



ST. MARY'S
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

October 6, 2024 — *The Third Sunday of Luke*

THE DIVINE LITURGY

Commemoration

Third Sunday of Luke; National Church Music Sunday;
The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas; Eroteis the Martyr of Cappadocia;
Makarios the Righteous of Chios.

Morning Gospel: Luke 24:1-12

Tone: Plagal Second

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 Second Tone

The angelic powers appeared at your tomb, the soldiers guarding it became as dead men, and Mary stood at your grave seeking, seeking your most pure body. But you made hell a captive; you were untouched by its might. You came to the virgin and granted life. O Lord, who rose from the dead, glory to you.

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 Holy Apostle Thomas, Third Tone

O holy Apostle Thomas, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses

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 the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

Gospel.....Luke 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

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.



Prayer Ministry

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; Betty, Sean, Krisanne, Ann, Mark, Kostantinos & Georgia, Andreas, Jonathan, 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, 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, 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.

Today

Prosforo is provided by **Barbara Nichols**

40-Day Churching: **Anthony Meletios**

Parents: **Fotis & Anna Bazakos**

Stop by the Great Hall after Liturgy today
for a time of fellowship and refreshment.

Food Shelf Needs for October 13



Peanut butter

October's recipient is Simpson Food Pantry.

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

Announcements



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!



Free Live Concert: *Kalo Taxidi 8*

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

Dr. Chris Grantias, 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!



Save the Date:

The Stewardship Appreciation Glendi

Saturday Evening, November 9—Details to Come.

Calendar of the Week

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*

Tuesday, October 8

12:00 noon – Senior Citizens’ Meeting, *Terrace Room*

6:00 p.m. – Byzantine Chant Class, *Classroom #2*

6:15 p.m. – Parish Council Meeting, *Fireside Room*

Wednesday, October 9

6:15 p.m. – Parish Night

Saturday, October 12

9:00 a.m. – Bible Study, *Fireside Room and on Zoom*

10:00 a.m. – Simpson House Cooking, *Kitchen*

5:00 p.m. – Great Vespers

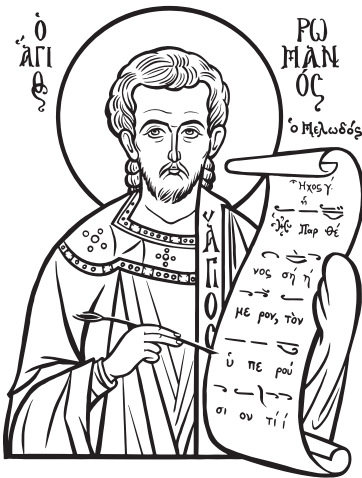
Sunday, October 13: Sunday of Seventh Ecumenical Council

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

11:30 a.m. – Missions and Outreach Committee Meeting, *Fireside Room*

4:00 p.m. – Kalo Taxidi 8 Benefit Concert, *Terrace Room*

6:30 p.m. – Boys’ GOYA Basketball, *Great Hall*



October 1 is the commemoration of Saint Romanos the Melodist, patron saint of music and musicians. The first Sunday in October has been set aside by the Archdiocese as **National Church Music Sunday** when we honor and thank our musicians for their faithful service of leading us in worship week after week. We wish to take this opportunity to thank **Joseph Karos**, our protopsaltis, **Emily Skoutelas**, our choir director and all our musicians for the work they do throughout the year to enhance our liturgies and services so beautifully. May God richly bless you! *If you have questions about joining our choir, please be in touch with Emily at Emily@stmarysgoc.org. Thank you!*



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 until about noon.



Thank You to all the volunteers that helped with the FOCUS Meal last Sunday.

WOW...the evening was a HUGE hit, and we served over 300 meals! We would not be able to do this without the help of the 50+ volunteers that helped cook, bake, and serve this wonderful meal to the individuals in need at FOCUS Minnesota...so again...THANK YOU!



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



Pan Orthodox Tea – Saturday, November 2

The Pan-Orthodox Tea will be at St. George Antiochian Church, 1250 Oakdale Avenue, West St. Paul, 2:30-4:30 p.m. with Vespers at 5:00. Please join us for this wonderful fellowship with your sister parishes. If able, please bring an appetizer or dessert to share. We know the ladies love to share recipes, too.



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. Please familiarize yourself with visitor information. **Contact Sandra Anderson with any questions: asformess69@gmail.com or 612.940.8933.**

“Many often pose the question: Is holiness attainable today? Is holiness perhaps something untouchable, unattainable, and impossible for the present time? Is it even an exaggeration to be talking about something like this? Indeed, people today have other priorities, perspectives, and goals. They think about other things, study other things, and are concerned and struggle over other things. For many, the thought of holiness does not even cross the mind. Holiness, even for Christians, is considered something from the past, something outmoded—that is not for contemporary people.”

— Elder Moses the Athonite †

Daily Bible Readings

Monday, October 7

Galatians 4:28-31; 5:1-10 • Luke 7:36-50

Tuesday, October 8

Galatians 5:11-21 • Luke 8:1-3

Wednesday, October 9

I Corinthians 4:9-16 • Matthew 9:36-38; 10:1-8

Thursday, October 10

Ephesians 1:1-9 • Luke 9:7-11

Friday, October 11

Acts 8:26-39 • Luke 9:12-18

Saturday, October 12

I Corinthians 10:23-28 • Luke 6:1-10

Sunday, October 13

Sunday of the Seventh Ecumenical Council

Titus 3:8-15 • Luke 24:12-35



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