

# Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

Rev. Fr. Nikolaos D. Pelekoudas, Presbyter

July 9, 2017

## *Fifth Sunday of Matthew*

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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: 23-years for Elizabeth Ghareeb**
- **Dafne Nacopoulos is hosting today's Coffee Hour.**
- **Parish Council Members on duty: Betty Themeles, Tina Themeles, Tom Themeles, Greg Curtis**

### This Week

**Thursday, July 13 – Parish Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – Church Hall**

### For Our Edification

#### **Coffee Hours Available**

The following dates are available for Coffee Hour: July 23, August 6, August 13, August 20 and August 27. We are looking for individuals who will kindly donate simple fare, such as coffee cake, muffins, donuts and fruit. You will not be required to host. This will be a self-serve event. Please call the office at (978) 458-8092 if you can help on any of these Sundays.

### **School Registration Ongoing**

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

### **MBC Summer 2017 Update**

The Metropolis of Boston has received a donation of 20 half-price scholarships exclusively for Session 3, July 17 to July 23. This offer is first come first serve for the next 20 campers who sign up for these dates. Email [mbcamp@boston.goarch.org](mailto:mbcamp@boston.goarch.org) for more information.

The remaining sessions are as follows: July 24 – July 30; July 31 – August 6.

### **Benefit Golf Classic**

Proceeds from the Nicholas J. Bouras Memorial Golf Classic to be held on Monday, July 17, at the Kernwood Country Club, 1 Kernwood St., Salem, MA will benefit Hellenic College Holy Cross. To learn more about sponsorship opportunities or to register, please contact Frances E. Levas at (617) 850-1268 or email her at [flevas@hchc.edu](mailto:flevas@hchc.edu).

### **Change in Memorial Wine**

The wine Fr. Nick is now using for Memorials is Nama Byzantino Red, which can be purchased from Holy Trinity for \$12 per bottle.

### **Lowell Folk Festival July 29 and July 30.**

If you are able to help with any phase of Holy Trinity's participation in the Lowell Folk Festival, contact Joan Metropolis at [metro0007@comcast.net](mailto:metro0007@comcast.net).

Monetary donations are being accepted to help defray the cost of food. Please indicate "Folk Festival" in your check's memo box and send it to Holy Trinity Church, 62 Lewis St., Lowell, MA 01854.

### **St. Marina – July 17**

Marina was born in Antioch during the reign of Emperor Claudius II (AD 270). While she was walking to church at the age of 18, she was spotted by the prefect of the province, Olymbrios. For Olymbrios, it was love at first sight. When he asked her for her hand, she declined as politely as possible, explaining that she had pledged her life to Jesus Christ and was waiting for the moment when she could enter His service in some manner. Olymbrios' love turned to hate and Marina was tortured over an agonizing period until she was finally beheaded. Death came to this devout girl on July 17, 289 AD.