

## INTERNATIONAL FESTIVA;



CITY OF PEABODY  
**INTERNATIONAL  
FESTIVAL**

St. Vasilios will be participating in the City of Peabody's annual International Festival on Sunday, September 7<sup>th</sup>

## PHILOPTOCHOS

### International Festival:

All hands-on deck! Come volunteer and enjoy your time meeting, greeting, and selling our delicious items at the Peabody International Festival on Sunday, September 7, 2025. Contact [Bonnieantoniou@gmail.com](mailto:Bonnieantoniou@gmail.com).

Looking for 4 volunteers per shift:

10am to 12pm

12pm to 2pm

2pm to 5pm

### Baking/Prepping Workshops:

In the educational center

Tuesday 9/2/25 from 9 to 1pm

Thursday 9/4/25 from 9 to 1pm

## PANGARI SCHEDULE

Costa Partaledis	Victor Fanikos	John Maihos
Arthur Tsionis	Steve Anezis	Chuck Antoniou
George Papadopoulos	Brandon Simpson	Alexander Ruggeri
Christine H. Martins	Tina Manolakos	Pamela Hutchison
8/24/2025	8/31/2025	9/7/2025

## ST. VASILIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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## 11TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW

AUGUST 24, 2025

## Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)

### Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Second Mode

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

### St. Vasilios 1st Mode

Your message was carried throughout the world . As it received your mighty word, By which you divinely made manifest And clarified the nature of existing things You set in order the customs of men, You who are royal priesthood! Holy Father, intercede with Christ our God To grant us His great mercy.

Εἰς πάσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξήλθεν ὁ φθόγγος σου, ὡς δεξαμένην τὸν λόγον σου, Δι' οὐ θεοπρεπῶς ἐδογματίσας, Τὴν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας. Τὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἦθη κατεκόσμησάς, Βασίλειον ιεράτευμα Πάτερ ὅσις Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ἰκέτευε δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τό Μέγα ἔλεος

### Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

In your holy birth, Immaculate One, Joachim and Anna were rid of the shame of childlessness; Adam and Eve of the corruption of death. And so your people, free of the guilt of their sins, celebrate crying: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos, who nourishes our life." .

Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννα ὄνειδισμού ατεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδάμ καὶ Εὐά, ἐκ τῆς φθοράς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν, Ἀχραντε, ἐν τῇ αγία γεννήσει σου, αὐτὴν εορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαός σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν πταισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι, Ἡ στείρα τίκτει τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.



## WEEKDAY SERVICES/ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

### Beheading of John The Baptist

Vesperal Liturgy  
Thursday, August, 28 6pm

Αποτομή Κεφαλῆς Προδρομοῦ  
Εσπερινή Λειτουργία  
Πέμπτη, 28<sup>η</sup> Αυγούστου 6μμ

## SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL



Church School will begin on Sunday, September 14, at 10:30am. Classes end at 11:30am. Our Church School classes include Kindergarten to Grade 12. We will never turn a child away, regardless of their age. Our Little Lambs Ministry welcomes children from 40 days to 4 years old, accompanied by a parent. Little Lambs meet in the Educational Center gym by the stage. Grades K through 12, classrooms will be posted in the Educational Center foyer. If your child is new to Church School, a registration table will be set up in the foyer and you may also register them in their classroom on any Sunday. We, the teachers, look forward to welcoming our kids back!

## SAVE THE DATE

**Our Ribbon Cutting will take place on Sunday, October 19th, where we will be joined by His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios to bless our remodeled campus, and recognize all who contributed to the St. Vasilios Parish Advancement Campaign. - More info to follow!**

Please visit our campaign website, [givetostvasilios.org](http://givetostvasilios.org) for more information or reach out to

## St. Vasilios Greek School

### 2025-2026 School Year Information:

Our Greek school is open to students of other communities as well as to those of the greater community. The St. Vasilios Greek School has functioned continuously since the founding of our parish. The Greek School is the oldest educational program within the church. The school offers the youth of our community knowledge of the Greek language, a love for the Orthodox Faith, and an appreciation for the culture and history of the Greek people. Our students build strong bonds with their classmates that last a lifetime.

Greek School consists of 8 grades Introductory 3-4 year olds through 6th, open to students age 3 through 7th grade in American School.

Please note children must be 3 years old by September 1st and be potty trained in order to enroll in the Introductory Class.

Children age 3 can enroll in the Introductory class (3-4 year olds) and students entering Kindergarten can enroll in the Pre-School class. Our Introductory Class meets on Mondays from 3:45-5:15. Pre-K through 6th grade will meet Mondays and Wednesdays from 3:45-5:15.

The first day of Greek School is scheduled for Monday, September 15th. We will meet in the Greek School at 3:45 and head to the Church for Agiasmo. We will have a brief meeting following Agiasmo and ask for parents to be in attendance.

Please register by August 20th in order to have books in on time for the first day of classes.

#### **Research demonstrates benefits of early exposure to multiple languages. Our Greek School program begins at age 3!**

Even if you do not speak Greek, it is a wonderful language to introduce your child to. There are countless words in the English language that are of Greek origin. Exposure to Greek will assist your child with all content areas, especially with Math and Science as they progress through school.

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## EPISTLE READING

**Prokeimenon. Second Mode. Psalm 117.14,18.**

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.

**The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:2-12.**

Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material benefits? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

**Προκείμενον. Second Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.14,18.**

Ἰσχύς μου καὶ ὕμνησις μου ὁ Κύριος.

Στίχ. Παιδεύων ἐπαίδευσέ με ὁ Κύριος.

**τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Κορινθίους α' 9:2-12.**

Ἀδελφοί, ἡ σφραγὶς τῆς ἐμῆς ἀποστολῆς ὑμεῖς ἐστε ἐν κυρίῳ. Ἡ ἐμὴ ἀπολογία τοῖς ἐμὲ ἀνακρίνουσιν αὕτη ἐστίν. Μὴ οὐκ ἔχομεν ἐξουσίαν φαγεῖν καὶ πιεῖν; Μὴ οὐκ ἔχομεν ἐξουσίαν ἀδελφὴν γυναῖκα περιάγειν, ὥς καὶ οἱ λοιποὶ ἀπόστολοι, καὶ οἱ ἀδελφοὶ τοῦ κυρίου, καὶ Κηφᾶς; Ἡ μόνος ἐγὼ καὶ Βαρνάβας οὐκ ἔχομεν ἐξουσίαν τοῦ μὴ ἐργάζεσθαι; Τίς στρατεύεται ἰδίῳς ὀψωνίοις ποτέ; Τίς φυτεύει ἀμπελῶνα, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ καρποῦ αὐτοῦ οὐκ ἐσθίει; Ἡ τίς ποιμαίνει ποίμνην, καὶ ἐκ τοῦ γάλακτος τῆς ποίμνης οὐκ ἐσθίει; Μὴ κατὰ ἄνθρωπον ταῦτα λαλῶ; Ἡ οὐχὶ καὶ ὁ νόμος ταῦτα λέγει; Ἐν γὰρ τῷ Μωϋσέως νόμῳ γέγραπται, Οὐ φιμώσεις βοῦν ἀλοῶντα. Μὴ τῶν βοῶν μέλει τῷ θεῷ; Ἡ δι' ἡμᾶς πάντως λέγει; Δι' ἡμᾶς γὰρ ἐγράφη, ὅτι ἐπ' ἐλπίδι ὀφείλει ὁ ἀροτριῶν ἀροτριᾶν, καὶ ὁ ἀλοῶν τῆς ἐλπίδος αὐτοῦ μετέχειν ἐπ' ἐλπίδι. Εἰ ἡμεῖς ὑμῖν τὰ πνευματικὰ ἐσπείραμεν, μέγα εἰ ἡμεῖς ὑμῶν τὰ σαρκικὰ θερίσομεν; Εἰ ἄλλοι τῆς ἐξουσίας ὑμῶν μετέχουσιν, οὐ μᾶλλον ἡμεῖς; Ἀλλ' οὐκ ἐχρησάμεθα τῇ ἐξουσίᾳ ταύτῃ, ἀλλὰ πάντα στέγομεν, ἵνα μὴ ἐγκοπὴν τινὰ δώμεν τῷ εὐαγγελίῳ τοῦ Χριστοῦ.

## GOSPEL READING

### 11th Sunday of Matthew

#### The Reading is from Matthew 18:23-35

The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the torturers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

### Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 18:23-35

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ὁμοιώθη ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν ἀνθρώπῳ βασιλεῖ, ὃς ἠθέλησε συνᾶραι λόγον μετὰ τῶν δούλων αὐτοῦ. ἀρξαμένου δὲ αὐτοῦ συναίρειν προσηνέχθη αὐτῷ εἰς ὀφειλέτης μυρίων ταλάντων. μὴ ἔχοντος δὲ αὐτοῦ ἀποδοῦναι ἐκέλευσεν αὐτὸν ὁ κύριος αὐτοῦ πρᾶθῃναι καὶ τὴν γυναῖκα αὐτοῦ καὶ τὰ τέκνα καὶ πάντα ὅσα εἶχε, καὶ ἀποδοθῆναι. πεσὼν οὖν ὁ δούλος προσεκύνη αὐτῷ λέγων· κύριε, μακροθύμησον ἐπ' ἐμοὶ καὶ πάντα σοὶ ἀποδώσω. σπλαγχνισθεὶς δὲ ὁ κύριος τοῦ δούλου ἐκείνου ἀπέλυσεν αὐτὸν καὶ τὸ δάνειον ἀφῆκεν αὐτῷ. ἐξελθὼν δὲ ὁ δούλος ἐκεῖνος εὗρεν ἓνα τῶν συνδούλων αὐτοῦ, ὃς ὀφείλεν αὐτῷ ἑκατὸν δηνάρια, καὶ κρατήσας αὐτὸν ἐπιγινε λέγων· ἀπόδος μοι εἰ τι ὀφείλεις. πεσὼν οὖν ὁ σύνδουλος αὐτοῦ εἰς τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ παρεκάλει αὐτὸν λέγων· μακροθύμησον ἐπ' ἐμοὶ καὶ ἀποδώσω σοι. ὁ δὲ οὐκ ἠθέλην, ἀλλὰ ἀπελθὼν ἔβαλεν αὐτὸν εἰς φυλακὴν ἕως οὗ ἀποδῶ τὸ ὀφειλόμενον. ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ σύνδουλοι αὐτοῦ τὰ γενόμενα ἐλυπήθησαν σφόδρα, καὶ ἐλθόντες διεσάφησαν τῷ κυρίῳ ἐαυτῶν πάντα τὰ γενόμενα. τότε προσκαλεσάμενος αὐτὸν ὁ κύριος αὐτοῦ λέγει αὐτῷ· δοῦλε πονηρέ, πᾶσαν τὴν ὀφειλὴν ἐκείνην ἀφῆκά σοι, ἐπεὶ παρεκάλεσάς

## ALTAR DONATIONS

### LITURGY LIGHTS

In loving memory of Michael C. Lignos.

### VIGIL LIGHTS

In loving memory of James & Dora Maravelias.

## TODAY'S MEMORIALS

We commemorate today the blessed memory of the following member of our parish who has fallen asleep in the Lord:

**Eudoxia Horatages 1 yr Trisagion**

## COMMUNION

Communion in the Orthodox Church is for Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians in good sacramental standing.

We ask that you allow families with young children and kids to come receive before the adults enter the communion line.

Please exit into the side aisles and enter the Communion line from the central aisle at the back of the church.

## ANTIDORON

Antidoron— We want to encourage parishioners to continue asking for Antidoron to take home for people who are sick or could not make it to the Divine Liturgy. We kindly ask that you wait until all those present receive their Antidoron before receiving Antidoron for those who are absent. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

## INQUIRER'S DATES HAVE CHANGED AS FOLLOWS:

September 15 @ 7pm  
September 22 @ 7pm  
September 29 @ 7pm  
October 4 @ 7 pm  
October 27 @ 7 pm  
November 3 @ 7pm  
November 10 @ 7pm  
November 17 @ 7pm  
November 24 @ 7 pm

Please call the church office to register.