



## Worship Services



Orthros 9:00 a.m.  
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

**Priest:** Fr. Tom Pistolis

**Choir Director:**

Fanya Paouris

**Organist:**

Mary Koutroulis

**Chanters:**

Sotiris Basilakos, Tony Thermos,  
Forrest Palmer, David Bowden,  
John Blackstone, Tim Demas

### Sunday, October 1

**Altar Boys:** Alex Taylor, leader,  
Steven Maurides, co-leader,  
Robert Taylor, Yianni Bakaes

**Epistle Reader:** William Maurides

**Nursery:** Bill & Anne Thompson

**Narthex:** Shane Taylor, Nick Demos, Stan Tzouvelekas, George Marianos

**Greeter:** Mark or Martha Knauber

**Coffee Server:** Yiota Chatos

### Sunday, October 8

**Altar Boys:** Team Saint Nektarios  
Chris Georgiades, leader, Shelby Bowden, co-leader, Jimmy Palmer, Nicholas Taylor

**Epistle Reader:** Dirk Piper

**Nursery:** George & Carrie Rozakos

**Narthex:** Charles Joiner, Jimmy Georgiades, John Sfiris, Tom Mantekas, Bill Stathakis

**Greeter:** Haido Pourlos

**Coffee Server:** Maria Siachos, Thalia Vurnakes, Bunny Gandis

**Memorial:** Maria Siachos

1 year anniversary of her falling asleep in the Lord.

## DOCTRINE OF CREATION

*In the beginning God created the heaven and the earth. (Gen. 1:1)*

*And God saw everything that He had made, and, behold, it was very good. (Gen 1:31)*

The Holy Trinity created everything we see, including us. This creation is an expression of God's love towards humankind and all creatures. There is no conflict with the science and Orthodoxy. The Bible is not intended to be a scientific revelation. It is about the spiritual realm, God's revelation of Himself and His salvation. Also, we do not view science textbooks, helpful though they may be, as God's revelation. They may contain both known facts and speculative theory, but they are not infallible. Orthodox Christians refuse to build an unnecessary and artificial wall between science and the Christian faith. Rather, we understand honest scientific investigation as a potential encouragement to faith, for all truth is from God. We also know that science is not infallible and over time new theories about how the universe was created are generated as man's knowledge of God's creation expands. From the Bible we learn some aspects about God's creation, but it mostly remains a mystery.

### How did the world arise?

The account of Creation in Genesis shows us that the world does not exist eternally, but has appeared in time. It did not form itself, but is dependent on the will of God. Further, it did not appear in a single instant, but was created in sequence. We also know that it was created not of necessity, but by the free desire of God - created so that other beings, glorifying Him, might be participants in His goodness. It was created by the Word of God (Son), with participation of the Life-giving Spirit, with the Father being the original cause. Here again we see the working of the Trinity in total harmony. The Father as the cause, the Son as the Creator "through whom all things are made" and the Holy Spirit the implementing one "in whom all things were made. (Saint Basil the Great)

The created world is distinct in essence from God. The world was brought into being out of non-being and not created out of an eternally existing material. Beholding the heavens and the earth, and seeing all that is there, you will understand that God has created it all from nothing

(2 Macc. 7:28). As St. Gregory of Nyssa affirms, "It begins to be, and the very substance of the creation owes its beginning to change". This transition from non-existence is a change brought about by God's creative Word "who has established the world so that it shall not be moved" (Ps. 93:1).

The Cappadocian Fathers teach that God first creates the world and beautifies it like a palace, and then leads humanity into it. The genesis of the cosmos, being in becoming, is a mystery (mysterion) for the human mind, a genesis produced by the Word of God. As such, the world is a revelation of God (Rom. 1:19-20). Thus, when its intelligent inhabitants see it as cosmos, they come to learn about the Divine wisdom and the Divine energies. The cosmos is a coherent whole, a created synthesis, because all its elements are united and interrelated in time and space. A serious study of the mystery of creation, through faith, prayer, meditation and science, will make a positive contribution to the recognition of the integrity of creation.

There is nothing uncreated in the world apart from God Himself. Everything created was very good which means evil did not appear together with creation.

ferent way by the direct involvement and action of God from elements already created. This indicates not only the outstanding position of the human in the whole of the creation, but also a special relation to God. Only the human being combines material and spiritual elements.

Man was a distinct creation having a higher purpose on earth than the rest of creation. We are called to exercise dominion over all creatures on earth (cf. Gen. 1:28), i.e. to be stewards (oikonomoi) of God's material world, caring for it, maintaining it in its integrity and perfecting it by opening it up to God through our own deification.

Presence of God's image in man testifies to a reflection of the very attributes of God in man's spiritual nature. God formed man of the dust of the earth, and breathed into his nostrils the breath of life; and man became a living soul (Gen 2:7). Body and soul were formed at the same time.

### What is our purpose?

Most Holy Fathers teach that there is a difference between the image of God and His likeness. They see the image of God in the very nature of the soul, and the likeness in the moral perfecting of man in virtue and sanctity, in the acquirement of the gifts of the Holy spirit. We receive the image of God with our existence, but must acquire the likeness ourselves having been given this possibility from God. To become in the likeness of God depends on our free will. This is depicted in the diagram to the left. We have the image and then aspire through our spiritual growth to become like God. This is our God given potential. We can grow to become like God. This is our purpose. To become morally perfected in virtue and sanctity through the acquirement of the gifts of the Holy Spirit. God wants us to glorify Him and to be faithful in our union with Him. We have innate within us a striving to strive towards Him, to acknowledge Him as the Creator, to glorify Him, to rejoice in union with Him. We are called to perfect ourselves and to guard our likeness with God and restore it.

God made us as his chief priests and to offer a sacrifice of praise and thanksgiving to God on the behalf of all those born on earth. We are to unite all of creation with God and thus keep the whole chain of earthly creatures in a harmonious bond and order.



### Making of Man.

Man is the highest creation of God on earth.

*God said, Let us make man in Our image, after our likeness; and let him have dominion over the fish of the sea and over the fowl of the air... and over all the earth... So God created man in His own image, in the image of God created He him. (Gen. 1:26-27)*

Adam and Eve were created by God after all the other created beings and in a dif-

# NEWS

## CONGRATUALTIONS

...to **Spiridoula and John Blackstone** for the recent birth of their **new baby girl**, born Wednesday, September 13. It is indeed awesome to experience the power and love that God has for us all. His revelation of love for us and His caring in our future is through His blessing us with children. The extremely happy parents are joined by us all in thanking our Lord for His generous blessings upon them with this bestowing of the gift of His creation. May she have many years.

## SUNDAY SCHOOL

These past two Sundays have really been nice seeing everyone back in Sunday School. The halls were filled with our children everywhere, and hearing their sweet voices echoing and seeing their beautiful warm smiles is truly a great feeling. Everyone was truly missed during the summer. All of the Sunday School teachers were very happy to see their students, and they 'Thank' the parents for making the first two Sundays of Sunday School so successful.

We are looking forward to a very exciting and fun 2006 – 2007 Religious Education year. We have added a special music program in our curriculum for the K3-8th graders. We are truly blessed in our Cathedral to have two very special and talented women that will be in charge of the music program. These sweet and loving women are Ms. Bessie Cheros and Mrs. Lena Trekas. The Music program will be 30 minutes once a month for each classroom between 11:45 to 12:15 (during class time).

### Reminder:

1. The Divine Liturgy service begins promptly at 10am. Everyone is encouraged to be on time.

2. Parents your children are to remain in the Cathedral until after Father Tom says the following:

"We ask for all the Sunday School Students K-3 – 4th graders, Sunday School Teachers, and 11th & 12th grade girls that have prepared to receive Holy Communion to come first and then the rest of the Sunday School students."

At this point Father Tom will say: "With fear of God, with faith, and with love draw near." Μετα φοβου Θεου, πιστεως και αγαπη προσελθετε.

Parents, after the above words are said by Father Tom send your children to the Narthex - only then not before. Your help is very much appreciated and respected.

We are requesting so there will be no distractions that if you have an early dismissal to please come to the Office and ask one of the superintendents to go with you to the classroom and get your child.

3. Parents, please try to remember that first session of Sunday School begins in the Cathedral at 10am and then afterwards the second session will begin immediately in the Religious Educational Building.

4. Parents please mark your calendars and keep these important dates handy:

### Family Sundays

- † Sunday, November 26, 2006
- † Sunday, December 24, 2006
- † Sunday, December 31, 2006
- † Sunday, February 4, 2007
- † Sunday, April 8, 2007

### Lenten Season 2007

Saturdays of the Souls

February 10, 2007 9:30 am Service

February 17, 2007 9:30 am Service

February 24, 2007 9:30 am Service

Presanctified Service

February 21, 2007 7pm Service

This Service will be in English & Instruction Service of the Sunday School Students.

Salutations Service

Friday, February 23, 2007, 5:30pm Service in English & Lenten Dinner

Friday, March 2, 2007, 5:30pm Service in English & Lenten Dinner

Friday, March 9, 2007, 5:30pm Service in English & Lenten Dinner

Annunciation of the Virgin Mary, Sunday, March 25, 2007

Saturday of Lazarus, March 31, 2007, Divine Liturgy at 9:30am, Breakfast & Palm making following service.

**Parents:** Please note in the Narthex of the Cathedral and in the Small Chapel near the St. George Icon there will be a sign-in book for all Cathedral Sunday School students to sign in and earn attendance credit during special service of our Cathedral. Please remember if your children attend another church they are kindly requested to bring the bulletin from that church or a signed note from the priest or administration of the attending church.

### Special Events

† Thursday, November 8, 2006 St. Nektarios Euchaleion Service at 7pm, 6:30 dinner in small hall

† Sunday, December 10, 2006, Santa's luncheon in the Hellenic Center

† Sunday, December 17, 2006, Nativity pageant in the Cathedral

† Sunday, February 11, 2007, Godparent Sunday & luncheon in the Hellenic Center

† Sunday, April 22, 2007, Banquet Luncheon in Hellenic Center honoring the senior class of 2007

† Sunday, May 6, 2007, Graduation Sunday, honoring senior class 2007, graduation party in the Hellenic Center

### 2006-2007 Religious Education Handbooks

Due to the high cost of paper and materials we have decided to publish the Cathedral handbook on line on the Cathedral Web-site. This handbook will be ready by October 15th. However, for those that do not have access to a computer we will print out copies of the handbook by special request only. This will also allow us to spend the extra money on materials, and arts & crafts for the Cathedral students.

### Teachers Meeting

Teachers Meeting will be held in the 4th & 5th grade class room Sunday, **October 15th** after Sunday School. This will be a brief, but informative meeting. We are kindly requesting that all teachers please attend or have one teacher from each class attend.

Once again, the administration, and Cathedral Sunday School staff would like to express their sincerest gratitude to all. May God bestow upon us all a blessed and memorable 2006 – 2007 Sunday School year. In His Holy Name, Frances P. Pappas Religious Education Superintendent

### JOY

We would like to get the JOY group started in the early Fall. Parents interested please contact Ms. Frances Pappas at 313-1215

### CHOIR

Choir practice every Wednesday at 7:30 pm. New members are gladly welcomed.

## GREEK SCHOOL

Ανακοινώσεις Ελληνικού Σχολείου: Για λόγους ασφάλειας των παιδιών και όλων μας παρακαλούμε όλους τους γονείς των μαθητών μας να φερνουν και να παίρνουν τα παιδιά θα πρέπει να είναι κλειστή για τοίχον ανεπιθυμητες εκπληξεις.Επισης θα πρέπει να ειστε ολοι οι γονεις κατα το τελος του μαθηματος ακριβως.Στις 8 Οκτωβριου ημερα Κυριακη ο πολιτιστικος μας συλλογος αμεσως μετα την εκκλησια θα εχει την πρωτη του συναντιση στην βιβλιοθηκη ειστε ολοι ευπροσδεκτοι.Το Σαββατο 21 Οκτω βριου σχεδιαζουμε εκδρομη στο Μοναστηρι ετοιμαστε τα καλα θακια σας και θα σας ξανα υπενθυμισουμε.Ξεκινησαμε τις Τεταρτες μαθημα με παιδια Αγγλοφωνων οικογενειων αν υπαρξη ενδιαφερων και αλλων οικογενειων με μεγαλη μας ευχαριστηση να δημιουργισουμε και αλλη ταξη.Αν καποιος απο τους γονεις θελει να παρακολουθησει το μαθημα με μεγαλη μας χαρα να λαβει μερος.

Greek School Announcement: For the safety of the students, parents, and teachers, we ask that all parents please bring the children into the school building. The doors will be closed to avoid any surprise visitors. We also ask that parents pick up the students from the building immediately after school ends.

On **Sunday, October 8, 2006** the Greek Culture Club will have its first meeting in the library, after church. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

**Saturday, October 21, 2006** a trip is being planned to the monastery, prepare your picnic baskets.

**ATTENTION: PARENTS OF CHILDREN IN ENGLISH SPEAKING FAMILIES:** Greek School classes have begun on Wednesdays for children of English speaking families. We cordially invite any child age 5 and up to join this class. In addition, parents of the children are welcome to attend at any time. If there is a big enough demand, we will be glad to organize another class on another day of the week.

### AGAPE FELLOWSHIP

AGAPE will meet Tuesday, October 17. We are planning a trip to visit a winery for lunch and then visit an apple orchard. Please call Kathy Joiner for reservations. All are welcome.

### BIBLE STUDY

Come join us at 10:30am on Wednesdays for in-depth study of our Holy Scripture.

### DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

Meeting scheduled for Thursday, October 19, 7:00pm in Hellenic Center.

### MAIDS OF ATHENA

Any unmarried girls between the ages of 14 and 24 are welcomed to join the Maids of Athena. Become part of the AHEPA family! We participate in many exciting activities throughout the year. If you are interested, please contact Megan Boyles before October 15 at [meganboyles\\_12@yahoo.com](mailto:meganboyles_12@yahoo.com), or call 864-903-2653 or 864-639-1994 to become part of this amazing sisterhood!

### GOYA

GOYA Meeting **Sunday, October 8**  
**Halloween Carnival Sunday, October 22**

-Setup, right after church

-The carnival is from 5:30pm to 8:00pm

-All GOYAnS are required to stay after and help clean up.

-All GOYAnS MUST attend!!!

### CORRECTION

The following name was omitted from the membership listing: Kelly Tzouvelekas.

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<b>October</b>						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b> 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Fall General Assembly	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> 10:00am Philoptochos	<b>4 +</b> 10:30a Bible Study 7:30p Choir Practice	<b>5 +</b> 6:00p Orthodoxy Class in Small Hall	<b>6</b> 🍷	<b>7</b>  <b>Anderson Greek Festival</b>
<b>8</b> 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy 1 yr. mem. Maria Siachos GOYA Meeting Greek Culture Club Meeting Daughters Evrytania Picnic	<b>9</b> 6:00p Parish Council	<b>10</b> 7:00p AHEPA	<b>11+</b> 10:30a Bible Study 7:30p Choir Practice	<b>12</b> 6:00p Orthodoxy Class in Small Hall	<b>13 +</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b> Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Teachers Meeting	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b> Agape trip to winery and apple orchard.	<b>18+</b> 10:30a Bible Study 7:30p Choir Practice	<b>19</b> 6:00p Orthodoxy Class in Small Hall 7:00p Daughters Penelope	<b>20 +</b>	<b>21</b> Greek School trip to Paracletos Monastery
<b>22</b> 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy 1 yr. memorial Pete Mentis 4:00p GOYA Halloween - large hall 6:00p AHEPA Numbers Night - small hall	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25+</b> 10:30a Bible Study 7:30p Choir Practice	<b>26</b> 9:30 a Divine Liturgy - Demetrios the Myrrh-streamer 6:00p Orthodoxy Class in Small Hall	<b>27 +</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b> 9:00a Orthros 10:00a Divine Liturgy Greek School	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>1 +</b> Baking 10:30a Bible Study 7:30p Choir Practice	<b>2</b> Baking 6:00p Orthodoxy Class in Small Hall	<b>3 +</b> Baking	<b>4</b> Baking

Fasting guidelines from the Archdiocese calendar: 🐟 fish allowed   🍷 Wine and oil allowed   + Strict Fast  
🥛 Dairy, eggs and fish allowed

## GENERAL ASSEMBLY AGENDA Sunday, October 1, 2006

1. Call to Order
2. Prayer
3. Elect Chairman
4. Minutes from Spring General Assembly
5. Stewardship – George Manos, Dan Johnson
  - a) 2005 to date (Jan-Sept)
  - b) 2006 Budget
  - c) Capital Campaign Fund
6. Financial Report – John Sfiris
  - a) 2006 to date (Jan-Sept)
  - b) 2007 Projected Budget
  - c) Audit Report
7. Long Range Planning Update (Nick Theodore and Cliff Gandis)
  - a) Building
  - b) Building Fund Report
8. Festival Report (George Manos)
9. Parish Council Elections
  - a) Set date
  - b) Nominations
10. Elect Board of Electors
11. New Business
12. Closing Prayer

## EVENTS

### ANDERSON GREEK FESTIVAL Saturday, October 7, 2006 12:30pm to 11:00pm



Anderson Farmer's Market and Arts Center in downtown Anderson. Enjoy authentic Greek food and pastries! Entertainment featuring Nick Demos and the Greek Islanders, Greek Folk Dancers - Troupe Adelpia of Greenville. A day of food, music, shopping and fellowship. Proceeds benefit the Building Fund of the Paracletos Greek Orthodox Monastery (in Antreville).

### NUMBER'S NIGHT SPONSORED BY AHEPA

Our annual AHEPA Number's Night is just around the corner. So mark your calendar and SAVE THE DATE!  
**Sunday, October 22nd**

Join us in the Hellenic Center to enjoy the fun with drinks, appetizers, dinner, dessert and drawings. Event starts at 6pm. A Number's Night ticket is \$100. (you do not have to be present to win.) Price for dinner is \$20 and you may pay at the door.

### MOSAIC WORK PROGRESSES



**Κυριακη, 1 Οκτωβριου**

Ορθρος 9:00πμ  
Θεια Λειτ. 10:00πμ

**Κυριακη, 8 Οκτωβριου**

Ορθρος 9:00πμ  
Θεια Λειτ. 10:00πμ

**ΓΕΝΙΚΗ ΣΥΝΕΛΕΥΣΗ**

Κυριακη, 1 Οκτωβριου, 2006

1. Προσευχη
2. Εκλογη Αρχηγου
3. Πρακτικα περασμενης Συνελευσης
4. Επιστασια
  - α) 2005 μεχρι ωρας (Ιανουαριος - Σεπτ.)
  - β) Προυπολογισμος 2006
  - γ) Κεφαλαιο Νεων Κτιριων
5. Οικονομικα - Ιωαννης Σφირης

- α) 2006 μεχρι ωρας ( Ιανουαριος - Σεπτ.)
- β) Προυπολογισμος 2007
6. Ενημερωση για το Μελλον
  - α) Κτισιμο κτιριων
  - β) Οικονομικο Κεφαλαιον
7. Φεστιβαλ
8. Εκλογες Συμβουλιου
  - α) Ημερομηνια
  - β) Εκλογες
9. Εκλογες εκλογικης Επιτροπης
10. Νεα
11. Προσευχη

**ΣΥΝΕΔΡΙΑΣΗ ΦΙΛΟΠΤΩΧΟΥ**

Η συνεδριαση της Φιλοπτωχου θα γινη την Τριτη, 3 Οκτωβριου στις 10:00πμ το πρωι. στην μικρη αιθουσα.

**ΦΕΣΤΙΒΑΛ ΤΟΥ ΑΝΤΕΡΣΟΝ**

Σαββατο, 7 Οκτωβριου, 2006  
12:30μμ - 11:00μμ

Οσοι μπορουμε να παμε να βοηθησουμε και να τους υποστηριξουμε. Ολα τα χρηματα θα πανε στο Μοναστηρι του Παρακλητου.

**ΣΥΛΛΟΓΟΣ ΑΓΑΠΗΣ**

Την Τριτη, 17 Οκτωβριου θα παμε εκδρομη να μαζεψουμε μηλα και θα παμε να δουμε και ενα μερος που εχουν κρασια. Οποιος θελη να παη ας τηλεφωνηση την Καιτη Τζοινερ.



35 attend Living the Orthodox Christian Life: An Introduction to Orthodoxy



A visit to the Paracletos Monastery and talk with Abbess Pavlina.

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