



On Sunday, December 30, 2018 we commemorate: Sunday after Nativity

Anysia the Virgin-Martyr of Thessaloniki
Gideon the New Martyr of Mount Athos
Holy Martyr Philetaerus



Απολυτίκιον Άναστασιμον

Ἄγγελικαι Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἤστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήντησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ των νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Απολυτίκιον τῆς Έορτῆς

Ἡ Γέννησίς σου Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ἀνέτειλε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ φῶς τὸ τῆς γινώσεως· ἐν αὐτῇ γὰρ οἱ τοῖς ἄστροις λατρεύοντες, ὑπὸ ἀστέρος ἐδιδάσκοντο, σὲ προσκυνεῖν, τὸν Ἡλιον τῆς δίκαιοισύνης, καὶ σὲ γινώσκειν ἐξ ὑψους ἀνατολήν. Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Τῶν Θεοπατόρων

Εὔαγγελίζου Ἰωσήφ, τῷ Δαυὶδ τὰ θαύματα τῷ Θεοπάτορι· Παρθένον εἶδες κυοφορήσασαν, μετὰ Μάγων προσεκύνησας, μετὰ Ποιμένων ἐδοξολόγησας, δι' Ἀγγέλου χρηματισθείς. Ἰκέτευε Χριστὸν τὸν Θεόν, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Troparion of St. George

Ως τῶν αιχμαλώτων ελευθερωτής, καὶ τῶν πτωχών υπερασπιστής, ασθενούντων ιατρός, βασιλέων υπέρμαχος, τροπαιοφόρε μεγαλομάρτυς Γεώργιε, πρέσβευε Χριστώ τῷ Θεῷ θήναι τάς ψυχάς ημῶν.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When the angelic powers appeared at Your grave, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary who was seeking Your immaculate body. You devastated Hades, not afflicted by it. You went to meet the virgin, and granted eternal life. You resurrected from the dead. O Lord, glory to You.

Apolytikion of the Feast

Your nativity, O Christ our God, has caused the light of knowledge to rise upon the world. For therein the worshippers of the stars were by a star instructed to worship You, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know You as Orient from on high. Glory to You, O Lord

For the Ancestors of God

Announce the miracles to David the ancestor of God, O Joseph. You saw the Virgin pregnant. You glorified with the shepherds. You worshipped with the Magi. And you were warned by an Angel. Entreat Christ God to save our souls.

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.

Kontákiον

Ἡ Παρθένος σήμερον, τὸν ὑπερούσιον
τίκτει, καὶ ἡ γῆ τὸ Σπήλαιον, τῷ ἀπροσίτῳ
προσάγει. Ἀγγελοι μετὰ Ποιμένων
δοξολογοῦσι. Μάγοι δὲ μετὰ ἀστέρος
όδοιποροῦσι· δι' ἡμᾶς γάρ ἐγεννήθη, Παιδίον
νέον, ὁ πρὸ αἰώνων Θεός.

Kontakion

On this day the Virgin gives * birth to the Super-essential. * To the Unapproachable, * earth is providing the grotto. * Angels sing and with the shepherds offer up glory. * Following a star the Magi are still proceeding. * He was born for our salvation, a newborn Child, the pre-eternal God.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19



Brethren, I would have you know that the gospel which was preached by me is not man's gospel. For I did not receive it from man, nor was I taught it, but it came through a revelation of Jesus Christ. For you have heard of my former life in Judaism, how I persecuted the church of God violently and tried to destroy it; and I advanced in Judaism beyond many of my own age among my people, so extremely zealous was I for the traditions of my fathers. But when he who had set me apart before I was born, and had called me through his grace, was pleased to reveal his Son to me, in order that I might preach him among the Gentiles, I did not confer with flesh and blood, nor did I go up to Jerusalem to those who were apostles before me, but I went away into Arabia; and again I returned to Damascus. Then after three years I went up to Jerusalem to visit Cephas, and remained with him fifteen days. But I saw none of the other apostles except James the Lord's brother.

The Gospel according to Matthew 2:13-23



When the wise men departed, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to Joseph in a dream and said, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and flee to Egypt, and remain there till I tell you; for Herod is about to search for the child, to destroy him." And he rose and took the child and his mother by night, and departed to Egypt, and remained there until the death of Herod. This was to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet, "Out of Egypt have I called my son."

Then Herod, when he saw that he had been tricked by the wise men, was in a furious rage, and he sent and killed all the male children in Bethlehem and in all that region who were two years old or under, according to the time which he had ascertained from the wise men. Then was fulfilled what was spoken by the prophet Jeremiah: "A voice was heard in Ramah, wailing and loud lamentation, Rachel weeping for her children; she refused to be consoled, because they were no more." But when Herod died, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared in a dream to Joseph in Egypt, saying, "Rise, take the child and his mother, and go to the land of Israel, for those who sought the child's life are dead." And he rose and took the child and his mother, and went to the land of Israel. But when he heard that Archelaos reigned over Judea in place of his father Herod, he was afraid to go there, and being warned in a dream he withdrew to the district of Galilee. And he went and dwelt in a city called Nazareth, that what was spoken by the prophets might be fulfilled, "He shall be called a Nazarene."

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Orthros: 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM

**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 AM – 2 PM
Parish Office closed on Friday**

Church Usher Assignment

Sunday, December 30, 2018 Team A Charlie Koines, Norina McGowen, Phil McGowen

Sunday, January 6, 2019 Team B Alexandra Casey, Brian Goodale, Scott Morlock

December Events

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| Sunday, December 30, 2018 | 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy |
| Monday, December 31, 2018 | New Year's Eve – Parish Office Closed 6:00 PM Divine Liturgy – St. Basil, Troy, NY |

January Events

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| Tuesday, January 1, 2019 | Happy New Year – Parish Office Closed |
| Sunday, January 6, 2019 | 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy |
| Tuesday, January 8, 2019 | 10:00 AM Soup Kitchen Prep 12:00 PM Soup Kitchen Serve – sponsored by Anna Ktenas in Memory of Dimitrios, Diamando, & Thanasi Ktenas, Elle Vagenas & Eleni Ktenas |
| Thursday, January 10, 2019 | 11:30 AM Senior Fellowship Meeting |
| Sunday, January 13, 2019 | 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy |
| Tuesday, January 15, 2019 | 6:30 PM AHEPA Chapter #125 Meeting |
| Thursday, January 17, 2019 | 5:30 PM Covered Dish Supper 6:30 PM Philoptochos Meeting |
| Sunday, January 20, 2019 | 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:00 AM 40 Day Memorial for Peter Zoulas |
| Sunday, January 27, 2019 | 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy |