

WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS continued: Sunday, June 2, 2013

Congratulations to Tom Papadatos on becoming a U.S. Citizen this past Thursday, May 30! Many years!

VCC SAVE THE DATE!

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR AUG. 5, 6, 7, 8, & 9

CAMP ST. NICHOLAS, TRANSFIGURATION'S VACATION CHURCH CAMP, WILL BE HELD AT THE CHURCH ON THESE VERY SPECIAL DATES. THE THEME THIS YEAR IS 'HOLY WEEK'. WE ALSO HAVE A FAMILY TRIP PLANNED TO HOLY ARCHANGELS MONASTERY ON SATURDAY, AUGUST 10.

Important Ministry Leaders meeting following the Divine Liturgy

We are planning the year's main calendar of events for all ministries today.

This includes Parish Council, Sunday School, HOPE and JOY, GOYA, OCF, YAL, Philoptochos, Chanters, Men's Group, GOLF, Internet Ministries, etc. If you are unable to attend please let Fr. Vasileios know, so that we can insure that your ministry is placed on the calendar.

Philoptochos News

Don't forget! We will continue to sell our gift cards throughout the summer!

We have MANY cards currently in stock for various stores, restaurants, and movie theaters.

These cards make great gifts for the graduates and for Father's Day!

Remember that HEB and Sam's are BOTH offering great discounts on their gas if you purchase at the pump with one of their gift cards.

SAVE THE DATE FOR THE 16TH ANNUAL TGOC GOLF TOURNAMENT! !

This year's tournament will be held on **MONDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2013**

At the Live Oak Gold Club in Lakeway. This tournament is open to all levels of golfing talent. Men and women are invited to participate. So plan to join the fun of "Greek Golf Day"!

**Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors:
Gouris, Halter, Harris, Hicks, Holland**

Thank you last week's Coffee Sponsors:

**Giannopoulos, Gilbert, Glaros,
Goddard-Gikas, Hrissikopoulos**

Next Week's Luncheon Sponsors:

The G.O.L.F. ladies

Thank you to today's ushers:

*Mary Georgantonis,
Chrissie Spiropoulos,
Liz Strong*

Thank you to last week's ushers:

*Allen Wynn, David Maziasz,
Mike & Liz Strong*

Next week's ushers are:

*Tom Gouris, Dan & Gigi Appling,
Dr. Jerry Burks*

SUNDAY BULLETIN

JUNE 2, 2013

Christ is Risen!

**FIFTH SUNDAY OF PASCHA
SUNDAY OF THE
SAMARITAN WOMAN**



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

ORTHROS 8:15AM; DIVINE LITURGY 9:30AM

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Hymns for Today

Resurrection Pascha Hymn

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

Christ is risen from the dead trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs He has granted Life.

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 (4th Tone)

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

“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 for Mid-Pentecost

*“At Midfeast give Thou my thirsty soul to drink of the waters of piety; for Thou, O Savior, didst cry out to all:
Whosoever is thirsty, let him come to Me and drink. Wherefore, O Well-spring of life,
Christ our God, glory be to Thee.”*

Hymn for the Patriarchs

*O illustrious leaders and shepherds of Byzantium, ye have been revered as wise hierarchs throughout many ages. And therefore now the holy Church of Christ doth praise with hymns your pious way of life.
O distinguished luminaries, by your pure lives ye kindle zeal in those who cry out:
Glory to Him that hath given you strength. Glory to Him that hath crowned you.
Glory to Him that hath affirmed the Orthodox faith through you.*

Apolytikion of the Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

“Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει Χριστέ ο Θεός, δείξας τοῖς Μαθηταῖς σου τὴν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδύναντο, Λάμπρον καὶ ἡμῖν τοῖς ἀμαρτωλοῖς, τὸ φῶς σου τὸ αἰδιον, πρεσβεῖαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.”

“Metemorphothis 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 You went down into the tomb O Immortal One yet You brought down the dominion of Hades, and You rose as the victor O Christ our God, and You called out Rejoice to the Myrrh-bearing women and gave peace to Your Apostles. O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.”

Hymn in place of “Axion estin...”

*“The angel cried unto her that is full of grace, rejoice oh pure Virgin, and again I say rejoice, for thy son has risen on the third day. Be glad and exultant, o divine portal of the light. For thy son Jesus having set within the tomb, hath dawned forth shining more radiant than the sun and hath illumined all the faithful,
O Lady full of the grace of God.”*

Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

One of the most ancient cities of the Promised Land was Shechem, also called Sikima, located at the foot of Mount Gerazim. There the Israelites had heard the blessings in the days of Moses and Jesus of Navi. Near to this town, Jacob, who had come from Mesopotamia in the nineteenth century before Christ, bought a piece of land where there was a well. This well, preserved even until the time of Christ, was known as Jacob's Well. Later, before he died in Egypt, he left that piece of land as a special inheritance to his son Joseph (Gen. 49:22). This town, before it was taken into possession by Samaria, was also the leading city of the kingdom of the ten tribes. In the time of the Romans it was called Neapolis, and at present Nablus. It was the first city in Canaan visited by the Patriarch Abraham. Here also, Jesus of Navi (Joshua) addressed the tribes of Israel for the last time. Almost three hundred years later, all Israel assembled there to make Roboam (Rehoboam) king.

When our Lord Jesus Christ, then, came at midday to this city, which is also called Sychar (John 4:5), He was wearied from the journey and the heat, and He sat down at this well. After a little while the Samaritan woman mentioned in today's Gospel passage came to draw water. As she conversed at some length with the Lord and heard from Him secret things concerning herself, she believed in Him; through her many other Samaritans also believed.

Concerning the Samaritans we know the following: In the year 721 before Christ, Salmanasar (Shalmaneser), King of the Assyrians, took the ten tribes of the kingdom of Israel into captivity, and relocated all these people to Babylon and the land of the Medes. From there he gathered various nations and sent them to Samaria. These nations had been idolaters from before. Although they were later instructed in the Jewish faith and believed in the one God, they worshipped the idols also. Furthermore, they accepted only the Pentateuch of Moses, and rejected the other books of Holy Scripture. Nonetheless, they thought themselves to be descendants of Abraham and Jacob. Therefore, the pious Jews named these Judaizing and idolatrous peoples Samaritans, since they lived in Samaria, the former leading city of the Israelites, as well as in the other towns thereabout. The Jews rejected them as heathen and foreigners, and had no communion with them at all, as the Samaritan woman observed, "the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans" (John 4:9). Therefore, the name Samaritan is used derisively many times in the Gospel narrations. After the Ascension of the Lord, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the woman of Samaria was baptized by the holy Apostles and became a great preacher and Martyr of Christ; she was called Photine, and her feast is kept on February 26.



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Services for this Week

Saturday, June 8- *Great Vespers at 5:00pm*

Our summer hours for the Sunday services have begun! Please spread the word of our earlier starting times: **Orthros at 8:15am, and Divine Liturgy at 9:30am.**

GOLF (Greek Orthodox Ladies Fellowship)

We encourage all ladies to join us if you are able on Tuesdays from 10 - 12pm in Mount Tabor Hall.

Kids are always welcome to play while we meet. **Please join us this Tuesday, June 4!**

Mark your calendars! We will be off the rest of June and will pick up where we left off on Tuesday, July 9.

Please contact Whitney Papadatos to be added to our email distribution list- wpapadatos@hotmail.com

INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

Happy Father's Day, Y'all!

Honoring Dad by Helping Others

★ **SATURDAY, JUNE 15** ★
11:00 A.M. - 3:00 P.M.

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Celebrate Father's Day "Texas-style" and help others around the world!

Adults: \$30

Children under 12: Free (kids menu)

*All proceeds will benefit
IOCC's humanitarian relief fund.*

QUESTIONS? CONTACT:

Imad Zaccak at 512-716-5788
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Tickets must be purchased in advance at
www.iocc.org/austin

June 2 - Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

Epistle - Acts 11: 19-30

Now those who were scattered because of the affliction that arose about Stephen went abroad as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to no one except to Jews only. But some of them were men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who, after they came to Antioch, began speaking to the Hellenists, preaching as good tidings the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number believed and turned to the Lord. Then the report concerning them was heard in the ears of the Church which was in Jerusalem. And they sent forth Barnabas to go through as far as Antioch, who, after he came and saw the grace of God, was glad and was exhorting all to keep on remaining near to the Lord with purpose of heart. For he was a good man, and full of the Holy Spirit and of faith; and a considerable crowd was added to the Lord. And Barnabas went forth to Tarsus to search for Saul. And having found him, he brought him to Antioch. And it came to pass that they were gathered together with the Church for a whole year, and taught a considerable crowd. And the disciples were called Christians first in Antioch.

And in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them, by name Agavos, rose up, and signified by the Spirit that there was about to be a great famine over all the inhabited world, which also came to pass in the time of Claudius Caesar. And according as any one of the disciples was prospered, each of them determined to send relief toward ministering to the brethren who dwelt in Judaea, which also they did, sending it off to the presbyters by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, διασπαρέντες ἀπὸ τῆς θλίψεως τῆς γενομένης ἐπὶ Στεφάνῳ διήλθον ἕως Φοινίκης καὶ Κύπρου καὶ Ἀντιοχείας, μηδενὶ λαλοῦντες τὸν λόγον εἰ μὴ μόνον Ἰουδαίοις. Ἦσαν δέ τινες ἐξ αὐτῶν ἄνδρες Κύπριοι καὶ Κυρηναῖοι, οἵτινες εἰσελθόντες εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν, ἐλάλουν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑλληνιστάς, εὐαγγελιζόμενοι τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν. Καὶ ἦν χεὶρ κυρίου μετ' αὐτῶν· πολὺς τε ἀριθμὸς πιστεύσας ἐπέστρεψεν ἐπὶ τὸν κύριον. Ἠκούσθη δὲ ὁ λόγος εἰς τὰ ὠτα τῆς ἐκκλησίας τῆς ἐν Ἱεροσολύμοις περὶ αὐτῶν· καὶ ἐξαπέστειλαν Βαρνάβαν διελθεῖν ἕως Ἀντιοχείας· ὃς παραγενόμενος καὶ ἰδὼν τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ ἐχάρη, καὶ παρεκάλει πάντας τῇ προθέσει τῆς καρδίας προσμένειν τῷ κυρίῳ· ὅτι ἦν ἀνὴρ ἀγαθὸς καὶ πλήρης πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ πίστεως· καὶ προσετέθη ὄχλος ἱκανὸς τῷ κυρίῳ. Ἐξήλθεν δὲ εἰς Ταρσὸν ὁ Βαρνάβας ἀναζητῆσαι Σαῦλον, καὶ εὐρῶν ἤγαγεν αὐτὸν εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἐγένετο δὲ αὐτοὺς ἐνιαυτὸν ὅλον συναθῆναι τῇ ἐκκλησίᾳ καὶ διδάξαι ὄχλον ἱκανόν, χρηματίσαι τε πρῶτον ἐν Ἀντιοχείᾳ τοὺς μαθητὰς Χριστιανούς. Ἐν ταῦταις δὲ ταῖς ἡμέραις κατήλθον ἀπὸ Ἱεροσολύμων προφήται εἰς Ἀντιόχειαν. Ἀναστὰς δὲ εἰς ἐξ αὐτῶν ὀνόματι Ἄγαβος, ἐσήμανεν διὰ τοῦ πνεύματος λιμὸν μέγαν μέλλειν ἔσσεσθαι ἐφ' ὅλην τὴν οἰκουμένην· ὅστις ἦν καὶ ἐγένετο ἐπὶ Κλαυδίου Καίσαρος. Τῶν δὲ μαθητῶν καθὼς εὐπορεῖτό τις, ὥρισαν ἕκαστος αὐτῶν εἰς διακονίαν πέμψαι τοῖς κατοικοῦσιν ἐν τῇ Ἰουδαίᾳ ἀδελφοῖς· ὁ καὶ ἐποίησαν, ἀποστείλαντες πρὸς τοὺς πρεσβυτέρους διὰ χειρὸς Βαρνάβα καὶ Σαύλου.

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour.

There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw."

Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he."

Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him.

Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor."

Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

WELCOME VISITORS!

We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. We are pleased to have you with us!

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 Transfiguration.

We hope that you will return often to worship with us and grow in Christ!

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.

Our Sunday School Classes are on a break until September 8

PRAYERS FOR HEALTH

Arlena, Cindy, Philip, Glenna, Euther, Nicole, Michael, the nun Elizabeth, Wanda, John, Lili, Archie, Paul, Michael, Petra, Luke, Matthew, Elizabeth, Cecilia, Venton, John, Julia, Ricky, Wayne, Sarah, Christopher, John, Arsinoi, Konstandinos, Jan, Marie, Chris, MaryAnn, Cliff, Maggie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Kathryn, Greg, Bill, Christopher, Steve, Maggie, Nakis, Martha, George, Richard Simeon, Terri, Nicole, Mark, Madeleine, Sophie, Maria, Nassos, Maria, Amy, Christina, Ana, Dolly, Fr. Ambrose, Vickie, Pat, Bill, Linda, Mindy, Jenny, Rosemary, Fr. Andreas, Emmanuel, Alkmene, Maree, Constanze, Jennifer, Timothy, Andrea, Janis Mae, Andreas, Luke, Zlata, Andrea, Albert, Dorothy, Presbyteria Krissy, Malamo, Larry, Jane, Koula, Boyd, Wilma, Ted, Nicolette, Danae, Alexandra, Fr. Damaskinos, Emmanuel, Eleni, Thomas, Maria, Zoe, Kalliopi, Aikaterini, Garyfalia, Ioannis, Konstantinos, Nikolaos, Evangelia, Carol, Frank, Aikaterini, Eleni, Eirini, Dimitrios, Antigoni, Sharon, Elaine, Georgia, Chrysoula, Michael, Dimitra, Suzanne, Fotini, Kirsten, Yvette, Kimberlin, Alvin, Eric, Alison, Emily, Olga, Angie, Anastasios, Tahseen, Athanasios, Tristen, Damon, Fran, Melanie, Theone, Betty (Mary Elizabeth), Zoe, Gabriel, Themis, Maria, Panayiota, Dmitriy, Kinley, Brandi, Cia, Jimmy, Sybella, David, Anthony, Susan, Jason, Carole, John

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