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The Orthodox Way

The Monthly Newsletter of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church

Mission Statement: "To proclaim the Gospel of Christ in the Orthodox Tradition while creating a vibrant, loving, compassionate and supportive community."

Encyclical of Archbishop Demetrios for Independence Day - July 4, 2016 Independence Day

To the Most Reverend Hierarchs, the Reverend Priests and Deacons, the Monks and Nuns, the Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils of the Greek Orthodox Communities, the Distinguished Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the Day, Afternoon, and Church Schools, the Philoptochos Sisterhoods, the Youth, the Hellenic Organizations, and the entire Greek Orthodox Family in America

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

As we observe the annual commemoration of Independence Day, hierarchs, clergy and laity from throughout our Holy Archdiocese are gathered in Nashville for our 43rd Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress. Certainly, we are meeting to address the needs and opportunities in the life of our Church in America. We are also gathered in the presence of God with a focus on a specific theme that guides and challenges our work of ministry: "You are the

Voice of Christ in a Changing World." On this day and in our celebration of the freedom we have in this country, the voice of Christ should be heard through us so that all may know the true depth and spiritual power of the liberty we have in Him.

Our liberty in Christ is freedom from the bondage of sin. Through His grace and forgiveness and the power of His presence and our faith, we are free to live life as God created it to be. We are free in our communion with Him to see His image renewed so that we *might have life and have it more abundantly* (John 10:10).

Our liberty in Christ is freedom from the captivity of death. This liberty is given to us as a gift from God. Through the power of His Resurrection, His power to create and give life, our Lord frees us from

the chains of death, into the perfect liberty of salvation. Jesus said, For this is the will of my Father, that every one who sees the Son and believes in Him should have eternal life, and I will raise him up at the last day (John 6:40).

Our liberty in Christ is the freedom to witness, and serve, offering the Gospel and His voice to a world in need. In one of His first public acts, our Lord stood in the synagogue in Nazareth, and read publicly from the book of Isaiah, The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to preach good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to set at liberty those who are oppressed, to proclaim the acceptable year of the Lord (Luke 4.18 10)

This is the voice that must be our voice. His words must be heard and the Gospel communicated in all that we do. Now is the acceptable time for us to be the voice of Christ and to use our liberty in Him to offer truth, grace, and eternal life in a changing world.

I ask for your prayers for the abundant blessings of our Lord upon our Clergy-Laity Congress and our plans for offering the voice of Christ through our witness and ministry as the Greek Orthodox Church in America. I also ask that you reflect prayerfully on how you are offering the voice of Christ in your life, so that through you others may hear and see Him and find abundant and eternal life.

With paternal love in Him, †DEMETRIOS—Archbishop of America



CHURCH SERVICES, EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

Date	Church Service	
July 3rd	2nd Sunday of Matthew	2η Κυριακή Ματθαίου
July 10th	3rd Sunday of Matthew	3η Κυριακή Ματθαίου
July 17th	Sunday of the Holy Fathers	Κυριακή Αγίων Πατέρων
July 20th	Prophet Elijah	Προφήτου Ηλία
July 24th	5th Sunday of Matthew	5η Κυριακή Ματθαίου
July 26th	St. Paraskevi	Αγίας Παρασκευής
July 27th	St. Panteleimon the Great Martyr	Αγίου Παντελεήμονος
July 31st	6th Sunday of Matthew	6η Κυριακή Ματθαίου

ALTAR SERVERS

July 3rd, 17th & 31st	Jack Hillman, Paul Dudunakis, Peter Dudunakis, Nicholas Biros, Stassi Tsantilas, Yiannis Tsantilas, Nasi Contoravdis, Niko Contoravdis, Phillip Stamolis, Anthony Sampson, James Konugres, Omar Mallouk, Stavros Panos, Nicholas Marcu-Visan, Theofanis Kalasountas and John Limantzakis.
July 10th & 24th	Joseph Dumont, Nicholas Christianson, Theodore Looney, Demetre Teodosiadis, Alex Rotar, Manoli P. Tramountanas, Manoli A. Tramountanas, Johnny Tramountanas, Peter Ales, Jonathan Poiana, Ethan Weigle, Steven Stanos, John Christofilis, Peter Economou Grunder, Elias Oraivej and Anthony Sitaras.

PARISH COUNCIL SERVERS

July 3rd, 17th & 31st	Georgine Looney, George Papanastasiou, Vicky Christianson, Thomas Dudler, Andrew Aliferakis, Bob Read, Louis Kotsakis
July 10th & 24th	John Ales, Stephanos Margaritis, Jim Kost, John Kapelouzos, George Tramountanas, Dale Hazapis, Christos Psichos

EPISTLE READERS-ARTHUR SARIDAKIS-INSTRUCTOR; CHRIS MACRIS- ASSISTANT

July 3rd	Andrea Mallouk, in English
July 10th	Anna Teodosiadis, in Greek and Sophia Mallouk, in English
July 17th	Angela Katinas, in Greek and Jenny Kapelouzos, in English
July 24th	Evangelia Koceski, in Greek and Alexandra Koceski, in English
July 31st	Christina Bayouk, in English

Fasting Type	July
Wine & Oil Allowed	1, 8, 20, 22, 27
Strict Fast	6, 13, 15, 29

Sunday Off	Cerings for June 2016
June 5	\$ 3,034.54
June 12	\$ 2,569.86
June 19	\$ 4,308.52
June 26	\$ 4,617.00
Total	\$ 14,529.92

CHURCH DIRECTORY – CORRECTIONS AND ADVERTISING

The church has a new directory that will be available in print, online, and in a mobile app. The print version will be out this fall, but the digital version is available now. For more information about this, visithttp://www.saintdemetrios.com/stewardship/directory

At present, we are proofreading all parishioners' information for the print version. If you can, use the app to review your family's entry before August 15. If you are unable to access the directory on the mobile app but need to confirm your information, please email George Tramountanas at georgetramo@saintdemetrios.com

If you are interested in advertising your business or being a sponsor for the directory, you may contact George Tramountanas for more information about this as well. Thank you.

June Jubilee News

We thank Tony and Litsa Polychronopoulos for providing dinner to our low income neighbors at the Jubilee Women's Center in June. With the help of Christina Meletis and Athanasia Kalasountas cooking, the women enjoyed a delicious fish dinner. The meals we donate help provide healthy food and good parea, but also help the residents to stretch their meager grocery budgets.

The women at JWC receive temporary housing, free clothing, job search and interview help in addition to classes on independent living, as they move from homelessness to being able to live out on their own.

If you would like to either sponsor or cook a meal for the 30 women at Jubilee, please contact: Georgene Karambelas 206 829 9337 or Karambelas@comcast.net Thank You!

FESTIVAL BAKING DATES

ur Festival dates this year are, October 7, 8 & 9.

Please mark your calendar and plan to attend and most importantly to help for the preparation for baking and the set-up. If you wish to come and help for the baking in the evening, please call the Church Office (206-631 -2500). Thank you.

Festival Baking in July:

The baking schedule for July is as follows:

Monday, July 11th:

Tuesday, July 12th:

Wednesday, July 13th:

Tuesday, July 19th:

Make Baklava

Make Baklava

Make Baklava

Make Spanakopeta

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

July All Saints Camp

8 & 9 - Staff Training

10 - 16: High School &

Elementary Camp 17 - 23: Advanced Camp

August

29 - Father Son Event

September

11 - Sunday School Registration

17 - Father Daughter Dance

18 - Sunday School Classes Begin

October

7, 8, 9 - GREEK FESTIVAL

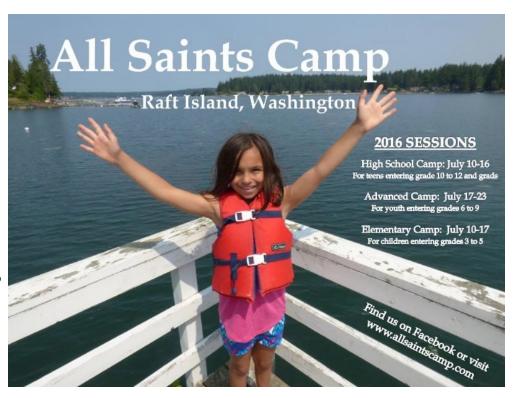
14, 15, 16 - Volleyball in San Jose

28 - GOYA Harvest Festival Set-up

29 - Family Harvest Festival

November

5 - Mother Son Event 18, 19, 20 - GOYA <u>YES Retreat</u>



Father & Son Demolition Derby SAVE the DATE Friday, August 26



Tathers & Sons (Mothers & Daughters too) are invited to come to the Evergreen State fair for a fun night at Carnagefest, the fair's demolition derby on Friday, August 26 beginning at 6pm. Tickets available once released.

We are hoping for a group purchase of 20 tickets. Please RSVP to Lefteris

Sitaras at 206-631-2504 if interested.

GOYA Forum & Orthodoxy on Tap Meetings resumes in August

OYA Forum is a bi-weekly meeting for our teens to grow in our faith and have fellowship with each other. Our meeting are held on the first and third Wednesday of the month. Meetings will resume on August 24, 2016.

Orthodoxy on Tap if for all college students and young adults. This ministry is a chance for us to meet and talk about our faith in a social environment. Meetings are held on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month. We will meet in late August for a beachside BBQ. More details to come.

For information about either ministry, contact <u>Lefteris</u> <u>Sitaras</u> at 206-631-2504.

Father & Daughter Dance

SAVE the DATE Saturday, September 17

Pathers & Daughters are invited to our 3rd annual dance featuring a 1950's Sock Hop on Saturday, September 17th. More details coming soon! Moms and Sons are welcome to attend too!!!!



Volleyball Players Wanted Compete in San Jose, CA on October 14-16



n October 14, 15, 16, 2016, St. Nicholas church in San Jose, CA will host their 12th annual volleyball tournament and we want YOU to represent St. Demetrios.

Anyone can play! We are looking to form 2-4 teams in the following categories: GOYA (14 - 18 years old); Young Adults (18 - 35); and Adults (35 and older).

<u>Click Here to Join the Team!</u> Or visit http://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0945a5ad23a3fc1-stdemetrios1

Practices will start in September!

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS

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Thank you to our GOYAns and youth for a wonderful Father's Day.

Dads were greeted with a smile and a tie as they entered church. After the service, everyone enjoyed a homemade breakfast by our teens.

Thank you to our volunteers! Katerina for passing out ties.

Our cooks: Christina, Joseph, Alexandria, Niko,

Maria, Leah and Emilie.

Our Servers: Katie, Theodore and Sophia. Our helping Mothers: Christina and Tracy.





Our Sunday School Students with outstanding attendance were honored as we celebrated our last day of Sunday School on June 5th. We also congratulated our Graduating Seniors and wish them the best in the future.

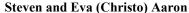


STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

or our 2016 Stewardship Campaign, we currently have 462 stewards who have returned their signed pledge cards and have pledged \$443,260. Our goal for 2016 is \$535,000. Remember that you can arrange for automatic payments through your bank or paypal. (go to www.saintdemetrios.com/ Stewardship/egiving)

We thank the following stewards for their contributions!

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Demos Gennaios

Meletios and Theodora Geokezas

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Konstantinos and Mary Ann Giakoumatos

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Our 2016 Stewards:

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Michael and Wanda Gikas Elaine and Lars Giusti

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Economou

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Perry and Eleni Malevitsis

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Bechara and Xiomara Mallouk

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Gordon and Katina Ruh

Brad and Renee Russell Mark and Angelique Saffle

Dena Sakelaris

John and Penelope Sakellaris Pantazis and Katina Samolis

Katherine Sampson

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July 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26	27	28	29	30		2
0000	Apostles FAST 6p Baptism Mary & Joanna, Myrrthbearers	2p WSDOT - Meeting Hall Rental 5:30p Great Vespers - St. Paul, Brier 6:30p Camp Agape Meeting 6:30p Divine Liturgy - St. Paul, Brier		Cook for St. Martin de Porres 8a Orthros - At Holy Apostles 9a Divine Liturgy - At Holy Apostles 4p Wedding Rehearsal		3p Wedding
David the Righteous of Thessaloniki	Sampson, Host of Strangers	Translation of Relics of Kyros and Joh	Apostles Peter & Paul	Synaxis of the 12 Apostles	St. Kosmas and Damianos	St. John of San Francisco
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Archdiocesean Clergy - Laity Congress • Nashville Tennessee	ngress • Nashville Tennessee					2p Large Hall Rental
Epistle: Romans 2:10-16 Gospel: Matthew 4:18-23 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy Hyakinthos & Theodotis, Martyrs	3 ay	11a Terresa (Efstathia) Kazaras Funeral 6:30p Stewardship Meeting	(St. Philaret Cook for Homeless)	St. Kyriaki, Great Martyr	Great Martyr Prokopios	Pragratios & Provos, Martyrs
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Srd Sunday of Matthew Epistle: Romans 5:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 6:22-33 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 45 Martyrs of Nikopolis	9a Baklava Baking Great Martyr Euphemia St. Athanasios of Mt. Athos	Ba Baklava Baking 6:30p Parish Council Meeting Michael of Malenius Proklos & Hilarios, Martyrs	8a Baklava Baking Archangel Gabriel	Apostle Aquila St. Nikodemos of Mt. Athos	St. Vladimir of Russia Sts. Klrykos & Julitta	2p Large Hall Rental Athenogenes, Martyr
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6th Sunday of Matthew Epistle: Romans 12:16-14 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 1p Baptism	6:30p Paraklisis	6:30p Paraklisis	3 (St. Philaret Cook for Homeless) 6:30p Paraklisis 6:30p Paraklisis	6:30p Paraklisis	Ω.	6 8:30a Orthros 9a Large Hall Rental 9:30a Divine Liturgy
Jospeh of Arimathea	Procession of the Cross	Translation of Relics of St. Stephen	Dalmatos, Isaakios & Faustus, Martyrs	Seven Holy Youths of Ephesus	Photios & Aniketos, Martyrs	Transfiguration of the Lord

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Arrivals

Congratulations to the proud parents, Chris and Tami Kariotoglou on the birth of a baby girl, Hope Juliette Kariotoglou, born June 13th, 2016. The proud grandparents are Vasilios and Katy Kariotoglou. "Na sas zese!"

Baptisms

Ongratulations to Jordan and Emily Vardell whose daughter, Reese Penelope was baptized on June 12th, 2016. Her sponsor is Anna Ruh. "Na sas zese!"

Congratulations to Ryan and Diana Hawkins whose son, John Mina was baptized on June 25th, 2016. His sponsor is Ana Maria Mocan. "Na sas zese!"

We welcome to our faith Brandon Samuel Johnson who was baptized on June 27th, 2016. His sponsors are Kosta Skepetaris and Alexandra Skepetaris.

Weddings

ongratulations to George and Mary (Ochittree) Malevitsis who were married on June 18th, 2016. Their Koumbaroi are Nick and Irene (Nina) Retelas. "Na zesoun!"

From the Boutique

We have the Festival Date! The Boutique needs inventory! Calling all Crafters, Knitters, Crocheters, Painters. jewelry makers. Anything Handmade to fill our booth. Please take time to make a items for The Boutique. Call Julie Legeros 364-1706 or Rita Mavromatis 425-828-2579. for drop offs or questions. Thank you.

This & That Shop News—Time to Donate...

his & That Shop Chairperson, Mary Xenos Maciejewski, would like to thank all our Parishioners and Friends who donated items for the This & That Shop. We gladly accept dishes, flatware, glassware, pots and pans, paperbacks, stationery supplies, adult and children's jewelry, Christmas decorations, toys, knickknacks, purses, small appliances only (and if they work). Volunteers are needed to help with the sorting and preparation of donated items during the summer or help staff the shop during the Festival. Any amount of time you can donate is welcome—many hands lighten the load.

To volunteer, please contact Mary at 206-783-5087. Thank you for your support!

Bookstore Reflections

The Orthodox Church commemorates many Saints during the month of July, including:

- St. John of Shanghai & San Francisco (July 2nd) Reposed in Seattle in 1966, this Saint of our times is a wonderworker of miracles throughout the world;
- <u>St. Sisoes the Great</u> (July 6th) A successor of St. Anthony the Great, this great monk restored a dead child back to life by his most holy and pure prayers;
- St. Euphemia the Great Martyr (July 11th) This young and fearless martyr of the fourth century was healed by Christ throughout her many tortures;
- **Prophet Elias** (July 20th) One of the greatest prophets who warned of calamity unless the people abandon idol worship and return to the true God;
- <u>St. Mary Magdalene</u> (July 22nd) The first to see the risen Lord, St. Mary traveled with the Apostles and preached the Good News of Christ's Resurrection;
- **St. Anna** (July 25th) The mother of the most holy Theotokos, along with her husband, St. Joachim, are the grandparents of our Lord Jesus Christ;
- St. Paraskevi (July 26th) Martyred for her faith in the second century, the faithful continue pray to her for the healing of eye ailments;
- <u>St. Panteleimon</u> (July 27th) A fourth century Christian physician and martyr who treated all sick without charge and healed them in the name of Jesus Christ;
- St. Irene Chrysovalantou (July 28th) Ninth century nun and abbess who works miracles especially for mothers desiring to conceive children.

Our Bookstore stocks many books and icons of the Saints. To know and understand the Saints of the Church is to know and better understand our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ Himself.

THANK YOU FOR FESTIVAL DONATIONS

We wish to thank Gary Kuhar for his monetary donation, in memory of Rev. Fr. Homer Demopulos; also, Chris and Paula Macris, Margie Pallis and Jim and Nina Rogers for their monetary donation. Your generosity is truly appreciated!

Yiayia and Friends Luncheon

There will not be a Yiayias & Friends luncheon in July. We will resume our luncheons on August 4. Location/time will be announced at a later date.

Our Condolences



We express our Deep Condolences to Katherine and Mary Lou Vrattos for the passing of their mother, Bessie Vrattos. May her memory be eternal!

We express our Deep Condolences to Joanne Veloudis and her family for the passing of her mother, Teresa Kazaras. May her memory be eternal! "Αιωνία αυτών η μνήμη!"

PLEASE WELCOME NEW STEWARDS, TRACI AND SAMUEL BAIRD

"Sam and I (Traci) are so excited and blessed to be Orthodox! We want to thank both Father Photios and Father Daniel for their wisdom, guidance, and patience. We also thank all of you at St. Demetrios for welcoming us into your church so warmly. (I'd say something profound in Greek now, but we're still learning what to say!)

Both Sam and I were raised Protestant, though our families had differences in the strictness of their observation. When Sam and I met in 2012, I had recently graduated from college and was working at a Barnes & Noble in Riverside, California. Along with most of my circle, I was heavily pursuing becoming a career missionary. I had found myself in a very interesting part of Christianity that emphasized missions so much that I felt there was no other acceptable trajectory for my life. Though I had doubts about the soundness of the theology promoted in the group, and grew frustrated at its clique-type nature, I did not know of any better alternatives.



When Sam and I started dating, we quickly discovered that we had different ideas about what it meant to be a Christian in practice. He had been in and out of church for some time, but was happy to attend church with me. At the time, I had been attending and teaching Sunday school at a predominantly Spanish-speaking church. As Sam did not speak much Spanish, it seemed right to find a new church. We wound up at a very trendy non-denominational church that met in a high school auditorium. We were married by the pastor of said trendy church in August of 2013. By that fall, after a series of unfortunate experiences with church administration and some very confusing preaching, we were church hunting again.

I felt ashamed that we were having troubles with finding a church (I was taught that you commit to a church for decades, if not your entire life). In reality, we were struggling with much more than that. We wrestled with theology, with practice, with faith. Without going into a blow-by-blow account of each individual struggle, we realized that the Protestant mindset did not make sense. We concluded that the Catholic mindset came so close to making sense, but it also came up short. I was frightened that we would end up unhappy Protestants forever, or maybe even fall into agnosticism.

In the midst of our deep frustration and confusion, the advice of an old professor came back to me. During my senior year, I had selected his class at random to fulfill a political science requirement. On the first day of class, he gave a brief introduction of himself, including the fact that he had converted to Catholicism perhaps five years prior. There was a general look of shock among my classmates, since we were at a Baptist university. I visited him during his office hours to ask him about his conversion. He asked me some questions about myself, and at the end of my visit, he told me to go see Father Josiah Trenham at St. Andrew Orthodox Church (also in Riverside, California). I was not sure what an Orthodox church was, and after some very brief online investigating, I decided not to go. Though it always puzzled me why a Catholic person at a Baptist school told me to go see an Orthodox priest . . .

Three years after my professor's recommendation, on June 15, 2014, Sam and I shyly entered St. Andrew Orthodox Church. We had done a month of reading about Orthodoxy and were unexpectedly impressed by Orthodox thought. Now we were to experience Divine Liturgy in person. Everything was so beautiful, my chest hurt. A very friendly Armenian woman adopted us and made sure we met and spoke with Father Josiah before we could sneak away after the service. She also made sure we made it to the meal afterwards, where there were mimosas (it was Father's Day). We definitely weren't at a Baptist church anymore.

Though we were due to move to Washington in a few months, we continued going to St. Andrew Orthodox Church. We will always treasure those first experiences of Divine Liturgy and the inexpressibly beautiful feeling of knowing where to find truth. Truth! Truth and beauty! So began our 22-month journey from initial discovery to chrismation. We are so blessed!"

Traci

MEMORIALS AND VIGIL LIGHTS

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for July 3rd

A Forty-Day Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of **Panos Koutlas**, by his wife, Toula Koutlas and Family.

A Forty-Day Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of **Cleo Supernaw**, by her family and friends.

Two Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **Cleo Supernaw** (forty days since her passing), by Demetra Xenos and Georgine Looney.

Two Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **Panos Koutlas**, remembering him on his Forty-Day Memorial, by Evie Rigas.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Cleo Supernaw** (forty days since her passing), by Evie Rigas.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Stella Pelones** (thirty years since her passing), by her daughter, Evangelia Tountas and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Georgios and Vasiliki Christopoulou** (ten years and thirty-four years since their passing), by Angela and Harry Tourikis and Dora Fournarakis and their families.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for July 10th

A Memorial Service and a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light are offered in loving memory of **Pete Mykris** (nine months since his passing), by his wife, Carol Mykris and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Gregorios and Efthemia Spyridis and Nick and Asimina Mykris**, by Carol Mykris and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **David Betts** (five years since his passing), by his loving mother, Kay Betts and brother, Michael Betts and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Thomas Betts** (twenty-seven years since his passing), by his wife, Kay Betts and his son, Michael Betts and Family.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for July 17th

A Forty-Day Memorial Service and a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light are offered in loving memory of **Anna Asimakopoulos**, by her children, Andy and Carole and Thucydides Asimakopoulos.

A Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of **Anastasios**, **Voula and Chris Tsantilas** (ten years, seven years and thirty-six years since their passing), by George and Eftihia Tsantilas and Family.

Two Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **George Polizos** (twenty-five years since his passing) and **Malamati and Georgios Triantafilou** (twenty years and nineteen years since their passing), by his wife, and their daughter, Theologia Polizos and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered on July 20th in loving memory of **Elias Sotirhos** (in honor of his Nameday), by his wife, Irene Sotirhos, their children, Ken and Maria, Matt and Sophia and granddaughters, Angela and Maria.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Serafim Vlahos** (seven years since his passing), by his family and friends.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for July 24th

A One-Year Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of **John Broutzakis**, by his wife, Theodora Broutzakis and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Gerasimos Stephanitsis**, of Greece (six months since his passing), by his aunt, Evangelia Tountas and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Athansios Koulouris**, by his daughter, Pota Johnson and Family.

Two Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **John and Lola Sioris** (eight years and six years since their passing), by their daughter, Collette Apostolakis and Family.

Holy Altar Candles for July 31st

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Kostas Pangopoulos** (two years since his passing), by his wife, Evgenia Pangopoulos and Family.

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