Colossians 3:23-24

And whatever you do, do it heartily, as to the Lord and not to men, knowing that from the Lord you will receive the reward of the inheritance; for you serve the Lord Christ.

No Medical Fees!

Saints Cosmas and Damian are the principal and best known of those saints venerated in the East as the "moneyless ones," or "unmercenary ones," because they practiced their profession as physicians without fees from their patients.

According to tradition, Cosmas and Damian were twin brothers, born in Arabia of a saintly mother Theodota. The brothers studied the sciences in Syria and became eminent for their skill in medicine. Being charitable Christians, they practiced medicine with great application and success, but never took any payment for their services. They observed the Lord's command, "Without cost you have received, without cost you are to give" (Mt. 10:8).

At Aegeae in Cilicia, where they lived, they enjoyed the highest esteem of the people. When the persecution under Diocletian broke out, their very prominence rendered them marked objects of persecution. Being apprehended by order of Lysias, governor of Cilicia, they underwent various torments and were beheaded about the year 283. The three brothers of Cosmas and Damian, Anthimus, Leontius and Euprepiu, are said to have suffered with them.

Among the distinguished people who attributed recovery from serious illness to Saints Cosmas and Damian was the Emperor Justinian I who built two churches in Constantinople in honor of the martyrs. Their basilica in Rome with its lovely mosaics was dedicated in the year 530.



Icon of Saints Cosmas and Damian -- November 1st

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

October 26, 2025

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Sunday Services
Orthros 8:30 AM
Divine Liturgy 9:30 AM

Orthros Liturgy

Epistle
II Timothy
2:1-10

Gospel
Luke
8:26-39

Attendance
10/19/25
150

Today's Prosfora & Communion Wine

Donated by the Anastas Family
In Loving Memory of Our Loved Ones

Donated by Phil & Penny Augoustinos
In Loving Memory of George Rafailedes, Jr.

Donated by Kathryn Costi and Family
In Loving Memory of Andreas Costi (11 yrs) and Grigorios Skoumbris (14 yrs)

Upcoming Memorials

November 2
3-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Evelyn Kotanides
10-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Nick Sandru
40-Day Memorial & Coffee Hour - Damon Halkias
5-Yr. Memorial - Metropolitan Maximos Aghiorgoussis

November 9
Veterans Memorial

November 16
40-Day Memorial - Peter Argyriou
30-Yr. Memorial - Mihali Stamatelopoulos

Thank you to the Koraes Ladies and everyone who helped and donated items for the 1-Year Memorial for Despina Zantopulos. Your support was appreciated!

The Zantopulos Family

HOLIDAY BAKING - MEN AND WOMEN NEEDED!

All Start Times are 9:30 AM!!

Monday, November 3	Kourambiethes
Monday, November 10	Fengarakia

Please note the following dates for items due for the holiday season:

HOLIDAY PASTRIES: Order forms available by the Church Office and **due by Sunday, November 16.**

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD: Forms are available by the Church Office and following Liturgy and are **due by Sunday, November 16**.

TSOUREKI BREAD: Order forms available by the Koraes Room and by the Church Office and **due by Monday, November 10**.

Poinsettias and Breakfast with Santa tickets are available now to purchase as well!

PLEASE NOTE: The Fall Festival sponsored by the Koraes Ladies Society on Saturday, November 1st has been cancelled for this year.

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS COMING NOVEMBER 23rd!

Anyone interested in serving their church on Parish Council, please contact either Ellen Romeo or Nancy Greenbaum or Steve Antoniades for more information!

SPECIAL GENERAL ASSEMBLY - NOVEMBER 9, 2025

This is a notice of a **Special** General Assembly for all members in good standing. The meeting is being called to review bids and to **select a contractor to replace the north end roofs** of our buildings as required by our insurance company. Should we not replace our roof, our entire insurance policy will be cancelled and we will be vulnerable to various threats including but not limited to fire, tornados, hail, and so forth.

This meeting does NOT replace our regular November 23 General Assembly during which we will elect parish council and various committee members as required by Church by-laws. A separate announcement will be in the November Trinitarian regarding that meeting's agenda.

This Special General Assembly will be conducted **Sunday, November 9, 2025** following Divine Liturgy. The agenda for the meeting is:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Election of the Chairman of the Day
3. Priest's Report
4. Review and discussion of bids received for replacing roof surfaces on the north side (documents will be available for inspection; salient points of each bid will be summarized in a matrix format for easier comparison.)
5. Selection of contractor
6. Closing prayer

There is a sign up sheet at the Pangari or call the Church Office with your reservation NO LATER than Friday, November 7, 2025!

Sponsored by the Koraes Ladies Society (Continental breakfast and Deli Lunch provided)

St. John Chrysostom Annual Retreat

Saturday, November 15, 2025
Retreat Theme: Be Watchful - Be Sober
St. Paul's Wisdom for Spiritual Maturity
Speaker: Fr. Barnabas Powell

9:30 AM - Welcome & Breakfast	1:00 PM - Lunch
10:00 AM - Service of the 3rd Hour	2:00 PM - Session 3 (Wrap up - Q & A)
10:30 AM - Session 1 (with Q & A)	3:30 PM - Service of the 9th Hour
11:45 PM - Session 2 (with Q & A)	4:00 PM - Departure

Fr. Barnabas (Charles) Powell is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. Having been raised in a small Pentecostal church as a boy, Barnabas grew to love the church, enjoy her music, and eventually came to be the youth pastor of his home church. He graduated from an Evangelical Protestant school in Georgia, and went on to establish a new church in the Atlanta area. While pastoring, Barnabas also was heavily involved with Evangelical Christian media, radio, television, and print. A reading program in Church History and Theology would eventually lead him to enter the Orthodox Church in November of 2001. In 2007, Barnabas entered Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA. He graduated, he was ordained a deacon on November 8, 2009, and then he was made a priest at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral by His Eminence Metropolitan Nikolaos on Sunday March 8, 2010. He is now the presbyterarchos (senior priest) of Ss. Raphael, Nicholas, and Irene Greek Orthodox Church in Cumming, GA.

Fr. Barnabas founded Faith Encouraged Ministries in 2014 and was the host of Faith Encouraged LIVE talk show on Ancient Faith Radio until January of 2015. Faith Encouraged Ministries continues to produce the Monday thru Friday Devotional called Faith Encouraged Daily. Fr. Barnabas published his first book "A Faith Encouraged" through Ancient Faith Publishing and also produced the 18 part video series called "A Journey to Fullness" to help parishes introduce the Faith to the average person. To date, over 200 parishes across the United States and Canada use the video series to serve their communities. Fr. Barnabas travels extensively across the country speaking at spiritual retreats, and sharing special presentations.

Fr. Barnabas is particularly motivated by the beauty and timelessness of our Orthodox Christian faith and desires to see the timeless faith put down deep roots here in America. The Orthodox Christian faith is uniquely suited to quench the spiritual thirst of Americans from all backgrounds with the depth and beauty of the Timeless Faith of the Apostles. Fr. Barnabas is married to the (former) Connie Dumas, and they have two daughters, Alexandra and Katherine. For more information about Faith Encouraged Ministries go to FaithEncouraged.org.

RSVP to Holy Trinity's Church Office
$35 p.p. RSVP by November 10th

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

This is a notice of a General Assembly for all members in good standing. We appreciate and urge your participation. Please note that Parish Council elections will also be held on this day.

A General Assembly will be conducted **Sunday, November 23, 2025** following Divine Liturgy. The tentative agenda for the meeting is:

1. Opening Prayer
2. Election of the Chairman of the Day
3. Approval of Past Minutes
4. Priest's Report
5. President's Report
6. Parish Council & Committee Elections
7. Review and Approval of 2026 Operating Budget
8. Festival Report
9. Other business from the floor
10. Closing prayer

Calendar for the Week

All Services are streaming online @ *www.htgoc.net/live*

Sunday, October 26
Demetrios the Myrrh-Flowing
Memorials & Coffee Hour - Anastas, Cazantzes & Klide Families
40-Day Memorial & Coffee Hour - George Rafailedes, Jr.
40-Day Memorial - Gust Konstas

Monday, October 27
No Scheduled Events

Tuesday, October 28
Holy Protection of the Theotokos
Orthros 8:30 AM
Liturgy 9:30 AM
Ladies Exercise 6:00 PM

Wednesday, October 29
Set Up For Wedding
Bible Study 11:00 AM
Paraklesis 6:00 PM
Orthodoxy 101/201 7:00 PM

Thursday, October 30
Wedding & Reception - Hall

Friday, October 31
No Scheduled Events

Saturday, November 1
No Scheduled Events

FALL BACK

Sunday, November 2
Daylight Savings Time Ends
3-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Evelyn Kotanides
10-Yr. Memorial & Coffee Hour - Nick Sandru
40-Day Memorial & Coffee Hour - Damon Halkias
5-Yr. Memorial - Metropolitan Maximos Aghiorgoussis
Baptism 1:30 PM

NO CASH? NO PROBLEM!
Scan code with smart phone to make a payment instantly!
SCAN ME

Resurrectional Apolytikion.
Mode 3.

Let the heavens be glad. Let the earth rejoice exceedingly. For the Lord has shown strength with his arm. He trampled death by death. He became the first-born of the dead. Out of the belly of Hades, He has rescued us, and to the world He has granted the great mercy.

For the Earthquake.
Mode pl. 4.

You who look upon the earth and make it tremble, rescue us from the frightful threat of earthquake, O Christ our God. Send down Your abundant mercies on us, at the intercession of the Theotokos, O only benevolent Lord.

For the Saint.
Mode 3. *Your confession.*

All the world has you, its mighty champion, * fortifying us in times of danger, * and defeating our foes, O Victorious One. * So, as you humbled Lyaios's arrogance * by giving courage to Nestor in the stadium, * thus, O holy Great-martyr Demetrios, * to Christ our God pray fervently, * beseeching Him to grant us His great mercy.

Apolytikion of Our Church
Mode pl. 4.

Blessed are You, O Christ our God; Who did show forth the fishermen to be all-wise, by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. And through them You drew the world into Your net, O Friend of man, glory to You!

Kontakion.
Mode 2.

A protection of Christians unshamable, intercessor to our Holy Maker, unwavering, reject not the prayerful cries of those who are in sin. Instead, come to us, for you are good; your loving help bring unto us, who are crying in faith to you: hasten to intercede, and speed now to supplicate, as a protection for all time, Theotokos, for those who honor you.

St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode

Psalm 63.11,1

The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord.

Verse: Oh God, hear my cry.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10

Timothy, my son, be strong in the grace that is in Christ Jesus, and what you have heard from me before many witnesses entrust to faithful men who will be able to teach others also. Share in suffering as a good soldier of Christ Jesus. No soldier on service gets entangled in civilian pursuits, since his aim is to satisfy the one who enlisted him. An athlete is not crowned unless he competes according to the rules. It is the hardworking farmer who ought to have the first share of the crops. Think over what I say, for the Lord will grant you understanding in everything.

Remember Jesus Christ, risen from the dead, descended from David, as preached in my gospel, the gospel for which I am suffering and wearing fetters like a criminal. But the word of God is not fettered. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, that they also may obtain salvation in Christ Jesus with its eternal glory.

The Gospel According to Luke 8:26-39

At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον.

Ἦχος γ΄.

Εὐφραινέσθω τὰ οὐράνια, ἀγαλλιάσθω τὰ ἐπίγεια, ὅτι ἐποίησε κράτος ἐν βραχίονι αὐτοῦ, ὁ Κύριος· ἐπάτησε τῷ θανάτῳ τὸν θάνατον· πρωτότοκος τῶν νεκρῶν ἐγένετο· ἐκ κοιλίας ᾅδου ἐῤῥύσατο ἡμᾶς, καὶ παρέσχε τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Τοῦ Σεισμοῦ.

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Ὁ ἐπιβλέπων ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, καὶ ποιῶν αὐτὴν τρέμειν, ῥῦσαι ἡμᾶς τῆς φοβερᾶς τοῦ σεισμοῦ ἀπειλῆς, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ κατάπεμψον ἡμῖν, πλούσια τὰ ἐλέη σου, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Τοῦ Ἁγίου.

Ἦχος γ΄. *Θείας πίστεως.*

Οἱ Μάρτυρές σου Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἀθλήσει αὐτῶν, στεφάνους ἐκομίσαντο τῆς ἀφθαρσίας, ἐκ σοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· σχόντες γὰρ τὴν ἰσχύν σου, τοὺς τυράννους καθεῖλον, ἔθραυσαν καὶ δαιμόνων, τὰ ἀνίσχυρα θράση. Αὐτῶν ταῖς ἱκεσίαις, Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Τοῦ Ναοῦ.

Ἦχος πλ. δ΄.

Εὐλογητὸς εἶ Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἁλιεῖς ἀναδείξας, καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ Ἅγιον, καὶ δι' αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας, Φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

Κοντάκιον.

Ἦχος β΄.

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία, πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε, μὴ παρίδῃς, ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.

Πρὸς Τιμόθεον β' 2:1-10

Προκείμενον. Ήχος βαρύς

ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 63.11,1

Εὐφρανθήσεται δίκαιος ἐν Κυρίῳ.

Στίχ. Εἰσάκουσον, ὁ Θεός, τῆς φωνῆς μου.

Πρὸς Τιμόθεον β' 2:1-10 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, ἐνδυναμοῦ ἐν τῇ χάριτι τῇ ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Καὶ ἃ ἤκουσας παρ' ἐμοῦ διὰ πολλῶν μαρτύρων, ταῦτα παράθου πιστοῖς ἀνθρώποις, οἵτινες ἱκανοὶ ἔσονται καὶ ἑτέρους διδάξαι. Σὺ οὖν κακοπάθησον ὡς καλὸς στρατιώτης Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. Οὐδεὶς στρατευόμενος ἐμπλέκεται ταῖς τοῦ βίου πραγματείαις, ἵνα τῷ στρατολογήσαντι ἀρέσῃ. Ἐὰν δὲ καὶ ἀθλῇ τις, οὐ στεφανοῦται ἐὰν μὴ νομίμως ἀθλήσῃ. Τὸν κοπιῶντα γεωργὸν δεῖ πρῶτον τῶν καρπῶν μεταλαμβάνειν. Νόει ἃ λέγω· δῴη γάρ σοι ὁ κύριος σύνεσιν ἐν πᾶσιν. Μνημόνευε Ἰησοῦν Χριστὸν ἐγηγερμένον ἐκ νεκρῶν, ἐκ σπέρματος Δαυίδ, κατὰ τὸ εὐαγγέλιόν μου· ἐν ᾧ κακοπαθῶ μέχρι δεσμῶν, ὡς κακοῦργος· ἀλλ' ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ οὐ δέδεται. Διὰ τοῦτο πάντα ὑπομένω διὰ τοὺς ἐκλεκτούς, ἵνα καὶ αὐτοὶ σωτηρίας τύχωσιν τῆς ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ, μετὰ δόξης αἰωνίου.

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 8:26-39 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐλθόντι τῷ Ἰησοῦ εἰς τὴν χώραν τῶν Γαδαρηνῶν, ἥτις ἐστὶν ἀντίπερα τῆς Γαλιλαίας. ἐξελθόντι δὲ αὐτῷ ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν ὑπήντησεν αὐτῷ ἀνήρ τις ἐκ τῆς πόλεως, ὃς εἶχε δαιμόνια ἐκ χρόνων ἱκανῶν, καὶ ἱμάτιον οὐκ ἐνεδιδύσκετο καὶ ἐν οἰκίᾳ οὐκ ἔμενεν, ἀλλ' ἐν τοῖς μνήμασιν. ἰδὼν δὲ τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ ἀνακράξας προσέπεσεν αὐτῷ καὶ φωνῇ μεγάλῃ εἶπε· τί ἐμοὶ καὶ σοί, Ἰησοῦ, υἱὲ τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου; δέομαί σου, μή με βασανίσῃς. παρήγγειλε γὰρ τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἀκαθάρτῳ ἐξελθεῖν ἀπὸ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου. πολλοῖς γὰρ χρόνοις συνηρπάκει αὐτόν, καὶ ἐδεσμεῖτο ἁλύσεσι καὶ πέδαις φυλασσόμενος, καὶ διαρρήσσων τὰ δεσμὰ ἠλαύνετο ὑπὸ τοῦ δαίμονος εἰς τὰς ἐρήμους. ἐπηρώτησε δὲ αὐτὸν ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγων· τί σοί ἐστιν ὄνομα; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· λεγεών· ὅτι δαιμόνια πολλὰ εἰσῆλθεν εἰς αὐτόν· καὶ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν ἵνα μὴ ἐπιτάξῃ αὐτοῖς εἰς τὴν ἄβυσσον ἀπελθεῖν. ἦν δὲ ἐκεῖ ἀγέλη χοίρων ἱκανῶν βοσκομένων ἐν τῷ ὄρει· καὶ παρεκάλουν αὐτὸν ἵνα ἐπιτρέψῃ αὐτοῖς εἰς ἐκείνους εἰσελθεῖν· καὶ ἐπέτρεψεν αὐτοῖς. ἐξελθόντα δὲ τὰ δαιμόνια ἀπὸ τοῦ ἀνθρώπου εἰσῆλθον εἰς τοὺς χοίρους, καὶ ὥρμησεν ἡ ἀγέλη κατὰ τοῦ κρημνοῦ εἰς τὴν λίμνην καὶ ἀπεπνίγη. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ βόσκοντες τὸ γεγενημένον ἔφυγον, καὶ ἀπήγγειλαν εἰς τὴν πόλιν καὶ εἰς τοὺς ἀγρούς. ἐξῆλθον δὲ ἰδεῖν τὸ γεγονός, καὶ ἦλθον πρὸς τὸν Ἰησοῦν καὶ εὗρον καθήμενον τὸν ἄνθρωπον, ἀφ' οὗ τὰ δαιμόνια ἐξεληλύθει, ἱματισμένον καὶ σωφρονοῦντα παρὰ τοὺς πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ, καὶ ἐφοβήθησαν. ἀπήγγειλαν δὲ αὐτοῖς οἱ ἰδόντες πῶς ἐσώθη ὁ δαιμονισθείς. καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτὸν ἅπαν τὸ πλῆθος τῆς περιχώρου τῶν Γαδαρηνῶν ἀπελθεῖν ἀπ' αὐτῶν, ὅτι φόβῳ μεγάλῳ συνείχοντο. αὐτὸς δὲ ἐμβὰς εἰς τὸ πλοῖον ὑπέστρεψεν. ἐδέετο δὲ αὐτοῦ ὁ ἀνήρ, ἀφ' οὗ ἐξεληλύθει τὰ δαιμόνια, εἶναι σὺν αὐτῷ· ἀπέλυσε δὲ αὐτὸν ὁ Ἰησοῦς λέγων· ὑπόστρεφε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου καὶ διηγοῦ ὅσα ἐποίησέ σοι ὁ Θεός. καὶ ἀπῆλθε καθ' ὅλην τὴν πόλιν κηρύσσων ὅσα ἐποίησεν αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς.