

# SAINT MARY'S GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

January 22, 2023  
*Fifteenth Sunday of Luke*

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## The Divine Liturgy

**Commemoration:** Fifteenth Sunday of Luke; Timothy the Apostle of the 70; The Righteous Martyr Anastasios of Persia; Joseph the Sanctified.

*Morning Gospel: Tenth*

*Tone: Grave*

### Variable Hymns and Readings in the Liturgy

#### *At the Second Antiphon*

Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to you: Alleluia!

#### *At the Small Entrance*

#### ***Resurrection Hymn, Grave Tone***

By your cross, O Lord, you destroyed death; to the thief you opened paradise. The myrrh-bearers' sorrow you transformed into joy, and you sent your apostles forth to proclaim that you had risen from the dead, Christ our God, bestowing on all the world your great mercy.

#### ***Hymn of Entrance***

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia!

*Repeat the Resurrection Hymn, above*

#### ***Hymn of Saint Timothy of the Seventy, Fourth Tone***

O Apostle Timothy, thoroughly schooled in goodness and temperate in all things, a good conscience reverently adorns you. You drew forth from the Chosen Vessel the unrevealable. You kept the faith and completed the straight path. Intercede to Christ our God to save our souls.

#### ***Hymn of Saint Anastasios, Fourth Tone***

For his struggle, O Lord, Your Martyr received the crown of immortality from You our God. Armed with Your might he defeated the tyrants. He also crushed the arrogance of Demons. By his intercessions, O Christ our God, save our souls.

### ***Hymn of the Dormition of the Theotokos, First Tone***

In giving birth, you preserved your virginity, O Theotokos; in falling asleep you did not forsake the world. You passed over into life, O Mother of Life; and by your prayers you deliver our souls from death!

Ἐν τῇ γενήσῃ τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας, ἐν τῇ κοιμήσῃ τὸν κόσμον  
En ti gennisi tin parthenian efilaxas en ti kimisi ton kosmon  
οὐ κατέλιπες, Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα  
u katelipes, Theotoke. Metestis pros tin zoin, mitir iparhousa  
τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβείαις ταῖς σαῖς λυτρουμένη ἐκ θανάτου τὰς  
tis zois, ke tes presvies tes ses litrumeni ek thanatu tas  
ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.  
psihās imon.

### ***Kontakion of the Presentation of the Lord, First Tone***

For our salvation you took flesh and you sanctified the Virgin's womb; you blessed the aged Simeon as you lay resting in his arms; and having come to save us all, O Christ our God, to these troubled times, bring your lasting peace. Give strong and undaunted faith to all your people, O only lover of mankind.

### ***Epistle..... I Timothy 4:9-15***

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance. For to this end we toil and suffer reproach, because we have our hope set on the living God, who is the Savior of all men, especially of those who believe. Command and teach these things. Let no one despise your youth, but set the believers an example in speech and conduct, in love, in faith, in purity. Till I come, attend to the public reading of scripture, to preaching, to teaching. Do not neglect the gift you have, which was given you by prophetic utterance when the council of elders laid their hands upon you. Practice these duties, devote yourself to them, so that all may see your progress.

### ***Gospel..... Luke 19:1-10***

At that time, Jesus was passing through Jericho. And there was a man named Zacchaïos; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaïos, make haste and

come down; for I must stay at your house today.” So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, “He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner.” And Zacchaios stood and said to the Lord, “Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold.” And Jesus said to him, “Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost.”

*The Communion Prayers are found on page 40 of the hymnal.*

## **Reaffirmation of Baptismal Vows by Godparents and Godchild**

*Immediately following the Communion Hymn (Koinonikon), the Priest asks the congregation to face west (the back of the church) and to reaffirm their baptismal vows, saying:*

*Priest:* Do you renounce Satan? And all his angels? And all his works?  
And all his service? And all his pride? *(three times)*

*All:* We do.

*Priest:* Have you renounced Satan? *(three times)*

*All:* We have.

*The Priest asks the congregation to face east (the altar).*

*Priest:* Do you unite yourselves unto Christ?

*All:* We do.

*Priest:* Have you united yourselves unto Christ?

*All:* We have.

*Priest:* Do you believe in Him?

*All:* We believe in Him as King and God.

*Priest:* Have you united yourselves unto Christ?

*All:* We have.

*Priest:* Then bow down before Him.

*All:* We bow down before the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, Trinity One in essence, and undivided.

*Priest:* Blessed is God, Who wants all men to be saved, and to come to the knowledge of the truth, now and ever, and unto the ages of ages.

*All:* Amen.

### **A Prayer of Reconfirmation**

*Priest:* Let us pray to the Lord.

*All:* Lord have mercy!

*Priest:* Blessed are You, O Lord Almighty, Source of all good things, Sun of Righteousness, Who sheds forth upon those who were in darkness the light of salvation, through the manifestation of Your Only Begotten Son, our God: and Who have given unto us, unworthy though we be, blessed purification through hallowed water, and divine sanctification, through life-giving Chrismation; Who have been graciously pleased to regenerate these Your servants through the only One Baptism by water and the Spirit, granting unto them remission of sins, whether voluntary or involuntary, and granting also unto them the seal of the gift of Your Holy, Almighty and Worshipful Spirit, and participation in the Holy Body and the precious Blood of Your Christ. Keep them in Your sanctification; reconfirm them in the Orthodox faith; deliver them from the Evil One and from his evil snares. And preserve them in purity and uprightness, through the saving fear of You. That they may please You in every one of their deeds and words, and may prove themselves to be children and heirs of Your heavenly Kingdom. For you are our God, the God of mercy and salvation, and unto You we ascribe glory; to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit, now and ever, and unto ages of ages.

*All:* Amen.

# Today

Prosforo is provided by Ruta Kubits.

Memorial Prayers today are offered for *Ekaterini Viktoros*.

Today is **Godparent Sunday**, join your godchild and receive Holy Communion together. You are also invited to join your school-age godchildren in Church School class today.

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## Stewardship Update

As of Friday, January 20, we have received 184 pledges and a total of \$501,846.00 pledged for 2023. Thank you!

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## Prayer Ministry

***Please remember the sick, the suffering, and those in need, especially:*** Those suffering from COVID-19 and those who care for them; for the people of Ukraine; our brothers and sisters living through the aftermath of disaster; for the victims of violence; Metro Hope Ministries; Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry; Families Moving Forward; FOCUS Minnesota; Our brothers and sisters serving in the Armed Forces throughout the world especially John Ellis; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; Elpis Fotini, Byrdie, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Kristina, Noel, Stephen, John K., Alexey, Alexandra, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Athena, the Muñoz family, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Maria, Dave Ruesink, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Tom, Gigi, Zossima, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthi, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Dallas, Lenzie, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Mary, Irene Maria, Marion, Apostolos, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karris, Corina, Tom, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Bo, Tom, Lynn, Deb, Sarah, Maia, Travis, Kassie, Tahnlee, Lois, Kalli, Annie, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Rifka, Pat, Nancy, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Steven E., Julia, Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Sophia, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, Dorla, Linda, Fr. Elias, Vicki, Bill, Diana, Doria, Mike, Stephanie, Tyler, Ben, Amy, Christy, Karen, Anastasia, Jamie, Alex and Alexander, Toni, Gina, Julie, R.J., Allie, Vickie, Petra, Bob, Joseph, Christopher, Elizabeth, Jaxon, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

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# Calendar of the Week

## **Sunday, January 22: Fifteenth Sunday of Luke Godparent Sunday**

- 8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- 11:30 a.m. – Philoptochos Meeting, Terrace Room
- 12:30 p.m. – HOPE/JOY Skating, Centennial Lakes
- 12:45 p.m. – Girls' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall
- 2:00 p.m. – Boys' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall

## **Tuesday, January 24**

- 6:00 p.m. – Adult Open Gym Basketball, Great Hall

## **Wednesday, January 25: Saint Gregory the Theologian**

- 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- 5:30 p.m. – Mental Health Providers, Fireside Room
- 6:30 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal, Nave

## **Thursday, January 26**

- 9:30 a.m. – FAITH Playgroup, Great Hall and Terrace Room
- 6:30 p.m. – Edina Koinonia, Meeting Room 1
- 7:00 p.m. – Stewardship Committee Meeting, Fireside Room

## **Saturday, January 28**

- 9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, Fireside Room and on Zoom
- 12:00 noon – Girls' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall
- 2:00 p.m. – Boys' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall
- 3:30 p.m. – Baptism Preparation Class, Fireside Room
- 5:00 p.m. – Great Vespers

## **Sunday, January 29: Sunday of the Canaanite**

- 8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy
- 12:45 p.m. – JOY Basketball Practice, Great Hall
- 2:00 p.m. – Girls' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall

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# Announcements

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## Food Shelf Needs

Immediate needs for January are diapers and wipes; toothbrushes and toothpaste; Ramen noodles.

*January's recipient is Joyce Uptown Food Shelf.*

Please do not bring opened packages. They will be discarded.

## Coffee Hour Hosts Needed

Do you enjoy the fellowship and treats after Sunday Liturgy? How about hosting a Sunday coffee hour? We have *many* opportunities open to host: January 29, February 19 and 26, March 5, 19, and 26, and April 2. Please contact the Church Office if you'd like to host.

## March for Life ~ This Afternoon

MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life), March for Life is held this afternoon. The Pan-Orthodox group will gather at the Peace Officers Memorial on the Capitol Mall at 1:30 p.m. The march to the Capitol will begin at 2:00 p.m.

*This event serves as an annual reminder that over 60 million unborn tiny human lives have been lost and brings to light thoughts about respect and protection for all the unborn children and their mothers. In previous years, the crowds have been made up of mostly younger people and a great many had signs: "I Regret Lost Fatherhood," "I Regret My Abortion," "Protect Life." Even though it may be cold outside, this gathering is very touching.*

## Introduction to Orthodox Christianity

**Winter 2023**

The winter session of the MEOCCA-sponsored catechism course, *Introduction to Orthodox Christianity*, begins tomorrow evening, January 23, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Catechism is for people interested in learning more about Orthodox Christianity, inquirers, catechumens, and current Orthodox Christians as well! A great way to deepen our knowledge of the Orthodox Christian Faith. Classes will be held on Monday evenings in person at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 1111 Summit Ave. St. Paul, or online via Zoom (the link will be emailed before classes begin). Registration information and links are on the MEOCCA webpage: [meocca.org](http://meocca.org).

## **Baptism Preparation Class**

***Saturday, January 28, 2023 – 3:30-5:00 p.m.***

Parents and Godparents of babies to be baptized in the next six months are invited to attend a short 1.5 hour class to study the church service of Baptism and Chrismation. All parents, or expectant parents, and hopefully the intended godparents, are invited and expected to attend and learn together about the spiritual enrichment of the baby and all those involved in the sacramental services. The class will meet in the Fireside Room.

## **Tournament Volunteers Needed!**

How would you like to be a part of the basketball tournament? We are in need of volunteers for various tasks during the tournament weekend, February 3-5. Click the link in the Weekly Update e-mail notice to find out the opportunities and to sign up. (Or you can call the church office for more information.)

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# **Philoptochos News**

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## **January Meeting Today**

Our first Philoptochos meeting of the new year is this morning at 11:45 a.m. in the Terrace Room. We will have a speaker from Bancroft Elementary School, one the of recipients of our Operation Classroom winter clothing drive. We will also approve the 2023 Philoptochos budget. *Plan to join us.*

## **Philoptochos Membership Drive**

Philoptochos (meaning Friends of the Poor) membership drive starts soon, watch for information mailed out to all the ladies of the parish or stop by the Philoptochos table over the next few weeks to submit your dues or sign up. Please consider joining this worthy organization and give back to the Lord some of your time, talents, or treasures

## **Women's Book Club**

Plan to take part in our Women's Book Club discussions. Mark your calendars for Thursday, February 2, in the Fireside Room, and Thursday, April 6, 7:00 p.m. The February book is *How Are We Saved* by Bishop Ware and the April book is *Saint Nektarios*. Both books are in the bookstore.



## OCMC MINNEAPOLIS MISSIONS DINNER

**Thursday, February 9**

**Doors Open at 6:00 PM CT**

**Evening Program & Dinner at 6:30 PM CT**

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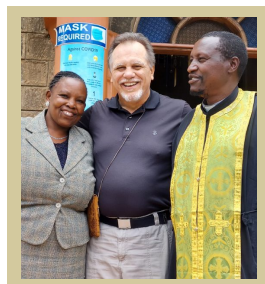
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Come and learn about OCMC's missionary efforts around the world. Hear the latest news and happenings from the mission field and how you can answer Christ's call to *"go and make disciples of all nations."*

**Registration is online! Sign up by Feb. 6 at:**  
[www.ocmc.org/Minneapolis-Dinner](http://www.ocmc.org/Minneapolis-Dinner)

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REGISTER TODAY!**

*Thank you to the following who have completed and returned their  
2023 pledge form.*

*Additional forms are available in the narthex  
for those who may have misplaced theirs.*

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Aristides & Paige Apostolou  
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Trevor Arnold & Megan Caldbeck  
George & Samantha Asselanis  
Peter & Soula Atsidakos  
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## **From the Fathers...on Baptism**

I was dead, but because in baptism I died together with Christ,  
I received the light of life from Christ. And he who dies in Christ,  
being warmed by Christ, receives the breath of life and resurrection

—*Saint Ambrose of Milan*

### **Daily Bible Readings**

#### ***Monday, January 23***

Philippians 3:20—4:3 • Mark 2:23—3:5

#### ***Tuesday, January 24***

Galatians 5:22—6:2 • Matthew 22:35-46

#### ***Wednesday, January 25***

##### ***Saint Gregory the Theologian***

Hebrews 7:26—8:2 • John 10:9-16

#### ***Thursday, January 26***

II Corinthians 1:21—2:4 • Matthew 25:14-30

#### ***Friday, January 27***

Hebrews 7:26—8:2 • John 10:9-16

#### ***Saturday, January 28***

Galatians 5:22—6:2 • Luke 6:17-23

#### ***Sunday, January 29***

##### ***Sunday of the Canaanite***

II Corinthians 6:16—7:1 • Matthew 15:21-28

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