

# Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

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November 26, 2017

*13<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke*

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

## Today's Calendar

- **Memorials: 40-day for George Tsapatsaris; 2-year for Eftichia Pagonis**
- **The Pagonis and Vosnakis families are hosting today's Coffee Hour in loving memory of Eftichia Pagonis.**
- **Parish Council members on duty: John Grillakis, Athena Hayes, Charles Hondros, Paris Karahalios**
- **Pan Laconian Meeting – 1:00 pm – Olympia Restaurant**

## This Week

**Saturday, December 2 – HAA PTA Benefit Auction – Indian Ridge Country Club  
7:00 pm**

## For Our Edification

### **Food Drive Donations Welcomed**

The Open Pantry of Greater Lowell wishes to thank parishioners for their recent donation. The response of so many individuals and organizations is truly heartening for

those who run the Open Pantry, as well as their recipients. The Open Pantry, 200 Central St., Lowell, is open Monday through Friday from 9:00 am until noon.

## **No Election December 10**

On Sunday, November 19, the application deadline for Parish Council positions was 12:00 noon. Only seven of the eight available positions were filled. Therefore, the three Auditor positions and one Parish Council position will be filled at the General Assembly in February 2018.

## **Philoptochos Party and Meeting**

The Philoptochos Christmas Party and meeting are being held on Monday, December 4, at Lenzi's in Dracut beginning at 5:30. Please see Theodora Stathopoulos if you wish to attend. Admission is \$45 for Philoptochos members and \$50 for non-members.

## **Basketball League in the Works**

Basketball players ages 13-17 are being recruited for a league that will meet at the Hellenic Cultural Center on Sunday afternoons. Contact George Zaharoolis at (978) 726-0850 or any Parish Council member.

## **St. Andrew – November 30**

St. Andrew, a fisherman from Bethsaida, is also known as Protokletos, "First Called," since he was the first person chosen by the Son of God when He began His ministry. Following the Resurrection, he went out to preach along the Black Sea, where he brought Christianity to many thousands of people in Thrace, Macedonia, Greece, Scythia (Russia, where he was considered the patron saint), and Byzantium, establishing the unbroken line of Patriarchs from whom all priests, bishops, and archbishops are spiritually descended.

Andrew converted the wife of the imperial governor. For this he was tortured and then crucified. Andrew did not feel himself worthy to be crucified in the same manner as Christ, and therefore was crucified on an X-shaped cross.

## **Feast of St. Andrew Celebration**

St. Andrew is the Patron Saint of our Metropolis. His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios invites everyone to Great Vespers on Wednesday, November 29, at 7:00 pm at the Cathedral Chapel, 162 Goddard Ave. in Brookline. The Orthros and Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Thursday, November 30, beginning at 8:00 am. A reception will be hosted by the Metropolis Philoptochos at the Metropolis Center following both services.