## **Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church**

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# November 12, 2017 8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

#### **SUNDAY READINGS**

Epistle Reading	II Corinthians 9:6-11	
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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**

- Memorial: 40-day for William Theokas.
- The Daughters of Penelope are hosting today's Coffee Hour to commemorate their Founders Day, November 16, 1929.
- Parish Council Members on duty: Charles Hondros, Paris Karahalios, Damon Manettas, Joan Metropolis

#### **This Week**

Wednesday, November 15- The Nativity Fast begins. No service this day.

## For Our Edification

## Thank You for Supporting the Greek Food Fair

The Philoptochos extends a heartfelt Thank You to all parishioners and guests who made their 2017 Greek Food Fair such a resounding success!

Your generous support and donations were greatly appreciated as they significantly help the philanthropic mission of our Philoptochos.

To all the tireless ladies who cooked, baked, served or helped in many other ways, you are the best. Thank you.

To our Sunday School, HAA PTA and vendors, we are delighted that you joined us in making this event so special.

#### **Parish Council Applications Due**

Next Sunday, November 19, 12:00 pm, is the deadline for filing to be a candidate for the Church Election to be held on Sunday, December 10.

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#### **HAA PTA Auction Invitation**

The HAA PTA is holding a Benefit Auction on Saturday, December 2, 7:00 pm, at the Indian Ridge Country Club. Purchase tickets by November 17 to take advantage of early bird pricing of \$30. For event details and online ticket purchases, go to <a href="https://www.haaauction.eventbrite.com">www.haaauction.eventbrite.com</a>.

#### **Coffee Hours Available**

The following dates are open for Coffee Hours: December 3 and December 17. If you are interested in hosting, please call the office at (978) 458-8092.

### **Nativity Lent**

Nativity Lent lasts 40 days in the Orthodox Church. This is a time for prayer, fasting, confession, and preparing for the Savior's coming.

## St. John Chrysostom – November 13

St. John, author of the Liturgy used in most Sunday services, was known as "Chrysostom" or "Golden-Mouthed" for his eloquence. Trained as a lawyer, he, instead, entered a monastery. He was ordained a priest in 386 AD. He was so popular and gifted as a preacher that he was elected to the Patriarchate of Constantinople at the age of 49. His crusade against the wealth and excessiveness of the royal court caused him to be banished. Even in exile, he continued to preach and write beautiful sermons for his beloved Church.

#### **Pan Laconians to Meet**

The Pan Laconians will meet on Sunday, November 26, 1:00 pm, at the Olympia Restaurant. This will be a Dutch Treat affair.