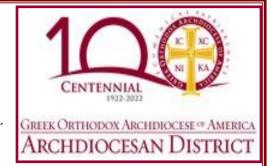


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Η Εκκλησία του Αρχαγγέλου Μιχαήλ

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Plagal 4th Tone-9h Morning Gospel / Ἦχος πλ. Θ΄ - Ἑωθινόν Θ΄
9th Sunday of Matthew: August 14, 2022



The Icon of the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos shows her on her deathbed surrounded by the Apostles. Christ is standing in the center (1.) looking at His mother. He is holding a small child clothed in white representing the soul of the Virgin Mary. With His golden garments, the angels above His head, and the mandorla surrounding Him, Christ is depicted in His divine glory.

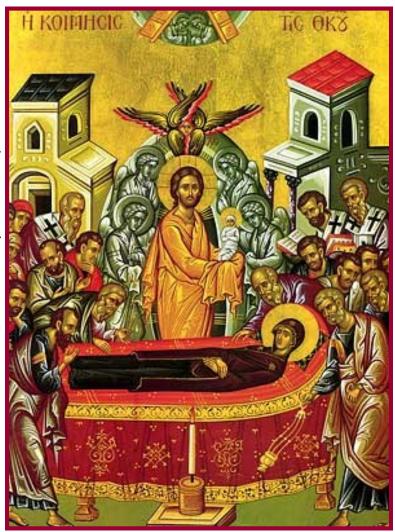
The posture of the Apostles direct attention toward the Theotokos (2.). On the right Saint Peter censes the body of the Theotokos. On the left Saint Paul (3.) bows low in honor of her.

Together with the Apostles are several bishops (4.) and women. The bishops traditionally represented are James, the brother of the Lord, Timothy, Heirotheus, and Dionysius the Areopagite. They are shown wearing episcopal vestments. The women are members of the church in Jerusalem.

In front of the bed of the Theotokos is a candle (5.) that helps to form a central axis in the icon. Above the candle is the body of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary. Standing over His mother is Christ holding her most pure soul. Above Christ the gates of heaven stand open, ready to receive the Mother of God

This great Feast of the Church and the icon celebrates a fundamental teaching of our faith—the Resurrection of the body. In the case of the Theotokos, this has been accomplished by the divine will of God. Thus, this Feast is a feast of hope, hope in Resurrection and life eternal. Like those who gathered around the body of the Virgin Mary, we gather around our departed loved ones and commend their souls into the hands of Christ. As we remember those who have reposed in the faith before us and have passed on into the communion of the Saints, we prepare ourselves to one day be received into the new life of the age to come.

We also affirm through this Feast as we journey toward our heavenly abode that the Mother of God intercedes for us. Through Christ she has become the mother of all of the children of God, embracing us with divine love.



Κυριακή: Θ΄ ΜΑΤΘΑΙΟΥ. Προεόρτια τῆς Κοιμήσεως τῆς Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου καί Άειπαρθένου Μαρίας. Τοῦ Άγίου Προφήτου Μιχαίου. Τοῦ Αγίου Ιερομάρτυρος Μαρκέλλου, Έπισκόπου Απαμείας, καί τοῦ Αγίου Νεομάρτυρος Συμεών τοῦ ἐκ Τραπεζοῦντος (+1653)

Απολυτίκιον Ήχος πλ. δ΄

Έξ ΰψους κατῆλθες ὁ εὔσπλαγχνος, ταφὴν καταδέξω τριήμερον, ίνα ήμᾶς έλευθερώσης τῶν παθών ή ζωή καὶ ή ἀνάστασις ἡμών, Κύριε δόξα σοι .

Απολυτίκιον Προεόρτιον, Ήχος δ'

Λαοὶ προσκιρτήσατε, χεῖρας κροτοῦντες πιστῶς, καὶ πόθω άθροίσθητε, σήμερον χαίροντες, καὶ φαιδρῶς άλαλάζοντες, πάντες ἐν εὐφροσυνη: τοῦ Θεοῦ γὰρ ἡ Μήτηρ, μέλλει τῶν ἐπιγείων, πρὸς τὰ ἄνω ἀπαίρειν, ἐνδόξως ἣν ἐν ὅμνοις ἀεί, ώς Θεοτόκον δοξάζομεν.

Κοντάκιον του Μνημοσύνου

Μνήσθητι Κύριε, ώς ἀγαθός τοῦ (τῆς, τῶν) δούλου (ης, ων) σου, καὶ δσα ἐν βίῳ ἣμαρτ(εν) (εν) (ον) συγχώρησον* οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, είμη σύ ὁ δυνάμενος καὶ τ(ῶ) (ῆ) (οῖς) μεταστά (ντι) (ση) (σι) δοῦναι τὴν ἀνάπαυση.

Απολυτίκον του Αρχαγγέλου Μιχαήλ

<u>Άρχιστρ</u>άτηγε, οὐρανίων στρατιών Τῶν δυσωπούμέν σε ἀεὶ ἡμεῖς οἱ ἀνάξιοι, ἵνα ταὶς σαὶς δεήσεσι τειχίσης ήμᾶς, σκέπη τῶν πτερύγων τῆς άϋλου σου δόξης, φρουρῶν ἡμᾶς προσπίπτοντας έκτενῶς καὶ βοῶντας, ἐκ τῶν κινδύνων λύτρωσαι ήμᾶς, ὡς Ταξιάρχης τῶν ἄνω δυνάμεων.

Απολυτίκιον τῆς Μεγαλομάρτυρος Αἰκατερίνης

Τὴν πανεύφημον νύμφην Χριστοῦ ὑμνήσωμεν, Αἰκατερῖναν τὴν θείαν καὶ πολιοῦχον Σινᾶ, τὴν καὶ ἀντίληψιν, ὅτι ἐφίμωσε βοήθειαν ἡμῶν λαμπρῶς, κομψοὺς τῶν τοὺς ἀσεβῶν, Πνεύματος τῆ μαχαίρα, καὶ νῦν ὡς Μάρτυς στεφθεῖσα, αἰτεῖται πᾶσι τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Κοντάκιον Προεόρτιον Ήχος δ'

Τῆ ἐνδόξῷ μνήμη σου ἡ οἰκουμένη, τῷ ἀΰλῷ Πνεύματι, πεποικιλμένη νοερῶς, ἐν εὐφροσύνῃ κραυγάζει σοι Χαῖρε Παρθένε, Χριστιανῶν τὸ καύχημα.

Sunday: The 9th Sunday of MATHEW. The Forefeast of the Fallings Asleep of the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary. The Prophet Micha. The Holy Hier-Martyer Markellos, Bishop of Apamias, and the Holy New-Martyr Symeon of Trapezountas (+1653)

Resurrection Apolytikion Plagal of the 4th Tone

From on high you decended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to you, O Lord.

The Apolytikion of the Forefeast, 4th Tone
In faith, O ye people, leap for joy while clapping your hands; * and gather in gladness on this day with longing and shout in radiant jubilance, * For the Theotokos cometh nigh to departing * from the earth unto the heights; and we glorify her * with glory as the Mother of God in our unceasing hymns.

Kontakion of the Memorial

Remember, O Lord, as You are good, Your servant (s), and forgive every sin he (she, they) have committed in this life. For no one is sinless except You, Who have power to grant rest to those who have fallen asleep.

Apolytikion of the Archangel Michael

Supreme Commanders of the Hosts of heavens, * we, the unworthy, importune and beseech you * that by your supplilcations ye encircle us * in the shelter of the wings * of your immaterial glory, * guarding us who now fall down * and cry to you with fervor: * Deliver us from dangers of all kinds, * as the great marshals of the heavenly hosts on high.

Apolytikion of the Great Martyr Catherine
Let us praise the all-lauded and noble bride of Christ, * the godly Catherine, the guardian of Sinai and its defence, * who is also our support and succor and our help; * for with the Holy Spirit's sword * she hath silenced brilliantly the clever among the godless; * and being crowned as a Martyr, she now doth ask great mercy for us all.

Kontakion of the Forefeast, 4th Tone

In the Immaterial * Spirit, the whole world * hath been mystically adorned * upon thy glorious memory; * and it dothy cry to thee joyously: Rejoice, O Virgin, thou boast of the Christian race.

Α΄ ΠΡΟΣ ΚΟΡΙΝΘΙΟΥΣ 3:9-17

Θεοῦ γάρ ἐσμεν συνεργοί Θεοῦ γεώργιον, Θεοῦ οἰκοδομή ἐστε. Κατὰ τὴν χάριν τοῦ Θεοῦ τὴν δοθεῖσάν μοι ὡς σοφὸς ἀρχιτέκτων θεμέλιον τέθεικα, ἄλλος δὲ ἐποικοδομεῖ ἕκαστος δὲ βλεπέτω πῶς ἐποικοδομεῖ θεμέλιον γὰρ ἄλλον οὐδεὶς δύναται θεῖναι παρὰ τὸν κείμενον, ὅς ἐστιν Ἰησοῦς Χριστός. εἰ δέ τις ἐποικοδομεῖ ἐπὶ τὸν θεμέλιον τοῦτον χρυσόν, ἄργυρον, λίθους τιμίους, ξύλα, χόρτον, καλάμην, ἑκάστου τὸ ἔργον φανερὸν γενήσεται ἡ γὰρ ἡμέρα δηλώσει ὅτι ἐν πυρὶ ἀποκαλύπτεται καὶ ἑκάστου τὸ ἔργον ὁποῖόν ἐστι τὸ πῦρ δοκιμάσει. εἴ τινος τὸ ἔργον μενεῖ ὁ ἐπωκοδόμησε, μισθὸν λήψεται εἴ τινος τὸ ἔργον κατακαήσεται, ζημιωθήσεται, αὐτὸς δὲ σωθήσεται, οὕτως δὲ ὡς διὰ πυρός. Οὐκ οἴδατε ὅτι ναὸς Θεοῦ ἐστε καὶ τὸ Πνεῦμα τοῦ Θεοῦ οἰκεῖ ἐν ὑμῖν; εἴ τις τὸν ναὸν τοῦ Θεοῦ φθείρει, φθερεῖ τοῦτον ὁ Θεός ὁ γὰρ ναὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ ἄγιός ἐστιν, οἵτινές ἐστε ὑμεῖς.

St. Paul's 1st Letter to the Corinthians 3:9-17

For we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, you are God's building. According to the grace of God which was given to me, as a wise master builder I have laid the foundation, and another builds on it. But let each one take heed how he builds on it. For no other foundation can anyone lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if anyone builds on this foundation with gold, silver, precious stones, wood, hay, straw, each one's work will become clear; for the Day will declare it, because it will be revealed by fire; and the fire will test each one's work, of what sort it is. If anyone's work which he has built on it endures, he will receive a reward. If anyone's work is burned, he will suffer loss; but he himself will be saved, yet so as through fire. Do you not know that you are the temple of God and that the Spirit of God dwells in you? If anyone defiles the temple of God, God will destroy him. For the temple of God is holy, which temple you are.

Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 14:22-34

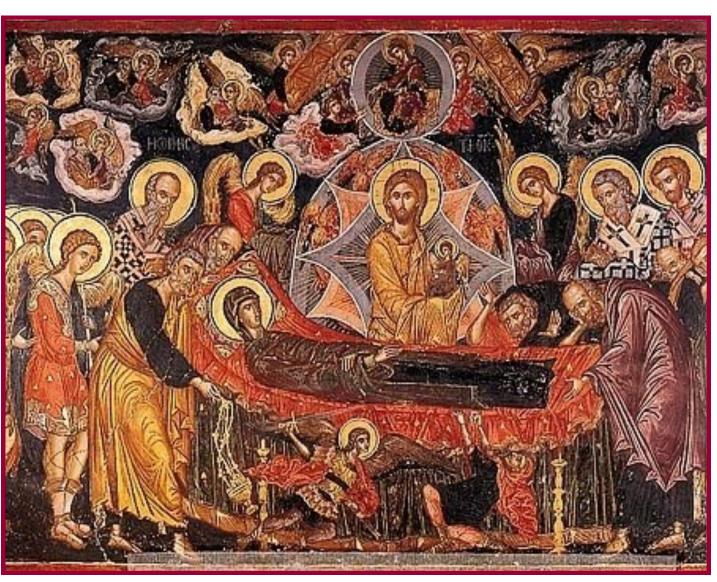
Καὶ εὐθέως ἠνάγκασεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ ἐμβῆναι εἰς τὸ πλοῖον καὶ προάγειν αὐτὸν εἰς τὸ πέραν, ἔως οὖ ἀπολύση τοὺς ὅχλους. καὶ ἀπολύσας τοὺς ὅχλους ἀνέβη εἰς τὸ ὅρος κατ' ἰδίαν προσεύξασθαι. ὀψίας δὲ γενομένης μόνος ἦν ἐκεῖ. τὸ δὲ πλοῖον ἤδη μέσον τῆς θαλάσσης ἦν, βασανιζόμενον ὑπὸ τῶν κυμάτων ἦν γὰρ ἐναντίος ὁ ἄνεμος. τετάρτη δὲ φυλακῆ τῆς νυκτὸς ἀπῆλθε πρὸς αὐτοὺς ὁ Ἰησοῦς περιπατῶν ἐπὶ τῆς θαλάσσης. καὶ ἰδόντες αὐτὸν οἱ δὲ μαθηταὶ ἐπὶ τὴν θάλασσαν περιπατοῦντα ἐταράχθησαν λέγοντες ὅτι φάντασμά ἐστι, καὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ φόβου ἔκραξαν. εὐθέως δὲ ἐλάλησεν αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγων Θαρσεῖτε, ἐγώ εἰμι μὴ φοβεῖσθε. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Πέτρος εἶπε· Κύριε, εἰ σὺ εἶ, κέλευσόν με πρὸς σὲ ἐλθεῖν ἐπὶ τὰ ὕδατα · ὁ δὲ εἶπεν, Ἐλθέ. καὶ καταβὰς ἀπὸ τοῦ πλοίου ὁ Πέτρος περιεπάτησεν ἐπὶ τὰ ὕδατα ἐλθεῖν πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν. βλέπων δὲ τὸν ἄνεμον ἰσχυρὸν ἐφοβήθη, καὶ ἀρξάμενος καταποντίζεσθαι ἔκραξε λέγων Κύριε, σῶσόν με. εὐθέως δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐκτείνας τὴν χεῖρα ἐπελάβετο αὐτοῦ καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ. Ὁλιγόπιστε! εἰς τί ἐδίστασας; καὶ ἐμβάντων αὐτῶν εἰς τὸ πλοῖον ἐκόπασεν ὁ ἄνεμος. οἱ δὲ ἐν τῷ πλοίω ἐλθόντες προσεκύνησαν αὐτῷ λέγοντες· Ἀληθῶς Θεοῦ υἰὸς εἶ. Καὶ διαπεράσαντες ἦλθον εἰς τὴν γῆν Γεννησαρέτ.

The Gospel according to Matthew 14:22-34

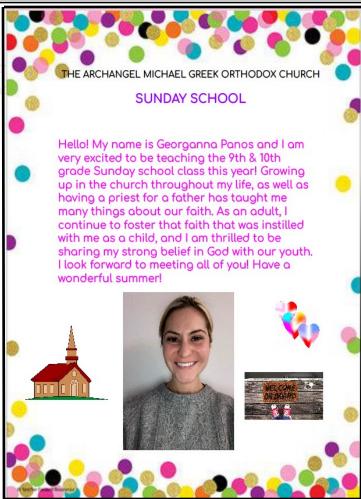
Immediately Jesus made His disciples get into the boat and go before Him to the other side, while He sent the multitudes away. And when He had sent the multitudes away, He went up on the mountain by Himself to pray. Now when evening came, He was alone there. But the boat was now [in the middle of the sea, tossed by the waves, for the wind was contrary. Now in the fourth watch of the night Jesus went to them, walking on the sea. And when the disciples saw Him walking on the sea, they were troubled, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them, saying, "Be of good cheer! It is I; do not be afraid." And Peter answered Him and said, "Lord, if it is You, command me to come to You on the water." So He said, "Come." And when Peter had come down out of the boat, he walked on the water to go to Jesus. But when he saw that the wind was boisterous, he was afraid; and beginning to sink he cried out, saying, "Lord, save me!" And immediately Jesus stretched out His hand and caught him, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they got into the boat, the wind ceased. Then those who were in the boat came and worshiped Him, saying, "Truly You are the Son of God." Many Touch Him and Are Made Well When they had crossed over, they came to the land of Gennesaret.

ΤΟ ΕΟΡΤΟΛΟΓΙΚΟ ΠΕΡΙΕΧΟΜΕΝΟ ΤΗΣ ΕΟΡΤΗΣ ΤΗΣ ΚΟΙΜΗΣΕΩΣ

Για την κατανόηση του εορτολογικού περιεχομένου της εορτής της Κοιμήσεως, όπως και των άλλων θεομητορικών εορτών, της Συλλήψεως, της Γεννήσεως και των Εισοδίων, πρέπει να κάμωμε μία μικρά αναδρομή στις πηγές, από τις οποίες αντλήθηκαν τα θεομητορικά αυτά θέματα. Διαφορετικά είναι αδύνατο να ερμηνεύση κανείς ό,τι συνδέεται με τον εορτασμό αυτόν, τα συναξάρια, την υμνογραφία και την εικονογραφία τους. Οι αυθεντικές ιστορικές πηγές, τά Ευαγγέλια και τα άλλα βιβλία της Καινής Διαθήκης, δεν μας διέσωσαν πληροφορίες για τον πρό του Ευαγγελισμού και για τον μετά την Ανάληψι του Κυρίου βίο της Θεοτόκου. Πρόθεσις των ιερών συγγραφέων ήταν να αφηγηθούν τον βίο και το σωτηριώδες έργο του Χριστού και ό,τι άμεσα συνεδέετο με Αυτόν και όχο να ικανοποιήσουν την ευλαβή περιέργεια ή τα ιστορικά ενδιαφέροντα των αναγνωστών τους. Η παράδοσις όμως της Εκκλησίας διέσωσε από στόματος εις στόμα διάφορες πληροφορίες πού αφορούσαν στον βίο της Θεοτόκου πρό της συλλήψεως του Κυρίου και μετά την Ανάστασί Του. Αργότερα διάφοροι ευλαβείς, κατά το πλείστον, συγγραφείς περιέλαβαν τις πληροφορίες αυτές και τις ανέπτυξαν με την φαντασία τους και για να έχουν περισσότερο κύρος έθεσαν στους τίτλους των έργων τους μεγάλα αποστολικά ονόματα. Η Εκκλησία α[ερριψε και κατεδίκασε τα βιβλία αυτά και τα ωνόμασε Απόκρυφα και Ψευδεπίγραφα. Σε μεταγενεστέρα εποχή πολλές από τις διηγήσεις αυτές, τουλάχιστον στις βασικές τους γραμμές, έδωσαν θέματα στην διαμόρφωσι εορτών, στην σύνταξι συναξαρίων, στην ποίηση ύμνων και στην εικονογραφία. Εξ άλλου, καθώς προείπαμε, ο πυρήν των διηγήσεων αυτών είχε ως βάσι του παμπάλαιες ιστορικές παραδόσεις γυ΄ρω από το πρόσωπο της Θεοτόκου.









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Books That Inspire

In his book, Mary: The Untrodden Portal of God (\$15), Dr. George Gabriel explores the mystery of the Virgin Mary who offered herself as the ground where the Creator descended to meet His Creation. His work is a product of the living experience of the Church and not mere reasoning. The author shares his understanding of liturgical tradition and the writings of the Holy Fathers and relates the Virgin to many aspects of Orthodox theology, including icons.

The Ascetic Lives of Mothers (\$15) by mother of 10 Annalisa Boyd includes relatable snippets of all parents' (grandparents, godparents too) challenges, including stories of saints who faced similar ones, quotations from saints and Scripture, and prayers that address them. A wide variety of other prayers, passages on virtues, vices, and guidelines for Holy Confession and much more is included in this book that moms and even dads (!) will turn to every day.

In Forgotten Medicine: The Mystery of Repentance (\$12). Archimandrite Seraphim Aleksiev answers, again and again, the objections of those who resist the healing of the soul that comes through the sacrament of confession. The reader will gain a deeper understanding of the Church as a spiritual hospital. The book aims to give the reader the courage, certainty, and conviction to truly live in Christ "without further care."

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Friday September 16th / 12-8pm

Special features - ice cream truck from 4-8pm Live Quartet Music - 6-8pm

Saturday September 17th / 12-8pm

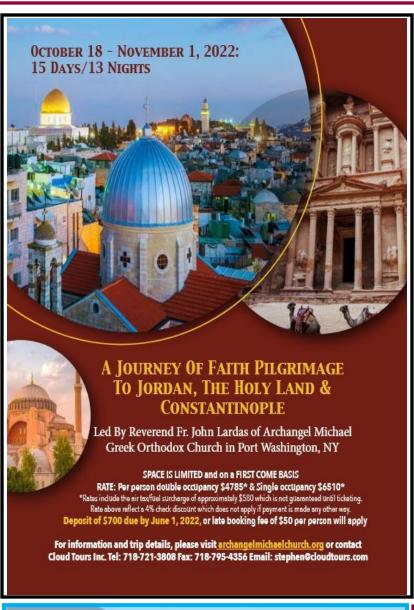
Special features - Sip & Shop 5-8pm

Sunday September 18th / 2-7pm

Special features: Loukoumathes & Frappes (for Sale), Coffee free Give Away Bag Special Promotion

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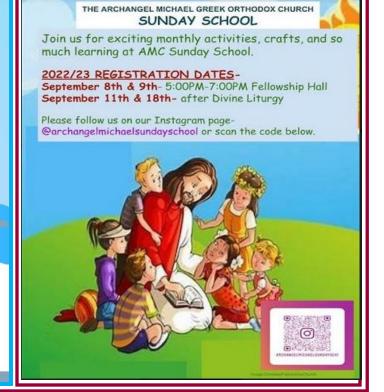


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and a schedule of classes in our weekly email blast!

Adults and Teens with Dr. Marla Athanasopoulou, Professor In Modern Greek at Queens College and

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Saints of the Week:

Today, August 14th ~ Forefeast of the Dormition

Monday, August 15th ~ Dormition of the Theotokos

<u>Tuesday, August 16th</u> ~ Translation of the Image of Christ; St. Diomedes of Tarsus

Wednesday, August 17th ~ Sts. Myron of Cyzicus, Straton, Philip, Eutychian & Cyprian

<u>Thursday</u>, <u>August 18th</u>~ Sts. Floros & Lauros of Illyria; Sts. John & George, Patriarch of Constantinople

Friday, August 19th ~ St. Andrew & his 2,593 soldiers, Sts. Timothy, Agapius, and Thecla

<u>Saturday</u>, <u>August 20th</u> ~ St. Samuel the Prophet, St. Lukios the Counselor

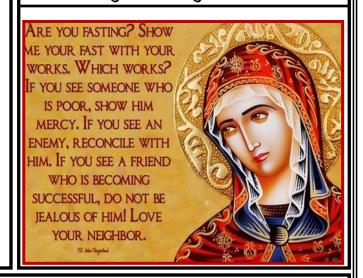
Sunday, August 21st~ St. Thaddeus of the 70, St. Bassa & her sons

Today's Memorial:

~ 40 days for George Alexandridis



May his memory be eternal!



Worship Services

Monday, Aug. 15th

Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos

Orthros 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy 9:30 am



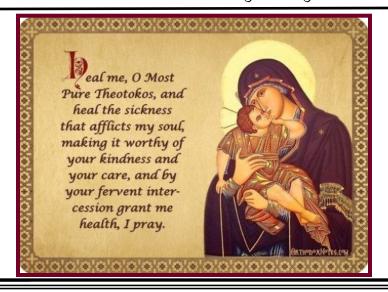
Upcoming Events

Now till August 31st ~ Drop off for Fabulous Finds

<u>September 8th & 9th ~ (7 to 9 pm) in Fellowship Hall</u> Registration for All Youth Ministries

Additional Registration dates for Sunday School ~ Sunday, September 11th & 18th ~ after Divine Liturgy <u>September 15th through 18th ~</u>

The new Fab Finds at AMC only! (See flyer)





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