

WELCOME TO ST. SOPHIA

440 Whitehall Rd., Albany, New York

Welcome to the celebration of the Divine Liturgy. The glass-enclosed narthex is designated for parents with infants and young children. Everyone is asked to remain in the narthex during the “*Small Entrance*,” “*Great Entrance*,” “*Epistles*,” and “*Gospel Readings*”. Also, please remember to turn off all cell phones and electronic devices. For those with special mobility needs, there is a wheelchair and a walker available. Please ask a Parish Council member at the Pangari.

If you are a visitor or newcomer, we are pleased to have you with us. Please introduce yourself to a parish council member at the Pangari and also sign the guest book. However, remember that only those who are baptized or chrismated in the Eastern Orthodox faith may participate in the Holy Sacraments including Holy Communion. Following church services, everyone is invited to attend the fellowship hour in the parish hall. Our website is <http://stsophiaalbany.org>

Today: Erastus, Olympas, Rodion, Sosipater, Quartus, and Tertios, Apostles of the 70

Of these Saints, Olympas and Rodion became disciples of Peter, the chief Apostle, and came to Rome, where they were beheaded by Nero. The others reposed in peace, having become bishops: Sosipater of Iconium, Quartus of Beirut, and Erastus of Paneas, or Paneias (which was also called Caesarea of Philippi); Saint Erastus had been chamberlain of the city of Corinth (Rom.16:23).

Second Tray to Benefit Veterans Fellowship Sponsored by AHEPA in Recognition of Veterans Day

*One-year Memorial for the late†
James Gallas*

Coffee Fellowship Sponsored in his Memory

*One-year Memorial for the late†
Vangel George*

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May their Memory be Eternal!

Eighth Sunday of Luke

November 10, 2019 – November 16, 2019

10 Sunday	9:30 am Divine Liturgy
11 Monday	11:00 am Senior Exercise
12 Tuesday	11:00 am Senior Chair Yoga 12:30 pm Senior Chair Yoga 12:30 pm Seniors' Program 4:00 pm Greek School 7:00 pm Philoptochos 7:00 pm <i>Kristallnacht Interfaith Commemoration</i> - SUNY Page Hall
13 Wednesday	11:00 am Senior Exercise

12:30 pm Knitters

4:00 pm Greek School

14 Thursday 12:15 pm Seniors

4:00 pm Greek School

15 Friday 7:00 pm **JOY** “Movie Night”

16 Saturday 10:00 am Grassroots Givers—“*Simple Day of Giving*”

News & Events

- ▶ As part of the Veteran’s Day commemoration, AHEPA has compiled an updated list of parishioners who have served in the military. The brochure is available on the pangari.
- ▶ “*A Simple Day of Giving.*” This Saturday, ^{ΦΙΛΟΠΤΟΧΟΣ} ~~PHILOPTOCHOS~~ ^{ΦΙΛΟΠΤΟΧΟΣ} is inviting volunteers of all ages to come and make dozens and dozens of useful items to share with organizations that help needy veterans, low-income families, shelters, and youth groups. A donation of \$5 is requested to help defray expenses.
- ▶ Join Father Pat as he participates in the “*Kristallnacht Interfaith Commemoration*” this Tuesday, November 12 at the SUNY Page Hall. Kristallnacht was the occasion of concerted violence by the Nazis against Jews and their property on the nights of November 9 and 10, 1938. The program starts at 7 p.m. and is free and open to the public. Page Hall is located at 136 Western Avenue.
- ▶ His most recent tour, “**Dysfunctionally Yours**” was a huge success. It’s the notorious “*Basile*” and he’s bringing his show to our Thanksgiving Weekend Family Reunion Dance here on Saturday, November 30. Presale tickets are \$45. Gold Circle reserved tables of 10 are \$65. Student prices (with ID) are \$20. And Prometheus will be on hand to offer music for dancing and listening pleasure. Join friends and family and laugh away your holiday calories. Tickets will be available during the fellowship hour.
- ▶ Offer your services! If you are an individual interested in the future of our St. Sophia Church, please step forward and become a candidate for the Parish Council. Today is the final day for nominations for the Council.
- ▶ The Daughters are selling fresh, handmade Christmas wreaths, sprays, centerpieces, and small trees which are great Christmas gifts for family and friends as well as beautiful decor for your own home or business. Prices range from \$33 to \$43 and can also be shipped to anywhere in the United States for a small shipping fee. Orders will be available for pick up here during the first week of December. Today is the last day for orders.
- ▶ It’s the sign up for the Philoptochos Annual Community Christmas Card. The cost is \$15 per line. Sign ups will take place following church services.
- ▶ But not forgotten. Remembering family and friends who have passed away is special and there is a simple way to remember loved ones at this holiday season. Graceland Cemetery is offering the “*Flower Placement Program*” featuring lovely fresh or artificial wreaths for graveside placement. Cemetery staff will even do the placement. See the tri-fold brochure on our information table for details and orders. **Note: Also check out the option for year-round placement of graveside flowers.**

Epistle Reading

Prokeimenon. Fourth Mode. Psalm 103.24,1.

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20.

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

Gospel Reading

8th Sunday of Luke

The reading is from Luke 10:25-37

At that time, a lawyer stood up to put Jesus to the test, saying, "Teacher, what shall I do to inherit eternal life?" He said to him, "What is written in the law? How do you read?" And he answered, "You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your strength, and with all your mind; and your neighbor as yourself." And he said to him, "You have answered right; do this, and you will live."

But he, desiring to justify himself, said to Jesus, "And who is my neighbor?" Jesus replied, "A man was going down from Jerusalem to Jericho, and he fell among robbers, who stripped him and beat him, and departed, leaving him half dead. Now by chance a priest was going down that road; and when he saw him he passed by on the other side. So likewise a Levite, when he came to the place and saw him, passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan, as he journeyed, came to where he was; and when he saw him, he had compassion, and went to him and bound up his wounds, pouring on oil and wine; then he set him on his own beast and brought him to an inn, and took care of him. And the next day he took out two denarii and gave them to the innkeeper, saying, 'Take care of him; and whatever more you spend, I will repay you when I come back.' Which of these three, do you think, proved neighbor to the man who fell among the robbers?" He said, "The one who showed mercy on him." And Jesus said to him, "Go and do likewise."

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Fourth Mode

Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the Angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples of the Lord spake to the Apostles exultantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion (Hymn) for the Church in the Plagal Fourth Mode

Blessed art Thou, O Christ our God, Who hast made manifest the fishermen as most wise, By sending down upon them the Holy Ghost, And by them hast drawn the world into Thy net. O Lover of mankind, glory to Thee.

Ευλογητός ει, Χριστέ ο Θεός ημών, ο πανσόφους τους αλιείς αναδείξας, καταπέμψας αυτοίς το Πνεύμα το Άγιον, και δι' αυτών την οικουμένην σαγηνεύσας. Φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

Today, the most pure temple of the Savior, the precious bridal chamber and Virgin, the sacred treasure of God, enters the house of the Lord, bringing the grace of the Divine Spirit. The Angels of God praise her. She is the heavenly tabernacle.