## Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts Rev. Fr. Nikolaos D. Pelekoudas, Presbyter

# July 17, 2016 Sunday of the Holy Fathers

## SUNDAY READINGS

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Note: All are welcome to receive the Blessed Bread (Ant	U

practicing Orthodox Christians can receive Holy Communion.

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#### **Today's Calendar**

## • Memorial: 40-day for Shirley Doulames

- Please join us for Coffee Hour today.
- Parish Council Members on duty: Tom Themeles, Gregory Curtis, Lewis Demetroulakos, Athena Hayes

## <u>This Week</u>

Wednesday, July 20 – Elias the Prophet – Orthros 8:00 am; Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

#### For Our Edification

#### **Coffee Hours Available**

To continue Fellowship during the summer, we still need people who are willing to provide simple fare for our Coffee Hours. There is no need to host since this will be a self-serve event. Please call the office at (978) 458-8092.

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#### **School Registration Ongoing**

Registration for the Hellenic American Academy will be ongoing throughout the summer. Please call the school at (978) 453-5422.

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## Summer Camp Dates Available

The following is a list of the remaining camp sessions being sponsored by the Metropolis of Boston: July 25-31; August 1 to August 7. For more information, call (603) 746-4400 or visit <u>mbcamp@boston.goarch.org</u>.

## Volunteers Needed for Folk Festival

The Lowell Folk Festival is fast approaching and volunteers are needed for both Saturday, July 30, and Sunday, July 31. Contact Joan Metropolis at (978) 996-3224 or <u>metro0007@comcast.net</u> if you can help in any way.

## Feast of St. Mary Magdalene – July 22

Mary, born in the village of Magdala on the shore of the Sea of Galilee, is the foremost model of love and repentance. She may have been the stricken woman from whom Jesus chased seven demons (Luke 8:2). She followed Jesus to the foot of the cross, brought spices to anoint His body, and was the first to witness and announce His Resurrection. She is considered to be Equal to the Apostles.

## **GOSPEL READING – Matthew 5:14-19**

You are the light of the world. A city that is set on a hill cannot be hidden. Nor do they light a lamp and put it under a basket, but on a lampstand, and it gives light to all who are in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. Do not think that I came to destroy the Law or the Prophets; I did not come to destroy but to fulfill. For assuredly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, one jot or one tittle will by no means pass from the law till all is fulfilled. Whoever therefore breaks one of the least of these commandments, and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but whoever does and teaches them, he shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven.