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News & Announcements  
November 17, 2019

*9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke*  
*Κυριακή 9η του Λουκα*



- Gregory the Wonderworker & Bishop of Neo-Caesarea 11/17/2019
- Gennadios I and Maximus, Patriarchs of Constantinople 11/17/2019
  - Righteous Mother Hilda of Whitby 11/17/2019

**NEWCOMERS AND VISITORS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME**

*Sunday Worship Schedule: Matins 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m.*

*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.*

# *The Sunday Epistle Reading*

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.

Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 6:11-18



Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Σὺ Κύριε, φυλάξαις ἡμᾶς καὶ διατηρήσαις ἡμᾶς.

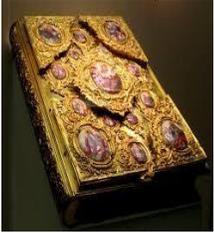
Στίχ. Σῶσον με, Κύριε, ὅτι ἐκλέλοιπεν ὄσιος.

Πρὸς Γαλάτας Επιστολης Παυλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα 6:11-18

Ἀδελφοί, ἴδετε πηλίκους ὑμῖν γράμμασιν ἔγραψα τῆ ἐμῆ χειρί. Ὅσοι θέλουσιν εὐπροσωπῆσαι ἐν σαρκί, οὗτοι ἀναγκάζουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμεσθαι, μόνον ἵνα μὴ τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Χριστοῦ διώκωνται. Οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ περιτετημημένοι αὐτοὶ νόμον φυλάσσουσιν, ἀλλὰ θέλουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμεσθαι, ἵνα ἐν τῇ ὑμετέρα σαρκὶ καυχῆσωνται. Ἐμοὶ δὲ μὴ γένοιτο καυχᾶσθαι εἰ μὴ ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ· δι' οὗ ἔμοι κόσμος ἐσταύρωται, καὶ γὰρ τῷ κόσμῳ. Ἐν γὰρ Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ οὔτε περιτομὴ τι ἰσχύει, οὔτε ἀκροβυστία, ἀλλὰ καινὴ κτίσις. Καὶ ὅσοι τῷ κανόνι τούτῳ στοιχήσουσιν, εἰρήνη ἐπ' αὐτούς, καὶ ἔλεος, καὶ ἐπὶ τὸν Ἰσραὴλ τοῦ θεοῦ. Τοῦ λοιποῦ, κόπους μοι μηδεὶς παρεχέτω· ἐγὼ γὰρ τὰ στίγματα τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματί μου βαστάζω. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μετὰ τοῦ πνεύματος ὑμῶν, ἀδελφοί. Ἀμήν.

## *The Sunday Gospel Reading*

### The Gospel According to Luke 12:16-21



The Lord said this parable: "The land of a rich man brought forth plentifully; and he thought to himself, 'What shall I do, for I have nowhere to store my crops?' And he said, 'I will do this: I will pull down my barns, and build larger ones; and there I will store all my grain and my goods. And I will say to my soul, 'Soul, you have ample goods laid up for many years; take your ease, eat, drink, be merry.' But God said to him, 'Fool! This night your soul is required of you; and the things you have prepared, whose will they be?' So is he who lays up treasure for himself, and is not rich toward God." As he said these things, he cried out: "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

### Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν Ἁγίου Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα 12:16-21

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἄνθρωπου τινὸς πλουσίου εὐφόρησεν ἡ χώρα· καὶ διελογίζετο ἐν ἑαυτῷ λέγων· τί ποιήσω, ὅτι οὐκ ἔχω ποῦ συνάξω τοὺς καρπούς μου; καὶ εἶπε· τοῦτο ποιήσω· καθελῶ μου τὰς ἀποθήκας καὶ μείζονας οἰκοδομήσω, καὶ συνάξω ἐκεῖ πάντα τὰ γενήματά μου καὶ τὰ ἀγαθὰ μου, καὶ ἔρῳ τῆ ψυχῆ μου· ψυχὴ, ἔχεις πολλὰ ἀγαθὰ κείμενα εἰς ἔτη πολλά· ἀναπαύου, φάγε, πίε, εὐφραίνου. εἶπε δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Θεός· ἄφρον, ταύτη τῆ νυκτὶ τὴν ψυχὴν σου ἀπαιτοῦσιν ἀπὸ σοῦ· ἃ δὲ ἠτοίμασας τίτι ἔσται; οὕτως ὁ θησαυρίζων ἑαυτῷ, καὶ μὴ εἰς Θεὸν πλουτῶν.



## **Philoptochos Poinsettia Order Form**

### **To Decorate Our Church**

Deadline for Orders: **Sunday, Nov. 24**

**\$15.00** x \_\_\_\_\_ = \_\_\_\_\_

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone #:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please return forms to: Betsy Xenakis

Make payment to: Saint Barbara Philoptochos Society

***Please Print Names***

**In Memory of:**

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**For the Health of:**

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## Saint Barbara Feastday Celebration Days!



### Tuesday Evening, December 3rd, 2019

**Great Vespers & Artoclasia ..... 7:00 pm**  
*followed by Refreshments Prepared by Philoptochos*

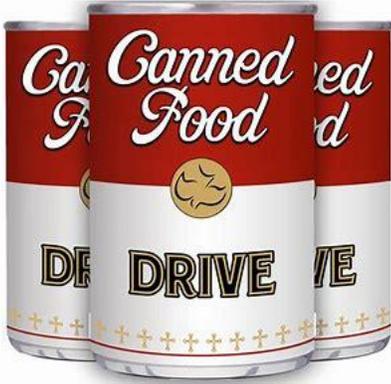
### Wednesday, December 4th, 2019

**Matins for Saint Barbara ..... 9 am**  
**Divine Liturgy for Saint Barbara .....10 am**  
*Saint Barbara Coffee Hour in the Fellowship Hall*  
*after the Worship Service*

### Sunday Morning, December 8th, 2019

**Saint Barbara Luncheon after Church Services**  
*free will offering greatly appreciated*

## ABOUT US: CHRISTIAN NONPROFIT HOMELESS SHELTER IN DURHAM, NC



The Durham Rescue Mission is Durham, NC's oldest and largest long-term homeless shelter, providing food, clothing, permanent supportive housing, vocational training, Biblical counseling, job placement,



education, accountability and much more to broken men, women and children in Durham, Chapel Hill and Raleigh. Our doors are open 24 hours a day, 365 days a year.

Because we are a nonprofit organization, we rely completely on the gifts and volunteer efforts of individuals, churches, businesses, civic groups, foundations and other organizations to provide for our homeless programs and services in the Triangle area. We do not apply for or receive any local, state or federal government funding.

*Please Bring Canned Food Items to the Table that has Been Set Up in Our Hall*

Ἡ ἐν τῷ Ναῳ Εἰσοδος τῆς Ὑπεραγίας Θεοτόκου -  
Ὁρθρος και Θεια Λειτουργια Πέμπτη 21 Νοεμβρίου – 9:00 π.μ.



Ἀπολυτίκιον  
ΤΑ ΕΙΣΟΔΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΥΠΕΡΑΓΙΑΣ ΘΕΟΤΟΚΟΥ

**Fourth Tone**

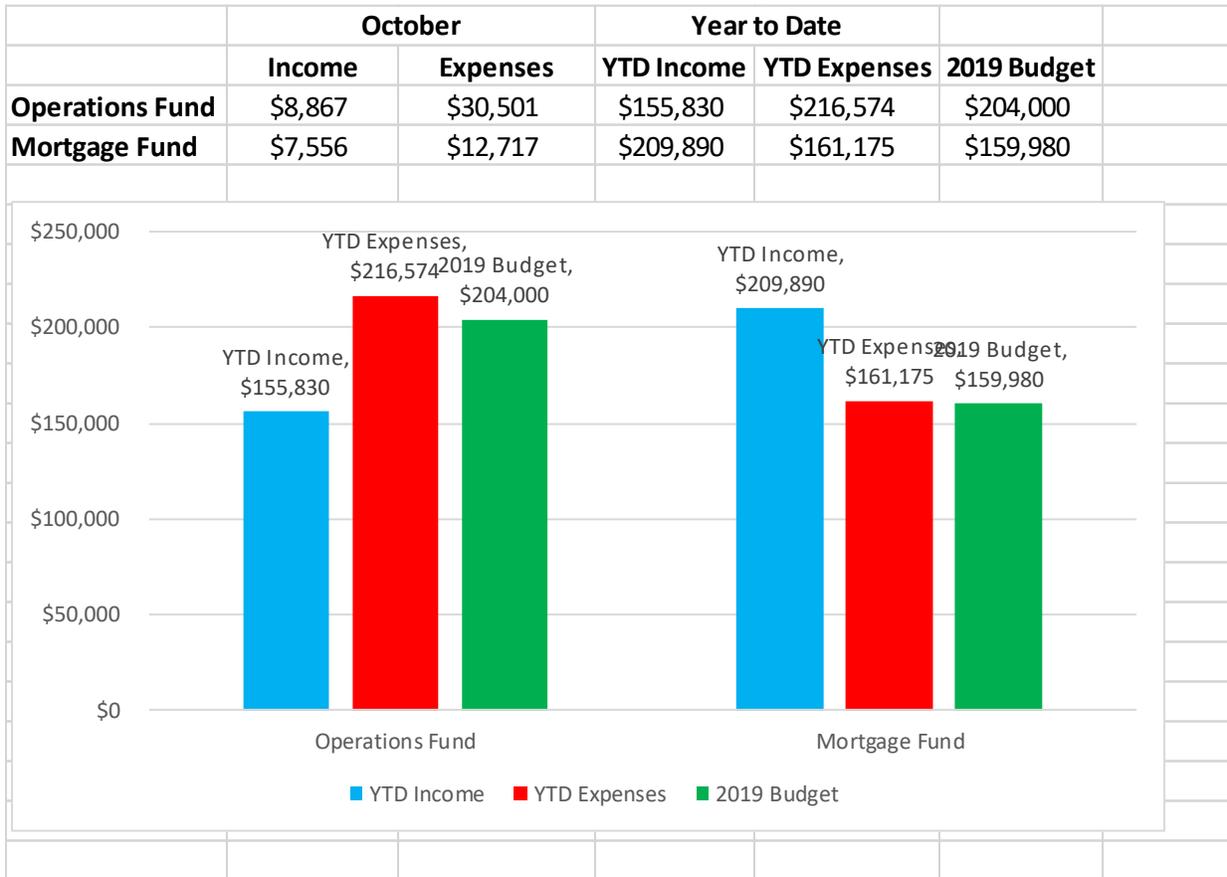
Σήμερον τῆς εὐδοκίας Θεοῦ τό προοίμιον, καί τῆς τῶν ἀνθρώπων σωτηρίας ἡ προκήρυξις, Ἐν Ναῷ τοῦ Θεοῦ τρανώς ἡ Παρθένος δείκνυται, καί τόν Χριστόν τοῖς πάσι προκαταγγέλλεται, Ἀυτή καί ἡμεῖς μεγαλοφώνως βοήσωμεν, Χαίρε τῆς οικονομίας τοῦ Κτίστου ἡ εκπλήρωσις.

Κοντάκιον  
ΤΑ ΕΙΣΟΔΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΥΠΕΡΑΓΙΑΣ ΘΕΟΤΟΚΟΥ

**Fourth Tone**

Ὁ καθαρῶτατος ναός τοῦ Σωτήρος, ἡ πολυτίμητος παστάς καί Παρθένος, τό Ἱερόν θησαύρισμα τῆς δόξης τοῦ Θεοῦ, σήμερον εἰσάγεται, ἐν τῷ οἴκῳ Κυρίου, τήν χάριν συνεισάγουσα, τήν ἐν Πνευματι θείῳ, ἦν ἀνυμνοῦσιν Ἄγγελοι Θεοῦ, Ἀυτή ὑπάρχει σκηνή ἐπουράνιος.

**Parish Financial Summary**



Note: The Operations Fund income above is the total of Sunday offering and Stewardship; it excludes the Greek Festival. The Operations Fund pays all Church expenses except for the mortgage payment. The Mortgage Fund includes all Mortgage Fund donations and fundraisers (e.g., Taste of Greece, Gyro Feast). The Mortgage Fund pays our mortgage which is \$12,713.36/month.

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- ❖ November 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> is the annual Holiday Pastry Sale by Philoptochos. We will also be having the Athenian Grill. Since most of the wonderful ladies of our Church will be helping with the pastry sale, we need the men to step forward and volunteer for the Athenian Grill. If you can help on either day, please contact Daniel Przybyl ([ddprzybyl@gmail.com](mailto:ddprzybyl@gmail.com)) or John Varelas ([johnvarelas@gmail.com](mailto:johnvarelas@gmail.com)) or grab either one of us at coffee hour.

My Dear Fellow Parishioners,

As the year 2019 draws to a close, I would like to thank everyone in our St. Barbara community for their generosity throughout the year; both your commitment of time and financial resources. Together we form the community of St. Barbara, this is our church and our community where we come together to share our Orthodox faith. As Romans 12:5 tells us “so we, though many, are one body in Christ, and individually members one of another.”

However, as we near the end of another year, I must share with you the financial condition of our community, especially those who may have been unable to attend the recent General Assembly. Our budget for Stewardship this year was \$176,000. As of the end of November though, Stewardship has totaled only \$131,000 with only \$7,000 in Stewardship donated in October. Together with Offerings and the Festival, Stewardship pays for all of the operation expenses of our beloved St. Barbara Church; the utilities, insurance, maintenance, etc. We are facing a shortfall \$31,000 in our Stewardship budget if Stewardship does not increase from October’s low.

A deficit shortfall of \$31,000 would require a significant drawdown of our savings and may result in a technical default of our mortgage loan requirements.

Therefore, on behalf of the entire community, I am asking the entire community – in the months of November and December, please remember your Church. For this is truly your Church. This is not Father Stavroforos’ church, it is not the Parish Council’s Church, it is not my Church. It is your Church and our Church together. I hope that St. Barbara Church is for all of you what it is for me – my spiritual home, a community of friends and a place of refuge in today’s world.

Romans 12:6-7 goes on to tell us: “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; <sup>8</sup>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.”. As the Parish Council President, I hope my exhortation has helped you to understand the financial needs of your Church. I would ask that you reflect on the gifts that you have received this year from our Lord and if you are able, to contribute and to give aid to your Church.

In Faith,

Daniel Przybyl

Parish Council President, St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church



ITS THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN THE SALVATION ARMY ANGEL TREE

SPONSORED BY PHILOPTOCHOS OF ST. BARBARA.

YOU WILL FIND OUTSIDE OF THE BOOKSTORE OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS TREE. IF YOU CHOOSE TO TAKE AN ANGEL PLEASE SIGN THE CORRESPONDING COPY PLACED FOR CONVENIENCE NEXT TO THE TREE. PLEASE PROVIDE YOUR NAME AND BEST NUMBER ON THE CORRESPONDING ANGLE.

THE GIFTS ARE DUE TO THE CHURCH SUNDAY DECEMBER 8TH, 2019.

PLEASE REMEMBER TO NOT WRAP YOUR GIFT AND TIE THE ANGEL TO THE BAG. YOU CAN FIND INSTRUCTIONS ON THE BACK OF THE ANGEL.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY AND KINDNESS TO CHILDREN IN NEED THIS SEASON.

*Any questions, please contact catherine constantinou [919.270.8326](tel:919.270.8326)*



***Join us for St. Barbara Community Nights!  
6- 8 pm***

***Join us as we enjoy food and fellowship as a church family. All ages are welcome! This program will consist of a 5-part short lesson series on being disciples of Christ. Pot luck dinner starts at 6:00 pm. Bring enough food for yourself and your family (main dish, side, or dessert--your choice, just make sure it's meat-free since this is a fast day). Kids will have their own activities so parents can enjoy fellowship with the other adults. See you this Friday!***

**Proposed lesson topics:**

**Jan. 17- The costs of being a disciple**

**Feb. 21 - The rewards of being a disciple**

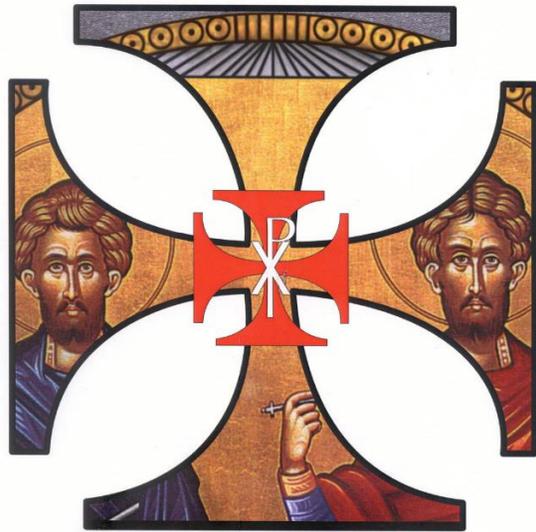
**Mar. - Stewardship – How do I use my talents?**

***Hope You Can Join Us!***

# Blood DRIVE



PHILOPTOCHOS



Dear Parishioners,

In the early part of 2020, St. Barbara's Ahepans and Philoptochos members will be jointly hosting a blood drive. We would like to know if you will  
1) donate blood (all types are needed) and / or  
2) assist with the coordination of the blood drive.

Please email Andrew Christakos ([acchris1114@gmail.com](mailto:acchris1114@gmail.com)) with your desire to participate. We would like to have as many members as possible come out and support this worthy cause. Details, including date and time, will be forthcoming.

Thank you.

## Stewards as of November 11, 2019

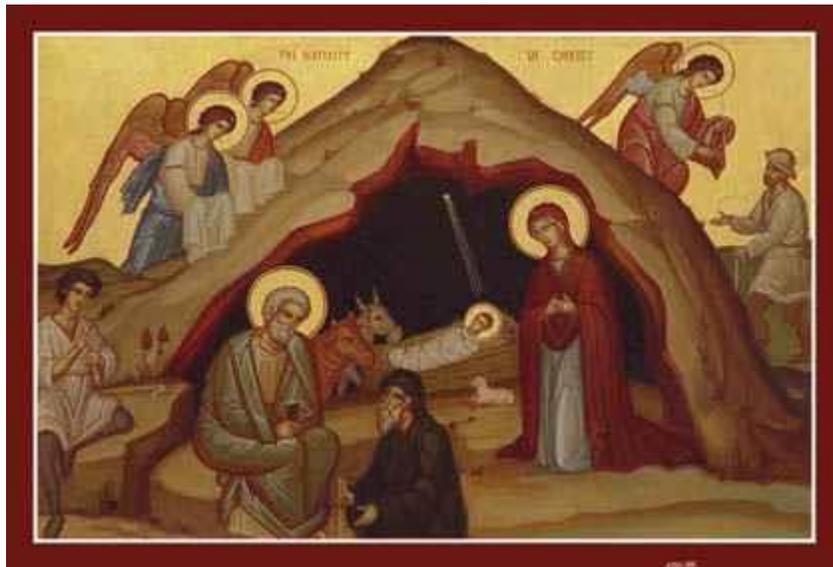
**Our 2019 Stewardship drive is going quite well. We have 146 Stewards as of November 11, 2019, 2019, just over 90% of our goal of 160 for the year. Thank you. Please help us meet our goal very soon by pledging your support, don't wait until year end, our expenses don't stop. Your time, talents and treasury are critical to the success of our Ministries.**

**Also please give prayerful consideration to the amount of your 2019 contribution so that we can meet our budget and cover unforeseen expenses. We are currently below what we need to fund including substantial unexpected and unbudgeted expenses. Stewardship is the primary source of the funding for our Ministries and operating obligations.**

John & Elly Ackerly	Gus & Vanessa Demetriades	Azeb Martin	Zeljko Smeunovic
Susan Alexander	Anne Dennos	Ellene Mashalidis	Nick Simos
Alec and Frances Alexiades	George & Patricia Dennos	Dr. Nikolaos Maurogiorgos &	Dr. Charles Stamitoles
Matt & Vickie Amos	Betty Bouchlas Dorton	Dr. Marjory Charlot	Mattheos & Marika Stavrakakis
Alexander & Laurel Arapoglou	Elena Dufault	Panayiotis Mavroidis &	Zoe Stefanadis
Dr. Marina Arvanitis	Brian & Maria Easton	Dimitra Sakellaris	Hon. Ron & Vicky Stephens
William & Donna Athas	Laurice Ferris	MaryJon McWhirter	Peter Saloupis
Basile & Mary Bakis	Dimitra Fitzherbert	Rodney & Katharine Meadows	Theone Saltis
George & Marie Bakis	David Flynn & Sabina Borza Flynn	Gus & Yael Megaloudis	Andrea Stoney
Nicholas & Eugenia Balafas	Dr. Crist & Maria Frangakis	Matthew & Tina Megaro	William & Jennifer Sullivan
Effie Barbee	Socratis & Aliko Gerondelis	John & Dawn Mehalek	Marian P. Sunas
Lance & Maria Barton	Dr. George & Dr. Amy Glekas	Nicholas Mermigas	Senait Tesfatsion
Thalia Becak	Jim & Evy Glekas	Davis & Courtney Napier	Rebecca Theophanous
Tamar Beridze	Christopher Goodwin	Larry & Hope Odzak	Konstantinos Theodosiadis
John Biggs & Diana Dobrica	Leonard & Elaine Goodwin	Richard Oladipo	Zacharias Theodosiadis
Agape Blackley	Paul Kacoyanis	Cindy Paliouras	Charalmbos & Cathy Tragas
Barbara Bonfiglio	Christos & Janet Kamilaris	Jim & Helen Paliouras	Donna Trohanis
Marilyn Boska	Nicholas Kamilaris	John & Dena Paliouras	Tryphon & Suzanne Tryphonos
Nick Bourbous	Ed & Eve Kantner	Niko Paliouras	Lou Tsipis
Peter Bourbous	Antonios & Claire Karamalegos	Peter & Evelyn Panos	Dr. Dimitrios Varelas
Peter Bougades	George & Karen Karas	Yuri & Elena Panov	Georgina Varelis
Katherine Marie Callahan	Dr. Thomas Kash &	James & Stella Pantelidis	John Varelas
Manuel & Carole Capsalis	Dr. Zoe McElligott	George & Janet Pantermakis	Janetis Vassiliades
Sophie Carr	Dr. Kenneth & Karen Korach	Kleanthis & Angeika Papanickas	Demi Vlachos
Andrew & Cheryl Christakos	Helen Koutouzakis	Sam & Cleo Papanikas	Helen Vurnakes
Dr. Arthur Christakos	James Koutsis	Matina Papazoglou	James & Frances Vurnakes
Eleni Christakos	Dr. Andrew Kuyper	Katherine Pappas	Ray & Eleni Walter
Lia Christakos	Dr. Lee & Pauline Kuyper	Dr. Ted & Theky Pappas	Alexa Waters
George & Deborah Christie	Elias & Madeline Lambiris	George Pashales	Preston & Catherine Wilson
Dr. Bessie Chronaki	Catherine Lewis	Wes Platt & Catherine Constatinou	Diane Winans
Erie Cocolas	George Livanos & Renee Lisander	Henry & Judith Presler	Robert & Roberta Wippich
Costa Constantinou	Katherine Livas	Daniel & Lori Przybyl	Grace Witham & Nick Brantley
Lou Constantinou	Martha Loden	Olgha Qaqish	Jonathan & Maria Wood
Dean Costas	Thalia Lyras	Angela Quint	Betsy Xenakis
Sharan Dababnah	Fr. Stavroforos Mamaies	Keith & Alexia Rheinhardt	Dino & Kerri Zaferatos
George & Helen Dais	Daniel & Hrisavgi Mangum	Al & Christine Safarikas	Christina Zehia
John & Ana Dates	Johnny & Catherine Mariakakis	Vaia Sigounas & Adam Silverstein	Tony & Evelyn Zehia
	Dr. Pete & Joan Marinos		

## November 2019

- 1 – Friday - SS. Cosmas and Damianos - 9:00 am  
3 - 5th Sunday of Luke - 9:00 am  
8 – Friday - Synaxis of the Archangels - 9:00 am  
9 – Saturday - St. Nectarios the Wonderworker - 9:00 am  
10 - 8th Sunday of Luke - 9:00 am  
13 – Wednesday - Saint John Chrysostom - 9:00 am  
17 - 9th Sunday of Luke - 9:00 am  
21 – Thursday - Entrance of the Theotokos - 9:00 am  
24 – 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke – 9:00 am



### **Nativity Fast.**

During the early part of the fast, the rule is identical to that of the Apostles' Fast. During the latter part of the fast, fish is no longer eaten on Saturdays or Sundays. In different traditions, this heightening of the fast may be for either the last week or the last two weeks.

### **Apostles' Fast**

The rule for this variable-length fast is more lenient than for Great Lent.

**Monday, Wednesday, Friday:** Strict fast.

**Tuesday, Thursday:** Oil and wine permitted.

**Saturday, Sunday:** Fish, oil and wine permitted.

This is the rule kept by many monasteries during non-fasting seasons.

# The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

## Matins & Divine Liturgy – Thursday November 21 at 9:00 am



### Reading

According to the tradition of the Church, the Theotokos was brought to the Temple at three years of age, where she was consecrated to God and spent her days until she was fourteen or fifteen years old; and then, as a mature maiden, by the common counsel of the priests (since her parents had reposed some three years before), she was betrothed to Joseph.

### Apolytikion of Entry of the Theotokos

#### Fourth Tone

Today is the prelude of God's pleasure and the proclamation of man's salvation. The Virgin is clearly made manifest in the temple of God and foretells Christ to all. Let us also cry out to her with mighty voice, "Hail, fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation."

### Kontakion of Entry of the Theotokos

#### Fourth Tone

Today, the most pure temple of the Savior, the precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of God, enters the house of the Lord, bringing the grace of the Divine Spirit. The Angels of God praise her. She is the heavenly tabernacle.