

Sunday, July 1, 2018
5th Sunday of Matthew
Cosmas & Damian the Holy Unmercenaries
Nicodemos of the Holy Mountain

HYMNS FOR THE DAY: 4, 48, 134, 218 (Found in red hymnal book)

READINGS: **Orthros Gospel:** Luke 24:13:-35
 Epistle: 1 Corinthians 12:27-31, 13:1-8
 Gospel: Matthew 8:28-9:1

THE NICENE CREED & LORD'S PRAYER are found on pages 52-54 and 71 of your blue service book. Everyone is encouraged to recite them out loud in both Greek & English.

PRE & POST-COMMUNION PRAYERS: The Pre-Communion prayers are found on pages 76-80 in your blue service book. The first four will be read in Greek and the next four in English. **Please recite them out loud as a congregation.** The Post-Communion prayers are found on pages 98-100 in Greek and pages 101-102 in English. These should be read by those who have received Holy Communion when they return to their seats.

COUNCIL DUTY: **Orthros: 8:00 a.m.** Roberta Korfiatis
 Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. All Parish Council Members

MEMORIALS

7 yrs. Emmanuel Paviadakis	19 yrs. Georgia Bikos
10 yrs. Demetrios Nikolaras	41 yrs. Steliani Nikolaras
11 yrs. Fotios Fitousis	

“MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!”

FELLOWSHIP HOUR in memory of Demetrios Nikolaras in the Great Hall. All are welcome to attend.

WELCOME VISITORS: We welcome you to worship with us today. Whether you are an Orthodox Christian or this is your first visit to the Orthodox Church, we are pleased to have you with us. Although Holy Communion is offered only to the baptized and Chrismated (confirmed) Orthodox Christians, in good standing with the Church (good standing means if you are married your marriage must have been blessed by the Church; if divorced you must have an ecclesiastical divorce as well from the Church) all are invited to receive the antidoron (blessed bread) from the priest at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. The antidoron is not sacramental but is reminiscent of the agape feast that followed worship in the ancient Christian Church. After worship this morning, please join us in the church hall for fellowship, refreshments and visit with our Clergy, Parish Council and members.

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT: The year is half way through and yet many of us still have not made a stewardship pledge to the church. It is only through your financial commitment that the work of Christ can be done in this world. It is only through your support and love of Jesus that will enable His Word to be heard. Make your pledge today and become a steward of Christ's Church. If you have already made a pledge, please make every effort to meet your financial obligation. Remember, without you, there is no Church.

THOUGHT: The world is full of people who claim the right to be extremely vocal in criticism and extremely exempt from action.

COOPERATION IS NEEDED! We remind our faithful that the Orthros Service begins at 8:00 a.m. on Sunday in the Cathedral and is followed immediately by the Divine Liturgy. **Please be prompt and on time!** Please turn off cell phones before entering church. No conversation should take place during worship. During the reading of the Gospel people in the narthex should not be purchasing or lighting candles, but stand reverently and listen to the reading. If possible avoid using the center aisle during high points of Divine Liturgy. Lipstick and lip-gloss should be removed before kissing icons, receiving Holy Communion and kissing the hand of the priest. Only Orthodox Christians in good standing with the Church may receive Holy Communion. Parents with children who cannot sit quietly during services should use the cry room. Please avoid using cell phones, I-Pads or other electronic devices to entertain or amuse children during worship. This delivers the wrong message of why we are in church and allows the child to pick up bad habits. When receiving antidoron, please, use both hands and do not allow the crumbs to fall.

OUR CATHEDRAL GREEK FEST will be held on the weekend of July 13th-15th. Preparations are underway for a great weekend.

Once again, we will be seeking donations for bakery, dairy, meat, seafood, produce and other various items. We especially need donors for the 400 lambs that we need for this year's Festival. If you can donate a lamb or two (\$100-whole, \$60-half) or be of assistance in donating towards the other items, please see Fr. Ted, John Petalas Parish Council President or by contacting the church office. Your assistance will help ensure a successful festival. Our goal for this year's festival is to raise at least \$100,000 profit. We can do it if everyone pitches in.

Raffle tickets have been mailed out to all members of our Cathedral. If you have not received your raffle tickets or need more, contact the church office. It may seem a little early, but the Festival Committee wants to have a successful year in raffle sales. This year we will be giving out \$20,000 in prizes. Tickets are still only \$25 each. This year there are six "Early Bird" drawings. The third and final Early Bird drawing will be on Sunday, July 1st. We urge everyone to make every effort to sell your tickets. It is through the raffle that the Festival makes most of its money.

GREEK FEST RAFFLE UPDATE: Congratulations to our first Early Bird Drawing winners, they are: Deena Lawley Dixon, ticket #522 and Peter Kouros, ticket #1122. The second early bird drawing winners are Daughters of Penelope, ticket #2275 and Perry Theodoros, ticket #1836. If you haven't turned in your tickets and money, do so soon. Again the final Early Bird drawing will be next Sunday, July 1st. You could be the next lucky winner!!!

VOLUNTEERS ARE DESPERATELY NEEDED to help set up for the Festival, work it, and clean up after it. Please volunteer your time and talent. Our regular core labor force has shrunk over the years due to illness and death, as well as work and vacation schedules. We need more people to step forward, especially our young adults between the ages of 18-35. Areas that need assistance during the Festival are: the Taverna, Kitchen, Bakery, supply and demand, and clean up. Please contact the church office to offer your assistance. For more details, see Festival Chairmen Bill Batalis, Nick Kavadas or Peter Kavadas.


VOLUNTEER
all that's missing is U!

CHURCH OFFICE NEWS: The office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4th, 2018 in observance of Independence Day. All memorials and announcements for the weekly bulletin must be submitted to the office by Tuesday, July 3rd, to be included in the Sunday, July 8th bulletin.

FANARI CAMP UPDATE: Fr. George will be there the 4th Session, July 15th-21st. Along with our clergy, many campers from our parish will be attending, as well as counselors and staff members.

HELLENIC DANCERS NEWS: Due to Wednesday being the 4th of July practice will be Thursday, July 5th with the Junior group from 6:30-7:30 p.m. and the Senior group from 7:30-8:30 p.m. For details or to check on schedule changes, contact Taki Zarakas or check the Hellenic Dancers Facebook page.

LEARN GREEK: Registration for the 2018-2019 Greek School year is underway. Parents register your children early so that we can properly prepare our program. For details contact the church office.

CATHEDRAL EARLY LEARNING CENTER: Early registration: Our preschool is accepting applications for the 2018-2019 school year. To enroll for the two day class (Tuesday & Thursday) the child must be 3 years old before August 1st. To enroll for the three day a week class the child must be 4 years old before August 1st. Applications are available in the church office. Registration fee is \$50 per child, and activity fee of \$75 per child. Tuition for two-day class is \$120 a month, and for the three-day class is \$150 a month. Children must be potty trained to be enrolled. Call Christine Chimitris at 219-769-2481 between 9:00-11:30 a.m. for details.



FESTIVAL BAKERY NEWS: We need a variety of baked goods, Greek and non-Greek. If you can bake something, please do so. If you can't bake, a monetary donation may be made, which will assist us in purchasing ingredients and items for our Bake Shop. The baking schedule June and July is as follows:

July 2 nd , Monday	8 a.m.	Kourambiethes
July 5 th , Thursday	8 a.m.	?
July 9 th , Monday	8 a.m.	Baklava
July 12 th , Thursday	8 a.m.	Cutting Pastries

BACK PACK/SCHOOL BLESSING: On Sunday, August 12th we will have a special blessing service for our children as they return to school. Students are asked to be in church on this day so that a special prayer may be offered for them as they start off the new school year.

We will also be collecting school supplies for those less fortunate. See Presvytera Tulla for details. Please help us out and bring a little something to the church with you on Sundays or during the week. For ideas on what to bring, see the list below:

Backpacks	#2 Pencils	Color Pencils	Pencil Boxes
Hand Sanitizer	Kleenex	2 pocket folder	Rulers
Pens	Glue	Erasers	Markers
Wide Rule Paper	Box of 24 crayons	Single subject notebook	

THOUGHT: Hard work never killed anybody, but some of us sure don't want to take the chance of being the first victim.

SAINT OF THE DAY – KOSMAS AND DAMIANOS THE UNMERCENARIES:

The title of unmercenarries was given to physicians who would heal without pay. These brothers were Christian physicians in third century Rome. They very often with the laying on of hands and prayer Even though they inherited great wealth, they divided it among the poor. They were brought before the emperor on charges of sorcery. The emperor, who recently had a stroke, demanded that they deny Jesus Christ. The brothers in turn, urged him to forego idol worship. They argued that his gods were imagined into existence and created by artists. Without artists they would not exist, opposed to their Lord, who was the Creator of all things. When they healed him of his paralysis and he regained his voice, he exonerated them and became a Christian. A group of Roman physicians later lured them into the hills to pick medicinal herbs and killed the brothers by stoning.

DELIVERANCE TO CAPTIVES: A certain person tells of seeing a caged eagle in a zoo. He looked at the giant wing-spread of the king of birds and felt sick at heart that such a bird was caged in. Made for the skies – and crammed in a cage!

How much more pitiful to see men and women – made in the image of God, created to be free, called to have dominion over the universe, imprisoned in the self-made cage of their sins.

But the Gospel of Jesus has good news for prisoners.

Jesus came to set prisoners free. He came to “preach deliverance to captives.” He alone is able to destroy the demoniac in us as He did in the Gospel lesson today when He exorcized the demons from the two demoniacs in the country of the Gadarenes. He alone can break the invisible chains with which we bind ourselves. What no one else can do, Jesus can. No one could set an alcoholic free from his prison until one day fifty years ago one alcoholic was set free by Christ and went on to establish Alcoholics Anonymous. Today hundreds of thousands of alcoholics have been set free by God through AA. Drug addicts have been considered practically impossible to cure. The government can help only 5% TO 10% OF THEM. One Christian group that works with addicts has 70% success in helping them. The same Christ who set people free of demons 2000 years ago can do the same today. The only difference is that today the demons go by different names.

PRAYER FOR INDEPENDENCE DAY

Dear God,

As we celebrate today with fireworks and festivals,

Help us never to forget the reason for our joy.

Help us remember that our rights to life, liberty

And the pursuit of happiness

Were signed into our heritage

With the willing blood of America patriots.

Most of all, help us remember

That the rights of all people

Are more than words on a document,

And that all people have rights

Because you have given us the dignity of human life.

Grant freedom to all,

And give us the strength to protect the rights of others.

Amen.

LAMB DONATIONS: To date, 319 lambs have been donated for this year's Grecian Festival. Please keep in mind we need a minimum 400 lambs to complete our supply for the festival. Our festival is six weeks away, please won't you help? Donation for a full lamb is \$100, half a lamb is \$60. We would like to thank the following people and organizations for their support.

Adams, Tim & Dora – 2	Koulianos, Theo & Sharon – 1
Anonymous – 11	Kravas-Vallas, Helen - 2
Ampeliotis, George & Linda – 1	Kyres, Andrew – 1
Andros, Nick & Mary - 1	Liapes, Loucas & Feme -1
Bairaktaris, Antonios & Afrodite – 2	Logan, Nick & Alexandria ½
Batalis, Bill & Irene – 2	Logan, Tony & Diane - 5
Berta, Michael & Katrina – 1	Logan, Vassilia - 1
Bikos & Assoc. CPA, PC - 3	Logothetis, Bill, May, & Greg - 3
Bills, Mary – 3	Makarounas, Irene – 1
Campbell, Andrew & Rose - 1	Malouhos, Eva - 1
Campbell, Ellen, Kristen, & Emily – 1	Malouhos, Peter – 1
Chion Society - 1	Manolopoulos, Andrea - 1
Coady, Terry & Alexis – 1	Massow, JoAnn - 2
Cominos, Nicholas - 2	Murdakes, Peter & Victoria - 1
Cooper, Dawn - 2	Order of AHEPA #78 – 5
Cortina, Helen - 1	Oryna Counseling - 1
Coveris, Dean & Shawn - 1	Panagiotides, Bill – 1
Crystal, Katherine - 1	Papadopoulos, Louis & Julia – 1
Daughters of Penelope - 1	Pappas, Fr. George, Pres. Kathy, & Perry - 1
Dedelow, James & Kalliope - 1	Pappas, Marilyn – 1
Damaskos, Christine – 1	Petalas, John & Karen - 2
Demakas, John & Dr. Meg - 2	Philoptochos Society – 3
Detroit Painting - 15	PJ's Grill - 2
Domoras, George – 1	Ploutis, Elias & Bessie - 5
Dranger, Mark & Paula - 5	Polimus, Mark & Kristine – 1
Droza, Nicki - 2	Poteres, Fr. Ted & Pres. Tulla - 2
Emmanoilidis Family – 10	Proimos Family – 100
Ferentinos, Bess -2	Radivan, Jeff & Martha – 1
Georgiadis, Peter, Faye & Family – 2	Retson, Chris & Evangeline - 2
Gerodemos, Louis & Olga – 1	Runions, Charles & Lorraine – 1
Gianikos, Nick & Maureen - 1	Sacopulos, Eugenia – 1
Giannakakis Family – 1	Schillo, Mark & Helen - 1
GOYA - 1	Senior Citizens – 1
Grace, Robert & Melanie - 1	Sgouroudis, George & Anastasia -1
Greek Macedonian Society – 1	Siatras, Dr. James & Mrs. - 10
Karateglidis, D. & Papamihalakis, S. - 1	Smith, Danise Vossos – 1
Kassoris, Alec & Christine – 1	Smith, Kristine - 1
Kavadas, Anastasia - ½	Spanos, Nick & Dalia – 15
Kavadas, Nick – 1	Spiridis, Dino & Rebecca – 1
Kavadas, Pete - 2	Spores, Mr. & Mrs. John - 1
Kolozenski, Mark - 6	The Pangere Corporation – 15
Korellis, Gus & Kathy – 1	Theodoros, William – 5
Kostides, Deanna – 1	Turpa, Paul & Catherine – 1
Kostides, John & Eva – 5	Vlahos, Stella - 1
Kostides, Kristina – 1	VanCleaf, Suzanne – 1
Kostides, Maria – 1	Vegenas, Mr. & Mrs. James - 1
Kouimanis, George & Calli - 4	Zissides, Gust – 1

THANK YOU TO ALL & GOD BLESS!