

Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

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August 6, 2017

Holy Transfiguration

SUNDAY READINGS

Epistle Reading II Peter 1:10-19

Gospel Reading Matthew 17:1-9

Creed

The Lord's Prayer

Communion Prayers (Before receiving)

Thanksgiving Prayers (After receiving)

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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

- Please join us for Coffee Hour following Divine Liturgy.
- Parish Council Members on duty: Tom Themeles, Greg Curtis, John Grillakis, Charles Hondros

This Week

Monday, August 7 – Paraklesis – 7:00 pm

Wednesday, August 9 – Paraklesis – 7:00 pm

Thursday, August 10 – Parish Council Meeting – 6:30 pm – Church hall

Friday, August 11 – Paraklesis – 7:00 pm

For Our Edification

School Registration Ongoing

Registration for the Hellenic American Academy is taking place. Call the school at (978) 453-5422 for more information.

Save the Date

The AHEPA Hellas Chapter 102 Golf Tournament will be held on Monday, October 2, at Four Oaks Country Club in Dracut. There will be a buffet and a raffle. For more information, you may contact Steve Michaelides at (978) 799-1579 or email StevenIPD@aol.com.

Special General Assembly Upcoming

The General Assembly First Call will be Tuesday, August 15, at 7:00 pm in the Church hall. Since the 15% quorum is usually not reached, the Second Call will be on Sunday, August 27, at 11:30 am.

The agenda will include a Plan & Authorization to Proceed with the renovation of the downstairs hall. There will also be a Financial Status Review & Discussion of the Hellenic American Academy.

To attend the General Assembly, a parishioner must have paid his 2016 dues obligation in full.

St. Herman of Alaska – August 9

A courageous Russian monk with the highly improbable name of Herman (from the Greek Germanos and Slavonic German) is the first Orthodox saint canonized in the New World for his dedicated and heroic efforts in bringing the faith to the natives of the Aleutian Islands and Alaska.

The man who was to become St. Herman of Alaska was born in 1756 in the city of Serpukhov, which is in the Diocese of Moscow. From childhood, Herman showed a predilection for the church and while yet in his early youth was admitted to a monastery. One day Herman had an experience that would inspire him to a lifetime of intense devotion to the word of Jesus Christ. He became seriously ill and when it seemed he could not survive, he resigned himself to an untimely death. However, as he prayed for deliverance, the Virgin Mary appeared to him in a vision, after which he was completely cured. The miraculous event was a constant inspiration throughout a lifetime of rugged frontier service to the Lord. Herman was canonized a saint on August 9, 1970.

A Prayer to the Theotokos

It is truly right to bless you, O God-bearing One,
As the ever-Blessed and most pure Mother of God.
You are honored more than Cherubim,
And you have more glory when compared to the Seraphim.
You are the Theotokos. You do we magnify.