

# Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

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March 27, 2016

*Second Sunday of Lent*

*Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas*

## SUNDAY READINGS

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| Epistle Reading                        | Hebrews 1:10-14; 2:1-3 | Page 138    |
| Gospel Reading                         | Mark 2:1-12            | Page 139    |
| Creed                                  |                        | Pamphlet    |
| The Lord's Prayer                      |                        | Page 26     |
| Communion Prayers (Before receiving)   |                        | Pages 29-30 |
| Thanksgiving Prayers (After receiving) |                        | Pages 33-34 |

**Note: All are welcome to receive the Blessed Bread (Antidoron), but only practicing Orthodox Christians can receive Holy Communion.**

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## Today's Calendar

- **Memorial: 1-year for Elizabeth Costos**
- **GOYA is hosting today's Coffee Hour.**
- **Parish Council members on duty: Paris Karahalios, Anna Manetta, Damon Manettas, Joan Metropolis**
- **6:00 pm – Sunday Lenten Vespers at Holy Trinity**

## This Week

**Wednesday, March 30 – Presanctified Liturgy – 4:00 pm**

**Friday, April 1 – Salutations to the Theotokos – 6:00 pm**

## For Our Edification

### **Sunday Lenten Vespers**

The Council of Orthodox Churches will again sponsor Lenten Vespers on Sunday evenings during Lent. Tonight the service will be held here at Holy Trinity at 6:00 pm.

The remaining schedule is as follows: April 3, St. George Antiochian; April 10, St. George Greek; April 17, Assumption of the Virgin Mary. All of these Vespers will begin at 6:00 pm. Everyone is encouraged to attend and participate with fellow Orthodox Christians as we all travel toward Pascha/Easter.

### **Philoptochos Scholarships**

Philoptochos will be awarding the following scholarships: (2) Philoptochos Scholarships (\$1,000 each); (1) Mary V. Kiasas Scholarship (\$1,000+).

Applications are available at the Pagari and must be returned in the addressed envelope no later than June 1.

### **Zamanakos Lecture**

Professor Alexander Kitroeff of Haverford College will present "Greek Orthodoxy & the Challenges of Americanization: Archbishop Iakovos' Last Decade 1986-1996" on Thursday, March 31, at 7:00 pm at the UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center, 50 Warren St., Lowell.

The Zamanakos Endowed Lectureship in Hellenic Studies is an annual lecture held by the Hellenic Studies Program of UMass Lowell. The lectureship was established in 2012 by Arthur Zamanakos in honor of his mother, Maria Nousias Zamanakos, his sister Alexandria Zamanakos, and his wife Alice Fleury Zamanakos.

### **March 25, 1821 Commemoration**

The 22<sup>nd</sup> Annual Greek Independence Day Parade of Boston is being held on Sunday, April 3, at 1:00 pm. The parade will proceed from Boylston St. to Charles St.

A celebration with Greek music, dancing and food at the Boston Common will immediately follow. Grand Marshals are His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios of Boston and Honorable Mayor of Boston Martin Walsh.

This event is sponsored by the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England with the support of the Mayor's Office of Special Events and Tourism.

Other events planned are a Greek Independence celebration at the Massachusetts State House on Friday, April 1<sup>st</sup>, and a Gala at the Newton Marriott at 6:30 pm on Saturday, April 2<sup>nd</sup>.

For more information, go to [www.fhasne.com](http://www.fhasne.com) or call (978) 835-1455.