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Sunday Services
 Orthros 8:45 AM
 Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
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 Sunday School class 10:00 AM
Office Hours
 Tuesday-Thursday 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM
 Friday – Visitations (hospitals, nursing homes, etc.)
 Appointments by request.

AUGUST 9TH, 2015, 10TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

We commemorate: The Holy Apostle Matthias. Anthony the Martyr of Alexandria. Afterfeast of the Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

EPISTLE READING St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16 BRETHREN, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

The Gospel of Matthew 17:14-23 At that time, a man came up to Him and kneeling before Him said, "Lord, have mercy on my son, for he is an epileptic and he suffers terribly; for often he falls into the fire, and often into the water. And I brought him to Your disciples, and they could not heal him." And Jesus answered, "O faithless and perverse generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him here to me." And Jesus rebuked him, and the demon came out of him, and the boy was cured instantly. Then the disciples came to Jesus privately and said, "Why could we not cast it out?" He said to them, "Because of your little faith. For truly I say to you, if you have faith as a grain of

mustard seed, you will say to this mountain, 'Move hence to yonder place,' and it will move; and nothing will be impossible to you. But this kind never comes out except by prayer and fasting." As they were gathering in Galilee, Jesus said to them, "The Son of man is to be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill Him, and He will be raised on the third day."

**Fast of the Dormition
of the Theotokos
August 1 – August 14**

SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEK

SUNDAY,	AUGUST 9	-10TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW -COFFEE HOUR: following Divine Liturgy
TUESDAY,	AUGUST 11	-PARISH COUNCIL meeting: 7:00 PM
SATURDAY,	AUGUST 15	-DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS: Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM
SUNDAY,	AUGUST 16	-11TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW -COFFEE HOUR available.

COMMUNITY NEWS AND EVENTS

FAST OF THE DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS: August 1 – 14.

JARVIS CENTER VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: to help set up for events in the Jarvis Center. Please sign up on the schedule in the Jarvis Center or contact the Church office.

STEWARDSHIP CARDS: IF YOU HAVE NOT AS YET COMPLETED A STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE CARD, PLEASE DO SO. VASSILI PAMBOUKES OR FR. BOB HAVE THEM FOR YOU.

We are glad to have you worshipping with us today. Please join us for fellowship immediately following the Liturgy in the Andrew and Grace Jarvis Fellowship Hall downstairs, by the back entrance.

Please understand...Communion is a sign of unity of our faith. Only Orthodox Christians that have prepared themselves through prayer, fasting, and periodic confession are permitted to participate in the Sacrament of Holy Communion. We welcome all present, however, to partake of the blessed bread which is distributed at the end of the service.

Those interested in the Sacrament of Holy Confession, please contact Fr. Bob.

The Bakaliko and Gift Shop

After Divine Liturgy please stop in our Bakaliko and Gift Shop to purchase Greek foods, gifts, books, & religious items. The Bakaliko is located at the foot of the stairs. All proceeds benefit our Sunday School.