

**TENTH SUNDAY
OF MATTHEW
AUGUST 17TH, 2014**



**STS. RAPHAEL, NICHOLAS AND IRENE
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

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We are an intentional Orthodox Christian Community for North Georgia!

WORSHIP

Tenth Eothinon/Tone First

We are so very glad you have joined us today, and we pray you will be inspired and encouraged by your time with us.

The Orthodox worship service is an ancient and timeless expression of how people have loved, served and worshipped God for many centuries, but it may be a bit of a different experience for you. Please feel free to use a service book or not and simply allow the words of the service to wash over you.

The central act of our worship culminates in people receiving communion. This is a very special time for us all and we have some specific beliefs about our communion together. This is why we never impose this service on those who are not prepared or are not baptized Orthodox. This service may raise questions in your mind. Please feel free to ask Fr. Barnabas or Fr. Paul anything you wish after the service.

At the end of the service EVERYONE is invited to come forward and receive a portion of the "blessed bread" from Fr. Barnabas. No one should leave church "hungry!"

*Know you are welcome and we are glad you are here.
May God bless you and your family.*

Apolytikion for St. Raphael in the First Tone

Since the discovery of your divine relics, O wise one, Lesvos has been filled with the grace which has been given to you abundantly, for you, Osiomartyr Raphael, appear wondrously to many persons and provide cures; wherefore, we who are believers rejoice in your marvels.

Apolytikion in honor of Sts. Raphael, Nicholas & Irene

Having contended on Lesvos for the sake of Christ God, you have sanctified the island since the discovery of your sacred relics, O blessed ones; wherefore we honor you, O Godbearing Raphael, together with Nicholas and virgin Irene, as our divine protectors and intercessors with the Lord.

Service Schedule for the Week

Wednesday, August 20th 6:30 p.m. Vespers followed by Orthodoxy 101

Saturday, August 16th 5 p.m. Great Vespers

Parish Council On Duty Today - Costa Bozzuto and Plutarch Vamvakias

Ushering Ministry - PC/Parishioners

Welcoming Ministry - Sharon Tyre

Fellowship Ministry - Evon Patrick

ACOLYTES

Jacob Atkinson, Mike & Peter Jordanopoulos, Spiro Kefalas, Thomas Miller, Mike Trainor,
Alex & Niko Tzevelekos and Christos Zourzoukis

SENIOR ACOLYTES - Mike Manos, Dean Pryles



2014 Parish Council

**John Patrick, President; Harald Hagen, Vice President; Kosta Bozzuto, Secretary;
Chris Foxhall, Treasurer; David Chapman, Marie Chapman, Bill Manos,
Johnny Melts, Greg Pappas, Plutarch Vamvakias**

Tenth Sunday of Matthew

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Tone - The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, *and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body.* You rose on the third day, O Lord* and Savior, granting life unto the world.* And therefore the powers of heaven cried to You, O Giver-of-Life.* Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ;* glory to Your kingdom; * glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

Apolytikion of the Feast in the First Tone - In giving birth you retained your virginity, and in dormition you did not forsake the world, O Theotokos. You were translated unto life, being the Mother of Life. And thus by virtue of your intercessions you deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion of the Feast in the Plagal of the Second Tone - The Theotokos, unsleeping in intercession* and the immovable hope of protection, * could not be retained by any tomb or death.* For being Life's own Mother, she was transferred to life by Him* who dwelt in the ever-virgin womb.

We Also Remember

Myron the Martyr of Cyzicus

Straton, Philip, Eutychian, & Cyprian the Martyrs of Nicomedeia

*Afterfeast of the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos
And Ever Virgin Mary*

Please pray for those faithful who are currently in need of our most fervent intercessions: Andrew, Angie, Bill, Bill, Brent, Carrie, Demetra, Diane, Dina, Donna, Ela, Elaine, Elizabeth, Christina, George, Gus, Harriet, Heidi, Igli, James, Jamie, Jerry, Joe, Maria, Mary Ann, Michael, Nicky, Oni, Patsy, Paul, Peter, Presvytera Connie, Taki, Tara, Violeta, John & Sheila Consos, Katherine & Sam Yalanzon

EPISTLE READING

The Reading is St. Paul's First Letter to
the Corinthians 4:9-16



Prokeimenon. Mode 1.

Psalm 32.22,1

Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us.

Verse: Rejoice in the Lord, O ye righteous.

BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

ΑΩ

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ θεὸς ἡμᾶς τοὺς ἀποστόλους ἐσχάτους ἀπέδειξεν ὡς ἐπιθανατίους· ὅτι θεάτρον ἐγενήθημεν τῷ κόσμῳ, καὶ ἀγγέλοις, καὶ ἀνθρώποις. Ἡμεῖς μωροὶ διὰ Χριστόν, ὑμεῖς δὲ φρόνιμοι ἐν Χριστῷ· ἡμεῖς ἀσθενεῖς, ὑμεῖς δὲ ἰσχυροί· ὑμεῖς ἔνδοξοι, ἡμεῖς δὲ ἄτιμοι. Ἄχρι τῆς ἄρτι ὥρας καὶ πεινῶμεν, καὶ διψῶμεν, καὶ γυμνητεύομεν, καὶ κολαφιζόμεθα, καὶ ἀστατοῦμεν, καὶ κοπιῶμεν ἐργαζόμενοι ταῖς ἰδίαις χερσίν· λοιδορούμενοι εὐλογοῦμεν· διωκόμενοι ἀνεχόμεθα· βλασφημοῦμενοι παρακαλοῦμεν· ὡς περικαθάρματα τοῦ κόσμου ἐγενήθημεν, πάντων περίψημα ἕως ἄρτι. Οὐκ ἐντρέπων ὑμᾶς γράφω ταῦτα, ἀλλ' ὡς τέκνα μου ἀγαπητὰ νουθετῶ. Ἐὰν γὰρ μυρίους παιδαγωγοὺς ἔχητε ἐν Χριστῷ, ἀλλ' οὐ πολλοὺς πατέρας· ἐν γὰρ Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ διὰ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου ἐγὼ ὑμᾶς ἐγέννησα. Παρακαλῶ οὖν ὑμᾶς, μιμηταὶ μου γίνεσθε.

GOSPEL READING

The Reading is from Matthew 17:14-23



At that time, a man came up to Him and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

ΑΩ

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐλθόντων αὐτῶν πρὸς τὸν ὄχλον προσῆλθεν αὐτῷ ἄνθρωπος γονυπετῶν αὐτὸν καὶ λέγων· Κύριε, ἐλέησόν μου τὸν υἱόν, ὅτι σεληνιάζεται καὶ κακῶς πάσχει· πολλάκις γὰρ πίπτει εἰς τὸ πῦρ καὶ πολλάκις εἰς τὸ ὕδωρ. καὶ προσήνεγκα αὐτὸν τοῖς μαθηταῖς σου, καὶ οὐκ ἠδυνήθησαν αὐτὸν θεραπεῦσαι. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· ὦ γενεὰ ἄπιστος καὶ διεστραμμένη! ἕως πότε ἔσομαι μεθ' ὑμῶν; ἕως πότε ἀνέξομαι ὑμῶν; φέρετέ μοι αὐτὸν ὧδε. καὶ ἐπετίμησεν αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς, καὶ ἐξῆλθεν ἀπ' αὐτοῦ τὸ δαιμόνιον καὶ ἐθεραπεύθη ὁ παῖς ἀπὸ τῆς ὥρας ἐκείνης. Τότε προσελθόντες οἱ μαθηταὶ τῷ Ἰησοῦ κατ' ἰδίαν εἶπον· διατί ἡμεῖς οὐκ ἠδυνήθημεν ἐκβαλεῖν αὐτό; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· διὰ τὴν ἀπιστίαν ὑμῶν. ἀμὴν γὰρ λέγω ὑμῖν, ἐὰν ἔχητε πίστιν ὡς κόκκον σινάπεως, ἐρεῖτε τῷ ὄρει τούτῳ, μεταβῆθι ἐντεῦθεν ἐκεῖ, καὶ μεταβήσεται, καὶ οὐδὲν ἀδυνατήσῃ ὑμῖν. τοῦτο δὲ τὸ γένος οὐκ ἐκπορεύεται εἰ μὴ ἐν προσευχῇ καὶ νηστείᾳ. Ἀναστρεφομένων δὲ αὐτῶν εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν εἶπεν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· μέλλει ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδίδοσθαι εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἐγερθήσεται. καὶ ἐλυπήθησαν σφόδρα.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & UPCOMING EVENTS

Father Barnabas is available to hear confession every Wednesday either before or after Vespers and by appointment. Please call or email the church office to request a time to meet with Father and avail yourself to this healing divine mystery of the Church.

Father Paul is available on Sunday during Orthros to hear confession, but no later than 9:20 a.m. Please phone the church office to make an appointment.

Please call the Church office for more information (770) 781-5250.

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TODAY, August 17th

8:45 a.m. Orthros/10 a.m. Divine Liturgy

Greek Dance Practice following Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, August 19th

6:30 p.m. Women's Fellowship at the home of Mary Milam

Wednesday, August 13th

6:30 p.m. Vespers followed by Orthodoxy 101

Saturday, August 16th

5 p.m. Great Vespers

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION HAS BEGUN!

Registration forms are available in the Narthex.

We look forward to beginning another year on the Sunday of the Exaltation of the Cross, September 14th.

ATTENTION CHURCH SCHOOL TEACHERS

Sunday, August 24th, following Divine Liturgy - Meeting with Fr. Paul in the Teen Room

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2014 GREEK FEST, October 17-19 - Volunteers Needed Immediately: AD SALES—URGENT! - Chair needed to lead sales of ads for festival program;

Children's Area—Chair needed to host this area.

Please contact Johnny Melts to advise your interest at johnnymelts@gmail.com or 770-843-7713

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Parish Monthly Income/Expense Analysis

	<i>1st Quarter Financial Totals 2014</i>	<i>2nd Quarter Financial Totals 2014</i>	<i>3rd Quarter Financial Status 2014</i>	
			July 2014	August 2014
Op Acct & B&L (mortgage) External Income	\$44,314.98	\$52,885.67	\$ 17,826.64	\$6,209.51
Greek Festival Funds Transfer for Mortgage Payment	10,984.39	5,984.39	\$ 5,984.39	-
Op Acct External Income Subtotal	\$55,299.37	\$58,870.06	\$ 23,811.03	\$6,209.51
Op Acct & B&L (mortgage) External Expenses	\$67,024.51	\$70,422.01	\$ 16,170.97	\$6,613.68
Op Acct & B&L (mortgage) Net	\$<11,725.14>	\$<11,551.95>	\$ 7,640.06	\$<404.17>

**To date the 91 families below have returned
Stewardship Commitment Cards for 2014.**

James & Angeline Andropoulos
George & Maria Andros
Sarante & Julie Athenson
Stephen & Deane Barnard
Matthew & Brittany Beckett
Anthony & Mary Birozes
Renee Birozes
Jordan & Lisa Boston
Deborah Bowen
David & Michelle Boyd
Kosta & Carolyn Bozzuto
Lenny Brown
David & Marie Chapman
Russell & Chyrisse Chason
Grace Chihlas
Julie Chokos
Giles & Emily Christie
Eddie & Connie Clark
Connie Condos
John & Sheila Consos
Keith & Mary Druffner
Gregory & Mariya Dunkel
Quay & Trissie Farr
Chris & Elizabeth Foxhall
Robert & Jennifer Guano
Harald & Stamatia Hagen
Allison Hammond
Christine Hatcher
Michael & Ann Costakis Hayes
Harriet Howell
Mark & Jennie Johnson
Eleni Jordan
Panagiotis & Melanie Jordanopoulos
Vasilis & Mary Kaloudis
Jim Kanellos
Aphrodite Levendakis-Kazazakis
Tasso & Laura Kefalas
Paul Kremer
Melanie Loumakis
David & Lynne Lucher
Archie & Florence Lytle
Tina Maheras
Wade & Andrea Mancil
Angelica Manolakis
Kiki Manolakis
William & Margaret Manos
Bill & Audrey Marianes
Riley & Ann Marvos
George Matthews
Al & Helen McCart
Johnny Melts
Bill & Mary Milam
Matthew & Athena Miller
Nikolaos Moissiadis
Patricia Morris
Nicolas & Teddie Panos
Constantinos & Evelyn Pantazopoulos
Lazaros & Christina Papadopoulos
Gregory Pappas
Gus Pappas
Tom & Lillian Pappas
John & Evon Patrick
Michele Perry
Mihai & Heidi Popa
Fr. Barnabas & Presvytera Connie Powell
Pam Powers
Vic & Suzi Pryles
Marina Raymond
Aftan & Cheri Romanczak
Donna Sagnelli
Mary Samaltanos
Dina Sarandis
Taka & Kathy Shoji
Jimmy Smith
Estelle Sofikitis
George & Anna Sofikitis
James Stockdill
Koko & Carol Tadros
Steven & Thalia Thompson
Ed & Anne Trainor
Nick & Eva Thrasivoulou
Brian & Jennifer Tubbs
Greg Tzevelekos/Evie Atkinson
Rusty & Christine Waldron
Diane Walters
Steven & Smara Wolff
Plutarch & Tina Vamvakias
Len Vanerstrom
Jacob & Katherine Wilson
Sam & Katherine Yalanzon
George & Thalia Zazanis