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 News & Announcements
 July 31, 2016

6th Sunday of Matthew
Κυριακή 6η Μαθθαιου



Forefeast of the Precious Cross +
 Joseph the Righteous of Arimathea +
 Eudocimus the Righteous of Cappadocia +
 Dionysios the Righteous Martyr of Vatopaidi

NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME !
 Sunday Worship Schedule: Matins 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

To Our Visitors and Guests

We welcome you to worship with us today, whether you are an Orthodox Christian or this is your first visit to an Orthodox Church, we are pleased to have you with us. Although Holy Communion and other Sacraments are offered only to baptized and chrismated (confirmed) Orthodox Christians in good standing with 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 a sacrament, but it is reminiscent of the agape feast that followed worship in the ancient Christian Church. After the Divine Liturgy this morning please join us in the Church hall for fellowship and refreshments. Please complete a Visitor's Card before you leave today and drop it in the offering tray, or give it to one of the parishioners after the service, or mail it to the church Office.

Today's Readings:

St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14



BRETHREN, having gifts that differ according to the grace given to us, let us use them: if prophecy, in proportion to our faith; if service, in our serving; he who teaches, in his teaching; he who exhorts, in his exhortation; he who contributes, in liberality; he who gives aid, with zeal; he who does acts of mercy, with cheerfulness. Let love be genuine; hate what is evil, hold fast to what is good; love one another with brotherly affection; outdo one another in showing honor. Never flag in zeal, be aglow with the Spirit, serve the Lord. Rejoice in your hope, be patient in tribulation, be constant in prayer. Contribute to the needs of the saints, practice hospitality. Bless those who persecute you; bless and do not curse them.

Πρὸς Ῥωμαίους 12:6-14

Ἀδελφοί, ἔχοντες δὲ χαρίσματα κατὰ τὴν χάριν τὴν δοθεῖσαν ἡμῖν διάφορα, εἴτε προφητεῖαν, κατὰ τὴν ἀναλογίαν τῆς πίστεως· εἴτε διακονίαν, ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ· εἴτε ὁ διδάσκων, ἐν τῇ διδασκαλίᾳ· εἴτε ὁ παρακαλῶν, ἐν τῇ παρακλήσει· ὁ μεταδιδούς, ἐν ἀπλότητι· ὁ προϊστάμενος, ἐν σπουδῇ· ὁ ἐλεῶν, ἐν ἰλαρότητι. Ἡ ἀγάπη ἀνυπόκριτος. Ἀποστυγοῦντες τὸ πονηρόν, κολλώμενοι τῷ ἀγαθῷ. Τῇ φιλαδελφίᾳ εἰς ἀλλήλους φιλόστοργοι· τῇ τιμῇ ἀλλήλους προηγούμενοι· τῇ σπουδῇ μὴ ὀκνηροί· τῷ πνεύματι ζέοντες· τῷ κυρίῳ δουλεύοντες· τῇ ἐλπίδι χαίροντες· τῇ θλίψει ὑπομένοντες· τῇ προσευχῇ προσκαρτεροῦντες· ταῖς χρεῖαις τῶν ἀγίων κοινωνοῦντες· τὴν φιλοξενίαν διώκοντες. Εὐλογεῖτε τοὺς διώκοντας ὑμᾶς· εὐλογεῖτε, καὶ μὴ καταρᾶσθε.

The Gospel according to Matthew 9:1-8



At that time, getting into a boat Jesus crossed over and came to his own city. And behold, they brought to him a paralytic, lying on his bed; and when Jesus saw their faith he said to the paralytic, "Take heart, my son; your sins are forgiven." And behold, some of the scribes said to themselves, "This man is blaspheming." But Jesus, knowing their thoughts, said, "Why do you think evil in your hearts? For which is easier, to say 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say 'Rise and walk?' But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" he then said to the paralytic -- "Rise, take up your bed and go home." And he rose and went home. When the crowds saw it, they were afraid, and they glorified God, who had given such authority to men.

Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 9:1-8

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἐμβὰς εἰς πλοῖον διεπέρασε καὶ ἦλθεν εἰς τὴν ἰδίαν πόλιν. Καὶ ἰδοὺ προσέφερον αὐτῷ παραλυτικὸν ἐπὶ κλίνης βεβλημένον· καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν πίστιν αὐτῶν εἶπε τῷ παραλυτικῷ· θάρσει, τέκνον· ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου. καὶ ἰδοὺ τινες τῶν γραμματέων εἶπον ἐν ἑαυτοῖς· οὗτος βλασφημεῖ. καὶ ἰδὼν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὰς ἐνθυμήσεις αὐτῶν εἶπεν· ἵνα τί ὑμεῖς ἐνθυμεῖσθε πονηρὰ ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν; τί γάρ ἐστιν εὐκοπώτερον, εἰπεῖν, ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι, ἢ εἰπεῖν, ἔγειρε καὶ περιπάτει; ἵνα δὲ εἰδῆτε ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχει ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἀφιέναι ἁμαρτίας - τότε λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· ἐγερθεὶς ἄρον σου τὴν κλίνην καὶ ὑπάγε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου. καὶ ἐγερθεὶς ἀπήλθεν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ ὄχλοι ἐθαύμασαν καὶ ἐδόξασαν τὸν Θεὸν τὸν δόντα ἐξουσίαν τοιαύτην τοῖς ἀνθρώποις.

Today's Coffee Hour is being hosted by Dino and Kerri Zaferatos



Welcome New Sunday School Fall Staffers

Director : Michelle Claypool

Assistant Director: Cleopatra "Cleo" Papanikas

REMEMBER AUGUST IS

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION MONTH !!!!



2016 Financial Update thru May 31, 2016

2016 Stewardship & Offering donations	\$58,175
2016 Operations expenses	\$78,104
Operations shortfall	(\$19,929)
2016 Building Fund donations	\$15,489
2016 Building Fund expenses (Mortgage)	\$87,330
Building Fund shortfall	(\$71,841)
Total Shortfall	(\$91,770)

Your Stewardship and Building Fund contributions are necessary year round but particularly during the summer months when church attendance is low. The church expenses continue year round. Please consider auto bill pay options through your financial institution.

ATTENTION SAINT BARBARA PARISH!



Celebrate with your Church Family your next special occasion! Consider sponsoring a coffee hour in the social hall after Liturgy on Sundays to commemorate a birthday, graduation, nameday, anniversary, or even for the pleasure of just hosting for your Parish.

Signing up is easy....just place your name on the 'signup coffee hour' sheet located on the table in the hallway nearest the social hall. For details or questions, contact Helen Paliouras at: [919-942-4229](tel:919-942-4229) or elenipali@att.net

FUNDRAISING PROJECTS TO DATE:



February 7
June 6-7
July 18
September 12
September 26
October 3
November 6
November 20-21
December 2
December 6
December 12

2015

Gyro Day
Greek Festival
Gyro Feast
Yard Sale
Fashion Show
Chicken Dinners To-go
Evening of Music
Joint Philoptochos/PC Fundraiser
Christmas Concert
Saint Barbara Celebration Banquet
Holiday Greek Pastries

2016

January 16
January 30
February 20
June 4-5
July 23
September 24
October 1

Evening of Music
Spaghetti Event
Gyro Event
Greek Festival
Gyro Event
Evening of Jazz
Chicken Event

WE NEED YOU as a STEWARD !

Our Saint Barbara Church needs each and every family to join our Stewardship Program.

Our goal is to have 150 Pledged Families in the Stewardship Program.

As of May 30th we have 91 Pledged Families in our Stewardship Program.

Please help us Reach our Goal.

August 2016 Worship Schedule

1 - 15 Dormition Fast



- 1 - Monday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm*
- 3 - Wednesday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm*
- 5 - Friday - Great Vespers for the Feast of the Holy Transfiguration at 6:30 pm*
- 6 - Saturday - Feast of the Holy Transfiguration - 9 am*
- 7 - 7th Sunday of Matthew - 9 am*
- 8 - Monday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm*
- 10 - Wednesday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm*
- 12 - Friday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm*
- 14 - Sunday Morning - 8th Sunday of Matthew - 9 am*
- 14 - Sunday Evening Great Vespers for the Dormition at Greensboro*
- 15 - Monday - Feast of the Dormition - 9 am*
- 21 - 9th Sunday of Matthew - 9 am*
- 28 - 10th Sunday of Matthew - 9 a*



FEAST FOR PANAGIA PROUSIOTISSA CONVENT

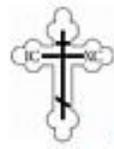
Friday, August 19

**6:00 pm to 10:30 pm Festal Vigil:
Great Vespers, Blessing of the Loaves, Orthros,
Lamentations for the Most Holy Theotokos,
Litany with the icon of the Dormition**

Saturday, August 20

**8:30 am Festal Liturgy
11:00 am Lunch**

**404 Warner Road, Troy, NC 27371
Telephone 910-572-3331**



Save the Date

Cross Dive & Family Spiritual Retreat



Retreat Leader: Father Gregory Georgiou

Weekend of October 21-23, 2016

Cross Dive will be Saturday, October 22, 2016 at 11:00AM

Camp Kirkwood in Burgaw, NC

www.campkirkwoodnc.org

Additional information, pricing and registration forms will be available August 1, 2016



Questions? Please contact
Michael Rallis
mgrallis@aol.com or
910-619-0014

Altar Boys



Contact: Fr. Stavroforos

Boys in grades 3-12 are offered the privilege to serve in the Altar on Sundays during Divine Liturgy and during other services when available. Father Stavroforos will conduct training sessions so the altar boys will know what is needed in the altar.

Contact Father Stavroforos via e-mail for the St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Altar Boy Requirements for Altar Boy Ranks. His e-mail is fatherstavroforos2012@gmail.com.



A **Paraklesis** ([Greek](#): Παράκλησις, [Slavonic](#): молебен) or **Supplicatory Canon** in the [Orthodox Christian Church](#) and [Eastern Catholic Churches](#), is a service of [supplication](#) for the welfare of the living. It is addressed to a specific [Saint](#) or to the Most Holy [Theotokos](#) whose intercessions are sought through the chanting of the supplicatory [canon](#) together with [psalms](#), [hymns](#), and [ekteniae](#) (litanies).

The most popular Paraklesis is that in which the supplicatory canon and other hymns are addressed to the Most Holy [Theotokos](#) (the [Mother of God](#)). There are two forms of this service: the *Small Paraklesis* (composed by Theosterictus the Monk in the 9th century), and the *Great Paraklesis* (composed by Emperor [Theodore I Ducas Lascaris](#) in the 13th century). During the majority of the year, only the Small Paraklesis to the Theotokos is chanted. However, during the [Dormition Fast](#) (August 1—14, inclusive), the [Typikon](#)^[*citation needed*] prescribes that the Small and Great Paraklesis be chanted on alternate evenings, according to the following regulations:

- If August 1st falls on a Monday through Friday, the cycle begins with the Small Paraklesis. If August 1st falls on a Saturday or Sunday, the cycle begins with the Great Paraklesis.
- On the eves of Sundays (i.e., Saturday nights) and on the eve of the [Transfiguration](#) (the night of August 5) the Paraklesis is omitted.
- On Sunday nights, the Great Paraklesis is always used unless it is the eve of Transfiguration.

In the [Russian Orthodox Church](#), the equivalent of a Paraklesis is the [Moleben](#), which is similar in structure, except that the canon is omitted, retaining only the refrains and [Irmoi](#) of the third, sixth and ninth [odes](#). When the full service itself is performed, it is called the "Supplicatory Canon" (*Molebnyj Kanon*).

SCHEDULE OF PARACLESIS SERVICES :

August, 1 - Monday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm
August, 3 - Wednesday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm
August, 8 - Monday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm
August, 10 - Wednesday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm
August, 12 - Friday - Small Paraclesis at 6:30 pm

PHASE III BUILDING FUND CAMPAIGN (Includes pledgees and donors)

Pillars - \$50,000 and over:

None

Supporters - \$25,000 to \$49,999:

Paliouras, Jim and Helen
Pappas, Ted and Theky

Patrons - \$10,000 to \$24,999:

Christakos, Dr. Arthur
Mariakakis, Johnny and Catherine
Anonymous
Ferris, Laurice
Anonymous
Panos, Peter and Evelyn

Providers - \$1,000 to \$9,999:

Callahan, Katherine Marie
Constantinou, Lou
Alexiades, Alec and Frances
Panov, Yuri and Elena
Kantner, Ed and Eve
Christie, George and Deb (In honor of John/Dena Paliouras and Jim/Helen Paliouras)
Koutsis, Jimmy
Alexiades, Sophia
Christakos, Eleni
Dennos, Anne
Dates, John and Ana
Paliouras, Nicholas
Afendoulis, Gus
Koutouzakis, Helen
Balafas, Nicholas and Eugenia
Sunas, Marian (& Ernest)

Friends - \$100 to \$999:

Stephens, Vicky
Kanaris, Paul and Margarida
Thuer, Olga B.

NOTE: 24 pledges to date (7/10/16) for a pledged total of \$178,840

3 donors to date (7/10/16) for a donation total of \$ 4,515

Grand total as of 7/10/16: \$183,355