

TODAY

- **Mother's Day** Regular Schedule
Angel Choir Rehearsal 9:00am in the Choir Room. Angel Choir will participate in the Divine Liturgy.
- **Meeting for all Holy Land Participants after Divine Liturgy.**
- **Festival tickets, flyers, magnets & admission tickets are available in the Breezeway**
- **Fellowship Hour** is offered by our community youth wishing to honor their mothers on Mother's Day.

Mon May 14

- **No "Warm-up America Ministry"** It will resume on June 4th
- Festival Meat Preparation 9:00 am
- Parish Council Meeting 6:00 pm

Tue May 15

- Men's Discussion Group Meeting 6:30 am
- Adult Discussion 9:30 am
- Festival Meat Preparation 9:00 am
- **Festival Baking - Baklava - 4:00 pm**
- **Festival Committee Meeting - 7:00pm All Committees in the Library**

Wed May 16

- **Festival Baking - Baklava - 9:00 am**
- Festival Pastry Set-up 9:00 am

Wed May 16 (cont.)

- Festival Meat Preparation 9:00 am
- **Festival Baking - Tsourekia (Sweet Bread) - 4:00 pm**
- **No Greek School classes**
- **Wednesday - Tuesday, May 16th - 22nd**
- No Preschool (Annunciation Christian Academy closed for the Festival)

Thu May 17

- **Holy Ascension**
Matins/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am
- **Festival Baking - Tsourekia (Sweet Bread) - 9:00 am**
- Festival Pastry Set-up 10:30 am

Fri May 18

- Greek Festival 10:00 AM - 10:00 pm

Sat May 19

- Greek Festival 10:00 AM - 10:00 pm

Sun May 20

- ****Special Worship Schedule****
Matins 9:00 am / Divine Liturgy 9:30 am **No Sunday School**
- **Memorial** - The Potian Society of the Southeast **"Argonaytes"** will sponsor a memorial service for the genocide of the Greek Pontians and N.Smyrnh.
- Greek Festival 11:00 am - 8:00 pm

NAMES OF LIVING AND DEAD TO BE READ AT THE TOMB OF CHRIST

Those wishing to have the names of loved ones read at the tomb of Christ during the Midnight Divine Liturgy may do so by giving the names to Fr. Demetri or any pilgrimage participant. Please put a cross on sheet with names of deceased. Any contributions received will be given by the group to the Jerusalem Patriarchate as a gift.

Ladies of Philoptochos

Please join us at *Cities Bar and Grill*

Thursday, May 31st at 6:30

for our last General Meeting

and our Year-End Dinner Celebration.

To RSVP text/email Kim Toompas **by May 28th.**

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FESTIVAL VAN SHUTTLE SCHEDULE

Friday & Saturday 9:00AM - 10:30PM Continuously **Sunday 10:00 AM - 9:00 PM** Continuously
PARKING

- **ON FRIDAY-DAY** - Our volunteers will park at the **CHURCH OF CHRIST** on Keating. They will have 2 lots. The **SHUTTLE VAN** will pick you up.
- **FRIDAY AFTERNOON & EVENING ALL VOLUNTEERS WILL PARK AT THE PARK WEST OFFICE BLDG.** Next to Silas Creek & Country Club - **Park away from building.**
- **SATURDAY & SUNDAY - ALL DAY PARK AT PARK WEST BLDG.** It is the office building next to Silas Creek on Country Club. **Park away from building.**

Please arrange to have your car on our church parking lot 1/2 hour before the end of the evening shifts.



THIS WEEK AT ANNUNCIATION....

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Sunday School Coordinators - Zoe Bobotsiaries, Helen Karagiorgis, Heather Vlachos

SUNDAY, MAY 13

Sunday of the Blind Man The Holy Martyr Glyceria and Sergios the Confessor

USHERS – Ilias Vlachos, Maria Tsigas, Johnny Kortesis, Sam Gianopoulos
CHURCH SERV COMM Team 2 - Chris Gallos, Teddy J. Tsiolkas, Angelic Carroll, Tony Vlasias
MAIDENS FOR CHRIST Team 5 – Alexandra Augoustides, Jasmine Marshall
READER - Ron Sheppard
ALTAR BOYS Team 5 - Ralph Shepherd, George Raptis, Marcus Neacsu, Michael Ioannou, Matthew Moutos, John Kroustalis, Sebastian Neacsu, Harper Satterfield, Harrison Satterfield, Evangelos Paparoupas
NURSERY – Lauren Kazakos, Kelly Kontos, Angela Tsolis

Welcome Visitors We extend a warm welcome to visitors worshipping with us today. We would like to remind you that Holy Communion is reserved for those who have been baptized or confirmed in the Orthodox Church, and who have prepared themselves to receive the Eucharist. All visitors are welcome to receive the blessed bread at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

Fussy Infants/Children We love having infants & young children in Church being immersed in worship. However, out of respect for fellow worshippers, if a child is acting up, please step out of Church until he/she calms down. Thank you.

EISODIKON/ENTRANCE HYMN

Εν εκκλησίαις ευλογείτε τόν Θεόν, Κύριον εκ πηγών Ισραήλ. Σώσον ημάς, Υιέ Θεού, ο Αναστάς εκ νεκρών, ψάλλοντάς Σοι Αλληλούια.*

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.

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

Χριστός Ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω θάνατον πατήσας, και τοίς εν τοίς μνήμασι, ζώην χαρισάμενος.

APOLYTIKION (Resurrectional Hymn of the day)

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up those who had died, * by His glorious Resurrection.

APOLYTIKION OF THE ANNUNCIATION

Σήμερον της σωτηρίας ημών το Κεφάλαιον, και του απ' αιώνος Μυστηρίου η φανέρωσις, ό Υιός του Θεού, Υιός της Παρθένου γίνεται, και Γαβριήλ την χάριν ευαγγελίζεται, Διό και ημείς σύν αυτώ τη Θεοτόκω βοησωμεν, Χαίρει Κεχαριτωμένη, ό Κύριος μετά σου.

Today is the beginning of our salvation,* and the revelation of a mystery which was hidden;* the Son of God* becomes the Virgin's Son,* and Gabriel announces the grace of this good news,* let us also join with Him,* to the Theotokos calling;* Hail to you O Lady full of Grace,* the Lord is with you.

KONTAKION (Hymn of the season)

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.

Σὺ Κύριε, φυλάξαις ἡμᾶς καὶ διατηρήσαις ἡμᾶς.
 Στίχ. Σῶσον με, Κύριε, ὅτι ἐκλέλοιπεν ὁσῖος.
Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων 16:16-34 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, ἐγένετο δὲ πορευομένων ἡμῶν εἰς προσευχὴν παιδίσκην τινὰ ἔχουσαν πνεῦμα πύθωνος ἀπαντῆσαι ἡμῖν, ἣτις ἐργασίαν πολλὴν παρεῖχε τοῖς κυρίοις αὐτῆς μαντευομένη. αὕτη κατακολουθήσασα τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλα ἐκραζε λέγουσα· οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι δοῦλοι τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου εἰσίν, οἵτινες καταγγέλλουσιν ἡμῖν ὁδὸν σωτηρίας. τοῦτο δὲ ἐποίει ἐπὶ πολλὰς ἡμέρας. διαπονηθεὶς δὲ ὁ Παῦλος καὶ ἐπιστρέψας τῷ πνεύματι εἶπε· παραγγέλλω σοι ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐξελθεῖν ἀπ' αὐτῆς. καὶ ἐξῆλθεν αὐτῇ τῇ ὥρᾳ. Ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ κύριοι αὐτῆς ὅτι ἐξῆλθεν ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς ἐργασίας αὐτῶν, ἐπιλαβόμενοι τὸν Παῦλον καὶ τὸν Σίλαν εἰλκυσαν εἰς τὴν ἀγορὰν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας, καὶ προσαγαθόντες αὐτοὺς τοῖς στρατηγοῖς εἶπον· οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι ἐκταράσσουσιν ἡμῶν τὴν πόλιν Ἰουδαῖοι ὑπάρχοντες, καὶ καταγγέλλουσιν ἔθνη ἃ οὐκ ἔξεστιν ἡμῖν παραδέχεσθαι οὐδὲ ποιεῖν Ῥωμαίοις οὖσι. καὶ συνεπέστη ὁ ὄχλος κατ' αὐτῶν. καὶ οἱ στρατηγοὶ περιρρήξαντες αὐτῶν τὰ ἱμάτια ἐκέλευον ῥαβδίσειν, πολλὰς τε ἐπιθέντες αὐτοῖς πληγὰς ἔβαλον εἰς φυλακὴν, παραγγείλαντες τῷ δεσμοφύλακι ἀσφαλῶς τηρεῖν αὐτούς· ὃς παραγγελίαν τοιαύτην εἰληφὼς ἔβαλεν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν ἐσωτέραν φυλακὴν καὶ τοὺς πόδας αὐτῶν ἠσφαλισατο εἰς τὸ ξύλον. Κατὰ δὲ τὸ μεσονύκτιον Παῦλος καὶ Σίλας προσευχόμενοι ὕμνουν τὸν Θεόν· ἐπηκροῶντο δὲ αὐτῶν οἱ δέσμοι. ἄφνω δὲ σεισμός ἐγένετο μέγας, ὥστε σαλευθῆναι τὰ θεμέλια τοῦ δεσμοτηρίου, ἀνεῳχθῆσαν τε παραρῆμα αἱ θύραι πᾶσαι καὶ πάντων τὰ δεσμὰ ἀνέθη. ἔξυπνος δὲ γενόμενος ὁ δεσμοφύλαξ καὶ ἰδὼν ἀνεωγμένας τὰς θύρας τῆς φυλακῆς, σπασάμενος μάχαιραν ἔμελλεν ἑαυτὸν ἀναιρεῖν, νομίζων ἐκπεφευγέναι τοὺς δεσμίους. ἐφώνησε δὲ φωνῇ μεγάλῃ ὁ Παῦλος λέγων· μηδὲν πράξης σεαυτῷ κακόν· ἅπαντες γὰρ ἔσμεν ἐνθάδε. αἰτήσας δὲ φῶτα εἰσεπήδησε, καὶ ἔντρομος γενόμενος προσέειπε τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλα, καὶ προαγαθὸν αὐτοὺς ἔξω ἔφη· κύριοι, τί με δεῖ ποιεῖν ἵνα σωθῶ; οἱ δὲ εἶπον· πίστευσον ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, καὶ σωθήσῃ σὺ καὶ ὁ οἶκός σου. καὶ ἐλάλησαν αὐτῷ τὸν λόγον τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ αὐτοῦ. καὶ παραλαβὼν αὐτοὺς ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ὥρᾳ τῆς νυκτὸς ἔλουσεν ἀπὸ τῶν πληγῶν, καὶ ἐβαπτίσθη αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ αὐτοῦ πάντες παραρῆμα, ἀναγαθὸν τε αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ παρέθηκε τράπεζαν, καὶ ἠγαλλιάσατο πανοικί πεπιστευκῶς τῷ Θεῷ.

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.
 Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34

IN THOSE DAYS, as we apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

The Gospel According to John 9:1-38

At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshiped him.