

SUNDAY BULLETIN

October 4, 2015



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Matins Gospel

Seventh Orthros Gospel

The Reading is from John 20:1-10

At that time, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb early, while it was still dark, and saw that the stone had been taken away from the tomb. So she ran, and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." Peter then came out with the other disciple, and they went toward the tomb. They both ran, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first; and stooping to look in, he saw the linen cloths lying there, but he did not go in. Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb; he saw the linen cloths lying, and the napkin, which had been on his head, not lying with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; for as yet they did not know the scripture, that he must rise from the dead. Then the disciples went back to their homes.

Epistle Reading:

Reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the 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 Reading: 2nd Sunday of Luke

The Reading is from Luke 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, 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."

SUNDAY SERVICES

9:00 am Orthros 9:45 am Memorials

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

For Feast Days celebrated on week days

Orthros begins at 8:00 am and Divine Liturgy begins at 9:00 am

Memorials for October 4th

Maria Bougioukos

Memorials for October 11th

Florence & George Kallas
Litza Loukas

Memorials for October 18th

Eugenia Kezios

Memorials for October 25th

Olibia (Libby) Salcedo

GROUPS SPONSORING COFFEE HOUR

October 4th - Dance Groups

October 11th - JOY/GOYA

October 18th - Women's Bible Study

October 25th - Stewardship

November 1st - Philoptochos

November 8th - Bowling League

November 15th - Saint Nicholas School

November 22nd - Basketball League

November 29th - Choir

Los Angeles Police Dept. Devonshire Area

**Public Invited to SOLID's 20th Annual
"All You Can Eat"
PASTA DINNER**

Friday, October 16, 2015

5:00 pm - 7:30 pm

\$10.00 per person

Grande Ballroom at St. Nicholas Church

HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Mode

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate Body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Thy Kingdom. Glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Apolytikion - Hymn of Saint Nicholas

A model of faith and the image of gentleness, the example of your life has shown you forth to your sheep-fold to be a master of temperance. You obtained thus through being lowly, gifts from on high, and riches through poverty. Nicholas, our Father and our Hierarch, intercede with Christ our God that He may save our souls.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Mode

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Feasts and Saints Commemorated

Saturday, October 3rd

Dionysios the Areopagite; John the Chozebite, Bishop of Caesaria

Sunday, October 4th 2nd Sunday of Luke

Domina the Martyr and her daughters; John the Hermit; Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens - According to some, Hierotheus, like Saint Dionysius, was a member of the court of Mars Hill. Having first been instructed in the Faith of Christ by Paul, he became Bishop of Athens. He, in turn, initiated the divine Dionysius more perfectly into the mysteries of Christ; the latter, on his part, elaborated more clearly and distinctly Hierotheus' concise and summary teachings concerning the Faith. He too was brought miraculously by the power of the Holy Spirit to be present at the Dormition of the Theotokos, when, together with the sacred Apostles, he became a leader of the divine hymnody. "He was wholly transported, wholly outside himself and was so deeply absorbed in communion with the sacred things he celebrated in hymnology, that to all who heard him and saw him and knew him, and yet knew him not, he seemed to be inspired of God, a divine hymnographer," as Dionysius says (On the Divine Names, 3:2). Having lived in a manner pleasing to God, he reposed in the Lord.

Monday, October 5th Monday of the 3rd Week

Charitina the Martyr; Methodia the Righteous of Kimolos; Eudokimos the Unknown of Mount Athos; Peter, Alexis, Jonah, Hermogenes & Tikhon, Metropolitans of Moscow

Tuesday, October 6th Tuesday of the 3rd Week

Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas; Eroteis the Martyr of Cappadocia; Makarios the Righteous of Chios

Wednesday, October 7th Wednesday of the 3rd Week

Sergius & Bacchus the Great Martyrs of Syria; Julian the
Presbyter & Caesarius the Deacon Polychronios the Martyr;
John the Hermit of Crete; Jonah of Manchuria

Thursday, October 8th Thursday of the 3rd Week

Pelagia the Righteous; Pelagia the Virgin-martyr of Antioch;
Taisia the Harlot of Egypt;

Friday, October 9th Friday of the 3rd Week

James the Apostle, son of Alphaeus; Andronicus & his wife
Athanasia of Egypt; Poplia the Confessor of Antioch; The
Righteous Patriarch Abraham and his nephew Lot

Saturday, October 10th Saturday of the 3rd Week

Eulampius & Eulampia the Martyrs; Our Righteous Father
Theophilus the Confessor; The 200 Monk-martyrs of Nicomedia;
Vassianos the Righteous of Constantinople; The 14 Holy Elders
of Optina Monastery

CALENDER OF EVENTS

Sunday, October 4th

9:00 am Orthros; 9:45 am Memorials
10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Go Pink Sunday - Philoptochos Fundraiser
1:00 pm Baptism of Konstantine Christopher Zachary

Monday, October 5th

6:15 Chrysopeda Dance Practice (Plummer Center)
6:30 pm Ellinopoula Dance Practice (Gym)

Tuesday, October 6th

6:30 pm St. Nicholas Youth Ministry Kickoff (Gym)

Wednesday, October 7th

6:15 Levendopoula Dance Practice (Gym)

Thursday, October 8th

6:30 pm Basketball Open Gym

9:00 pm Bowling League at Matador Lanes

Friday, October 9th

2:30 pm School Vesper Service (Church)

6:15 pm Ellinopoula Dance Practice (Gym)

7:30 pm Chrysi Psihi Dance Practice (Gym)

Sunday, October 11th

9:00 am Orthros; 9:45 am Memorials

10:00 am Divine Liturgy

11:30 am Philoptochos Membership Luncheon (Ballroom)



A warm **THANK YOU** to all
who so generously donated their...

Time, Talent and Treasures

to our recent **Philoptochos Fundraising Event.**

It was a great success and we are thankful to be
sending a portion of the monies raised to the
Kivotos tou Kosmou (Ark of the World) in
Athens, Greece.

Sylvia Manios

St. Nicholas Philoptochos President

***SAINT NICHOLAS PHILOPTOCHOS
ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON***

*Join Us On Sunday October 11th, 2015 at 11:30 am
In the Grande Ballroom of the Community Center*

*Luncheon and 2016 Membership Dues \$50
* Luncheon Only \$20*

Please bring your favorite dessert

**A PRIZE will be given for the BEST
HOMEMADE DESSERT**

Bring a new member ~ Men are welcome to attend and
join Philoptochos

If you are unable to attend, dues are accepted at the Philoptochos table
every Sunday following Divine Liturgy

Please RSVP to the Church Office
818-886-4040



6:30 pm in the GYM

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**Altar Boys
Basketball**

GOYA

JOY

Greek Dance

Oratorical Festival

YAL

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 6th
YOUTH MINISTRY
KICKOFF**

All St. Nicholas' Youth Ministries are
enthusiastically invited to our Youth
Ministry Kickoff Party and the
opportunity to meet and greet Father
Michael Prevas, Presvytera Matia, and
their children Kosta, Niko, Yioryia and
Yianni

**Pizza & Ice
Cream
will be provided**

**For additional
information
please contact:
Fr. Michael State
818-886-4040**



We have groups
For dancers
from
Age 4 to
adulthood

Please stop by Our table in the ball room during
coffee hour to get more information and to sign up

come join the award
winning
saint nicholas greek
dance ministry



GREEK DANCE

Program Director

Wendy Katsiotis

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BOWLING ANYONE?

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED IN JOINING THE
ST. NICHOLAS BOWLING LEAGUE

WE HAVE A FEW SPOTS AVAILABLE FOR
REGULAR AND PART TIME BOWLERS

OUR LEAGUE IS FUN AND A GREAT WAY TO
MEET NEW PEOPLE



WE WELCOME EVERYONE, REGARDLESS OF
YOUR BOWLING SKILLS

WE BOWL AT MATADOR BOWL THURSDAY
NIGHTS AT 8:45pm

IF YOU'RE INTERESTED OR HAVE ANY
QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT GUS SAPON

(h) 805 579- 8846 OR (c) 818 337- 8039

CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 13, 2015

In the Grande Ballroom following Divine Liturgy

Please place your orders for baked goods

By November 6th

All orders are to be prepaid

Please call Eugenia Georgilas

at 818-832-5453

Your Name: _____

Telephone: _____

KOULOURAKIA: \$35 Box (60 pieces) Order: _____

MELOMACAROUNA: \$35 Box (30 pieces) Order: _____

KOURAMBIEDES: \$35 Box (30 pieces) Order: _____

BAKLAVA: \$45 Pan (48 pieces) Order: _____

TZOUREKI: \$12 each Order: _____

Please pick up all baked goods by 2:00 pm on December 13th

We are not able to store baked goods if not picked up by that time

Saint Nicholas Philoptochos GO PINK SUNDAY October 4, 2015

With your help...

LET'S SEND CANCER PACKING!!!

Any donation can help save a life

Wear your PINK in support

***“You are an inspiration to those who know you...
Walking in faith...seeking God’s strength.***

For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord.”

Jeremiah 29:11

For further information please contact

Nadia Saroukos at 818-822-4269

IONIAN VILLAGE SUMMER 2016

NEW YORK – Ionian Village is the international camping ministry of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America with campgrounds located in Peloponnesos, Greece and continues to offer the Orthodox Christian youth of America an unparalleled spiritual and cultural summer camping experience.

Ionian Village Spiritual Odyssey

The Spiritual Odyssey program offers young adults the opportunity to intimately encounter the Greek culture and Orthodox faith through focused excursions. This program is open to young adults between the ages of 19-24.

Spiritual Odyssey #takemebacktoIV: June 1 – June 12, 2016

Whether you attended IV as a camper and want to go back or you missed the opportunity while in high school, this is your chance to come back to the place where it all happens. The 2016 Spiritual Odyssey program will be centered physically and spiritually around the beautiful Ionian Village campgrounds. Each day will bring a new excursion for participants who will be staying at the camp. The itinerary will include both destinations native to the Ionian Village program, such as Zakynthos, Kefalonia, Kalavrita, and Osios Loukas, as well as new elements unique to the Spiritual Odyssey experience.

Ionian Village 2016 Summer Camping Programs

The picturesque Ionian Village campgrounds sit along the shores of the pristine Ionian Sea and are equipped with a private beach, a renovated Olympic-sized pool, air-conditioned cabins, and various athletic courts and fields. Campers actively explore their Orthodox faith and heritage, both through the daily at-camp program and through excursions to culturally and religiously significant sites throughout Greece. Excursions include Ancient Olympia, Patras, Zakynthos, Kefalonia, Kalavrita, Aegina, and Athens. Each 20-day session is open to young people from grades 8 through 12.

1. Session One: June 19 – July 8, 2016

2. Session Two: July 17 – August 5, 2016

Ionian Village Summer 2016 Staff Applications

Ionian Village depends upon its highly motivated and energetic Staff Members, each of whom is selected through a careful application process. Applicants must be Greek Orthodox and at least 21 years old at the start of the summer camping season. Applications to be a part of the 2016 Summer Staff will be available on the Ionian Village website on December 1, 2015.

