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SUNDAY BULLETIN

Proistamenos  
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SUNDAY AFTER THEOPHANY

John the Holy, Glorious, Prophet, Baptist and Forerunner



HYMN OF THE DAY: Tone 6<sup>th</sup> (Plagal 2<sup>nd</sup>)

The Angelic Powers were before Your tomb, and the guards became as dead; and Mary stood in the sepulchre seeking Your Sacred Body. You despoiled Hades, for You were not tempted by it; You did meet the Virgin and gave Life. O Lord, Who did rise from the dead, glory to You.

Αγγελικαι Δυναμεις επι το μνημα σου, και οι φυλασσοντες απενεκρωθησαν και ιστατο  
Μαρια εν τω ταφω, ζητουσα το αχραντον σου Σωμα. Εσκυλευσας τον Αδην, μη πειρασθεις  
υπ αυτου υπηντησας τη Παρθενω δωρουμενος την ζωην. Ο αναστας εκ των νεκρων, Κυριε,  
δοξα Σοι.

EPISTLE READING: Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8

In those days, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit." And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. There were about twelve of them in all. And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, arguing and pleading about the kingdom of God.

GOSPEL LESSON: John 1:29-34

At that time, John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but for this I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness, "I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him; but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

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COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

PARISH COUNCIL

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MEMORIALS TODAY

- 9 days
- 40 days
- 9 months
- 1 year
- 1 year
- 2 years
- 3 years
- 11 years
- 15 years
- 25 years

- Konstantinos Voutas
- Victoria Charitis
- James Fotopoulos
- Douglas Hovey
- Richard Hovhanissian
- George Veres
- Margaret Petropoulakos
- John Vernados
- Angelike Chakmakas
- Joanna Charitis

33 years  
44 years

Gary Matthew Cuozzo  
Athena Maroulas

Coffee Fellowship in memory of Victoria Charitis

**CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK**

Tuesday	January 9	Religious Education	9:15 a.m.
		Golden Seniors	11:30 a.m.
		Girl Scouts	4:00 – 6:30 p.m.
		FESTIVAL STEERING COMMITTEE	8:00 p.m.
Thursday	January 11	ELEOS	7:30 p.m.
Friday	January 12	Girl Scouts	4:00 – 5:30 p.m.
		Jr. GOYA	6:00 - 8:30

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**PHILOPTOCHOS TRAY**

Our Ladies Philoptochos asks for your generosity in a tray for National Ministries.

Your gifts of love are greatly appreciated.

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**VASILOPITA 2018**

The cutting of the Vasilopita will take place on Sunday, January 14<sup>th</sup>, at the end of the Divine Liturgy. It is customary to offer a donation for St. Basil's Academy as we receive a portion of the Vasilopita. Let your heart guide you as you support this wonderful institution.

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**VASILOPITA BAKERS**

We are asking for volunteers to bake one (or more) 'pites' for our celebration. Please see Father Nick or call the Church Office if you would like to bake, but **PLEASE - DO NOT PUT A COIN IN YOUR VASILOPITES**. I will give a special St. Basil coin to **ONE** of the volunteer bakers so that **ONLY** one Vasilopita has this coin in it.

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**HOUSE BLESSINGS**

It is customary for Orthodox Christians to have their homes blessed at the beginning of each new year. If you would like to have your home or business blessed, please call the Church Office(718-494-0658) so that Father can schedule an appointment. Father will be blessing homes and businesses throughout the months of January and February.

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**ANNIVERSARY SUNDAY**

On Sunday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, we will honor all couples who have celebrated 50 or more years of marriage in 2017. Please call the Church Office to inform us of your anniversary date and years of marriage. These couples should sit in the front pews. A special prayer will be offered for them at the end of the service. Congratulations! May God grant you more years of love and health.