

FOOD FOR THE NEEDY - Please help the needy and bring non-perishable food items for the Food Pantry. Canned vegetables and fruits, pasta, baby food, canned meals, peanut butter and jelly, pasta sauce, cereal, canned soup, etc. We are always so fortunate and thankful that we have generous parishioners. We are able to feed many of those in need, with your help.

ATTENTION PARISHIONERS: Before making any firm plans for baptisms, weddings, funerals, or memorial services, please check with Fr. Christodoulos to see if dates and times are permissible. Also, please refrain from scheduling a baby, bridal shower or any other type of party celebration during a fasting period

COMMUNION ANNOUNCEMENT: While we pray and work for the reconciliation and unity of all the world's Christians, the reality remains that there is still no intercommunion between our Orthodox Churches and the Churches of the West. This means that only baptized, chrismated and observant Orthodox faithful receive Communion in our churches. At the same time, we warmly welcome all non-Orthodox to join us in prayer and celebration, and humbly offer to all present the Antidoro bread of fellowship at the end of the service. We offer this important symbol 'instead of the Gifts', in the words of the Apostle Paul, 'Till we all come to the unity of the Faith' (Eph. 4.13).

NEW CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT DRIVE: As a community we have always tried and succeeded in taking care of and upgrading our Sanctuary and facilities. We the spirit of continuously improving our church. We are beginning a long term Capital Improvement Fund Drive. We are looking at 3 particular future projects. These are the Broken Sewer pipe in our back parking lot, Replacing and upgrading our current church sound system and remodeling our kitchen. The months ahead we will be formally setting up a Capital Improvement Fund Drive Committee who will spearhead the entire process. We ask everyone to consider this in future giving, funeral memorials and in planned giving. If you are interested in giving a donation for the Capital Fund please put "Capital Improvement Fund Drive" on the memo line of the check or mark it on the envelope. Together we can get these projects finished.

PLEASE REMEMBER THE CHURCH IN YOUR WILL OR ESTATE PLANNING: As we begin this new year, please consider making a Planned Gift to the Church. A Planned Gift is an opportunity to leave a legacy that strengthens the Church and supports its vital ministries and will leave an impact that will be felt for years to come. It may also give you substantial current tax benefits as well as estate tax benefits. If you are interested in finding out more about the many ways that the Church can be included in your will or estate planning, please contact a Parish Council Member.

PLEASE don't leave your weekly bulletin in the pew. Take it home with you and share the message and announcements, written here, with your family and friends. Thank You!

FIVE WAYS TO WELCOME VISITORS ON SUNDAY:

1. Smile and be friendly.
2. Greet them.
3. Introduce yourself by name and ask theirs.
4. Invite them to our coffee fellowship.
5. Ask them to return again for worship.

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Sunday, June 15th, 2025

**All Saints
Amos the Prophet
Saint Hieronymos**

Readings:

Epistle: Hebrews 11: 33-40; 12: 1-2

Gospel: Matthew 10: 32-33; 37-38; 19: 27-30

Coffee Hour

THIS WEEK AT ASSUMPTION

Tuesday, June 17th, 2025

Fast Day

6:00 - 8:00 p.m.

Parish Youth Outing to Vitense Mini Golf

7:00 p.m.

Parish Council Meeting

Saturday, June 21st, 2025

+Sacrament

Fr. Christodoulou's Office hours are: Tuesday - Friday 10:00 am to 2:00 pm

Memorial

Gerasimos Pavgoulatos	1 year
Archimandrite Justin	12 years
Iohanis	22 years

May their Memory be Eternal!

GREEKFEST MEETING JUNE, 22nd: There will be a Greek Fest Meeting following Liturgy on Sunday, June 22nd, 2025.

2ND ANNUAL AHEPA SOUVLAKI 4TH OF JULY SALE: Our AHEPA once again this year will be cooking Souvlaki on the 4th of July to raise money. They will be made and grilled fresh so consider stopping by and picking some up for your 4th of July festivities. Cost is \$2 each, 3 for \$5, 6 for \$10 or an even dozen for \$20. For more details see Nico Fatsis 608-251-7112.

PARISH FAMILY OUTING JUNE 17TH 6 - 8 p.m.: We will be going Mini golfing at Vitense Mini Golf located at 5501 Schroeder Road, Madison, WI 53711. Tickets are available to purchase at the event. Join us for what is sure to be a fun night of mini golf and fellowship.

PARISH OUTING TO THE MALLARD'S GAME, JULY 8th: Our parish is going to be having an outing to the Madison Mallards Game on Tuesday, July 8th first pitch is at 6:05 p.m. We will be in the reserved Duck Blind Section and we will have 2 options for tickets. Both are all you can eat and drink. The All you can eat with Soda is \$37 and the All you can eat with beer is \$49. Children 5 and under are free and do not need a ticket. I hope to see you all there. See Flier for more details and the link to purchase Tickets. [CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS](#)

ἀποθέμενοι πάντα καὶ τὴν εὐπερίστατον ἁμαρτίαν, δι' ὑπομονῆς τρέχωμεν τὸν προκείμενον ἡμῖν ἀγῶνα, ἀφορῶντες εἰς τὸν τῆς πίστεως ἀρχηγὸν καὶ τελειωτὴν Ἰησοῦν.

The reading is from Paul's Letter to the Hebrews

Brethren, all the saints 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 armies 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 tempted, 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. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin that easily distracts, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of faith.

Ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ματθαῖον ἀγίου Εὐαγγελίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τοῖς ἑαυτοῦ μαθηταῖς· Πᾶς ὅστις ὁμολογήσει ἐν ἐμοὶ ἔμπροσθεν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ὁμολογήσω καὶ ἐγὼ ἐν αὐτῷ ἔμπροσθεν τοῦ πατρὸς μου τοῦ ἐν οὐρανοῖς. ὅστις δ' ἂν ἀρνήσῃται με ἔμπροσθεν τῶν ἀνθρώπων, ἀρνήσομαι αὐτὸν καὶ ἐγὼ ἔμπροσθεν τοῦ πατρὸς μου τοῦ ἐν οὐρανοῖς. Ὁ φιλῶν πατέρα ἢ μητέρα ὑπὲρ ἐμὲ οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος· καὶ ὁ φιλῶν υἱὸν ἢ θυγατέρα ὑπὲρ ἐμὲ οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος· καὶ ὁς οὐ λαμβάνει τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ καὶ ἀκολουθεῖ ὀπίσω μου, οὐκ ἔστι μου ἄξιος. Ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Πέτρος εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἰδοὺ ἡμεῖς ἀφήκαμεν πάντα καὶ ἠκολουθήσμεν σοι· τί ἄρα ἔσται ἡμῖν; ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι ὑμεῖς οἱ ἀκολουθήσαντές μοι, ἐν τῇ παλιγγενεσίᾳ, ὅταν καθίσῃ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπὶ θρόνου δόξης αὐτοῦ, καθίσεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς ἐπὶ δώδεκα θρόνους κρίνοντες τὰς δώδεκα φυλὰς τοῦ Ἰσραὴλ. καὶ πᾶς ὁς ἀφῆκεν οἰκίαν ἢ ἀδελφούς ἢ ἀδελφὰς ἢ πατέρα ἢ μητέρα ἢ γυναῖκα ἢ τέκνα ἢ ἀγροὺς ἕνεκεν τοῦ ὀνόματός μου, ἑκατονταπλασίονα λήψεται καὶ ζωὴν αἰώνιον κληρονομήσει. Πολλοὶ δὲ ἔσονται πρῶτοι ἔσχατοι καὶ ἔσχατοι πρῶτοι.

The reading is from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew

The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

Resurrectional Apolitikion

Ἦχος πλ δ

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφήν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσῃς τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ Ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Mode Plagal of the Fourth

From the heights didst Thou come down, O Compassionate One. And Thou didst submit to three day burial that from the passions Thou might deliver us. O our Life and Resurrection, O Lord, glory be to Thee.

Hymn of All Saints

Ἦχος δ

Τῶν ἐν ὅλῳ τῷ κόσμῳ Μαρτύρων σου, ὡς πορφύραν καὶ βύσσον τὰ αἵματα, ἡ Ἐκκλησία σου στολισαμένη, δι' αὐτῶν βοᾷ σοι· Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, τῷ λαῷ σου τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου κατὰπεμψον, εἰρήνην τῇ πολιτείᾳ σου δώρησαι, καὶ ταῖς ψυχαῖς ἡμῶν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Fourth Mode

Your Church is arrayed in the holy blood of Your Martyrs who witnessed throughout the world, as though in purple and fine linen. Through them she cries to You, Christ our God, "Send down to Your people Your tender love, grant peace from above to Your commonwealth, and to our souls Your great mercy."

Hymn for the Dormition of the Theotokos

Ἦχος α

Ἐν τῇ Γεννήσει, τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας. Ἐν τῇ Κοιμῇσει, τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, Μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβείαις ταῖς σαῖς λυτρουμένη, ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

First Mode

You gave birth yet preserved your virginity. You fell asleep in death yet did not desert the world, O Theotokos. You were transported to life, as you are Mother of Life and, by virtue of your intercessions, deliver our souls from death.

Kontakion

Ἦχος πλ δ

Ὡς ἀπαρχὰς τῆς φύσεως, τῷ φυτουργῷ τῆς κτίσεως, ἡ οἰκουμένη προσφέρει σοι Κύριε, τοὺς θεοφόρους Μάρτυρας· ταῖς αὐτῶν ἱκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ βαθεῖα, τὴν Ἐκκλησίαν σου, διὰ τῆς Θεοτόκου συντήρησον, πολυέλεε.

Mode Plagal of the 4th

O Planter of creation, Lord, to You does the entire world bring as an offering the God-bearing martyr Saints, as being nature's first fruits. At their earnest entreaties, keep Your Church in a state of profoundest peace, through the Theotokos, O Lord abundantly merciful.

Πρὸς Ἑβραίους Ἐπιστολῆς Παύλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Ἀδελφοί, οἱ ἅγιοι πάντες διὰ πίστεως κατηγωνίσαντο βασιλείας, εἰργάσαντο δικαιοσύνην, ἐπέτυχον ἐπαγγελιῶν, ἔφραξαν στόματα λεόντων, ἔσβησαν δύνάμιν πυρός, ἔφωγον στόματα μαχαίρας, ἐνεδυναμώθησαν ἀπὸ ἀσθενείας, ἐγενήθησαν ἰσχυροὶ ἐν πολέμῳ, παρεμβολὰς ἔκλιναν ἄλλοτρίων· ἔλαβον γυναικες ἐξ ἀναστάσεως τοὺς νεκροὺς αὐτῶν· ἄλλοι δὲ ἐτυμπανίσθησαν, 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, ὕστερόμενοι, θλιβόμενοι, κακουχούμενοι, ὧν οὐκ ἦν ἄξιος ὁ κόσμος, ἐν ἐρημίαις πλανώμενοι καὶ ὄρεσι καὶ σπηλαίοις καὶ ταῖς ὁπαῖς τῆς γῆς. Καὶ οὗτοι πάντες μαρτυρηθέντες διὰ τῆς πίστεως οὐκ ἐκομίσαντο τὴν ἐπαγγελίαν, τοῦ Θεοῦ περὶ ἡμῶν κρείττον· τι προβλεψαμένου, ἵνα μὴ χωρὶς ἡμῶν τελειωθῶσι. Τοιγαροῦν καὶ ἡμεῖς, τοσοῦτον ἔχοντες περιεκείμενον ἡμῖν νέφος μαρτύρων, ὅγκον

ALL SAINTS SUNDAY: The idea of observing All Saints' Sunday one week after the coming of the Holy Spirit is a striking one, for this day reveals the fruit or harvest of what happened on Pentecost. Out of weakness men, women, and children were made strong in faith, enabling them to endure all things for Christ.

Early Christians, witnessing the sufferings and saintly lives of followers of the Lord, felt that their memories should be perpetuated. And that their intercession should be called upon for those struggling in the Christian life against temptation. Also, annual commemoration was made with services over the graves of the martyrs who suffered and died for Christ. Could anything less than this be done?

And so the Church began to assign days for the commemoration of saints. With the passing centuries, the calendar became full of saint days, and in fact, more than one saint is commemorated on practically every day of the year.

In addition to these great heroes of the faith, the martyrs and hierarchs, monks and missionaries, who left bold traces of their dedication to the Christian cause, there were others, practically unknown who lived out their lives in the "WAY" of Christ. No wonder that the Church in her wisdom, set aside this Sunday for remembrance of All Saints. These are our heroes for emulation.

Apostle Paul reminds us that we are "*compassed about with so great a cloud of witnesses*," and bids us to "*lay aside every weight and sin that besets us, and let us run with patience the race that is set before us*."

FAST FOR THE HOLY APOSTLES: The Fast for the Holy Apostles is one of the four major Fasts in the Orthodox Church. The date and length of the Fast varies each year and depends on the date of Pascha (Easter). The Fast always begins the day after All Saints Day and ends on the Feast Day of the Commemoration of the Holy Apostles, June 30th. This year the Fast begins on Monday, June 16th. Let us all try and make the effort to fast and pray during this time period. Let us attend worship services, prepare ourselves to receive the Body and Blood of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Also, let our faith move us to do good works in the Name of Jesus Christ by visiting the sick and shut in, by clothing the naked, by feeding the poor and by offering a helping hand to all who are in need.

FROM THE FATHERS: In Christianity truth is not a philosophical concept nor is it a theory, a teaching, or a system, but rather, it is the living theanthropic hypostasis - the historical Jesus Christ (John 14:6). Before Christ men could only conjecture about the Truth since they did not possess it. With Christ as the incarnate divine Logos the eternally complete divine Truth enters into the world. For this reason the Gospel says: "Truth came by Jesus Christ" (John 1:17).

— St. Justin Popovich

STEWARDSHIP NOTE: The 2025 Church Membership list is growing. However there are still many of our community, who have not made their financial commitment to the church. Remember church membership begins in January not when we paid last. If everyone would pay their membership on time and on a yearly basis, our parish would not need gimmicks such as raffles, picnics, etc. to raise funds to do God's work and preach His Word in this world. **YOUR CHURCH NEEDS YOU** – please pledge and pay your 2025 stewardship today!



Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

Tuesday, July 8th

First Pitch: 6:05 PM - Gates Open One Hour Prior

[CLICK HERE FOR TICKETS!](#)

Deadline to get tickets is one week prior to the event!

An usher will provide you a wristband at the Duck Blind entrance. Signage will be placed on the tables reserved for your group.

YOUR TICKET PACKAGE
Busch Light Duck Blind
Reserved Tables



[Menu & Pictures](#) [Promotions](#) [Parking Info](#)

The Duck Pond at Warner Park 2920 N Sherman Ave, Madison, WI 53704 608-246-4277

FANARI CAMPING MINISTRY EVENTS 2024-2025

OCT 4-6, 2024	Fall Camp
NOV 22-24, 2024	High School Girls Retreat
DEC 30, 2024	Reunion Dance at Ascension of Our Lord
JAN 17-20, 2025	Winter Camp
MAR 22, 2025	Lenten Retreat Locations TBD
JUN 15-21, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 1
JUN 21-28, 2025	Lighthouse
JUN 22-28, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 2
JUN 29-JUL 5, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 3
JUL 6-12, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 4
JUL 13-19, 2025	Summer Camp: Session 5



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**TUESDAY
JUNE 17TH**

6 - 8 PM

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MADISON, WI 53711

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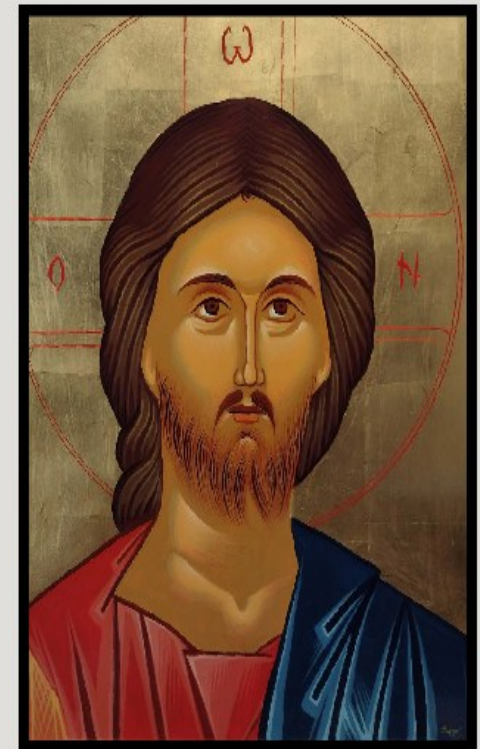
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workshop painting the
icon of Jesus.

Iconographer Drazen Dupor
will lead a step-by-step
class to create an icon
using Byzantine technique.

No previous experience
necessary. All materials
included. Each participant
will complete their own
icon.

Workshop Hours

Fri. July 11 5 PM -- 8 PM
Sat. July 12 9 AM -- 5 PM
Sun. July 13 1 PM -- 5 PM



Register by June 15!

Scan the QR code
or email Christy at
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GREEK FEST+ 2025

Save the Date

Saturday, September 6th*

11:00-7:00

(*Rain date: Sunday, 9/7)

Great
Food!

Greek
Sweets



Music
&
Dancing

Beer
&
Wine

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11 N. 7th Street, Madison, WI



For more info on
the event → → →



June 21-28, 2025
Waukesha, Wisconsin

A summer program for the high school class of 2025
where we facilitate reflection on self, God, and
neighbor, teaching you an immense amount about
who you are and what your purpose is in this world
and providing a deeper understanding of our faith.
Plus, fun activities and excursions in
and around Milwaukee!

This might be exactly what
you need after graduation!

Registration opens
March 10



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