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SEPTEMBER 24, 2017 – SEPTEMBER 30, 2017

SUNDAY, September 24

First Sunday of Luke

Matins (Orthros)	8:45 am
Religious Education: Youth & Adult	9:45 am
Divine Liturgy	10:15 am
Memorials	11:30 am
Demetrios "Jimmy" Focas; Eleni Kollintzas; Demetrios Kollintzas; Nicholas L. Jouras; Katerina "Irene" Jouras; Gabriel Jouras, Athanasios "Athán" Vrentas; Nikolaos Platipodis	
Coffee Hour	12:00 pm
Focas, Gardner, Maib, Raptis, Rhudy, Sleder, & Vrentas Families	
Annunciation Prayer Group	12:30 pm

MONDAY, September 25

Office Closed

Philoptochos Board Meeting	6:30 pm
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TUESDAY, September 26

Feast of the Repose of St. John the Evangelist and Theologian

Office Closed

Matins (Orthros)	9:00 am
Divine Liturgy	10:00 am
Grief & Bereavement Support Group	11:30 am

WEDNESDAY, September 27

Office Closed

Library/Bookstore OPEN	10am – 1pm
Journey to Fullness	7:00 pm

THURSDAY, September 28

Office OPEN

10am-3pm

FRIDAY, September 29

Office Closed

SATURDAY, September 30

Office Closed

Weekly Calendars will only include Sunday – Saturday scheduling, due to changes in the calendar.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Registration is Open!!

I am very excited to announce that Kansas City will be hosting the 1st Annual Metropolis of Denver's Midwest Youth Retreat! The Retreat will take place the weekend of November 3rd, 4th, and 5th. Youth, ages 11 - 18 years, are invited to retreat away from the pressures and the hustle of every day life! Registration is open September 27 through October 15, 2017. The registration fee for this event is \$125 per participant. To register, go to: <https://prod.goarch.org/web/greek-orthodox-metropolis-of-denver-youth-young-adult-ministries/regional-retreats>. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mikaila Demetroulis at mikaila@annunciationkc.org

GOYA Basketball Tournament – Registration is Open!!

The annual Metropolis of Denver GOYA Basketball Tournament is the largest Orthodox gathering of any kind in Denver's Metropolis and offers an atmosphere of Christian Fellowship and friendly competition for hundreds of GOYAns, family, and friends. Registration has opened and has an early bird discount! Registration is \$260 per participant from now until October 7th and then registration is \$300 per participant until November 8th. To register, go to: <https://prod.goarch.org/web/greek-orthodox-metropolis-of-denver-youth-young-adult-ministries/basketball>. Should you have any questions, please contact Mikaila Demetroulis at mikaila@annunciationkc.org

FALL RETREAT: PRACTICAL ORTHODOXY

Retreat Registration is Open!!

Annunciation will be hosting a Fall Retreat ft. Elissa Bjelitch on October 28th and 29th. Elissa converted to Orthodoxy in 1999 and is a multi-published author and nationally esteemed speaker. Topics of presentation and discussion will include: "Marrying into the Faith", "Creating an Orthodox Home", and "The Meaning of Crisis: Orthodoxy in a Modern World". Registration is now open; the cost is \$20, which includes an autographed book and meals. Please RSVP and Register via the email invitation you received. Should you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact Mikaila Demetroulis at mikaila@annunciationkc.org

PHILOPTOCHOS

Philoptochos Activities

Everyone is welcome to join the Philoptochos on Monday, Oct. 2 for a potluck dinner and annual blanket tying service project. We'll gather in the church hall at 6:00 pm and share our potluck meal. After eating, we'll begin tying blankets while we continue with our meeting. Whether you can participate or not, please consider a donation of a new or gently used hard back picture book (appropriate for age 5 and younger). Books and Blankets will be distributed to families in the Center School District's Parents As Teachers program.

Philoptochos is also participating in the National IOCC school kit drive for children in Greece. Please bring any of the following and we will assemble and send to Greece the completed kits: Blunt metal scissors (rounded tip), 70-count spiral or tape-bound notebooks of 8" x 10-1/2" ruled paper (Please donate in groups of 3) Please do not provide loose-leaf or filler paper or notebooks over 70 pages, 12 inch ruler, Small hand-held pencil sharpener, New pencils with erasers (please donate in groups of 6), Large eraser, 2-1/2" (like the pink ones), Box of 24 crayons (only 24).

GENERAL

Our Next Blood Drive – October 3rd

We have our second blood drive scheduled for Tuesday, October 3rd from 3-7pm. We are in need of volunteers to assist the American Red Cross in hosting this blood drive. To sign up for a shift between 2pm to 8pm, please go to <http://signup.com/go/CPijiWh> to review the options listed and choose the spot(s) you would like. You do NOT need to register an account in order to sign up.

Church Health Cycle 2: Focus Groups Sign Up

The Church Health team is grateful to all who graciously invite us into their homes for the small gatherings to discuss our next topic. Join us! Focus groups will be held during the month of September. Sign up for the session of your choice at coffee hour today! Please contact Rachel Sinos at rms1325@gmail.com with questions or to check on availability, as space is limited at each gathering.

GREAT TIME FOR GREEK SCHOOL:

Anyone interested in participating in our Greek School program this year, our classes begin Sunday, September 17 at 1:15 at Annunciation. We offer five levels for youth and adults. Registration forms are available in the church hall or just show up earlier on the first day of class. Any questions please e-mail, Angela Arvanitakis at angela815@gmail.com or call 913-638-9299.

PRAYER LIST

Alexa Fuller
Dn. Michael & Dka. Peggy
JoAnn Fotopoulos
Fr. Jimi Foresio
Maria Psilakis-Fotopoulos
Jodi Craig

Joe
Niki Maroulakos
Karen Ferling
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