



ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Sunday, July 15,
2018**

Sunday of the Holy
Fathers of the Fourth
Ecumenical Council

Holy Bread

Enosis Touliatos

Ushers

Endy Carter
Vasili Semos
Ted Poplos

Epistle Reader

Patricia Grantham

Coffee Fellowship

OPEN

Welcome to the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church. We are blessed that you have come to our worship service, and hope that you will be both enlightened and inspired. Every Sunday we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ. The Christian Orthodox Church is the Church of the Resurrection and we rejoice in the Lord's triumph over death.

If you are attending an Orthodox Church for the first time, our service may be foreign and perplexing to you. We assure you that everything we do is firmly rooted in the Scriptures. Please feel free to participate to the level that you feel comfortable.

The Orthodox Church understands the Eucharist – the Lord's Supper – to be, among other things, the paramount expression of Christian unity. The unfortunate reality of our day is that the various segments of Christendom are not unified with the historic Orthodox Faith. We fervently pray for this unity as noted in every service of the Orthodox Church. *Since participation in the Eucharist expresses a unity with all the dogma and practices of the Orthodox Church, non-Orthodox guests do not receive Holy Communion.* All guests are invited to receive the blessed bread at the end of the service.

First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us!

Verse 1: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all that is within me bless His holy name.
Psalm 102:1

Verse 2: Bless the Lord, O my soul, and forget not all that He has done for you.
Psalm 102:2

Verse 3: The Lord in heaven has prepared His throne, and His kingdom rules over all.

Psalm 102:17

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, Who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia

Verse 1: Praise the Lord, O my soul; I will praise the Lord in my life; I will chant unto my God for as long as I have my being.

Psalm 145:1-2

Verse 2: Blessed is He of whom the God of Jacob is his help, whose hope is in the Lord his God.

Psalm 145:5

Verse 3: The Lord shall be King unto eternity; your God, O Zion, from generation to generation.

Psalm 145:10

Glory to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, both now and forever, and to the ages of ages. Amen.

Third Antiphon

Apolytikion of the Sunday

Verse: This is the day the Lord has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Let the heavens and the earth praise Him.

Psalm 117:24; Psalm 68:34

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Sung before and after the Small Entrance in the Sixth Mode

Angelic powers were above Your tomb, and they that guarded You became as dead. And Mary stood by the grave seeking Your immaculate Body. You have despoiled Hades and were not tried thereby. You did meet the Virgin and did grant us life. O You Who did arise from the dead, Lord, glory be to You.

Apolytikion for The Holy Fathers

Sung after the hymn above in the Eighth Mode

Most glorified are You, O Christ our God, Who has established our Fathers as luminous stars upon the earth, and through them did guide us all to the true Faith. O Most Merciful One, glory be to You.

Hymn of the Annunciation

Sung after the hymn above in the Fourth Mode

Today is the beginning of our salvation and the revelation of the mystery before the Ages. The Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel proclaims the great grace. Therefore, with him let us cry out unto the Theotokos, "Hail, Rejoice, O highly favored one; the Lord is with you."

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ 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.

Seasonal Kontakion

Sung after the hymn above in the Second Mode

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto you: Hasten to intercession and speed you to make supplication, O you who does ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor You.

Sunday, July 15, 2018

Sts. Julitta & Kyrikos the
Martyrs

St. Vladimir, Equal-to-the-
Apostles

Monday, July 16, 2018

St. Athenogenes of Her-
acleopolis

St. Julia of Carthage

Tuesday, July 17, 2018

St. Marina of Antioch

Sts. Veronika & Speratos
the Martyrs

**Wednesday, July 18,
2018**

St. Emilianos of Bulgaria

Sts. Paul, Thea & Oulalen-
tine

Thursday, July 19, 2018

St. Macrina, sister of St.
Basil

St. Dios, Abbot of Anti-
och

Friday, July 20, 2018

Elias the Prophet

Saturday, July 21, 2018

St. Symeon the Fool for
Christ

St. Parthenios, Bishop of
Arta

Epistle: Titus 3:8-15

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 1.

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 2.

Psalm 31.11,1

Be glad in the Lord, and rejoice, O righteous.

Verse: Blessed are they whose transgressions have
been forgiven.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to Titus 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.

Sunday, July 15, 2018

Today is Fast Free | No fasting restrictions.

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Wednesday, July 18, 2018

Strict Fast | Refrain from meat, fish, oil, wine, dairy, and eggs.

Thursday, July 19, 2018

Today is Fast Free | No fasting restrictions.

Friday, July 20, 2018

Fast Day (Wine and Oil Allowed) | Wine and oil are allowed. Refrain from meat, fish, dairy, and eggs.

Saturday, July 21, 2018

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Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

Visitation Committee

July: Maria Moore & Diane Kavelaras

August: Elaine Daniels & Friend

September: Susanna Peters & Cathe Skefos

October: Sophie Theodore & Kristine Wagner

November: Loretta Taras & Tasia Vergos

December: Anastasia Terranova & Athena Jamison

January: Nancy Tashie, Jan Futris & Tina Liollo

February: Vicki Hoover & Evangelina Panas

March: Linda Nichols, Anne Schmitt, & Debbie Bookas

April: Cary Chiungos & Mary Katherine Taras

May: Demie Bitinis, Tricia Grantham, Emily Capadalis Love, & Georgia Karris

June: Despina Karas & Angela Tobias

The following members of our parish family have requested visitation. For address and/or contact information please check your parish directory or contact the Church Office.

Alec Collis
Maria Hetos

Stella Nichols
Kosta Taras

Georgia Smith
Jimmy Smith

Please contact Kristine Wagner if you would like to volunteer to be on the 2018-2019 Visitation Committee, a ministry of the Elpis Philoptochos.

Announcements

◆ **St. Nicholas Summer Camp Registration: CAMP DATES: JULY 22-28, 2018 - WAIT LIST IS NOW OPEN**

AGES: For children 8 years old (or entering 3rd grade in Fall) – 18 years old (or will be graduating High School in Spring). **PRICE : \$425 Normal Registration**

<http://www.stnicholascamp.org/camper-info/>

◆ **St. Nicholas Summer Camp Staff — URGENT**

We are in search of dedicated individuals to serve on the St. Nicholas Summer Camp staff. We have been VERY blessed to have a long history of exceptional people serve on the SNC staff. This year, we are looking to all of you to help continue that tradition! Visit www.stnicholascamp.org/staff-info for more information about staff requirements and to apply!!

Please email Eva Kostantakos at snsc@detroit.goarch.org to let me know whether or not you can help out this year. We cannot run the camp without you... literally! If you cannot make it, we ask that you please share this info with other potential candidates.

◆ **Library Summer Hours**

The library is open all summer long 10:00 am—2:00 pm every Tuesday. Please take some time during a lunch break to stop by for a quiet place to read or contemplate. We also have a great Children's Section.

◆ **Looking for Books.** If you have previously checked out a book from the library and have finished it, we encourage you to bring it back in and check out another gem to read. You can drop the book off during the week at the office, Tuesday's during library hours, and even after service, just give them to Billy Benson.

◆ **Parish Directory**

The new directory is available on Sundays & in the Church Office. This will be something we can update on a regular basis. Please pick one up and take a look at the make-up of our Parish. We are accepting a recommended donation of \$5 to help offset the costs, but this is not obligatory.

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, July 15th, Sunday of the Holy Fathers

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:45 am

† 40 Day Blessing for Camille Hinson, daughter of Monica & Evan Hinson

† Chrismation of Joseph Moynihan

† Nursery available 10:00 am—12:00 Noon

† More Than a Meal Cooking Team—Meet in Cotros Hall at Noon to prepare food. Then head to Grace-St. Luke's to serve at 3:00 pm.

Monday, July 16th

† Parish Council Meeting 6:15 pm in the Library

Tuesday, July 17th

† Library Open 10:00 am—2:00 pm

† Paraklesis Service 6:00 pm

Thursday, July 19th

Orthros 6:00 pm

Divine Liturgy for the Feast of the Prophet Elijah 7:00 pm

Sunday, July 22nd, Eighth Sunday of Matthew

† Orthros/Divine Liturgy 8:30 am * **NOTE TIME CHANGE**

† Bus departs for St. Nicholas Summer Camp at 12:00 Noon. Meet in Cotros Hall.

A SPIRITUAL ODYSSEY TO TURKEY & GREECE! LED BY FATHER SIMON!

Come join Father Simon on an Incredible Spiritual Journey to Turkey & Greece for two weeks **October 1-15, 2018!**

We need a minimum of 25 people to make the trip and the initial deposit HAS BEEN EXTENDED! — SEE THE PARISH WEBSITE OR OUR FACEBOOK PAGE FOR MORE DETAILS.

Visit our website at www.goann.net to download the Pilgrimage Packet including the itinerary, pricing, registration & booking contact information.