

## Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Third Mode

Let the Heavens rejoice; let earthly things be glad; for the Lord hath wrought might with His arm, He hath trampled upon death by death. The first-born of the dead hath He become. From the belly of Hades hath He delivered us, and hath granted great mercy to the world.

## Apolytikion for Paul the Confessor in the Third Mode

Thy confession of the one divine Faith showed thee to the Church to be a new Paul and a zealot among priests, O holy one. The righteous blood both of Abel and Zachary with thee doth cry out together unto the Lord. Righteous Father, intercede with Christ God in our behalf that His great mercy may be granted unto us.

## Apolytikion of the Church in the Fourth 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.

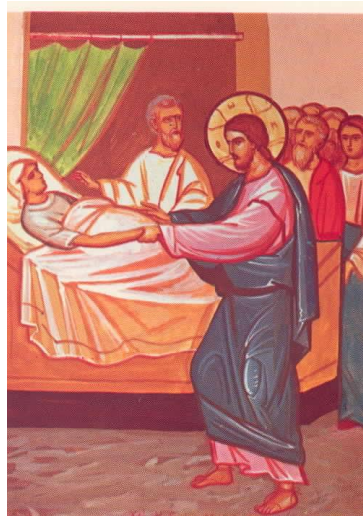
## Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Mode

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 reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19.

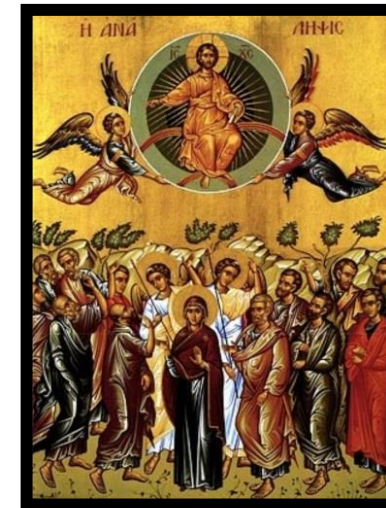
BRETHREN, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

## The Gospel of Luke 8:41-56



At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought Him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As He went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind Him, and touched the fringe of His garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter said, "Master, the multitudes surround You and press upon You!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from Me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before Him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched Him, and how she had been immediately healed. And He said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While He was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when He came to the house, He permitted no one to enter with Him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but He said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at Him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand He called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and He directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but He charged them to tell no one what had happened.

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## WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN November 6 - 13

### 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.

### Spiritual Reflection

*"Every genuine confession humbles the soul. When it takes the form of thanksgiving, it teaches the soul that it has been delivered by the grace of God."*

+ St. Maximos the Confessor

## Weekly Calendar

<b>Sunday</b> 8:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>November 6</b> Orthros Sunday Church School Divine Liturgy Coffee Fellowship hosted by The Parish Council	<b>7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</b>
<b>Monday</b> 6 p.m. 8 p.m.	<b>November 7</b> JOY/Jr. GOYA Service project at Feed My Starving Children GOYA Service Project at Feed My Starving Children	
<b>Tuesday</b> 8:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 4:45 p.m. 7 p.m.	<b>November 8</b> Orthros Divine Liturgy Greek School Great Vespers @ St. Nectarios, Palatine	<b>Holy Archangels</b>
<b>Wednesday</b> 8:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 7 p.m.	<b>November 9</b> Orthros Divine Liturgy Vigil for St. Arsenios of Cappadocia	<b>St. Nektarios of Pentapolis</b>
<b>Thursday</b> 6 p.m. 6:15 p.m. 7 p.m. 7:45 p.m.	<b>November 10</b> Martha & Mary House Benefit @ St. Demetrios, Elmhurst Adult Beginner Greek School Philoptochos Meeting @ the home of Amy Tsarwhas Adult Intermediate/Advanced Greek School	<b>St. Arsenios of Cappadocia</b>
<b>Saturday</b> 6 p.m.	<b>November 11</b> Great Vespers @ St. John Chrysostom Monastery, Pleasant Prarie, WI	
<b>Sunday</b> 8:15 a.m. 9:15 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	<b>November 12</b> Orthros Sunday Church School Divine Liturgy General Assembly	<b>St. John Chrysostomos</b> <b>Stewardship Sunday</b>

## 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 move forward. If you are standing in the back of the nave, please wait until an usher directs you.
- + Prior to receiving Holy Communion, we will recite together the *Prayers Before Receiving Holy Communion* on page 61 in the Divine Liturgy book found in the pew. Following Holy Communion, it is customary for the faithful to silently recite the *Prayers of Thanksgiving*, on page 73.
- + 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.
- + Whether you are an Orthodox Christian or not, please come forward at the dismissal to receive the blessed bread which is offered to everyone who worships with us. May the blessings of Christ be with you.

## Our Sunday Volunteers

**Prospora:** Mary Greub & Mary Kakavas  
**Epistle Reader:** James Facklis  
**Ministry Greeters:** Gerald and Despina Taranko  
**Ushers:** Alex Marx (UIC), Carol Stamas, Peter Venetos, Tom Kiriakos Bill Athenson, Bob Mantzoros, George Tapas, John Thomas

## Prayer Requests for Health

**PLEASE INCLUDE IN YOUR PERSONAL PRAYERS** the servants of God: Georgia, John, Eleni, George, Nicholas, Christine, Christy, Louise, Anastasia, Stella, Mitchell, Joanne, Panagiotis, Christina, Helen, James, Sophia, Connie

## Announcements

- + **THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO SINCERELY THANK** Jim & Caity Anast and Robert & Violetta Buhler, who offered their heartfelt testimonials last week about why they chose to support the Capital Campaign. Our testimonials will continue again on December 4th and December 11th. If you are interested in sharing with our Parish, your story as to your family's relationship with the Ascension, and what has led you to pledge to the Capital Campaign, please contact someone on the Committee, or Fr. Sotirios. If you have not yet submitted your Pledge card, please look into your hearts and support our fundraising effort. Our goal remains to achieve our financial target with 100% participation of our Parish. Thank you for your support, for a once in a lifetime sacred opportunity, to build a new House of Worship.
- + **PHILOPTOCHOS GENERAL MEETING THIS THURSDAY!** Join us for *A Night for Healing* this Thursday, November 10th at 7 pm at the home of Amy Tsarwhas. There will be a speaker from Between Friends, a not for profit organization dedicated to breaking the cycle of domestic violence. See flyer for more details about donating full-sized toiletries to this organization.
- + **SAVE THE DATE, NEXT SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 13: Stewardship Sunday and Parish General Assembly.** More details and an agenda for the General Assembly, which will take place immediately following Divine Liturgy, was mailed this week to stewards. Among other important updates, the agenda includes a progress report on the building plans as well as our capital campaign. Please plan on attending this important meeting!
- + **SAVE THE DATE: ASCENSION LEGACY GALA:** The time is now to invite family, friends and koumbari to the Ascension Legacy Gala to be held February 4. Invitations will be mailed in coming weeks and tickets will also be available for online purchase beginning December 4. To receive an email reminder when tickets are available, go to [www.ascension.com/gala](http://www.ascension.com/gala) and click on "Tickets".
- + **DONATIONS FOR THE NATIVITY SEASON:** During the upcoming Nativity Fast, additional Ecclesiastical supplies, as well as poinsettia plants, will be purchased to use in worship and to adorn the Church. We humbly request any contributions to offset these costs. To make a donation, please contact Renee Maltezos in the Church office (847.482.1200 or [renee.maltezos@ascension.com](mailto:renee.maltezos@ascension.com)).
- + **THANKSGIVING DAY PAN-ORTHODOX DIVINE LITURGY** will be held at 9 a.m. on Thanksgiving Day, Thursday, November 24th, at the Holy Virgin Protection Russian Orthodox Cathedral, Des Plaines.
- + **GINGERBREAD EVENT:** Please join us on Saturday, December 3, 2016, for our 8th Annual popular Gingerbread Decorating event! There will be 2 sessions: 9:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m. and 12:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. If you cannot stay, you may also take your houses TO GO. Every year we sell quite a few houses to be taken home, so make sure you reserve your house(s) TODAY! Gingerbread Orders will be taken after Church today and the following 2 Sundays. For more information, please contact Maria Vlahos @ [smileygrk@gmail.com](mailto:smileygrk@gmail.com); 224.688.0214. This is a GOYA sponsored event.
- + **SENIOR SYNAXIS IS SELLING THEIR POPULAR COOKBOOK AGAIN!** Copies of "Taste & See" a collection of wonderful recipes by our very own Senior Synaxis members will be on sale at our bookstore for \$10 after Liturgy. Makes a great Christmas gift!
- + **BOOKSTORE NEWS:** We've marked down some of our titles by 50%! Titles include *Making God Real in the Orthodox Christian Home* and *The Encyclopedia of Major Saints and Fathers of the Orthodox Church*. Stop by the bookstore and check them out. Also, if you are interested in helping staff the bookstore after Liturgy on Sundays, please contact Caity Anast at [anast1028@gmail.com](mailto:anast1028@gmail.com).
- + **AN ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN MISSION CENTER (OCMC) BOARD BANQUET** will be held on Tuesday, November 15th (6pm Social Hour, 7pm Dinner) at SS. Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church in Glenview. Long-term missionary, Nathan Hoppe, will give a short presentation. Tickets are \$25/person, with every penny going to OCMC. RSVP to Linda Karras by November 11th at [lindakarras@yahoo.com](mailto:lindakarras@yahoo.com) or call (317) 709-0168.
- + **PICK UP YOUR CROSS AND FOLLOW ME** is a ministry for those with special needs and their families. On Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> at 10 a.m., the ministry will be holding its 9<sup>th</sup> annual hands-on learning day camp at the St. Iakovos Retreat Center for those with special needs and their families. For more information and to register, please contact Presvytera Toni Mihalopoulos at: 219.765.6349 or email: [toni.poteris@gmail.com](mailto:toni.poteris@gmail.com)