### SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX SHRINE CHURCH **FLUSHING, NEW YORK**



Sunday October 13, 2024

Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council/Δ' Λουκα Protopresbyter Fr. Paul Palesty, Pastor · Economos Aristidis Garinis Presbyter Alexandros Douvres

### Απολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον. Ήχος βαρύς.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυοῷ σου τὸν θάνατον You destroyed death by Your Cross, You opened ηνέωξας τῶ ληστῆ τὸν Παράδεισον τῶν Paradise to the Robber. You turned the Myrrh-Μυροφόρων τὸν θρῆνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς bearing Women's lament into joy, and You com-Αποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης manded Your Apostles to preach that You rose, O

### Τῶν Πατέρων. Ἡχος πλ. δ'.

Ύπεοδεδοξασμένος εἶ, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You δόξα σοι.

### Τοῦ Ναου. Ἡχος δ΄.

Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

### Κοντάκιον. Ήχος β'.

Προστασία τῶν Χοιστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδης, άμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ώς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς ποεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰc ίκεσίαν. προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

### Resurrectional Apolytikion. Grave Tone

Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμω τὸ μέγα ἔλεος. Christ God, granting the world the great mercy.

### For the Fathers. Tone pl. 4.

φωστῆρας  $\dot{\epsilon}\pi$ ὶ γῆς τοὺς Πατέρας ἡμῶν established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beaθεμελιώσας, καὶ δι@ αὐτῶν πρὸς τὴν ἀληθινὴν cons, and through them You have guided us all to πίστιν, πάντας ήμᾶς όδηγήσας: πολυεύσπλαγχνε, the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

### Parish Hymn. Tone pl. 4.

 $\pi$ οαότητος, A rule of faith are you, and an icon of gentleness, ἐγκρατείας διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῆ ποίμνη and a teacher of self-control. And to your flock this σου, ή τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο was evident, by the truth of your life and deeds. ἐκτήσω τῆ τα $\pi$ εινώσει τὰ ύψηλά, τῆ  $\pi$ τωχεία τὰ You were humble and therefore you acquired exaltπλούσια, Πάτες ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε πρέσβευε ed gifts, treasure in heaven for being poor. O Father and Hierarch St. Nicholas, intercede with Christ our God, and entreat Him to save our souls.

### Kontakion. Tone 2.

O Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

#### Τὸ Ανάγνωσμα: Τιτ 3:8 – 15

Τέκνον Τίτε, πιστὸς ὁ λόγος καὶ περὶ τούτων βούλομαί σε διαβεβαιοῦσθαι, ἵνα φροντίζωσι καλῶν ἔργων προἵστασθαι οἱ πεπιστευκότες τῷ Θεῷ. ταῦτά ἐστι τὰ καλὰ καὶ ἀφέλιμα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις μωρὰς δὲ ζητήσεις καὶ γενεαλογίας καὶ ἔρεις καὶ μάχας νομικὰς περιἵστασο εἰσὶ γὰρ ἀνωφελεῖς καὶ μάταιοι. αἰρετικὸν ἄνθρωπον μετὰ μίαν καὶ δευτέραν νουθεσίαν παραιτοῦ, εἰδὼς ὅτι ἐξέστραπται ὁ τοιοῦτος καὶ άμαρτάνει ὢν αὐτοκατάκριτος. Ὅταν πέμψω Ἀρτεμᾶν πρός σε ἢ Τυχικόν, σπούδασον ἐλθεῖν πρός με εἰς Νικόπολιν ἐκεῖ γὰρ κέκρικα παραχειμάσαι. Ζηνᾶν τὸν νομικὸν καὶ Ἀπολλὼ σπουδαίως πρόπεμψον, ἵνα μηδὲν αὐτοῖς λείπη. μανθανέτωσαν δὲ καὶ οἱ ἡμέτεροι καλῶν ἔργων προἵστασθαι εἰς τὰς ἀναγκαίας χρείας, ἵνα μὴ ὧσιν ἄκαρποι. Ἀσπάζονταί σε οἱ μετ' ἐμοῦ πάντες. ἄσπασαι τοὺς φιλοῦντας ἡμᾶς ἐν πίστει. Ἡ χάρις μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἀμήν.

### Epistle Lesson: Tit. 3:8 – 15

God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned. When I send Artemas or Tychicus to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην $\cdot$  Ἐξῆλθεν ὁ σπείρων τοῦ σπεῖραι τὸν σπόρον αὐτοῦ. καὶ ἐν τ $ilde{\omega}$ 

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in

#### Εὐαγγέλίον: Λκ 8:5 – 15

σπείρειν αὐτὸν ὁ μὲν ἔπεσε παρὰ τὴν όδόν, καὶ κατεπατήθη, καὶ τὰ πετεινὰ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ κατέφαγεν αὐτό· καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ τὴν πέτραν, καὶ φυὲν ἐξηράνθη διὰ τὸ μὴ ἔχειν ἰκμάδα· καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν ἐν μέσφ τῶν ἀκανθῶν, καὶ συμφυεῖσαι αἱ ἄκανθαι ἀπέπνιξαν αὐτό. καὶ ἔτερον ἔπεσεν εἰς τὴν γῆν τὴν ἀγαθήν, καὶ φυὲν ἐποίησε καρπὸν έκατονταπλασίονα. ταῦτα λέγων ἐφώνει· ὁ ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω. Ἐπηρώτων δὲ αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· τίς εἴη ἡ παραβολὴ αὕτη; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν· ὑμῖν δέδοται γνῶναι τὰ μυστήρια τῆς βασιλείας τοῦ Θεοῦ, τοῖς δὲ λοιποῖς ἐν παραβολαῖς, ἵνα βλέποντες μὴ βλέπωσι καὶ ἀκούοντες μὴ συνιῶσιν. ἔστι δὲ αὕτη ἡ παραβολή· ὁ σπόρος ἐστὶν ὁ λόγος τοῦ Θεοῦ· οἱ δὲ παρὰ τὴν όδόν εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, εἶτα ἔρχεται ὁ διάβολος καὶ αἴρει τὸν λόγον ἀπὸ τῆς καρδίας αὐτῶν, ἵνα μὴ πιστεύσαντες σωθῶσιν. οἱ δὲ ἐπὶ τῆς πέτρας οἱ ὅταν ἀκούσωσι, μετὰ χαρᾶς δέχονται τὸν λόγον, καὶ οὖτοι ῥίζαν οὐκ ἔχουσιν, οἱ πρὸς καιρὸν πιστεύουσι καὶ ἐν καιρῷ πειρασμοῦ ἀφίστανται. τὸ δὲ εἰς τὰς ἀκάνθας πεσόν, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἱ ἀκούσαντες, καὶ ὑπὸ μεριμνῶν καὶ πλούτου καὶ ἡδονῶν τοῦ βίου πορευόμενοι συμπνίγονται καὶ οὐ τελεσφοροῦσι. τὸ δὲ ἐν τῆ καλῆ γῆ, οὖτοί εἰσιν οἵτινες ἐν καρδία καλῆ καὶ ἀγαθῆ ἀκούσαντες τὸν λόγον κατέχουσι καὶ καρποφοροῦσιν ἐν ὑπομονῆ. Ὁ ἔχων ὧτα ἀκούειν ἀκουέτω.

### Gospel: Lk. 8:5 - 15

The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

### Eortologion for the Week

<u>Wedneday 10/16</u> Paraklisis 7:00pm Bible Study to follow

<u>Friday 10/18</u> St Luke the Apostle Orthros 7:30am Divine Liturgy 8:30am

### Πρόγραμμα της Εβδομάδας

<u>Τετάρτη 10/16</u> Παράκλησις της Θεοτόκου 700μ.μ. Ακολουθεί μελέτη της Αγίας Γραφής

<u>Παρασκευή 10/18</u> Άγ. Λουκάς ο Απόστολος Όρθρος 7:30π.μ Θεία Λειτουργία 8:30π.μ.

### **MEMORIALS**

Sotiria Fillos
Marianthi Kantanas
Angela Kormusis Kinnaly
Georgia Pappas
Georgios Sakarellos
Ekaterini Sakarellos
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θεοδώρου Τσιαμτσιούρη

# St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Shrine Church, Flushing NY IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT \*DATE CHANGE

Please disregard the announcement sent in our mailing

# Parish General Assembly Meeting

## NEW DATE

TUESDAY

OCTOBER 29, 2024

Sarantakos Hall 196-10 Northern Blvd. Flushing, NY 11358

8:00pm



# The Holy Martyrs Carpus, Papylas, and Agathonicus Eph. 6:10-17; Matt. 7:12-21

Carpus was bishop of Thyateira and Papylas was a deacon. Little is known of Agathonicus. They were beheaded with the sword under Diocletian in 304.

### What Is He Up To?

When something bad happens to us, most of us respond with the question: "What did I do to deserve this?" It never dawns on us to ask, "What is God trying to teach me? What is God trying to make of me? What is God trying to do with me through this experience which has come to me?" If what Paul says is true, that God is at work through all things in my life, I very much need to ask myself the question: if God is at work in my life right now, what is He up to? You can be sure He is up to good-your good and the good of others.

Try this with your dog sometime. Point your finger somewhere. The dog will not look at the place to which you are pointing; instead he will look at your finger. If it's a mean dog, he may even snap at your finger. God is always pointing His finger to something good for us. But often we look only at the finger instead of at that to which He is directing our attention. We don't understand. We may even snap at Him.

It's much like a bee flying into a room through an open window and buzzing around, frantically trying to find escape. It dashes its little body against the windowpanes. You take a towel and try to guide it toward an open window, but the bee considers you an enemy, and dashes itself against the towel. At last you maneuver it to the open window. Suddenly free again, it darts out into the great open spaces.

God is sometimes like that man with a towel; and we, like the bee, mistaking the towel for an enemy, keep resisting His gentle push toward freedom and fulfillment.

### **Church Fathers Speak**

God is truth, and my prayer should be truth as well as life; God is light, and my prayer should be offered in the light of the mind and the heart; God is fire, and my prayer should be ardent; God is perfectly free, and my prayer should be the free outpouring of the heart. - St. John of Kronstadt

# Coffee Hour

You are all invited to our fellowship coffee hour after being sponsored by the Fillos Family
In Loving Memory of Sotiria Fillos.

## SAINT NICHOLAS, FLUSHING



# FIRST ANNUAL CONQUER THE COURT HOOP-A-THON

Come join us on October 19th for a family day at the basketball court and help support the Saint Nicholas community by pledging or sponsoring our athletes for our first ever Conquer the Court Hoop-a-thon! October 19, 2024 2:00 to 7:00 p.m.

# SAINT NICHOLAS, FLUSHING CONQUER THE COURT HOOP-A-THON

Each participant will be shooting 25 shots from in and around the court depending upon age and ability. SPONSORS agree to a one time donation of a set amount and PLEDGES agree to donate a certain dollar amount per basket made (a min of 10 shots will be made with a max of 25). You can pledge anywhere from \$4-\$20 a shot.

We are raising money to benefit our basketball and youth programs and to help our church.

\*Each participant must be sponsored or have pledges to participate\* Prizes will be given for top shooters and top fundraisers per division.
All boys and girls ages 7-18 are welcome to participate. Snacks and refreshments will be available in the Concession Store.

# St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos Society

Proudly presents:

An Evening of Greek Dance

Our very own Nicolette Vasiliou will be teaching us the IKARIOTIKO

Tuesday October 22, 2024 7pm Sarantakos Hall

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To reserve your spot,
Please email:

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Maria Perdik:
718-578-7967
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### SAVE THE DATE

# Bouzouki Night

at St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

Saturday, November 9th

7pm-Midnight (Music starts at 8)

Mezzedes and Music

\$40 per person (\$50 at door) Unlimited wine +1 drink voucher included. Beer and cocktails for purchase

### Musicians

Singing: Vaggelis Stroumbakis Bouzouki: Andreas Gonias Violi: Anastasis Sifounios Klarino: George Floradis

Keyboard: Mpampis Sampelidis

Drums: Michalis Morakis

To register and pay, please use the QR Code:



For inquiries, please contact: Christopher Palamara at (646)599-0426



# St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos Society

# Join us for a day a fellowship as we visit:

St. Nektarios

Greek Orthodox Monastery

Roscoe, New York Saturday

November 16, 2024 \$45

Lunch to be provided by the Monastery Prepayment requested: cash or checks payable to St. Nicholas Philoptochos

> Please leave in the Church Office We will be leaving from St. Nicholas Church, 196-10 Northern Boulevard.

at 8:30 am,

returning approximately 5:30pm

Reservations:

Maritza Pritsos: 917-855-5154 Anna Rigogiannis 646-458-1236 Please dress appropriately for the trip: Ladies: long skirt, long-sleeved blouse, & a scarf to cover the head. Men: long pants and long-sleeved shirt. Dear friends,

There is a woman in need of help. She is currently facing a critical health situation and is in urgent need of a kidney transplant,

She has been battling polycystic kidney disease for some time, and without a living donor, her future is uncertain.

The Family is asking if you would consider becoming a kidney donor or helping to spread the word. Candidate (hero) would need to have O+ blood type. Most organ donation procedures are done laparoscopically, there are no medical costs for the donor, and the recovery time is a few weeks.

Even if you're unsure or have questions about the process, any consideration would mean the world to her and of her family who love her. Please feel free to reach out to Fathers Paul, Aristidis and Alexandros for more information.

Your generosity, whether it's through donating, sharing this message, or offering your support is deeply appreciated by the family.



St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Shrine Church of Flushing, NY

70th Anniversary
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Save The Date

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025 7:00 pm

Leonard's Palazzo of Great Neck, New York

