

St. Sophia/SS. Faith, Hope & Agape Greek Orthodox Church
May 19, 2024



St. Sophia/SS. Faith, Hope & Agape
Greek Orthodox Church of Valley Forge

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Sunday Worship: 8:45 am - Orthros: 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Office Hours - 10 am to 4 pm

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Metropolis of New Jersey



May 19, 2024

Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

Patrick the Hieromartyr and Bishop of Prusa and His Fellow Martyrs Acacius,
Menander, and Polyaeus

Our Righteous Father Memnonus the Wonderworker ♦ Theotima & Kyriake the Martyrs

ENTRANCE HYMNS

Apolytikion of Great and Holy Pascha – Xristos Anesti (“Christ is Risen”)

Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs He has granted life.

Resurrectional Apolytikion – Ote Katilthes (“When Thou Descended”)

When You descended to the Realm of Death, You, the Life that is deathless, then did You Hades lifeless rend with the Lightning of Divineness. And when You did raise up those dead from deep within the earth, Then did all the powers that are in the Heavens above cry out, O Lifegiving Christ, You Who are our God, Glory to You.

Apolytikion for Joseph of Arimathea – O efschimon Iosif (“The honorable Joseph”)

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, and granted the world Your great mercy.

Apolytikion for the Myrrh Bearers – Tes Miroforis ghinexi (“The Myrrh-Bearing Women”)

The Angel standing at the sepulcher cried out and said to the ointment-bearing women: The ointments are appropriate for mortal men, but Christ has been shown to be a stranger to decay. So go and cry aloud, The Lord has risen and granted the world His great mercy.

Apolytikion of St. Sophia/Ss. Faith, Hope & Agape

Greek

Ὁς ελαία κατά καρπος ανεβλάστησας, ἐν ταῖς ἀνλαῖς τοῦ Κυρίου, Σοφία μάρτυς σεμνή, καί προσήγαγες Χριστῷ καρπὸν ἢ δῦτατον, τοὺς τῆς νηδύος σου βλαστούς, δι’ α γώνων εὐαγῶν, Ἀγάπην τε καὶ Ἐλπίδα σὺν τῇ θεόφρονι Πίστει, μεθῶν δυσώπει υπέρ πάντων ἡμῶν.

English Phonetics for Greek

Os elea kata karpos anevlastisas, en tes avles tu Kyriou Sofia martys semni, ke prosigages Christo karpon idytaton, tus tis nidyos su vlastus, di' agonon evagon, Agapin te ke Elpida, syn ti theofroni Pisti; meth' on dysopi yper pandon imon.

English

As an olive tree laden with fruit you sprouted forth, in the courtyards of the Lord, Sophia martyr dignified, and you brought to Christ a fruit most sweet, Namely your womb's own sprouts, brought up by instructive deeds: your daughters Love and Hope, along with God-minded Faith; together intercede with God for us all.

Kontakion of Pascha – I ke en tafo (“Though You went down into the tomb”)

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

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May 30–June 2
Thursday to Sunday



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Thursday to Saturday: 11am - 8pm
HOURS: Big Tent opens Fri. at 5pm
Sunday: 12 noon - 7pm

St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church, 900 South Trooper Road, Jeffersonville PA 19403
From Rte 202, 422W to Trooper Road Exit (Rte 363N), on Right Side before Walmart

Project Mexico 2024



The photo above (on the left) shows Carlos, Lucera and their children standing in front of their new home. Prior to July 2023, they had to endure winters in a makeshift home that included a dirt floor. The photo on the right shows their sons celebrating the fact that they will not have to endure another winter of mud in their home during the winter rainy season.

Everything changed when we handed the keys to Carlos and his family. While they thanked us for the home, WE thanked them for opportunity to be the hands and feet of Christ and put our Faith in the Lord to work for this very beautiful family.

Our parish has once again committed to fielding a group of volunteers to help Project Mexico build a house for a needy family in Rosarito, Mexico. This deeply rewarding experience has now become a regular ministry for our Parish. Our team has committed to building a home from July 5 – 11, 2024, but we need your help. We have 7 people on our team and need at least 3 more. If you would like to learn more, join the team, or learn how you can help sponsor our team, please email John Pogas, the group leader, at johnpogas@gmail.com.

Epistle Reading
The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

*The Lord is my strength and my song.
Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.*

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

**Ἀνάγνωσις ἐπιστολῆς
Πράξεις Ἀποστόλων 6:1-7 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα**

*Ἰσχύς μου καὶ ὕμνησίς μου ὁ Κύριος.
Στίχ. Παιδεύων ἐπαίδευσέ με ὁ Κύριος.*

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκεῖναις, πληθυνόντων τῶν μαθητῶν, ἐγένετο γογγυσμὸς τῶν Ἑλληνιστῶν πρὸς τοὺς Ἑβραίους, ὅτι παρεθεωροῦντο ἐν τῇ διακονίᾳ τῇ καθημερινῇ αἱ χήραι αὐτῶν. Προσκαλεσάμενοι δὲ οἱ δώδεκα τὸ πλῆθος τῶν μαθητῶν, εἶπον, Οὐκ ἄρεστόν ἐστιν ἡμᾶς, καταλείψαντας τὸν λόγον τοῦ θεοῦ, διακονεῖν τραπέζαις. Ἐπισκέψασθε οὖν, ἀδελφοί, ἄνδρας ἐξ ὑμῶν μαρτυρουμένους ἑπτὰ, πλήρεις πνεύματος ἁγίου καὶ σοφίας, οὓς καταστήσωμεν ἐπὶ τῆς χρείας ταύτης. Ἡμεῖς δὲ τῇ προσευχῇ καὶ τῇ διακονίᾳ τοῦ λόγου προσκαρτερήσομεν. Καὶ ἤρεσεν ὁ λόγος ἐνώπιον παντὸς τοῦ πλήθους· καὶ ἐξελέξαντο Στέφανον, ἄνδρα πλήρης πίστεως καὶ πνεύματος ἁγίου, καὶ Φίλιππον, καὶ Πρόχορον, καὶ Νικάνορα, καὶ Τίμωνα, καὶ Παρμενᾶν, καὶ Νικόλαον προσήλυτον Ἀντιοχέα, οὓς ἔστησαν ἐνώπιον τῶν ἀποστόλων· καὶ προσευξάμενοι ἐπέθηκαν αὐτοῖς τὰς χεῖρας. Καὶ ὁ λόγος τοῦ θεοῦ ἠύξανεν, καὶ ἐπληθύνετο ὁ ἀριθμὸς τῶν μαθητῶν ἐν Ἱερουσαλὴμ σφόδρα, πολὺς τε ὄχλος τῶν ἱερέων ὑπήκουον τῇ πίστει.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Jesus saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Μάρκον 15:43-47, 16:1-8 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐλθὼν Ἰωσήφ ὁ ἀπὸ Ἀριμαθαίας, εὐσχήμων βουλευτῆς, ὃς καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν προσδεχόμενος τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ, τολμήσας εἰσῆλθε πρὸς Πιλάτον καὶ ἠτήσατο τὸ σῶμα τοῦ Ἰησοῦ. Ὁ δὲ Πιλάτος ἐθαύμασεν εἰ ἤδη τέθνηκε, καὶ προσκαλεσάμενος τὸν κεντυρίωνα ἐπηρώτησεν αὐτὸν εἰ πάλοι ἀπέθανε· καὶ γνοὺς ἀπὸ τοῦ κεντυρίωνος ἐδώρησατο τὸ σῶμα τῷ Ἰωσήφ. Καὶ ἀγοράσας σινδὸνα καὶ καθελὼν αὐτὸν ἐνείλησε τῇ σινδόνι καὶ κατέθηκεν αὐτὸν ἐν μνημείῳ, ὃ ἦν λελατομημένον ἐκ πέτρας, καὶ προσεκύλισε λίθον ἐπὶ τὴν θύραν τοῦ μνημείου. Ἡ δὲ Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ καὶ Μαρία Ἰωσήφ ἐθεώρουν ποῦ τίθεται. Καὶ διαγενομένου τοῦ σαββάτου Μαρία ἡ Μαγδαληνὴ καὶ Μαρία ἡ τοῦ Ἰακώβου καὶ Σαλώμη ἠγόρασαν ἀρώματα ἵνα ἐλθοῦσαι ἀλείψωσιν αὐτόν. Καὶ λίαν πρῶτῃ τῆς μιᾶς σαββάτων ἔρχονται ἐπὶ τὸ μνημεῖον, ἀνατείλαντος τοῦ ἡλίου. Καὶ ἔλεγον πρὸς ἑαυτάς· Τίς ἀποκυλίσει ἡμῖν τὸν λίθον ἐκ τῆς θύρας τοῦ μνημείου; Καὶ ἀναβλέψασαι θεωροῦσιν ὅτι ἀποκεκύλισται ὁ λίθος· ἦν γὰρ μέγας σφόνδα. Καὶ εἰσελθοῦσαι εἰς τὸ μνημεῖον εἶδον νεανίσκον καθήμενον ἐν τοῖς δεξιῶν, περιβεβλημένον στολὴν λευκὴν, καὶ ἐξεθαμβήθησαν. Ὁ δὲ λέγει αὐταῖς· μὴ ἐκθαμβεῖσθε· Ἰησοῦν ζητεῖτε τὸν Ναζαρητὸν τὸν ἐσταυρωμένον· ἠγέρθη, οὐκ ἔστιν ὧδε· ἴδε ὁ τόπος ὅπου ἔθηκαν αὐτόν. Ἄλλ' ὑπάγετε εἴπατε τοῖς μαθηταῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ τῷ Πέτρῳ ὅτι προάγει ὑμᾶς εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν· ἐκεῖ αὐτὸν ὄψεσθε, καθὼς εἶπεν ὑμῖν. Καὶ ἐξελθοῦσαι ἔφυγον ἀπὸ τοῦ μνημείου· εἶχε δὲ αὐτὰς τρόμος καὶ ἔκστασις, καὶ οὐδενὶ οὐδὲν εἶπον· ἐφοβοῦντο γάρ.

May Poor Box Donations

Thank you for considering a gift!

Please consider supporting the philanthropic outreach of our Church through the Philoptochos Poor Box located in the Pangari. Each month 100% of the donations are designated for a local charity.

Donations made to the Philoptochos Poor Box for May benefit Lord's Pantry in Downingtown. You can learn more about this worthwhile organization at <https://www.lordspantryofdowningtown.org>. Please pray for those affected who are helped by Lord's Pantry as well as those who work on their behalf.

Please consider donating to this worthwhile charity at: <http://www.saintsophiachurch.org/poorboxdonations.html> or submit a check payable to St. Sophia Philoptochos and indicate Poor Box on the memo line. God bless you and thank you for your generosity!

HELP WANTED! We are looking for friendly, welcoming faces to be part of our Pangari Team. You do NOT need to be a member of the Parish Council to serve Pangari duty. What you do need to do is welcome fellow parishioners, make change when they purchase candles, help with passing the collection tray, etc. It's a great way to serve the Parish and to learn more about how the Parish operates as you'll be serving next to existing Parish Council members. If you are interested, then please reach out to either Elaine Piligian (Parish secretary) or John Pogas.

The Choir is Looking for New Members: Can you sing? Do you play piano? The choir is looking to expand our membership. All are welcome to sit in on our rehearsals and/or Liturgies to learn more about our music and to see if the choir is right for you. Please call Tom Cox with questions (215-859-1009) or email him at tc Cox@mysolutions.com. Thank you!



<http://www.saintsophiachurch.org>

GRECIAN FESTIVAL PROGRAM BOOK

Consider placing a message or ad in the Spring Grecian Festival Program/Ad Book

The format offers an excellent opportunity for members of our community to send a message of love and support.

The Program Book reaches thousands attending our annual festival.



Here are some examples of personal messages

For more information contact Chris Altum cda212@gmail.com
or magazine@saintsophiachurch.org

The deadline for placing an ad in the 2024 Festival Magazine is May 12, 2024.

THE NICENE CREED (The Confession of Faith)

I believe in one God, Father Almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and of all things visible and invisible.

And in one Lord Jesus Christ, the only-begotten Son of God, begotten of the Father before all ages;

Light of Light, true God of true God, begotten, not created, of one essence with the Father, through Whom all things were made.

Who for us men and for our salvation came down from heaven and was incarnate of the Holy Spirit and the Virgin Mary and became man.

He was crucified for us under Pontius Pilate, and suffered and was buried;

And He rose on the third day, according to the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father;

And He will come again with glory to judge the living and the dead; His kingdom shall have no end.

And in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the Creator of Life, Who proceeds from the Father, Who together with the Father and the Son is worshipped and glorified, Who spoke through the prophets.

In one holy, catholic, and apostolic Church.

I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.

I look for the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the age to come.

Amen

ENGLISH

Our Father, who art in heaven;
hallowed be Thy name, Thy
Kingdom come, Thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.

Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses, as
we forgive those who trespass
against us; and lead us not into
temptation, but deliver us from
evil.

GREEK

Πάτερ ἡμῶν ὁ ἐν τοῖς οὐρανοῖς
ἁγιασθήτω τὸ ὄνομά σου,
ἐλθέτω ἡ βασιλεία σου,
γενηθήτω τὸ θέλημά σου, ὡς
ἐν οὐρανῷ καὶ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς.

Τὸν ἄρτον ἡμῶν τὸν
ἐπιούσιον δός ἡμῖν
σήμερον καὶ ἄφες ἡμῖν τὰ
ὀφειλήματα ἡμῶν, ὡς καὶ ἡμεῖς
ἀφίεμεν τοῖς ὀφειλέταις ἡμῶν καὶ
μὴ εἰσενέγκῃς ἡμᾶς εἰς
πειρασμόν, ἀλλὰ ῥύσαι ἡμᾶς ἀπὸ
τοῦ πονηροῦ.

THE LORD'S PRAYER

ENGLISH PHONETICS

Pá-ter i-món o en tis ou-ra-nís
a-gi-as-thí-to to o-no-má Sou,
el-thé-to I va-si-lí-a Sou,
ge-ni-thí-to to thé-li-má Sou, os
en ou-ra-nó ke e-pi tis ghis.

Ton ár-ton i-món ton
e-pi-ou-si-on dos i-mín
sí-me-ron ke á-fes i-mín ta
o-fe-lí-ma-ta i-món, os ke i-mís
a-fí-e-men tis o-fí-lé-tes i-món ke
mi i-se-nég-kis i-más is
pi-ras-món, al-la rí-se i-más a-pó
tou po-ni-roú.

Phonetics by Dr. Christine Kerxhalli,
orthodoxtoday.wordpress.com

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venmo

Tiropites and Spanakopites – We have a limited supply of packages of frozen Tiropites and Spanakopites that we will continue to sell each Sunday until our inventory is depleted.

Spring Grecian Festival: Our festival is just two weeks away, and **WE NEED YOUR HELP!** The festival runs Thursday, June 2nd through Sunday, June 5th. The tent opens at 5pm on Friday. IF YOU ARE ABLE TO HELP, please take a moment to review the available volunteer slots and sign up for as many as you are able. All help is appreciated! To sign up, go to: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20F054CACAF2CA3F58-49659057-stsophia>

Lawn Signs: Festival lawn signs are available for pickup. They are located in the alcove outside of the Office Entrance.

SaintSophiaFestival.com
**GRECIAN
FESTIVAL**
May 30-June 2
FOOD, PASTRIES & MUSIC

MORTGAGE REDUCTION CAMPAIGN

We would like to thank the following stewards and friends of St. Sophia for contributing to the Mortgage Reduction Campaign for April. The total for April was \$13,639.

Each month we will list the Mortgage Reduction collections for the previous month.

Mr. Chris Altum	Mrs. Effie Liacouras	Dr. & Mrs. James Peoples
Mr. Roy Baulch	Mr. & Mrs. Edward McAdoo	Mr. & Mrs. Rami Richie
Mr. & Mrs. George Coutavas	Mr. Shawn McElhinney	Mr. & Mrs. Svein Ryan
Dr. & Mrs. Christopher Dankmyer	Mrs. Tabatha C. McElhinney	Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Sabia
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Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Diccianni	Mr. & Mrs. Robert Moses	Mr. & Mrs. Bernard Thornberg
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Mrs. Evangelia A. Klapakis	Mr. & Mrs. John Papadimitriou	Mr. & Mrs. Michael Vail
Mr. & Mrs. George Klapakis	Dr. & Mrs. Peter Patukas	Mr. & Mrs. Roger Witt
Mr. & Mrs. Bart Kline		Special Collections

SCHEDULE OF UPCOMING SERVICES AND EVENTS

Sun. May 19 th	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing women Sunday school graduation
Tues. May 21 st	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Ss. Constantine & Helen
Sun. May 26 th	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Paralytic
Mon. May 27 th		Memorial Day – The Parish Office is Closed
Thurs. – Sun. 5/30 – 6/2		Grecian Festival
Sun. June 2 nd	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Samaritan Woman
Sun. June 9 th	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Sunday of the Blind Man
Thurs. June 13 th	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Holy Ascension
Sun. June 16 th	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Father's of the First Council; Father's Day
Sat. June 22 nd	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Saturday of Souls
Sun. June 23 rd	8:45 am	Orthros; 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Holy Pentecost

Paschal Troparion: CHRIST IS RISEN – Χριστός ἀνέστη
From the Holy Eparchial Synod, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, 2012
March 2013 Revision

Plagal of the First Tone. D.

Christ is ris - en from the dead, by death,
tram - pling down up - on death, and to
those in the tombs He has grant - ed life.

Ἦχος πλ. α'. Πα

Χρι - στὸς ἀ - νέ - στη ἐκ νε - κρῶν, θα - νά - τω
Chri - stos a - ne - sti ek ne - kron, tha - na - to
θά - να - τον πα - τή - σας, καὶ τοῖς
tha - na - ton pa - ti - sas, ke tis
ἐν τοῖς μνή - μα - σι, ζω - ἦν χα - ρι - σά - με - νος.
en tis mni - ma - si, zo - in cha - ri - sa - me - nos.

The Holy Eparchial Synod recommends teaching this melody and text so that when Orthodox faithful from various parishes and Metropolises gather, they will be able to sing this hymn as one.

*Icon of the Resurrection used with permission from
Holy Trinity Serbian Orthodox Church in Butte, Montana.*

RESURRECTION HYMN

Χριστός Ανέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καί τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι,
ζῶν ἡμῶν χαρισάμενος.

*Christos anesti ek nekron, thanato thanaton patisas, ke tis en tis mnimasi
zoin harisamenos.*

Christ is risen from the dead, by death, trampling down upon death, and to
those in the tombs He has granted life.

**At the conclusion of each service during the Paschal season until
the eve of Ascension, the following responses are made:**

Priest: Christ is Risen!
Ιερεύς: Χριστός Ανέστη!
Christos Anesti

People: Truly, He is Risen!
Ο Λαός: Αληθώς Ανέστη!
Alithos Anesti

Priest: Glory to His third-day Resurrection.
Ιερεύς: Δόξα τῇ Αὐτοῦ τριημέρῳ ἐγέρσει.
Doxa ti Aftou triemero egersei

People: We worship His third-day Resurrection
Ο Λαός: Προσκυνούμεν Αὐτοῦ τὴν τριήμερον ἐγερσιν.
Proskinoumen Aftu tin triemeron egersin.

Christ is Risen! Indeed, He is Risen!

Albanian: Krishti Ungjall! – Vertete Ungjall!

Armenian: Christos harjav i merelotz! – Orhniale harutjun Christosi!

French: Christ est Ressuscité! – En Vérité, Il est Ressuscité!

Georgian: Kriste aghsdga! – Cheshmaritad aghsdga!

Hebrew: Ha Mashiyach qam! – Ken hoo qam!

Hungarian: Krisztus feltámadt! – Valóban feltámadt!

Italian: Cristo è risorto! – È veramente risorto!

Latin: Christus resurrexit! – Vere resurrexit!

Polish: Kristus Zmartwikstau! – Zaiste Zmartwikstau!

Romanian: Hristos a înviat! – Adevărat a înviat!

Russian: Hristos voskres! – Voistinu voskres!

Serbian: Hristos Vaskrese! – Vaistinu Vaskrese!

Slavonic: Christos Voskrese! – Voistinu Voskrese!

Spanish: Cristo ha resucitado! – Verdaderamente ha resucitado!

Ukranian: Kristos Voskres! – Voistinu voskres!

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Our Righteous Father Memnonus the Wonderworker ♦ Theotima & Kyriake the Martyrs



St. Sophia/Ss Faith, Hope & Agape Vigil Candle: If you are interested in sponsoring a vigil candle, please see a Parish Council member at the Pangari – no advance signup necessary and several individuals or families can sponsor each week. The proceeds of these donations will go to our Mortgage Reduction Fund. Each vigil candle lasts one week; the asking donation is \$10.

Graduate Sunday: This morning, we will recognize the Sunday school graduates, teachers, our acolytes and our High school and College graduates.

Memorial: Today's memorial is chanted for the soul of:

Soterios Christofides (9 days) beloved husband of Maroula Christofidou and loving father of Melpo Christofidou-Solomidou (Charalambos Solomides) and Alexia Christofides Zenios (George Zenios). He was a loving papou to Pantelis Solomides and Maria Solomidou, and Sotia and Elina Zenios. May his memory be eternal.

Artoklasia: Today's artoklasia is offered by George and Dimitra Klapakis in honor of St. George and for the health and salvation of the Klapakis family.

Coffee Hour: Thank you to the Dimitriades and Christofidou/Solomides families for offering today's coffee hour.

Thank you also to St. Sophia's Youth Ministry for sponsoring today's end-of-the-year activities and party with ice cream and donuts for the youth.

Exciting Mortgage Reduction News! An anonymous donor has come forward to match donations made to the mortgage reduction fund **up to \$100,000** for 2024. This is a great opportunity to reduce our mortgage by **one-third**. With your help, we will make a huge difference in our mortgage expenses.

Please Update Your Contact Information: Have you moved recently? Are you receiving our weekly emails and occasional phone calls? If any of your contact information has changed (emails, phone numbers, address) please send an email to the Parish office at office@saintsophiachurch.org to update this information. Thank you!

Senior Citizen Ministry: St. Sophia's Senior Parea is open to all senior citizens of the community. The meetings take place on Thursdays from 10:00 am to 12 noon.