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**WEEKLY PARISH BULLETIN**

July 6 - 13, 2014

**SUNDAY JULY 6**  
**4<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY OF MATTHEW**  
8:15 a.m. Orthros  
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Fellowship - No host available as of this date  
Clergy/Laity Congress in Philadelphia, PA

**MONDAY JULY 7**  
**ST. KYRIAKI - THE GREAT MARTYR**  
Clergy/Laity Congress in Philadelphia, PA

**TUESDAY JULY 8**  
Clergy/Laity Congress in Philadelphia, PA

**WEDNESDAY JULY 9**  
Clergy/Laity Congress in Philadelphia, PA

**THURSDAY JULY 10**  
Clergy/Laity Congress in Philadelphia, PA  
6:00 p.m. Wedding Rehearsal - Rogaris/Koumoutsakis

**SUNDAY JULY 13**  
**SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS**  
8:15 a.m. Orthros  
9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy  
Coffee Fellowship - No host available as of this date  
3:00 p.m. Wedding - Loukas Rogaris /Trisevgeni Koumoutsakis Sponsors: Nick and Roula Pipikios

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**Prospora Bakers:** Maria Papagianis **FOS Ministry Greeters:** Harry & Elaine Metropoulos  
**Hymns of Small Entrance:** 3<sup>rd</sup> Tone (pg, 45); Hymn of our Church (p.47)  
**Today's Epistle Reading:** Romans 6:18-23 **Reader:** Tom Kiriakos  
**Today's Gospel Reading:** Matthew 8:5-13  
**Vigil Lights Offered:**

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**Please join us in singing "God Bless America" at the conclusion of Services this morning!**

**GOD BLESS AMERICA**

God bless AMERICA, land that I love

Stand beside her and guide her, through the night, with a light from above.

From the mountains, to the prairies, to the oceans white with foam,

God bless AMERICA, my home sweet home . . .

God bless AMERICA, my home sweet home!

**KOINONIA MEN'S MINISTRY - GOLF OUTING, AUGUST 22<sup>nd</sup>**

+ **THE 16<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ASCENSION GOLF OUTING WILL TAKE PLACE ON FRIDAY, AUGUST 22<sup>nd</sup>** at the **Highland Park County Club**. Please **SAVE THE DATE** and begin putting your foursomes together. Please 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 at Highland Park CC. 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](mailto:tpapastefan@futures-int.com).

+ **SAVE THE DATE - Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup> - Godparent's Sunday & Family Picnic** (after Church Services) - more details forthcoming.

**ASCENSION STEWARDSHIP UPDATES**

+ **WE SEEK YOUR 2014 STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE ASAP** - Our 2014 **Stewardship Cards** are available in the Narthex. We currently have 232 Stewards Pledged for 2014. The amount pledged is \$265,226.95. If you want to be "REGISTERED" as a current contributing Steward of the Ascension of Our Lord, we request that ALL Ascension Stewards offer their 2014 Stewardship Pledge of Time, Talents and Treasures, in support of our Parish Ministries!

+ **FOR THOSE WHO "CHARGE" THEIR STEWARDSHIP PAYMENTS ON A CREDIT CARD** - Have you thought of arranging for an "automatic check payment plan" from your checking account that would be sent regularly to the Ascension Church Office? This would help save the Church money, as we are paying fees related to using the credit card system with every charge that comes to the Church! If you would like to change the way you offer your stewardship gift to the Church, please contact Kay James at the Church Office - Monday through Friday - 9:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m.

**PROJECT MEXICO**

+ **WE AGAIN THANK YOU FOR YOUR DONATIONS AND GENEROSITY** in contributing to the collection of funds that will be sent to Project Mexico. May God bless you and the work of the volunteers going on this mission trip.

**"GRADUATES SUNDAY" GIFTS FOR COLLEGE GRADUATES**

+ **"COLLEGE GRADUATES" - YOUR GIFT GRADUATION GIFT AWAITS YOU AT CHURCH-** Please come by Church between 10:00 a.m. and 2:00 p.m. Monday through Friday or on any Sunday to pick up your gift from the Parish.

**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 and Paraskevi.