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ST. NICHOLAS
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
CORPUS CHRISTI, TEXAS

MAY 2019
Saints Constantine and Helen the Great Martyrs
May 21

Ἀπολυτίκιον, Ἡχος πλ. 5′.
Τοῦ Σταυροῦ σοι τὸν τύπον ἐν οὐρανῷ θεασάμενος,
kai ὡς ὁ Παύλος τὴν κλήσιν οὕκ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων δεξάμενος,
ὁ ἐν βασιλεύσαν, Ἀπόστολός σου Κύριε,
βασιλεύσαν πόλιν τῇ χειρὶ σου παρέθετο ἢν περίσσῳ διὰ
παντὸς ἐν εἰρήνῃ, πρεσβεῖας τῆς Θεοτόκου,
μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

Apolytikion, Mode pl. 4.
Tou Stavrou sou ton tipon en ourano theasamenos,
ke os o Pavlos tin klisin ouk ex anthropon dexamenos,
o en vasilefsin, Apostolos sou Kyrie,
vasilefousan polin ti hiri sou paretheto in perisoze dia pantos
en irini, presvies tis Theotokou,
mone Filanthrope.

Apolytikion, Mode pl. 4.
Your Apostle among the Rulers, St. Constantine,
who once beheld in the sky the image of Your Cross,
and who like Paul received his calling not from man,
once entrusted the Ruling City into Your hand.
We entreat You to restore
it in peace forever, at the intercession of the Theotokos,
O Lord who loves humanity.
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Gaios, and Gaianos.

EPISTLE:        GOSPEL:        Acts 5:12-20
                John 20:19-31

May 12 Third Sunday of the Paschal Season (The Myrrh Bearing Women)
Our Father among the Saints Epiphanius, Bishop of Konstantia
in Cyprus, and Germanos Archbishop of Constantinople. The
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Vatopaidi.

EPISTLE:        GOSPEL:        Acts 6:1-7
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May 19 Fourth Sunday of the Paschal Season (The Paralytic)
The Holy Hieromartyr Patrick, Bishop of Proussa, and those
with him, Akakios, Menander, and Polyenos, Martyrs. Our
Venerable Father Memnon the Wonder Worker.

EPISTLE:        GOSPEL:        Acts 8:32-42
                John 5:1-15

May 26 Fifth Sunday of the Paschal Season (The Samaritan Woman)
The Holy Apostle among the Seventy, Karpos the son of
Alphaeus; and the Holy New Martyr Alexander of Thessaloniki.

                John 4:5-42
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Γερμανοῦ, Ἀρχιεπισκόπου Κωνσταντινουπόλεως. Ἡ ἀνακομιδὴ
tῶν ἱερῶν λειψάνων τοῦ Ὀσίου Ἰωακείμ Βατοπαιδινοῦ.

ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ: Πράξεων 6:1-7
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Τοῦ Άγίου Ἱερομάρτυρος Πατρικίου, Ἐπισκόπου Προύσης, καὶ
tῶν σύν αὐτῷ Ακακίου, Μενάνδρου καὶ Πολυαίνου. Τοῦ Ὀσίου
Πατρός ἡμῶν Μέμνονος τοῦ θαυματουργοῦ.

ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ: Πράξεων 9:32-42
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Θεσσαλονίκης.

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NAMEDAYS FOR MAY

We wish everyone who has a Feast Day in May
"CHRONIA POLLA."

May 3 ........................................ FRIDAY OF BRIGHT WEEK -
THE FEAST OF THE LIFE-GIVING FONT
Zoe Alexander Zoe Pineris

May 5th ........................................ SUNDAY OF SAINT THOMAS
Tom Hudson

May 5th ........................................ SAINT IRENE, THE GREAT MARTYR
Irene Baker Irene Daniskas
Irene Chambers Rene (Irene) Hogan
Iryna Dalton Irene Livaditis Muira
Irene Diakominas Irene Piperis
Irene Sakellis

May 9th ........................................ SAINT CHRISTOPHER
Christopher Palfreyman

May 21st ....................................... SAINTS CONSTANTINE AND HELEN
Elena Andreadis Eleni Paloukis
Helen Bottis Konstantinos Papakostas
Cole (Constantine) Catlin Konstandina Prinolakis
Konstantinos Daniskas Konstantinos Piperis
Venera (Helen) Contry Helen Pool
Elaine Gialouris Corbett (Constantine) Pool
Charles (Dean) Hrissikopoulos Constance P. Sanchez
Austin Dean Jones Konstantinos Mihail Talarantas
Konstantinos Livaditis Konstantinos Minas Talarantas
Dean Lontos Dean Trakas
Gus Montis

May 22nd ....................................... SAINT MARKELLA
Emily Nicole Sabbagh
Christ is Risen, Truly He is Risen! As we celebrate our Risen Christ, let us reflect on our gratitude to God for such a glorious miracle.

A man wanted to become a monk, so he went to the monastery and talked to the head monk. The head monk said, "You must take a vow of silence and can only say two words every three years." The man agreed and after the first three years, the head monk came to him and said, "What are your two words?" "Food cold!" the man replied. Three more years went by and the head monk came to him and said, "What are your two words?" "Robe dirty!" the man exclaimed. Three more years went by and the head monk came to him and said, "What are your two words?" "I quit!" said the man. "Well," the head monk replied, "I am not surprised. You have done nothing but complain ever since you got here!" If we honestly reflect on our lives, we too tend to complain all the time about our lives and are not grateful to God for all we have.

What kind of things make us unhappy? They most likely point to our being ungrateful for what we have and our wanting more. If we could just be grateful for all that God has provided for us, we would not be discontent and frustrated for what we do not have. When someone we envy get something new like a car or house, we become jealous and cannot be joyous for them. We start digging ourselves into a hole of misery. The more we think about what we don’t have instead of being grateful for what we do have, the more miserable we become, and the less we focus on serving Christ and the more we focus on our own misery. I would guess in most cases if we got what we envied we would be more miserable trying to pay for it and take care of it. Our lack of gratitude makes us miserable.

In 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18, Saint Paul exhorts us to “Rejoice always, pray constantly, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is the will of God in Christ Jesus for you.” Saint Paul is basically telling us to place our complete faith in God regardless of our circumstances. Rejoice in the good and the difficult, the joyful and the sad.

The Greek Word, Χαρμολύπη means joyful sorrow, joyful mourning or sweet sorrow. It takes on a special meaning during Holy Week. Our lives become much more holy when we recognize in life there will always be joy and sorrow. When we place our faith in God that He will deliver us through the good and bad no matter what happens, then we can rejoice always and be thankful. To place our complete trust in God we need to be constantly praying. We submit all things in our life to God’s will, both large and small.

So how do we show our gratitude towards God? Let’s look at the two greatest commandments. The first is “You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart and with all your soul and with all your mind. This is the great and first commandment. And a second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself. On these two commandments depend all the Law and the Prophets.”

The simplest way to show our love towards the Lord is to keep His commandments. I’m guessing if I passed out a quiz on God’s commandments everyone would do well. We all have a good feel of right and wrong. What we don’t do well is deny our passions to follow these commandments. Our humanity makes it tough to follow God’s commandments.
Our humanity also makes it tough to love your neighbor as yourself. Sometimes we see things in our neighbors we don’t like because it conflicts with our values. Other times we see things in our neighbors we don’t like because it reminds us of our own flaws. It takes a very deliberate effort to love our neighbors. It takes God’s help to love our neighbors.

One large barrier to loving our neighbor evolves around expectations. When we set unattainable expectations of those that God places in our lives, we will be constantly frustrated and unloving. Some of my fellow priests struggle greatly in their priesthood because they set unreasonable expectations of their parishioners. They lack the humility to meet people where they are instead of where they expect them to be. There are few guarantees in life but one of them is “if you cannot accept people as they are, you will always be disappointed in them.”

Let me make this a little more real. Try explaining to someone new to Orthodoxy why the service begins with the church more than half empty and fills up by the end. Or, explain why the church has to have a festival because the parishioners do not give sacrificially. As a priest, I could raise my voice or publicly humiliate the offenders. But that would be placing my expectations on them. My true job is to love them where they are. Bad habits develop over years and will require years to break. If I meet them where they are and love them, perhaps I can drop hints here and there and allow the Holy Spirit to do its work in their lives. In the end it’s God who changes people, not me.

As we celebrate the Risen Christ, are we willing to rejoice and be grateful in all things? Are we willing to demonstrate our love for God by following His commandments and love our neighbors where they are?

Christ is Risen, Truly He is Risen!

Fr. John Hayden Haby
The Holy Great Sovereigns
Constantine and Helen, Equal to the Apostles
May 21

This great and renowned sovereign of the Christians was the son of
Constantius Chlorus (the ruler of the westernmost parts of the Roman empire), and
of the blessed Helen. He was born in 272, in (according to some authorities)
Naissus of Dardania, a city on the Hellespont. In 306, when his father died, he was
proclaimed successor to his throne. In 312, on learning that Maxentius and
Maximinus had joined forces against him, he marched into Italy, where, while at
the head of his troops, he saw in the sky after midday, beneath the sun, a radiant,
pillar in the form of a cross with the words: "By this shalt thou conquer." The
following night, our Lord Jesus Christ appeared to him in a dream and declared to
him the power of the Cross and its significance. When he arose in the morning, he
immediately ordered that a labarum be made (which is a banner or standard of
victory over the enemy) in the form of a cross, and he inscribed on it the Name of
Jesus Christ. On October 28 he attacked and mightily conquered Maxentius, who
drowned in the Tiber River while fleeing. The following day, Constantine entered
Rome in triumph and was proclaimed Emperor of the West by the Senate, while
Licinius, his brother-in-law, ruled in the East. But out of malice, Licinius later
persecuted the Christians. Constantine fought him once and again, and utterly
destroyed him in 324, and in this manner he became monarch over the West and
the East. Under him and because of him all the persecutions against the Church
ceased. Christianity triumphed and idolatry was overthrown.

In 325 he gathered the First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea, which he
himself personally addressed. In 324, in the ancient city of Byzantium, he laid the
foundations of the new capital of his realm, and solemnly inaugurated it on May
11, 330, naming it after himself, Constantinople. Since the throne of the imperial
rule was transferred to Constantinople from Rome, it was named New Rome, the
inhabitants of its domain were called Roman's, and it was considered the
continuation of the Roman Empire. Falling ill near Nicomedia, he requested to
receive divine Baptism, according to Eusebius (The Life of Constantine. Book IV,
61-62), and also according to Socrates and Sozomen; and when he had been
deemed worthy of the Holy Mysteries, he reposed in 337, on May 21 or 22, the day
of Pentecost, having lived sixty-five years, of which he ruled for thirty-one years.
His remains were transferred to Constantinople and were deposed in the Church of
the Holy Apostles, which had been built by him (see Homily XXVI on Second Corinthians by Saint John Chrysostom).

As for his holy mother Helen, after her son had made the Faith of Christ triumphant throughout the Roman Empire, she undertook a journey to Jerusalem and found the Holy Cross on which our Lord was crucified (see Sept. 13 and 14). After this, Saint Helen, in her zeal to glorify Christ, erected churches in Jerusalem at the sites of the Crucifixion and Resurrection, in Bethlehem at the cave where our Saviour was born, another on the Mount of Olives whence He ascended into Heaven, and many others throughout the Holy Land, Cyprus, and elsewhere. She was proclaimed Augusta, her image was stamped upon golden coins, and two cities were named Helenopolis after her in Bithynia and in Palestine. Having been thus glorified for her piety, she departed to the Lord being about eighty years of age, according to some in the year 330, according to others, in 336.

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SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY

WILL BE HELD
ON MAY 19, 2019
AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY
IN THE CHURCH HALL

ALL MEMBERS
IN GOOD FINANCIAL STANDING
ARE URGED TO ATTEND.
It’s Time to Party!

St. Nicholas Pool Party
Sunday, May 26, 2019
5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Club Estates Recreation Center
4920 Snow Goose

Food and Beverages Provided

See you there!

RSVP by May 19, 2019: George Spentzos – (361) 774-6204

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
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Άγιος Κωνσταντίνος και Ελένη οι Ισαπόστολοι

Ως γενέτευρα πόλη του Μεγάλου Κωνσταντίνου ανακαλύπτεται τόσο η Ταρασία, της Κλυκής όσο και το Δρέπανο της Βωμίας. Οι τοπικοί ο παρθένος που επικατάλειψε είχε τον Μέγα Κωνσταντίνο να έναν Βαρθόμηλο στη Μητέρα της Αγίας Μπασίας (παραμ. Νικής ης τη Σαββά). Τα ακούστη από την γεννήσεις του δεν είναι γνωστο, θεωρείται ως όμως που γεννήθηκε μεταξύ των ετών 272-288 μ.Χ.

Πατέρας του ήταν ο Κωνσταντίνος, που έλαβε υλικότητα του ιεραπόστολου του οικοικοδόμησε Χώρας και ήταν συνεργός του αυτοκόσμητου Κλειουσού. Μητέρα του ήταν η Αγία Ελένη, θυσιάθρησκη ενός πανδόχως από το Δρέπανο της Βωμίας.

Το 305 μ.Χ. ο Κωνσταντίνος είναι στην ακρίβεια του αυτοκόσμητου Διοκλητιανού στη Νικομήδεια με το αξίωμα του νικανού. Το ίδιο έτος σε δύο Αλεξάνδρα, Διοκλητιανού και Μαρκκάννος, παρατάσσεται από τον αρχηγό τους και απολαμβάνει στο ίδιο αξίωμα του Λιονατού πατέρα του, ο Κωνσταντίνος ο Χίους, πέθανε στην 25η Ιουλίου 308 μ.Χ. και ο συντάκτης ανακήρυξε Αλεξάνδρα ο Κωνσταντίνος κατά όμως που δεν αποδεδειγμένη ο Γενικός. Μετά από μια σειρά διαφορών ιστορικών γεγονότων, ο Μέγας Κωνσταντίνος συνεργάστηκε με την Μαδέντια, ηδον. Αυτό μαρτυρούσε όλο τον Μαρκκάνο, ο οποίος πλησμάτασε αυτόν την άρρητη εποχή διέθετε τετράπλους στρατηγικά και ο αστράτη του, ο Κωνσταντίνου ήταν άλλη καταπηλτημένος.

Από την πλευρά του ο Μέγας Κωνσταντίνος είχε κάθε λόγο να συναισθάνεται συναισθηματικός. Δεν είχε καμία άλλη εποπτή εκτός από την επόπτη της δικάσεως του και ήταν είκοσι εποχής κατά την ημερομηνία που ήταν γεννημένος. Διέθετε πολλά πλοία, καθώς και μια σημαντική εποπτή στην Εμπορία.

Η ίδια η Αγία Ελένη είχε κάθε λόγο να συναισθάνεται συναισθηματικός. Είχε καμία άλλη εποπτή εκτός από την επόπτη της δικάσεως του και ήταν είκοσι εποχής κατά την ημερομηνία που ήταν γεννημένος. Διέθετε πολλά πλοία, καθώς και μια σημαντική εποπτή στην Εμπορία.

Τον 313 μ.Χ., στο Διοκλητιανό, όποι ήταν ο νάρκας του Αιγινίου με την Κωνσταντίνη, ανέβαλε την θέση του Κωνσταντίνου, επεξεργάζεται μια ιστορική συμπλήρωση με την θέση του άλλου ανδρών που κατέκρινε την προσφορά του της ανεξάρτητης.

Τα ισαπόστολα που είναι συνεπτυγμένοι ο Μέγας Κωνσταντίνος ήταν οι Ισαπόστολοι. Η συνεπτυγμένη διδακτική του Άγιου Βασίλη, παιδεία στην Αλεξανδρεία. Η Εκκλησία της Αρχιεπισκόπου ης την Εκκλησία της Αλεξανδρεία. Η διδακτική της αυτή, που οικομόνει αρχαιότροφη, κατάλευκη συμπλήρωσε το δόγμα της Εκκλησίας της Ελένης.

Μέχρι τον Μέγας Κωνσταντίνος πλησιάστηκε το όριο θρησκείας ανακατάλειψε από την Εκκλησία της Αλεξανδρείας. Διέθετε από τον Νικομίχαηλ την Εκκλησία της Αλεξανδρείας, εποπτή του Επίσκοπου Αλεξανδρείας Αλεξανδρου (313 - 328 μ.Χ.) και τον Άγιο Τριώνα. Η πολιτική εποπτεία του θαμπότε δεν ευδοκίμησε. Ήταν αναμφίβολα της συμμετοχής της Α' Εκκλησίας της Νίκαια της Βωμίας το 325 μ.Χ.

Η εποχή της ενθάρρυνσης της συμμετοχής της Α' Εκκλησίας της Νίκαια της Βωμίας το 325 μ.Χ. Αναφέρεται ως συμμετοχής της Α' Εκκλησίας της Νίκαια της Βωμίας το 325 μ.Χ. Αναφέρεται ως συμμετοχής της Α' Εκκλησίας της Νίκαια της Βωμίας το 325 μ.Χ. Αναφέρεται ως συμμετοχής της Α' Εκκλησίας της Νίκαια της Βωμίας το 325 μ.Χ.
συμβάγη του προς τη Σύνοδο γινόταν η μεταφορά των ενδοκοιλικά στις συνδέσεις στο όνομα της ενεργοποίησης και από τις παλαιές. Ο λόγος του υποκείμενος είναι η σκέψη. Δεν όμως ακολουθούν παρά
μια μόνον με διάλογο που αναφέρεται στην αναφορά της σύνθεσης. Η κατάσταση του, "οριζόντιας σπείρασης", διάδρασε με ιδιαίτερα από όλους τους ιστορικούς συγγραφείς.

Μετά το πέρας των εναντίων της Σύνθεσης, οι αυτοκότατες συνέχισαν να αναπτύσσονται και να αποδίδονται στην κατανόηση των προπολεμικών, έπειτα φοβερά επιτόλο προς την Εκκλησία της Ανατολής. 

Αυτός που τίθεται το ερώτημα, ιδιαίτερα κατά την εποχή αυτή, είναι 

τον λόγο του παρεαγόμενος. Αλλά η εποχή αυτή 

της Σύνθεσης ήταν μια περίοδος κατά την οποία 

συνέλαβαν τις τρόποι της κατανόησης της Εκκλησίας. 

Η εποχή αυτή, η οποία επέμεινε και 

είναι η εποχή της ενεργοποίησης και 

της εποχής με 

η συνεχή συνδεσμολογία της Εκκλησίας. 

Η Επίσκοπος Αλέξανδρος Αλέξανδρος και 

στην εμφάνισή του διαδρόμος αυτόν του 

Μέγα Αλέξανδρος συνέλαβε η Εκκλησία στην Αλεξάνδρο. 

Ο Μέγας Αλέξανδρος απεικόνισε με καθαρούς την Αλεξάνδρο, ενώ οι Σύνθεσεις στην Ανατολή ο Τρόμος του 332 χ. α. 

ασκούστηκε κατά την Εκκλησία της Αλεξάνδρου. 

Η Σύνθεση της Τύρος της Συμβολής, που αναφέρθηκε 332 χ. α., καταδεικνύει επίσης με 

την παλαιότερη κατανόηση των δικά του οικουμενικού Τύρου και τη διαδικασία να μάζει χώρα ενάντια 

του.

Ο Ευαγγελίας Νικολάου 

αναφέρει την αυτοπατρία 

εντολή, η οποία είναι 

εξήγηση από τους 

συνοδούς και εισαγωγή στον ημιορκίστη. 

Σύναξης όλες 

το επιστήμονα και 

πάντα προοπειόν 

θέμας της παπαλίας 

ακολουθούσας την θεών 

παπαλίας. Ο 

αυτός που 

είναι 

επίσκοπος Μέγας 

Αλέξανδρος. Η 

επιστήμη του 

Αλέξανδρου 

συνεπάγεται 

στην επιστήμη 

του 332 χ. α. 

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μεγάλες θέματα 

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της Αλεξάνδρου. 

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Εκκλησία 

της 

Αλεξάνδρου.
Μετά τα Βάπτισμα, ο Άγιος Κωνσταντίνος δεν έσωσές την αυτοκρατορική γιτένα, αλλά παραμείνει ενδεδεχόμενος με το εκκλησιαστικό του Βασιλείου. Ο Άγιος κατέχει και διατηρεί την καθημερινή του ζωή στον διασταύρωση της Γεννηματικής, ψάχνοντας την ιστορική Ευσέβια.

Είναι γαρώπητο ότι ο Άγιος Κωνσταντίνος όπως συνελήφθη ο Ευσέβιος τα γενέθλια, τα οποία συνιστάζονται την καθημερινή του ζωή στον διασταύρωση της Γεννηματικής, ψάχνοντας την ιστορική Ευσέβια.

Δικαιολογότας ο Άγιος Κωνσταντίνος διακρίνει και διατηρεί από τον Άγιο Ελένη την ευσέβεια της Ευσέβιας στην ομοίωση του Άγιου Κωνσταντίνου. Ο Άγιος Κωνσταντίνος κατέχει και διατηρεί την καθημερινή του ζωή στον διασταύρωση της Γεννηματικής, ψάχνοντας την ιστορική Ευσέβια.

Η Αγία Ελένη γεννήθηκε στον Άγιο Ελένη της Εκκλησίας της Μικράς Αιγίας το 847 μ.Χ. Υπάρχει ότι η Αγία Μαρία ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίας Ελένης και η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου. Ήταν ένας από τους Μεγάλους Αγίους της Εκκλησίας. Υπάρχει ότι η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου και η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου. Υπάρχει ότι η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου και η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου. Υπάρχει ότι η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου και η Αγία Ελένη ήταν η μητέρα της Αγίου Κωνσταντίνου.
PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON:
The Palm Sunday Luncheon was well attended. Thanks go to Penelope Livaditis for preparing the fish plaki and rolls; to Niko Sissamis for providing the salad and salad dressing; to Thalia Plomarity and Constance Sanchez for providing the pies; to Olga Plomarity for providing the drinks and the ingredients for the meal; and, to everyone who helped clean up.

ASSISTING DURING THE HOLY WEEK SERVICES:
We wish to thank and recognize the following for their help and assistance during Holy Week:

Father John Hayden Haby for conducting the beautiful services and for his untiring efforts to assist everyone during Holy Week.

The readers, the chanters and guest chanter and former parishioner Steward Koutros of Houston, Texas, and members of the choir.

The altar boys.

The young girls who participated as the Myrofores (symbolizing the Myrrh Bearing Women) during the Holy Friday Evening Lamentation Service: Mina Daniska, McKinlay Dunn, Caroline Holmes, Natalie Holmes, Sophia Hartofilax, Vasoula Hartofilax, Petroula Livaditis, Vasoula Loukanaris, Virginia Piperis, Ioanna Spentzos, Noelia Spentzos, Megan Stendebach, Melanie Stendebach, and Annabelle Stendebach. Maria Stendebach was the coordinator.

The Parish Council Members who served in so many different capacities.

The parishioners who read the Gospel in different languages during the Agape Service on Pascha Sunday afternoon: Fr. John Hayden Haby – English, Penelope Livadirias – Greek, Olga Plomarity – Spanish, Nicolas Logvinoff – Russian, Martine Logvinoff – French, and Margareta Fratila – Romanian; Rayna Sherman – Bulgarian; and Thea Aldridge – German.

We also wish to recognize and thank the following parishioners for their generous donations during the Holy Week and Pascha Services:

The Church of the Good Shepherd for donating the palms used in making the palm crosses distributed on Palm Sunday.

Fotini Aspras for donating the frame of flowers around the Icon of the Nymphios.

Louis and Maria Sissamis for donating all the items needed for the Holy Unction Service.

Harry and Thalia Plomarity for the Pascal candle for Pascha.
DONATIONS FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES (continued):

Louis and Maria Sissamis for donating the 12 candles for Holy Thursday.

Manolis and Venetia Lignos for donating the wreath of flowers placed on the Cross on Holy Thursday evening.

Margareta Fratila for donating and decorating the flowers on Holy Friday.

George and Virginia Aspras for donating the rose petals used during the Lamentation Service on Holy Friday evening.

Fotini Aspras for donating the Bay Leaves used on Holy Saturday morning.

Kostas Livaditis, Vasilios and Alexia Maragakis, and George and Virginia Aspras for donating the frame of flowers around the Icon of the Anastasis.

Katherine Hrissikopoulos, Dean Hrissikopoulos, Butch and Helen Pool, and James Hrissikopoulos for donating the frame of flowers around the Lavaron of the Anastasis (Banner of the Resurrection).

J. R. and Maria Stendebach for donating the Easter lilies.

The parishioners who brought red dyed eggs that were distributed at the conclusion of the Resurrection Service.

The many families who brought baskets of traditional Easter foods and eggs that were blessed by Father John after the Resurrection Service and distributed in the Church Hall.

Bill Chriss for preparing and donating the Magheritza Soup that was served after the Resurrection Service.

Presvytera Kandi Haby for preparing and donating the Chicken Avgolemono Soup that was served after the Resurrection Service.

Delphi Club for preparing the Tsourekia (Greek Easter Breads) that were served after the Resurrection Service.

A special thanks to all the parishioners for their generous monetary Pascha offerings.

(If we omitted anyone from the above list, please notify the editor and you will be recognized in next month’s bulletin.)

ACHIEVEMENT:

On April 19, 2019, Richard Y. Crank, son of Bob and Angie Crank, graduated from the Texas Department of Corrections Academy in Beeville, Texas and will be working as a Corrections Officer at one of the Corrections Facilities in Beeville, Texas. Congratulations!
NEW BUSINESSES:

On April 3, 2019, Angelo and Maria Papakostas and Kosta and Fotini Dimarhos held a grand opening for their new restaurant Googly’s AM·PM Eatery, located at 4124 South Staples Street. Congratulations!

On April 29, 2019, Boutros (Peter) Abdalla, son of Nawal Abdalla, held a grand opening for his new business, VIP Auto Repair and Lube Center, in Phoenix, Arizona. Congratulations!

CONDOLENCES:

On April 1, 2019, Marie (Smaragda) Mantizas Crumly, 89, fell asleep in the Lord. She is survived by her sons Douglas Cumly, Richard (Stephanie) Crumly, L. D. (Lisa) Crumly, Jr., Nicholas Crumly, and Vaun Crumly; 2 grandchildren; brothers George (Meridith) Manitzas, D. N. (Jonnie) Manitzas; sister Mary Manitzas, and numerous nieces and nephews. A celebration of life was held on April 9, 2019 at Seaside Memorial Park. Funeral Services were held on April 10, 2019 at St. Bartholomew Episcopal Church. May her memory be eternal!

On April 26, 2019, Ysidro Casas, Sr., 86, of George West, Texas, fell asleep in the Lord. He is survived by his wife Amelia; children Lydia (Ramon) Herrera of George West, Alfredo Casas of Plainview, Isidro Casas of George West, Jesse (San Juanita) Cass of Angleton, Mary Jane Casas of George West and Angie (Bob) Crank of George West; brothers Lupe Gonzales of Orange Grove and Valentine Gonzales of La Mesa; 15 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren; and six great-great grandchildren. A Rosary was recited on April 29, 2019 at St. George Catholic Church in George West. The Funeral Mass was held on April 30, 2019 at St. George Catholic Church. May his memory be eternal!

MEMORIAL AND TRISAGION SERVICES:

On April 7, 2019, a Trisagion Service was said for the repose of the souls of Sofia Halkia, Lidia Isakova, and Rev. Fr. Ambrose Omayas Jr. May their memory be eternal!

On April 14, 2019, a Memorial Service was said for the repose of the soul of Anastasia Pahos. May her memory be eternal!

On April 14, 2019, a Trisagion Service was said for the repose of the souls of George Sissamis and Paraskevi Lontos Pantazopoulos. May their memory be eternal!
COFFEE HOUR:
May 5.............................................................................. OPEN
May 12 ..............................................................Mother’s Day Coffee
May 19.............................................................................. OPEN
May 26 .............................................................................. OPEN

ANNIVERSARIES:
Congratulations to those who will be celebrating their wedding anniversary in May:
Jason and Shala Groza ........................................May 3, 2003
Nicholas and Marie Martine Logvinoff ....................May 3, 1969
Viorel and Simona Hodis ........................................May 9, 2005
Konstantinos and Ioanna Piperis ......................... May 13, 2013
Christopher and Georgia Butta ............................May 20, 1989
Nicholas and Brittany Karagas ..............................May 20, 2017

BIRTHDAYS:
We congratulate the following who will celebrate their birthdays in May:
Dr. Ioannis Livaditis ....................................................... May 1st
Rickson Ronald Valverde ........................................ May 3rd
Natalie Holmes ........................................................ May 5th
Konstantinos Minas Piperis ..................................... May 5th
Anna Minas Talarantas ............................................. May 6th
Daniel Eliades .............................................................. May 7th
Eric Hamauei .............................................................. May 8th
Noelia G. Spentzos ..................................................... May 9th
Mary Grace Rubio ....................................................... May 9th
George Pollakis ........................................................ May 9th
Adrian Trujillo ............................................................ May 10th
Jacob Trujillo ............................................................. May 10th
Francisco Alexander Dalton ................................. May 12th
J. R. Stendebach ......................................................... May 15th
Lydia Dennis ............................................................. May 15th
Richard Dennis ........................................................ May 15th
Annabelle Lee Stendebach ..................................... May 16th
Mikella Flores ........................................................... May 18th
Dr. NicholasHallick ..................................................... May 18th
BIRTHDAYS (continued):
Alexis Karagas ........................................ May 19th
Bede Dennis ........................................... May 19th
Corbett Pool ......................................... May 20th
Melody Vogel ......................................... May 20th
Joanie Doas ........................................... May 21st
Christina Ikonomopoulos.......................... May 21st
Christina Sissamis .................................. May 22nd
Mariam Psimaris ..................................... May 24th
Konstantina Piperis .................................. May 24th
Anthony Hancock .................................... May 27th
Katherine Butta ...................................... May 28th
Emmaline Dyer ........................................ May 28th
Carrie Holmes ....................................... May 29th
James Davis .......................................... May 31st
Eirini Dimarhos ...................................... May 31st
Aurora Brown ......................................... May 31st

IN LOVING MEMORY:
Each month we will mention our loved ones who have fallen asleep in the Lord during the month of May. If anyone is left out please let us know so they will be included in the future. (The Editor)
Ethel Pothitakis ...................................... May 1, 1987
Irene Orphanos ....................................... May 1, 2006
Malcolm Doyle Wilkenson .......................... May 1, 2009
Ismaro Baklajoglou .................................. May 2, 1979
Cleo Hartofilax ....................................... May 2, 1991
Constantine G. Meles (Port Lavaca, Texas) .... May 2, 1961
Helen Cazamias ....................................... May 2, 1997
Agnes Aboud ......................................... May 3, 1967
Jack Lymberry ....................................... May 3, 1954
Bealyo Giannukos .................................... May 3, 2008
Mark Kantralis ....................................... May 3, 2015
Demetrios Cazassis .................................. May 4, 1956
Jane Hrissikopoulos Mays .......................... May 4, 1993
Anastasia Stoilis ..................................... May 4, 2000
Ann Lipchik .......................................... May 4, 2015
Christ V. Hartofilax ................................. May 5, 1994
IN LOVING MEMORY, continued:

Katy M. Glaros .......................................................... May 5, 1976
Sophia Lignos .......................................................... May 6, 2006
Marika Eliades .......................................................... May 8, 2001
Jack M. Glaros .......................................................... May 9, 1983
John Gilson (Raymondville, Texas) .......................... May 9, 1967
Maria H. Sissamis .................................................. May 9, 1980
Patsy Kandis ........................................................... May 10, 2006
Emmanuel Argyros .................................................. May 11, 1975
Jo Ann Comnas ....................................................... May 11, 1998
Panagiota Tahinakos .............................................. May 12, 1989
Gregory Kandis ....................................................... May 12, 2006
Darleen Stoilis ......................................................... May 14, 1987
Celia M. Perez ........................................................ May 14, 2009
Anna Nicolau ............................................................ May 14
Fofo Giannukos Sfiris ............................................. May 15, 1990
Dimitria Perperidou ............................................... May 16, 2010
Louise Lymberry ...................................................... May 17, 1990
Marina Roussakis .................................................... May 18, 1992
Magdalene H. Kiriopoulos ...................................... May 18, 2000
Bob Eagle ................................................................. May 20, 2010
Nicholas (Nick) Shibylo .......................................... May 19, 2005
Dr. Pat Hrissikopoulos ........................................... May 20, 2003
Panagiotis Sofronas ............................................... May 21, 1955
Marcus C. Karides ................................................... May 21, 1961
Maria Spentzos ......................................................... May 21, 2000
Gallo Estefo ........................................................... May 22, 1987
Betty Whitaker ......................................................... May 24, 2005
Billy Louis Whitaker ................................................ May 25, 2000
Michael Sotiriades .................................................. May 28, 1970
Dr. John W. Chriss .................................................... May 28, 2007
Lula Morrean ........................................................... May 29, 1990
Philip Benson .......................................................... May 29, 1988
John Sedar ............................................................... May 30, 1976
Helen Gatoura ........................................................ May 30, 1992
Nicolaie Nicolau ....................................................... May 30, 1998

May their memory be eternal!
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