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Liturgical Guide for Sunday, November 2, 2014

ON THIS DAY, THE FIFTH SUNDAY OF ST. LUKE, THE CHURCH COMMEMORATES the Holy Martyrs Akindynos, Pegasios, Aphthonios, Elpidophoros, & Anempodistos of Persia (+355); Domnina, Domna, & Kyriaki, the Martyrs; Saints of the Summoned Council; Holy Martyrs Evdoxios, Agapios, and their Eight Companions; and Righteous Father Marcian of Cyros. *Through their holy intercessions, O God, have mercy on us and save us. Amen.*

Welcome, Visitors and Newcomers, to our Parish!

We invite you to enter your name, mail/email addresses in our Guest Register (near the entrance) if you are interested in joining and assisting with our mission's development. We want to keep you informed of our schedule and

location of services. *You and your family are welcome; we look forward to knowing you. We invite you and your family to join and assist us often!*

Please consider that only baptized and chrismated Orthodox Christians in canonical good standing may approach for Holy Communion. All are invited to partake of the Antidoron ("instead of the gifts") distributed at the conclusion of today's Divine Liturgy.

SPECIAL HYMNS SUNG BEFORE/AFTER SMALL ENTRANCE

1./2. Resurrectional Hymn (Fourth Tone) – (Hymnal-pp.110-113):

It is sung *before* and *after* the Small Entrance: The joyful news of Your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with His great mercy.

3. Hymn Commemorating Holy Martyrs – (Not in Hymnal):

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance. Blessed is the soil enriched by your blood and holy the heavenly abode that received your souls; for in the stadium you triumphed over the enemy and boldly proclaimed Christ. We pray you, Beseech Him, as The Good One, that He may save our souls.

4. Hymn Commemorating St. Christopher – (see handout):

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance. Made comely with garments woven from your venerable blood, you stand before the Lord, the King of Heaven and earth, O famed Martyr Christopher. With the choirs of Angels and the Martyrs you chant, singing the thrice-holy hymn and most awesome praises. Thus, by your intercessions with God, save us, your servants.

5. Kontakion – (Hymnal-pp.224-227):

It is sung *after* the Small Entrance: O unfailing protection of Christians, and our faithful advocate before the Creator: though we are sinners, do not ignore our entreaty; but in your goodness, grant your timely help to us

who appeal to you in faith. Quickly make intercession; on our behalf make speedy supplication, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you.

SCRIPTURAL PASSAGES FROM TODAY'S ORTHROS & DIVINE LITURGY

The Scriptures were not given us for this only, that we might have them in books, but that we might engrave them on our hearts.

– St. John Chrysostom

Gospel Reading During Orthros Service (John 21:1-14)

After these things Jesus showed Himself again to the disciples by the Sea of Tiberias; and He showed Himself in this way. Gathered there together were Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael of Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee, and two others of His disciples. Simon Peter said to them, "I am going fishing." They said to him, "We will go with you." They went out and got into the boat, but that night they caught nothing. Just after daybreak, Jesus stood on the beach; but the disciples did not know that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, you have no fish, have you?" They answered Him, "No." He said to them, "Cast the net to the right side of the boat, and you will find some." So they cast it, and now they were not able to haul it in because there were so many fish. That disciple whom Jesus loved said to Peter, "It is the Lord!" When Simon Peter heard that it was the Lord, he put on some clothes, for he was naked, and jumped into the sea. But the other disciples came in the boat, dragging the net full of fish, for they were not far from the land, only about a hundred yards off. When they had gone ashore, they saw a charcoal fire there, with fish on it, and bread. Jesus said to them, "Bring some of the fish that you have just caught." So Simon Peter went aboard and hauled the net ashore, full of large fish, a hundred fifty-three of them; and though there were so many, the net was not torn. Jesus said to them, "Come and have breakfast." Now none of the disciples dared to ask Him, "Who are you?" because they knew it was the Lord. Jesus came and took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish. This was now the third time that Jesus appeared to the disciples after He was raised from the dead.

Epistle Reading (Gal. 2:16-20)

¹⁶yet we know that a person is justified not by the works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ. And we have come to believe in Christ Jesus, so that we might be justified by faith in Christ, and not by doing the works of the law, because no one will be justified by the works of the law. ¹⁷But if, in our effort to be justified in Christ, we ourselves have been found to be sinners, is Christ then a servant of sin? Certainly not! ¹⁸But if I build up again the very things that I once tore down, then I demonstrate that I am a transgressor. ¹⁹For through the law I died to the law, so that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; ²⁰and it is no longer I who live, but it is Christ Who lives in me. And the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, Who loved me and gave Himself for me.

Gospel Reading During Divine Liturgy (Luke 16:19-31)

Luke 16:19 “There was a rich man who was dressed in purple and fine linen and who feasted sumptuously every day. *20* And at his gate lay a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, *21* who longed to satisfy his hunger with what fell from the rich man’s table; even the dogs would come and lick his sores. *22* The poor man died and was carried away by the angels to be with Abraham. The rich man also died and was buried. *23* In Hades, where he was being tormented, he looked up and saw Abraham far away with Lazarus by his side. *24* He called out, ‘Father Abraham, have mercy on me, and send Lazarus to dip the tip of his finger in water and cool my tongue; for I am in agony in these flames.’ *25* But Abraham said, ‘Child, remember that during your lifetime you received your good things, and Lazarus in like manner evil things; but now he is comforted here, and you are in agony. *26* Besides all this, between you and us a great chasm has been fixed, so that those who might want to pass from here to you cannot do so, and no one can cross from there to us.’ *27* He said, ‘Then, father, I beg you to send him to my father’s house — *28* for I have five brothers — that he may warn

them, so that they will not also come into this place of torment.’ 29 Abraham replied, ‘They have Moses and the prophets; they should listen to them.’ 30 He said, ‘No, father Abraham; but if someone goes to them from the dead, they will repent.’ 31 He said to him, ‘If they do not listen to Moses and the prophets, neither will they be convinced even if someone rises from the dead.’”

THIS WEEK’S MEMORY VERSE

(TRY TO COMMIT TO MEMORY):

“Refrain from anger, and forsake wrath. Do not fret — it leads only to evil.” *(Psalm 37:8)*

PASTORAL REFLECTION FROM FR. GEORGE:

I have read that when Leonardo Da Vinci was working on his painting, “The Last Supper,” he became angry with a certain man. Losing his temper, he lashed the man with bitter words and threats. Returning to his canvas, he attempted to work on the face of Jesus, but was unable to do so. Finally, he put down his brush, sought out the man, and asked his forgiveness. The man accepted his apology and Leonardo was able to return to his workshop and finish painting the face of Jesus.

Someone once observed that “*Anger is an acid which can do more damage to the vessel that holds it than to anything on which it’s thrown.*” As your Pastor, I feel each of us is confronted daily with anger, anxiety, and unhealthy emotions in our lives.

Our thoughts and behaviors are products of our past experiences and the choices we have made. When we surrender ourselves to our Lord Jesus Christ, He is able to work in us from the inside out, changing our ways of thinking and our perceptions. Through Him, the spiritual change in our heart then flows outward to our feelings and behaviors, and guides us

as we interact with others and deal with the day-to-day challenges in our lives. Our reward is that over time, we begin to practice new ways of behaving that can help us flourish and experience healthy relationships – *beginning with our Creator, and then with ourselves and others.*



Hands of Love: November 2014

"For the poor will never cease from the land, therefore, I command you to do this word which says, 'You shall surely open your hands to your brother, to your poor and needy in your land.'"

(Deut. 15:11)

Fayette Samaritans

We will be collecting non-perishable food items.

Fayette Samaritans is a Christian ministry serving those in need in Fayette County, Georgia. The group provides food, clothing and financial assistance for selected emergency needs.

It was chartered in 1991, with representatives from 11 Fayette County churches, to assess and coordinate the critical needs of area residents who may not qualify for assistance from other agencies.

Fayette Samaritans is now supported by more than 50 area churches, businesses, civic organizations, and individuals. It is housed in its own 2400 square foot facility, located at 126 Hickory Road behind the Fayetteville Christian Church.

2014 Appetizer/Dessert Sale Approaching – *Notify your friends that the Order Deadline is Monday, November 10th – Hurry!!!*

All proceeds benefit our Philoptochos Society's local and national charities. (Philoptochos is our philanthropic organization and means "friends of the poor.")

Please telephone 770/298-4496 to place order(s) with George or email order(s) to dinatagaloskearns@gmail.com

Philoptochos Society

St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church

~Order deadline November 10, 2014 ~

Pick up dates – Friday Nov 21st 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm at Church Address

Saturday Nov. 22nd 9:00 am – 12:00 pm at Church Address

Name: _____ **Phone & Email:** _____

Order: (specify quantity for each item and include payment for total due)

Spanakopita _____	@ \$10.00 per dozen	\$ _____
Tiropita _____	@ \$10.00 per dozen	\$ _____
Baklava _____	@ \$18.00 per dozen	\$ _____
Kourambiethes _____	@ \$15.00 per dozen	\$ _____
Melomakarona _____	@ \$15.00 per dozen	\$ _____
Koulourakia _____	@ \$8.00 per dozen	\$ _____
SAMPLER DOZEN (Package containing 3 each of Baklava, Kourambiethes, Melomakarona And Koulourakia) _____ @ \$20.00 per box		
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And on this *the five hundred and thirty-second* Sunday of our St. Christopher's parish community, we continue to thank each of you for your presence and support. Although it may seem like we are just a handful of men, women and children, if we commit ourselves to serving our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ, we will experience the miracle of growth as the Holy Spirit brings others into His service to help us build His new church in the Peachtree City, Georgia area for the glory of God!

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, November 2 (5th Sunday of St. Luke—Daylight Savings Time

Ends at 2:00 a.m. on Sunday):

- 7:45 a.m. Orthros Service**
- 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy/Ice Cream Sundae Sunday**
- 10:45 a.m. Religious Education Classes (for all ages)**
- 11:45 a.m. Parish Council Meeting**
- 11:45 a.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting**
- 12:00 p.m. Philoptochos – Preparation of Batter for Fall Appetizer Sale**

Monday, November 3:

- 6:00 p.m. Philoptochos - Rolling of Pites for Fall Appetizer Sale**
- 6:30 p.m. Parish Council Asset Listing Dinner/Meeting**

Tuesday, November 4:

- 6:00 p.m. Philoptochos - Rolling of Pites for Fall Appetizer Sale**

Saturday, November 8:

- 6:00 p.m. 2014 Archangel Michael Feast & Honors Banquet –
Annunciation Cathedral, Atlanta, GA**

Sunday, November 9 (7th Sunday of St. Luke—No Church Services in PTC

Today - 2014 Archangel Michael Feast & Honors Weekend):

- 8:15 a.m. Orthros Service at Annunciation Cathedral in Atlanta**
- 9:30 a.m. Hierarchical Divine Liturgy – Annunciation Cathedral**

Monday, November 10:

- 5:00 p.m. Deadline to Order - Philoptochos Fall Appetizer/Pastry Sale**

***Your continued support and mutual encouragement
are essential and appreciated!***