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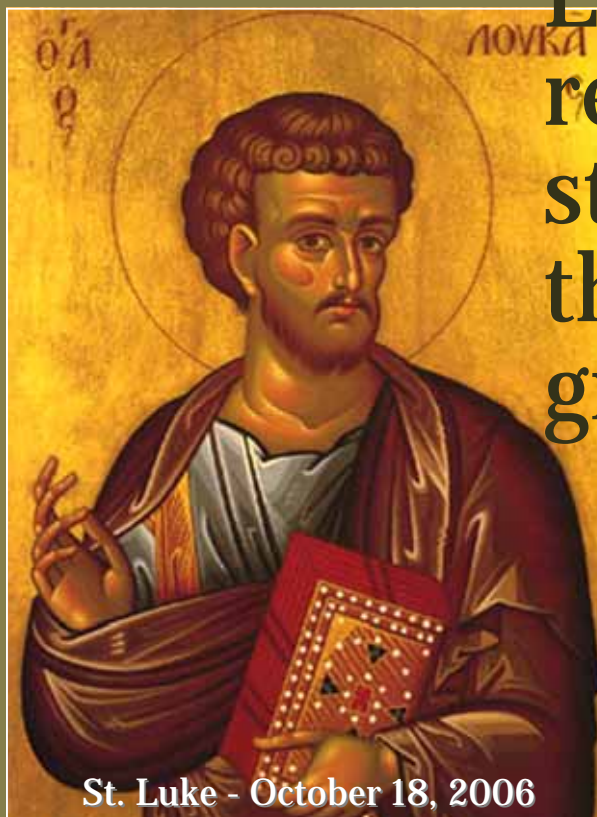
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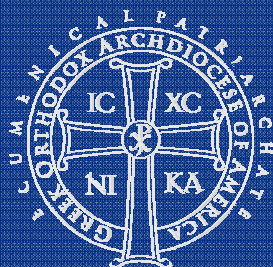
Learn the
remarkable
stories of
these two
great saints!



St. Luke - October 18, 2006



St. Demetrius - October 26, 2006



*"Lord, You know that men are
flesh and blood; forgive them
their sins and pour out Your
blessing on all."*

St. Haralambos



A Night in Greece

Join us at the IMAX Theatre in November!

We're going to be renting the entire IMAX theatre in Tempe and showing the new film,

Wednesday, November 29

7:00 p.m.

(doors open at 6:00 p.m.)

**IMAX Theatre
Arizona Mills, Tempe**

\$15.00 per person

(advance reservations required)

"Greece: Secrets of the Past"

on Wednesday evening, November 29th. The theatre holds 430 people, and we'd like to fill it! Bring your friends and family to see this fantastic film, and support the ministries of St. Haralambos Church at the same time!

"A sweeping archeological journey back in time, the film sets out on a quest to uncover the buried secrets of one of the world's most enlightened societies – ancient Greece during the Golden Age – that for 100 years, from 500 BC to 400 BC, became the center of human thought and creativity and laid many of the foundations for the way we live today."

Tickets will be available only from St. Haralambos Church! Seats are limited, so get your reservation in early. Don't miss out!

See Georgia Hargan or Pam Lemons for more information or contact the Church office at 623-486-8665.

For more information on the film, see the website at www.greecefilm.com.

GREECE: SECRETS OF THE PAST, directed by two-time Academy Award®-nominated filmmaker Greg MacGillivray, is the stirring story of how a Greek archeologist of the 21st century is uncovering the secret history of his ancient ancestors who forged a society that continues to astound the world today with its ideas, inventions and achievements. Set against the breathtaking, azure vistas of the Greek Isles, the film merges a contemporary archeological "detective story" with some of the most advanced and painstaking digital re-creations ever undertaken for an IMAX® theatre film, with scenes that restore such centuries-old spectacles as the original Parthenon and the volcanic eruption that buried Santorini in 1646 BC.

It is this dynamic tale of science, archeological adventure and discovery that producer/director Greg MacGillivray unfolds with GREECE: SECRETS OF THE PAST, using the unique power of IMAX® theatre filmmaking to transport audiences deep into a world that no longer exists but that echoes throughout our own. Helping to bring a fun, contemporary edge to this tale of a centuries-old civilization is the film's narrator, Nia Vardalos, the Greek American actress who rose to the fore writing and starring in the run-away cross-cultural romantic comedy *My Big Fat Greek Wedding*, garnering both an Academy Award® nomination for Best Screenplay and a Golden Globe nomination for Best Actress.





St. Demetrius and St. Luke

During the month of October we celebrate two well-known saints, one a soldier and martyr, the other an evangelist and one of the four New Testament gospel writers. Though the Apostle Luke lived during the 1st century, and Demetrius in the 3rd century, their memories remain strong among Orthodox Church families. The name day of St. Luke is celebrated on October 18th, and that of St. Demetrius on the 26th. The following summary of their lives is taken from the *Synaxarion*, the book of the lives of the saints.

Saint Demetrius was a Thessalonian, a most pious son of pious and noble parents, and a teacher of the Faith of Christ. When Maximian first came to Thessalonica in 290, he raised the Saint to the rank of Duke of Thessaly. But when it was discovered that the Saint was a Christian, he was arrested and kept bound in a



bath-house. While the games were under way in the city, Maximian was a spectator there. A certain friend of his, a barbarian who was a notable wrestler, Lyaeus by name, waxing haughty because of the height and strength of his body, boasted in the stadium and challenged the citizens to a contest with him. All that fought with him were defeated. Seeing this, a certain youth named Nestor, an acquaintance of Demetrius', came to the Saint in the bath-house and

asked his blessing to fight Lyaeus single-handed. Receiving this blessing and sealing himself with the sign of the precious Cross, he presented himself in the stadium, and said, "O God of Demetrius, help me!" and straightway he engaged Lyaeus

in combat and struck him with a mortal blow to the heart, leaving the former boaster lifeless upon the earth. Maximian was sorely grieved

over this, and when he learned who was the cause of this defeat, he commanded straightway and Demetrius was pierced with lances while he was yet in the bath-house. As for Nestor, Maximian commanded that he be slain with his own sword.

The Apostle Luke was an Antiochian, a physician by trade, and a disciple and companion of Paul. He wrote his Gospel in Greek after Matthew and Mark, after which he wrote the Acts of the Apostles, and dedicated both works to Theophilus, who, according to some, was Governor of Achaia. He lived some eighty-six years and died in Achaia, perhaps in Patras, the capital of this district. His emblem is the calf, the third symbolical beast mentioned by Ezekiel (1:10), which is a symbol of Christ's sacrificial and priestly office, as Saint Irenaeus says.

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Rev. Michael Pallad
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Sunday Worship

September - May
Matins: 8:45 a.m.
Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

June - August
Matins: 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy: 9:30 a.m.

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Learning, Sharing and Support Workshop & Expo



Are you concerned about aging parents? Plan on attending the "Learning, Sharing and Support Workshop & Expo" on Saturday, October 28, 2006,

from 9:00a.m. to 3:00p.m. at the Glendale Civic Center. Topics range from exploring care options, finding respite relief, and coping with anxiety and depression, to building communication

skills for sensitive issues such as informing parents they should no longer drive. Call the church office for more information and free admission tickets.

Bulletin Bloopers

Even the best proof-readers often fail to catch every mistake and typo. The following are actual announcements printed in Sunday Church bulletins:

1. Don't let worry kill you. Let the Church help.
2. Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our church and community.
3. For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery down-stairs.
4. Pastor is on vacation. Massages can be given to church secretary.
5. The Senior Choir invites any member of the congregation who enjoys sinning to join the choir.
6. Eight new choir robes are currently needed, due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
7. The outreach committee has enlisted 25 visitors to make calls on people who are not afflicted with any church.
8. Low Self-Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 to 8:30 p.m. Please use the back door.
9. The pastor will preach his farewell message, after which the choir will sing, "Break Forth Into Joy."
10. The Rev. Merriwether spoke briefly, much to the delight of the audience.



“In Touch” Monthly Newsletter

Help Needed!

Would you be interested in helping our monthly newsletter become even better? We need an “In Touch” Managing Editor

whose responsibilities would include: gathering articles each month from the different parish organizations, overseeing the addition of new sections such as “Orthodoxy

throughout the U.S. and the World,” new book reviews, new parishioner profiles, fun pages, etc.

All interested individuals should contact Fr. Michael.



Test Your Bible IQ

Answers to last month's Test

How many books from the Bible were you able to find in last month's Bible IQ? Here are the names of the hidden books: Mark, Luke, Kings, Acts, Revelation, James, Ruth, Numbers, Job, Amos, Esther, Judges, Titus, Lamentations, Hebrews, and Peter; and here is where they appeared in the paragraph:

I once made a remark about the hidden books of the Bible. It was a lulu; kept people looking so hard for facts...and for others it was a revelation. Some were in a jam, especially since the names of the books were not capitalized. But the truth finally struck home to numbers of our readers. To others it was a real job. We want it to be a most fascinating few moments for you. Yes, there will be some really easy ones to spot. Others may require judges to help them. I will quickly admit it usually takes a minister to find one of them, and there will be loud lamentations when it is found. A little lady says she brews a cup of tea so that she can concentrate better. See how well you can compete. Relax now, for there really are sixteen names of books of the Bible in this paragraph.



Don't forget aluminum cans: we are still collecting aluminum cans for recycling. **Please remember:** we can **only** accept aluminum soda cans (not steel, tin or other materials) for this program. Please bring them in bags and leave them in specially marked barrels in the hallway. Thank you!

ORGANIZATIONS

Philoptochos



"Be doers of the word and not hearers only." James 1:22

The September meeting was short of members but our spirit was high. During the months of October, November and December,

we will be collecting packages of disposable diapers (any size) which will be donated to Homeward Bound.

Our next meeting will be on October 2, 2006, at 7:00p.m. and will feature a

speaker from Hospice Family Care. Won't you please join us?

Charlotte Servetas, President

Younger Generation

We're getting together the Younger Generation (20's – 40's) of our parish for an evening of fellowship and discovery on Tuesday evening, October 17th at 7:00p.m. in the Social Hall. RSVP to Georgia Hargan at

(602) 321-9238. Child care will be provided, but please let us know how many we should prepare for!

The first meeting this past Spring was just wonderful, as was the BBQ hosted by

Ray and Mary Wysmierski over the summer; and we hope all Younger Generation parishioners will enjoy the fellowship again this month!

Building Maintenance



Church Improvements

Our parish Building Maintenance committee, under the chairmanship of Dean Milonas is involved in numerous ongoing projects to improve our church facility.

The committee is currently planning and estimating costs to complete these projects.

If you are willing and able to help with church building maintenance, please contact

Dean Milonas during the Coffee Hour after Sunday liturgy.

Please remember that your help, in any way, is always welcome.

Sacraments

Baptism

We warmly welcome into the Holy Orthodox faith and to our parish, Dominiek John Antoniadis, who was baptized on Sunday, September 17th, along with Alexandru Aurelius

Gheorghe and Cristian Auriel Gheorghe, both baptized on Sunday, July 23rd. May God grant them and their families many years!

Assisted Living, Hospitalization

The following parishioners may not be able to be with us physically, but are still loved members of our parish. Please remember them in prayer:

Marianthy Bravos, Louise Constant, Orin and Mary-Jean Davis, Alice Massahos, and George Poulos.

Name Days

Many years/ *Chronia Polla* to those named after the following saints:

Sts. Cyprian and Justina (2nd)	St. James (9th)
St. Philip (11th)	St. Artemios (14th)
St. Kosmas (14th)	St. Lazaros (17th)
St. Luke the Evangelist (18th)	St. Gerasimos (20th)
St. James (Iakovos) (23rd)	St. Sebastiane (24th)
St. Demetrios (26th)	

Birthdays



George Tzangas (1st)

Monique Klabis (5th)

Larry Yelton (9th)

Dutch Rosenberg (13th)

Joan Coor (20th)

Carl Surman (23rd)

Sabrina Tremoulis (23rd)

Effie Stathopoulos (25th)

If you don't see your name, or those of family members, and would like to be included on the monthly birthday listing, please send the information to the church office.

DONATIONS

Orthodox Service Books

New 12-Volume Set

A new publication from Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Monastery in Boston, Mass., is now available, and is a much-needed reference for English-speaking Orthodox Churches. The 12-volume *Minaia* (monthly service book) includes English translations of the hymns for the Feasts of Our Lord Jesus Christ, of the Holy Theotokos, and of the Saints commemorated each month, as well as order of many other services celebrated throughout the year.



These volumes would be of great help for our parish, providing the English hymns and service texts not found in other sources. They are beautifully printed on the highest quality archival paper; each volume includes full color iconography of saints celebrated for the month, biographies of the saints and many other hymns and readings. The 12-volume set sells for \$1,200.00, and would become a permanent addition to our parish service book library.

Rather than asking an individual donor cover the expense of these books, we would like to offer twelve families the opportunity to

purchase one volume each (\$100.00), in memory of a beloved member of the family who has fallen asleep in the Lord. An appropriate nameplate will be placed inside the book, listing the name of the donor family.

For those interested, please complete the lower portion of this flyer, and send in your donation with your check payable to St. Haralambos Church, printing clearly the name for whom your gift is in memory of.



New Church Service Books Donation Form

Enclosed is my/our family's donation of \$100.00 for one volume of the *Minaia* Service Books for the St. Haralambos Church service book library.

Family Name: _____

In memory of: _____

Please return to: St. Haralambos Church
10320 N. 84th Ave., Peoria, Arizona 85345.

Thank You!

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 8:45am Matins 10:00am Div. Liturgy National Church Music Sunday	2 7:00pm Philoptochos	3 10:30am Bible Enrichment	4 7:00pm Know the Faith	5 7:00pm Choir	6	7
8 8:45am Matins 10:00am Div. Liturgy	9	10 10:30am Bible Enrichment 7:00pm Parish Council	11 7:00pm Know the Faith	12 7:00pm Choir	13	14
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