

Holy Trinity Hellenic Orthodox Church

Lowell, Massachusetts

Rev. Fr. Nikolaos D. Pelekoudas, Presbyter

June 17, 2018

3rd Sunday of Matthew

Father's Day

SUNDAY READINGS

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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

- **Parish Council members on duty: Betty Themeles, John Grillakis, Athena Hayes, Charles Hondros**

This Week

Monday, June 18 – Philoptochos Meeting – 5:30 pm – Hellenic Cultural Center

For Our Edification

Graduates Recognized, Scholarships Awarded

The following high school graduates were honored after last week's Divine Liturgy: Thomas Nacopoulos, Nicholas Potamitis, Lucy Powers, Mike Sousa, SpiroAnthony Stathas, John Tsaousis and Peter Tsaousis.

SpiroAnthony Stathas was the recipient of the Mary V. Kiafas Scholarship.

Receiving Hellenic American Academy Alumni scholarships were Thomas Nacopoulos, Magdalini Stathas, SpiroAnthony Stathas and Niklaus Themelis.

Help Support the Lowell Folk Festival

If you are able to help in the participation of Holy Trinity during the Lowell Folk Festival on Saturday, July 28, and Sunday, July 29, please contact Joan Metropolis at (978) 996-3224 or email her at metro0007@comcast.net. Your monetary donation will be appreciated to help defray the cost of food. You can send your check to Holy Trinity Church, indicating "Folk Festival" in the memo box.

Metropolis Summer Camp Dates

The following are the sessions for the Metropolis Summer Camp: July 9-15; July 16-22; July 23-29; July 30-August 5. Contact www.metropolisofbostoncamp.org to register or for more information. Scholarships are available.

HAA Still Registering

Even though it is now summer, Hellenic American Academy is still registering for the upcoming school year. Call the office at (978) 453-5422 for information regarding enrollment.

Benefit Golf Classic

The 26th Annual Hellenic College Holy Cross Nicholas J. Bouras Memorial Golf Classic is being held on Monday, July 16, at the Kernwood Country Club in Salem, MA. For more information, visit www.kernwoodcc.org.

There will be available a number of raffle prizes, with a \$50,000 cash prize for a hole-in-one.

Prayer, Fasting, and Almsgiving

As Orthodox Christians, we are given various *tools* to help us in our walk toward Salvation. Among many *tools* that the Church offers us, *prayer*, *fasting* and *almsgiving* are paramount.

Prayer enables us to communicate with the Creator. It allows us to develop a deep personal relationship with our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. The aim of *fasting* is to make us aware or conscious of our dependence upon God. *Prayer* and *fasting* should be accompanied by *almsgiving* – by works of mercy and compassion.