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25η Μαρτίου Ευαγγελισμός Της Θεοτόκου

Ἀπολυτίκιον

ᾠχος δ΄.

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τό Κεφάλαιον, καί τοῦ ἀπ΄ αἰῶνος Μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱός τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱός τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καί Γαβριήλ τήν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διό καί ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῇ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Pastoral Message

March 25th The Annunciation of the Theotokos

The Archangel Gabriel was sent from God to Nazareth in Galilee to the Virgin Mary nine months before Christ's Birth, to announce that she would have the privilege to be the Theotokos (Godbearer). "Rejoice, thou Full of Grace, the Lord is with thee: blessed art thou among women."

She then replied after some hesitation: "Behold the handmaid of the Lord; be it unto me according to thy word." And at this the Holy Spirit came upon her and the Son of God, Who existed before the ages, was conceived past speech and understanding, and became flesh in her immaculate body (Luke 1:26-38)

This Great Feast is considered one of the most revered feasts of the Orthodox Christian calendar for God shows his grace and love to the Theotokos Virgin Mary choosing her among all women and blessing the whole world with the incarnation of Christ our God and Saviour.

The Theotokos is considered a protectress of all women for she is the ultimate mother, the Mother of God. She was chosen for this honourable task because of her saintly demeanour and pure heart. May this Great Feast of the Theotokos grant us all wisdom to live and walk according to God's way, a way of spiritual progress and seemly lives.

Our Ladies Philoptochos celebrating the Feast of their patron Saint St. Philothei of Athens at Black Bull Restaurant in Edmonton on Feb. 17th. May God bless them for their dedicated work.



Reminder: Bible Study Thursdays 7-8pm.

St. George's Hellenic Language School:

Divine Liturgy on March 21st 10-11am with Doxology for Greek Independence Day of March 25, 1821.

Greek Independence day celebrations will follow the Divine Liturgy in our Church Hall with poems, songs, plays and dancing.

All teachers, parents and students are asked to be on time for Divine Liturgy.

Baptisms:

March 8th: Milano Sotirios Carrozza

Πρόγραμμα Ιερών Ακολουθιών/Schedule of Divine Services

ΜΑΡΤΙΟΣ 2015

- 1 Κυρ. Της Ορθοδοξίας. Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία του Μεγ. Βασιλείου. 9-11:30
1 Κυρ. Εσπερινος Της Ορθοδοξίας στον Ιερο Ναο του Αγ. Χέρμαν 9930 167 Street Edm. 6μμ.
4 Τετ. Προηγιασμένη Θ. Λειτουργία 10-11πμ.
6 Παρ. Β'Χαιρετισμοι 7μμ
8 Κυρ. Γρηγοριου του Παλαμά. Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία του Μεγ. Βασιλείου. 9-11:30
11 Τετ. Προηγιασμένη Θ. Λειτουργία 10-11πμ
13 Παρ. Γ'Χαιρετισμοι. 7μμ.
15 Κυρ. ΣΤΑΥΡΟΠΡΟΣΚΥΝΗΣΕΩΣ. Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία του Μεγ. Βασιλείου. 9-11:30
18 Τετ. Προηγιασμένη Θ. Λειτουργία 10-11πμ.
20 Παρ. Δ'Χαιρετισμοί 7μμ.
21 Σαβ, Θ. Λειτουργία & Δοξολογία για την Εθνική Γιορτή της 25ης Μαρτίου 1821. 10-11πμ.
22 Κυρ. Ιωάννου της Κλίμακος. Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία του Μεγ. Βασιλείου. 9-11:30.
24 Τριτ. Ευαγγελισμός της Θεοτόκου, Μεγας Εσπερινός 7μμ.
25 Τετ. Ευαγγελισμός της Θεοτόκου, Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία 9-11πμ
27 Παρ. Ακαθιστος Ύμνος 7μμ.
29 Κυρ. Μαρίας Αιγυπτίας. Ορθρος & Θ. Λειτουργία του Μεγ. Βασιλείου. 9-11:30πμ

MARCH 2015

- 1 Sun. Of Orthodoxy. Matins & D. Liturgy of St. Basil. 9-11:30am
1 Sun. Of Orthodoxy evening, Pan-orthodox Vespers At St. Herman's Church 9930 167 Street Edm. 6pm.
4 Wed. Pre-sanctified D. Liturgy 10-11am
6 Fri. 2nd Salutations. 7pm.
8 Sun. St. Gregory Palamas. Matins & D. Liturgy of St. Basil 9-11:30am
11 Wed. Pre-sanctified 10-11am.
13 Fri. 3rd Salutations. 7pm.
15 Sun. Veneration of the Holy Cross. Matins & D. Liturgy of St. Basil 9-11:30am
18 Wed. Pre-sanctified 10-11am.
20 Fri. 4th Salutations 7pm.
21 Sat. Divine Liturgy and Doxology for Greek Independence Day of March 25, 1821. 10-11am
22 Sun. St. John of Climacos. Matins & D. Liturgy of St. Basil 9-11:30am
24 Tues. Annunciation of the Theotokos, Gr. Vespers 7pm.
25 Wed. Annunciation of the Theotokos. Matins & D. Liturgy 9-11am.
27 Fri. Akathist Hymn. 7pm.
29 Sun. St. Mary of Egypt. Matins & D. Liturgy of St. Basil 9-11:30am