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✠ **SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20, 2024** ✠

**The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1**

Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the Lord Almighty."

Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

**Gospel According to Luke 8:26-39** At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.



Memorials: † Jonathan Pender II years

† Eleni Kalas 20 years

Altar flowers, altar candles and Communion wine are given  
in loving memory of +Eleni Kalas by her family.

Coffee hour today is sponsored by the Kalas/Contis/Suher families  
in loving memory of +Eleni Kalas.

**THIS WEEK:**

Monday, October 21

6:30pm Paraclesis

Tuesday, October 22

7pm Sts. Mary & Martha \*details below

Wednesday, October 23

Iakovos/St. James the brother of the Lord

8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy

4:30PM GREEK SCHOOL

6:45pm GOYA Basketball

7PM BIBLE STUDY

Thursday, October 24

7PM CATECHISM CLASS

Friday, October 25

Saturday, October 26

Great Martyr Demetrius 8:30am Orthros/9:30am Divine Liturgy

5pm Vespers

6pm YAL Bonfire

**Saints Mary & Martha**  
**Women's Fellowship**  
**on Tuesday, October 22, 2024**

*Made in His image.*

*What does it mean to be  
an image bearer?*

Speaker: Dn. Frank Dickos

Hostess: Stellani Coleman

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<b>2024</b>		
<b>STEWARDSHIP</b>		
<b>292</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>35</b>
<small># OF PLEDGES</small>	<small>0% FULFILLED</small>	<small>PARTIALLY FULFILLED 1-50%</small>
<b>92</b>	<b>\$505,065</b>	
<small>MOSTLY FULFILLED 51-99%</small>	<small>AMOUNT PLEDGED AS OF 9/30/24</small>	
<b>107</b>	<b>\$680,900</b>	
<small>100% FULFILLED!</small>	<small>2024 STEWARDSHIP GOAL</small>	
<small>AS OF THE END OF SEPTEMBER, 75% OF STEWARDSHIPS SHOULD BE COMPLETED. CURRENTLY 1/3 OF PLEDGES ARE BEHIND SCHEDULE. YOU CAN NOW SEND YOUR DONATIONS IN VIA REALM! ASK US HOW TO, TODAY!</small>		



## From the Landscaping Committee

Please pardon our construction as we progress through this entryway project. We will continue planting through the next week, finish the wall and work on the cement curbs and sidewalk in the Garden of Love.

Our community planting day will be on November 7th at 10am. We are looking for 5 to 10 volunteers to help plant the Garden of Love. Please wear sturdy shoes. The Conservancy will supply all the tools and gloves needed. Please call or email Diakonissa Adrienne at (412) 400-4290 or [akdickos@verizon.net](mailto:akdickos@verizon.net) if you're able to assist.

All told, the Western Pennsylvania Conservancy has saved us \$15,000 on this project thanks to our over 20 year partnership.

Thanks to all of our donors and parish support for helping to make this project happen.

**We have a new link for the Bible study, found below.**

Please use this for future classes. This will be your zoom room for Bible Study continuously:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85116764582>

There are a few frozen items left from the Autumn Food Fair for sale. 2 frozen spanakopitas, \$60 per pan, 1 moussaka, \$60 per pan, 1 tiropita, \$60 per pan. There are also a few pans of precooked chicken, 6 to a pan for \$40. Cash or checks. Please see Elaine Sofis at coffee hour today or call 412 327-7017 to reserve.

We are extremely grateful for the outpouring of love and support for our

### Holy Cross Iconography project!

Thank you to the many who have pledged partial and full support to the icons. All of our efforts today are in preparation for this tremendous project to take place in July 2025.

We prayerfully ask you to consider supporting this project and creating a legacy for your family. No gift is considered small and can be fulfilled over three years (2024, 2025 & 2026).

May you and your family be blessed for what you can offer this project. All donation amounts are appreciated and can be contributed to the overall project or join with others for a specific icon.

Icons still available include:

#### The Four Evangelists:

St. Matthew  
St. Mark  
St. Luke  
St. John

#### The Old Testament symbols for each evangelist:

Eagle  
Ox  
Lion  
Young Man

#### Saints:

St. Theophano  
St. Haralambos  
St. Parthenios  
St. John Maximovich  
St. Andrew of Crete  
St. Cyril of Alexandria  
St. Gerasimos of Abydos  
St. Nicholas Velimirovich  
St. Innocent of Alaska  
St. Raphael of Brooklyn  
St. Phanourios

#### Large Icons:

Two Adoring Angels surrounding the Platitera Icon  
Resurrection  
Pentecost  
The Image Not Made by Hands with the Holy Angels

Please contact Vasso Paliouras at [vassopaliouras@gmail.com](mailto:vassopaliouras@gmail.com) or 412-606-4314 with any questions or specific requests.

