

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS for November 6, 2011 continued

Wednesday Evenings in October

Our Wednesdays are going strong! If you haven't had a chance to join us, please do!
 We start with *Paraklesis at 6:00pm*, followed by great fellowship and dinner together, and then our class:
 Orthodoxy 101 - introducing the Orthodox faith.

Our next class is scheduled for Wednesday, Nov. 9th and the topic will be:
"The Creed II, Trinitarian Theology & Christology, The Theotokos, Church Fathers, Monastics & The Saints"
 Please join us on Wednesday, Nov. 9th!

Thank you to EVERYONE who helped with our Parish Beautification Day!

There were too many to list on this page, but your help did NOT go unnoticed.

Thank you for being so willing to give up your Saturday to help take care of our beloved church.

God's richest blessings on you all!

The Holy Feast Day of the Holy Archangels

His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver and the Reverend Elder Ephraim invite you to
 the great and holy feast in honor and remembrance of the Holy Archangels on
 November 7th and 8th at their Monastery in Kendalia.

Vigil Schedule:

Monday, Nov. 7, 2011

4:00pm Small Vespers
 4:30pm Dinner
 6:00pm Vigil

Tuesday, Nov. 8, 2011

7:30am Hours
 8:00am Liturgy
 10:00am Lunch

Philoptochos News

Our warmest welcome to His Eminence, Metropolitan Isaiah!

Your presence among us is something we cherish and will carry these memories with us throughout the year.

Remember our Holiday Bazaar which is scheduled for next Saturday, November 12 from 9am to 5pm.
 We will have lots of vendors selling beautiful items and crafts, along with Greek Plate Lunches and Pastries!

Thank you to the Philoptochos ladies, Marko Bjeletich, Yianni Skevofilax, and to everyone else who prepared the meals for yesterday and today, and to Lainie Horwedel and Eleni Ackerman who prepared the delightful entertainment during the Saturday brunch.

Thank you to last week's Luncheon Sponsors:

The Phocas Family

Next week's Luncheon Sponsors:

Ken and Mary Ellen Pon

Thank you to today's ushers:

The Parish Council

Thank you to last week's usher:

Christiana Spiroulos

The Usher for next Sunday is:

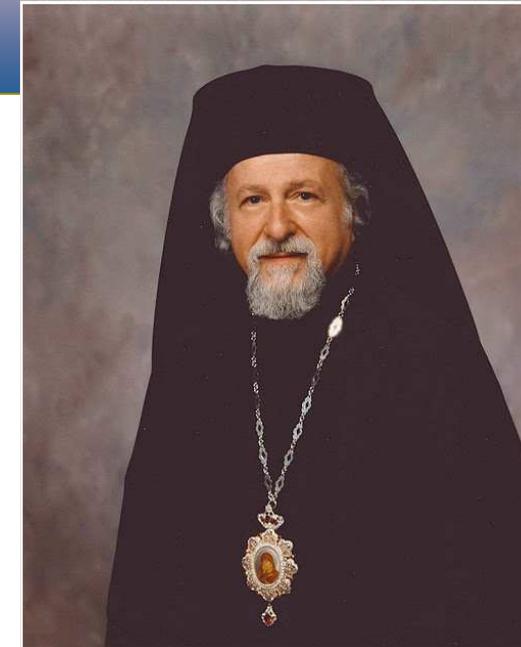
Michael Glaros

SUNDAY BULLETIN

NOVEMBER 6, 2011

SEVENTH SUNDAY OF LUKE

Welcome, Your Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ORTHROS 8:45AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00AM

Reverend Fr. Vasileios Flegas, Proistamenos

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“Brethren, knowing then that a man is not being justified by the works of the law, except through faith in Jesus Christ, even we believed in Christ Jesus, in order that we might be justified by faith in Christ and not by the works of the law; because by the works of the law shall no flesh be justified. “But if, while we sought to be justified in Christ, we ourselves also were found sinners, is then Christ a minister of sin? May it not be! “For if I build again these things which I destroyed, I constitute myself a transgressor. “For I through the law died to the law, in order that I might live to God. “I have been crucified with Christ; and I no longer live, but Christ liveth in me; and the life that I now live in the flesh I live in faith, in that of the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.



Ἀδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιοῦνται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεῦσαμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πίστεως χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαιωθήσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σὰρξ. Εἰ δέ, ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν χριστῷ, εὐρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοὶ, ἄρα χριστὸς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος; Μὴ γένοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἂ κατέλυσα, ταῦτα πάλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἐμαυτὸν συνίστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δέ, οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ χριστός· ὁ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῆ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS: Sunday, November 6, 2011

Services for this week

*Feast of the Holy Archangels- Tuesday, Nov. 8- services will be at Holy Archangels Monastery in Kendalia
The Hours will begin at 7:30, and Divine Liturgy at 8:00am*

Feast of St. Nektarios- Wednesday, Nov. 9- Orthros at 6:30am; Liturgy at 7:00am

Feast of St. Menas of Egypt- Friday, Nov. 11- Orthros at 8:30am; Liturgy at 9:30am

Paraklesis will be held on Wednesday, Nov. 9 at 6:00pm.

Afterward, please join us for a pot-luck dinner and Orthodoxy 101, or the Men's Group Study

ENCORE!

Many thanks to Mary Katherine and Michael Bakiris for hosting last Sunday evening's Fellowship gathering.

We tasted a lot of great fondue!

Also thank you to Fr. Vasileios for his spiritual lesson concerning the Nov 21 feast day of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple.

Eight names were nominated (since our September "kick off" meeting) for the permanent name of our group. A vote was taken Sunday evening and the group chose **ENCORE!** as its new name to replace baby boomers. Be sure to look for upcoming news under our new name.

Nativity Pageant

There will be a sign up table in the church hall today for the Nativity Pageant.

Parents: Please stop by the table to sign up your children to participate in the pageant. This is a wonderful church activity and a great way to impress upon the children the important of Christ and the Church this upcoming Advent season.

After church services on Sunday, Dec. 4th, our Maria Miller, who has just returned from two weeks in Tanzania, Africa, will be sharing her many experiences as part of an Orthodox Medical Mission Team.

Her moving presentation will enlighten and inspire you.

Please plan to be here on that Sunday for some fascinating information!

GOLF (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)

GOLF will meet this Thursday Nov. 10 at 10:00am.

We will continue our study of I Corinthians

Contact Whitney Papadatos for more information: wpapadatos@hotmail.com

Men's Bible Study

The next men's evening study will be on Wednesday, November 9th, following Paraklesis and the dinner/fellowship time.

We are reading the book Atheist Delusions.

Contact Fr. Vasileios for more information.

Greek School

Alex's Adult Class- Monday, Nov. 7 at 6:30pm

Christina's Adult Class- Tuesday, Nov. 8 at 6:30pm

Children's Classes- Friday, Nov. 11 at 6:30pm

OCF (Orthodox College Fellowship)

The students will meet this Thursday, Nov. 10 at 6:30pm.

Location TBD

Contact Blagoje Djordjevic at bzdjordje@gmail.com.



St. Paul the Confessor, Patriarch of Constantinople

Saint Paul was from Thessalonica. He became the secretary of Alexander, Patriarch of Constantinople (see Aug. 30), a deacon, and then the successor of Saint Alexander in about 337. Because of his virtue, his eloquence in teaching, and his zeal for Orthodoxy, the Arians hated and feared him. When the Arian Emperor Constantius, who was in Antioch, learned of Paul's election, he exiled Paul and proclaimed the Arian Eusebius Patriarch. Saint Paul went to Rome, where he found Saint Athanasius the Great also in exile. Provided with letters by Pope Julius, Paul returned to Constantinople, and after the death of Eusebius in 342, ascended again his rightful throne; the Arians meanwhile elected Macedonius, because he rejected the Son's con-substantiality with the Father (and the divinity of the Holy Spirit besides). When Constantius, yet at Antioch, learned of Paul's return, he sent troops to Constantinople to drive Paul out. The Saint returned to Rome, where Saint Athanasius also was again in exile. Constans, Emperor of the West, Constantius' brother, but Orthodox, wrote to Constantius that if Athanasius and Paul were not allowed to return to their sees, he would come with troops to restore them him-self. So Paul again returned to his throne. After the death of Constans, however, Constantius had Paul deposed. Because of the love of the people for Saint Paul, Philip the Prefect, who was sent for him, was compelled to arrest him secretly to avoid a sedition. Paul was banished to Cucusus, on the borders of Cilicia and Armenia; a town through which his most illustrious successor, Saint John Chrysostom would also pass on his way to Comana in his last exile. In Cucusus, about the year 350, as Saint Paul was celebrating the Divine Liturgy in the little house where he was a prisoner, the Arians strangled him with his own omophorion, so much did they fear him even in exile. His holy relics were brought back to Constantinople with honour by the Emperor Theodosius the Great.

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Phyllis, Katheryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Ibrahim, Mary, George, Susan, Matthew, Ellen, Gary, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Fotini, Malone, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Dion, Jamil, Dimitrios, Lisa, Maggie, Mindy, Joan, Nakis, Micky, Kiane, Lari, Ed, Sally, Mariana, Brian, Kaeley, Tristan, Matt, Jeff, Sophia, Angela, Jennifer, Konstandinos, Elia, Rose Marie, Bilyana, Maria, Susan, Jane, Romeo, Clara, Costa, Cindy, Philip, Trey, Barbara, Evangia, Michael, Jeffrey, Victoria, Nicole, Anastasia, Katie, Suzanne, Katie, Stella, Michael, Nicole, George, Katherine, Fr. Peter, Dimitra Roll, Venton, Nick, Tatiana, Sandy, Damon, Caleb, Pete, Wendy, Lorraine, Tina, Anna, Michael, Anna, Pamela, Shawn, Anthoula, Megan, Leo, Lili, Christy, Glenn, Philip, Katelyn, Joshua, Jason, John, Julia, Della, Nick, Maria, Carolyn, Betty, Ruth, Nicholas, Joyce, Connie

PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN OUR ARMED FORCES:

Sgt. Jennifer D. Atkinson, Staff Sgt. John Atkinson, Lt. Col. Dave Romine, Capt. James Alfaro, Staff Sgt. Deane Anderson, Captain William Willett, Maj. Timothy Ullman, Major Chris Chase, Cadet Mindy Keys, Army Ranger Specialist Andrew Bentzel

November 6, 2011 - 7th Sunday of Luke

Gospel - 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.

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἀνθρωπὸς τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰάϊρος, καὶ ἰδοὺ ἦλθεν ἀνὴρ ᾧ ὄνομα Ἰάϊρος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἄρχων τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπῆρχε· καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, ὅτι θυγάτηρ μονογενῆς ἦν αὐτῷ ὡς ἐτῶν δώδεκα, καὶ αὕτη ἀπέθνησκειν. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὄχλοι συνέπνιγον αὐτόν. καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αἵματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἥτις ἰατροῖς προσαναλώσασα ὄλον τὸν βίον οὐκ ἴσχυσεν ὑπ' οὐδενὸς θεραπευθῆναι, προσελθοῦσα ὀπισθεν ἤψατο τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἱματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ παραχρῆμα ἔστη ἡ ῥύσις τοῦ αἵματος αὐτῆς. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς· τίς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ἀρνούμενων δὲ πάντων εἶπεν ὁ Πέτρος καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, οἱ ὄχλοι συνέχουσί σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τίς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· ἤψατό μου τις· ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγνω δύναμιν ἐξελθοῦσαν ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθε, τρέμουσα ἦλθε καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δι' ἣν αἰτίαν ἤψατο αὐτοῦ ἀπήγγειλεν αὐτῷ ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ λαοῦ, καὶ ὡς ἴαθη παραχρῆμα. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε· πορεύου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἐτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεται τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων αὐτῷ ὅτι τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων· μὴ φοβοῦ· μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσεται. ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφῆκεν εἰσελθεῖν οὐδένα εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ Ἰωάννην καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ τὸν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ἐκλαίον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. ὁ δὲ εἶπε· μὴ κλαίετε· οὐκ ἀπέθανεν, ἀλλὰ καθεύδει. καὶ κατεγέλων αὐτοῦ, εἰδότες ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐκβαλὼν ἔξω πάντας καὶ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησε λέγων· ἡ παῖς, ἐγείρου. καὶ ἐπέστρεψε τὸ πνεῦμα αὐτῆς, καὶ ἀνέστη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διέταξεν αὐτῇ δοθῆναι φαγεῖν. καὶ ἐξέστησαν οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῖς. ὁ δὲ παρήγγειλεν αὐτοῖς μηδενὶ εἰπεῖν τὸ γεγονός.

Hymns for Today

Resurrection Hymn (Fourth Tone)

“To fedron tis anastaseos kirigma ek tu angelumathuse e tu Kiriumathitrie ke tin prgonikin apofasin aporrripsase tis Apostolis kafhomena elegon eskilefte o thanos i gerthi Christos o Theos thorumenos to kosmo to mega eleos.”

“When the tidings of the resurrection from the glorious angel was proclaimed unto the women disciples and our ancestral sentence also had been abolished to the Apostles with boasting did they proclaim that death is vanquished ever more and Christ our God has risen from the dead and granted to the world His great mercy.”

Hymn to St. Paul the Confessor

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.

Hymn for 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.

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee.”

Kontakion

“A protection of Christians unshamable, Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, reject not, the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; Your loving help bring unto us, Who are crying in faith to you: Hasten to intercede and speed now to supplicate, As a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.”

THE MEMORIAL SERVICE TODAY IS FOR ALL OF THE LADIES OF
TRANSFIGURATION PHILOPTOCHOS WHO HAVE GONE BEFORE US.

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL.

Luncheon Today!

Please join us after the Liturgy for a delicious luncheon reception for His Eminence.

We will have avgolemono soup, scrumptious lamb prepared on the grill by our master-grillers, Marko Bjeletich, Tom Papadatos, Lou Apostolakis, Jason Garwood, and Mike Tomadakis, plus Greek Potatoes prepared by Nici Kalogirou and ladies of Philoptochos, and Greek Salad prepared by Yianni Skevofilax.

This is a complimentary luncheon in honor of His Eminence.

Reader - (Gr. Anagnostis)

“The individual assigned to read, chant, and give responses in church services. Usually, such a person will be blessed by the bishop with special prayers and in a special ceremony.”

Today we are very fortunate to have seven young men who will be tonsured as readers by His Eminence.

They are:

Jerry Benson Joseph Boudreau Pete Chronis Logan Ebeling David Maziasz
Constantinos Skevofilax Mark Yoder

We are celebrating two 40 day blessings this morning!

Congratulations to:

- * George and Kelley Rendzeperis and their son, William George, who was born on September 8th and to
- * Amy and Gregg Bell and their daughter, Willow Elizabeth, who was born on September 26th

God grant you many years!

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 are not Orthodox, you are invited with everyone to receive the Antidoron (blessed bread) at the end of service. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Father Vasileios after services.

Please allow the Church School children and teachers to go to Holy Communion first so they can leave for their classes.

All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows to receive Communion.