

June 28, 2015 ~

Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 6:18-23

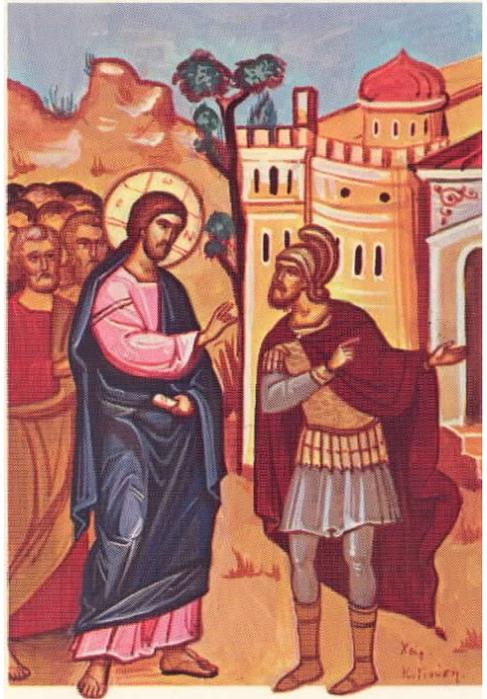
BRETHREN, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of your natural limitations. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification.

When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

Gospel Reading: 4th Sunday of Matthew

The Gospel of Matthew 8:5-13

At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with



Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

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on announcements and church calendar.

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Altar flowers are donated in loving memory of +John Babb by the Babb family.

Altar candles are donated by both
the Melis family in loving memory of +Eleftherios Melis and by
the Megaludis families in loving memory of +Michael and +Dorothea Megaludis.

Coffee Hour is being sponsored by the Babb, Melis and Megaludis families.

The bulletin today is sponsored in loving memory of
+Nouno John Babb and +Thea Melpo Mantzouranis
with love from John, Anne Marie, Alexis and Stefan Aronson.

Memorials	John Babb	40 days
	Melpomani Mantzouranis	40 days (sister of Niki Aronson)
	Eleftherios Melis	1 year
	Kyriaki (Lottie) Apostolos	1 year
	Michael Megaludis	1 year
	Dorothea Megaludis	9 years
	Mary Orfanopoulos	18 years
	Vasilios Orfanopoulos	41 years
	Katherine Orson	34 years
	Deanne Drandakis	7 years
	Nicholas Megaloudis	53 years
	Maria Megaloudis	45 years

Monday Sts. Peter & Paul
8:30am Orthros
9:30am Divine Liturgy

Tuesday Holy Apostles
8:30am Orthros
9:30am Divine Liturgy

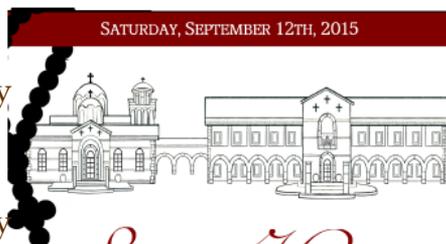
Wednesday

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Saturday

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH, 2015



Steps to Heaven

Walk ~ Volunteer ~ Donate

To find out how you can be part of
the Steps to Heaven walk benefiting
the Nativity of the Theotokos Monastery,
visit www.stepstoheavenwalk.org.
For more information, contact us at
info@stepstoheavenwalk.org

Philoctochos is planning a day trip to the Navity of the Theotokos Monastery on Monday, July 20. A van is being rented and car pools can be formed. We are meeting at Holy Cross on Monday, July 20 at 8:00AM. We should return by 3:00PM-3:30PM Please contact Cynthia Kostelnik at cakostelnik@yahoo.com or 412 833-9423 by July 14 to reserve a place on the van or to form a carpool. Please RSVP so that the sisters know how much food to prepare.

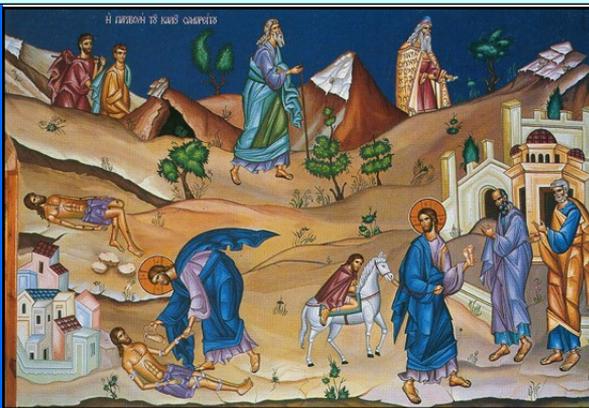
Please see Crossroads (extras available in narthex) or Website www.holycrosspgh.org for more information or forms for listed events/announcements.

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**Monday, July 27th
- Friday, July
31st**

2015 Orthodox Christian Vacation Church School @ Holy Cross
This year's theme is:

Parables



Please sign up for coffee
hour online at:
www.holycrosspgh.org



The Church - A Holy Place

When you enter the church building as the “House of Worship,” you are entering into the Great Throne Room of the “King of Kings” as His subjects and His soldiers. The “King of Kings,” Jesus Christ, is enthroned on the Holy Altar and all the angels, prophets, saints and the Most Holy Mother of God are present. His soldiers should be attentive and standing at attention. No one in the presence of the “king of Kings” would sit with his legs crossed, or his hands in his pockets, or chewing gum, or looking at his watch because to do any of these things would be disrespectful. The only proper disposition a soldier can have before his commander is that of reverence which is indicated by a bowed head, a submissive heart and prayer.

WELCOME – AND A FEW WORDS ABOUT COMMUNION...

We warmly welcome all visitors and seekers in our midst today, trusting that your experience here will be an uplifting and enriching one. The Greek Orthodox Churches are the ancient and native Christian communities of the biblical world, with centers in the Holy Lands, Syria, Egypt and Asia Minor, and by extension in Greece, Cyprus and throughout the world. Like the ancient Christians, we engage the whole person, heart, mind and all senses in Divine Worship. This experience has been so powerful to seekers in the past that it was often said “We knew not whether we were in heaven or on earth. We knew only that there God dwelt among human beings.” (*Russian Primary Chronicle*) That communion experience of heaven on earth and God in our midst forms the heart of all Orthodox worship. It culminates in the sharing of Holy Communion, which not only unites us with the Divine, but also expresses the deep unity in faith and life between all Orthodox believers. Since Holy Communion expresses that deep unity in belief and practice alike, it is reserved for observant Orthodox Christians. This does not mean, however, that non-Orthodox are ‘excluded’ – rather, the Orthodox choose not to make an external display of unity when actual unity does not exist. While working to restore the full communion that did exist in antiquity, today we offer the sign of the blessed bread at the service’s conclusion as a symbolic gift of hospitality and growing unity that is offered to all present. If you would like to learn more about the Orthodox way of life, or have any questions about worship or *Holy Communion*, please approach Fr. Michael or one of the clergy following services.

Thank you for joining us, and again, we welcome you all.