

### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal First Mode

Let us worship the Word, O ye faithful, praising Him that with the Father and the Spirit is co-beginningless God, Who was born of a pure Virgin that we all be saved; for He was pleased to mount the Cross in the flesh that He assumed, accepting thus to endure death. And by His glorious rising, He also willed to resurrect the dead.

### Apolytikion for Unmercenaries Cosmas and Damian in the Plagal Fourth Mode

O Holy Unmercenaries and wonderworkers, visit our infirmities; freely ye received, freely give to us.

### Apolytikion of the Church in the First Mode

Thou hast ascended in glory, O Christ our God, and gladdened Thy disciples with the promise of the Holy Spirit; and they were assured by the blessing that Thou are the Son of God and Redeemer of the world.

**Ἀνελήφθης ἐν δόξῃ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, χαροποιήσας τοὺς Μαθητάς, τῇ ἐπαγγελίᾳ τοῦ ἁγίου Πνεύματος· βεβαιωθέντων αὐτῶν διὰ τῆς εὐλογίας, ὅτι σὺ εἶ ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὁ λυτρωτὴς τοῦ κόσμου.**

### Seasonal Kontakion 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 thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

### The Epistle Reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8

Brethren, you are the body of Christ and individually members of it. And God has appointed in the church first apostles, second prophets, third teachers, then workers of miracles, then healers, helpers, administrators, speakers in various kinds of tongues. Are all apostles? Are all prophets? Are all teachers? Do all work miracles? Do all possess gifts of healing? Do all speak with tongues? Do all interpret? But earnestly desire the higher gifts. And I will show you a still more excellent way. If I speak in the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I am a noisy gong or a clanging cymbal. And if I have prophetic powers, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and if I have all faith, so as to remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. If I give away all I have, and if I deliver my body to be burned, but have not love, I gain nothing. Love is patient and kind; love is not jealous or boastful; it is not arrogant or rude. Love does not insist on its own way; it is not irritable or resentful; it does not rejoice at wrong but rejoices in the right. Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. Love never ends.

### The Gospel of Luke 16:19-31

The Lord said, "There was a rich man, who was clothed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, full of sores, who desired to be fed with what fell from the rich man's table; moreover the dogs came and licked his sores. The poor man died and was carried by the angels to Abraham's bosom. The rich man also died and was buried; and in Hades, being in torment, he lifted up his eyes, and saw Abraham far off and Lazarus in his bosom. And he called out, 'Father Abraham, have mercy upon me, and send Lazarus to dip the end of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in anguish in this flame.' But Abraham said, 'Son, remember that you in your lifetime received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in anguish. And besides all this, between us and you a great chasm has been fixed, in order that those who would pass from here to you may not be able, and none may cross from there to us.' And he said, 'Then I beg you, father, to send him to my father's house, for I have five brothers, so that he may warn them, lest they also come into this place of torment.' But Abraham said, 'They have Moses, and the prophets; let them hear them.' And he said, 'No, father Abraham; but if some one goes to them from the dead, they will repent.' He said to them, 'If they do not hear Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced if some one should rise from the dead.'"

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### WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN

**Nov 1 - 8, 2015**

**Prospora Bakers:**

**FOS Ministry Greeter:**

**Epistle Reader:**

**Ushers:**

Mary Papagianis and Sophia Metropulos

Kathleen and Dave Rutkowski

Tom Kiriakos

**Nick Marino**, Bill Smirles, Doug Hugdahl, Diane Sigalos, Mike Sutherland, Steve Demet

**SPIRITUAL REFLECTION** – *How do we know we are acting with love? Today's Epistle reading gives specific characteristics of love: it **suffers long**, is patient; it is **kind**, gentle, especially with those who hurt; it **does not envy**, is not jealous of what others have; it **does not parade itself**, put itself on display; it **is not puffed up**, arrogant, proud; it **does not act rudely**, brashly, mean-spiritedly, insulting others; it **does not seek its own way**, act pushy; it **is not provoked** or angered; it **thinks no evil**, does not keep score on others; it **rejoices not in iniquity**, takes no pleasure when others fall into sin; it **rejoices in the truth**, is joyful when righteousness prevails; it **bears all things**, handles the burdensome; **believes all things**, trusts in God no matter what; it **hopes all things**, keeps looking up, does not despair; it **endures all things**, puts up with everything, does not wear out; it **never fails**. **The only thing love cannot do is fail.** (Taken from Orthodox Study Bible).*

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Nov 1 - 8, 2015

<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>November 1</u></b>	<b><u>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</u></b>
8:15 a.m.	Orthros	
9:10 a.m.	Sunday Church School	
9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy Artoclasia - Philoptochos	
noon	SS Cosmas & Damianos Feast Day Philoptochos Luncheon Royal Melbourne Country Club	
<b><u>Monday</u></b>	<b><u>November 2</u></b>	
5:30 p.m.	JOY/Jr. GOYA - Meet at Brunswick Zone Hawthorn in Vernon Hills	
7:30 p.m.	GOYA - Meet at Brunswick Zone Hawthorn in Vernon Hills	
<b><u>Tuesday</u></b>	<b><u>November 3</u></b>	
4:45 p.m.	Greek School	
<b><u>Wednesday</u></b>	<b><u>November 4</u></b>	
10 a.m.	HOPE	
<b><u>Thursday</u></b>	<b><u>November 5</u></b>	
6:15 p.m.	Adult Beginner Greek School	
7:45 p.m.	Adult Intermediate/Advanced Greek School	
<b><u>Saturday</u></b>	<b><u>November 7</u></b>	
7 p.m.	Great Vespers, St. Haralambos, Niles	
<b><u>Sunday</u></b>	<b><u>November 8</u></b>	<b><u>Holy Archangels</u></b>
8:15 a.m.	Orthros	
9:10 a.m.	Sunday Church School	
9:30 a.m.	Divine Liturgy General Assembly immediately following Liturgy	
3 p.m.	Baptism: Katerina, daughter of Eleftherios and Constantina Boufis Sponsors: Sam & Nicole Armainsson	
7 p.m.	Great Vespers @ St. Nectarios, Palatine	

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

+ **WE ARE GLAD** you came to our Church. We hope your visit was memorable and meaningful in every way. Our doors and hearts are always open to you. Please join us for fellowship following the Divine Liturgy and visit with Fr. Sotiri and with members of the Parish Council. They will answer questions and provide you with information regarding the programs and life at the Ascension.

### HOLY COMMUNION ETIQUETTE

+ If you are either baptized and/or confirmed as an Orthodox Christian and have spiritually prepared to receive Holy Communion, please come up with reverence and humility, row by row, and depart as directed by the ushers. Please remain in your rows until an usher indicates your row should proceed forward. If you are standing in the back of the nave, please wait until an usher directs you.

+ In receiving Communion, you should place the cloth under your chin, recite your CHRISTIAN NAME, and wipe your mouth after receiving. If you are wearing lipstick please remove it prior to receiving Communion.

### CHURCH NEWS

+ **GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETING NEXT SUNDAY:** Please plan to attend this important meeting immediately following the Divine Liturgy. Among other important updates, the agenda will include a progress report on the building plans as well as a renewed capital campaign.

+ **TAFFY APPLES FOR SALE:** Please support GOYA's ministry work by placing Taffy Apple orders in the Fellowship Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy. Today is the last day GOYANS can accept orders. Taffy Apples may be picked up next *Sunday, 11/8*.

+ **FEED MY STARVING CHILDREN – REGISTRATION DEADLINE EXTENDED** – There's still time for JOY, Jr. GOYANS and GOYANS (along with their families) to participate in a service project at Feed My Starving Children (FMSC) in Libertyville on *Monday, November 9*, where we will hand pack meals that are specially formulated for malnourished children. JOY/Jr. GOYA will participate from 6:00 to 7:30 pm; GOYA from 8-9:30 p.m. If you are interested, please email Carol Stamas (cestamas@comcast.net) no later than this *Tuesday, November 3rd*.

+ **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14TH, 7-9PM - Fall Fellowship Cocktail Reception:** Ascension Stewards are invited to be guests at a Cocktail Reception being held at *the Lake Forest Club in Lake Forest*. Cocktails and Hors d'oeuvres will be served. Please join us and take this opportunity to socialize with members of our Ascension Parish. Adults only please. Your RSVP is kindly requested by *November 6th*. Mia Connolly (Miaps@aol.com), Maria Lampros ([Mvl101@aol.com](mailto:Mvl101@aol.com)) Tina Ballis: 847.772.5600, or the Church office: 847.482.1200.

+ **SAVE THE DATE:** Stewardship Sunday, November 15th

+ **GINGERBREAD EVENT: SAVE THE DATE:** The 7<sup>th</sup> annual, highly-acclaimed gingerbread house decorating event is coming back this year on *Saturday, December 5<sup>th</sup>*. More details to follow!

### PRAYER REQUESTS FOR HEALTH

+ **PRAYER REQUESTS** – Please include in your personal prayers the servants of God: Maita, Georgia, John, Eleni, George, Nicholas, Ethel, Louise, Paraskevi, John, Panagiota, Anastasia, Stella, Athanasia, Mitchell, Joanne, Augustine, Panagiotis, Christina, Georgiane, Helen