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WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN

August 10 - 17, 2014

SUNDAY AUGUST 10
9TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Coffee Fellowship by the Parish Council

MONDAY AUGUST 11
6:30 p.m. Paraklesis (Supplications to the Theotokos)

TUESDAY AUGUST 12
7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

WEDNESDAY AUGUST 13
Paraklesis - Cancelled

THURSDAY AUGUST 14
EVE OF THE KOIMISSIS TIS THEOTOKOU - Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary
7:00 p.m. Great Vespers @ Assumption Church in Chicago and @ Koimissis Tis Theotokou Church in Racine, WI

FRIDAY AUGUST 15
KOIMISSIS TIS THEOTOKOU - Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary
8:00 a.m. Orthros
9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

SUNDAY AUGUST 17
10TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Memorial Service for the servant of God Nick Davis (40 days)
Coffee Fellowship hosted by the Philoptochos in honor of Fr. Jim & Presbytera Nasia Gordon

Prospora Bakers: Helen Pissios **FOS Ministry Greeters:** Doug & Andrea Rogers
Hymns of Small Entrance: Plagual 4th Tone (pg, 46); Hymn of our Church (pg. 47)
Today's Epistle Reading: I Corinthians 3:9-17 **Reader:** Jim Facklis
Today's Gospel Reading: Matthew 14:22-34
Vigil Lights Offered by:

+ **OUR PRAYERS THIS MORNING** are for the soul of the Servant of God Nick Davis (40 days), 1st cousin of Nick (Arianna) Stevens and Elaine Stevens. May his memory be eternal.

KOINONIA MEN'S MINISTRY - GOLF OUTING ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 22nd

+ **THE 16TH ANNUAL ASCENSION GOLF OUTING WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 22nd** at the Highland Park Country Club. Please begin putting your foursomes together. Support this event

and consider donating a sign or sign up for a corporate or family sponsorship (foursome and sign). If you don't play golf, please join us for the evening's "Fish Fry" dinner. This year's outing is again being hosted by the **Koinonia Men's Ministry**. Contact: Tom Papastefan @ (312) 497-1570 or by e-mail tpapastefan@futures-int.com or call the Church Office 847/482-1200.

+ **SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, September 7th - Godparents Sunday & Family Picnic** (after Church Services) - more details forthcoming.

WE WELCOME A NEW CHAPTER IN THE LIFE OF THE ASCENSION OF OUR LORD

+ **THE ANNOUNCEMENT OF FATHER SOTIRIOS MALAMIS AS OUR NEW PROISTAMENOS** is indeed a blessing from the Lord. Father Sotiri was assigned by His Eminence Metropolitan IAKOVOS, with the assistance of His Grace Bishop DEMETRIOS, to serve the Spiritual needs of our Parish following Father Jim's departure. Please afford Father Sotiri the time and the courtesy to learn your names and faces, get settled into a routine and allow him to develop his ministry to the Faithful of the Ascension of Our Lord. Father Sotiri will begin officially on September 1st.

PARAKELISIS SERVICES - UPCOMING SERVICE SCHEDULE

+ **PARAKELISIS SERVICES (SUPPLICATIONS TO THE VIRGIN MAY) will be offered on: Monday, August 11th at 6:30 p.m.** Originally scheduled services for Friday, August 8th and 13th have been cancelled. Please submit your names to be read for health, in person, to Father Jim before each service. It is truly important for you to be in attendance to pray along with others to the Mother of God for the health of your loved ones. Please join us as often as you can.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

+ **POP: POWER OF PINK** present My Big, Fat, Greek Movie Premiere! Be one of the first to see "Christmas with the Karountzoses" on Tuesday, October 2nd at the Pickwick Theater in Des Plaines. Tickets to this exclusive event to benefit breast cancer on sale now - \$35.00 per person. If interested please contact Vicki Douvlis (847)951-3089.

GREEK SCHOOL NEWS

+ **REGISTRATION CONTINUES FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR** - Registration forms for both our Tuesday Greek School program and our Thursday Adult/Adolescent Program are available in the Fellowship Hall. We thank our students, parents and our very dedicated teachers for a great school year in 2013-2014. If you have any questions, please call the Church Office.

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL

+ **OUR SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL IS LOOKING FOR ADDITIONAL TEACHERS THIS YEAR** for 5th and 6th Grades specifically. If you are interested in teaching this year, please contact Mia Connolly @ miaps@aol.com. Your commitment of Time and Talents in this ministry would be a blessing for our program.

CHURCH REMINDERS AND UPDATES

+ **IF YOU HAVE RESERVED A DATE FOR A SACRAMENT (BAPTISM OR WEDDING)** please call the Church Office and make sure that either Father Jim or Kay James has the information needed to fill out the proper certificates PRIOR to the Sacrament.

+ **WEEKLY "SANCTUARY VIGIL LIGHT" DONATIONS** may be offered for the health of individuals, family members or in memory of departed loved ones. A **\$75.00 donation for each week's vigil lights** is requested. Names will be acknowledged in the Sunday Bulletin. Call Kay to reserve your week.

+ **IF YOU HAVE NOT HOSTED A SUNDAY COFFEE FELLOWSHIP, PLEASE SIGN UP TODAY.** You may host a Coffee Fellowship within your family or with another family if you so desire. We further request you **keep things simple** by serving cookies and finger type items. Most Sundays throughout the summer are still open.

+ **WE ENCOURAGE EVERYONE** to take their weekly Sunday Bulletins home with them, instead of leaving them in the pews. This way you may refer to what is going on at Church during the week and be informed!

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR HEALTH

+ **PRAYER REQUESTS** - Please include in your personal prayers the servants of God: Lisa, Georgia, Anastasios, Angeline, Mary, Konstantinos, Evangelia, Augoustinos, Eleni, Tom, Paraskevi and John.