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COMMUNITY NEWS

Greek School Loukoumades fundraiser:

Please support our Greek School on November 7th. Loukoumades sale starting right after Greek school at 12:30. More details to follow.

Thanksgiving in the Orthodox Church

In the month of October, we celebrate Thanksgiving. It is a day that families join and give thanks to God for everything that they have. It is a day filled with good food, sports and a time to relax and have fun. Of course, this day is not on our Orthodox Calendar. We don't need one special day to give thanks for everything we have. We, as Christians, do that every Sunday morning and any other time we pray and take Holy Communion. Nevertheless, Thanksgiving is still a great time to reflect on what we should be thankful.

As Orthodox Christians, we should be thankful for our Lord coming down to earth, taking the form of a servant and giving Life to us through His Cross and Resurrection. We should be thankful that He brought us from death to life with the plan of salvation. We should be thankful for our parents, our brothers and sisters, our grandparents, our aunts, uncles and cousins. We should be thankful for our friends, our teachers and our classmates. We should be thankful for everything that we have.

Now, someone might say, "Doesn't God know that we are thankful for these things?" Well, yes. God knows everything. He wants us to have a relationship with Him. He wants us to embrace Him and make Him the Lord of our lives and our best friend. Therefore, when we thank God, we show Him that we want a personal relationship with Him. We show Him that we want to talk with Him, to laugh and cry with Him, to become one with Him. When we don't bother to talk with Him, it is as if we don't want Him in our lives. When we do talk to God, we should not only ask God for things; we should first thank Him for everything we have. We should thank Him every day because He gives us these things every day. We should then ask forgiveness for what we have done and then we should ask for the things that will make us closer to Him.

Our action – of giving thanks to God for His Body and Blood – is not complete until we go forth and do good works, imitating Christ. Thus at the end of the Liturgy we are called to "depart in peace" "in the Name of the Lord." When we do these things, we truly would have prayed and given thanks for His grace and mercy on us. This Thanksgiving season, let's not forget to give thanks from the moment we rise to the moment we go back to sleep at night and our Heavenly Father will be there saying, "You are welcome, my child." Let us not forget to be thankful for God's real and active presence in our lives. Maybe we can institute a special prayer of thanksgiving, maybe we can take some time away from TV, away from Football, away from the food, and offer a prayer of thanksgiving to the One who has provided all the things that we can even be thankful for.

DAY	PROGRAM	SERVICES	TIME
Sunday October 4th	**2η Κυριακή του Λουκά** 2nd Sunday of Luke	**Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία** Orthros & Divine Liturgy	9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Sunday October 11th	**3η Κυριακή του Λουκά** 3rd Sunday of Luke	**Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία** Orthros & Divine Liturgy	9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Sunday October 18th	**5η Κυριακή του Λουκά** 5th Sunday of Luke	**Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία** Orthros & Divine Liturgy	9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Monday October 19th	**Service will be held:** **SS. Anargyroi, Yorkton**	**Θεία Λειτουργία** Divine Liturgy	7:00 p.m.
Sunday October 25th	**6η Κυριακή του Λουκά** 6th Sunday of Luke	**Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία** Orthros & Divine Liturgy	9:00 to 11:00 a.m.
Monday October 26th	**Του Αγίου Δημητρίου** Great Martyr Demetrios	**Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία** Orthros & Divine Liturgy	6:30 to 8:00 p.m.
Wednesday October 28th	**Service will be held:** **Life Giving Font, Swift Current**	**Θεία Λειτουργία** Divine Liturgy	7:00 p.m.

Baptisms:

September 19th: **Elizabeth**, daughter of Athan and Ashley Syrgiannis
Godparent: Marina Sellis
September 26th: **Akylina** daughter of Elena Makris and Darren Henry
Godparent: George Korolis

Mnimosina:

October 11th: 40 day memorial service for **Anthony Floros**.
October 25th: one year memorial service for **Gregory Mantikos**

Funeral:

The servant of God **Anthony Floros** fell asleep in the Lord on September 4th.
The servant of God **Spiros Bob Panagopoulos** fell asleep in the Lord on September 14th.

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Below are the sections of the *Uniform Community Regulations* of the *Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Canada (2011),* which indicate the eligibility and responsibilities of the candidates for Community Council:

ARTICLE VIII

ELECTION OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL

Section 2: A candidate for the Community Council must be a member in good standing of that Community for at least two full years immediately preceding the date of the election, who lives his or her life and activities in accordance with the faith and canons of the Church, and shall not be a member of a Community Council of another Community.

Section 3: Candidates for election to the Community Council shall be nominated at the last Community Assembly preceding the election. Nominations may be made by a nominating committee or by written nomination by two members of the Community in good standing at least fifteen days prior to the election. All candidates shall have read the Uniform Community Regulations prior to the election date.

ARTICLE IX

RATIFICATION OF ELECTION OF COMMUNITY COUNCIL AND AFFIRMATION OF OFFICE

Section 2: On the last Sunday in December and after ratification of the election has been received from the Archbishop a special ceremony shall be held at the close of the Divine Liturgy in which all the members of the Community Council shall take the affirmation of office jointly. The affirmation shall be administered by the Priest and shall be repeated by each member of the Community Council.

Section 3: Each member or member-elect of the Community Council is obliged, without exception, to take the following affirmation of office and thereafter subscribe his or her name thereto:

> "I do solemnly affirm that I will uphold the dogma, teaching, traditions, holy canons, worship, and moral principles of the Greek Orthodox Church, as well as the Archdiocesan Charter, discipline, the Uniform Community Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of Canada and the by-laws of the Community, and that I will fulfill faithfully and sincerely the duties and obligations required of a member of the Community Council. So help me God."

A person refusing to take the affirmation and subscribe to same shall not assume duties as a member of the Council or be elected as an officer of the Community Council.

If you have any specific questions about becoming a member of the Community Council please contact Fr. Spyridon Vandoros, the Community President, or any current Member of the Community Council.

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Dear Member:

Those wishing to run for Saint Paul's Greek Orthodox Church Community Council for the January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022 term are asked to submit their Nomination Form no later than **November 29, 2020**. Please submit completed Nomination Forms to any current Community Council member. The Community Council consists of 15 members (13 to be elected, one to be appointed by Philoptochos and one appointed by MetYouth).
If required, elections will take place on **Sunday, December 13, 2020**.

Chris Perentes, President

Father Spyridon Vandoros

NOMINATION FORM

We, the undersigned members in good standing of Saint Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina, hereby nominate _____ as a candidate for Community Council Member for the term of January 1, 2021 to December 31, 2022.

Dated this _____ day of _____ 2020.

(1) _____
(Nominator's Name)

_____
(Nominator's Address)

_____
(Nominator's Signature)

(2) _____
(Nominator's Name)

_____
(Nominator's Address)

_____
(Nominator's Signature)

I, the undersigned, accept the nomination:

_____
(Candidate's Name)

_____
(Candidate's Address)

_____
(Candidate's Signature)

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ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ Ο ΑΓΙΟΣ ΠΑΥΛΟΣ • ΟΚΤΩΒΡΙΟΣ 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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4 9:00 a.m. 2nd Sunday of Luke	5	6	7	8	9	10
11 9:00 a.m. 7th Ecumenical Council	12	13	14	15	16	17
18 9:00 a.m. 5th Sunday of Luke	19 Service will be held in SS. Anargyroi, **Yorkton**	20	21	22	23	24
25 9:00 a.m. 6th Sunday of Luke	26 6:30 p.m. Great Martyr Demetrios	27	28 7:00 p.m. Service will be held in SS. Anargyroi, **Yorkton**	29	30	31

Daughter of Penelope 2020-2021 Greek Dancing Term

Due to the uncertainty of Covid and the possibility of a second wave in the fall, the Daughters committee has decided to postpone Greek Dancing till after Christmas. As of right now the start date will be Monday January 11, 2021. This is all dependent on the Covid situation in the months ahead. If you have any questions or concerns please contact - greekdancingdop@gmail.com More information to follow in November.

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