

Sunday, October 11th

8:15 AM Orthros
 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy
 10:35 AM Sunday School (9-12 Grades)
 4:00 PM JOY Firepit & Social
 at Nachtigall Home
 6-8 PM Viewing for Irene Mavrides —
 Snyders Funeral Home (Litiz Pike)

Monday, October 12th

10:30 AM Funeral for Irene Mavrides
 7:00 PM OCF & YoPro (Young Adults)

Wednesday, October 14th

6:00 PM Live Stream Book Study
 w/ Fr. Hector
 7:00 PM Paraklesis during a pandemic

Thursday, October 15th

10:00 AM Women's Virtual Book Study

Friday, October 16th

9:00 AM Paraklesis to The Theotokos

Saturday, October 17th

* 9:00 AM - 5PM Bazaar Prep - Kourambiethes
 7:00 PM Vespers

GOYA FUNDRAISER

Sunday, October 18th
 "Koulouria Thessaloniki's" - \$3.00 each
 Pre-orders only October 4th - 15th
 Pick up October 18th

The link is: <https://forms.gle/2WxHthYTU6XxqEAX6>

CROP WALK - October 18th

The walk will be virtual this year.
 Churches are asked to walk in small safe groups.
 Please visit their website below for further information
www.LancasterHungerWalk.com
 MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO "CROP HUNGER"
 and mail to the church office.

Bereavement

For the Mavrides Family,
 Parishioner Irene Mavrides reposed in the Lord
 October 8, 2020



For the Vlassis family,
 Rose Vlassis Padussis (93) reposed in the Lord
 October 3, 2020 in Annapolis Maryland.

**2021 Stewardship Sunday
 Sunday October 18th, 2020**

Here are a few things to keep in mind as we consider our stewardship offering for the coming year.

Everything we have is a gift and a blessing from God.

Our stewardship is an offering of a portion of that gift back to God.

While the biblical minimum standard of giving is tithing (10% of one's income), the following guidelines are provided to help us move towards that standard:

- Seraphims:** \$10,000 and above
- Archangels:** \$7,800 and up (\$150 weekly and up)
- Torchbearers:** \$5,200 to \$7,799 (\$100 - \$150 weekly)
- Good Shepherds:** \$3,000 to \$5,199 (\$60- \$100 weekly)
- Pacesetters:** \$1,800 to \$2,999 (\$35 - \$60 weekly)

Bazaar Prep Volunteers Needed!

Please volunteer your help for morning and/or afternoon shifts. No experience necessary!
 Call the church office or sign up on our website.

2020 Bazaar Prep Schedule

- *Kourambiethes Sat, Oct 17 - 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- Baklava Sat, Oct 31 – 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM
- Syrup Baklava (if needed) Sun, Nov 1 – 12:00 Noon
- Hall Setup –
NEW (tables & chairs) Thu, Nov 5 -evening
- Rice Pudding Fri, Nov 6 - 5:00 PM
- Tent Set-up Hall & Pastry Prep Fri, Nov 6 - All Day

Greek Bazaar Drive Through only

Sat, Nov 7 - 10:30 AM to 7:30 PM
 Sun, Nov 8 - 11 AM to 6 PM

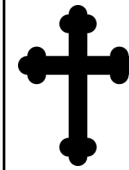
Bazaar Pastry Donations

If you prefer to send in a monetary donation for the Bazaar Committee to prepare pastries on your behalf, send a check to the church office payable to:
 "Bazaar Pastries"

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH, LANCASTER, PA

SUNDAY, October 11th, 2020— Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Philip the Apostle of the 70; Theophanes, Bishop of Nicaea



Orthros Mode: First
 Liturgy Epistle: Titus 3:8-15

Orthros Gospel: John 20:1-20
 Liturgy Gospel: Luke 8:5-15



St John of Damascus — Apologia Against Those who Decry Holy Icons

If we made an image of the invisible God, we should in truth do wrong. For it is impossible to make a statue of one who is without body, invisible, boundless, and formless. Again, if we made statues of men, and held them to be gods, worshipping them as such, we should be most impious. But we do neither. For in making the image of God, who became incarnate and visible on earth, a man amongst men through His unspeakable goodness, taking upon Him shape and form and flesh, we are not misled. We long to see what He was like. As the divine apostle says, "We see now in a glass, darkly." (I Cor. 13.12)

The image, too, is a dark glass, according to the denseness of our bodies. The mind, in much travail, cannot rid itself of bodily things. Shame upon you, wicked devil, for grudging us the sight of our Lord's likeness and our sanctification through it. You would not have us gaze at His saving sufferings nor wonder at His condescension, neither contemplate His miracles nor praise His almighty power. You grudge the saints the honour God gives to them. You would not have us see their glory put on record, nor allow us to become imitators of their fortitude and faith. We will not obey your suggestions, wicked and man-hating devil.

Listen to me, people of all nations, men, women, and children, all of you who bear the Christian name: If any one preach to you something contrary to what the Catholic (meaning Universal) Church has received from the holy apostles and fathers and councils, and has kept down to the present day, do not heed him. Do not receive the serpent's counsel, as Eve did, to whom it was death. If an angel or an emperor teaches you anything contrary to what you have received, shut your ears. I have refrained so far from saying, as the holy apostle said, "Let him be anathema," (Gal. 1.8) in the hope of amendment.

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 Palis, Assistant Pastor; Father Alexander Veronis, Pastor Emeritus

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Liturgy Epistle & Gospel Readings in Greek & English

Ο Απόστολος *Τιτ* 3:8-15

Τέκνον Τίτε, πιστός ὁ λόγος, καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαι σε διαβεβαιούσθαι, ἵνα φροντίζωσιν καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες θεῷ. ταῦτά ἐστιν καλὰ καὶ ὠφέλιμα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις ἄμωρος δὲ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔριν καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιΐστασο, εἰσὶν γὰρ ἀνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αἰφρικτὸν ἀνθρώπων μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νοθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, εἰδὼς ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ὁ τοιοῦτος καὶ ἀμαρτάνει, ὡς αὐτοκατάκριτος. Ὅταν πέμψω Ἀρτεμῆν πρὸς σέ ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον ἐλθεῖν πρὸς με εἰς Νικόπολιν, ἐκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζητῶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Ἀπολλῶν σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπῃ. μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἔργων προΐστασθαι εἰς τὰς ἀναγκαίας χρείας, ἵνα μὴ ᾦσιν ἄκαρποι. Ἀσπάζονται σε οἱ μετ' ἐμοῦ πάντες. Ἀσπασαί τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς ἐν πίστει. ἡ χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν.

The Epistle *Tit.* 3:8-15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Τὸ Εὐαγγέλιον *Λουκ* 5 - 15

Ἐῖπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἐξῆλθεν ὁ σπεῖρων τοῦ σπεῖραι τὸν σπόρον αὐτοῦ. καὶ ἐν τῷ σπεῖρειν αὐτὸν ὁ μὲν ἔπεσε παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν, καὶ κατεπατήθη, καὶ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατέφαγεν αὐτό· καὶ ἕτερον ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν πέτραν, καὶ φυὲν ἐξηράνθη διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν ἰκμάδα· καὶ ἕτερον ἔπεσεν ἐν μέσῳ τῶν ἀκανθῶν, καὶ συμφύεῖσσι αἱ ἄκανθαὶ ἀπέπνιξαν αὐτό. καὶ ἕτερον ἔπεσεν εἰς τὴν γῆν τὴν ἀγαθὴν, καὶ φυὲν ἐποίησε καρπὸν ἑκατονταπλασίονα. ταῦτα λέγων ἐφώνει· Ὁ ἔχων ὄρα ἀκούειν ἀκούετω. Ἐπρωτῶν δὲ αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· Τίς εἶη ἡ παραβολὴ αὐτῆς; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν· Ὑμῖν δέδοται γινῶναι τὰ μυστήρια τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῖς δὲ λοιποῖς ἐν παραβολαῖς, ἵνα βλέποντες μὴ βλέπωσι καὶ ἀκούοντες μὴ συνῶσιν. Ἔστι δὲ αὕτη ἡ παραβολὴ· ὁ σπόρος ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ· οἱ δὲ παρὰ τὴν ὁδὸν εἰσὶν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, εἶτα ἔρχεται ὁ διάβολος καὶ αἶρει τὸν λόγον ἀπὸ τῆς καρδίας αὐτῶν, ἵνα μὴ πιστεύσαντες σωθῶσιν. οἱ δὲ ἐπὶ τῆς πέτρας οἱ ὅταν ἀκούσωσι, μετὰ χαρᾶς δέχονται τὸν λόγον, καὶ οὗτοι ῥίζαν οὐκ ἔχουσιν, οἱ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύουσι καὶ ἐν καιρῷ πειρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. τὸ δὲ εἰς τὰς ἀκάνθας πεσόν, οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, καὶ ὑπὸ μεριμνῶν καὶ πλοῦτου καὶ ἡδονῶν τοῦ βίου πορευόμενοι συμπνίγονται καὶ οὐ τελεσφοροῦσι. τὸ δὲ ἐν τῇ καλῇ γῇ, οὗτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἄκουσαντες, καὶ ἀγαθῇ ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον κατέχουσι καὶ καρποφοροῦσιν ἐν ὑπομονῇ. Ὁ ἔχων ὄρα ἀκούειν ἀκούετω.

The Gospel *Lk.* 8:5-15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

Apolitikia Hymns of the Day in English & Greek

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who are risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

1. RESURRECTION APOLYTIKION (First Mode)

When the stone was sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Your immaculate body, You rose on the third day, O Savior, granting life unto the world. For which cause the powers of heaven cried out to You, O Life giver: Glory to Your resurrection on Christ, Glory to Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation, O only Friend of man.

2. FOR THE FATHERS (Mode pl. 4)

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

3. HYMN OF OUR CHURCH (Fourth Mode)

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."

4. KONTAKION (Second Mode)

O Protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, Please reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

Εἰσοδικόν

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

1. ΑΝΑΣΤΑΣΙΜΟ ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ (Ἦχος α')

Τοῦ λίθου σφραγισθέντος ὑπὸ τῶν Ἰουδαίων, καὶ στρατιωτῶν φυλασσόντων τὸ ἄχραντόν σου Σῶμα, ἀνέστης τριήμερος Σωτήρ, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὴν ζωὴν· διὰ τοῦτο αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν οὐρανῶν ἐβόων σοι ζωοδότα. Δόξα τῇ Ἀναστάσει σου Χριστέ, δόξα τῇ βασιλείᾳ σου, δόξα τῇ οἰκονομίᾳ σου, μόνε φιλόανθρωπε.

2. Τῶν Πατέρων (Ἦχος πλ. δ')

Ἵπερδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ φωστήρας ἐπὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν θεμελιώσας, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν πίστιν, πάντας ἡμᾶς ὁδηγήσας· πολυεύσπλαγχνε, δόξα σοι.

3. ΑΠΟΛΥΤΙΚΙΟΝ ΤΟΥ ΝΑΟΥ (Ἦχος Δ')

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τό 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.

4. KONTAKION (Ἦχος Β')

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης ἀμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς· ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα αἰεὶ, Θεοτόκε τῶν τιμῶντων σε.