

# St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church

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Third Sunday of Great Lent – Veneration of the Holy Cross

**Sunday, April 7**

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Calliopos and Akylina the Martyrs; George, Bishop of Mytilene;  
Gerasimos the God-Bearer of Byzantium*

**Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis (Proistamenos)**  
**Fr. Stratton Dorozenski (Retired Priest In Residence)**  
**Fr. John Stefero (Retired Priest In Residence)**

**VISION:**

Love God, Love your neighbor and spread the Gospel of Jesus Christ as an Orthodox Christian community.

**MISSION:**

The mission of St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church is to welcome and serve people with love, truth, joy and peace, and to create an environment that encourages all to seek salvation through Orthodox Christianity.

**CORE VALUES:**

Love, Worship, Community, Learning, Service

**SYNAXARION:**

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**Apolytikion of the Holy Cross:** *So-son Ky-ri-e ton la-on Sou ke ev-lo-gi-son tin kli-ro-no-mi-an Sou ni-kas tis va-si-lef-si ka-ta var-va-ron do-ru-me-nos ke to son fi-la-ton di-a tou Stav-rou Sou po-li-tev-ma. Save O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. Give victory to those who battle evil and protect us all by Your Holy Cross.*

**Entrance Hymn: (sung by the clergy)**

*Exalt the Lord our God and worship at His footstool, for Holy is He. Save us O Son of God, Who rose from the dead, to Thee we sing: Alleluia.*

**Apolytikion of the Resurrection:** *Let all things above in heaven rejoice, and let all things below on earth be glad. With all the might and strength of His arm, an eternal deed the Lord did perform. Beneath His feet He has trampled down death by death, and first born of the dead has He become. From the womb of Hades has He delivered us, and to all the world has granted His great mercy.*

**Apolytikion of St. John the Baptist:** *The memory of the just is observed with hymns of praise; for you O Forerunner the witness of the Lord is sufficient. You have proved to be truly more venerable than the*

*prophets. Since you were granted to baptize in the river, the One Whom they proclaimed. Therefore, you strove for truth, proclaiming with joy the Good News, even to those in Hades: that God was manifested in the flesh, and takes away the sins of the world, and grants to us His great mercy.*

**Kontakion:** *Ti I-per-ma-cho stra-ti-go ta ni-ki-ti-ri-a, os li-tro-thi-sa ton di-non ef-cha-ri-sti-ri-a, a-na-gra-fo si i po-lis sou The-o-to-ke. Al'os e-chu-sa to kra-tos a-pro-sma-chi-ton ek pan-di-on me kin-di-non e-lef-the-ro-son i-na kra-zo si:He-re nim-fi a-nim-fef-te.*

*Victorious Lady, mighty champion, defending us, we your servants, now inscribe to you this hymn of thanks, for you rescued us from suffering and tribulation. Theotokos, with your power that can never fail, keep us safe from every danger our whole life long. That we may cry to you: Rejoice, O Bride unwedded.*

**Trisagion Hymn:** *Ton Stav-ron Sou pro-ski-nou-men De-spo-ta ke tin a-gi-an Sou A-na-sta-sin do-xa-zo-men. Your Cross we Venerate O Master and Your Holy Resurrection we glorify.*

**Welcome to all of our Visitors** “Welcome one another just as Christ has welcomed you, for the glory of God.” Romans 15:7 We pray that your worship experience with us today will be inspirational and uplifting. Please introduce yourself to an usher or a member of the Welcoming Ministry and pick-up a “welcome packet” as you exit the church. We are happy that you are with us today!

**Holy Communion** is offered only to Orthodox Christians who are in good canonical standing with the church and who have prepared through prayer and fasting. Everyone is invited to receive the Antidoron (Blessed Bread) at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

**Order for Holy Communion**— *With Sunday School in session the order for Holy Communion will be as follows:*

1. Choir
2. Altar boys
3. Sunday school teachers (who will line up in middle aisle (right) before Communion).
4. Sunday school students (who will line up in the middle aisle (left) before Communion).
5. Then the rest of the congregation ( side areas then the main section).
6. Parents with recently Baptized children can line up before the Sunday School Teachers.

## Readings for Sunday, April 7

**Epistle Lesson:** Verse. O Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance. To You, O Lord, I have cried, O my God.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews. (Hebrews 4:14-16; 5: 1-6)

**BRETHREN**, since we have a high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee"; as he says also in another place, "Thou art a priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedek."

**Gospel Lesson:** Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

**Communion Hymn: (Psalm 4:6)** *E-si-mi-o-thi ef' i-mas to Fos tou pro-so-pou Sou, Ky-ri-e. Allilua. Let the Light of Your face shine on us, O Lord. Alleluia.*

*After the Great Entrance, you are invited to turn to page 63 of the spiral Divine Liturgy book to follow the different prayers and hymns of the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, celebrated on the five Sundays of Great Lent.*

**At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, after the sermon, there will be a procession of the Holy Cross. The service is found on p. 152 of the spiral Divine Liturgy book.**

**Divine Liturgy to begin at 9:45 a.m. on the Sundays of Great Lent**

Since the Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great is offered on each Sunday of Lent, and this Divine Liturgy is slightly longer than the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, the Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:45 a.m. from March 24-April 28. The Choir will begin the Doxology at 9:35 a.m.

## MINISTRY NEWS & UPDATES

### UPCOMING COFFEE HOUR SCHEDULE *Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by the 12 Disciples*

**APRIL 14**

Welcome Ministry/Stewardship/Junior Olympics

**APRIL 21**

Nursing & Adopt A College Student

### St. John's Bookstore—

### Preparing for Pascha

*Available now and until Pascha!*

*Holy Week Service Books*

*Red Egg Dye imported from Greece*

*Pascha Cards in Greek and English*

*Resurrection Icons*

### WELCOME TO OUR PARISH

If you are new to the Tampa Bay area or just visiting, we would love to get to know you better.

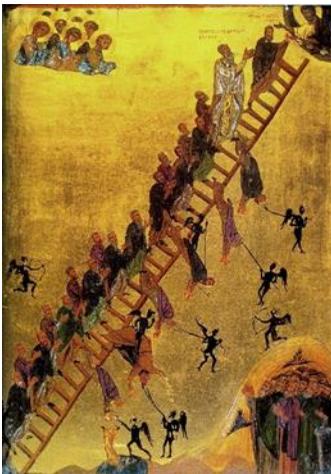
PLEASE TEXT THE WORD

"WELCOME" TO 813-790-5950

FOLLOW THE PROMPTS TO GIVE US  
YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION AND FROM THERE  
YOU WILL BE DIRECTED TO OUR ONLINE CONNECTION CARD

DO NOT NEGLECT TO SHOW *hospitality* TO STRANGERS.  
FOR THEREBY SOME HAVE ENTERTAINED *angels unaware.*

HEBREWS 13:2



### Young At Heart April Gathering

**Saturday, April 13<sup>th</sup>**

Social – 11:30am

Lenten Potluck Luncheon - Noon

Presentation: St. John Climacus –  
The Ladder of Divine Ascent

*Contact Presvytera Denise no later than April 7<sup>th</sup>*  
with number attending and  
dish you will bring to share at the potluck



Seven Words:

THE LAST WORDS OF JESUS FROM THE CROSS  
A SIX-WEEK LENTEN STUDY  
JOIN US WEDNESDAY EVENINGS DURING GREAT LENT



MARCH 20  
FORGIVENESS

*"Father, forgive them  
for they know not what  
they do."*

Luke 23:34

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE SUNDAY SCHOOL

MARCH 27  
SALVATION

*And He said to him,  
"Truly, I say to you,  
today you will be with  
Me in Paradise."*

Luke 23:43

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE CHOIR

APRIL 3  
RELATIONSHIPS

*He said to His mother,  
"Woman, behold, your  
Son!" Then He said to  
the disciple, "Behold,  
your mother!"*

John 19:26-27

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE AHEPA/DAUGHTERS

APRIL 10  
ABANDONMENT/  
DISTRESS

*"My God, My God, why  
have You forsaken Me?"*

Mark 15:34

*"I thirst."*

John 19:28

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE YOUNG AT HEART  
AND WELCOME MINISTRY

APRIL 17  
TRIUMPH

*"It is finished."*

John 19:30

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE PHILOPTOCHOS

APRIL 24  
COMMIT

*"Into Your Hands I  
commit My Spirit."*

Luke 23:46

DINNER SPONSORED BY  
THE YOUNG ADULTS AND  
BIBLE STUDIES

## EACH WEDNESDAY EVENING SCHEDULE:

- 6:00 pm Pre-Sanctified Liturgy
- 7:15 pm Lenten Dinner provided by one of our ministries
- 7:45 pm Presentation by Father Stavros
- 8:05 pm Small group discussion
- 8:30 pm Concluding remarks and closing prayer



GREAT LENT 2024  
ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
TAMPA, FL

# MORE MINISTRY NEWS & UPDATES

## **Sunday, April 7 - Third Sunday of Lent - Veneration of the Holy Cross**

On the 3rd Sunday of Great Lent we celebrate the Veneration of the Cross; the Cross helps us to prepare for the Crucifixion of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are not just witnessing from afar the passions of our Lord, but we participate in them. In the Synaxarion we read, "Through the forty-day fast, we too are in a way crucified, dying to the passions." Our efforts to keep up with the Fast, through prayer, fasting and almsgiving, might take a toll over our bodies; we need help and encouragement, and the help and encouragement comes from the power of the Cross. In the middle of Great Lent, the Church gives its faithful a sign of victory, one that can bring strength to them in this time of fasting. The Sunday of the Holy Cross is one that brings everything into perspective, especially with the Gospel reading (Mark 8:34-9:1), the Lord saying to all His disciples: *"If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life?"* A special procession of the Holy Cross, on a tray covered with flowers, will be held at the end of the Divine Liturgy.

## **Young Adult Meeting-Monday, April 8-**

Our Young Adult Dinner/Discussion will be held on Monday, April 8. (We normally meet on the second Thursday of the month, but for April will be meeting on the second Monday, returning to our normal schedule in May). Our meeting will be from 6:30-9:30 p.m., a little longer than usual to facilitate the movie "The Passion of the Christ" which we will watch, and then have a discussion afterwards. If you are interested in attending, please RSVP on the What's App. Group Members use What's App for communication. Please contact Aris Rogers to be added to our what's app for young adults at 813-309-5525.

## **Tuesdays of Lent - Great Compline -**

The service of the Great Compline will be read on the following Tuesdays of Lent—April 9, April 16 and April 23. This service lasts about an hour and consists of Psalms and hymns of repentance. Service Books for this service will be available.

## **Wednesdays of Lent – 9<sup>th</sup> Hour and Pre-Sanctified Liturgy-**

The Divine Liturgy of the Pre-Sanctified Gifts (also called Pre-Sanctified Liturgy) will be held on the Wednesdays during Great Lent. This service consists of Vespers with Holy Communion that was "Pre-Sanctified" the previous Sunday. It is an opportunity to receive Holy Communion frequently during the season of fasting. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy is preceded by the reading of the 9<sup>th</sup> Hour, a short service with penitential prayers as well as the recitation of the Creed, a pre-requisite for the reception of Holy Communion. Service books for this service will be available. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be celebrated on the following Wednesdays of Great Lent: Wednesday, April 10; Wednesday, April 17 and Wednesday, April 24. Several of our ministries will host a dinner as indicated on the schedule below. Each ministry is encouraged to attend at least one Pre-Sanctified Liturgy as follows:

Wednesday, April 10 Young at Heart/Welcome Ministry

Wednesday, April 17 Philoptochos

Wednesday, April 24 Bible Study/Young Adults

## **Fridays of Lent - 9<sup>th</sup> Hour and Pre-Sanctified Liturgy-**

The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy has Traditionally been celebrated on Wednesdays AND Fridays of Great Lent. The 9<sup>th</sup> Hour will begin at 9:30 a.m., with the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy from 10:00-11:15 a.m. The Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be held on the Fridays of Lent as follows: Friday, April 12; Friday, April 19 and Friday, April 26.

## **Fridays of Lent - The Salutations to the Virgin Mary (Heretismoi)-**

This service also lasts about an hour and is a series of prayers and devotions that invoke the intercessions of the Virgin Mary for our salvation. It will be held on April 12 and April 19.

## **Monastery Bus Trip Reservation Deadline—Today!**

Young at Heart will sponsor a bus trip to the Panagia Vlahernon and Annunciation of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Monasteries near Ocala on Saturday, May 18th. Cost is \$20 per person and space limited. If you are interested in participating, email Presvytera Denise as soon as possible- [denises54@hotmail.com](mailto:denises54@hotmail.com) or text (678) 464-4833. OPEN TO ALL

**SAVE THE DATE!** - On Friday, April 26, 2024, JOY Tweens will enjoy dinner and a movie! ***Sign-Up for Text Updates!*** To get updates and other messages for JOY Tweens, text @783gc6 to 81010 on your mobile phone.

## **Love thy Neighbor through our Monthly Community Outreach**

We have the privilege to help serve the needs of our homeless community in East Tampa on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday of each month. We partner with Matthew 25 (a local Charity), Metropolitan Ministries and USF to serve breakfast, provide clothing and medical needs for our guests.

**Our next date (s) are April 20<sup>th</sup> & May 18<sup>th</sup> .**

**What to expect:** *A rewarding experience and we welcome new volunteers!*



**To Volunteer:** [ClickHere](#) (Link also below) or scan our QR code to access our Signup Genius -

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F48A5A62DA3F49-community1/8067245#/>



**Place:** Tampa Hope @ 3704 E. 3<sup>rd</sup> Ave. —

Tampa East **Time:** 8:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.

**Questions on Arrival:** Look for Matthew 25 founders, Peggy & Mike Kanter or Greg & Victoria Melton, our dedicated parishioners that organize this ministry. They can help answer any questions or if you need direction when you arrive. **You may also call Greg directly at 813-967-2074.**

*'Whatever your task, work heartily, as serving the Lord and not men' Colossians 3:23*

## **BED SHEETS AND BATH/HAND TOWELS NEEDED FOR HOMELESS AND VETERANS AT 'TAMPA HOPE'**



The 'Community Outreach' and 'Veterans/1<sup>st</sup> Responders Ministries' are co-sponsoring a drive in April for the "Tampa Hope Homeless Shelter" on 3704 East 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue in Tampa. There is an urgent need for bath and hand towels as well as bed sheets for a single bed. These items can be new or gently worn.

This is an excellent opportunity during our Lenten journey to demonstrate our love for our brothers and sisters in need. By so doing, we will fulfill the Lord's words in Matthew 25:40: "Assuredly, I say to you, inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me!"

Please drop your items in the container in the Church Hall anytime during the month of April. We thank you in advance for your generous donation!

# THANK YOU!



Philoptochos would like to thank all the generous donors who supported our coffee last Sunday, to benefit the Orthodox Christian Missions Fund and Support a Mission Priest.

We were able to raise \$400 to donate to the spread of Orthodoxy.

Thanks to our Chairs *Kalliope Chargaris* and *Kathy Kaburis* for a job well done.

Everything was beautiful! And many thanks to our members who brought the yummy lenten pastries and treats.



## JOY Tweens

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Orthodox Hymns of Lent:

## Under the Byzantine Dome

Sunday, April 14th, 2024, 6:00 pm

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church  
409 South Old Coachman Rd  
Clearwater, Florida 33765

This is a free concert. A free-will donation tray will be passed to defray costs.  
Remaining funds will be donated to local charities.

**COMING SOON!**  
**Palm Sunday Bake Sale**

*Saturday, April 27th &  
Sunday, April 28th*

Sponsored by the Ladies'  
Philoptochos Society

More information in upcoming bulletins.



**OUR PHILOPTOCHOS**  
**CHAPTER NOW**

**65 MEMBERS STRONG!**  
**BUT WE STILL NEED YOU!!**

*See Presvytera Denise in the  
Bookstore to complete your  
membership form.*

*We accept new members  
continually throughout the year.*

**PHILOPTOCHOS BAKING DAY**  
**(KOULOOURAKIA)**



**Wednesday, April 17<sup>th</sup> - 9:30 am.**  
*Everyone welcome!*



**Love to take photos?**

**Come join our Photo Ministry!**

It's a fun and creative way to serve and to show the community all  
the beautiful services and wonderful activities  
we have here at St. John.

**All Abilities are welcome!**

*Please call or text Karina Findlay at (813) 476-9632*

**Did You Know** - Constant Contact is how the church shares communications regarding services, ministry events, publications and other news impacting our parish community. In addition, Fr. Stavros Daily Prayer Message is also shared via Constant Contact. If you don't currently receive these emails please contact the church office at **813- 876-8830** or email us at [office@stjohntpa.org](mailto:office@stjohntpa.org) and we'll be sure to get you signed up.

## Altar Boy Schedule

**April 7**  
GOYANS ONLY

**Captains**  
Demetri Passalaris  
Nicholas Akrotirianakis  
Nicholas Magos  
Nicholas Carter  
George Xenick  
PJ Zelatis

**April 14**  
Teddy Kafentaris  
Andreas Stefanou  
Kris Christopher  
Vasilios Panos  
Jonah Blakenbaker  
Theodore Edquid

## SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS & TOPICS

**April 7**

Holy Cross (3rd Sunday of Lent)  
7th-12th Stay in Church



**April 14**

Faith (4th Sunday of Lent)

**If you do not receive our weekly Sunday School Constant Contact every Friday afternoon, please e-mail Vickie Peckham to let her know. Her e-mail address is [vickiepeckham@gmail.com](mailto:vickiepeckham@gmail.com)**

Prayer List: Lord Jesus Christ, Physician of our Souls and Bodies, visit and heal your servants: Athena Felley, Melissa Romero, Sandra Reyes, Miltiadis, Larry Maas; Konstantinos Triantafyllopoulos; Kostadinos Booras; Michael I, Anna Maria & Thomas Reilly; Jim Armstrong, Calliope Herman; Delaney & Alexis Johnson; Ron & Linda Ledet; Helen & Mike Mitchell, Elena, Ricky & Michael Gordenina, Tina Chakonas, Felix R., Ivco; George Joseph; Anna, Stavroula, George, Pam, and Liz; Christopher Labatos; Eva Coppalla; Christopher; Christopher; Peter Nenos; Patrick Carroll; Ourania Tziotis, Irina, Marina, Yuri, and Christophoros; Ashley Snyder; Evangelos & Caroline Critkas; Christine Alex, June, Lillian Thomas; Scotty; Desi Serriera; Ashley Kladakis; Dora Kallas, Kathy & Andrew Bouzinekis; Anastasia; Virginia Georgiou, Toulia Tsaros, Nellie Pringle, Yolanda Webb, Angela Bougas, Ron, Jason Vickers, Rex Garrison, Ann Demas, Christina Noel Kouzes Houck, Evangeline Xeroteris, Ashley Henderson, Natalie Henderson, Chris, Debbie, James, Avery, Lily, Jacob, Jesse, Ann, Rosario, Alissa, John, Angela, Joey, Christine Scourtes, Steven, Phyllis, John Zelatis, Reagan, Peter Zaharis, Alexandra Ferrarolis, Leon & Despina Botham, Cindy Xenick, Mary Ellen Evdemon, Marie Sofia Panagopoulos, Maria Hursey, Chris Vamvakias, Mike Trimis, Michael Romero, George Hambos, Dean Kondilis and Family, Bill and Nancy Manikas, Patricia Costello, Ekaterina & Anna S. Dora K., Debbie P., Mary V., David V., Don Payne, Valery, Jimmy, Timoleon, Elias, Anna, Damynos, Anna C., Anthony Welker and all victims of war, terrorism, crime, natural disaster, and all of whom we are unaware.

# Upcoming Services & Events

<b>Sunday, April 7</b>	<b>Third Sunday of Great Lent—Veneration of the Holy Cross</b> <b>Orthros 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>Divine Liturgy 9:45 a.m.</b> Procession of the Holy Cross at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy
<b>Monday, April 8</b>	Young Adult Discussion                      6:30-8:30 p.m.
<b>Tuesday, April 9</b>	Women's Bible Study                      10:00 a.m. Great Compline                      5:30 p.m. Bible Study                      6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, April 10</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Hour</b> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> <b>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Lenten Dinner/Discussion (sponsored by Young at Heart/Welcome Ministry)
<b>Thursday, April 11</b>	Choir Practice                      7:15 p.m.
<b>Friday, April 12</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Hour</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Salutations to the Virgin Mary</b> <b>6:30 p.m.</b>
<b>Saturday, April 13</b>	Children's Greek School Young at Heart
<b>Sunday, April 14</b>	<b>Fourth Sunday of Great Lent—St. John of the Ladder</b> <b>Orthros 8:30 a.m.</b> <b>Divine Liturgy 9:45 a.m.</b> Philoptochos Meeting
<b>Tuesday, April 16</b>	Men's Group                      5:00 p.m. Women's Bible Study                      10:00 a.m. Great Compline                      5:30 p.m. Bible Study                      6:30 p.m. Parish Council                      6:30 p.m.
<b>Wednesday, April 17</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Hour</b> <b>5:30 p.m.</b> <b>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy</b> <b>6:00 p.m.</b> Lenten Dinner/Discussion (sponsored by Philoptochos)
<b>Thursday, April 18</b>	Choir Practice                      7:15 p.m.
<b>Friday, April 19</b>	<b>9<sup>th</sup> Hour</b> <b>9:30 a.m.</b> <b>Pre-Sanctified Liturgy</b> <b>10:00 a.m.</b> <b>Vigil of the Akathist</b> Akathist Hymn                      6:30 p.m. Divine Liturgy                      8:15 p.m.
<b>Saturday, April 20</b>	Community Outreach Children's Greek School
<b>Sunday, April 21</b>	<b>Fifth Sunday of Great Lent—St. Mary of Egypt</b> Orthros 8:30 a.m.                      Divine Liturgy 9:45 a.m. Youth Sunday GOYA                      5:00 p.m.

## Religious Education at St. John

### Women's Bible Study

*Leader: Fr. Stavros*

April 9: **Tuesday** at 10:00 a.m.

### Tuesday Night Bible Study

*Leader: Fr. John*

April 9: **Tuesday** at 6:30 p.m.

<b>Parish Priest:</b>	Rev. Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis	813-394-1038
<b>Retired Priest in Residence:</b>	Rev. Fr. Stratton Dorozenski	813-876-8830
<b>Retired Priest in Residence:</b>	Rev. Fr. John Stefero	678-637-4425
<b>Bookkeeper:</b>	Debbie Bowe	813-876-8830

<b>Parish Council:</b>	John Zelatis, President	813-727-2271
	Euripides Panos, Vice President	813-352-3972
	Marilyn Sandborn, Secretary	813-760-6289
	Mike Xenick, Treasurer	813-340-8737
	George Ameres	941-720-3494
	Peggy George	813-727-5587
	Peter George	781-910-9971
	Amin Hanhan	813-846-2957
	Suzanne Pileggi	813-244-5855
	Alexis Scarfogliero	813-892-1599
	Marcelle Triantafilou	612-396-5026

**12 Disciples**

<b>AHEPA:</b>	Thomas Sakaris, President	201-819-2319
<b>Altar Angels:</b>	Kalliope Chagaris	813-789-4134
<b>Bible Study:</b>	Fr. John Stefero	678-637-4425
<b>Bookstore:</b>	Pres. Denise Stefero	678-464-4833
<b>Choir:</b>	Tara Swartzbaugh, Director	813-313-0439
	Ruth Losoviz, Organist	727-688-2782
<b>College Ministry:</b>	Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis	813-394-1038
<b>Community Outreach:</b>	Greg Melton	813-967-2074
<b>Dance Groups:</b>	Η ΧΑΡΑ ΜΑΣ, Alexandra De Maio	813-340-9668

	Maraquet Edquid	813-422-8963
	ΠΑΡΕΑ, Marina Choundas	813-877-6136
	Genie Carter	813-363-2362
	ΠΑΝΗΓΥΡΙ, Alexandra De Maio	813-340-9668

<b>Daughters of Penelope:</b>	Elena Ketchum	813-229-0144
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<b>Finance Committee:</b>	Gary Ward	813-846-3898
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<b>Food Pantry:</b>	Sandra Pappas	813-785-3747
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<b>GOYA:</b>	Michael & Bessie Palios	813-523-0346
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<b>Hope/Joy:</b>	George & Zackie Ameres	813-245-3813
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<b>Photography Ministry:</b>	Karina Findlay	813-476-9632
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<b>Philoptochos:</b>	Katherine Sakkis	813-309-1073
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<b>Stewardship:</b>	Chris Cyrus	757-672-1920
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	George Mitseas	813-748-1220
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<b>Sunday School:</b>	Vickie Peckham	813-758-3102
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<b>Ushers</b>	Pete Trakas	813-505-2193
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<b>Veterans/1st Responders</b>	Fr. John Stefero	678-637-4425
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<b>Welcoming Ministry:</b>	Maria Xenick	813-765-3587
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<b>Women's Bible Study:</b>	Fr. Stavros Akrotirianakis	813-876-8830
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<b>Young Adults</b>	Aris Rogers	813-309-5525
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<b>Young at Heart:</b>	Dora Morgan	813-613-3738
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<b>Youth Protection:</b>	Suzanne Pileggi	813-244-5855
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