

**ST. VASILIOS GREEK SCHOOL'S
GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY
CELEBRATION**

Saturday, March 21st at 4:00 pm
In the Reverend Andrew J. Demotses Educational Center

Event is open to family, friends and fellow parishioners.
— Join the Greek School students as we honor —
GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY!

ΖΗΤΩ Η ΕΛΛΑΔΑ!

PANGARI SCHEDULE

Ted Stephanides	Costa Partaledis	Victor Fanikos
Dionisios Pissios	Arthur Tsionis	Steve Anezis
John Kourtelidis	Christine H. Martins	Christina Bray
3/1/2026	3/8/2026	3/15/2026

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SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY

MARCH 1, 2026

Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal First Mode

Let us worship the Word who is unoriginate * with the Father and the Spirit, and from a Virgin was born * for our salvation, O believers, and let us sing His praise. * For in His goodness He was pleased * to ascend the Cross in the flesh, and to undergo death, * and to raise up those who had died, * by His glorious Resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠδύοκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Apolytikion for Sun. of Orthodoxy in the Second Mode

We worship Thine immaculate icon, O Good One, asking the forgiveness of our failings, O Christ our God; for of Thine own will Thou wast well-pleased to ascend the Cross in the flesh, that Thou mightest deliver from slavery to the enemy those whom Thou hadst fashioned. Wherefore, we cry to Thee thankfully: Thou didst fill all things with joy, O our Saviour, when Thou camest to save the world.

Τὴν ἄχραντον Εἰκόνα σου προσκυνοῦμεν Ἀγαθέ, αἰτούμενοι συγχώρησιν τῶν πταισμάτων ἡμῶν, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός· βουλήσει γὰρ ἠδύοκησας σαρκί ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, ἵνα ῥύσῃ οὖς ἐπλασας ἐκ τῆς δουλείας τοῦ ἐχθροῦ· ὅθεν εὐχαρίστως βοᾶμέν σοι· Χαράς ἐπλήρωσας τὰ πάντα, ὁ Σωτὴρ ἡμῶν, παραγενόμενος εἰς τὸ σῶσαι τὸν Κόσμον.

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 τοῦ λογον σου, Δι' οὐ θεοπρεπῶς εδογματίσας, Τὴν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας. Τὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἤθη κατεκόσμησάς, Βασιλείον ιεράτευμα Πάτερ ὅσι Χριστόν τόν Θεόν ἰκέτευε δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τό Μέγα ἔλεος

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

To you, Theotokos, invincible Defender, having been delivered from peril, I, your city, dedicate the victory festival as a thank offering. In your irresistible might, keep me safe from all trials, that I may call out to you: "Hail, unwedded bride!"

Τὴ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, ἀναγράφω σοὶ ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε, Ἀλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, ἐκ παντοίων με κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, ἵνα κράζω σοί, Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.



PLEASE JOIN US

St. Vasilios Greek School

**ANNUAL GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY
FLAG RAISING CEREMONY**

Peabody City Hall
24 Lowell Street, Peabody, MA

Wednesday, March 25th
4:00 PM

*In honor of Greek Independence Day,
Mayor Ted Bettencourt along with the students of St. Vasilios
Greek School will proudly raise the Greek Flag at City Hall.*

This event is open to family, friends, and fellow parishioners.

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10-11:30AM

BEGINNERS THROUGH
ADVANCED



EPISTLE READING

*Prokeimenon. Fourth Mode. Daniel 3.26,27.
Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.
Verse: For you are just in all you have done.*

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40. Brethren, by faith Moses, when he was grown up, refused to be called the son of Pharaoh's daughter, choosing rather to share ill-treatment with the people of God than to enjoy the fleeting pleasures of sin. He considered abuse suffered for the Christ greater wealth than the treasures of Egypt, for he looked to the reward.

And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets -- who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign enemies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated -- of whom the world was not worthy -- wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

*Προκείμενον. Fourth Mode. Δαυίδ 3.26-27.
Εὐλογητὸς εἶ, Κύριε, ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν.
Στίχ. Ὅτι δίκαιος εἶ ἐπὶ πᾶσιν, οἷς ἐποίησας ἡμῖν.*

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 11:24-26, 32-40.

Ἀδελφοί, πιστεῖ Μωϋσῆς μέγας γενόμενος ἠρνήσατο λέγεσθαι υἱὸς θυγατρὸς Φαραῶ, μᾶλλον ἐλόμενος συγκακουχεῖσθαι τῷ λαῷ τοῦ θεοῦ ἢ πρόσκαιρον ἔχειν ἁμαρτίας ἀπόλαυσιν· μείζονα πλοῦτον ἠγησάμενος τῶν Αἰγύπτου θησαυρῶν τὸν ὄνειδισμόν τοῦ Χριστοῦ· ἀπέβλεπεν γὰρ εἰς τὴν μισθαποδοσίαν. Καὶ τί ἔτι λέγω; Ἐπιλείπει γὰρ με διηγούμενον ὁ χρόνος περὶ Γεδεών, Βαράκ τε καὶ Σαμψών καὶ Ἰεφθάε, Δαυὶδ τε καὶ Σαμουὴλ καὶ τῶν προφητῶν· οἱ διὰ πίστεως κατηγωνίσαντο βασιλείας, εἰργάσαντο δικαιοσύνην, ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελιῶν, ἔφραξαν στόματα λεόντων, ἔσβεσαν δύναμιν πυρός, ἔφυγον στόματα μαχαίρας, ἐνεδυναμώθησαν ἀπὸ ἀσθενείας, ἐγενήθησαν ἰσχυροὶ ἐν πολέμῳ, παρεμβολὰς ἐκλιναν ἀλλοτρίων. Ἔλαβον γυναῖκες ἐξ ἀναστάσεως τοὺς νεκροὺς αὐτῶν· ἄλλοι δὲ ἐτυμpanίσθησαν, οὐ προσδεξάμενοι τὴν ἀπολύτρωσιν, ἵνα κρείττονος ἀναστάσεως τύχωσιν· ἕτεροι δὲ ἐμπαιγμῶν

καὶ μαστίγων πείραν ἔλαβον, ἔτι δὲ δεσμῶν καὶ φυλακῆς· ἐλιθάσθησαν, ἐπρίσθησαν, ἐπειράσθησαν, ἐν φόνῳ μαχαίρας ἀπέθανον· περιήλθον ἐν μηλωταῖς, ἐν αἰγείοις δέρμασιν, ὑστερούμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, κακουχούμενοι - ὧν οὐκ ἦν ἄξιος ὁ κόσμος - ἐν ἐρημίαις πλανώμενοι καὶ ὄρεσιν καὶ σπηλαιοῖς καὶ ταῖς ὁπαῖς τῆς γῆς. Καὶ οὗτοι πάντες, μαρτυρηθέντες διὰ τῆς πίστεως, οὐκ ἔκομίσαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν, τοῦ θεοῦ περὶ ἡμῶν κρεῖττόν τι προβλεψαμένου, ἵνα μὴ χωρὶς ἡμῶν τελειωθῶσιν.



WEEKDAY SERVICES

Monday, March 2
7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 4
Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, March 6
2nd Salutations to the Theotokos
7 pm

Monday, March 9
7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 11
Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6pm

Friday, March 13
3rd Salutations to the Theotokos
7pm

Monday, March 16
7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 18
Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, March 20
4th Salutations to the Theotokos
7 pm

Monday, March 23
7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 25
Annunciation of The Theotokos
8:00 am Orthros

ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 2 Μαρτίου 7:00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 4 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 6 Μαρτίου 7 μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 9 Μαρτίου 7:00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 11 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 13 Μαρτίου 7μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 16 Μαρτίου 7:00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 18 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 20 Μαρτίου 7 μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 23 Μαρτίου 7:00 μ.μ.
Ευαγγελισμος της Θεοτοκου
Τεταρτη 25 Μαρτίου
8:00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

GREEK FESTIVAL

MEMORIAL DAY WEEKEND!

FRIDAY
5-11pm

SATURDAY
12-11pm

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12-9pm

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ORATORICAL FESTIVAL



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Open to our parish youth in grades 3-12

REGISTER with Andrew Constantinou & Marietta Brooks
or email ajconstan@gmail.com by March 1, 2026

See stvasilios.org/oratorical for topics & information

GOSPEL READING

Sunday of Orthodoxy

The Reading is from John 1:43-51

At that time, Jesus decided to go to Galilee. And he found Philip and said to him, "Follow me." Now Philip was from Bethsaida, the city of Andrew and Peter. Philip found Nathanael, and he said to him, "We have found him of whom Moses in the law and also the prophets wrote, Jesus of Nazareth, the son of Joseph." Nathanael said to him, "Can anything good come out of Nazareth?" Philip said to him, "Come and see." Jesus saw Nathanael coming to him, and said of him, "Behold, an Israelite indeed, in whom is no guile!" Nathanael said to him, "How do you know me?" Jesus answered him, "Before Philip called you, when you were under the fig tree, I saw you." Nathanael answered him, "Rabbi, you are the Son of God! You are the King of Israel!" Jesus answered him, "Because I said to you, I saw you under the fig tree, do you believe? You shall see greater things than these." And he said to him, "Truly, truly, I say to you, you will see heaven opened, and the angels of God ascending and descending upon the Son of man."

Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 1:44-52

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἠθέλησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐξελθεῖν εἰς τὴν Γαλιλαίαν· καὶ εὕρισκει Φίλιππον καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· ἀκολουθεῖ μοι. ἦν δὲ ὁ Φίλιππος ἀπὸ Βηθσαϊδά, ἐκ τῆς πόλεως Ἀνδρέου καὶ Πέτρου. εὕρισκει Φίλιππος τὸν Ναθαναὴλ καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· ὃν ἔγραψε Μωϋσῆς ἐν τῷ νόμῳ καὶ οἱ προφῆται, εὕρήκαμεν, Ἰησοῦν τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ Ἰωσήφ τὸν ἀπὸ Ναζαρέτ. καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ Ναθαναὴλ· ἐκ Ναζαρέτ δύναται τι ἀγαθὸν εἶναι; λέγει αὐτῷ Φίλιππος· ἔρχου καὶ ἴδε. εἶδεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὸν Ναθαναὴλ ἐρχόμενον πρὸς αὐτὸν καὶ λέγει περὶ αὐτοῦ· ἴδε ἀληθῶς Ἰσραηλίτης, ἐν ᾧ δόλος οὐκ ἔστι. λέγει αὐτῷ Ναθαναὴλ· πόθεν με γινώσκεις; ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· πρὸ τοῦ σε Φίλιππον φωνῆσαι, ὄντα ὑπὸ τὴν συκὴν εἰδόν σε. ἀπεκρίθη Ναθαναὴλ καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· ῥαββί, σὺ εἶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, σὺ εἶ ὁ βασιλεὺς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ὅτι εἶπόν σοι, εἰδόν σε ὑποκάτω τῆς συκῆς, πιστεύεις; μείζω τούτων ὄψει. καὶ λέγει αὐτῷ· ἀμὴν ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν, ἀπ' ἄρτι ὄψεσθε τὸν οὐρανὸν ἀνεωγῆτα, καὶ τοὺς ἀγγέλους τοῦ Θεοῦ ἀναβαίοντας καὶ καταβαίοντας ἐπὶ τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου.

ALTAR DONATIONS

VIGIL LIGHTS

In loving memory of James & Dora Maravelias.

COFFEE HOUR

Please join us for coffee hour.

KOLYVA FOR MERCY MEAL

The office has been asked many times by parishioners who would like to have Kolyva for the Mercy Meal after the funeral. If you would like to order Kolyva a parishioner has stepped forward and is willing to accommodate parishioners. If you are interested call Niki at 978-578-7292.



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.



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Can't make it to coffee hour?
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PHILOPTOCHOS GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026



St. Vasilios Philoptochos "Athena" invites you to attend the Independence Day Luncheon on Sunday, March 22, 2026 in the Rev. Andrew J. Demotses Educational Center. Lunch will be served after the liturgy. The 25th of March represents two very important holidays – The Annunciation of the Theotokos and Greek Independence Day.

The menu will be baked haddock, gigante beans, coleslaw, dessert and coffee. Children's menu will be pasta/juice.

Haddock - \$30.00 Children - \$5.00

We are happy to take reservations for both sit in as well as take out. Tables of 10 may be reserved. Any questions may be directed to Bessie Silva or Sandy Ruggeri. Please send this reservation form along with your check/cash to the Church Office in an envelope marked "Independence Day Luncheon". Please include payment with your reservation. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vasilios Philoptochos Athena.

Bessie Silva – email: bessiesilva@gmail.com (978)771-2119

Sandy Ruggeri – email: san2352@aol.com (978)697-9001

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ Tel _____

Reserve a table in the names listed below:

Enclosed is my check/cash for: \$ _____ for _____ Adults #Fish _____
\$ _____ for _____ Children #Pasta _____

Celebrating Women's History Month

For the month of March, the
Sunday School will be collecting
feminine hygiene products for
women in need.

Please bring name-brand pads, tampons, disposable razors, or deodorant to our collection box. If you have any questions, you can contact Sophia O'Donnell at 978-335-1842 with any questions.

Thank you for your support!

Icon Procession March 1st Sunday of Orthodoxy



The Sunday of Orthodoxy is the first Sunday of Great Lent. **All the children of the parish are invited to participate in the Icon Procession in Church during the Liturgy on March 1st**

Children should bring to Church an Icon of their own or we will provide an Icon for use during the procession. The first 3 pews will be reserved so children may sit with their classmates and teachers.

