

Second Sunday of Matthew



June 26, 2022

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church
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Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizi, Presiding Priest

On this Twenty-sixth day of the month, we commemorate Our Righteous Father St. David of Thessaloniki

First Tone Ηχος α΄

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Second Morning Gospel:	Mark 16:1-8	Ελληνικά
Epistle Reading:	Romans 2:10-16	Ελληνικά
Gospel Reading:	St. Matthew 4:18-23	Ελληνικά

Apolytikion of the Resurrection: “The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch over Your pure and sacred body. O Saviour, the third day You arose and unto all the world did You give life where by all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory to You our resurrected Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom. Glory to Your dispensation O You alone who loves all.”

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.”



Sacraments and Rites

Memorials: Your prayers are requested this morning at the memorial service for Angela ‘Kiki’ Christopoulos Micek†, 40 days, and Peter Markos†, one year. Eternal be their memories.

Baptism: On Saturday, June 25, the baptism for Luke James, son of Paul Salvesen and Alyssa Gentile, was celebrated. Godmother is Jennifer Kyriakakis.

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, July 3 - Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Sunday, July 3 - Consecration Vespers of St. Nicholas National Shrine

Monday, July 4 - Consecration of St. Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero

Sunday, July 10 - Orthros, 8:15 AM; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 AM

Fourth of July

In observance of Independence Day, the church office will be closed on Mon., July 4.

Prayer List

For Health and Well-being of the servants of God:

Rich, Ketí, 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, Vasilía, Hellen, Natalia, Angela, Thomas, Dorka, Stavroula, Maroulla



National Clergy/Laity Congress Philoptochos Convention - July 3-7

Holy Trinity Delegates to the 2022 National Clergy Laity in New York City are:
Rev. Fr. Peter Delvizis, Felicia Karsos, Peter Tarhanidis, and Lia Lewis.

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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What the Saints do for us!



Our thoughts cannot comprehend what the Saints do for us. We live in the valley of lamentation - a foreign land that is filled with struggle and strife. Since we have been born into a fallen world, we have also inherited a fallen will. And the fallen man who has a fallen will has a tendency to run away from God. And those who run away from God have poor spiritual vision. While it is an innately human feature to seek perfection, this poor spiritual vision deceives us into thinking perfection can be found in something or someone other than God. God is perfection and perfection can only be found in Him.

The Saints, who have walked where we currently walk and who have encountered all the difficulties, temptations, and obstacles which we also encounter on a daily basis, have been healed by the grace of God. Their spiritual vision has been corrected, made clear and concise, by the restorative power of Christ. Their healing came through a transformation of their fallen humanity. Through the process of repentance, the grace of Christ fell upon them and they were fully cured from the stain of sin. With joyful hearts and in the spirit of thanksgiving, the saints freely pursue God and do His will in all things. Every Saint has surrendered himself or herself to the Omnipotent God. And as the Lord's Prayer indicates, as God's will is done in the lives of the Saints, then His kingdom will come and be established within. The Saints have demonstrated countless times that full union with God is possible by allowing the Almighty to touch the fallen and broken nature of humanity's fallen and sinful state.

The Saints are brilliant models of faith demonstrating to us their utmost trust in God. This is why we ought to flee to the Saints for their protection always asking for their prayers and supplications as they intercede on our behalf to Christ our God.

“By their virtues' effulgent light, they made earth to be heaven-like, and they imitated the death of Jesus Christ. These are the ones who have walked the way that leads to immortal life. By the surgery of grace, they removed human passions as healers of mankind. And united throughout the world the Martyrs have courageously contested. Let us extol all the Saints today.”

- Troparion of the Saints

The Good Steward of God's Gifts

As individuals, many of us become burdened with a mindset of materialism and the acquisition of it. This is the antithesis of Stewardship. Giving using a non-stewardship focused approach is always predicated upon a value proposition asking, “what am I getting for my donation?” Through this approach, we risk becoming slaves to our wealth. Instead of becoming slaves to the devil, let us make our wealth a servant of God's Kingdom.



The Ladies Philoptochos Society

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presents

Trinity Treasures & Classy Collectibles Rummage Sale

Friday, July 15th 9am - 5pm

Saturday, July 16th 9am - 4pm

Drop Off Dates

Wednesday, June 29th-Sunday, July 10th

• Household Items

• Holiday Décor

• China & Glassware

• Small Appliances

• Small Furniture

• Linens & Dry Goods

• Baskets, Frames, Artificial Flowers

• Toys, Games

• Home Décor Items

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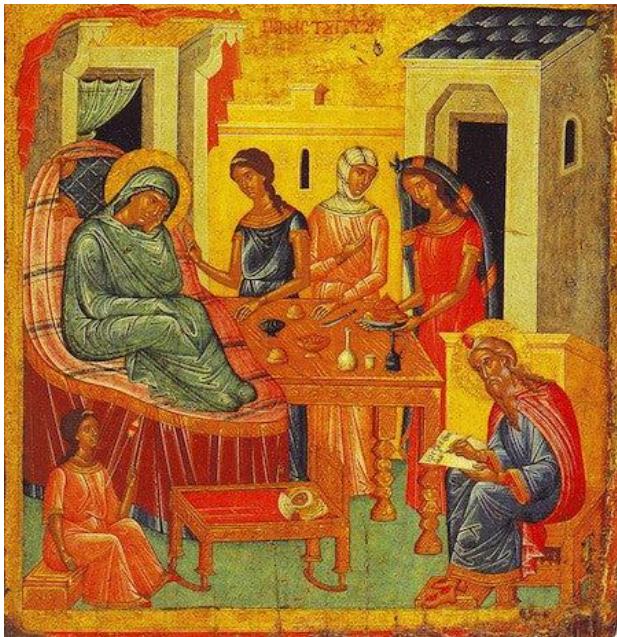
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Το Γενέθλιο του Αγίου Ιωάννη Προδρόμου και Βαπτιστού 24 Ιουλίου

**Ζαχαρία, χόρευε σὺν τῇ συζύγῳ
Ὅν πολλὰ μὲν τίκτοντες, ἔν δὲ καὶ μέγα.
Πρόδρομον ἀμφὶ τετάρτην εἰκάδα γείνατο μήτηρ.**

Την ημέρα αυτή η Αγία μας εκκλησία εορτάζει το γενέσιο του ενδόξου Προφήτου Προδρόμου και Βαπτιστού Ιωάννη. Ο πατέρας του Ζαχαρίας, ήταν ιερέας. Κάποια ημέρα την ώρα του θυμιάματος, είδε μέσα στο θυσιαστήριο



ἀγγελο Κυρίου, ο οποίος του ανήγγειλε ὅτι θα αποκτούσε γιο τον οποίο θα ονόμαζε Ιωάννη. Ο Ζαχαρίας σκίρτησε από χαρά , αλλά δυσπιστούσε. Η γυναίκα του ήταν ηλικιωμένη και στείρα και άρα ήταν αδύνατο να κυφορήσει και αυτές τις αμφιβολίες τις εξέφρασε στον ἄγγελο ο οποίος του απάντησε ὅτι το παιδί θα γεννηθεί και εκείνος θα τιμωρηθεί για την απιστία του, παραμένοντας κωφάλαλος μέχρι να πραγματοποιηθεί η βουλή του Θεού. Πράγματι η γυναίκα του η Ελισάβετ συνέλαβε και μετά από εννέα μήνες γέννησε γιο. Οκτώ ημέρες μετά τη γέννηση κατά την περιτομή του παιδιού

οι συγγενείς, θέλησαν να του δώσουν το όνομα του πατέρα του δηλ. Ζαχαρία. Όμως ο Ζαχαρίας έγραψε επάνω στο πινακίδιο το όνομα Ιωάννης. Αμέσως λύθηκε η γλώσσα του και ὅλοι οι παριστάμενοι πλημμύρισαν χαρά κι ελπίδα, διότι κατάλαβαν ὅτι γεννήθηκε ο Πρόδρομος της παρουσίας του αναμενόμενου Μεσσία. Ο Ιωάννης δε διέθετε μόνο το χάρισμα της προφητείας, αλλά αξιώθηκε και τη μεγαλύτερη χαρά και τιμή. Βάπτισε το Μεσσία Χριστό, τον οποίο και ομολογούσε σ' ὅλη του τη ζωή.



GLORY BE TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS

✙ AMEN ✙