



# St. Philothea Greek Orthodox Church

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## May 7, 2017 ~ Sunday of The Paralytic ~

**Sunday Services:** Orthros at 9:45 am, Divine Liturgy at 10:00 am

**Epistle Reading:** Acts 9:32-42

**Gospel:** John 5:1-15

**Saints Commemorated Today:** Sunday of the Paralytic; Commemoration of the Precious Cross that appeared in the sky over Jerusalem in 351 A.D.; Cyril, Archbishop of Jerusalem; Akakios the Centurion of Byzantium; New Martyr Pachomios of Patmos; St. Nilus, Abbot of Sora

**Word about Communion:** *Holy Communion is offered in the Orthodox Church only to those individuals baptized and chrismated in the Orthodox Faith. One must also be in good standing with the Church spiritually and properly prepared. If you have any further questions about this, please speak with Fr. Anthony. Women should remove all lipstick when approaching for Holy Communion. Please let the children and elderly approach first, when possible.*

### OUR MISSION

The mission of St. Philothea Greek Orthodox Church is to be the living witness of Jesus Christ-keeping and proclaiming the Orthodox Christian Faith and sanctifying the faithful through God's grace by celebrating the Divine Liturgy and Sacraments.

### OUR VISION

We will strive to fulfill the commission of Jesus Christ and grow in faith and love through worship, witness, fellowship and outreach.

## May 7, 2017 ~ Sunday of The Paralytic CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

*CHRISTOS ANESTI -- ALITHOS ANESTI  
CHRISTOS VOSKRESI -- VOISENA VOSKRESI  
CHRISTOA AENVIAT! -- ANDIVERAT ANVIAT!*

**Wednesday, May 10**

**6:00pm**

**Liturgy - SS Cyril & Methodios**

**And Mid-Pentecost**

**Receiving Holy Communion** Parents with small children may approach the chalice first, then the ushers will dismiss the congregation by rows.

**Pastitsio** for sale, \$30 a frozen tray, see Barb.

# At a Glance

## Monday, May 8

Iconography Workshop Mon- Fri Daily 9:00 to 5:00 in back Classroom

6:30pm Grief Support Group

## Wednesday, May 10

6:00pm Vesperal Liturgy - SS Cyril & Methodios

## Thursday, May 11

7:00pm Planned Giving Meeting

## Sunday, May 14 Mothers' Day

8:45am Orthros/Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy 11:30am Coffee Hour

## Monday, May 15

6:00pm AHEPA Meeting

## Tuesday, May 16

10:00am Mother's Day Out

## Wednesday, May 17

7:00pm Parish Council

## Thursday, May 18

6:00pm Spaghetti Dinner

## Sunday, May 21

8:45am Orthros/Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy 11:30am Coffee Hour

## Sunday, May 28

8:45am Orthros/Matins 10:00am Divine Liturgy 11:30am Coffee Hour

## Monday, May 29

6:30pm Grief Support Group

## Wednesday, May 31

6:00pm Evening Services

7:00pm Parish Council

## Saturday, June 3

8:00am Liturgy for Saturday of Souls w/ Memorial Prayers

9:00am Spring Cleaning at St. Philothea

**Monday - Friday**  
**Daily Prayer Chapel**  
**6:30 am - 7:30 am**  
*All are Welcome*

Volunteer Schedule	May 7	May 14	May 21
<b><i>Greeter</i></b>	Mike Carter	Nina Herrington	Stacey Cramer
<b><i>Epistle Reader</i></b>	Roy Stamey	Roy Stamey	Maximos Salzman
<b><i>Coffee Hour</i></b>	Christina White	Nina Herrington	<b>Available</b>
<b><i>Nursery Monitors</i></b>	Pam Demos Anna Salzman	Tracey O'Malley Tina Paninos	Pam Demos Lambrini Cain

**Marswood Hall:** Saturday Party, take down narthex Friday after morning prayers. MoD Kurt.

# *HYMNS & READINGS: May 7, 2017*

## *Sunday of The Paralytic*

### **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

English: Christ is risen from the dead, by death, trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Greek Phonetics: Christos Anesti ek nekron, thanato thanaton patisas, ke tis en tis mnimasi, zoin charisamenos

### **Resurrectional Apolytikion: Tone 3**

**pg.107**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of his arm. He has tramples shown death-by-death becoming the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the deaths of hell and has granted to all the world his great mercy.

### **Entrance Hymn**

**AGES**

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the foundations of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, who arose from the dead. We sing to You: Alleluia

### **Festal Apolytikion**

**pg. 159**

The noble Joseph took Your most pure body down from the tree. He wrapped it in clean linen, anointed it with spices, and placed it in a new tomb. But on the third day You rose, O Lord, bestowing on all the world Your great mercy.

### **Kontakion**

**pg. 275**

Into the grave You descended, Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of Hades, and as victor You arose, O Christ our God; You proclaimed to the myrrhbearing women a greeting of joy, You brought peace to Your holy apostles, and to the fallen You granted resurrection.

*Page numbers are from the Divine Liturgy Hymnal. AGES take from <http://www.agesinitiatives.com>*

*Sing praises to our God, sing praises. Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations.*

## **Acts of the Apostles 9:32-42**

IN THOSE DAYS, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and

died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord.

## **Gospel According to John 5:1-15**

At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked.

Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.' "They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk?'" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

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**Nursery Room** is available for preschool children from 10:30 am to the end of the Divine Liturgy. Parents please collect your child (ren) from the Nursery after receiving antidoron.

**Ministry Meetings\*** For more information see our [Council of Ministries](#) chart on website or ask Nina Lamson

<b>Grief Support</b>	Mon	May 8 & 29	
<b>Men's Lunch</b>	Wed	Every Wed at 12:00 at Mannaweenta	
<b>Mother's Day Out</b>	Tue	May 16	10:00-1:00 pm / Pot-Luck
<b>Parish Council</b>	Wed	May 17	7:00 pm
<b>Spaghetti Dinner</b>	Thu	May 18	6:00 pm- Last of Season
<b>AHEPA Mtg</b>	Mon.	May 15	6:00 pm
<b>Women's Bible Study</b>	Tue	Jun 6	6:30 pm @ Lamsons
<b>Education Ministries</b>	Sun	Jun 5	At Golden Dragon Rest.
<b>A.C.T.S.</b>	Tue	Aug 1	Bogart Location

### **A.R.E. Adult Religious Education Ministries Meeting**

Monday, June 5 at 6:30 pm at the Golden Dragon Restaurant on Alps Road.

**Legacy Gift** St. Philothea is establishing a **Planned Giving Program** to strengthen our foundation for the next generation. If you would like to make a Planned Giving gift, either through your will, your estate, stocks, 401 k contributions, real estate or many other options, we would like you to become founding members of the St. Philothea Legacy Society. Members will be acknowledged throughout time on a plaque in the Narthex where you will be remembered for your generosity. Details will be forth coming but initial inquiries can be made to Nina Herrington at [herrington.nina@gmail.com](mailto:herrington.nina@gmail.com)

**Need Coffee Hour Hosts** for upcoming months. Please see Presbyteria Christine to sign up or go to our website link [SignUp Genius](#)

**OCF** Thank you to Mattie Windham for serving as President for OCF this past year. We congratulate our new officers President Amanda Porocho, Vice President Jacob Sparks, Secretary Elizabeth Mahoney and Treasurer Carter Anderson. May you have a safe summer and a blessed year together.

### **Building the Panagia Chapel: Roof Tiles**

The Panagia Chapel at the Diakonia Retreat Center is in its final stages. To wrap up the building of the Panagia Chapel, His Eminence has asked that each family give the names of their loved ones, living and deceased to be sealed in the Holy Table during consecration and prayed for during each service held in the Chapel, forever. When submitting names, it is requested that each family prayerfully considers a sponsorship of \$30 or more, as you are able, to the completion of the Panagia Chapel roof.

**Welcome to our Guests Today** – Please join us in the Social Hall for fellowship. We look forward to greeting you.

**Icon Workshop** will take place THIS WEEK at St. Philothea May 7-12, to register go to [www.imageandlikeness.com](http://www.imageandlikeness.com) or call 706-310-1306

**Coffee Hour** has been declared “**MFZ**” or “Meeting-Free-Zone” by the Parish Council. Fellowship is so important to our spiritual life; please schedule all meetings 45 minutes after Liturgy to allow time for fellowship.

**All Hands on Deck! St. Philothea Spring Cleaning Day** will be June 3 from 9:00am to 1:00pm. We will do some needed painting, tile changing and cleaning in the church. Please see Fr. Anthony to help.

### **Sunday School and Youth \*\*End of Year Ceremony Today\*\***

Classes will resume in August and will be moved to before the Liturgy from 9:00 am to 9:50 am.

#### **MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR THESE DATES:**

- **Vacation Church School - VCS** - July 11, 12, 13 for ages 3 to rising 6th graders. At the church from 5:30pm-8:30pm. Theme is “Journeys”. Registration information available at [SummerYouthPrograms](#).
- **JTW - J = June and July. T= Teen! W= Wednesday Nights.** What is this? On Wednesday nights in June and July, our teens will get together for fellowship and activities. Open to rising 7th graders to 12th graders, beginning June 7. Please see Vee if you have any questions.
- **We are in need of:** Nursery Coordinator and Middle School Sunday School teacher. Please let Vee if you would like to be considered for the 2017-2018 school year.

**Fr. Anthony on Vacation** from May 13 – 26. Please welcome our substitute priest Fr. Ken Anthony during this time. There will not be Wednesday evening prayers, Giref Support Group or Men’s Lunch during these dates. In case of pastoral needs contact our parish Vice President Michael McClain or Past President Barbara Knisely. They will contact the available priest for you.