

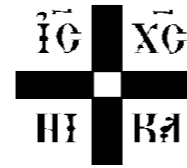
Weekly Schedule

Friday	Acathisto de Maria, 6:00 p.m.
Saturday	Great Vespers, 6:00 p.m. Confessions following Great Vespers
Sunday	Reading of Hours, 9:40 a.m. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 a.m. <i>Fellowship Hour following Divine Liturgy</i>

The Hieromartyr Hierotheus, the first Bishop of Athens, was a member of the Athenian Areopagos and was converted to Christ by the Apostle Paul together with St Dionysius the Areopagite (October 3).

The saint was consecrated by the Apostle Paul to the rank of bishop. According to Tradition, Bishop Hierotheus was present with St Dionysius at the funeral of the Most Holy Theotokos.

St Hierotheus died a martyr's death in the first century.



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Call to arrange sacraments, services, instruction, counseling, home visits, sick calls.

October 04, 2009

17th Sunday after Penecost

Tone 8

Hieromartyr Hierotheus, Bishop of Athens
(1st c.).

Troparion (Tone 8) (Resurrection)

You descended from on high, O Merciful One! You accepted the three day burial to free us from our sufferings!// O Lord, our Life and Resurrection, glory to You!

Troparion (Tone 1) (Saint)

We the faithful all praise Hierotheus, the disciple of Paul, Hierarch of Athens, the world's teacher and a preacher of the Faith, who revealed to us Christ's Mysteries and poured forth streams of godly doctrine!// His life was well-pleasing to God, Who is greatly merciful.

Kontakion (Tone 8) (Resurrection)

By rising from the tomb, You raised the dead and resurrected Adam. Eve exults in Your Resurrection,//and the world celebrates Your rising from the dead, O greatly Merciful One!

Kontakion (Tone 8) (Saint)

Hierarch of Athens, we praise you for you have instructed us in awesome and ineffable things, and you were revealed to be a divinely-inspired writer of hymns. Pray that we be delivered from every kind of sin, so that we may cry to you:// "Rejoice, divinely-wise Father Hierotheus!"

Prayers for The Faithful and Departed

Edward, Bill, William, Susan, our parishioners, Patterson family, Margie, Witiak family, Michael. **May God Grant Them Many Years!**

William,, Ruth, Leonard, Paul, Mary, Al and Mary. **May Their Memories Be Eternal!**

Epistle Reading

2 Corinthians 6:1-10

And what agreement has the temple of God with idols? For you are the temple of the living God. As God has said: "I will dwell in them And walk among them. I will be their God, And they shall be My people." Therefore Come out from among them And be separate, says the Lord. Do not touch what is unclean, And I will receive you." I will be a Father to you, And you shall be My sons and daughters, Says the LORD Almighty." Therefore, having these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from all filthiness of the flesh and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 6:31-36

And just as you want men to do to you, you also do to them likewise. But if you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive back, what credit is that to you? For even sinners lend to sinners to receive as much back. But love your enemies, do good, and lend, hoping for nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High. For He is kind to the unthankful and evil. Therefore be merciful, just as your Father also is merciful.

Welcome to our Visitors!!

A warm welcome to all our visitors and guests who have joined us in celebrating the Divine Liturgy. Please join us for our Fellowship Hour in the Church Hall . **Please note: Only those Orthodox Christians that have properly prepared themselves through prayer, fasting and confession of sins may approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion.**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Ladies' Lunch

Our new Women's Ministry will be holding a lunch/social/silent auction on Saturday, November 14. All women of our parish and any of their lady friends and relatives are most welcome to attend. Please see our President, Debbie, for more details.

Cleaning and Coffee Hour Ministry

Thank you to all who have volunteered their time and talents to clean our church and to feed our parish community. Sign-up sheets for the next weeks are downstairs.

Recycling

Please remember that we are to recycle at Holy Assumption. Please see the posters downstairs for more information.

Church Education

Starting today, Sunday, October 4, our parish will begin its Church Education program for our youth *after* the Divine Liturgy. I hope to expand our education offerings to include the adults as well.

Parish Lunch

The parish will offer a chicken cutlet lunch after the Divine Liturgy on October 18 as a means of fund-raising. We would ask that you consider donating \$15.00. If you would like to invite some people from our neighborhood to eat with us, please see either Fr. Matthew or Catherine so that they wouldn't have to pay for the meal.