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SUNDAY, MARCH 31, 2024 Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

#### ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ № ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΛΟΞΗ ΚΟΙΝΟΤΗΤΑ

## ΑΓΙΟΥ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ

ΒΑΛΤΙΜΟΡΗ, ΜΕΡΙΛΑΝΤ

«εβδομαδιαίο δελτίο»

#### ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ 31 ΜΑΡΤΙΟΥ 2024

Κυριακή Αγίου Γρηγορίου Παλαμά.

#### ΚΑΛΩΣΟΡΙΣΜΑ

Εκ μέρους του Ενοριακού Συμβουλίου και όλων των μελών της Κοινότητας καλωσορίζουμε τους αγαπημένους μας ενορίτες και τους φίλους επισκέπτες, που ήλθαν σήμερα να εκκλησιαστούν μαζί μας στη Θεία Λειτουργία.

#### ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΚΟ ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ

Δευτέρα 1 Αποιλίου: Μέγα Απόδειπνο, 6:30 μ.μ.

Τετάοτη 3 Αποιλίου: Ποοηγιασμένη Θεία Λειτουογία, 6:30 μ.μ.

Παρασκευή 5 Απριλίου:  $\Gamma'$  Χαιρετισμοί, 6:30 μ.μ.

Κυριακή 7 Απριλίου: Σταυροπροσκυνήσεως

Όρθρος: 8:30 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία: 9:45π.μ.

#### ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ

Τελούμε σήμερα Μνημόσυνα υπέρ αναπαύσεως του εν Χριστώ αδελφού μας Νικολάου Αργετάκη (3 μήνες) και Νικολάου Μπαλατσούκα (6 μήνες). Η οικογένεια Αργετάκη προσφέρει σήμερα τον καφέ και ευχαριστούμε τις οικογένειες Αργετάκη και Μπαλατσούκα για τις γενναιόδωρες προσφορές τους στην εκκλησία μας.

#### WELCOME ALL VISITORS

On behalf of the entire Parish, we would like to welcome all visitors who came to worship with us today during the Divine Liturgy.

#### LITURGICAL PROGRAM

Monday, April 1:	Great Compline Service	6:30 pm
Wednesday, April 3:	Pre-Sanctified Liturgy	6:30 pm
Friday, April 5:	Third Salutations to the Theotokos	6:30 pm
Sunday, April 7:	Third Sunday of Lent: Veneration of	of the Holy Cross:

Orthros 8:30 am, Divine Liturgy 9:45 am

#### **MEMORIALS**

Nicholaos Argetakis (3 months) Nicholaos Balatsoukas (6 months). The Coffee hour is sponsored by the Argetakis Family and we thank the Argetakis and Balatsoukas families for their generous donations to our church.

#### **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

SATURDAY, APRIL 6 Philoptochos Lenten Retreat
6-9 JUNE St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival

**St. Demetrios Lenten Retreat** on Saturday, April 13th, 8:30 am-3:30pm. Cost \$35,00 Before April 1st, after then \$40,00. Includes breakfast and lunch. Speaker: Rev. Dr. Nicholas Louh from Jacksonville, FL. Contact Sophia Vasilios: 410-350-6195

#### **SCHOLARSHIPS**

"The AHEPA 364 Lord Baltimore Chapter scholarship application action for 2024 is now available at www.ahepa364.org. Application is due April 15. 2024! If you have questions feel free to text Col. John E. Gavrilis, Scholarship Chairman, 443-474-4001"

**Koutsonouris Scholarship:** Any student whose family is a member in Good Standing with the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church is eligible to apply for this scholarship award. The application forms are available in the Church office. Completed Applications should be Postmarked no later than Saturday June 1st, 2024.

#### Εἰσοδικόν. Ἡχος β'.

Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι, Ἀλληλούϊα.

#### Απολυτίκιον Άναστάσιμον.

Ότε κατῆλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας, τῆ ἀστραπῆ τῆς θεότητος ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον Ζωοδότα Χριστέ, ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

#### Τοῦ Ἱεράρχου.

Όρθοδοξίας ό φωστήρ, Ἐκκλησίας τὸ στήριγμα καὶ διδάσκαλε, τῶν μοναστῶν ἡ καλλονὴ, τῶν θεολόγων ὑπέρμαχος ἀπροσμάχητος Γρηγόριε θαυματουργὲ Θεσσαλονίκης τὸ καύχημα κήρυξ τῆς χάριτος ἱκέτευε διὰ παντός, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

#### Κοντάκιον.

Τῆ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, Ώς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, Ἀναγράφω σοι ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε. Ἀλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, Ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, Ἱνα κράζω σοι Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

#### **Entrance Hymn. Mode 2.**

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

#### Resurrectional Apolytikion.

When You descended unto Death, O Lord, You who are immortal Life put Hades to death, by the lightning of Your divinity. And when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the hosts of heaven sang aloud to You, "O Christ God, Giver of life, glory to You!"

#### For the Hierarch.

Beacon of Orthodox belief, the strong support of the Church and her teacher inspired by God, you are the ornament of monks, the unassailable champion of theologians, O Gregory the Wonderworker and the boast of Thessalonica, the messenger of grace. Forever earnestly entreat for the salvation of our souls.

#### Kontakion.

O Champion General, I your City now inscribe to you Triumphant anthems as the tokens of my gratitude, Being rescued from the terrors, O Theotokos. Inasmuch as you have power unassailable, From all kinds of perils free me, so that unto you I may cry aloud: Rejoice, O unwedded Bride.

#### **Απόστολος**

Κατ' ἀρχὰς σύ, Κύριε, τὴν γῆν ἐθεμελίωσας, καὶ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σού εἰσιν οἱ οὐρανοί· αὐτοὶ ἀπολοῦνται, σὺ δὲ διαμένεις· καὶ πάντες ὡς ἱμάτιον παλαιωθήσονται, καὶ ὡσεὶ περιβόλαιον ἑλίξεις αὐτούς, καὶ ἀλλαγήσονται· σὺ δὲ ὁ αὐτὸς εἶ, καὶ τὰ ἔτη σου οὐκ ἐκλείψουσι. πρὸς τίνα δὲ τῶν ἀγγέλων εἴρηκέ ποτε· κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου ἔως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποπόδιον τῶν ποδῶν σου; οὐχὶ πάντες εἰσὶ λειτουργικὰ πνεύματα εἰς διακονίαν ἀποστελλόμενα διὰ τοὺς μέλλοντας κληρονομεῖν σωτηρίαν; Διὰ τοῦτο δεῖ περισσοτέρως ἡμᾶς προσέχειν τοῖς ἀκουσθεῖσι, μή ποτε παραρρυῶμεν. εἰ γὰρ ὁ δι' ἀγγέλων λαληθεὶς λόγος ἐγένετο βέβαιος, καὶ πᾶσα παράβασις καὶ παρακοὴ ἔλαβεν ἔνδικον μισθαποδοσίαν, πῶς ἡμεῖς ἐκφευξόμεθα τηλικαύτης ἀμελήσαντες σωτηρίας; ἥτις ἀρχὴν λαβοῦσα λαλεῖσθαι διὰ τοῦ Κυρίου, ὑπὸ τῶν ἀκουσάντων εἰς ἡμᾶς ἐβεβαιώθη.

#### The Epistle

"In the beginning, Lord, you founded the earth, and the heavens are the work of your hands; they will perish, but you remain; they will all wear out like clothing; like a cloak you will roll them up, and like clothing they will be changed. But you are the same, and your years will never end." But to what angel has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand until I make your enemies a footstool for your feet"? Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation? Therefore we must pay closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him.

#### Τὸ Εὐαγγέλιον

Τῷ καιοῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσῆλθε ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς Καπερναοὺμ δι' ἡμερῶν καὶ ηκούσθη ὅτι εἰς οἶκόν ἐστι. καὶ εὐθέως συνήχθησαν πολλοί, ὥστε μηκέτι χωρείν μηδὲ τὰ πρὸς τὴν θύραν καὶ ἐλάλει αὐτοῖς τὸν λόγον. καὶ ἔρχονται πρὸς αὐτὸν παραλυτικὸν φέροντες, αἰρόμενον ὑπὸ τεσσάρων καὶ μὴ δυνάμενοι προσεγγίσαι αὐτῷ διὰ τὸν ὄχλον, ἀπεστέγασαν τὴν στέγην ὅπου ἦν, καὶ ἐξορύξαντες χαλῶσι τὸν κράβαττον, ἐφ᾽ ὧ ὁ παραλυτικὸς κατέκειτο. ἰδὼν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν πίστιν αὐτῶν λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· τέκνον, ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου. ἦσαν δέ τινες τῶν γραμματέων ἐκεῖ καθήμενοι καὶ διαλογιζόμενοι ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις αὐτῶν τί οὖτος οὕτω λαλεῖ βλασφημίας; τίς δύναται ἀφιέναι ἁμαρτίας εἰ μὴ εἶς ὁ Θεός; καὶ εὐθέως ἐπιγνοὺς ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῷ πνεύματι αὐτοῦ ὅτι οὕτως αὐτοὶ διαλογίζονται ἐν ἑαυτοῖς, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τί ταῦτα διαλογίζεσθε ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ύμῶν; τί ἐστιν εὐκοπώτερον, εἰπεῖν τῷ παραλυτικῷ, ἀφέωνταί σου αἱ ἁμαρτίαι, ἢ εἰπεῖν, ἔγειρε καὶ ἄρον τὸν κράβαττόν σου καὶ περιπάτει; ἵνα δὲ εἰδῆτε ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχει ὁ υίὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἀφιέναι ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἁμαρτίας - λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ σοὶ λέγω, ἔγειρε καὶ ἄρον τὸν κράβαττόν σου καὶ ὕπαγε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου. καὶ ηγέρθη εὐθέως, καὶ ἄρας τὸν κράβαττον ἐξῆλθεν ἐναντίον πάντων, ώστε ἐξίστασθαι πάντας καὶ δοξάζειν τὸν Θεὸν λέγοντας ὅτι οὐδέποτε οὕτως εἴδομεν.

### The Gospel

At that time, Jesus entered Capernaum and it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room for them, not even about the door; and he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men.

And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and when they had made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak thus? It is a blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question thus in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your pallet and walk? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins" – he said to the paralytic – "I say to you, rise, take up your pallet and go home." And he rose, and immediately took up the pallet and went out before them all; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"





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