

Upcoming Services

July 25th - Divine Liturgy - 10:30 a.m.

August 1st – Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.
Beginning of Dormition Fast

August 8th - Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.
Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council

August 15th – Divine Liturgy – 10:30 a.m.
The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the
Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

Today, we welcome Father Robert Holet, who will be serving St. Spyridon during Father Stelyios' vacation.

Feastdays Celebrated in July

July 1st – Cosmas and Damian, the Holy Unmercenaries

July 17th – Great Marty Marina

July 22nd – Markella of Chios and Mary Magdalene

July 24th – Christina the Great Martyr of Tyre

July 25th – Dormition of St. Anna, mother of Mary

July 26th – Paraskevi, Righteous Martyr of Rome

July 27th – Panteleimon, Great Martyr and Healer



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Sunday of the Holy Fathers

Apolytikion of the Feast

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and he granted the world His great mercy.

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead. We sing to You, Alleluia.

For the Fathers

Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God, You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, O greatly merciful One, glory be to You.

Hymn of St. Spyridon

Kontakion

O Protection of Christians that never fails, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protect now and ever those who honor you.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15

Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Gospel Reading: Matthew 5:14-19

The Lord said to his disciples, "You are the light of the world. A city set on a hill cannot be hid. Nor do men light a lamp and put it under a bushel, but on a stand, and it gives light to all in the house. Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven. Think not that I have come to abolish the law and the prophets; I have come not to abolish them but to fulfill them. For truly, I say to you, till heaven and earth pass away, not an iota, not a dot, will pass from the law until all is accomplished. Whoever then relaxes one of the least of these commandments and teaches men so, shall be called least in the kingdom of heaven; but he who does them and teaches them shall be called great in the kingdom of heaven."

