

Ascension of Our Lord Greek Orthodox Church
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WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN
August 31 - September 7, 2014

SUNDAY AUGUST 31
12TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW
8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Memorial Service for the soul of the Servant of God Despina Caparos (5 years).
Coffee Fellowship hosted by Tasia Alexakos and Family

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 1
LABOR DAY - CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED

TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 2
5:00 p.m. Greek School Teachers' Meeting

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 7
SUNDAY BEFORE THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS
8:15 a.m. Orthros
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy
Godparents' Sunday
Family Picnic on the Church grounds following the Divine Liturgy

Prospora Bakers: Mary Kakavas **FOS Ministry Greeters:** Jerry Taranko
Hymns of Small Entrance: Third Tone (pg, 44); Hymn of our Church (pg. 47)
Today's Epistle Reading: Hebrews 9:1-7 **Reader:** Jeff Carlson
Today's Gospel Reading: Matthew 19:16-26
Vigil Lights Offered by: Pamala and Tom Kiriakos for the continued good health and safety of their daughters as they return to College.

+ **WE WELCOME** Fr. Tom Papagiannis who is celebrating the Divine Liturgy for us this morning. Thank you, Fr. Tom.

+ **OUR PRAYERS THIS MORNING** are for the soul of the Servant of God Despina Caparos (5 years), beloved wife of Constantin and beloved mother of Helen, George and Yianny Caparos. May her memory be eternal.

+ **OUR SINCERE SYMPATHIES** to the Vranas family on the death of their mother Lola (Theodora) Vranas who fell asleep in the Lord in the past week. The funeral was held at SS Peter & Paul Church on Friday, August 29th. May her memory be eternal.

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. Fr. Sotiri will officially start September 1st and celebrate his first Liturgy with us on Sunday, September 7th.

CHURCH NEWS

+ **OUR CHURCH FAMILY PICNIC** will be held next Sunday, immediately after the Divine Liturgy (please see insert). Since the cooking will take place outside in our parking lot, we have provided a shuttle bus from our Church parking lot to Daniel Wright School and back. The Shuttle will be available on Sunday, September 7th from 9:00 a.m. until 4:00 p.m. We hope everyone will stay for good food and a fun time! There will be special activities for the children.

SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

+ **HELLENIC LINK-MIDWEST** is offering scholarships to college level and university level students. If anyone is interested in applying, please look at the board in the Fellowship Hall or call Kay James at the Church office during the week for an application.

GREEK SCHOOL NEWS

+ **REGISTRATION FORMS FOR THE 2014-2015 SCHOOL YEAR** for both our Tuesday Greek School program and our Thursday Adult/Adolescent Program are available in the Fellowship Hall. Any questions, please call Kay James at the Church Office @ (847) 482-1200. (Please look insert).

PHILOTOCHOS NEWS

+ **PHILOTOCHOS KICK-OFF MEETING** on Thursday, September 18th from 7:00-9:00 p.m. at the Church. Please join us for fellowship, food, fun and door prizes. RSVP to Vicki Douvli via e-mail ascensionphilo@gmail.com or by phone (847) 951-3089.
+ **THE METROPOLIS LUNCHEON** will take place at Rosewood Banquets on Saturday, September 20th at 11:00 a.m. Tickets are \$50.00 each. For reservations call Vicki Douvli @ (847) 951-3089 by September 10th.
+ **POP: POWER OF PINK** presents "My Big, Fat, Greek Movie Premiere"! Be one of the first to see "Christmas with the Karountzoses" on Thursday, October 2nd at the Pickwick Theater in Park Ridge. Tickets to this exclusive event to benefit breast cancer on sale now - \$35.00 per person. If interested, please contact Vicki Douvli (847)951-3089.

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 Kay James has the information needed to fill out the proper paper work and 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.
+ **WE NEED YOUR HELP** - No one has signed to host the coffee hour from September 14th onward. If you have not hosted a Sunday Coffee Fellowship before, please sign up today. You may do so either 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.
+ **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 thus be informed!

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR HEALTH

+ **PRAYER REQUESTS** - Please include in your personal prayers the servants of God: Angeline, Athanasios, Augustinos, Georgia, John and Sophia .