

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LUKE

October 8, 2017

**Saints Commemorated today:** St. Pelagia the Righteous; St. Pelagia the Virgin-Martyr of Antioch; St. Taisia the Harlot of Egypt and St. Phillip, Bishop of Gortyna

### EPISTLE READING

**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 forever." 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

**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!"

### ENTRANCE HYMN: 1ST TONE

(Page 45 in "The Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom")

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews, and while the soldiers were guarding Thy Sacred Body, Thou, O Savior, didst rise on the third day and gave Life to the World. Wherefore the Powers of the Heavens cried to Thee, O Giver of Life; Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ; Glory to Thy Kingdom; Glory to Thy dispensation, O Thou Who alone are Merciful.

### FOURTH MODE

As the first-called of the Apostles, and brother of their leader O Andrew, entreat the Master of all that peace be granted unto the world and great mercy to our souls.

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### HIERARCHICAL DIVINE LITURGY, HIS GRACE BISHOP DEMETRIOS OF MOKISSOS

We are blessed this morning to have His Grace Bishop Demetrios of Mokissos will visiting and conducting the hierarchical Divine Liturgy. We welcome His Grace and William Kallas. At the end of the Divine Liturgy His Grace Bishop Demetrios will tonsure two of our Acolytes, Mattheos Mattheos and Athanasios Mighion. Our Ladies Philoptochos Society Chapter will provide the refreshments following the conclusion of Liturgy and the tonsuring. Thank you.

### PARISH POTLUCK

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If you are unable to use link or would prefer not to, please contact the church office to sign up. Thank you and looking forward to see you all there!

### PROSFORO COMMITTEE

We would like to thank all the committee members for their service over the years and God's Blessings to those who have retired this year: Penny Poulos, Artemis Hoke, Joan Prathaftakis, Rose Torres, and Janice Lampos.

Jesus is the Bread of Life Who offers Himself for our salvation. "Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of man and drink His blood you have no life in you; he who eats My flesh and drinks My blood has eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day" (John 6:53-54). **We NEED parishioners willing to join the**

**Prosforo Committee.** If needed, we will do an instructional class for anyone who would like to join but is not sure how to prepare the Prosforo. **Generally it means making the Prosforo for two Sundays during the year and occasionally making extra for weekday Liturgies. Please contact the office if you are able to volunteer. Thank you.**

### COFFEE HOUR

Please note that the coffee helpers, *at Father George's direction*, do not start brewing the coffee until Father begins passing out the Antidoron. We thank you for your patience and cooperation.

### DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Discretionary Fund is to assist families that face financial crisis, students that need financial aid, single moms, philanthropic institutions in this city and overseas, people with catastrophic illnesses, and missions for the Archdiocese, etc. Thank you for your support. If you would like to help please contact Father George or make donations payable to the Discretionary Fund.

### BULLETIN FLYERS

We will no longer be including flyers in the weekly bulletin. They are on the table in the Fellowship Hall. This week there are flyers for: **Church School Enrollment Forms, Women's Business Bazaar, Direct (Auto) Debit forms.** Please take what you need.

### REQUEST FOR TRANSFERRING PARISHIONERS

We are blessed to welcome new parishioners to Saint Andrews. We ask that you pick up a welcome packet from the table in the Fellowship Hall. You should call the office and schedule an appointment with Father prior to beginning to receive the Sacraments. *We also ask transferring parishioners to follow the Uniform Parish Regulations, Art 18, Sec 2: "A parishioner wishing to move from one Parish to another must present a letter of transfer from the Priest of the Parish from which he or she is moving stating that he or she is in good standing."*

### CHURCH ETIQUETTE

There should be NO talking in the Narthex during the Divine Liturgy. (No one should be congregating in the hallways or Fellowship Hall). It is completely disrespectful to God and to the worship service of our Church.

Please remember to dress appropriately and modestly for church services. There is no chewing gum, talking or crossing your legs in church. Everyone should arrive on time for the Liturgy. Do not leave trash (bulletins, paper, etc) in the pews. It is considered disrespectful for anyone attending Orthodox Christian services to cross their legs during service, chew gum or come in late. Also women who are planning on taking Communion should not wear lipstick or should remove it before going up for Communion.

**TURN OFF CELL PHONES.** Thank you.

### A NOTE TO OUR VISITORS

People of different religious affiliation or tradition who behave in a respectful manner are always welcome at the liturgical services of our Holy Orthodox Church but **ONLY MEMBERS OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH who share a common faith and practice a specific spiritual discipline may participate in the Church's sacraments and receive Holy Communion at the Orthodox Divine Liturgy. The Greek Orthodox Church has a closed communion and no intercommunion with any other Christian body.** We are blessed by your presence with us and thank you for your understanding. May God bless you always.

### A NOTE TO ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS

ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS PLEASE NOTE: The proper preparation for receiving Holy Communion is: 1) prayer; 2) keeping the fast throughout the year (Wednesdays, Fridays, Great Lent, fast of the Holy Apostles, fast of the Dormition and the Christmas Fast, etc); and 3) most important, participating in the Sacrament of Holy Confession and Repentance. **ALSO follow these guidelines as you approach for Holy Communion: Take the red cloth from the person before you and place it under your chin. Say your baptismal name. Open your mouth wide and receive the Holy Spoon in your mouth, lower your lips on the Holy Communion spoon and carefully remove the Holy Eucharist so that there is nothing left. After partaking of the Sacrament blot your lips and hand the red cloth to the person behind you. Receive one piece of antidoron, return to your seat and read the post communion prayer. Lipstick, lip gloss, lip balm, etc, should be removed prior to approaching the chalice. Receiving the precious Body and Blood of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ should not be treated like a fast food service. You should come on time for the Divine Liturgy (that means at the beginning) and not leave until the completion of the service. This means that every time you eat this bread and drink from this cup you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. It follows that if anyone eats the Lord's bread or**

*drinks from his cup in a way that dishonors him, he is guilty of sin against the Lord's body and blood. So then, everyone should examine himself first, and then eat the bread and drink from the cup. For if he does not recognize the meaning of the Lord's body when he eats the bread and drinks from the cup, he brings judgment on himself as he eats and drinks. That is why many of you are sick and weak, and several have died. If we would examine ourselves first, we would not come under God's judgment. But we are judged and punished by the Lord, so that we shall not be condemned together with the world. (1 Corinthians 11:26-32).*

**At the time of communion, please allow families with infants to approach first, followed by the children and then the adults. Thank you.**

The Communion Prayer is located in the Divine Liturgy Books on page 40 (old edition) and 66 (new edition). Everyone is encouraged to participate in the reciting of the Communion Prayer together.

### **MINISTRY ACTIVITIES**

Please remember to check the ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR when scheduling activities. They should **not** be scheduled during service times. This is disrespectful to God and unacceptable. Thank you.

### **REMINDER FOR PARENTS**

For the convenience of parents with crying children, a "cry room" is located off the Narthex for your use. **ATTENTION PARENTS: PLEASE MAKE SURE YOUR CHILDREN ARE NOT WANDERING AROUND THE CHURCH DURING SERVICES. THIS IS VERY DISRUPTIVE TO EVERYONE. THANK YOU!**

### **YOUR PRAYERS HELP...**

"...I was sick and you visited Me..." St. Matthew 25:36. "Holy Father, Physician of our souls and bodies have mercy, forgive and heal thy servants." The following brothers and sisters in Christ need your constant prayers and love, *recovering at home or ill at home/hospital*: Artemis Hoke (home), Anna Efthimiou (home), Jim Zeinis (home), and Nick Limberopoulos (home).

*In nursing homes or home bound*: Diana Katsanis (Golden View), Esther Magrames (Waterford), Mary Manos (Wellbrooke), Amelia Morris (Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton), and Joan Rekos (Signature)

Today's **Ushers** are: Manolis Anagnostou, George Mighion, Chris Strafford, Pete Arvan, Mike Chronopoulos. If you are not serving in the pangari today, you should join everyone in the Sanctuary. Thank you.

Today's **Epistle Lesson** will be read by **an Altar Boy**.

**Presbytera Elaine** prepared Prosforo for this morning. May our God grant you spiritual joy always.

**The Coffee Hour** was lovingly prepared for our entire community by **Philoptochos**. We thank you for your love and generosity.

## THIS WEEK

Monday, October 9	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm Parish Council 7pm
Tuesday, October 10	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Wednesday, October 11	St. Philip the Apostle of the 70 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
Thursday, October 12	Philoptochos 6:30pm
Friday, October 13	Paraklesis to Theotokos 10am <b>at Holy Dormition</b> Vespers 4:30pm
Saturday, October 14	Women's Business Bazaar 10am-3pm Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, October 15	Sunday of the 7 <sup>th</sup> Ecumenical Council 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy Potluck Luncheon

## LOOKING AHEAD

Monday, October 16	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Tuesday, October 17	Orthros 9am Vespers 4:30pm
Wednesday, October 18	St. Luke the Evangelist 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy
Friday, October 20	Paraklesis to Theotokos 10am <b>at Holy Dormition</b> Vespers 4:30pm
Saturday, October 21	Great Vespers 5pm
Sunday, October 22	Sixth Sunday of Luke 9:00 Orthros 10:00 Divine Liturgy

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

Sunday, October 29	Fall Parish Assembly following Liturgy
Monday, November 6	Good Samaritans 6:30pm
Thursday, November 9	Philoptochos 6:30pm
June 8-10, 2018	43 <sup>rd</sup> Annual Greek Festival

**2017 Financial Report**  
(Does not include Festival)

Oct 17 Income	Oct 17 Expenses	Monthly Balance	Oct 16 Income	Oct 16 Expenses	Oct 16 Balance
\$2,377.00	\$7,169.38	--\$4,792.38	\$25,476.71	\$27,430.20	--\$1,953.49

YTD Income	YTD Expense	YTD Balance	16 YTD Inc	16 YTD Ex	16 YTD Bal
\$211,444.98	\$279,893.72	--\$68,448.74	\$217,775.57	\$284,508.83	--\$66,733.26

**Stewardship Report**

Oct Pledge Income	Oct Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income	YTD Pledge Inc	YTD Pledge Goal	Difference goal/income
\$2,300.00	\$26,500.00	--\$24,200.00	\$127,440.00	\$221,000.00	--\$93,560.00

\*Year-to-date as of October 6, 2017

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT!!!

# St. Andrew's Parish Potluck

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The church catechetical school will host the potluck  
this month on October 15<sup>th</sup>.

If you're part of our Sunday School community, please sign up to bring a dish to share! A few volunteers are also needed for set up and clean up. Please sign up online at: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/508054fafa923a0ff2-october>. If you have questions about the online sign up or prefer not to use it, please contact the church office. You'll be able to see what others are planning to bring as well, so that we hopefully have a good distribution of dishes and not 5 pots of macaroni and cheese with nothing to drink.