

SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX SHRINE CHURCH
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Sunday September 29, 2024

2nd Sunday of Luke/B' Λουκᾶ

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Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος πλ. α'.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ἠυδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Τοῦ Ὁσίου. Ἦχος α'.

Τῆς ἐρήμου πολίτης καὶ ἐν σώματι ἄγγελος καὶ θαυματουργὸς ἀνεδείχθης θεοφόρε πατὴρ ἡμῶν Κυριακέ· νηστεία, ἀγρυπνία, προσευχή, οὐράνια χαρίσματα λαβὼν· θεραπεύεις τοὺς νοσοῦντας καὶ τὰς ψυχὰς τῶν πίστει προστρεχόντων σοι. Δόξα τῷ δεδωκότι σοι ἰσχύν, δόξα τῷ σὲ στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργοῦντι διὰ σοῦ πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

Τοῦ Ναου. Ἦχος δ'.

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποιμένι σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρόσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Κοντάκιον. Ἦχος β'.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Resurrectional Apolytikion. Tone pl.1.

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

For the Devout Man Tone 1.

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.

Parish Hymn. Tone pl. 4.

A rule of faith are you, and an icon of gentleness, and a teacher of self-control. And to your flock this was evident, by the truth of your life and deeds. You were humble and therefore you acquired exalted gifts, treasure in heaven for being poor. O Father and Hierarch St. Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God, and entreat Him to save our souls.

Kontakion. Tone 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

Τὸ Ανάγνωσμα: Β' Κορ 1:21 – 24, 2:1 – 4

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ βεβαιῶν ἡμᾶς σὺν ὑμῖν εἰς Χριστὸν καὶ χρίσας ἡμᾶς Θεός, ὁ καὶ σφραγισάμενος ἡμᾶς καὶ δοὺς τὸν ἄρραβῶνα τοῦ Πνεύματος ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν. Ἐγὼ δὲ μάρτυρα τὸν Θεὸν ἐπικαλοῦμαι ἐπὶ τὴν ἐμὴν ψυχὴν, ὅτι φειδόμενος ὑμῶν οὐκέτι ἤλθον εἰς Κόρινθον. οὐχ ὅτι κυριεύομεν ὑμῶν τῆς πίστεως, ἀλλὰ συνεργοί ἐσμεν τῆς χαρᾶς ὑμῶν· τῇ γὰρ πίστει ἐστήκατε. Ἐκρίνα δὲ ἑμαυτῷ τοῦτο, τὸ μὴ πάλιν ἐν λύπῃ ἐλθεῖν πρὸς ὑμᾶς. εἰ γὰρ ἐγὼ λυπῶ ὑμᾶς, καὶ τίς ἐστὶν ὁ εὐφραίνων με εἰ μὴ ὁ λυπούμενος ἐξ ἐμοῦ; καὶ ἔγραψα ὑμῖν τοῦτο αὐτό, ἵνα μὴ ἐλθὼν λύπην ἔχω ἀφ' ὧν ἔδει με χαίρειν, πεποιθὼς ἐπὶ πάντας ὑμᾶς ὅτι ἡ ἐμὴ χαρὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἐστίν. ἐκ γὰρ πολλῆς θλίψεως καὶ συνοχῆς καρδίας ἔγραψα ὑμῖν διὰ πολλῶν δακρύων, οὐχ ἵνα λυπηθῆτε, ἀλλὰ τὴν ἀγάπην ἵνα γνῶτε ἦν ἔχω περισσοτέρως εἰς ὑμᾶς.

Epistle Lesson: 2 Cor. 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.

Εὐαγγέλιον: Λκ 6:31 – 36

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Καθὼς θέλετε ἵνα ποιῶσιν ὑμῖν οἱ ἄνθρωποι, καὶ ὑμεῖς ποιεῖτε αὐτοῖς ὁμοίως. καὶ εἰ ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τοὺς ἀγαπῶντας αὐτοὺς ἀγαπῶσι. καὶ ἐὰν ἀγαθοποιῆτε τοὺς ἀγαθοποιοῦντας ὑμᾶς, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ οἱ ἁμαρτωλοὶ τὸ αὐτὸ ποιοῦσι. καὶ ἐὰν δανείζητε παρ' ὧν ἐλπίζετε ἀπολαβεῖν, ποία ὑμῖν χάρις ἐστί; καὶ γὰρ ἁμαρτωλοὶ ἁμαρτωλοῖς δανείζουσιν ἵνα ἀπολάβωσι τὰ ἴσα. πλὴν ἀγαπᾶτε τοὺς ἐχθροὺς ὑμῶν καὶ ἀγαθοποιεῖτε καὶ δανείζετε μηδὲν ἀπελπίζοντες, καὶ ἔσται ὁ μισθὸς ὑμῶν πολὺς, καὶ ἔσεσθε υἱοὶ ὑψίστου, ὅτι αὐτὸς χρηστός ἐστίν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἀχαρίστους καὶ πονηροὺς. Γίνεσθε οὖν οἰκτίρμοι, καθὼς καὶ ὁ πατὴρ ὑμῶν οἰκτίρμων ἐστί.

Gospel : Lk. 6:31 – 36

The Lord said, "And 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, despairing of no man; 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."

Eortologion for the Week

Wednesday 10/02 S.S. Cyprian and Justina
(Reading of exorcism prayers)
Orthros 7:30 am Divine Liturgy 8:30 am

Πρόγραμμα της Εβδομάδας

Τετάρτη 10/02 Αγ. Κυπριανού και Ιουστίνης
(Προσευχών εξορκισμού)
Ορθρος 7:30 π.μ Θεία Λειτουργία 8:30 π.μ.

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Wedding
Sunday, September 29, 2024

Elana Kalkanis & David Michael Schroeder
2:00 pm

Baptisms
Saturday, October 5, 2024

10:30 am
Son of Sophia & Nicholas Doulaveris

10:30 am
Son of Leonidas & Melanie Goumakos

2:00pm
Son of Abyss Steve & Sophia Tlais

3:30pm
Son of Despina & Dennis Augoustatos

*You are all invited to our
fellowship coffee hour after the
first Divine Liturgy*

Dear Parishioners,

We would ask that you please REMAIN in your
individual pew for
Holy Communion and dismissal, until called upon
by our ushers.

Thank you for your understanding and
cooperation.

Αγαπητοί ενορίτες,

Σας παρακαλούμε να παραμείνετε στα στασίδια σας
για τη Θεία Κοινωνία
και την απόλυση μέχρι να σας καλέσουν
οι κλητήρες μας.
Σας ευχαριστούμε για την κατανόηση
και συνεργασία σας.

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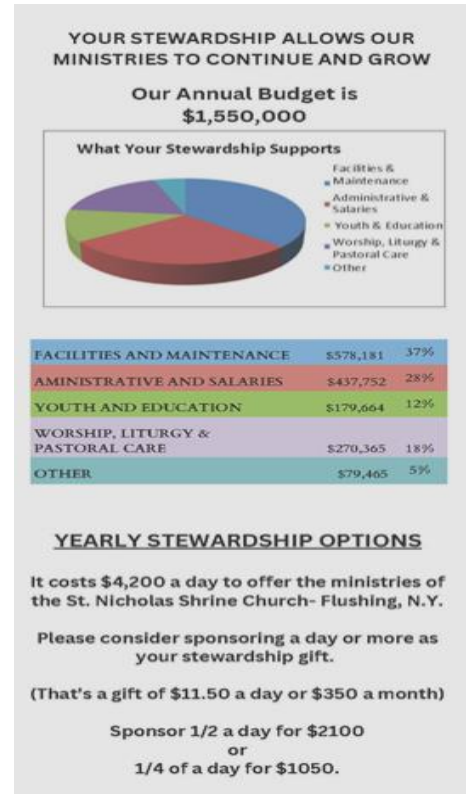
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There is still time to participate in this year's stewardship campaign. Please refer to this year's stewardship brochure or contact the church office for details.

SAVE THE DATE

St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos Society

Welcome Back Fall Membership Meeting MEET & GREET

October 10, 2024 7pm

Join us for an informative evening on what is happening with YOUR Philoptochos, while sharing drinks and appetizers with your fellow sisters. You will be able to renew your membership or join us for the first time! New members encouraged.

Unsure if you have paid your membership? Please call or text Vasiliki Vlantis, membership chair 516-431-5887



Sarantakos Hall
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Shrine Church
196-10 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11358



St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos Society

Join us for a day a fellowship
as we visit:

St. Nektarios
Greek Orthodox Monastery
Roscoe, New York

Saturday
November 16, 2024

\$45

Lunch to be provided by the Monastery

Prepayment requested: cash or checks payable to

St. Nicholas Philoptochos
Please leave in the Church Office

We will be leaving from St. Nicholas Church,
196-10 Northern Boulevard,
at 8:30 am,
returning approximately 5:30pm

Reservations:
Maritza Priticos 917-855-5154
Anna Rigogiannis 646-438-1236

Bouzouki Night

at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

Saturday, November 9th
7pm-Midnight (Music starts at 8)
Mezzedes and Music

\$40 per person (\$30 at door) (Unlimited wine & drink included, but not alcohol to guests)

Musicians
Singing: Vaggelis Stroumbakis
Bouzouki: Andreas Gonias
Violin: Anastasia Sifonios
Klarino: George Floradis
Keyboard: Myrampis Sampelidis
Drums: Michalis Morakis

For inquiries, please contact:
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Who can join?

Greek Orthodox women,
18 and older are eligible.
Non-Greek Orthodox women,
married to a Greek Orthodox
shall be eligible for Associate
membership in the organization.
Orthodox men may be supporting
members without the right to vote.

We need you!

Philoptochos means "friend of the poor".
We need you, your ideas, talents,
and support to accomplish our mission.
As a member, you will have
the opportunity to express yourself
in the area of your choosing
and participate in any way
that suits you.

Our philanthropic endeavors...

With your help, in 2023-24
-we were able to meet our over \$13,000 in commitments
-provide over \$2,500 to social services cases
-purchased winter jackets for underprivileged children
-fed the hungry in NYC
-partnered with Agape Meals
-donated to the Beacons of Hope Scholarship,
just to name a few!

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Our Holy Father Cyriacus the Anchorite

Gal. 5:22-6:2; Lk. 5:33-39

Cyriacus was born in Corinth and went to Jerusalem at age eighteen where he was tonsured a monk by St. Euthymius the Great. Zealous for the Orthodox faith, he denounced the heresy of Origen. He died at an advanced age in 557.

A Personal Encounter

"There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, 'Give me a drink'" (v7). Notice that Jesus doesn't approach the Samaritan woman brandishing a Bible and talking of repentance. He just asks for a drink of water. He does not act as superior to her but as inferior. She has something which He needs: water.

The conversation that develops begins in a very informal way, but before it is finished it has covered some of the deepest questions of morals and religion. But the really important thing is not the content of the conversation -significant as that is-as much as the extremely personal encounter that is taking place. This is a real person who has met Jesus, and Jesus gives her His whole attention. She is as real as any of us. And she has met someone unique- one who seems to look right into her depths and knows all about her. "Come and see a man who has told me everything I ever did," she said to her fellow villagers. She came to know Jesus personally as a result of this tremendous I-Thou encounter she had with Him.

Don't we all need such a personal encounter with Jesus in order for our faith to grow? Is not this what Jesus offers us today in prayer, in the daily reading of his word, in the Eucharist? He sits at the well which is called prayer or scripture or the Eucharist and waits for us to come to Him so that we may have a personal, life-changing encounter with Him. The more personal our encounter with Jesus, the more real our faith becomes.

Troparion

You made the wilderness your dwelling, O our Father Cyriacus, the Bearer of God; you became an angel in the flesh and a wonderworker. Through fasts, vigils and prayers, you obtained from God special graces to heal the sick and sanctify the souls of those who come to you with trust. Glory to the One who gave you strength! Glory to the One who crowned you! Glory to the One who, through your intercession, grants healing to all!



Greek Orthodox Archdiocesan District
Office of the Chancellor

Under the leadership of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America announces the launch of the Greek Fire Relief Fund to aid the communities in the Attica region affected by the devastating fires that took place earlier this month. The

Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society will be partnering in this effort as well and has committed a contribution of \$50,000 towards this effort.

To commence, a delegation consisting of His Grace Bishop Athenagoras of Nazianzos, Chief Secretary of the Holy Eparchial Synod; Elaine Allen, Treasurer of the Archdiocese; and Philoptochos First Vice President Anita Kartalopoulos will visit affected areas from Monday, August 26-Thursday, August 29, 2024. Allen and Kartalopoulos were also members of a delegation which visited Evia, an island severely impacted by 2021 wildfires, inspected the devastation, met with impacted individuals, and assessed unmet needs.

In response to the 2021 Evia fires, the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America in conjunction with the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society launched a nationwide fundraising campaign that provided immediate and extended support to the fire-affected population on Evia.

The present delegation will meet with His Beatitude the Archbishop of Athens Ieronymos to understand the impact on the region under his jurisdiction, perform a needs assessment, identify gaps in funding, and develop an assistance plan. They will also view firsthand the Monastery of Panagia Axion Esti, which was engulfed by fire; this monastery is a place of historic importance to the Archdiocese of Athens, housing valuable ecclesiastical relics. Following the precedent set by previous wildfire response efforts, the Archdiocese will minimize administrative costs in order that funds raised will directly benefit the region affected by the fires.

In announcing the Fund, Archbishop Elpidophoros stated, “We once again call upon our faithful, our parishes, and our institutions, to help ease to suffering of our brothers and sisters in Greece. As we wait for a full assessment of the needs in Greece, our Archdiocese will fund the restoration of the Monastery of Panagia Axion Esti in Varnava Attica ensuring that this historic and beloved Monastery of the Archdiocese of Athens will continue to serve the community for many years.”

During their time in Greece, the delegation will also visit northern Evia to visit the health centers in Mantoudi and Istiaia, where the 2021 fundraising campaign purchased medical equipment and two ambulances. The delegation will also view the Agios Nicolaos Galataki Monastery water restoration project financed by the previous campaign. The 2021 fundraising campaign raised more than \$1.1 million, which has been distributed to affected individuals, businesses, healthcare providers, and the Agios Nicolaos Galataki Monastery.

To make a donation to the Greek Fire Relief Fund, please visit the link below.

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Conveying to you and your parishioners the blessing and love of His Eminence, our beloved Archbishop, I remain,


At your service in the Lord,

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