

OCTOBER at a GLANCE

**PLEASE NOTE THAT WE HAVE BEGUN FALL HOURS.
SERVICES ARE NOW AT 9:30 and 10:30 a.m.**

Thursday, Oct. 1 - Romanos the Melodist

Sunday, Oct. 4 - The 2nd Sunday of Luke

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m.

Tuesday, Oct. 6 - The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas

Friday, Oct. 9 - James the Apostle, son of Alphaeus

Sunday, Oct. 11 - The Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, Oct. 18 - Luke the Evangelist

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m.

Friday, Oct. 23 - James the Apostle, brother of Our Lord

Sunday, Oct. 25 - The 6th Sunday of Luke

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. and Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m.

Monday, Oct. 26 - St. Demetrius the Myrrh-Streamer

NOVEMBER in ADVANCE

Sunday, Nov. 1 - The 5th Sunday of Luke

Daylight Savings Time

Fall Parish Assembly

Sunday, Nov. 8 - The 7th Sunday of Luke

Synaxis of the Archangel Michael & the other Bodiless Powers:

Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel, & Barachiel

Friday, Nov. 13 - St. John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople

Saturday, Nov. 14 - Philip the Apostle

Sunday, November 15 - The 8th Sunday of Luke

Monday, Nov. 16 - Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist

Saturday, Nov. 21 - Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Sunday, Nov. 22 - The 9th Sunday of Luke

The Sunday Before Thanksgiving

Thursday, Nov. 26 - Happy Thanksgiving!

Sunday, November 29 - The 13th Sunday of Luke

Monday, November 30 - Andrew the First-Called Apostle



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My Dear Parishioners,



We are now entering into the gorgeous season of Autumn where all of the trees are showing their beautiful colored leaves. The weather is cooling down and all of the children are back in school, virtually or with masks. COVID-19 is unfortunately still around and everyone should be wearing masks and distancing themselves to protect their health. This should be done while out, shopping, and going to church. Some people are not abiding by the rules of the government and the pandemic is again on the rise. Students in grammar schools and universities are coming down with the virus and will have to quarantine for two weeks. This is a constant reminder that we must remain vigilant and not drop our guard as colder months are coming. Now is not the time to throw caution to the wind.

 Religiously, we should turn to God by praying, fasting, and coming for confession so that our sins can be forgiven. We should also care for our fellow man during this time of pandemic, and offer help to those in need. Bring your family to church and receive the ultimate sacrament, the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. By doing this we become true Christians and faithful servants of Jesus Christ.

In the first week of October we celebrate Saint Romanos the Melodist and the first Sunday is set aside throughout the Archdiocese to celebrate priests, cantors, choirs, and organists for "making a joyful noise" in our local parishes. Now that we are unable to have our choirs singing and organs playing, we appreciate our wonderful musicians even more and long for the days when we can have the gift of song in our churches once again.



This month we celebrate the Apostles Thomas, James, Iakovos (or James, the brother of Jesus), and Luke. At the end of the month we honor Saint Demetrios the Myrrh-bearer. As we are still working to keep the church sanitized and gatherings to a minimum, we will be celebrating all of the saints and apostles on Sunday mornings. We will not have another week-day service until we honor the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple on November 21st.

I wish you and your families all a very healthy and *safe* Fall!



In Christ,
Fr. Constantine

**James (Iakovos) the Apostle,
brother of Our Lord
October 23**

Ο τού Πατρός μονογενής Θεός Λόγος,
επιδημήσας πρός ημάς επ' εσχάτων, τών
ημερών Ιάκωβε θεσπέσιε, πρώτον σε ανέδειξε
τών Ιεροσολύμων, Ποιμένα καί Διδάσκαλον,
καί πιστόν οικονόμον, τών μυστηρίων τών
πνευματικών, όθεν σε πάντες τιμώμεν
Απόστολε.

According to some, this Saint was a son of Joseph the Betrothed, born of the wife that the latter had before he was betrothed to the Ever-virgin. Hence he was the brother of the Lord, Who was also thought to be the son of Joseph (Matt. 13: 55). But some say that he was a nephew of Joseph, and the son of his brother Cleopas, who was also called Alphaeus and Mary his wife, who was the first cousin of the Theotokos. But even according to this genealogy, he was still called, according to the idiom of the Scriptures, the Lord's brother because of their kinship.

This Iakovos is called the Less (Mark 15:40) by the Evangelists to distinguish him from Iakovos, the son of Zebedee, who was called the Great. He became the first Bishop of Jerusalem, elevated to this episcopal rank by the Apostles, according to Eusebius (Eccl. Hist., Book II: 23), and was called Obliah, that is, the Just, because of his great holiness and righteousness. Having ascended the crest of the Temple on the day of the Passover at the prompting of all, he bore testimony from there concerning his belief in Jesus, and he proclaimed with a great voice that Jesus sits at the right hand of the great power of God and shall come again upon the clouds of heaven. On hearing this testimony, many of those present cried, "Hosanna to the Son of David." But the Scribes and Pharisees cried, "*So, even the just one hath been led astray,*" and at the command of Ananias the high priest, the Apostle was cast down headlong from thence, then was stoned, and while he prayed for his slayers, his head was crushed by the wooden club wielded by a certain scribe. The first of the Catholic Epistles written to the Jews in the Diaspora who believed in Christ was written by this Iakovos.

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke October 10

Μαθητής γενόμενος τού Θεού Λόγου, σύν τῷ Παύλῳ ἀπασαν, εφωταγώγησας τήν γήν, καί τήν ἀχλύν ἀπεδίωξας, τό θείον γράψας, Χριστοῦ Ευαγγέλιον.

St. Luke was a native of Syrian Antioch, a companion of the holy Apostle Paul and a physician enlightened in the Greek medical arts. Hearing about Christ, Luke arrived in Palestine and fervently accepted the preaching of salvation from the Lord Himself. As one of the Seventy Apostles, Saint Luke was sent by the Lord with the others to preach the Kingdom of Heaven during the Savior's earthly life (Luke 10:1-3). After the Resurrection, the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to Saints Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus.

Luke accompanied Saint Paul on his second missionary journey, and from that time they were inseparable. After the martyric death of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul, Saint Luke left Rome to preach in Achaia, Libya, Egypt and the Thebaid. He ended his life by suffering martyrdom in the city of Thebes.

Tradition credits Saint Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. *"Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons,"* said the All-Pure Virgin after seeing the icons. Saint Luke also painted icons of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of the Apostle Paul. He carefully investigated the facts, and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51).

Saint Luke wrote his Gospel in Greek after Matthew and Mark, after which he wrote the Acts of the Apostles, and dedicated both works to Theophilus, who, according to some, was Governor of Achaia. He lived some eighty-six years and died in Achaia, perhaps in Patras, the capital of this district. His emblem is the calf, which is a symbol of Christ's sacrificial and priestly office, as Saint Irenaeus says.



St. George Greek School and Sunday School



The Saint George Schools are planning to begin on Sunday, Oct. 4. The intention is to have full in-person classes, but with CDC guidelines in place. If you have not had children in our school system before, please contact the directors through nbstgschools@att.net.

Greek School will be from 8:45 am until 10:30 am.
Sunday School will be from 10:45 am until 11:45 am.



Update: Endowment Fund

We are grateful to report that we have not as of yet had the need to borrow from the principle of the St. George Church Endowment Fund. We are grateful to the New Britain AHEPA Chapter for their generous donation of \$12,000. We also have numerous parishioners who are going above and beyond the call with their ongoing contributions. Thanks to you all, we are still going!

GREEK FOOD

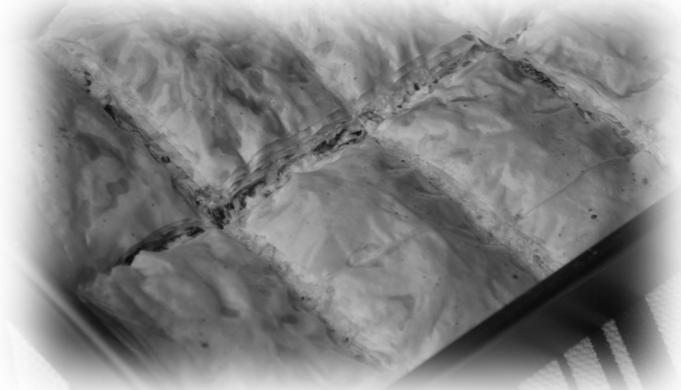
We currently have pans of food for purchase at Saint George! Please call President Michael T. Michael at (if you are interested in whole pans of:

Spanakopita_ \$40.00

Tiropita__ \$40.00

Kataifi_____ \$40.00

Baklava__ \$50.00



The Saint George Church Raffle

The Saint George Church Holiday Raffle tickets have gone out to members and friends of Saint George. Please make an attempt to purchase or sell all five of your tickets, and email or call to get more if you need them! NBStGeorge@aol.com or (860) 229-0055. The raffle will be held on Sunday, November 29, 2020.

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America



We are so pleased to report that the Archbishop of America, Archbishop Elpidophoros, came for a sudden, brief visit to our little parish last Sunday! He officiated during the services then went with Fr. Constantine, members of the Parish Council, and a representative from the

Philoptochos Society to Cava Restaurant in Southington.

We thank the Papachristou family of Cava Restaurant for refusing to take money for the luncheon following the Archbishop's visit. We also thank several members of the council for jumping to work, cleaning and preparing the church and grounds for the visit! Irene Sklavouris (and family!) did hard labor, as did Niki Naskiakos and Michael T. Michael. Eva Dimopoulos shopped and planned for the beautiful visit after services. The Archbishop enjoyed himself so much, he may be back in February! We sincerely hope more will be able to socialize with him at that time. There is a link to all of the photos and to the service on the church website:

NBStGeorge.com.



The Holy and Glorious Apostle Thomas October 6

Ο τής θείας χάριτος πεπληρωμένος, τού Χριστού Απόστολος, καί υπηρέτης αληθής, εν μετανοία εκραύγαζε. Σύ μου υπάρχουν, Θεός τε καί Κύριος.



Thomas was born in the Galilean city of Pansada and was a fisherman. Hearing the good tidings of Jesus Christ, he left all and followed after Him. The Apostle Thomas is included in the number of the holy Twelve Apostles of the Savior.

According to Holy Scripture, the holy Apostle Thomas did not believe the reports of the other disciples about the Resurrection of Jesus Christ: *“Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and put my finger into the print of the nails, and thrust my hand into His side, I will not believe”* (John 20:25).

“On the eighth day after the Resurrection, the Lord appeared to the Apostle Thomas and showed him His wounds. “My Lord and my God,” the Apostle cried out (John 20:28). “Thomas, being once weaker in faith than the other apostles,” says Saint John Chrysostom, “toiled through the grace of God more bravely, more zealously and tirelessly than them all, so that he went preaching over nearly all the earth, not fearing to proclaim the Word of God to savage nations.”

Some icons depicting this event are inscribed *“The Doubting Thomas.”* This is incorrect. In Greek, the inscription reads, *“The Touching of Thomas.”* In Slavonic, it says, *“The Belief of Thomas.”* When Saint Thomas touched the Life-giving side of the Lord, he no longer had any doubts.

According to Church Tradition, the holy Apostle Thomas founded Christian churches in Palestine, Mesopotamia, Parthia, Ethiopia and India. Preaching the Gospel earned him a martyr's death. For having converted the wife and son of the prefect of the Indian city of Meliapur [Melipur], the holy apostle was locked up in prison, suffered torture, and finally, pierced with five spears, he departed to the Lord. Part of the relics of the holy Apostle Thomas are in India, in Hungary and on Mt. Athos.



Saint Romanos the Melodist
October 1

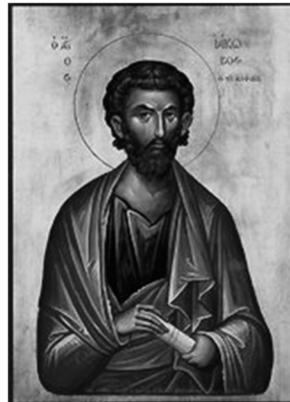
Ὡσπερ κιθάραν τῆς σοφίας παναρμόνιον, καὶ υποφήτην θεοπνεύστων αναβάσεων, ευφημούμεν Ρωμανέ σε ασμάτων ὕμνοις. Ἀλλ' ὡς φόρμιγξ δωρέων τῶν υπέρ έννοιαν, πρὸς εγρήγορσιν ημάς θείαν διέγειρον, τούς βοώντάς σοι, χαίροις Πάτερ Θεόληπτε.

Saint Romanos flourished during the reign of Anastasius (491-518). He was from Emesa of Syria, and apparently was born of Jewish parents, for a hymn written in his honour in Greek says he was "of Hebrew stock". He was baptized an Orthodox Christian, and at some time became a deacon in the Church of Beirut. He was the first composer of the kontakia, the foremost of which is that of the feast of Christ's Nativity, On this day the Virgin In composing many of his kontakia. Saint Romanos was inspired by the hymns of Saint Ephraim of Syria. Today, St. Romanos is the patron saint of all Church Musicians.

James the Apostle, son of Alphaeus
October 9

Ο τῶν ἔθνῶν σαγηνευτής υπερθαύμαστος, καὶ μαθητῶν ἀναδειχθείς τιμιώτατος, τῶν ἀποστόλων σύσκηνος ἰάκωβος, κόσμω, τῶν ἰάσεων, διανέμει τόν πλοῦτον, λύει περιστάσεων, τούς αὐτόν ευφημοῦντας διό συμφώνως κράζομεν αὐτῷ Σῶζε τούς πάντας, εὐχαῖς σου ἀπόστολε.

Holy Apostle James, son of Alphaeus, one of the Twelve Apostles, was the brother of the holy Evangelist Matthew. He heard the Lord's words and witnessed His miracles. After the Descent of the Holy Spirit, the Apostle James Alphaeus and the Apostle Andrew the First-Called made missionary journeys preaching in Judea, Edessa, Gaza, Eleutheropolis, proclaiming the Gospel, healing all sorts of sickness and disease, and converting many to the path of salvation. Saint James finished his apostolic work in the Egyptian city of Ostrachina, where he was crucified by the pagans.



**REGARDING PARISH ASSEMBLY AND
PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS**

We received information from the Archdiocese regarding Fall Parish Assembly and Parish Council Elections on September 25, 2020 via email. **We do plan to have a socially distanced Parish Assembly in our Hellenic Center on Sunday, November 1, 2020.** Our number of active parishioners and the size of our community center should make safe social distancing possible as long as everyone adheres to basic COVID-19 guidelines.

Certainly Covid-19 will create some challenges with the PC election process but nothing that we cannot overcome through proper planning, patience and slight modification.

According to Article 25: Section 1 of the Uniform Parish Regulations of the Archdiocese (UPR),

1. Parish Council Elections must take place no earlier than the first Sunday in November and no later than the second Sunday in December. *Our Parish Council Elections are scheduled for Sunday, December 6, 2020.*
2. Candidates for election to the Parish Council will be nominated in accordance with the provisions of the Parish Bylaws. *A nomination form is enclosed in this monthly bulletin. Nominations will also be taken from the floor at the November 1st Parish Assembly.*
3. All candidates must attend a seminar during which the Priest shall discuss and explain to the candidates the UPR and the significance of the affirmation of office. (Please note that these seminars are not conducted by the individual Parish Priest but rather by an assigned Clergyman who conducts the Seminar on a regional basis – and this year will be held via Zoom). **This year, the Chancellor's office will be offering five (5) Parish Council Seminars during the month of November via Video Zoom. Each candidate must attend one (1) of these sessions in full in order to be eligible for election to the Parish Council.** *We plan to set up the projector in the hall on one or more of the seminar dates so that we can provide a Zoom environment for any nominees to the Parish Council who wish to utilize it. Nominees also have the option of attending on their own laptop, tablet, or smart phone. If you need more information, please email NBSGeorge@aol.com or talk to Terry.*
4. If a candidate for the Parish Council does not register for a seminar, sign the statement and attend the online course, his/her name shall be deleted from the list of candidates.
5. Details regarding Parish Council Elections and absentee ballots will be included in the November monthly bulletin.

The novel coronavirus pandemic can be the moment the world pushes back against fear and isolationism, and turns instead towards hope, solidarity and a shared sense of global community.



No one doubts that COVID-19 is one of the most dire threats the world has ever faced. And yet, amidst the confusion and anxiety, there are ever stronger signs of hope and solidarity, a sense of, and desire for, togetherness. Without ignoring the realities we face today, it is clear that the world is reaching for a *positive* message. For years, we have existed under the constant and pervasive feeling that things are getting worse, that we are failing each other and that we are failing our planet. This isn't helped by a daily news cycle with an ever-escalating drumbeat of anxiety. Climate change, war, conflict, isolationism and trade wars; our world, at times, feels dark and lonely, and this despite the many positive news stories that exist but that rarely get attention.

In this time of crisis, we are all neighbors in the world, and success will only be achieved when all people, in all countries, are protected. It is this spirit of global togetherness that gives us hope. The **United Nations Development Program** (UNDP) has recently partnered with **Variety** on a global ad campaign. Also, there is **Heart17**, a global initiative using creativity and innovation to accelerate sustainable development goals (SDGs) and light a spark of hope among the young generation. More and more major players within fashion and popular culture, such as **H&M Group** and **Spotify**, now share their media space for messages around health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic.

A key takeaway is this: COVID-19 has been a sort of reset across societies, across sectors. From telecommuting for work or school, to supply chain management, to support for health systems, and small and medium enterprises, to mental health support across borders or simply across the street, COVID-19 has forced us to look at how we work as a species on this planet. Amidst the pain that we continue to endure, we should find comfort in the stories of hope and solidarity, and continue to see the value in the positive, encouraging lessons that are emerging for our post-COVID world.

A Quick Discussion on the Difference Between Disciple and Apostle
Are Disciples Apostles or are Apostles Disciples? Not necessarily...

Who is a Disciple?

According to the Oxford English dictionary, a disciple is 'a follower or pupil of a teacher, leader, or philosopher.' So, you understand that a disciple is basically a pupil or a student. In his time, Jesus accepted all as his disciples, and this huge population consisted of sinners and women and that made purists angry.

If you study the Bible, you come to know that disciples were followers or students of the Jesus Christ. Out of his scores of followers, Jesus chose twelve to travel and learn from him. Of course, these 12 were also originally the Disciples of Christ. These were the men who were later sent to far off lands to act as messengers, and these 12 men became first apostles.

Who is an Apostle?

According to the Oxford English dictionary, the general meaning of the term apostle is 'a vigorous and pioneering advocate or supporter of a particular policy, idea, or cause.' This is apart from its use to Jesus Christ's 12 apostles. In that sense, they were twelve disciples or students, who later became messengers of the religion as they supported the religious belief of Jesus.

An apostle was, apart from being a follower of Jesus, a special trainee who was to be later sent out as a messenger to preach Christianity. The original 12 apostles were Peter, Andrew, James, John, Philip, Bartholomew, Thomas, Matthew, James (the Less), Judas (or Thaddaeus), Simon, and Judas Iscariot. Matthias replaced Judas and joined rest of the group to become an apostle.

So, while it is true that Jesus chose 12 of his *students* to become *messengers* later on, not all *disciples* can be called *apostles*. All 12 apostles of Jesus were disciples. However, you cannot say *all* the disciples of *Christianity* are apostles. If you get to the Greek roots of the words apostle and disciple, the difference between the two becomes crystal clear. The Greek word for disciple literally means student while the Greek word for apostle means a messenger or sent one.

Taken in part from differencebetween.com.

Thoughts for Peace on Earth

Πρωινό ξύπνημα με μία αίσθηση Γλυκειά, στο ότι άνοιξα τα μάτια μου, κατέβηκα στον κήπο μου με μία κούπα μυρωδάτου ζεστού καφέ και απολαμβάνοντας την δροσερή πρωινή δροσιά του καλοδεχούμενου φθινόπωρου! Ακουγα το κελήδημα των πουλιών ατενίζοντας τον καθαρό ορίζοντα και λαμπερό από τις φωτεινές αχτίδες του πρωινού ήλιου ενώ η σκέψη μου ταξίδευε! Επήγε μακριά σε ένα άλλο τοπίο πολύ λιγότερο ήρεμο και ήσυχο. Σε ένα μέρος της Γής όπου τα σπίτια του γκριζα κατακαμένα και κατεστραμμένα από το βάρβαρο χέρι ενός λαού, που έμαθε μεγαλώνοντας πως να εκπαιδεύετε στα όπλα από την τρυφερή παιδική του ηλικία. Ζυμώθηκε στο Μίσος και στον όλεθρο. Διψούσε για αίμα αθώων παιδιών, αθώων λαών, ίσως γιατί η κουλτούρα του και τα Πιστεύω του να τον είχαν οδηγήσει εκεί! Στον Πόλεμο! Σέ έναν διαφορετικό πόλεμο! Τον Θρησκευτικό! Και διερωτώμαι!!!! Γιατί να μην υπάρχουν ανθρωποι «Σωτήρες» να τους καθοδηγήσουν, να τους διδάσκουν την Αγάπη την Ομόνοια την Ειρήνη και πρόοδο;;; Αντί να τους πουλάνε όπλα και πολεμικά υλικά για πανωλεθρία και καταστροφή;;; Να μάθουμε να κάνουμε κάτι σωτήριο για αυτήν την Γη που ζούμε! Να Επανεέλθει η Ειρήνη και η Ηρεμία μεγαλώνουμε τα παιδιά μας τα εγγόνια μας και ίσως τα δισεγγονά μας και τις γενεές τις μεθεπόμενες!!! Όλες οι καταστροφές και οι Θεομηνίες είναι προειδοποιήσεις να γίνουμε καλύτεροι ανθρωποι και όχι Έρμαια των πονηρών δυνάμεων!! Αυτές ήταν οι σκέψεις μου και Ευχαριστώ τον Ύψιστο Θεό που μου χάρησε και ετούτη την ημέρα ζωής, υγείας και αγάπης! Εύχομαι ακράδαντα να μην υπάρχουν αλλά πονεμένα παιδιά, αλλά δακρυσμένα μάτια για σωτηρία!!!! Να μην υπάρχει Πόλεμος στην Γη!! Ο Θεός ας είναι μαζί μας βοηθός και προστάτης μας για όλους και για τις όμορφες Πατρίδες μας Ελλάδα και Αμερική που τόσο αγαπάμε!!!! ❤️❤️🇺🇸

Με αγάπη και εκτίμηση
Ανθή Ραζή Γατανά

Translation: This morning I wake up with a sweet feeling. I opened my eyes, went down to my garden with a cup of fragrant hot coffee, and enjoyed the morning coolness of the welcome Fall! I listened to the singing of the birds, gazing at the clear horizon and shine from the bright rays of the morning sun while my thoughts traveled. He went away to another landscape much less calm and quiet. In a part of the Earth where his homes were burned dark and damaged by the barbaric hand of a people who grew up trained in guns from their tender childhood. He was kneaded in hate and devastation. He was thirsty for the blood of innocent children, innocent peoples, maybe because his culture and beliefs had led him there! To war! And I wonder!!! Why aren't there "Savior" people to guide them, teach them: Love, Omonia, Peace and Progress...instead of selling them weapons and war materials for devastation and destruction? Let's learn to do something to save this Earth we live in! May peace and calm come back. We raise our children, our grandchildren and maybe our great grandchildren and generations afterwards! All disasters are warnings to become better people and not Ermaia of the evil forces!!

These were my thoughts and I thank the High God for giving me this day of life, health and love. I strongly hope there are no sore children, but tearful eyes for salvation! Let there be no war on Earth! May God be with us - our Helper and Protector for all - and for our beautiful countries Greece and America that we love so much. - Anthi Razi Gatan

"Be the Bee" has been around in Christianity for a very long time!



St. Basil the Great was asked if Christians should read literary works written by pagans, like Homer's *Iliad*, or Platos's *Republic*. People were afraid that, by reading these works, they would compromise one's Christianity and lead them astray. Basil the Great replied that we should approach non-Christian works like bees approach flowers. They only take the good part in every situation we find ourselves, and leave the rest behind.

St. John Chrysostom took this one step further. He explained why bees work so hard to collect their nectar: "*The bee is more honored that other animals, not because she labors, but because she labors for others.*" Bees are part of a hive where they work with—and for—each other. And it isn't just bees that benefit. We also benefit from the labors of a hard-working bee,

Elder Paisios of Mt. Athos said, "*When a bee is found in a room full of dirt and there is one bit of sweet in the corner, it will ignore the dirt and go and sit on top of the sweet. Now, if we ask the bee to show us where the garbage is, it will answer, 'I don't know—I can only tell you where to find flowers, sweets, honey and sugar.' It only knows the good things in life and is ignorant of all evil.*"

So the bees not only take the GOOD from a situation, but they SHARE IT WITH OTHERS. A bee is not chained to sin, by the dirt and distractions that can take over our lives. And that's a really important part of our lives in Christ, to not simply filter between what's good and bad, but to love Christ more and more so that we don't even notice the things that would otherwise make us angry or prideful or lustful. All that garbage pulls us away from each other and from God rather than bringing us together. So let's **Be the Bee** and find God in everything, everyday.

There are 150 or more short, amazing episodes of Be the Bee! They are *great* for tweens, teens and adults to uplift and support a good, prayerful, Orthodox family way of living day to day. Check the out! You can find them at <https://bethebee.goarch.org> or visit the **Y2AM Be the Bee** Playlist on YouTube.

Be the Bee, and Like Orthodoxy!

Can you Fill in All of the Words?

Find the space for each of the words from this monthly bulletin.
Each word fits only once, and fits the right number of squares.

(Hint: I start with the largest words and work down to the smallest.)

-Me

October



4 Letter Words

AMEN
HOPE
LUKE
REAL

5 Letter Words

CARRY
EARTH
JAMES

6 Letter Words

AUTUMN
FOLLOW
THOMAS

7 Letter Words

APOSTLE
BROTHER
IAKOVOS
OCTOBER
PRAYERFUL
ROMANOS

8 Letter Words

DISCIPLE
BE THE BEE

9 Letter Words

DEMETRIUS
MUSICIANS

10 Letter Words

EVANGELIST

12 Letter Words

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