



**ST. MARY'S**  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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September 29, 2024 — *The Second Sunday of Luke*

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## **THE DIVINE LITURGY**

### *Commemoration*

Second Sunday of Luke; Kyriacos the Hermit of Palestine;  
Martyr Petronius; Malachi the New Righteous Martyr of Lindos;  
Theophanes the Merciful of Gaza; Dionysios I, Patriarch of Constantinople.

*Morning Gospel: Mark 16:9-20*      *Tone: Plagal First*

### **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, Plagal First Tone**

To the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation, let us, the faithful, give praise and worship. For he willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death and raise the dead by his glorious resurrection.

#### **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 Kyriacos, Fourth Tone**

As a citizen of the desert and an angel incarnate and a wonder-worker you shone forth, O Kyriacos, our God-bearing father. Since you received the spiritual gifts by fasting and vigilance and prayer, you can cure those who are ailing and heal the souls of those who run to you with faith. Glory to Him who gave His might to you; glory to Him who placed a crown on you; glory to Him who operates through you, providing cures to all.

**Hymn of 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!

**Kontakion of the Theotokos, Second Tone**

O unfailing protection of Christians, and our faithful advocate before the Creator: though we are sinners, do not ignore our entreaty; but in your goodness, grant your timely help to us who appeal to you in faith. Quickly make intercession; on our behalf make speedy supplication, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

**Epistle.....II Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4**

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; he has put his seal upon us and given us his Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me - it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

**Gospel..... Luke 6:31-36**

The Lord said, "As you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."

## Litany for the Catechumens

Deacon: Catechumens, pray to the Lord.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: Let us, the faithful, pray for the catechumens.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: That the Lord will have mercy on them.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: That He will teach them the word of truth.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: That He will reveal to them the gospel  
of righteousness.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: That He will unite them to His holy,  
catholic, and apostolic Church.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: Save them, have mercy on them, help them, and  
protect them, O God, by Your grace.

**People: Lord, have mercy.**

Deacon: Catechumens, bow your heads to the Lord.

**People: To You, O Lord.**

## Prayer for the Catechumens

Priest: Lord our God, Who dwells on high and  
watches over the humble, You sent forth  
Your only-begotten Son and God, our Lord  
Jesus Christ, for the salvation of the human  
race. Look down upon Your servants, the  
catechumens, who have inclined their necks  
to You, and grant them at a proper time the  
baptism of rebirth, the remission of sins, and  
the garment of incorruption. Unite them to  
Your holy, catholic, and apostolic Church,  
and number them among Your chosen flock.

Priest: So that with us they also may glorify Your  
most honorable and majestic name, of the  
Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit,  
now and forever and to the ages of ages.

**People: Amen.**

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



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## Prayer Ministry

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*Please remember the sick, the suffering, and those in need, especially:*

All victims of wars throughout the world; 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 and Jassir; San Miguel Del Lago Orphanage; Sean, Krisanne, Ann, Mark, Kostantinos & Georgia, Andreas, Jonathan, Kelly, Charidimos, Jeanette, Mary, Ann, Marilyn, Donna, Betty, Dawn, Don, Nancy, Brad, Lee, Vangie, Jolene, Mikey, Aphrodite, James, Peter, Lyda, Owen, Michael, Johnny, Jaclyn Jereczek, Dena, Chris, Joy Rose, Nick, John, Demos and Eugenia, Kristina, Milton, Maureen, Andrea, Bryan, Nausika, Ron, Maria, Matt, Laura, Susan, Elias, Constance, Marina, Dion, Annali, Sofia, Juan Cruz & family, Charlie, Stan, Helena, Byrdie, Jennifer, John S., Becky, Noel, Stephen, Alexey, Alexandra, Ray, Christina, Joanne, Athena, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Zossima, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthy, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Irene Maria, Apostolos, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karrisra, Corina, Tom, George R., Ken, Nancy and Tim, Olga, Peter, Cora and family, Bo, Lynn, Sue & Jim, Steve, Sue, Jane, Pat, Dave, Pam, Gilbert, George P., Danielle, Jenny, John L., Presvytera Janis, Sandra, Rick, Nancy, Alex, Eryn, Phil, Karen, 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, Judi, Bodil, Ole, and others known to you.

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## Today

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Prosforo is provided by **Angelea Hoeft; George Asselanis**

The coffee hour today is hosted by the  
University of Minnesota chapter of Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF).

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## Food Shelf Needs for October 6

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**Canned Meal – large cans**  
**(e.g. Chili/Pork and Beans)**

October's recipient is **Simpson Food Pantry**.

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

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## Announcements

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### Coffee Hour Host Needed

A coffee hour host is needed for next Sunday, October 6. If you would like to serve the coffee hour, please contact the Church Office, 612.825.9595.



### Take Heart Fundraiser

**Saturday, October 6, After Liturgy**

Mission Take Heart Fundraiser Lunch takes place next Sunday, October 6, in the Terrace Room following the Divine Liturgy. Aida Samir, Mission Take Heart Executive Director, will share ways we can help, especially the children of Nigeria. Please RSVP on Realm Connect, scan the QR code, or call the church office and find out how you can help and so we can plan the catered lunch!



### Parish Night Returns!

**Wednesday, October 9, 6:15 p.m.**

Parish Night is a parish-wide event, that happens once a month on the first Wednesday, from October through May. Everyone is welcome to attend! Our first Parish Night is October 9, beginning at 6:15 p.m. We'll discuss the major feast days of the Church. Parish Night has something to offer all ages. We wrap up for the evening at 8:00 p.m.



### Orthodox Adult Game League

**Saturday, October 12, 6:00 p.m.**

Game League is back for a new season! Our first get together will be Saturday, October 12, 6:00 p.m., in St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church Lecture Room (*use entry by flagpole*). Learn a new game, play a classic, teach a game! If you have questions, please contact Fiona Lotti at 651.470.8994. Plan to bring a munchie or dessert to share!

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## The Twin Cities Marathon, Next Sunday

The Marathon starts at 8:00 a.m. in downtown Minneapolis. If your drive to church takes you along the Marathon route, plan for an alternate route to Church.

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# Calendar of the Week

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## **Sunday, September 29: Second Sunday of Luke**

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy  
after Liturgy – Junior GOYA Kick-Off, *Youth Room*

## **Tuesday, October 1: Holy Protection of the Theotokos**

9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy  
6:00 p.m. – Open Gym Basketball, *Great Hall*  
7:30 p.m. – Young Women’s Bible Study, *Patty Christopoulos’ home*

## **Wednesday, October 2**

11:00 a.m. – Intercessory Prayer, *Nave Chapel*  
11:30 a.m. – Women’s Bible Study, *Fireside Room*  
6:15 p.m. – Choir Rehearsal, *Nave*

## **Friday, October 4**

7:00 a.m. – Men’s Fellowship, *Fireside Room*  
*Family Camp begins*

## **Saturday, October 5**

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, *Fireside Room and on Zoom*  
10:00 a.m. – FAITH Play Group, *Great Hall*  
5:00 p.m. – Great Vespers

## **Sunday, October 6: Third Sunday of Luke**

### ***“The Messenger” News Item Deadline***

8:30 a.m. – Matins; 9:30 a.m. – Divine Liturgy  
after Liturgy – Mission Take Heart Fundraiser, *Terrace Room*

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## **Free Live Concert: *Kalo Taxidi 8***

**Sunday, October 13, 4:00 p.m.**

Dr. Chris Granias, along with fellow composers and musicians, will perform a benefit concert on Sunday, October 13, 4:00 p.m., in the Terrace Room at St. Mary’s—the Eighth Annual Kalo Taxidi Concert! It will be an evening of original music with Dr. G. and friends including the Augsburg Global Harmony Choir, Rebecca Heyn, Benji Flaming, Douglas Ewart, Reverend Nicholas and Mary Greanias, Andrea Kloehn, and Judith Eisner. Funds raised will help the Multiple Sclerosis Society to fund cutting-edge research, drive change through advocacy, facilitate professional education, and provide programs and services to help people with MS move their lives forward. Donate today by scanning the QR code or visiting: <https://tinyurl.com/54bt7jry>.

*The concert is a free event, donations are welcomed!*



## Philoptochos News

### Sign Up to Help at Our Table on Sundays!

We would love for you to help at our table on Sundays. Please stop by and sign up to sit at the table on a specific Sunday to assist in answering questions and promote individuals to sign up for activities happening in the coming weeks. We only need ladies to be there after Liturgy till about noon.



### FOCUS Meal Today

If you signed up to supply an item for the meal this afternoon at FOCUS, please remember to bring your item(s) to church before 3:00 p.m. (Please leave in the front refrigerator with a label for FOCUS.) We are blessed once again for the opportunity to feed those in need. This afternoon, we are providing a warm rigatoni supper for the clients of FOCUS.



**Filo sale coming in October...details coming soon.**



## Women's Pilgrimage to St. Paisius Monastery

**Tuesday, January 28 – Saturday, February 1, 2025**

A small group pilgrimage to visit the St. Paisius Monastery in Safford, Arizona is being planned for the end of January 2025. There is room for 8 pilgrims. The monastery does not charge us for our stay, however, it is proper to leave a donation if you can. The cost of airfare right now ranges from \$400 – \$550 and is subject to change. Tickets will be purchased at the end of October. There is also a cost for a rental van for the group. The cost of this van is determined by how many pilgrims attend. The Monastery website is: [stpaisiusmonastery.org](http://stpaisiusmonastery.org). Please familiarize yourself with visitor information. **Contact Sandra Anderson with any questions: [asformess69@gmail.com](mailto:asformess69@gmail.com) or 612.940.8933.**

“If we have a strong relationship with God, this will distinguish our relationship with others. We will be able to be a source of peace, tranquility, and comfort to them.”

— *Saint Anthony the Great*

## Daily Bible Readings

### *Monday, September 30*

I Corinthians 16:13-24 • Matthew 24:42-47

### *Tuesday, October 1*

#### *Protection of the Theotokos*

Acts 9:10-19 • Luke 6:37-45

### *Wednesday, October 2*

I Timothy 1:12-17 • Luke 6:46-49, 7:1

### *Thursday, October 3*

Acts 17:16-34 • Luke 7:17-30

### *Friday, October 4*

Galatians 4:8-21 • Luke 7:31-35

### *Saturday, October 5*

I Corinthians 4:17-21; 5:1-5 • Luke 5:27-32

### *Sunday, October 6*

#### *Third Sunday of Luke*

II Corinthians 4:6-15 • Luke 7:11-16



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