# **Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church**

Lowell, Massachusetts Rev. Fr. Nikolaos D. Pelekoudas, Presbyter

March 25, 2018

Fifth Sunday of Lent

Annunciation of the Theotokos

#### SUNDAY READINGS

Epistle Reading Hebrews 2:11-18 Gospel Reading Luke 1:24-38

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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**

- Memorials: 40-day for George Thomas; 40-day for George Tsouprakos
- Parish Council members on duty: George Zaharoolis, Gregory Curtis, John Grillakis, Athena Hayes
- 6:00 pm Sunday Lenten Vespers at Assumption of the Virgin Mary Church

#### This Week

<u>Wednesday, March 28</u>- Presanctified Liturgy – 5:00 pm <u>Saturday, March 31 – Saturday of Lazaros –</u> Orthros 8:00 am; Divine Liturgy 9:00 am

<u>Saturday, March 31 –</u> Sunday School Pancake & Craft Breakfast at the Hellenic Cultural Center following Divine Liturgy

#### **For Our Edification**

### **Fish Dinner Next Sunday**

Holy Trinity will be having a Fish Dinner on Palm Sunday. Adult tickets are \$20 and can be purchased from any Parish Council member. Children's tickets are \$8. Philoptochos will be holding a Pastry Sale at Church and at the Fish Dinner.

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### **Easter Egg Hunt**

The Annual Easter Egg Hunt will be held on Sunday, April 8, immediately following the 11:00 am Agape Service. All are welcome and refreshments will be provided. Bring your own basket and join in on the fun in the park. Contact Jennifer Hardy at (978) 551-6306 if you have any questions.

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## **Greek Independence Day Parade**

The 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Greek Independence Day Parade of Boston will take place on Sunday, April 22, at 1:00 pm. There will be Greek music, dancing, and food at the Boston Common immediately following the parade.

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### **Honor Your Graduate**

Graduation season is rapidly approaching and we would like to honor all high school and college graduates in the next issue of "The Communicator." Please submit your names by email to <a href="mailto:g4317p@aol.com">g4317p@aol.com</a>. A bio and picture would be appreciated. On a Sunday yet to be announced in June, graduates will be honored after the Divine Liturgy.

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#### **Saturday of Lazaros**

This Saturday morning, the Divine Liturgy commemorates the resurrection of Lazaros from the dead by Christ. This important miracle, sometimes called the "First Easter," previews Christ's own Resurrection that occurs the following Sunday. Christ brings Lazaros back to life in Bethany and leaves from there to enter Jerusalem the following day.

The Sunday School will be having a Pancake and Craft Breakfast at the Hellenic Cultural Center immediately following the Divine Liturgy. All are invited.