



**On Sunday, May 21, 2017 we commemorate:
Sunday of the Blind Man
Constantine and Helen, Equal-to-the Apostles
Pachomios the Righteous New Martyr**



Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι,
τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν,
ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι
ἠϋδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ
θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείρει τοὺς τεθνεώτας,
ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Δόξα. Τῶν Ἰσαποστόλων.

Τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου τὸν τύπον ἐν οὐρανῷ
θεασάμενος, καὶ ὡς ὁ Παῦλος τὴν κλήσιν
οὐκ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων δεξάμενος, ὁ ἐν
βασιλεῦσιν, Ἀπόστολός σου Κύριε,
Βασιλεύουσαν πόλιν τῇ χειρὶ σου
παρέθετο ἦν περίσῳζε διὰ παντὸς ἐν
εἰρήνῃ, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, μόνε
Φιλάνθρωπε.

Troparion of St. George

Ὡς τῶν αἰχμαλώτων ελευθερωτῆς, καὶ τῶν
πτωχῶν υπερασπιστῆς, ἀσθενούντων ἰατρός,
βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε
μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ
Θεῷ θῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Κοντάκιον

Εἰ καὶ ἐν τάφῳ κατήλθες Ἀθάνατε, ἀλλὰ τοῦ
ἄδου καθεῖλες τὴν δύναμιν· καὶ ἀνέστης ὡς
νικητῆς, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, γυναιξὶ
Μυροφόροις φθεγξάμενος, Χαίρετε, καὶ τοῖς
σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις εἰρήνην δωρούμενος, ὁ
τοῖς πεσοῦσι παρέχων ἀνάστασιν.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with
the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was
born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us
sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was
pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to
undergo death, * and to raise up those who had
died, * by His glorious Resurrection.

Glory. For the Equals-to-the-Apostles.

Your Apostle among the Rulers, St. Constantine,
who once beheld in the sky the image of Your
Cross, and who like Paul received his calling not
from man, once entrusted the Ruling City into
Your hand. We entreat You to restore it in peace
forever, at the intercession of the Theotokos, O
Lord who loves humanity.

Troparion of St. George

Liberator of captives, defender of the
Poor, physician of the sick, and champion
Of kings, O trophy-bearer, Great Martyr George,
intercede with Christ God that our souls be
saved.

Kontakion

Though You went down into the tomb, O
Immortal One, yet You brought down the
dominion of Hades; and You rose as the
victor, O Christ our God; and You called out
"Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and
gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to
the fallen grant resurrection.

Acts of the Apostles 26:1, 12-20



IN THOSE DAYS, King Agrippa said to Paul, "You have permission to speak for yourself." Then Paul stretched out his hand and made his defense: "I journeyed to Damascus with the authority and commission of the chief priests. At midday, O king, I saw on the way a light from heaven, brighter than the sun, shining round me and those who journeyed with me. And when we had all fallen to the ground, I heard a voice saying to me in the Hebrew language, 'Saul, Saul, why do you persecute me? It hurts you to kick against the goads.' And I said, 'Who are you, Lord?' And the Lord said, 'I am Jesus whom you are persecuting. But rise and stand upon your feet; for I have appeared to you for this purpose, to appoint you to serve and bear witness to the things in which you have seen me and to those in which I will appear to you, delivering you from the people and from the Gentiles—to whom I send you to open their eyes, that they may turn from darkness to light and from the power of Satan to God, that they may receive forgiveness of sins and a place among those who are sanctified by faith in me.' "Wherefore, O King Agrippa, I was not disobedient to the heavenly vision, but declared first to those at Damascus, then at Jerusalem and throughout all the country of Judea, and also to the Gentiles, that they should repent and turn to God and perform deeds worthy of their repentance."

The Gospel according to John 9:1-38



At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know."

They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a Sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the Sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet."

The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him."

So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out.

Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord I believe": and he worshiped him.

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Parish Office closed on Friday

Church User Assignment

Sunday, May 21, 2017 Team A Charles Koinis, Norina McGowen, Phil McGowen,
Bill Manikas, Pete Kalil

Sunday, May 28, 2017 Team B Scott Morlock, Lainie Christou, Alexandra Casey,
Dimitrios Koutsopoulos, Brian Goodale

May Events

Sunday, May 21, 2017	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:00 AM Memorial for Phillip Menagias General Assembly Meeting following Divine Liturgy
Tuesday, May 23, 2017	10:00 AM Soup Kitchen Prep 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen Serve (Sponsored by Kiki Jones in in Memory of Ed Jones)
Thursday, May 25, 2017	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy - Feast of the Holy Ascension 6:30 PM Festival Planning Meeting
Sunday, May 28, 2017	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Monday, May 29, 2017	MEMORIAL DAY – OFFICE CLOSED

Bible Study

Bible Study/Orthodoxy Class will be the first and third Mondays of each month.

Class will be held in the upstairs classroom in the Hellenic Center.

Father Sean will offer each Study at 11:00 AM and 6:00 PM, in order to give people a choice of which time is convenient for them. The same material will be presented at both sessions.

Children's Sunday's

The first Sunday of every month, Fr. Sean will be presenting a Children's Sermon for all of our parish children. Please pass the news on and bring your kids, grandchildren, godchildren, nieces, and nephews and have them sit up in the first few pews, as Father will be speaking directly to them. The Liturgy on those days will be mostly in English to accommodate our young people so that they may understand the Liturgy better. This is a good way to get our kids involved and have them feel as though they are a major part of our community of faith. Please get them here on time! If they show up after the Gospel reading they will miss the lesson of the day!