Fourth Sunday of Matthew

St. Euphemia the Great Martyr

July 10, 2022

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
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Live streaming services

Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizis, Presiding Priest
On this tenth day of the month, we commemorate The Holy 45 Martyrs of Nikopolis, Armenia; Our Holy Father Gregory, Bishop of Assa; Our Righteous Fathers St. Parthenios and St. Eumenios of Koudoumas

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**Click links for Scripture Readings**

| Third Morning Gospel: | Mark 16:9-20 | Ελληνικά |
| Epistle Reading: | Romans 6:18-23 | Ελληνικά |
| Gospel Reading: | St. Matthew 8:5-13 | Ελληνικά |

**Apolytikion of the Resurrection:** “Let all things above in heaven rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death, and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us, and to all the world has granted His great redeeming mercy.”

**Apolytikion of the Church:** “Blessed are You, O Christ our Lord and God, You who made all wise the fishermen Your Apostles, sending down upon them Your Spirit, which is Holy and through their work drawing the world into Your net, glory to You Who loves mankind.”

**Kontakion:** “A protection of Christians unshamable,* Intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering,* please reject not* the prayerful cries of those who are in sin.* Instead, come to us for you are good;* your loving help do bring to us,* who are crying in faith to you:* hasten to intercession* and speed now to supplication,* as a protection for all time,* Theotokos, for those who honor you.”

**Altar Donations**

Altar Candles in memory of George Kalousis†

Vigil Light in memory of Konstantinos Dean Potouridis†
**Sacraments and Rites**

**Baptism:** Today the baptism for Hunter Brady, son of Ariana and Blake Anderson, will be celebrated. Godmother is Cassandra Shepard.

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**Liturgical Schedule**

Sunday, July 17, Sunday of the Holy Fathers, Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

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George, Diana, Lucia, Rich, Keti, Georgia, Harry, Kathy, Jennifer, Gayle, William, Byron, John, Robert, Connie, Donald, Terry, John, Angela, Andrew, Dianna, Edward, Sue, Thomas, Andrea, Thomas, Alexandra, Ronald, Galina, Angela, Lubove, Despina, Maria, John, Paraskevi (Parri), Dianna, Stephanie, Edward, Brian, Janeen, Cathy, James, Christine, Andrea, Molly, Anastasios, Michael, Angela, Lauren, John, Effie, Stella, Phyllis, Denise, Cloy, Mirka, Stamatia, Theresa, James, Matthew, Antoinette, William, Angela, Tanner, Stefanos, Helen, Katherine, Ashley, Angela, Nick, Lindsey, Alexandria, Evdokia, Chris, Zach, Notis, Erica, Christina, Fran, Joan, Hellen, Joseph, Cleopatra, James, Rosa, George, Kathy, Stephanie, Theresa, Dorothy, Shannon, Jeff, Jeffrey, Rowena, Craig, Paul, John, Marien, John, Vasilia, Hellen, Natalia, Angela, Thomas, Dorka, Stavroula, Maroulla

Serving the Lord as an Acolyte (Altar Boy) this Summer!
An acolyte (altar boy) is one who assists the priest as he conducts the sacred and divine services of the Church. The acolyte is permitted to enter the Holy Altar where no one but those serving the Lord is permitted. Serving the Church in this capacity is one of the greatest honors for a young boy. During the summer, if you would like to serve, help the priest, and are the ages of 10-12 or older, please speak with Fr. Peter.
2022 Stewardship Commitment and Online Giving
As you plan your summer vacation, please consider offering your Stewardship Pledge in advance before departing. It is critical that the Parish has ample financial resources during the summer months so as not to encounter any cash flow problems. Your attention is appreciated. Our Online Stewardship Giving Program is a convenient way to automate your offering.
To sign-up visit the church website www.HolyTrinityWestfield.org and click on “Online Giving”, then “Stewardship”. On this page you can complete the “Stewardship Commitment Card” and/or make a donation by clicking “Secure Online Giving”.

**Capital Campaign**

How your donation is working... and making improvements to the church.

**Parking Lot – Milling & Paving**
- Paving of the church’s parking lot in front and back of the church is completed. Paving took place Monday and Tuesday of last week. You can see first-hand how your donation to the Capital Campaign was used. Thank you for your contribution to this important campaign.

**Church Dome**
- Work on the dome and protective membrane that covers it from the elements is the next scheduled phase in the Capital Campaign.

**Donors as of May 31**
- The following is a list of donors who have contributed to the Holy Trinity Capital Campaign. Thank you for your generosity and support.
- Don’t worry, there is still time to give. Offer your donation today!
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Saturday, July 16th 9am - 4pm
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