

## WEEKLY ANNOUNCEMENTS - Sunday, January 31, 2010

### Service Schedule:

**Presentation of Our Lord** - Tuesday, February 2

*Orthros* - 8:00am; *Liturgy* - 9:00am

**Saturday of Souls** - Saturday, February 6

*Orthros* - 8:30am; *Liturgy* - 9:30am

### Women's Bible Study

G.O.L.F. will meet this Wednesday, Feb. 3rd at 9:30am. All women (and their children) are encouraged to attend. Babysitting is available. Contact Amity Garwood for more information: amity\_garwood@hotmail.com

### Greek School

Greek School meets every Tuesday evening in Mt. Tabor hall starting at 6:45pm., and dismissing at 8:00pm.

### GOYA - Special Meeting!

Fr. Michael would like to meet with all the GOYANS and their leaders **today** in the church immediately following the Sunday classes.

### Altar Boy Meeting

A meeting is scheduled with Fr. Michael for the acolytes and Altar leaders for next Sunday, Feb. 7 after the luncheon. Please meet with Father in the church.

### Philoptochos

Last Saturday was such a wonderful evening! The welcome reception was exactly picture perfect. I want to say thank you to all the Philoptochos members who provided such a delicious assortment of food. Everything not only tasted good, but looked so beautiful. Thank you ladies, for making the evening so warm and fun. Special thank you to the council members for all their hard work. All together the reception was truly a big success.

This Sunday we will be ready for you to pick up your cards for your weekly shopping. Remember - this is how we can get the extras for our church! Stop by and get your HEB and Starbucks cards at the Philoptochos table. Come and do your part. It will take all of us. So, get on board! This is money that is waiting for us without it costing us a cent.

Valentines Day is not too far away to make plans. Philoptochos has planned a romantic and entertaining evening for you. On Saturday, Feb. 13th at 6:30pm there will be a wonderful dinner complete with the choices of fish or Eggplant Parmesan, salad, bread and of course, dessert. There will be wine and beer available. We will also have live musical entertainment and a silent auction. Reservations can be made now for \$30 per person. Stop by the Philoptochos table and make those reservations today so you can spend a romantic evening with your sweetheart!

**Thank you to today's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Kourkounakis, Leatherwood, Lee, Lerman, Levendakes**

**Thank you to last week's Coffee Hour Sponsors: Kniffen, Kobzar, Kounelias, Latto, Leara**  
**Next Week's Luncheon Sponsors: Appling, Benson, Daskalantonakis, Spiropoulos**

Thank you to today's ushers: Chris Harris and Sami Yagnam  
 Next week's usher will be: Stuart Yoder and Sami Yagnam  
 contact Steve Levendakes at 927-2344 if you would like to help with ushering.

SUNDAY BULLETIN

JANUARY 31, 2010

## THE 2ND SUNDAY OF THE TRIODION ~ THE SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON



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SUNDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE  
 ORTHROS 8:45 AM; DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 AM

**Reverend Fr. Michael Lambakis, Proistamenos**

*JANUARY 31, 2010 - SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON*

*HOLY SCRIPTURE READINGS*

*EPISTLE - I CORINTHIANS 6: 12 - 20*

All things are lawful to me, but all things are not expedient; all things are lawful to me, but I will not be brought under the power of any. Foods for the belly, and the belly for foods; but God shall bring to naught both this and these. Now the body is not for fornication, but for the Lord; and the Lord for the body. And God both raised up the Lord, and will raise up us by His own power. Ye know that your bodies are members of Christ, do ye not? Having taken up then the members of Christ, shall I make them members of a harlot? May it not be! Or know ye not that he that is joined to the harlot is one body? For, "The two," saith He, "shall be into one flesh." But he who is joined to the Lord is one spirit. Keep on fleeing fornication. Every sin whatsoever a man might do is outside the body, but he who committeth fornication sinneth against his own body. Or know ye not that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit Who is in you, Whom ye have from God, and ye are not your own? For ye were bought with a price; glorify then God in your body and in your spirit, which are God's.

*GOSPEL - 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 fed on 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.'"

*SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY*

**Resurrection Hymn** (First Tone) (p.15-16 in Hymnal)

*"The stone that had been sealed before Your tomb by the Jews and the soldiers guarding did watch oe'r  
Your pure and sacred body O Savior the third day You arose, and unto all the world did You give life  
where by all the heavenly powers did proclaim that You are the giver of life. Glory unto our resurrected  
Christ. Glory unto Your Kingdom, Glory to Your dispensation O You alone who loves all."*

**Hymn for Transfiguration of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ**

*"Metemorforthis en to ori, Christe o Theos, dixas tis mathites Sou tin doxan Sou,  
kathos I dynando Lampson ke imin tis amarto lis to fos Sou to aidion,  
presvies tis Theotokou Fotodoto doxa Si."*

*"When O Christ our God Thou wast Transfigured on the mountain  
Thou didst reveal Thy glory to Thy disciples in proportion as they could bear it.  
Let Thine everlasting light also enlighten us sinners. Through the intercessions of the Theotokos,  
O Thou Bestower of light, glory to Thee."*

**Kontakion for the Prodigal Son**

*"Foolishly I sprang away from Thy great fatherly glory, and dispersed in wicked deeds the riches that  
Thou did give me. With the Prodigal I therefore cry unto Thee now: I have sinned against Thee, O  
compassionate Father. But receive me in repentance; make me as one of Thy hired servants, O Lord."*

*WELCOME*

We welcome all new visitors who worshipped with us this morning. Please join us next door after service for fellowship. There is material in the entrance of the church regarding ministries and events of our church. Please fill out our Guest Book.

**Receiving Holy Communion**

The sacrament of Holy Communion is reserved for only baptized and/or chrismated Orthodox Christians who have properly prepared by fasting, prayer and confession. The Orthodox Church is not in sacramental communion with any other church outside the Orthodox Christian Faith. If you would like information about the Orthodox Church and becoming an Orthodox Christian, please see Fr. Michael after services.

**Please allow the Church School Teachers to receive Holy Communion first, followed by the Sunday School students so that they can get to their classes.**

All others should wait until the ushers dismiss you by rows to receive Communion.

*PRAYERS FOR HEALTH*

*Dolly, Betty, Arlena, Sophie, Archie, Lou, Thomas, Kathy, Suzanne, Pat, Steve, Nina, Phyllis, Kathryn, Panayioti, Anna, Margaret, Sami, Abraham, Mary, George, Susan, Muna, Matthew, Ellen, Gary, Katina, Nelda, Nick, Elaine, Fotini, Gerasimos, Malone and family, Tracy, Richard, Lilly, Kimberly, Dion, Jamil, Dimitrios, Lisa*