

Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

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May 1, 2016

Christos Anesti – Christ is Risen

The Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ

*Come Receive the Light from the Unwaning Light,
And Glorify Christ Who is Risen from the Dead.*

SUNDAY READINGS

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| Epistle Reading | Acts 1:1-8 | Page 45 |
| Gospel Reading | John 1:1-17 | Page 45 |
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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

- **11:00 pm – Saturday – April 30 - Resurrection Service**
- **Parish Council members on duty: Charles Hondros, George Pergakis, Nick Stathopoulos, Tom Themeles**
- **11:00 am - Sunday – May 1 - Agape Service**
- **Parish Council members on duty: Athena Hayes, Joan Metropolis**
- **Easter Egg Hunt to follow Agape Service**

This Week

Bright Week – There is no fasting during Bright Week.

Friday, May 6 – Renewal Friday – Feast of the Life-Giving Font -9:00 am Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

Friday, May 6 – HAA's 110th Anniversary Celebration – Indian Ridge Country Club For Our Edification

Patronal Feast Day

St. George Greek Orthodox Church and St. George Antiochian Orthodox Church cordially invite all the Greek and Antiochian communities in celebrating their Patronal Feast Day on Bright Monday, May 2, at St. George Greek Church on Princeton Blvd. Orthros will begin at 9:30 am with the Festal Divine Liturgy beginning at 10:00 am. There will be a Feast Day breakfast following the Divine services.

Mother's Day Dinner

Philoptochos is honoring all mothers with a Mother's Day Dinner on Monday, May 9, 5:30 pm, at the UMass Lowell Inn and Conference Center. Please see Tina Themeles for tickets.

Pan Laconian Meeting

Pan Laconians will be meeting here at Holy Trinity on Sunday, May 15, following the Divine Liturgy.

Bright Week

The Bright Light of the Resurrection is celebrated through the entire week following Pascha. The doors of the Ikonostasion, like the doors of Christ's tomb, remain open all week. There is no fasting this week, as we maintain the feelings of celebration and joy.

The Life-Giving Font – Celebrated May 6

In the forest surrounding the city of Constantinople, a pious layman named Markellis was walking when he came upon a blind man who was dying of thirst. Markellis tried unsuccessfully to find water. Then he heard a voice from Heaven calling, "Emperor Leo, you will find a spring deep in the forest. Wash the blind man with this water and you will see the power of the Lord." He did, and the blind man could see for the first time.

Markellis did indeed become Emperor of all Byzantium, taking the name of Leo. He built a shrine at the spring. Over the centuries, many people have been healed at this amazing spring. The first Church on this site was dedicated on the Friday after Easter by the Emperor Justinian.

Scholarships Available

Scholarships are being made available from the HAA Alumni Association, Philoptochos, and the Mary Kiafas Fund. Please check the narthex for applications.

Wishing you all Christos Anesti, Christ is risen,
Christos Voskrese, Al Masihh qahm, Christos ha resucitado.
Fr. Nikolaos Pelekoudas, President George Zaharoolis, Parish Council & Ladies Philoptochos