



**On Sunday, February 4, 2018 we commemorate:
Sunday of the Prodigal Son
Isidore of Pelusium
Nicholas the Confessor
Hieromartyr Abramius**



Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἢ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν Ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεώτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Ἀπολυτίκιον τῆς Ἑορτῆς

Χαίρε κεχαριτωμένη Θεοτόκε Παρθένε· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, φωτίζων τοὺς ἐν σκότει. Εὐφραίνου καὶ σὺ Πρεσβύτα δίκαιε, δεξάμενος ἐν ἀγκάλαις τὸν ἐλευθερωτὴν τῶν ψυχῶν ἡμῶν, χαριζόμενον ἡμῖν καὶ τῇ Ἀνάστασιν.

Troparion of St. George

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

Κοντάκιον

Ὁ μήτραν παρθενικὴν ἀγιάσας τῷ τόκῳ σου, καὶ χεῖρας τοῦ Συμεῶν εὐλόγησας ὡς ἔπρεπε, προφθάσας καὶ νῦν ἔσωσας ἡμᾶς Χριστέ ὁ Θεός. Ἄλλ' εἰρήνευσον ἐν πολέμοις τὸ πολίτευμα, καὶ κραταίωσον Βασιλεῖς οὓς ἠγάπησας, ὁ μόνος φιλόανθρωπος.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You.

Apolytikion of the Feast

Lady full of grace, rejoice, O Virgin Theotokos, for Christ our God, the Sun of righteousness has risen from you and He illumined those in darkness. And you, righteous Elder, be glad in heart, receiving in your embraces the One who liberates our souls and bestows on us the Resurrection.

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

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.



The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 6:12-20

Brethren, "all things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" -- and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.



The Gospel according to Luke 15:11-32

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his belly with the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

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**Orthros: 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy: 10:00 AM
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**Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9 AM – 2 PM
Parish Office closed on Friday**

Church Usher Assignment

Sunday, February 4, 2018	Team B	Alexandra Casey, Lainie Christou, Brian Goodale, Dimitrios Koutsopoulos, Scott Morlock
Sunday, February 11, 2018	Team C	Lucy Brady, Panagiota Giakoumis, Athena Pagnotti, Frank Rossetti, Van Stathis

February Events

Sunday, February 4, 2018	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy “Go Red Sunday – Wear Something Red!” American Heart Association/Go Red for Women
Monday, February 5, 2018	11:00 AM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class 6:30 PM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class
Tuesday, February 6, 2018	6:30 PM AHEPA Chapter #125 Meeting Lucky Strike – Crossgates Mall
Thursday, February 8, 2018	11:30 AM Senior Fellowship Meeting
Saturday, February 10, 2018	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – Saturday of Souls
Sunday, February 11, 2018	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Monday, February 12, 2018	6:30 PM Greek Language Class
Tuesday, February 13, 2018	6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting
Thursday, February 15, 2018	6:30 PM Philoptochos Meeting
Saturday, February 17, 2018	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – Saturday of Souls 5:00 PM Family Movie Night sponsored by Philoptochos “Do You Wanna Dance”
Sunday, February 18, 2018	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Monday, February 19, 2018	11:00 AM Orthodoxy/Bible Study 6:30 PM Orthodoxy/Bible Study
Wednesday, February 21, 2018	6:00 PM Presanctified Liturgy
Saturday, February 24, 2018	10:00 AM Divine Liturgy – Saturday of Souls
Sunday, February 25, 2018	9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy