,
We sing to You, Alleluia.

Resurrectional Apolytikion, Mode 4

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ
Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ
τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορῥίψασαι, τοῖς
Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ
θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ
κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from
the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and
had rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to
the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled,
Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the
world.

Apolytikion of the Feast, Mode pl. 4

Μεσοῦσης τῆς ἐορτῆς, διψῶσάν μου τὴν ψυχὴν,
εὐσεβείας πότισον νάματα· ὅτι πᾶσι Σωτὴρ
ἐβόησας· Ὁ διψῶν, ἐρχέσθω πρὸς με καὶ πινέτω.
Ἡ πηγὴ τῆς ζωῆς, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, δόξα σοι.

O Lord, midway through the feast, give drink to my
thirsty soul from the living waters of right belief. You, O
Savior, proclaimed to everyone, "Let whoever is thirsty
come to Me and drink." You are the fountain of life, O
Christ our God. Glory to You!

Today is the Summary of Our Salvation,

Mode 4

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ Κεφάλαιον, καὶ
τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος Μυστηρίου ἢ 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.

Today is the summary of our salvation, and the
manifestation of the age-old mystery. For the Son of
God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and the good news
of grace does Gabriel Annunciate. Therefore, together
with him, to the Theotokos let us cry aloud: "Rejoice, O
Maiden full of grace, the Lord is with you."

Kontakion of Pascha, Mode pl. 4

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ
ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς
νικητής, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ Μυροφόροις
φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις
εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων
ἀνάστασιν.

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One,
yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You
rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out
"Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace
to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant
resurrection.

THE EPISTLE READING

ΠΡΟΚΕΙΜΕΝΟΝ

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 103.24,1

Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου Κύριε, πάντα
ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.

Στίχ. Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου τὸν Κύριον.

Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων 11:19-30

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκεῖναις, διασπαρέντες οἱ Ἀπόστολοι ἀπὸ τῆς θλίψεως τῆς γενομένης ἐπὶ Στεφάνῳ διῆλθον ἕως Φοινίκης καὶ Κύπρου καὶ Ἀντιοχείας, μηδενὶ λαλοῦντες τὸν λόγον εἰ μὴ μόνον Ἰουδαίοις. Ἦσαν δὲ τινες ἐξ αὐτῶν ἄνδρες Κύπριοι καὶ Κυρηναῖοι, οἵτινες εἰσελθόντες εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν, ἐλάλουν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑλληνιστάς, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν. Καὶ ἦν χεὶρ κυρίου μετ' αὐτῶν· πολὺς τε ἀριθμὸς πιστεύσας ἐπέστρεψεν ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον. Ἠκούσθη δὲ ὁ λόγος εἰς τὰ ὦτα τῆς ἐκκλησίας τῆς ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις περὶ αὐτῶν· καὶ ἐξαπέστειλαν Βαρνάβαν διελθεῖν ἕως Ἀντιοχείας· ὃς παραγενόμενος καὶ ἰδὼν τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ ἐχάρη, καὶ παρεκάλει πάντας τῇ προθέσει τῆς καρδίας προσμένειν τῷ κυρίῳ· ὅτι ἦν ἀνὴρ ἀγαθὸς καὶ πλήρης πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ πίστεως· καὶ προσετέθη ὄχλος ἰκανὸς τῷ κυρίῳ. Ἐξῆλθεν δὲ εἰς Ταρσὸν ὁ Βαρνάβας ἀναζητῆσαι Σαῦλον, καὶ εὗρὼν ἤγαγεν αὐτὸν εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἐγένετο δὲ αὐτοὺς ἐνιαυτὸν ὅλον συναχθῆναι τῇ ἐκκλησίᾳ καὶ διδάξαι ὄχλον ἰκανόν, χρηματίσαι τε πρῶτον ἐν Ἀντιοχείᾳ τοὺς μαθητὰς Χριστιανούς. Ἐν ταύταις δὲ ταῖς ἡμέραις κατῆλθον ἀπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων προφῆται εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἀναστὰς δὲ εἷς ἐξ αὐτῶν ὀνόματι Ἄγαβος, ἐσήμανεν διὰ τοῦ πνεύματος λιμὸν μέγαν μέλλειν ἔσσεσθαι ἐφ' ὅλην τὴν οἰκουμένην· ὅστις καὶ ἐγένετο ἐπὶ Κλαυδίου Καίσαρος. Τῶν δὲ μαθητῶν καθὼς εὐπορεῖτό τις, ὥρισαν ἕκαστος αὐτῶν εἰς διακονίαν πέμψαι τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ἀδελφοῖς· ὁ καὶ ἐποίησαν, ἀποστείλαντες πρὸς τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους διὰ χειρὸς Βαρνάβα καὶ Σαύλου.

ΠΡΟΚΕΙΜΕΝΟΝ

PSALM 103.24,1

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

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30

In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, everyone according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea, and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

THE PROCLAMATION OF THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Gospel According to John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 4:5-42

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἔρχεται ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς πόλιν τῆς Σαμαρείας λεγομένην Συχάρ, πλησίον τοῦ χωρίου ὃ ἔδωκεν Ἰακώβ Ἰωσήφ τῷ υἱῷ αὐτοῦ· ἦν δὲ ἐκεῖ πηγή τοῦ Ἰακώβ. Ὁ οὖν Ἰησοῦς κεκοπιακῶς ἐκ τῆς ὁδοιπορίας ἐκαθέζετο οὕτως ἐπὶ τῇ πηγῇ· ὥρα ἦν ὥσει ἕκτη.

Ἐρχεται γυνὴ ἐκ τῆς Σαμαρείας ἀντλησάτις ὕδωρ. Λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· δός μοι πιεῖν. Οἱ γὰρ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἀπεληλύθεισαν εἰς τὴν πόλιν ἵνα τροφὰς ἀγοράσωσι. Λέγει οὖν αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ ἡ Σαμαρεῖτις· Πῶς σὺ Ἰουδαῖος ὢν παρ' ἐμοῦ πιεῖν αἰτεῖς, οὐσης γυναικὸς Σαμαρεῖτιδος; Οὐ γὰρ συγχρῶνται Ἰουδαῖοι Σαμαρεῖταις. Ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· Εἰ ἤδεις τὴν δωρεάν τοῦ Θεοῦ, καὶ τίς ἐστὶν ὁ λέγων σοι, δός μοι πιεῖν, σὺ ἂν ἠτήσας αὐτόν, καὶ ἔδωκεν ἄν σοι ὕδωρ ζῶν. Λέγει αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ· Κύριε, οὔτε ἀντλημα ἔχεις, καὶ τὸ φρέαρ ἐστὶ βαθύ· πόθεν οὖν ἔχεις τὸ ὕδωρ τὸ ζῶν; Μὴ σὺ μείζων εἶ τοῦ πατρὸς ἡμῶν Ἰακώβ, ὃς ἔδωκεν ἡμῖν τὸ φρέαρ, καὶ αὐτὸς ἐξ αὐτοῦ ἔπιε καὶ οἱ υἱοὶ αὐτοῦ καὶ τὰ θρέμματα αὐτοῦ; Ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· Πᾶς ὁ πίνων ἐκ τοῦ ὕδατος τούτου διψήσει πάλιν· ὃς δ' ἂν πῖνῃ ἐκ τοῦ ὕδατος οὗ ἐγὼ δώσω αὐτῷ, οὐ μὴ διψήσει εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα, ἀλλὰ τὸ ὕδωρ ὃ δώσω αὐτῷ, γενήσεται ἐν αὐτῷ πηγὴ ὕδατος ἀλλομένου εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον. Λέγει πρὸς αὐτόν ἡ γυνὴ· Κύριε, δός μοι τοῦτο τὸ ὕδωρ, ἵνα μὴ διψῶ μηδὲ ἔρχομαι ἐνθάδε ἀντλεῖν.

Λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ὑπαγε φώνησον τὸν ἄνδρα σου καὶ ἐλθὲ ἐνθάδε. Ἀπεκρίθη ἡ γυνὴ καὶ εἶπεν· Οὐκ ἔχω ἄνδρα. Λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Καλῶς εἶπας ὅτι ἄνδρα οὐκ ἔχω· πέντε γὰρ ἄνδρας ἔσχες, καὶ νῦν ὃν ἔχεις οὐκ ἔστι σου ἀνήρ· τοῦτο ἀληθὲς εἶρηκας. Λέγει αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ· Κύριε, θεωρῶ ὅτι προφήτης εἶ σύ. Οἱ πατέρες ἡμῶν ἐν τῷ ὄρει τούτῳ προσεκύνησαν· καὶ ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις ἐστὶν ὁ τόπος ὅπου δεῖ προσκυνεῖν. Λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Γύναι, πιστεύσόν μοι ὅτι ἔρχεται ὥρα ὅτε οὔτε ἐν τῷ ὄρει τούτῳ οὔτε ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις προσκυνήσετε τῷ πατρὶ. Ὑμεῖς προσκυνεῖτε ὃ οὐκ οἴδατε, ἡμεῖς προσκυνοῦμεν ὃ οἴδαμεν· ὅτι ἡ σωτηρία ἐκ τῶν Ἰουδαίων ἐστίν. Ἀλλ' ἔρχεται ὥρα, καὶ νῦν ἐστὶν, ὅτε οἱ ἀληθινοὶ προσκυνηταὶ προσκυνήσουσι τῷ πατρὶ ἐν πνεύματι καὶ ἀληθείᾳ· καὶ γὰρ ὁ πατήρ τοιούτους ζητεῖ τοὺς προσκυνοῦντας αὐτόν. Πνεῦμα ὁ Θεός, καὶ τοὺς προσκυνοῦντας αὐτόν ἐν πνεύματι καὶ ἀληθείᾳ δεῖ προσκυνεῖν. Λέγει αὐτῷ ἡ γυνὴ· Οἶδα ὅτι Μεσσίας ἔρχεται ὁ λεγόμενος Χριστός· ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐκεῖνος, ἀναγγελεῖ ἡμῖν πάντα. Λέγει αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ἐγὼ εἰμι ὁ λαλῶν σοι. Καὶ ἐπὶ τούτῳ ἦλθον οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐθαύμασαν ὅτι μετὰ γυναικὸς ἐλάλει· οὐδεὶς μὲντοι εἶπε, τί ζητεῖς ἢ τί λαλεῖς μετ' αὐτῆς; Ἀφῆκεν οὖν τὴν ὕδριαν αὐτῆς ἡ γυνὴ καὶ ἀπῆλθεν εἰς τὴν πόλιν, καὶ λέγει τοῖς ἀνθρώποις· Δεῦτε ἴδετε ἄνθρωπον ὃς εἶπέ μοι πάντα ὅσα ἐποίησα· μήτι οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ Χριστός; Ἐξῆλθον οὖν ἐκ τῆς πόλεως καὶ ἤρχοντο πρὸς αὐτόν.

Ἐν δὲ τῷ μεταξὺ ἠρώτων αὐτόν οἱ μαθηταὶ λέγοντες· Ραββί, φάγε. Ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· Ἐγὼ βρωσὶν ἔχω φαγεῖν, ἦν ὑμεῖς οὐκ οἴδατε. Ἐλεγον οὖν οἱ μαθηταὶ πρὸς ἀλλήλους· Μὴ τις ἠνεγκεν αὐτῷ φαγεῖν; Λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Ἐμὸν βρωμά ἐστὶν ἵνα ποιῶ τὸ θέλημα τοῦ πέμψαντός με καὶ τελειώσω αὐτοῦ τὸ ἔργον. Οὐχ ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι ἔτι τετράμηνός ἐστι καὶ ὁ θερισμὸς ἔρχεται; Ἴδου λέγω ὑμῖν, ἐπάρατε τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς ὑμῶν καὶ θεάσασθε τὰς χώρας, ὅτι λευκαὶ εἰσι πρὸς θερισμὸν ἤδη. Καὶ ὁ θερίζων μισθὸν λαμβάνει καὶ συνάγει καρπὸν εἰς ζωὴν αἰώνιον, ἵνα καὶ ὁ σπείρων ὁμοῦ χαίρῃ καὶ ὁ θερίζων. Ἐν γὰρ τούτῳ ὁ λόγος ἐστὶν ὁ ἀληθινός, ὅτι ἄλλος ἐστὶν ὁ σπείρων καὶ ἄλλος ὁ θερίζων. Ἐγὼ ἀπέστειλα ὑμᾶς θερίζειν ὃ οὐχ ὑμεῖς κεκοπιάκατε· ἄλλοι κεκοπιάκασι, καὶ ὑμεῖς εἰς τὸν κόπον αὐτῶν εἰσεληλύθατε. Ἐκ δὲ τῆς πόλεως ἐκείνης πολλοὶ ἐπίστευσαν εἰς αὐτόν τῶν Σαμαρειτῶν διὰ τὸν λόγον τῆς γυναικὸς, μαρτυρούσης ὅτι εἶπέ μοι πάντα ὅσα ἐποίησα. Ὡς οὖν ἦλθον πρὸς αὐτόν οἱ Σαμαρεῖται, ἠρώτων αὐτόν μείναι παρ' αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἔμεινεν ἐκεῖ δύο ἡμέρας. Καὶ πολλῶ πλείους ἐπίστευσαν διὰ τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ, τῇ τε γυναικὶ ἔλεγον ὅτι οὐκέτι διὰ τὴν σὴν λαλιὰν πιστεύομεν· αὐτοὶ γὰρ ἀκηκόαμεν, καὶ οἴδαμεν ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν ἀληθῶς ὁ σωτὴρ τοῦ κόσμου ὁ Χριστός.

ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman	May 18, 2025	Sunday of the Samaritan Woman Matins 8:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. Memorial for Nasra Issa Rabadi 40-Day Memorial for Katerina Episkopou One-Year Memorial for Paula Sarrey One-Year Memorial for Hisham Rabadi 3-Year Memorial for Dionysia Psychogios Philoptochos Swear in the new Board Members – 10:30 a.m. Greek School Recognition Sunday – 11:30 a.m. Spring General Assembly – Social Hall - 11:45 a.m. Dance Practice – Gym – 12:00 p.m. – 1:30 p.m.
Monday	May 19, 2025	Catechism Class – 7:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Tuesday	May 20, 2025	Parish Council Meeting – 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.
Wednesday	May 21, 2025	Sts. Constantine and Helen – Orthros 8:30 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. – Cathedral CHOICES – Kitchen 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Men’s Church Basketball – Gym – 5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.
Saturday	May 24, 2025	Choir Rehearsal – 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Sunday of the Blind Man	May 25, 2025	Sunday of the Blind Man Matins 8:00 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. 40-Day Memorial for Evangelia Stamou One-Year Memorial Stella Vanezalos 20-Year Memorial for Panagiota Demis 30-Year Memorial for Vaselios Demis 30-Year Memorial for Lonnie Spanos

<https://www.greekcathedral.com/live-video/>

IMPORTANT DATES, REMINDERS, AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Any items that you wish to appear in the Weekly Bulletin must be submitted to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Office (secretary@greekcathedral.com) by **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.** Please note that announcements may be altered to comply with style, formatting, and space constraints. We appreciate your thoughtful cooperation.

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 20, 2025, at 6:30 p.m. All members of the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral in-good-standing are welcome to attend all parish council meetings.



SPRING PARISH GENERAL ASSEMBLY – TODAY - MAY 18, 2025

The Spring Parish General Assembly meeting for the members-in-good-standing will be held Sunday, May 18, 2025, immediately after Divine Liturgy. According to the Uniform Parish Regulations *only* members-in-good-standing of the Columbus, Ohio Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral are allowed to participate and vote in Parish Assemblies. All members *must* sign the attendance roster at the door. The Agenda was mailed out a couple of weeks ago, or you can pick one up at the candle stand today.

Per Article 31 (Parish Assembly) of the Archdiocesan Regulations Uniform Parish Regulations (December 2017):

“...if a quorum cannot be achieved, no vote can be taken. If a quorum is not present, the Parish Assembly shall be called a second time within twenty-one (21) days. At such time, decisions may be taken by the number of parishioners in good standing present, with the exception of matters pertaining to the purchase, sale or encumbering of Parish property, in which case a quorum of parishioners in good standing shall be required.”

Weekly Announcements

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALEXANDRA KONTOMERKOS!

SAINT GEORGE



Alexandra has achieved and is receiving today at the end of Divine Liturgy, the Junior Girl Scout St. George's Award!

The Eastern Orthodox Committee on Scouting (EOCS) encourages the use of their Religious Awards with the Boy Scouts of America, Girl Scouts USA, Trail Life USA, American Heritage Girls and Camp Fire USA programs as part of the youth ministry program of the Church and community.

SAVE THE DATE – FRIDAY, AUGUST 15, 2025

Annual Panagyri - Friday, August 15, 2025 at 6:00 p.m.

- In the Social Hall and Courtyard, ● All to enjoy Food and Music ● Activities for the kids ● Cost (Donations)

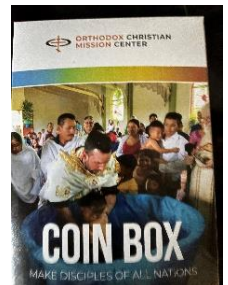


VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

If you are a horticulture expert, landscaper, plant enthusiast, or gardener- we can use your help and knowledge in planning and maintaining our parish home's landscape. Please reach out to Helen Rankin, 614-530-4771.

OCMC COIN BOXES

Thank you to all 100 families/individuals who took home coin boxes to raise money for the Orthodox Christian Mission Center, OCMC. Your donations will help share the gospel of Jesus Christ and the Orthodox Church throughout the world. Please bring back your coin boxes when they are full and give them to a Parish council member at the candle stand. If you have any questions, feel free to contact me at pappasjulie4@gmail. com.



SWEARING-IN OF THE NEW PHILOPTOCHOS BOARD

Christ is Risen!

The 2025–2027 Philoptochos Board will be sworn in today following the Divine Liturgy. We are pleased to congratulate the following members:

Denise Alex-Bouzounis, Presvytera Evangeline Baron, Diane Chakalis, Deborah Chuchanis Pries, Vicky Constantinidis Gardikes, Presvytera Susanna Gardikes, Debbie Geldis, Elaine Kent, Eugenia Meimaridis Maish, Nancy Paparodis, Effie Patitsas, Helen Rankin, Ann Salvator, Jan Teter, and Joanna Tsitroulis.

We humbly ask for your prayers as we begin this new term, committed to carrying out the mission of Philoptochos—especially in helping those in need and reaching out with love to our church family.

MEMORIAL DAY VISITATION FORMS

The Memorial Day visitation forms are in the Narthex next to the candlestand and in the main entrance of the church. You may also print the form from the online Bulletin on the church's website (www.greekcathedral.com).

GOMoPalooza MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL

The Metropolis of Pittsburgh's GOMoPalooza Music & Arts Festival this year will be held on **Saturday, August 23rd**, at the **St. Demetrios Banquet Center in Warren, OH, 11am-8pm**. They are always looking for talent to showcase and volunteer help, so please contact Fr. Distefano at 724-304-1230 or frjdistefano@yahoo.com if you are interested. Please see the flyer in today's bulletin for more information.

CATHEDRAL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

The application forms for the Cathedral Scholarship are available at the main entrance of the church, or by calling the church office. They must be completed and returned to the Cathedral office by **Monday, June 30, 2025 – NO EXCEPTIONS**. If you have any questions, please contact Sharon Black at sharonk.black3@gmail.com

K.N. STRAVELAKIS SCHOLARSHIP

The K.N. Stravelakis Scholarship for graduate or professional studies is being offered again this year. Grants in the amount of \$500 to \$1,500 are awarded annually to a limited number of qualified applicants. Application forms are available by calling the church office or you may contact Ria Genoozis Harvey at williamharvey6147@att.net. Applications for the 2025-2026 academic year are **due by Monday, June 30, 2025 – NO EXCEPTIONS**.



Applicants must be graduating high school seniors enrolling in a 4-year accredited U.S. university this fall and a member of a Greek Orthodox parish. Application and eligibility details are available at thefaithendowment.org/scholarships. Application deadline is June 24, 2025. This scholarship program aims to support the best and brightest graduating high-school seniors in the Hellenic-American Greek Orthodox community. Scholarships are awarded on a merit basis with applicants given the option to be considered for additional financial need-based allocations. For any questions or inquiries, please don't hesitate to call us (212) 803-9363 or email us at info@thefaithendowment.org. Flyers are located in the Narthex and the main entrance of the church.

SUMMER CAMP UPDATES!



Regular Registration: May 9th at 12:00 am - June 1st at 11:59 pm
Regular Registration: \$725.00 per camper

Week 1: Waitlist for females & 13 male spots remain

Week 2: 30 spots remain

Week 3: Join the Waitlist!

Week 4: Waitlist for females & 10 male spots remain

We humbly ask for your prayers for an incredible summer for our campers, staff, clergy, and program.

Metropolis of Pittsburgh Camp

Week 1: June 15-21
2nd-4th Grade

Week 2: June 22-28
5th-7th Grade

Week 3: June 29-July 5
7th-9th Grade

Week 4: July 6-12
10th-12th Grade

Early Registration: April 8th at 7:00 pm - May 8th at 11:59 pm
Regular Registration: May 9th at 12:00 am - June 1st at 11:59 pm
More information: y2am.pittsburgh.goarch.org/summercamp

We are so grateful for the generous funding of the Archbishop Elpidophoros Camp Fund, Leadership 100, and the Damon Halkias Fund who are providing financial assistance to anyone who is in need. We highly encourage you to apply!

Applications can be found **here!**

Please feel free to let us know if you have any questions about our program, or visit:

y2am.pittsburgh.goarch.org/summercamp



Thank you for your continued support of Star House through your generous donation of new items. Please place **NEW** items in the Star House container in the main coat room. **Star House seasonal and general priority needs include:**

- Winter coats
 - Large, insulated gloves
 - Large wool socks
 - Winter hats
 - Hand warmers
 - New underwear for men and women (boxer/boxer briefs preferred for men)
 - Sweatpants
 - Women's jeans of all sizes, especially large
 - Leggings
 - Solid color T-shirts
- Boots and Shoes (comfortable for walking long distances)
 - Bikes
 - Tents
 - Backpacks
 - Blankets
 - African American haircare products (oils and gels)
 - Sleeping bags
 - Large towels
 - Other men's and women's clothing (all kinds)

Contact Helen Rankin, Diane Chakalis, or Nancy Paparodis if you have questions.

BABY DIAPER & WIPES DRIVE IS NOW AN ONGOING MINISTRY



We heard that babies and toddlers in Columbus needed diapers, and we responded. We had no idea that each time we arrived with a new load of diapers, they would be received with such exuberance and gratitude. Packages were literally opened on the spot and donated immediately. Realizing that there is such a tremendous need, we feel called to continue to collect diapers and wipes as an ongoing ministry. Your overwhelming support and donations have been greatly appreciated by both agencies where we made deliveries. They were able to disperse over 2,000 diapers on our behalf. This ministry would not be possible without your generous support and love for the tiniest people in our communities. May God bless all the little babies and families undergoing financial hardship in the Greater Columbus area.



- We are collecting size 4 and up baby diapers, pull-ups, swimmers and baby wipes.
- Donations will benefit the *Columbus Diaper Coalition* and the *Worthington Resource Pantry* (serving North Columbus, Westerville, Worthington and Galena).
- Diapers are not covered under public assistance programs that help with other basic needs facing families.
- Fresh, clean diapers will help us provide a basic necessity for the health and happiness of families and babies.



Donations can be placed in the plastic bin marked "Baby Diaper & Wipes Drive" in the main coat room. Thank you for your generosity.

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GOYA BONFIRE

JUNE 8TH AT 5 PM
HOSTED BY THE GESOURAS'!

HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT OUR FAITH? SUBMIT YOUR BY
SCANNING THE QR CODE OR EMAILING LEE FOR A FIRESIDE CHAT!



PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE!

FOR MORE INFORMATION & RSVP, SCAN THE QR CODE OR
EMAIL YOUTH@GREEKCATHEDRAL.COM BY JUNE 5TH

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Vacation Bible School Session #1:

The Ascension & Pentecost

New Dates! June 16th-18th: 9 AM - 12 PM

RSVP to youth@greekcathedral.com by June 10th

Young Adult League

MAY & JUNE

Upcoming events

MAY
22

*Urban Myers Pint House
Happy Hour (5:30-7:30)*

JUNE
4+11

*Greek Fest Food Prep
(6 PM)*

JUNE
17

*Clipper's Game!
Dime-A-Dog night (7 PM)*

GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH

Metropolitan Savas
invites YOU to
the 2nd Annual

Sat. Aug. 23rd
11am - 9pm

St. Demetrios
Community Center
3223 Atlantic St. NE
Warren, OH

GOMOPALOOZA

Are You a
Musician,
Band
or Artist?

Want to
Perform or
Display Art?

Contact
Fr. Joe
DiStefano

[frjdistefano@
yahoo.com](mailto:frjdistefano@yahoo.com)

Free
Admission

Fun for
All the
Family!

2 Music
Stages

Kids
Games

Art & Craft
Exhibits

Food &
Beverages

Free
Parking

AUG. 23 2025
MUSIC & ARTS FESTIVAL

All Proceeds go to
the GOMoP Youth &
Young Adult Ministries

Bands
Solo Acts
Arts & Crafts

Scan me!



GREEK FESTIVAL FOOD PREP SCHEDULE



Sunday, June 1 – Kick-Off – Please plan to stay for a couple of hours after church to help make Dolmades.

Monday through Friday

June 2 – 6 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 9 – 13 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

June 16 – 20 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

****PLEASE NOTE:**** A Sign-Up Genius link was sent out on Friday, May 9th for special evening dates and times to volunteer to make Spanakopita and Tyropitas. If you cannot make it during the day, and would like to volunteer, please go to the link to sign up. We need at least ten of the 20 spots filled to keep the scheduled evening sessions. If you cannot access the link, you may call the office to sign up.

Sign-Up Genius Link for **Evening Dates Only:**

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C044DAEA72BAAFF2-56767030-festival>

**Juniors and ZOEE DANCERS
along with the Adult (ALUMNI) Group
DANCE PRACTICE SCHEDULE
2025**

SUNDAYS

May 4 th , 18 th	June 22 nd , 29 th
June – 1 st	July – 13 th , 20 th , 27 th
**June - 8 th **	August – 3 rd , 10 th , 17 th , 24 th

****NOTE TIME CHANGE FOR June 8th
PENTECOST: (12:30PM – 2:00PM)**

When Catechetical School is in session times are:
(12:00 noon - 1:30pm)

When Catechetical School is NOT in session times are:
(11:30am – 1:00pm)

If you need to reach me, please call my cell # 614.778.3219. May God continue to bless all of you!!!

With Love In Christ, Vicky Constantinidis – Gardikes, Dance Director
OPA!!! OPA!!! OPA!!!

NAMES FOR MEMORIAL DAY

Please Print Clearly



CEMETERY: _____

Please list names for only one cemetery. Thank You. Please feel free to list loved-ones that are not at one of the cemeteries below, by indicating "Other" (i.e. another city or country) and indicate where to group their names with the schedule below.

Departed Loved Ones "For the repose of the servants of God..."

Name	Cemetery Section

Please return form to: Father Demetrios Gardikes; papademetri@gmail.com
Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral ; 555 N. High St; Columbus, OH 43215

Memorial Day, May 26, 2025 Graveside Visitation

Fr Demetrios	Old Union Cemetery	Section 70	9:00AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 8	9:10AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 20	9:20AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 22a	9:30AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 14	9:40AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 16	9:50 - 10:10 AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 22b	10:10AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 18	10:20 - 10:50AM
Fr Demetrios	New Union	Section 19	10:50 - 11:30AM

Fr Savvas	Glenrest Cemetery	Section E	9:00AM
Fr Savvas	Forest Lawn Cemetery	Good Shepherd Section	9:45AM
Fr Savvas	Greenlawn Cemetery	Section 122	10:30AM
Fr Savvas	Greenlawn Cemetery	Section 118	10:50AM
Fr Savvas	Greenlawn Cemetery	Section 89	11:15AM

"Christ is Risen from the dead. By death trampling down upon death and to those in the tombs, He has Granted Life."