

October 27, 2024 — Seventh Sunday of Luke

THE DIVINE LITURGY

Commemoration

Seventh Sunday of Luke; Nestor the Martyr of Thessaloniki; Kyriakos, Patriarch of Constantinople; Procla, wife of Pontius Pilate.

Morning Gospel: John 20:1-10 Tone: 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, First Tone

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Savior, and your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, you rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise you: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom. Glory to your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind.

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 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 9:6-11

Brethren, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

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 and those who were with him 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.

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.



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; The family of Anthony A. Nicklow, Karen, Steve A., Athena, Betty, Sean, Krisanne, Ann, Mark, Kostantinos & Georgia, Andreas, Jonathan, Jeanette, Mary, Ann, Marilyn, Donna, Betty, Dawn, Don, Nancy, Brad, Vangie, Jolene, Mikey, Aphrodite, James, Peter, Lyda, Owen, Michael, Johnny, Jaclyn Jereczek, Dena, Chris, Joy Rose, Nick, John, Demos and Eugenia, Kristina, 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, Charlie, Nuala, Pamela, Avgi, Elena, Speranta, Liz, Efstratia, Jordan, David, Nino, Joe, Donnarae, Samira, Mary K., Monte, Bethany, Mark, Owen, Chrysanthy, Estelle, Justine, Melissa, Megan, Lisa, Michael, Robbie, Judi, Evonne, James, Nichole, Constantine, Theodora, Irene Maria, Olivia, Lincoln, Carole, Patty, Karrisa, 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, 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.

Food Shelf Needs for November 3



Oatmeal or Cream of Wheat

November's recipient is **FOCUS MN**.

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

Today

Prosforo is provided by Stelios Mitos



Fall General Assembly

Today, 11:30 a.m.

The Fall General Assembly takes place today at 11:30 a.m. in the Great Hall. In conjunction with the Assembly, the Church School is hosting a pancake brunch beginning immediately after Liturgy so you can enjoy some pancakes while listening to the presentation and voting on our proposed 2025 Ministries and Operations budget.

Agenda:

- Opening Prayer & Welcome
- Approval of Spring 2024 General Assembly Minutes
- Election of three Parish Members for the 2025 Board of Auditors
- Presentation and Approval of the 2025 Ministries and Operational Budget
- Fire Alarm Update
- 2024 Parish Council Priorities
- Festival Update
- Clergy Update
- Closing Prayer and Adjourn

We look forward to seeing you there!

Announcements



Pumpkin Bar Sale: Every Sunday in October

Help send Terri Leckas to Albania as part of OCMC's Parish Ambassador program! Pumpkin bar sales will help cover the cost of this 7-day Mission trip, a direct connection to the work of our Missionaries in Albania. Place an order by text to Terri at 612.710.0609 or purchase at the OCMC Team Albania table during the coffee hour after every Sunday Liturgy in October. Help us make disciples of all nations.



Urgent FOCUS Clothing Needs

FOCUS is in desperate need of men's winter clothing, including jackets, boots, warm socks, and gloves. Cold weather is coming and the men's closet is very bare of these essential articles of clothing. Please bring these needed items to church and place them by the FOCUS sign in the hallway leading to the office.



Food Drive for Veterans

On Sunday, November 10, the Hellenic Post American Legion and Auxiliary will be hosting coffee hour in honor of Veterans' Day (November 11). In addition to our regular weekly food collection (November's recipient is FOCUS Minnesota), the Hellenic Post American Legion and Auxiliary will be collecting food items for distribution to CRRC (Community Referral and Resource Center) in Minneapolis. CRRC helps veterans in need. In addition to food items, can openers and individual snack packages are also welcome. When grocery shopping in the coming weeks, pick up some extra items for both the Legion and FOCUS! Thank you from the Legion to all who support our veterans, and continue to keep them in your prayers.



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IOCC Fundraiser

Thursday, November 14

The annual Twin Cities IOCC Fundraiser will take place at St. Mary's on Thursday, November 14, 2024, 7:00-9:00 p.m. Reservations for the event can be made through the IOCC website: iocc.org/minneapolis.



Standard Time Returns Next Weekend

Daylight Saving Time ends on Sunday morning, November 3. Set your clocks back one hour on Saturday night!



Saint Mary's Digital Donation Options

Text to Give*: Text smgoc to 73256 • or Scan to Give

*This number will never send unsolicited texts.



Calendar of the Week

Sunday, October 27: Seventh Sunday of Luke

8:30 a.m. - Matins; 9:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

No Church School today—students in the Great Hall for pancake duty after Liturgy – Pancake Brunch, Great Hall

11:30 a.m. - Fall General Assembly, Great Hall

1:30 p.m. - Boys' GOYA Basketball Practice, Great Hall

5:00-7:00 p.m. - Visitation for Anthony A. Nicklow,

Washburn-McReavy Edina Chapel (Trisagion Service at 5:00 p.m.)

Monday, October 28

11:00 a.m. - Funeral Service for Anthony A. Nicklow,

St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church (Visitation from 10:00 a.m.)

Tuesday, October 29

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

6:30 p.m. - Byzantine Chant Class, Classroom #2

7:00 p.m. - Philoptochos General Meeting, Terrace Room

7:30 p.m. - Young Women's Bible Study, Patty Christopulos' home

Wednesday, October 30

6:15 p.m. - Choir Rehearsal, Nave

Friday, November 1: Cosmas and Damianos

7:00 a.m. - Men's Fellowship, Fireside Room

9:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

Saturday, November 2

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, November 3: Fifth Sunday of Luke; Philoptochos Sunday

"The Messenger" News Item Deadline - December Issue

8:30 a.m. - Matins; 9:30 a.m. - Divine Liturgy

12:30 p.m. - Girls' HOPE and JOY Basketball Practice, Great Hall



Philoptochos News



Operation Classroom Winter Clothing Drive for Bancroft Elementary School

Winter is coming and many children don't have warm clothes at our partner school in South Minneapolis. Please consider donating new or your gently used winter clothes for Bancroft Elementary kids. We'll accept your donations at the Philoptochos table in late October and early November (start shopping now!). We are collecting outerwear as well as other clothing on Sundays, October 27, November 3 and 10. Listed below are the items needed for girls and boys and the sizes needed:

Gloves and Mittens	. Ages: 5-12	. All Kids Sizes
Coats and Clothes	.Ages: 5-12	.Size: 4-16
Boots & Sneakers	.Ages: 5-12	.Size: 12-7
Socks	.Ages: 5-10	.Size: 8-9.5
Socks	.Ages: 10-12	.Size: 9-11
Underwear	.Ages: 4-12	.Size: XS-XL

If you prefer to make a monetary donation, please make checks payable to Philoptochos, memo: Bancroft Elementary and drop off at the Philoptochos table in October.



General Meeting, October 29

Please join us on Tuesday, October 29, 7:00 p.m., for our General Meeting. Our guest speaker will be our own Terri Leckas! She will speak on her upcoming mission trip to Albania as part of OCMC's Parish Ambassador program. You can also support Terri by purchasing pumpkin bars to help cover the cost of her trip. We will also discuss other projects that are coming up during the meeting portion. Hope to see everyone there!

Philoptochos News





Filo Sales ... and Sunday Best Coffee, too!

Order your fresh filo October 20 through November 3. Cost is \$6.00 per pound, pre-paid with cash or check. Place orders during coffee hours on these Sundays and you can also place your orders with Andrea Tiggas at adtiggas@msn.com or 612.239.1522. By email or phone, please include your name, contact information, and the number of filo required.

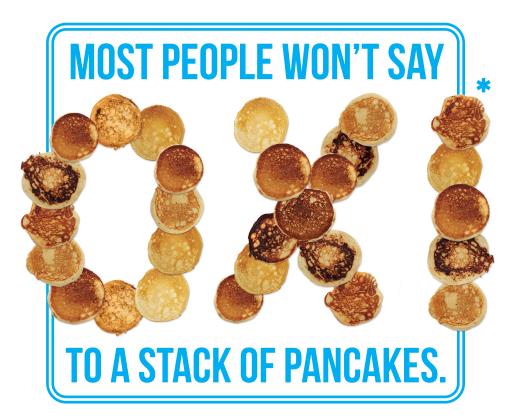
In addition to filo, Philoptochos will be taking orders for the Sunday Best coffee products at our table on these Sundays. We are selling 12 oz. bags of whole or ground beans for \$14.00 or 12 single serve pods for \$15.00. Proceeds will be donated to IOCC's Hurricane Relief Fund. These coffees will make great holiday or hostess gifts, as well as offering help to those who have been devastated by the recent storms in the South. Orders are pre-paid by cash or check.



Pan-Orthodox Tea

Saturday, November 2

The Pan-Orthodox Tea will be held in the St. George Antiochian Church Social Hall on Saturday, November 2, from 2:30-4:30 p.m., with Vespers at 5:00 p.m. Please join us for this wonderful fellowship with friends from sister parishes. If able, please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. We know the ladies love to share recipes too! St. George is located at 1250 Oakdale Avenue, West Saint Paul, MN 55118



Let's get together after the Divine Liturgy today, in the Great Hall, for the Saint Mary's Fall General Assembly. In conjunction with our Fall General Assembly, our church school students will host a pancake brunch in honor of OXI Day. All are invited. The brunch is free, with a suggested freewill donation of \$10.00. On the menu – pancakes, sausages, fruit, and beverages.

Today in the Great Hall after Liturgy

FALL GENERAL ASSEMBLY, PANCAKE BRUNCH, and OXI DAY

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APPRECIATION GLENDI



Saturday, November 9, 2024 6:00-10:00 p.m. ~ St. Mary's Great Hall

Enjoy an evening with dinner, dancing, and great company in appreciation of your pledged gifts of Time, Talent, and Treasure to **St. Mary's.**

VOLUNTEER TO HELP HERE

We are looking for help with a variety of projects throughout the day, from set up in the morning through dishwashing at night. We have something for everyone!



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Daily Bible Readings

Monday, October 28—Protection of the Theotokos

Hebrews 9:1-7 • Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

Tuesday, October 29

Philippians 1:8-14 • Luke 11:34-41

Wednesday, October 30

Philippians 1:12-20 • Luke 11:42-46

Thursday, October 31

Romans 16:1-16 • Luke 11:47-54; 12:1

Friday, November 1—Cosmas and Damianos

I Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8 • Matthew 10:1, 5-8

Saturday, November 2

I Corinthians 15:58; 16:1-3 • Luke 9:1-6

Sunday, November 3—Fifth Sunday of Luke

II Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9 • Luke 16:19-31



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