

St. Andrew the Apostle Orthodox Church
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August 9, 2015

**Tenth Sunday after Pentecost
 & Tenth Sunday of Matthew**

After-feast of the Transfiguration of Christ

**UPCOMING SERVICES, SPIRITUAL ENRICHMENT &
 EVENTS**

- * **Great Vespers, Saturday nights, 6:00 pm**
- * **Paraklesis services** - during the Dormition Fast, 6:00 pm
 Monday, August 10; Wednesday, August 12
- * **The Falling Asleep of the Theotokos**
 Friday, August 14 - Vespers, 6:00 pm
 Saturday, August 15 - Orthros, 9:00 am
 - Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am
- * **Sisters of St. Photini Membership Drive Ice Cream Social**
 Sunday, August 23 - with Coffee Fellowship following
 Divine Liturgy
- * **On-Line calendar:** Please check the On-line Calendar during the
 week for updates & changes for services and events:
standrewpns.org; then click on the **calendar button**.

Monday	August 10	St. Photini Board Meeting Paraklesis Parish Council Meeting	4:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wednesday	August 12	Paraklesis	6:00 pm
Thursday	August 13	Choir rehearsal	5:45 pm
Friday	August 14	Vespers for the Dormition (Falling Asleep) of the Theotokos	6:00 pm
Saturday	August 15	Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos Orthros Divine Liturgy	9:00 am 10:00 am
Sunday	August 16	Orthros Divine Liturgy Coffee Fellowship <i>congratulating Dr. Liz Tringas</i>	8:50 am 10:00 am 11:20 am

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DORMITION FAST

Please note the Dormition Fast in honor of the Falling Asleep of the Mother of God began on Saturday, August 1 and continues through Saturday, August 15. The fasting rules are abstinence from meat, dairy, fish, wine and oil during weekdays. Wine and oil are allowed on the weekend. Fish, wine, and oil are permitted for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord on the August 6. Please make time in your schedule to attend the Paraklesis services as well as the Feasts during this period.

CONGRATULATIONS

to Dr. Elizabeth Tringas who graduated from the University of Florida School of Veterinary Medicine receiving her Doctorate in June and has returned to Pensacola to practice. Liz is the daughter of Paul and Sally Tringas. The Sisters of St. Photini are hosting Coffee Fellowship on Sunday, August 16th to honor Liz and welcome her home.

God grant you many years!

Become a “Back to School Buddy”

Donate a new backpack and shoes to a child in need.

The Sisterhood of St. Photini is collecting donations of new backpacks and new pairs of closed-toed school shoes for kids in need for “Back to School Buddy” program sponsored by the Pensacola New Journal.

**The deadline for our collection is TODAY
Sunday, August 9th.**

Please place your donations on the table in front of the big mirror in the hallway. Checks may be made out to AW of St. Andrew AOC.



Prayers Requested

Your prayers are requested for the health and return of Archbishops Paul and John of Aleppo, Syria, who were abducted on Monday, April 22, 2013.

Please pray for peace for the people of Syria. Syria is the home of our Patriarchate which is located on Straight Street in Damascus where St. Paul was taken to regain the sight he lost when encountering Jesus Christ

Those in need of prayer:

Kh. Mary Sue & family	Gary (Christine's son-in-law)
Fr. Stephen	Phillip
Presbytera Diane	Norma & Ron (Stacy's parents)
Bonnie (Sam's mother)	Jim (Dan's friend)
Liza (Penny's friend)	Helen (Penny's friend)
Theodore & Kleoniki (Dn. Ted's parents)	Mike (Sam's friend)
Jimmy (Sandra's cousin)	Bruce (Greg & Sue Ann's friend)
Marcy (Sophia's friend)	Donna
Miriam (Penny's friend)	Xenia (Laura's friend)
Mary (Christine's daughter)	Barbara (the Tamparys' friend)
Joyce & Dan	Kay
Hunter (Stacy & Anthony's friend)	Bob
Ralph (Penny's friend)	Martha (Penny's sister)
Anna (Fotios' friend)	Mandy (Greg's sister)
Ann (Kay & Donna's friend)	Richard (Dawn's nephew)
Ethel & Nick (Bob & Petrula's friends)	Alice
Lucille and Louann	Shawna (Dawn's niece)
John (Sam's friend)	Victoria & infant Luke
Yves and Linda	Patti & Don (Pam's friends)
Bill & Gini (Penny's friends)	Dean (Syd's father)
Bill (Dan and Joyce's friend)	Carmen (Jim's father)
Robert (Emily's cousin)	Bob (Bob & Petrula's friend)
Richard & Joyce (Kay & Donna's friends)	Eleni
Sharon (Penny's niece)	Jim (Dan and Joyce's friend)
Laney (Christine's sister)	Faye (Petrula's friend)
Sherry (Dorothy's friend)	Winn (Sam's friend)
Jammie (Louann's friend)	Zach
Edith, Jeremy and baby Kinsley (Bert & Nicole's family)	
Alexander (Penny's grandson serving in Afghanistan)	
Laura & Roger (Dorothy's sister & brother-in-law)	

Prayer requests for the prayer list will be listed for four weeks at a time. After that time, please let Fr. David or Dorothy Tampary know if the person or persons whose names were submitted need to remain on the list.

The Holy Apostle Matthias

The Holy Apostle Matthias was born at Bethlehem of the Tribe of Judah. From his early childhood he studied the Law of God under the guidance of St Simeon the God-Receiver. When the Lord Jesus Christ revealed Himself to the world, St Matthias believed in Him as the Messiah, followed constantly after Him and was numbered among the Seventy Apostles, whom the Lord "sent them two by two before His face" (Luke 10:1).

After the Ascension of the Savior, St Matthias was chosen by lot to replace Judas Iscariot as one of the Twelve Apostles (Acts 1:15-26). After the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle Matthias preached the Gospel at Jerusalem and in Judea together with the other Apostles (Acts 6:2, 8:14). From Jerusalem he went with the Apostles Peter and Andrew to Syrian Antioch, and was in the Cappadocian city of Tianum and Sinope. Here the Apostle Matthias was locked into prison, from which he was miraculously freed by St Andrew the First-Called.

The Apostle Matthias journeyed after this to Amasea, a city on the shore of the sea. During a three year journey of the Apostle Andrew, St Matthias was with him at Edessa and Sebaste. According to Church Tradition, he was preaching at Pontine Ethiopia (presently Western Georgia) and Macedonia. He was frequently subjected to deadly peril, but the Lord preserved him to preach the Gospel.

Once, pagans forced the saint to drink a poison potion. He drank it, and not only did he himself remain unharmed, but he also healed other prisoners who had been blinded by the potion. When St Matthias left the prison, the pagans searched for him in vain, for he had become invisible to them. Another time, when the pagans had become enraged intending to kill the Apostle, the earth opened up and engulfed them.

The Apostle Matthias returned to Judea and did not cease to enlighten his countrymen with the light of Christ's teachings. He worked great miracles in the Name of the Lord Jesus and he converted a great many to faith in Christ.

The Jewish High Priest Ananias hated Christ and earlier had commanded the Apostle James, Brother of the Lord, to be flung down from the heights of the Temple, and now he ordered that the Apostle Matthias be arrested and brought for judgment before the Sanhedrin at Jerusalem.

The impious Ananias uttered a speech in which he blasphemously slandered the Lord. Using the prophecies of the Old Testament, the Apostle Matthias demonstrated that Jesus Christ is the True God, the promised Messiah, the Son of God, Consubstantial and Coeternal with God the Father. After these words the Apostle Matthias was sentenced to death by the Sanhedrin and stoned.

When St Matthias was already dead, the Jews, to hide their malefaction, cut off his head as an enemy of Caesar. (According to several historians, the Apostle Matthias was crucified, and indicate that he instead died at Colchis.) The Apostle Matthias received the martyr's crown of glory in the year 63.

From the Desert Fathers

"Antony said to Poemen, 'Our great work is to lay the blame for our sins upon ourselves before God, and to expect to be tempted to our last breath.'"

Save the Date...

Baby Shower honoring

~~ Mary Werthmuller King~~

*Sunday, September 6th,
following Divine Liturgy*

hosted by Sisterhood of St. Photini

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

Have you considered hosting Coffee Fellowship in honor of a loved one's feast day, birthday or anniversary, or in memory of a loved one, or for other occasions? Simple refreshments are all that is needed. Join another family and share the blessing.

Pamela & Janean make the coffee and lemonade.

You are requested to please handle the setup and help with clean up.

Please sign up on the board on the wall in the Great Room.

If you have any questions, see Pamela or Janean.

August 9 - Mark Sfanos

August 16 - Sisters of St. Photini in honor of
Returning Graduate Liz Tringas

August 23 - Volunteer(s) needed

**Thank you to all who have provided
the enjoyable treats in the past!**

