

Epistle Reading

St Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11



BRETHREN, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do as he has made up his mind, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance, so that you may always have enough of everything and may provide in abundance for every good work. As it is written, "He scatters abroad, he gives to the poor; his righteousness

endures for ever." He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your resources and increase the harvest of your righteousness. You will be enriched in every way for great generosity, which through us will produce thanksgiving to God.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel of Luke 6:31-36



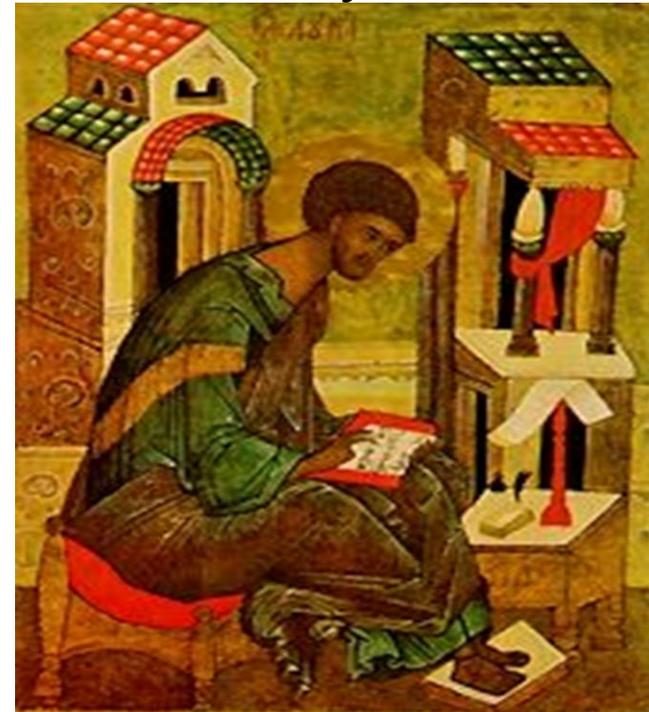
The Lord said, "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend,

expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful."



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Sunday, October 4th, 2015
2nd Sunday of Luke



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Sunday Services

October 4th, 2015

**Holy Trinity:
Prophet Elias**

2nd Sunday of Luke

Orthros 9:00am/Divine Liturgy 10:00am Fr. Matthew
Orthros 9:00am/Divine Liturgy 10:00am Fr. Elias

October 11th, 2015

**Holy Trinity:
Prophet Elias**

Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Orthros 9:00am/Divine Liturgy 10:00am Fr. Elias
Orthros 9:00am/Divine Liturgy 10:00am Fr. Matthew

Weekday Services

October 7th, 2015

Prophet Elias: 10:00am

Supplication Service to Saint Paisios the Athonite

Fr. Matthew

October 14th, 2015

Holy Trinity: 10:00am

Special Prayer Service for those who have lost a child through miscarriage or stillbirth

Fr. Matthew

Memorials

October 4th, 2015

Katherine Harkis
Georgette Proestakis
George Manousakis
Helen Manousakis
Kyriake Proestakis
Alexandros Proestakis

1 Year
1 Year
59 Years
28 Years
61 Years
38 Years

Holy Trinity
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****The Choir will host Coffee Hour****

October 14th, 2015

Bill Loya
Jamie Votsis Paulos

40 Days
3 Years

Holy Trinity
Holy Trinity

****The Family of Jamie Votsis will host Coffee Hour****

October 18th, 2015

Gust Katsikathas

40 Days

Holy Trinity

When Scheduling Memorials... Memorials must be scheduled through Fr. Matthew. For inquiries regarding memorials or to schedule one, please contact Fr. Matthew at 801-556-1139 or matthewthepriest@gmail.com.

Prayer List

Christine, Gus, Matthew, Pat, Stephanie, Tami, Stella, Kari, Margie

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list you can do so by calling the main office at Holy Trinity at 801-328-9681.

Accounting/Bookkeeping Position Available

Immediate opening available for a part time 25-29 hour Accounting Assistant position. Located at the Holy Trinity Cathedral office. Requirements are as follows; highly knowledgeable with all facets of QuickBooks, QuickBooks class coding, bank reconciliation, payroll processing, accounts payable, accounts receivable, invoicing, report processing, and other minor duties. If you meet these qualifications, please send a Resume to Connie Yengich at conniegoc@gmail.com. Please contact Connie at 801-328-9681 or cell phone 801-793-9393 for all inquiries. We look forward to hearing from you.


LUNCHEON

The Young at Heart will have their fall luncheon on Thursday **October 8th** at noon at the Memorial Hall. The menu will be roast chicken, manestra, vegetable, salad, roll & wine, along with the ever popular BINGO!! So come on down and enjoy some good food and fellowship.

PEACE GARDEN DEDICATION

We are happy to announce the completion of the Greek section of the International Peace Gardens at Jordan Park. The park is located at 1060 So. 900 West.

The dedication will be held on **October 11th** after Liturgy at 1:00 pm. We hope to see you there.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM FATHER MATTHEW

WORDS OF SALVATION

The saints tell us that true happiness and peace can only be found in the Lord our God, and the fulfilling of His saving commandments. This applies to both single people and married couples. So resolve your important life's questions from this perspective. If you have a family, the most important thing for you is the salvation of your whole family, their life in God; so instruct your children in faith and piety. And if you are unmarried, you also should live your life in faith and piety.

TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE SPECIAL WEEKDAY SERVICES

One needs only to watch the newscasts or read the newspapers to discern how far the world has turned away from our loving Lord. The turbulent times in which we live affect all of us – young and old. It is frightening to see the influences that surround us which seek to corrupt and destroy our families. It is also heart-wrenching to witness the vast suffering that so many people incur. To strengthen us, special weekly services are offered throughout the month and I encourage you to take note of them as they are publicized weekly under the “weekday services” section in the Sunday bulletin. I would like to bring to your attention a few upcoming services, in particular, which I will be offering in October:

1. Many of us who are familiar with the recently canonized Saint Paisios the Athonite know how very powerful his intercession is for us. I will celebrate the SUPPLICATION SERVICE (Paraclesis) TO SAINT PAISIOS THE ATHONITE this Wednesday, October 7 at 10am at Prophet Elias. Saint Paisios is a fervent advocate for us and our families before the throne of God. If you can, please attend this service! And if you are ever in Thessaloniki, please include in your plans a trip to venerate his grave!
2. On Wednesday, October 14 at 10am at Holy Trinity, a SPECIAL SERVICE will be offered for those families who have ever grieved the LOSS OF A CHILD through miscarriage, stillbirth, or the repose of a newborn. As the father of *eight* children – two of these reposed through miscarriage – I encourage those who have experienced the loss of a child to attend this very moving prayer service.
3. On Wednesday, October 21 at 10am at Prophet Elias, I encourage our parish faithful to pray with me the AKATHIST to MARTYR VARUS, an INTERCESSOR FOR OUR LOVED ONES WHO HAVE FALLEN ASLEEP OUTSIDE THE ORTHODOX CHURCH. This is such a powerful and beautiful

prayer service. All of us, I am sure, have lost a good friend, or even a family member, who was not a member of the Orthodox Church. This is a wonderful opportunity for us to pray for them!

4. On Saturday morning, October 31 at 10:30am at Prophet Elias, I am offering a SPECIAL SERVICE to ARCHANGEL MICHAEL AND ALL THE HOST OF ANGELS as an ALTERNATIVE to the secular recognition of ‘Halloween’. As Orthodox Christians, may we resolve to make this day one of heightened prayer with our families, calling upon the intercession of the Bodiless Powers – the Angels – to protect us from all visible and invisible enemies, for witches and demons are real and the way to combat them is with the Name of Jesus Christ.
5. I would like to establish a MOTHERS’ PRAYER FELLOWSHIP, whereby mothers would come to church once a month specifically to pray together the AKATHIST TO THE MOTHER OF GOD, NURTURER OF CHILDREN. If you are interested in organizing and/or participating in a monthly Mothers’ Prayer Fellowship Group to pray for your children, please let me know. You can email me at matthewthepriest@gmail.com or call me on my cell phone at 556-1139.

All other weekday liturgies and other services can be found under the services listings in this bulletin.

TUESDAY MORNINGS WITH THE LORD

Our TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY at the Little America Coffee Shop is off to a great start! Our study of the Book of Revelation will continue this Tuesday, October 6 at 10:30am at the Little America Coffee Shop. We have grown considerably as brothers and sisters in Christ, as well as in our spiritual study. Please join us!

WALKING IN THE SPIRIT

For those who wish to partake in an EVENING spiritual enrichment gathering, I am offering WALKING IN THE SPIRIT: WISDOM FROM THE HOLY FATHERS; the next one will take place on Wednesday, October 14 at 6:30pm in the Prophet Elias Boardroom.

*Humbly in Christ,
Father Matthew*

WEEKLY YOUTH DEVOTIONAL

The Purpose of Our Trials – God Working In Our Lives

1 Peter 4:12

“Beloved, do not be surprised at the fiery ordeal among you, which comes upon you for your testing, as though some strange thing were happening to you.”

My Dear Beloved Children, sometimes we as Orthodox Christians like to portray our lives as ideal and carefree. But in reality, being a Christian isn't always easy. In fact, sometimes we'll experience trials that truly test our faith and ability to trust in God.

In this passage from 1Peter, Peter refers to times of testing as “fiery ordeals.” He says we shouldn't be surprised when adversity comes our way. It's important to remember that God has a purpose for our trials and will see us through each step of the way. But what purpose does God have for the hardships we face?

First, our heavenly Father will sometimes use painful experiences to cleanse and purify us His children's lives. Trials drive us to the Lord. Then, as we begin to focus on Him, we're increasingly able to see things from His perspective and often become more aware of our sin.

Second, the Lord at times allows difficulty in our lives as a way of testing us— He might be trying our faith, endurance, or devotion to Him. He uses such experiences to reveal something about our spiritual development and to strengthen our faith.

Third, God uses suffering to demonstrate His power to sustain us. When He brings us through difficult times, He glorifies Himself. In turn, this encourages others when they experience trials, because they have witnessed God's sustaining power in our lives.

Ultimately, hardships strengthen our testimony. In the midst of our struggles, we might feel overwhelmed. But once the storm has passed, we can often look back and see the Lord's providential hand carrying us through. My Dear Beloved Children let us place our hope and trust in our Lord and seek His Divine will for us knowing that His love for us will be the strength to help us endure and persevere.

In His Love and Service,

+fr. elias

LET US COME TOGETHER IN LOVE AND FELLOWSHIP

Youth Ministry Board Meeting – Sunday, **October 11th**, 2015 in the Prophet Elias Boardroom **7:00pm– 9:00pm**.

Youth Fall Harvest Upcoming Youth Events

Youth Fall Harvest
Sunday, **October 25th, 2015**
6:00pm - 8:30pm Prophet Elias
Youth ages 3-12 years old

Food, treats, magic show, activities

Wear your costume but nothing demonic and come enjoy a great fun evening. Parents and Grandparents are welcome to join in on the fun.

Save The Date:

November 6th-7th, 2015

Jr. and Sr. GOYA Fall Over Night Youth Retreat
Wolf Creek Ranch. More Information to Follow

Ages of Youth Groups

Lambs - Hope- Joy 3 years old to 10 years old

Jr. GOYA 6th grade to 8th grade

Sr. GOYA 9th grade to 12th grade

OCF College Students

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PARISH ASSEMBLY MEETING

Sunday, **November 8th, 2015** at 3pm at Holy Trinity

Your stewardship commitment must be met by this date in order to vote.
Please contact the Church offices if you have any questions.

Youth Policy on Sunday School Attendance

Participants in Dance and Basketball will need to be aware that your participation in these programs will be dependent on 75% attendance in Sunday School and will be enforced. Please make every effort to attend Sunday School and participate in the Sunday School Program growing in faith and knowledge of our Lord. There are extenuating circumstances that will at times prohibit you from attending Sunday School and you can make up the absence by meeting with Fr. Elias for a brief discussion and question and answer time. Absences need to be made up. Please call Fr. Elias to set up a time to meet. (801-556-4640) Teachers will be reporting on the attendance of all students.

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Congratulations to Chris Chatzis

We extend our best wishes and congratulations to Chris Chatzis who completed the Athens to Sparta run. A brief history of the run as written by Herodotus' describes the account of the Battle of Marathon and describes the details of the battle many years later and mentioned the deeds of Pheidippides, an Athenian messenger, sent by his generals to Sparta in order to secure help for the reinforcement of the scanty Athenian forces against the forthcoming Asiatic incursion. According to Herodotus, Pheidippides arrived in Sparta on the next day of his departure" from Athens a distance of 153 miles/246 km.

This past weekend Chris ran from the Acropolis to the Sparta 153 miles/246 km in just over 33 hours. 385 runners started the race and only 174 finished and Chris finished in 70th place. He ran as the only Greek American running as a Greek Citizen. We are very proud of you and this tremendous accomplishment.

Reminder** Sunday School Year Book Pictures

- Sunday, October 4th for Holy Trinity
- Sunday, October 11th for Prophet Elias

Thank You

“Thank you to everyone who attended the Back to Sunday School Barbeque! A special thank you to the Parish Council for cooking and to the Philoptochos for all of their help!! It was a great success!”

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Sanctifying Time and Space:

Privilege and Responsibility as an Orthodox Young Professional
October 16th -18th in beautiful, historic, artsy Santa Fe, NM

Registration: www.youngprofessionalsretreat.com

RSVP: [Facebook Event](#)

Keynote Speaker: Archimandrite Gerasim (Eliel)

Dean, St. Seraphim's Cathedral in Dallas

Welcome Address: Mat. Constantina Palmer

Author, *The Scent of Holiness: Lessons from an Orthodox Women's Monastery*

In addition to the keynote presentations, the retreat will feature activities including a fall color hike in the Santa Fe National Forest, the opportunity to explore historic downtown Santa Fe, evening celebrations, and worship at Holy Trinity Antiochian Orthodox Church.

For registration, travel, hotel, and booking information, please visit

www.youngprofessionalsretreat.com.

About the Theme "Sanctifying Time and Space":

As Americans, as young professionals, and as Orthodox Christians, it is our privilege and our responsibility to hold fast to our Faith against the oppositions of our culture and to do whatever good is within our calling and capacity. To fulfill these roles, we need the support of genuine relationship and connection with fellow Christians. The influence of Orthodox Christianity on local, national, and global culture begins - as it always has - with mutual prayer and encouragement. Our hope is that we will return to our home parishes better prepared to redeem the time given to us. Flyers available in the Narthex

Fr. Elias

SAVE THE DATE

Festival Appreciation/Oxi Day Luncheon

Sunday, **October 25th**, 1:00 PM

Holy Trinity Memorial Building

More information to follow.



IT'S HOOP TIME

Basketball Season is just around the corner. Coaches please sign up now. We need coaches for all age groups.
Girls 6th grade and up

Boys 5-6 grade

Boys 7-8 grade

Boys 9-10 grade

Boys 11-12 grade

Please sign up now. Games start in December and we will play at Prophet Elias

If we get coaches signed up we can start practices middle or end of **October**. Players can sign up on UCAA Web Site starting in October. More info to follow.

Coaches please call, Text or Email Fr. Elias. freliask@yahoo.com.
801-556-4640

HCA ANNOUNCEMENT

The Hellenic Cultural Association will be having its annual membership luncheon and Axios awards on Sunday **October 18th** at 12:30pm at Holy Trinity. This year's recipients are Louie Thiros, Jim Kastanis and Gregory Skedros. Please come and join us. No charge for members and \$25.00 for non-members.

GREEK FESTIVAL FOOD FOR SALE

The Festival food items listed below are available and can be purchased and picked up at Holy Trinity. Please call the church office at 801-328-9681, in advance to ensure we still have what you are looking for.

Spanakopita: \$80.00 per case (72 to a case), or \$30.00 a tray (24 to a tray).

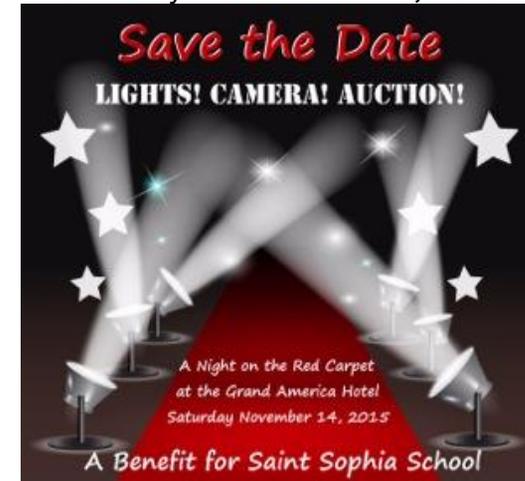
Filo Dough: \$3.00 per 1lb. package.

Sweet Bread: \$80.00 per case (16 loaves to a case), or \$5.00 per loaf

Assorted Pastry boxes \$10.00 and up

Save the Date St. Sophia School Presents

A night on the Red Carpet at the Grand America Hotel
Saturday **November 14th, 2015**



Philoptochos Meeting

Please join us on Wednesday, October 14th, 6:30pm at Holy Trinity, for our monthly meeting. We hope to see you there!



BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please remember to have your information for the weekly Bulletin into the office each **Tuesday**, before Noon. Thank you for your continued cooperation.