

2018 Christmas Caroling Schedule



Joy to the World!

- ♪ Sunday, December 2nd, 1 p.m. @ Leahi Hospital, 3675 Kilauea Avenue
- ♪ Sunday, December 9th, 1 p.m. @ Hale Ho Aloha ICF/SNF, 2670 Pacific Heights Road
- ♪ Sunday, December 16th, 1:45 p.m. @ Hale Nani Rehabilitation & Nursing, 1677 Pensacola Street

Parish Christmas Card

If you wish to be listed on our Parish Christmas Card, please print your name below and return to the church office by December 4th. Please consider including a donation to offset the cost of printing and postage for the card. *Mahalo!*

Please print. Your name will appear as written here.

To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*

Ss Constantine & Helen

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific



December 2, 2018
14th Sunday of Luke

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Commemoration of: Habakkuk the Prophet; Myrope the Martyr of Chios;
Joannicos the Monk of Devich

Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

Ote katilthes (Resurrection Hymn) Tone 2
When You descended to death, O Life immortal, rendered to Hades a mortal blow by Your radiant Divinity, and when from the depths of darkness You raised the dead, all the power of Haven were crying out to You, O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to You.

Tu Stavru Su (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8
Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which forever you guard in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone are the lover of mankind.

Kontakion

I Parthenos simeron Tone 3
*On this day the Virgin Maid * goes to the grotto to give birth * to the pre-eternal Word * in an ineffable manner. * Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. * Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds * Him who willed that He appear as * a newborn Child, * the pre-eternal God. (AgesInitiatives.com)*

Epistle Reading Ephesians 6:10-17
BRETHREN, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Gospel Reading Luke 18:35-43
At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God.

Activities & Announcements

Today

- ✘ **14th Sunday of Luke**
- ✘ **Parish Council Elections**– Parish Council Elections will take place today immediately following services, in the partitioned area of the Social Hall . **Polls will close promptly at 12:15 p.m.** There are 5 open seats available on the Parish Council. Our 5 candidates are as follows: **Roni Katsikas, John Kiladis, Trish Kiladis, Cleopatra Kritikos, Garry Ross,** and **Mindy Scordilis.** On the ballots, you may vote for **no more than 5** candidates. If you vote for more than 5 candidates, your ballot will be deemed invalid.
- ✘ **Philoptochos Meeting**– 12 p.m. in the Conference Room, after elections.
- ✘ If you wish to be listed on our Parish Christmas Card, please submit today.

This Week

- ✘ **TUE, 12/4**– St. Barbara the Great Martyr: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.; Bible Study on Gospel of Mark 5 to 6:30 p.m.
- ✘ **THU, 12/6**– St. Nicholas the Wonderworker: Orthros 8:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.; Strategic Planning Meeting 6 to 7:30 p.m.?
- ✘ **FRI, 12/7**– Catechism 10:30 a.m. to Noon; Study Byzantine Chant 1:30 to 3 p.m.
- ✘ **SAT, 12/8**– Great Vespers 5:30 p.m.
- ✘ **SUN, 12/9**– 10th Sunday of Luke; 2 Year Memorial for Ted (Anargyros) Anastasopoulos; Christmas Choral Concert 4 p.m.

Upcoming Events

- ✘ **Sunday School Christmas Program**– Sunday, December 9th.
- ✘ **Christmas Choral Concert**– Sunday, December 9th, 4 p.m.
- ✘ **Epiphany Celebration & Cross Throwing** - Sunday, January 6, 2019
- ✘ **Call Conferencing Bridge for Bible Study, Catechism, Strategic Planning, etc.**- (720) 835-5552, PIN: 74848

♪ **An Invitation to Read the Psalter in Community this Nativity Season**

The Prayer Ministry is sponsoring a reading through the Psalms in unity this Nativity Season (Nov 15 thru Dec 24). Every two days, twelve people read the entire Book of Psalms virtually as a devotion to God. You do not need to be in Hawaii during this period. Please consider joining us by contacting the church's office coordinator (office@greekorthodoxhawaii.org or 808-983-2807).

"Our life depends on the kind of thoughts we nurture. If our thoughts are peaceful, calm, meek, and kind, then that is what our life is like. If our attention is turned to the circumstances in which we live, we are drawn into a whirlpool of thoughts and can have neither peace nor tranquility."

~ Elder Thaddeus of Vitovnica (1914-2003)