

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΗ KOINOTHTA ΤΩΝ ΤΑΞΙΑΡΧΩΝ Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church

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October 29, 2023

7th Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45/Liturgy 9:30 AM.

Epistle Reading St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20

Gospel Reading The Reading is from Luke 8:41-56

> **Memorial** 40 day – *Magdalena Asimacos*

May her memory be eternal. Αιωνία η Μνήμη!

WEEKDAY SERVICES - Καθημερινές Λειτουργίες:

Sts. Comas & Damianos - Wed. Nov. 1st, 8:30 Orthros/Liturgy 9:00AM

Taxiarchae Festal Vespers - Tues. Nov. 7th, 7:00 PM. Reception following.

Taxiarchae Feast Day - Wed., Nov 8th, Orthros 8:30/Liturgy 9 *St. Nektarios* - Thurs. Nov. 9th, Orthros 8:30/Liturgy 9 AM.

Paraklesis to the Panagia Gorgoipikoos - every Thursday at 6 PM.

Paraklesis will Canceled on November 9th, and the 23rd.



HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Fourth Mode

The women disciples of the Lord heard from the angel, the joyful news of the Resurrection and the repeal of the sentence imposed upon our forefathers. With pride they said to the Apostles, "Death is vanquished, Christ our God is risen bestowing upon the world His great mercy."

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριαι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστὸς ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Mode

The protection of Christians unshameable, intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, do not turn from the prayerful cries of those who are in sin; instead, come to us, for you are good; your loving help bring unto 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.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδῃς ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Receiving Holy Communion - We welcome to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy those Christians who are from other Christian Denominations and who are not fully united with us. Sadly, it is a consequence of the divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend to you an invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is the work or action of the celebrating Community signifying a oneness of faith, life, and worship of the believing Community. Reception of Holy Communion by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must pray. **However, all present** are welcome to partake of the Antidoro (blessed bread) which is distributed at the end of the Liturgy.

Epistle Reading

Prokeimenon. Fourth Mode. Psalm 103.24,1.

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom. Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20.

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Epistle Reading

Προκείμενον. Fourth Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 103.24,1. Ως έμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου Κύριε, πάντα ἐν σοφία ἐποίησας.

Στίχ. Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχή μου τὸν Κὑριον.

τὸ Ἀνἁγνωσμα Πρὸς Γαλἁτας 2:16-20.

Άδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιοῦται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐἀν μὴ διὰ πἰστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεὑσαμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πἰστεως Χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαιωθήσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σἀρξ. Εἰ δἑ, ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν Χριστῷ, εὑρἑθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοἱ, ἆρα Χριστὸς ἁμαρτἰας διἀκονος; Μὴ γἑνοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἅ κατἑλυσα, ταῦτα πἀλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβἀτην ἑμαυτὸν συνἰστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμω ἀπἑθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταὑρωμαι· ζῶ δἑ, οὐκἑτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστὸς· ὅ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκἰ, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῆ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἑμοῦ.

GOSPEL

The Reading is from Luke 8:41-56

At that time, there came to Jesus a man named Jairus, who was a ruler of the synagogue; and falling at Jesus' feet he besought him to come to his house, for he had an only daughter, about twelve years of age, and she was dying. As he went, the people pressed round him. And a woman who had had a flow of blood for twelve years and had spent all her living upon physicians and could not be healed by anyone, came up behind him, and touched the fringe of his garment; and immediately her flow of blood ceased. And Jesus said, "Who was it that touched me?" When all denied it, Peter and those who were with him said, "Master, the multitudes surround you and press upon you!" But Jesus said, "Some one touched me; for I perceive that power has gone forth from me." And when the woman saw that she was not hidden, she came trembling, and falling down before him declared in the presence of all the people why she had touched him, and how she had been immediately healed. And he said to her, "Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace." While he was still speaking, a man from the ruler's house came and said, "Your daughter is dead; do not trouble the Teacher any more." But Jesus on hearing this answered him, "Do not fear; only believe, and she shall be well." And when he came to the house, he permitted no one to enter with him, except Peter and John and James, and the father and mother of the child. And all were weeping and bewailing her; but he said, "Do not weep; for she is not dead but sleeping." And they laughed at him, knowing that she was dead. But taking her by the hand he called, saying, "Child, arise." And her spirit returned, and she got up at once; and he directed that something should be given her to eat. And her parents were amazed; but he charged them to tell no one what had happened.

GOSPEL

Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 8:41-56

Τῶ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἀνθρωπός τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ ῷ ὄνομα Ἰάειρος, καὶ αὐτὸς ἄρχων τῆς συναγωγῆς ὑπῆρχε· καὶ πεσὼν παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν εἰσελθεῖν εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ, ὅτι θυγάτηρ μονογενὴς ἦν αὐτῷ ὡς ἐτῶν δώδεκα, καὶ αὕτη ἀπέθνησκεν. Ἐν δὲ τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτὸν οἱ ὅχλοι συνέπνιγον αὑτόν. καὶ γυνὴ οὖσα ἐν ῥύσει αιματος ἀπὸ ἐτῶν δώδεκα, ἤτις ἰατροῖς προσαναλώσασα ὅλον τὸν βίον οὐκ ἴσχυσεν ὑπ οὐδενός θεραπευθῆναι, προσελθοῦσα ὅπισθεν ήψατο τοῦ κρασπέδου τοῦ ἰματίου αὐτοῦ, καὶ παραχρῆμα ἔστη ἡ ῥύσις τοῦ αιματος αὐτῆς. καὶ εἰπεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τἰς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ἀρνουμένων δὲ πάντων εἰπεν ὁ Πέτρος καὶ οἱ σὺν αὐτῷ εἰπστάτα, οἱ ὅχλοι συνέχουσί σε καὶ ἀποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τἰς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἰπεν· ἡψατό συνέχουσί σε καὶ αποθλίβουσι, καὶ λέγεις τἰς ὁ ἀψάμενός μου; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἰπεν· ἡψατό μού τις ἐγὼ γὰρ ἔγων δύναμιν ἐξελθοῦσαν ἀπ ἐμοῦ. ἰδοῦσα δὲ ἡ γυνὴ ὅτι οὐκ ἔλαθε, τρέμουσα ἦλθε καὶ προσπεσοῦσα αὐτῷ δὶ ἡν αἰτίαν ἡψατο αὐτῆ θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε· πορείου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἐτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεταί τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων αὐτῷ καὶ ὡς ἰάθη παραχρῆμα. ὁ δὲ εἰπεν αὐτῆ· θάρσει, θύγατερ, ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε· πορείου εἰς εἰρήνην. Ἐτι αὐτοῦ λαλοῦντος ἔρχεταί τις παρὰ τοῦ ἀρχισυναγώγου λέγων αὐτῷ ὅτι τέθνηκεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων· μὴ φοβοῦ· μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσεται. ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφῆκεν εἰσελθεῖν οὐδένα εἰ μὴ Πέτρον καὶ ἰκάντον ταἰτήν τόν πατέρα τῆς παιδὸς καὶ τὴν μητέρα. ἕκλαιον δὲ πάντες καὶ ἐκόπτοντο αὐτήν. ὁ δὲ εἰπε· ἀἰτὴν κάκιἐρων οὐκάναι κα εἰκότι τους κἰσδη πατέρα τῆς κάλοισας ἀπό ἐκοίσας ἀπιφικεν ἡ θυγάτηρ σου· μὴ σκύλλε τὸν διδάσκαλον. ὁ δὲ ἰποοῦς ἀκούσας ἀπεκρίθη αὐτῷ λέγων· μὴ φοβοῦ· μόνον πίστευε, καὶ σωθήσεται. ἐλθὼν δὲ εἰς τὴν οἰκίαν οὐκ ἀφῆκεν εἰσελθεῖν κιὰσος και εἰμὴ Πέτρον καὶ ἰκόττον τοι τίκάν οὐτὰ τον καίτον σιά ἐκώπον τοι ἐκβαλών ἐξω πάντας καὶ κρατήσας τῆς χειρὸς αὐτῆς ἐφώνησε λέγων ἡ παίτς, ἐκβαλών ἐξω πάντας κὰ κοττη παραχρῆμα, καὶ ἀκοτη παραχρῆμα, καὶ διἑταξεν αὐτῆ δοδήσ

Saints & Feast Days



October 29

Our Righteous Father Abramius

Our Righteous Father Abramius, born in Edessa in Mesopotamia in 296, took up the monastic life and brought many pagans to Christ. Mary, his piece, upon the death of her parents, joined Abramius at his hermitage

niece, upon the death of her parents, joined Abramius at his hermitage and under his guidance advanced swiftly in the love of God. Through the wiles of the evil one, however, she fell into sin, and falling from them into despair, she left her uncle and became a harlot. When he learned where his niece was, Abramius put on the clothes of a man of the world and went to visit her in disguise. Through his exhortations, Mary returned to her first hope in the mercy of God, was rescued from the life of harlotry, and ended her life in great holiness. He himself reposed in the year 366. Saints Abramius and Mary were friends of Saint Ephraim the Syrian, and it was he who wrote their account.



November 01

Cosmas and Damianos the Holy Unmercenaries & their mother Theodota

These Saints were from Asia (that is, Asia Minor). After the death of their father, their Christ-loving mother Theodota reared them in piety and in all manner of virtue, and had them instructed in every science, especially that of medicine. This became their vocation, and they went about healing every illness and malady bestowing bealing freely on

about healing every illness and malady, bestowing healing freely on both men and beasts alike; because of this, they are called "Unmercenaries." And thus, having completed the course of their life, they reposed in peace.

SERMON

CROSS AND LIFE

The Apostle Paul in this passage from his Epistle to the Galatians helps us to understand that the mystery of the Cross of Christ is the mystery of God's life and love for the world. "I have been crucified with Christ," he tells us. And it is no longer I who am living, but Christ lives in me. And the life I live now in the body, I live it by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and handed himself over for my sake." Paul, by his own will, is crucified with Christ. Because the work of Christ, and especially the Cross and His death are unthinkable without respect for human freedom; and the acceptance of the teaching of Christ has freedom as a condition (Matthew 16:24). And then, the Cross and the death of Christ are not individual episodes, but events with universal and cosmic dimensions.

They abolish the world of corruption and death, and introduce the new creation, since with the obedience of Christ "unto death, the death of the cross" (Phil. 2:8), human nature was raised to the glory of God. Therefore, the crucifiction of Paul together with Christ, means the birth of the new man and the deadening of the old one; the manifestation of the new life in Christ and the abolition of the old one.

Christ, the Life of Man

The possibility, the gift of Christ living in us, is the result and fruit of the incarnation of the Son of God. The Lord himself assures us that "he who is eating my flesh and drinking my blood remains in me, and I in him" (John 6:56). This is true communion and union with Christ, with His resurrected and deified Body, "unto the remission of sins and eternal life". However, what does it mean for the Apostle, that Christ lives in him? Epigrammatically, we could say that it means to bring to fruition his apostolic work, namely, to preach the Crucified and Risen One "to all the nations" (Rom. 1:5), so that all the peoples of the earth may accept the Gospel, and so that the name of Christ may be glorified. It means, through his own weakness and illness, that the power of God be manifested in its fullness (2 Cor. 12:9) and that he rejoices for his sufferings, insults, sorrows, persecutions that he went through, for the sake of Christ. It means that the word of Paul is the word of Christ, the thoughts, the actions, the feelings are Christ's word, thoughts, actions, and feelings. It means that Paul had "the mind of Christ" (1 Cor. 2:16). Saint Maximus the Confessor, analyzing this phrase of the Apostle "while we have the mind of Christ", observes that the mind of Christ that the Saints acquire, does not abolish the human mind, but brightens it and makes it Christ-like. And he continues as follows; "For I say, he has the mind of Christ, who thinks according to Him, and through everything thinks of Him". That is, he has the mind of Christ who thinks like Christ and he who understands Christ through everything.

Crucified Life

In the continuation of the passage, Paul reminds the Galatians that in front of their eyes, he painted with his sermon, Jesus Christ, crucified so vividly (Gal. 3,1). That's why the faithful, by accepting the preaching of salvation, with our Baptism "in Christ", with the Anointing of the Holy Spirit, and with our participation in the divine Eucharist, we ought to bear Christ in our heart, mind, conscience,

in our entire existence.

In other words, with prayer, repentance, the evangelical way of life and the spiritual alertness, to activate the grace of Baptism, to cooperate in the fruition of the gifts of the Holy Spirit that God grants us, to allow the Christ of the Divine Eucharist to be manifested in our lives, and to become also to us, as in Paul, light, mind, thought, feeling, will, actions, deeds, life, "all things and in all Christ" (Col. 3,11). In order that our own life also, like Paul's, should be based on our faith in the Son of God, Who loved us and willingly died for us, and to radiate the light and power of His humility and love towards everyone.

We Welcome All Who Worship with Us Today!

Memorial

40 day - Magdalena Asimacos

May her memory be eternal. Αιωνία η Μνήμη!

Coffee Fellowship is sponsored by the Asimacos family in memory of their loved one.

If you would like to sponsor a Coffee Fellowship, please contact the Office.

Announcements

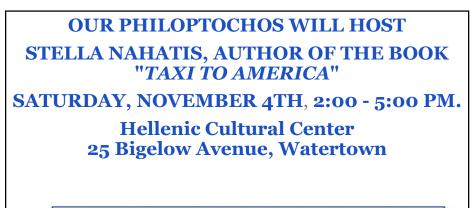
TODAY— OXI Day celebration by our Greek School immediately following the Liturgy in Church.



TONIGHT—Here at Taxiarachae!

The OCMC Missions Dinner Sunday, October 29, 2023, 5:30 - 7:30 PM. Complimentary Dinner & Program RSVP is a MUST for dinner. To RSVP Email Frank Catrickes at: fdcatrickes@gmail.com





Join us on Saturday, November 4, from 2:00 to 5:00 PM, when Philoptochos will host an afternoon with Stella Nahatis, author of the book "Taxi to America".



Stella's journey from Thessaloniki, Greece to America begins with a pre-dawn taxi ride that the and her sister share while the coffin holding a loved one rides along in the tax's trunk. Orphaned and separated from her younger sister 'for her own good' as the culture dictated at the time, Stella ends up being adopted by a Greek couple that had emigrated to Boston. Massachusetts in the US. At age 11, she overcomer multiple losses and cultural differences to find a place in her new homeland, while finding ways to stay connected to those she loved in Greece.

This story of resilience and perseverance follows Stella's journey of becoming an "Amerikanaki" and eventually reconnecting with her sister, who had stayed in Greece with her own set of adoptive parents. Even as Stella embraces her new life and culture in America, she rebuilds her lowing relationship with her sister after an eight-year separation. Later in life, the sisters take another taxi ride together, this time to recover important details of their birth parents' life stories that mirror the determination to survive and thrive that marks their own.

The book will be available for purchase—\$25/soft cover and \$35/hard cover.



Stella Nahatis is a talented write who has recently capitated readers with her poignant memoir. Taxi to America. With a compelling storytelling style and an honest exploration of personal experiences, Nahatis takes readers on a mentional journey from Greece to America. Her debut book offers a raw and authentic portrayal of triumphs, challenges and self-discovery. Nahatis's background includes a career with Beverly School for the Deaf, Pathways for Children, The Greek Orthodox Church in Ipswich, The Massachusetts Golf Association, and since 1987 CareDimensions Hospice and Palilative Care. She is most happy when surrounded by family and friends, whether at home, in her community or on the golf course. Stella and her husband live in Manchester-by-the-Sea, MA

Please join us for an interesting afternoon. Appetizers, pastries and coffee will be served. Reservations required. Donation: \$25 For reservations or more information please email Frances Levas at <u>franlevas@aol.com or call 617-519-3422</u>.



Taxiarchae Feast Day Vespers Service Tuesday, November 7 at 7 PM Reception following service in the Social Hall TAXIARCHAE FEAST DAY

Orthros and Divine Liturgy Wednesday, November 8 Orthros-8:30 AM Divine Liturgy-9:30 AM

If you would like to donate flowers for the icons or if you will be bringing loaves for Artoklasia, please call Irene at the church office—617.924.8182.

Η Εορτή των Παμμεγίστων Ταξιαρχών Η Πανήγυρις του Ιερού Ναού

Τη Τετάφτη, 8 Νοεμβφίου εοφτάζει και πανηγυφίζει η Εκκλησία μας. Την Παφαμονή της εοφτής, Τφίτη, 7 Νοεμβφίου στις 7.00 μ.μ. θα ψαλή ο Μέγας Πανηγυφικός εσπεφινός. Αμέσως μετά τον εσπεφινό θα δοθεί Δεξίωσης στο Κοινοτικό Κέντφο.

Τη Τετάρτη, 8 Νοεμβρίου ανήμερα της εορτής, η Θεία Λειτουργία θα αρχίσει με τον Όρθρο στις 8.30 π.μ.

Δωρεές για τα Άνθη — Όσοι θέλουν να προσφέρουν για τα λουλούδια που θα στολίσουμε τις ιερές εικόνες των Ταξιαρχών ας τηλεφωνήσουν στο γραφείο της εκκλησίας. Όσοι έχουν αρτοκλασίες ας τις φέρουν στην εκκλησία πριν να αρχίσει ο εσπερινός.

Our Parish is Celebrating its Name Day with Food & Dance! Music by Dilina.

Friday, November 10th, 7:00 -10:00 PM. 25 Bigelow Ave., Watertown \$30 Adults Children under 12 Free

Tickets on our website: <u>www.goarchangels/store</u> or call the Church Office: 617-924-8182.

Parish Community Night



Join us for an evening of food, fun and music to celebrate our Church's name day and our parish community

Music by Dilina \$30- Adults, Children under 12 free

November 10, 2023 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm Following the JOY event

> Hellenic Cultural Center 25 Bigelow Ave. Watertown, MA

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Friday, November 3rd 6:30 pm TICKET

GREEK MOVIE NIGHT

Papadopoulos and Sons

Light refreshments will be served

Free Will Donation

Contact Ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org to RSVP or with any questions





NOVEMBER JOY

Pizza and a treat will be provided. We will also have a craft

YOU MUST RSVP TO CKOURKOULIS@GOARCHANGELS.ORG BY NOVEMBER 3RD TO ENSURE AVAILABILITY AND PARTICIPATION



FAMILY MINISTRIES A FAMILY FRIENDLY EVENT

Thanksgiving Potluck

Friday, November 17th

6 to 8 pm

BRING YOUR FAVORITE DISH SHARE WITH FRIENDS AND ENJOY FELLOWSHIP

> RSVP to Ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org



Youth Ministry

Ongoing FOOD DRIVE - Collecting for the Watertown Food Pantry Your donation of food items can be put on the table, located in the Lobby. We will deliver them to the Watertown Food Pantry every Tuesday. Thank you for helping your local community!

ESPECIALLY NEEDED - CANS OF TUNA & BREAKFAST CEREAL. As always, the Food Pantry is still in need of school snacks.



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Taxiarchae Hellenic Cultural Center

Planning a party or reception? Our beautiful venues are now updated and ready for any & all of your event needs, up to 500 people.

For information and assistance in planning your future event, please call Irene Apostolou Cobb at the Church Office at 617-924-8182 or email: functionmanager@goarchangels.com



DREAM IT AND IT CAN COME TRUE! YOUR EVENT CAN BE <u>EVERYTHING</u> YOU WISHED.

