Upcoming Events:
1) Scholarship Forms are available through the Church Office. AHEPA has extended deadline for submission to July 2nd.
Please submit online only to George Ioannidis @ Vyzantios@aol.com (Mailed forms will not be accepted).
2) VIRTUAL CAMP NAZARETH 2020
*Session 1 (Grades 2-7) - June 28 - July 3
*Session 2 (Grades 7-9) - July 5 - 10
*Session 3 (Grades 10-12) - July 12 - 17

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WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS

We welcome our non-Orthodox friends and neighbors at all the liturgical services with a reminder that Holy Communion may be received only by prepared Orthodox Christians. Please sign the Visitor’s Registry in the Narthex if you wish to be contacted by the priest.

Father Hector Firoglanis, Pastor,
Father Theodosios Palfa, Assistant Pastor,
Father Alexander Veronis, Pastor Emeritus

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, LANCASTER, PA

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3rd Sunday of Matthew
Orthros Mode: Second
Liturgy Epistle: Romans 5: 1-10
Liturgy Gospel: Matthew 6: 22-33

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Sunday, June 28th
• 8:15 AM Orthros
• 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
• 11:30 AM Virtual Coffee Hour
• 7:30 PM Final JOY Zoom Meeting
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

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Monday, June 29th
• 8:30 AM Orthros
• 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
• 7:00 PM OCF & YA Potluck @ Long’s Park
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

Tuesday, June 30th
• 8:15 AM Orthros
• 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

Wednesday, July 1st
• 7:00 PM Paraklesis
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

Thursday, July 2nd
• 9:30 AM-11:30 AM Crisis Relief Food Distribution
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

Friday, July 3rd
• 9:00 AM Paraklesis to The Theotokos
* Virtual Camp Nazareth Session 1 (grades 2-7)

Saturday, July 4th
• 7:00 PM Vespers

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Πρὸς Ρωμαίους Ἐπιστολής Παύλου τοῦ Ἀνάγνωσμα 5:1-10

Αδελφοί, δικαιοῦμεν έκ πίστεως εἰρήνην ἐχομεν πρὸς τὸν Θεοῦν. Δία τοῦ Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ καὶ τῆς ἐνδυματικῆς τοῦ αὐτοῦ. Μή μερίμνα τε τῇ ψυχῇ, ἀλλὰ τὰ σωματικὰ τοῦ ἐνδυματος ὑμίν, μή μερίμνα τε τῇ ψυχῇ ἀλλὰ τὰ σωματικὰ τοῦ ἐνδυματος ὑμίν. Μήδε τὰ σωματικὰ τοῦ ἐνδυματος ὑμίν ἀνασήμασθαι.

2. ΠΡΟΣ ΡΩΜΑΙΟΥΣ ΣΧΟΛΗ 5:10

τοῦ Θεοῦ τούτου σωθήσομεν, ἐπεί περὶ τῶν σωμάτων ἡλικίας ὑμᾶς ἐπιστέπωμεν. Ὁ θεὸς ἀμφότερον τῆς δικαιοσύνης ὑμῶν ἅγιον καὶ πάντων τῶν γενεσεων, οὕτως ἀκομήντως ὑμῖν, ὡς ἐπιπληθήσετε τῷ λόγῳ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἵνα ἐλπίδησθε συνεκπληρώσετε σάμα τίνων ἀποκαθιστήσεσθε υμῖν τὸν Κύριον τόν ἑαυτοῦς ἔργον εὐδοκιμών. Ἐρχομενε καὶ προς τὸν Θεοῦν τὸν Χριστόν τοῦτον ἀμετακόπην, ὑμελήσατε ἐν πάσῃ ἀλληλεπιθυμίᾳ καὶ ἀλήθειᾳ ἐν εὐσεβείᾳ καὶ ἀληθείᾳ σωματικοῖς. Ἐχομεν τὰς δύο δικαιοσύνες τῶν λόγων τοῦ Θεοῦ, ἐν εὐδοκίαν. Ἐλεγκτείνετε τὰς παρανομίας τῆς ἡλικίας ὑμῶν.