Sunday School

Sunday School for Grades 9-12 begins today. 9th & 10th grades will meet together in the AHEPA room with teachers Steve Minarios, Emmanuel Minarios and Luke Tsoutsas. 11th & 12th grades will meet together in room 7 with teachers Nitsa Kambouroglos and Michael Kambouroglos. Students and teachers may go to their assigned classrooms immediately following Holy Communion. The classes will conclude at 11:45 AM.

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At this time, teachers for levels Pre-K through 8th grade will be equipped with online resources to help their students learn their lessons remotely together with their parents.

Help Package and Deliver 1,200 Food Boxes and Frozen Turkeys for Christmas!

Saturday morning, December 19

Call or Email the Church Office by Friday, Oct. 2 to sign up (First 60 volunteers).

Packaging Volunteers needed from 7:00 to 9:00am (ages 21-65) in Philoptochos Hall

Drivers needed (no age restrictions) to deliver boxes at 9:00 AM; parents with their children may make deliveries; 5 box minimum

Call or email church office to reserve your spot as a volunteer (packager or driver) by Oct. 2nd

Each box will contain a frozen turkey, potatoes, and other goods so that families in Lancaster experiencing economic hardship can celebrate Christmas with a full table of God’s blessings.

Please volunteer and offer a helping hand!

The Atmosphere of a Christian Home

“Pray without ceasing” (I Thess 5:17). A home is blessed when everyday tasks are accomplished with prayer. Food cooked with love and prayer is a blessing for all who partake of it. When someone is dressing, he can pray: “Clothe me in thy righteousness, O Lord.” When leaving or entering the house, one can pray: “Lord bless my coming in and my going out.” It is also beneficial to make the sign of the cross and pray at the beginning of every journey.

In everything and at every time strive to please God and think of the salvation of your soul from sin. On rising from bed, make the sign of the Cross and say: “In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with me today and this night and that I may live all in keeping with Thy holy commandments.” While dressing, one can pray: “Purge me with hyssop, Lord and I shall be clean; wash me and I shall be whiter than the snow.” When putting on your linen, think of the cleanliness of the heart, and ask the Lord for a clean heart: “Create me a clean heart, O God!” If you are putting on new clothes think about the renewal of the spirit and say: “Renew a right spirit within me” laying aside the old man, the sinful, passionate, carnal man. Tasting the sweetness of bread, think of the true bread, which gives eternal life to the soul.

In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit, be with me today and this night and that I may live all in keeping with Thy holy commandments.

Centennial Spirit Wear

Selling masks, t-shirts & aprons to be ready for the Bazaar.

Look for a Parish email very soon with more information.

For more contact Tina Georges at tineli79@gmail.com

GOYA FUNDRAISER

“Koulouria” - $3.00 each

Pre-orders only October 4th - 15th

Pick up October 18th

“Look for Parish email to follow”

BEREAVEMENT

Vasileos Zipounas (86), brother of Parishioner, Maria Topoulos, reposed in the Lord, September 12, 2020 in Greece.

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 Pali, Assistant Pastor; Father Alexander Veronis, Pastor Emeritus

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After that time, Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret. And he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon’s, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, “Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch.” And Simon answered, “Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets.” And when they had done this, they enclosed a great school of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus’ knees, saying, “Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord.” For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, “Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men.” And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

**The Gospel Lk. 5:11-20**

By means of Your Cross, O Lord, You abolished death. To the robber You opened Paradise. The lamentation of the myrrh-bearing women You transformed, and You gave Your Apostles the order to proclaim to all that You had risen, O Christ our God, and granted the world Your great mercy.

**1. APOLYTICON FOR THE MARTYRS**

Your Martyrs, O Lord, were worthily awarded Paradise. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin and Gabriel proclaims this gift from God. Together with him we cry to You, O Theotokos: “Hail thou full of grace, the Lord is with you.”

**2. HYMN OF OUR CHURCH**

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.”

**3. KONTAKION (Second Mode)**

O Protection of Christians unshakable, Intercensor 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.

**4. OAPOLYTICON FOR THE MARTYRS**

Oi Μάρτυρες σου Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἀθλήσει αὐτῶν, στεφάνους ἐκκαταραμοῦν τῆς αἰμαθρασίας ἐκ σοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· σχοντες γὰρ τὴν ἰχνίην σου, τοὺς τυράννους καθέλθωσαν, ἔφρασαν καὶ δοκιμάσαν, τὰ ἀναχρίσματα βράσα. Αὐτῶν τὰς ἱκανίας, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**5. OAPOLYTICON TOU NAOY**

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ Κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ᾽ αἰῶνος Μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις ἡ Θεοτόκε τῶν τιμώντων σε. Ἀνὴρ πάντων ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, καὶ Γαβριήλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διό καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, ἠνέῳξας τῷ Λῃστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον ἀμφότερα τὰ πλοία, ὥστε βυθίζεσθαι αὐτά. ἰδοὺ νῦν ἡμέρα σωτηρίας. Μηδεμίαν ἐν μηδενὶ διδόντες τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.