

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS:
Sunday, April 18, 2010

Schedule of Services

Friday, April 23rd - Feast of St. George - Orthros 8:00am; Liturgy 9:00am

WELCOME VISITORS!

We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. Please join us next door after service for coffee and fellowship. There is material in the entrance of the church regarding ministries and events of our church. Please sign our guest book.

Receiving Holy Communion

The sacrament of Holy Communion is reserved for only baptized and/or chrismated Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared by fasting, prayer and confession. The Orthodox Church is not in sacramental communion with any other church outside the Orthodox Christian Faith. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Father Michael after services. **Please allow the Church School Teachers to receive Holy Communion first, followed by the students so that they may get to their classes. All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows.**

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Phyllis, Katheryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Abraham, Mary, George, Susan, Muna, Matthew, Ellen, Gary, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Fotini, Malone, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Dion, Jamil, Dimitrios, Lisa

Greek School

The Greek classes will meet this Tuesday, at 6:45pm

Women's Bible Study

G.O.L.F. will meet on Wednesday, April 21 at 9:30am. Join us for good study and fellowship!

IOCC

The Austin IOCC Committee dance lessons begin today! **Don't miss out on the fun...we only have a few spaces left!** Speak with Liz Strong if you want to sign up. Let's learn Salsa Dancing together! **All** of the profits from these lessons go directly to IOCC. These lessons will be held at St. Elias from 5 to 6 pm. Learn to dance while helping the world!

Philoptochos

- Philoptochos is prepared for your shopping pleasure! In case you have plans to celebrate a graduation, Mother's Day, or any special occasion, we have gift cards on hand for local restaurants. We also have Lowe's and Home Depot cards available for your spring planting or house repairs. Walgreen's cards are available and they give us good rewards as well. Of course, we always have HEB cards in case you want to eat this week! Please think of your church before you shop.
- Save this date! Saturday, May 1st at 1:00pm in the Mt. Tabor Hall. We will have our last meeting for this term. The Philoptochos board will host a tea for all of our members. Let's get together and celebrate having a very productive year. We will have a special presentation, a raffle and a door prize. We look forward to seeing you! Please let Philoptochos know if you can help with the Mother's Day flowers.
- Our cookbooks make unique gifts for numerous occasions. Stop by our table to purchase a couple!

Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Shannon, Shea, Shotwell, Simbles, Skevofilax (Yianni & Cristie)

Next week's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Skevofilax (George & Teresa), Spiropoulos, Stahlke, Stamatis, Stamatopolos

Thank you to today's ushers: Chris Harris and Sami Yagnam
Next week's ushers will be: Marko Bjeletich and Sami Yagnam

SUNDAY BULLETIN
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THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA
HOLY MYRRHBEARERS SUNDAY



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ORTHROS 8:45 AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM
 SATURDAY GREAT VESPERS - 5:00 PM

Reverend Fr. Michael Lambakis, Proistamenos

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THIRD SUNDAY OF PASCHA - HOLY MYRRHBEARERS

HOLY SCRIPTURE READING

EPISTLE – ACTS 6: 1-7

GOSPEL – ST. MARK 15: 43-47; 16: 1-8

And in those days, when the disciples were multiplying, there arose a murmuring of the Hellenists against the Hebrews, because their widows were being overlooked in the daily ministrations. And the twelve summoned the multitude of the disciples, and said, "It is not pleasing to us to leave behind the word of God to serve tables. "Therefore, brethren, look out for seven men from among yourselves, whose character is approved by testimony, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we shall appoint over this business; "but we will persevere in prayer and the ministry of the word." And the saying was pleasing before the whole multitude. And they chose for themselves Stephen (a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit), and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicholas (a proselyte of Antioch), whom they set before the apostles; and having prayed, they laid their hands on them. And the word of God kept on increasing, and the number of the disciples was being multiplied in Jerusalem exceedingly, and great numbers of the priests were obedient to the faith.

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrection Pascha Hymn

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν,
θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας,
καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι
ζωὴν χαρισάμενος.

Christ is Risen from the dead
By Death He has trampled
upon death
and to those in the tombs
He is bestowing life.

Christós anésti ek nekron,
thanáto thánaton patisas,
ke tis en tis mnimasi
zoin harisámenos.

Special Entrance Hymn for the Pascha Season

"In the congregations bless God, the Lord, from the springs of Israel.
Save us O Son God who did Rise from the dead. We sing to You Alleluia."

Resurrectional Hymn (2nd Tone)

"When You descended to the realm of death You as life immortal rendered to Hades a mortal blow
by Your all radiant divinity. And when You from infernal depths and the darkness below did raise the dead
all the hosts of heaven's powers did proclaim and cry out O life-giving Christ and Our God we give glory"

Hymn for Saint Joseph Arimathea

"The noble Joseph, taking Thine immaculate Body down from the Tree,
and having wrapped It in pure linen and spices, laid It for burial in a new tomb.
But on the third day Thou did arise, O Lord, granting great mercy to the world."

Hymn for the Myrrh-bearing Women

"Unto the myrrh-bearing women did the Angel cry out as he stood by the grave:
Myrrh-oils are meet for the dead, but Christ has proved to be a stranger to corruption.
But cry out: The Lord is risen, granting great mercy to the world."

Apolytikion of the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

"Metemorfothis en to ori, Christe o Theos, dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou, kathos i dynando
Lampson ke imin tis amartolis to fos Sou to aidion, presvies tis Theotokou Fotodota doxa Si."

"When O Christ our God Thou wast Transfigured on the mountain
Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy disciples in proportion as they could bear it.

Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners.

By the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee."

Kontakion of the Pascha Season

"Though Thou did descend into the grave, O Immortal One, yet did Thou destroy the power
of Hades, and did arise as victor, O Christ God, calling to the myrrh-bearing women,
Rejoice, and giving peace unto Thine Apostles, O Thou Who grants resurrection to the fallen."

Hymn in place of "Axion estin... It is truly worthy..."

"The angel cried to her who is full of grace, O Pure Virgin rejoice and again I say rejoice for your Son has risen
from the grave on the third day. Shine shine O new Jerusalem for the glory of the Lord has risen upon you.
Dance now and be glad O Zion and do you exalt O pure Theotokos in the arising of Him Whom you did bear."

Special Communion Hymn

"Body of Christ receive, the fountain of life, taste the source of immortal life.
Soma Christu metalavete pigis athanatu gevsasthe. Alleluia."