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SUNDAY BULLETIN

Proistamenos  
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**SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON**

**Isidore of Pelusium; Nicholas the Confessor; John the Righteous, Bishop of Irinopolis;  
Joseph the New Martyr of Aleppo**



**HYMN OF THE DAY TONE: SECOND (2)**

When You, the Deathless Life, did descend toward Death, then did You put to death Hades through the dazzling brightness of the Godhead; and when You did raise up the dead from the Abyss, all the powers of the Heavens cried aloud: O Christ our God, Giver of Life, glory to You.

Οτε κατηλθες προς τον θανατον, η Ζωη η αθανατος, τοτε τον Αδην  
ενεκρωσας τη αστραπη της Θεοτητος. οτε δε και τους τεθνεωτας εκ των  
καταχθονιων ανεστησας, πασαι αι Δυναμεις των επουρανιων εκραυγαζων.  
Ζωοδοτα, Χριστε ο Θεος ημων, δοξα σοι.

**EPISTLE READING: First Letter to the Corinthians 6:12-20**

Brethren, "all things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" ~ and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

**GOSPEL LESSON: LUKE 15:11-32**

The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have filled his belly with the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father

came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'"

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**COFFEE FELLOWSHIP**

**LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS**

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**MEMORIAL TODAY**

40 Days

Konstantinos Houtas

Today's Coffee Fellowship is offered in memory of  
Konstantinos Houtas by his family.

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**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday	February 5	Golden Seniors	11:30 a.m.
		Girl Scouts	4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
		GOYA Business Meeting	7:30 p.m.
		Executive Council	8:00 p.m.
Thursday	February 8	ELEOS	7:30 p.m.
Saturday	February 10	Saturday of Souls	
		Orthros 9:30 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

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**APOKREATIKO GLENDI**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10<sup>th</sup>, 6:00 – 10:00 p.m.

ADULTS \$30 AGES 6 – 14 \$10 Ages 5 and under FREE

All are encouraged to attend our Annual Apokreatiko Glendi. Come and join your fellow parishioners for good food, music, dance presentations, fellowship and fun.

Tickets are on sale during the Coffee Fellowship and through the Church Office.

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**NATIONAL EXECUTIVE BOARD OF THE LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY NEWS**

This Friday and Saturday, February 9<sup>th</sup> and 10<sup>th</sup>, the members of the National Executive Board of the Archdiocesan Ladies Philoptochos Society, will be meeting here at our Parish.

It is a great honor to have the ladies and their advisor, His Grace Bishop Sevastianos with us.

God bless their efforts for all those in need across the Holy Archdiocese.

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**ELEOS**

This week's meeting will be held at the home of Father Nick and Presvytera Pat, 110 Boulder Street, (718-966-9476). All are encouraged to attend.

**STEWARDSHIP REMINDERS**

Have you completed your 2017 Stewardship pledge? If not, please do so as soon as possible.

Have you made your Stewardship pledge for 2018? If not, please do so as soon as possible.

Your Stewardship support is greatly appreciated by all Ministries and Parish members.