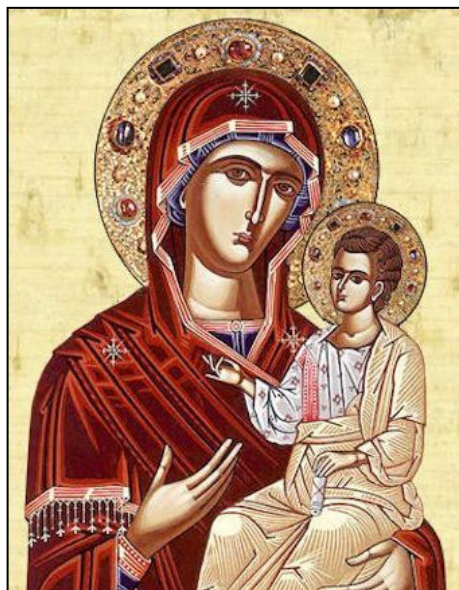


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SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

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EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Third Mode. Psalm 46.6,1.

Sing praises to our God, sing praises.

Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations.

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 9:32-42

In those days, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

GOSPEL READING

John 5:1-15

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked. Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.' They asked him, 'Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk?'" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

HYMNS OF THE DAY

Apolytikion for Great and Holy Pascha in the Plagal First Mode

Christ is risen from the dead, by death, trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Third Mode

Let the heavens rejoice; let the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. He trampled down death by death and became the firstborn of the dead. From the depths of Hades, He delivered us and granted to the world great mercy.

Apolytikion for the Church in the Fourth Mode

Your Birth o Theotokos, brought joy to the whole world. For from you rose the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God. He cancelled the curse and poured forth His grace: He vanquished death and granted us eternal life.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

Though You went down into the tomb, You destroyed Hades' power, and You rose the victor, Christ God, saying to the myrrh-bearing women, "Hail!" and granting peace to Your disciples, You who raise up the fallen.

WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

In that case [Matt 9:2] there was remission of sins, (for He said, "Thy sins be forgiven thee,") but in this, warning and threats to strengthen the man for the future; "Sin no more, lest a worse thing come unto you."

St. John Chrysostom

Homily 37 on John 1, 4th Century

NEW STREAMING SERVICE

We are streaming our church services on YouTube at the following channel:

www.youtube.com/@goclexlive

Contact George Arimes or Delores Minor if you have any questions. This will allow you to see live and/or past services. We will be happy to assist in getting you connected in your home by TV, computer or phone.



ST. NICHOLAS SUMMER CAMP

Saint Nicholas summer camp registration is open! This camp is run by the Greek Orthodox Diocese of Detroit, and caters to parishes in Kentucky, Tennessee, and southern Ohio. Our chapter offers a \$100.00 per child scholarship to camp each year. Camp will run 6/14-6/19. Father William is on staff every year. Adults can attend as chaperones. Camp is for children starting 3rd grade or current seniors in high school. Access the camp website at stnicholascamp.org (QR code to the right). Camp is in Leitchfield, KY and it is not a far drive. Please see Kristin with any questions.



SAINTS, PROPHETS & FEASTS COMMEMORATED

SUNDAY OF THE PARALYTIC

The Sunday of the Paralytic, celebrated as the fourth Sunday of Pascha in the Orthodox Church, commemorates Christ's healing of a man paralyzed for 38 years at the Sheep Pool in Jerusalem (John 5:1-15). It highlights Christ's power over illness and the spiritual paralysis of sin.

HOLY MARTYRS TIMOTHY AND MAURA

The Holy Martyrs Timothy and Maura were a young Egyptian Christian couple, married only 20 days, who were martyred in 286 AD under Emperor Diocletian. Timothy, a reader and church custodian in Antioch, was brutally tortured for refusing to surrender sacred books, with his wife Maura later joining him in martyrdom after initially faltering. They were crucified facing each other and endured for nine days, encouraging one another before dying.



TODAY'S EVENTS

- ✝ 3-year Memorial Service for **Nikolaus Aspiotis** (grandson of Chris & Kristin Eliopoulos)
- ✝ 2-year Memorial Service for **Athanasios Eliopoulos** (father of Chris & Kristin Eliopoulos)

UPCOMING SERVICE SCHEDULE

Wednesday, 5/6/26

6:00 PM – Vespers & Confession

Sunday, 5/10/26

9:00 AM – Matins

10:00 AM – Divine Liturgy

12:00 PM – Agape Fellowship

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Natalie Xenos has organized a Red Cross Blood Drive in our church social hall on **Monday, May 18th from 12:00-5:00pm**. Please plan to participate. You can go online to schedule your time at the church by clicking on the QR code to the right. Enter sponsor ID **HolyMotherQueen** or choose the church location.

