

CALENDAR OF WEEKLY EVENTS

Today's Coffee Fellowship is for the Glory of God.

Sunday, May 28

8:15 AM	Orthros
9:30 AM	Divine Liturgy
11:30 AM	Plugged-in-Study Group
1:30 AM	Wedding

Monday, May 29 Memorial Day!

Memorial Day Prayers at Cemeteries

9:00AM	Millersville Mennonite
9:30AM	Conestoga Memorial
10:15AM	Mellinger's Cemetery
10:30AM	Lancaster Cemetery
11:45AM	Coatesville Cemetery

Tuesday, May 30

10:00 AM	Women's Bible Study (Pres. Pearl)
5:30 PM	Greek School Field Trip @ Eastland Alpaca Farm
6:00 PM	Chanting Class (Intermediate)
7:00 PM	Chanting Class (Beginners)

Wednesday, May 31

8:00 AM	Picking Grape leaves (Church parking lot)
9:00 AM	Processing Grape leaves (Philopt. Hall)

Thursday, June 1

9:30 AM	Women's Orthodox Fellowship
7:00 PM	Schrott Spot Bible Study

Saturday, June 3

7:00 PM	Readers Vespers
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Pilgrimage to the Kardiotissa Icon in Taylor: Our Parish is planning a visit to St. George's Carpatho-Russian Church in Taylor, PA **on Wednesday, June 28th.** The bus will depart @ 3:00 PM. If you are interested in attending please call the church office for a seat reservation. Cost: \$20 per person.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Parish Family Picnic

Sunday, June 4th: Neffsville Park from 4:00-8:00 PM

Join us for food & fellowship with all parishioners. Children activities: balloons and show with a clown, soccer, basketball, volleyball, softball, cakewalk and more.... Greek & American Music. Bring a glove for annual softball game & a cake for cakewalk.

High School and College Graduates to be honored after Liturgy on **Sunday, June 11.** Please call church office to submit names of students who have graduated from college or graduate school this year, so that they may be recognized along with our high school graduates. *Only those college graduates whose names have been submitted will be recognized.*

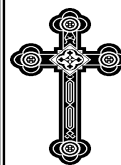
Preschool Summer Camp Week: Monday, June 26-Friday, June 30! Theme "*Exploring Nature*" with **Camp Instructor: Lynn Diamantoni.** For all children ages 3 to entering 1st grade in the Fall. For registration please contact Maria K. Cost: \$75 per child.

Greek School teachers are needed for 2017-2018 Greek School year. If you are interested please contact Maria K.

Gyrofest Tickets: Please bring in or send your money for Gyrofest sold tickets to Demetria Baker. Thank you!

Mark Your Calendar!

VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL: August 7-11
June Memorials will be on Sunday, June 11th.



WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS
We welcome and appreciate the prayers and participation in all the liturgical services by our non-Orthodox friends and neighbors with a reminder that Holy Communion may only be received by prepared Orthodox Christians.

Father Hector Firoglanis, Pastor
Father Alexander Veronis, Pastor Emeritus
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ANNUNCIATION ORTHODOX CHURCH
LANCASTER, PA



SUNDAY, May 28, 2017

Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council, Eutyches, Bishop of Melitene, Nikitas, Bishop of Chalcedon

Orthros: Tone: Plagal Second

Gospel 10: John 21:1-4

Epistle: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36

Page: 60 (Red Book)

Gospel: John 17:1-13

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Mysterious are His ways

"For My thoughts are not your thoughts, nor are your ways My ways" (Is. 55:8-9).

God is not only benevolent. He is also wise. He not only acts with love for mankind. He acts wisely as well. He combines His love for mankind with His wisdom. When both of these are accordance with each other, that is when He answers or does not answer our prayers. (The devil, *the ruler of the world*" (Jn. 16:11) operates in the exact opposite manner. He uses his evil and his hatred to attack Mankind in an attempt to trap people and to lead them to disaster and to ruin),

The standards and criteria that God has are inscrutable and totally unknown to us. He may answer the prayers of a modest man and give no answer to someone held in high respect. His answers to our prayers are inconceivable. It is a mystery. A paradox!

A group of young men from the city of Patras visited Mt. Athos. Although swimming is not allowed on any of the beaches near Mt. Athos, they ignored the rules and went swimming. One of the young men, upon diving into the sea, was in immediate danger of drowning. About to be overwhelmed by the waves, he cried: "*Christ, save me.*"

A sudden invisible force pulled him out of the water and onto dry land. (Afterwards this young man devoted the rest of his life to God and became a monk at Mt. Athos) Someone else might have encountered a similarly dangerous situation, have called on Christ to help him, and perished with his prayer left unanswered.

Christian Orthodox Prayer, by Rev. Vassilios Bakoyiannis, p.128-129

1. APOLYTIKION OF THE ASCENSION (Tone 4)

You ascended in Glory, O Christ our God
and gladden Your disciples
by the promise of the Holy Spirit
Your blessing assured them that You are the
Son of God, the Redeemer of the world.

2. RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION (Tone 6)

When the angelic powers were at your tomb,
then they that guarded You become as dead.
And Mary stood beside the grave seeking Your
immaculate body. You devastated Hades and were
not tried by it. You met the Virgin and granted life to us.
O Lord, Who are risen from the dead, glory to You.

**3. APOLYTIKION of God-Bearing Fathers
of the First Ecumenical Council (Plagal 4th Mode)**

Most glorified art Thou, O Christ our God,
Who hast established our Fathers as luminous stars upon
the earth, and through them didst guide us all to the true
Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to Thee.

4. HYMN OF OUR CHURCH (Tone 4)

Today is the beginning of our salvation,
and the revelation of the mystery of ages.
The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin.
And Gabriel proclaims this gift from God.
Together with him we cry out to You,
O Theotokos: "Hail thou full of grace,
the Lord is with you."

**5. KONTAKION OF THE ASCENSION
(Tone Plagal of the Second)**

When Thou hadst fulfilled Thy dispensation
for our sakes, uniting things on earth with the
Heavens, Thou didst ascend in glory,
O Christ our God, departing not hence,
but remaining in separable from us and
crying unto them that love Thee:
I am with you and no one can be against you.

1. ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ ΑΝΑΛΗΨΕΩΣ (Ηχ. Δ)

Ανελήφθης ἐν δόξῃ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
χαροποιήσας τοὺς Μαθητάς, τῇ ἐπαγγελίᾳ τοῦ
ἀγίου Πνεύματος· βεβαιωθέντων αὐτῶν
διὰ τῆς εὐλογίας, ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ,
ὁ λυτρωτὴς τοῦ κόσμου.

2. ΑΝΑΣΤΑΣΙΜΟ ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ (Ηχ. Πλ. Β)

Αγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ το μνήμα σου,
καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες, απενεκρώθησαν
καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα
το ἀχραντον σου σῶμα.
Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ,
υπηήτησας τὴ παρθένω, δωροῦμενος τὴν ζωὴν.
Ὁ ἀναστάς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

3. ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ ΤΩΝ ΠΑΤΕΡΩΝ (Ηχ. Πλ. δ)

Ὑπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν,
ὁ φωστῆρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν
θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν
πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὀδηγήσας,
πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

4. ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ ΤΟΥ ΝΑΟΥ (Ηχ. δ)

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τό 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·
Χαίρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

5. ΚΟΝΤΑΚΙΟΝ ΑΝΑΛΗΨΕΩΣ (Ηχ. Πλ. Β)

Τὴν ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν πληρώσας οἰκονομίαν, καὶ τὰ
ἐπὶ γῆς ἐνώσας τοῖς οὐρανίοις, ἀνελήφθης ἐν δόξῃ,
Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, οὐδαμῶθεν χωριζόμενος,
ἀλλὰ μένων ἀδιάστατος, καὶ βοῶν τοῖς ἀγαπῶσί
σε· Ἐγὼ εἶμι μεθ' ὑμῶν, καὶ οὐδεὶς καθ' ὑμῶν.

ΑΝΑΚΟΙΝΩΣΕΙΣ – ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 28 Μαΐου

Ο καφές σήμερα προσφέρεται εἰς Δόξαν Θεοῦ

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ, 28 Μαΐου

8:15 πμ.....Ὁρθρος
9:30 πμ.....Θεία Λειτουργία
11:45 πμ.....Διάλογος Περί Ὁρθοδοξίας
1:30 πμ.....Γάμος

Δευτέρα, 29 Μαΐου

ΤΡΙΣΑΓΙΑ ΣΤΑ ΚΟΙΜΗΤΗΡΙΑ:

9:00 πμ..... Μεννοναὶτ Κοιμητήριον
9:30 πμ Κονεστόγα Μεμόριαλ Παρκ
10:15 πμΜελλινγερος Κοιμητήριον
10:30 πμΛάγκαστερ Κοιμητήριον
11:45 πμΚότσβιλ Κοιμητήριον

Τρίτη, 30 Μαΐου

10:00 πμ.....Κύκλος Μελέτης Αγία Γραφῆς
Γυναικῶν με τὴν Πρεσβυτέρα Παναγιώτα.
5:30 μμ.....Ἐκδρομὴ Ἑλληνικοῦ Σχολείου

Τετάρτη, 31 Μαΐου

8:00 πμ.....Μάζεμα Φύλλον (Παζααρ)
9:00 πμ.....Προετοιμασία Φύλλον

Πέμπτη, 1η Ιουνίου

9:30 πμ.....Κύκλος Πνευματικῆς Μελέτης
Γυναικῶν.

ΠΡΟΣΚΥΝΗΜΑ ΣΤΗΝ ΚΑΡΔΙΟΤΙΣΣΑ: Ἡ ἐκκλησία μας
θα ἔχει λεοφωρεῖο στις 28 Ιουνίου για να επισκευθούμε
τὴν θαυματουργή εἰκόνα τῆς Καρδιότισσας στὴν
ἐκκλησία Αγ. Γεωργίου στο Τέηλορ. \$20 το άτομο. Για
κράτηση θέσης τηλεφωνεῖστε στο γραφεῖο τῆς
ἐκκλησίας. Αναχώρηση 3:00 μμ

ΕΤΗΣΙΟ ΠΙΚΝΙΚ ΤΗΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑΣ ΜΑΣ

ΣΤΟ ΠΑΡΚΟ ΝΕΦΦΣΒΙΑ:

Κυριακή, 4 Ιουνίου, 4:00 –8:00 μμ