



# Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

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METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA



**September 2, 2018**

**Let your light so shine before men, that they may see your good works and glorify your Father in heaven. (Matthew 5:16)**



## ST. BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH MISSION

*St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church follows the Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ assisting those in spiritual and physical need towards a transformed life and sanctifying the lives of the faithful through the Holy Sacraments.*

### TODAY'S EVENTS

- **8:00a Matins**
- **9:30a Divine Liturgy**
- **10:00a Adult Bible Study/Faith Seminar**  
(in the Church Hall after distribution of Holy Communion)
- 10:45a **Confirmation** of Elias & Ann Marie Katra (Children of Richard and Angie Katra)
- 11:00a **Churching** of Luna-Elena Ungur (Daughter of Ionut & Mina Ungur)
- 11:15a 40 Day Memorial Prayers for **+Anthoula** Konstandaras.  
Memorial Services are also being held today in Chios, Greece.

### YOUTH MINISTRY REGISTRATION

Please stop by the Registration table in the Fellowship Hall and register your children for 2018-2019 Youth Ministries season.

### WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

**We are very pleased to have you joining us in worship on the Lord's Day.**

- Regarding the Holy Communion, we would like to inform you that **ONLY the faithful who were baptized or confirmed in the Orthodox Church and have prepared themselves properly** (fasting, reconciliation with everyone and receiving the Holy Mystery of Confession) **may receive Holy Communion.**
- Please follow the ushers as they direct the parishioners, row by row, during Holy Communion as follows:
  - **Parishioners in Wheelchairs**
  - **Sunday School Children and their parents**
  - **The Choir**
  - **Row by row beginning with the front pews**
- Receiving antidoron (the blessed bread) from the priest after the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy is the proper etiquette of dismissal from the service.

### USHERS SCHEDULE

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| This Sunday | Parish Council |
| Next Sunday | Michael Ameres |

## 14th Sunday of Matthew

### Synaxarion for September 2, 2018

*Saints and Feasts: Mammias the Martyr, John the Abstainer, Patriarch of Constantinople, Paul, Patriarch of Constantinople, Ammon & Aeithalas the Martyrs of Thrace, Cosmas the Hermit*



#### HYMNS OF THE SMALL ENTRANCE (WITH THE GOSPEL BOOK)

##### Resurrectional Apolitikion Tone 5 (Hymnal pg. 76)

Let us faithful give praise and worship the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation. He ascended in the flesh on the cross of His own will. And He suffered death and raised the dead by His Glorious Resurrection.

##### For the Saint Mode 4. *Come quickly*

Your Martyr, O Lord, was worthily awarded by You the crown of incorruption, in that he contested for You our immortal God. Since he possessed Your power, he defeated the tyrants, dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. O Christ God, at his fervent entreaties, save our souls.

##### Apolytikion of Saint Great Martyr Barbara (Hymnal Page 10)

Let us honor most Holy Barbara. With the cross she shattered the trap of the enemy. And in her modesty, she was freed like a bird.

##### Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον. Ἦχος πλ. α΄

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠὲ δόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγείραι τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

##### Τοῦ Ἁγίου Ἦχος δ΄. *Ταχὺ προκατάλαβε*

Ὁ Μάρτυς σου Κύριε, ἐν τῇ ἀθλήσει αὐτοῦ, τὸ στέφος ἐκομίσαστο τῆς ἀφθαρσίας, ἐκ σοῦ τοῦ Θεοῦ ἡμῶν· ἔχων γὰρ τὴν ἰσχύν σου, τοὺς τυράννους καθεῖλεν· ἔθραυσε καὶ δαιμόνων, τὰ ἀνίσχυρα θράση, αὐτοῦ ταῖς ἰκεσίαις Χριστέ, σῶσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

##### Ἀπολυτίκιον Τῆς Ἁγίας Μεγαλομάρτυρος Βαρβάρας

Βαρβάραν τὴν ἁγίαν τιμήσωμεν ἐχθροῦ γὰρ τὰς παγίδας συνέτριψε, καὶ ὡς στρουνθίον ἐφόρυσθη ἐξ αὐτῶν, βοήθεια καὶ ὄπλῳ τοῦ Σταυροῦ ἡ πάνσεμος

### Kontakion Mode 4

Both Joachim and Anna from their sterility's stigma, and Adam and Eve from their mortality's ruin have been set free, O immaculate Maid, by your holy nativity. For this do your people hold celebration, redeemed from the guilt of transgression as they cry to you, "The barren one bears the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life."

### Epistle Reading:

#### St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 1:21-24; 2:1-4

Brethren, it is God who establishes us with you in Christ, and has commissioned us; He has put His seal upon us and given us His Spirit in our hearts as a guarantee. But I call God to witness against me - it was to spare you that I refrained from coming to Corinth. Not that we lord it over your faith; we work with you for your joy, for you stand firm in your faith. For I made up my mind not to make you another painful visit. For if I cause you pain, who is there to make me glad but the one whom I have pained? And I wrote as I did, so that when I came I might not suffer pain from those who should have made me rejoice, for I felt sure of all of you, that my joy would be the joy of you all. For I wrote you out of much affliction and anguish of heart and with many tears, not to cause you pain but to let you know the abundant love that I have for you.

### Κοντάκιον Ἦχος δ'

Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννα ὄνειδισμοῦ ἀτεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδὰμ καὶ Εὐά, ἐκ τῆς φθορᾶς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν, Ἄχραντε, ἐν τῇ ἀγία γεννήσει σου· αὐτὴν ἐορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαός σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν πταισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἡ στειρὰ τίκτει τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.

### Ἀνάγνωσις Ἐπιστολῆς:

#### Πρὸς Κορινθίους α' 16:13-24

Ἀδελφοί, γρηγορεῖτε, στήκετε ἐν τῇ πίστει, ἀνδρίζεσθε, κραταιοῦσθε. Πάντα ὑμῶν ἐν ἀγάπῃ γινέσθω. Παρακαλῶ δὲ ὑμᾶς, ἀδελφοί - οἴδατε τὴν οἰκίαν Στεφανᾶ, ὅτι ἐστὶν ἀπαρχὴ τῆς Ἀχαΐας, καὶ εἰς διακονίαν τοῖς ἁγίοις ἔταξαν ἑαυτοὺς - ἵνα καὶ ὑμεῖς ὑποτάσσησθε τοῖς τοιούτοις, καὶ παντὶ τῷ συνεργοῦντι καὶ κοπιῶντι. Χαίρω δὲ ἐπὶ τῇ παρουσίᾳ Στεφανᾶ καὶ Φουρτουνάτου καὶ Ἀχαϊκοῦ, ὅτι τὸ ὑμῶν ὑστέρημα οὗτοι ἀνεπλήρωσαν. Ἀνέπαιψαν γὰρ τὸ ἐμὸν πνεῦμα καὶ τὸ ὑμῶν· ἐπιγινώσκετε οὖν τοὺς τοιούτους. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς αἱ ἐκκλησίαι τῆς Ἀσίας· ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς ἐν κυρίῳ πολλὰ Ἀκύλας καὶ Πρίσκιλλα, σὺν τῇ κατ' οἶκον αὐτῶν ἐκκλησίᾳ. Ἀσπάζονται ὑμᾶς οἱ ἀδελφοὶ πάντες. Ἀσπάσασθε ἀλλήλους ἐν φιλήματι ἁγίῳ. Ὁ ἀσπασμὸς τῇ ἐμῇ χειρὶ Παύλου. Εἴ τις οὐ φιλεῖ τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, ἤτω ἀνάθεμα. Μαρὰν ἀθά. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μεθ' ὑμῶν. Ἡ ἀγάπη μου μετὰ πάντων ὑμῶν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ. Ἀμήν.

**Gospel Reading:  
Matthew 22:2-14**

The Lord said this parable, "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a marriage feast for his son, and sent his servants to call those who were invited to the marriage feast; but they would not come. Again he sent other servants, saying, 'Tell those who are invited, Behold, I have made ready my dinner, my oxen and my fat calves are killed, and everything is ready; come to the marriage feast.' But they made light of it and went off, one to his farm, another to his business, while the rest seized his servants, treated them shamefully, and killed them. The king was angry, and he sent his troops and destroyed those murderers and burned their city. Then he said to his servants, 'The wedding is ready, but those invited were not worthy. Go therefore to the thoroughfares, and invite to the marriage feast as many as you find.' And those servants went out into the streets and gathered all whom they found, both bad and good; so the wedding hall was filled with guests. But when the king came in to look at the guests, he saw there a man who had no wedding garment; and he said to him, 'Friend, how did you get in here without a wedding garment?' And he was speechless. Then the king said to the attendants, 'Bind him hand and foot, and cast him into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth.' For many are called, but few are chosen."

**Ἀνάγνωσις Εὐαγγελίου:  
Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 21:33-42**

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἴαλλην παραβολὴν ἀκούσατε. ἄνθρωπός τις ἦν οἰκοδεσπότης, ὅστις ἐφύτευσεν ἀμπελῶνα καὶ φραγμὸν αὐτῷ περιέθηκε καὶ ὠρυξεν ἐν αὐτῷ ληνὸν καὶ ὠκοδόμησε πύργον, καὶ ἐξέδοτο αὐτὸν γεωργοῖς καὶ ἀπεδήμησεν. ὅτε δὲ ἤγγισεν ὁ καιρὸς τῶν καρπῶν, ἀπέστειλε τοὺς δούλους αὐτοῦ πρὸς τοὺς γεωργοὺς λαβεῖν τοὺς καρποὺς αὐτοῦ. καὶ λαβόντες οἱ γεωργοὶ τοὺς δούλους αὐτοῦ ὄν μὲν ἔδειραν, ὄν δὲ ἀπέκτειναν, ὄν δὲ ἐλιθοβόλησαν. πάλιν ἀπέστειλεν ἄλλους δούλους πλείονας τῶν πρώτων, καὶ ἐποίησαν αὐτοῖς ὡσαύτως. ὕστερον δὲ ἀπέστειλε πρὸς αὐτοὺς τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ λέγων· ἐντραπήσονταί τὸν υἱὸν μου. οἱ δὲ γεωργοὶ ἰδόντες τὸν υἱὸν εἶπον ἐν ἑαυτοῖς· οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ κληρονόμος· δεῦτε ἀποκτείνωμεν αὐτὸν καὶ κατάσχωμεν τὴν κληρονομίαν αὐτοῦ. καὶ λαβόντες αὐτὸν ἐξέβαλον ἔξω τοῦ ἀμπελῶνος, καὶ ἀπέκτειναν. ὅταν οὖν ἔλθῃ ὁ κύριος τοῦ ἀμπελῶνος, τί ποιήσει τοῖς γεωργοῖς ἐκείνοις; λέγουσιν αὐτῷ· κακοὺς κακῶς ἀπολέσει αὐτούς, καὶ τὸν ἀμπελῶνα ἐκδώσεται ἄλλοις γεωργοῖς, οἵτινες ἀποδώσουσιν αὐτῷ τοὺς καρποὺς ἐν τοῖς καιροῖς αὐτῶν. λέγει αὐτοῖς ὁ Ἰησοῦς· οὐδέποτε ἀνέγνωτε ἐν ταῖς γραφαῖς, λίθον ὃν ἀπεδοκίμασαν οἱ οἰκοδομοῦντες, οὗτος ἐγενήθη εἰς κεφαλὴν γωνίας· παρὰ Κυρίου ἐγένετο αὕτη, καὶ ἐστὶ θαυμαστὴ ἐν ὀφθαλμοῖς ἡμῶν;

## THIS WEEK'S EVENTS

### Monday, September 3, 2018

Anthimus, Bishop of Nicomedeia

**LABOR DAY!**

**OFFICE CLOSED**

### Tuesday, September 4, 2018

Babylas the Holy Martyr

- 6:30a Parish Council Meeting

### Wednesday, September 5, 2018

Holy Prophet Zacharias, Father of the Venerable Forerunner

- 6:00p First Day of Greek School

### Thursday, September 6, 2018

The Commemoration of the Miracle Wrought by Archangel Michael in Colossae (Chonae)

- 7:00p Chanting/Singing Class

### Friday, September 7, 2018

The Forefeast of the Nativity of the Theotokos

- **4:30p Akathist Hymn in Praise of God's Creation**

### Saturday, September 8, 2018

The Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary

- **8:30a Matins**
- **9:30a Divine Liturgy**



#### CIRCLE OF PRAYER

Chris, Georgia, Maria, Olga, Beth, John, Deborah, Josh, Athena, Allan, Magda, Nicholas, Maria, Electra, Peter, Michael, Constantine, Sherry, Andrew, Alan, Elenie, Nasko, Jean, Harry, Barbara, Mike, Mitchell and Margie.

➡ Today the second collection basket is designated for  
**The Sound System**



## STEWARDSHIP: A WAY OF LIFE

If you are passionate about the direction that our beloved Saint Barbara Parish takes, know that a Steward in Good Standing has the right to attend all regular and special Parish Assemblies, take part in its discussions and vote therein, be elected a member of the Parish Council, and in such position, take part in the administration of the Parish and in the direction of its life and activities.

If you have not already done so, kindly fulfill your 2018 Stewardship Pledge!

### CHURCH OFFICE HOURS

**The Church Office hours are Monday—Friday from 9am—5pm with lunch from 1pm—2pm.**

### COFFEE HOUR

The coffee hour today is sponsored by Richard and Angie Katra in Honor of the Chrismation of their children, Elias and Ann Marie.



## PHILOPTOCHOS



## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

We were delighted to see everyone at the meeting last Saturday. The dishes the ladies brought were scrumptious, Thank You! Below is a snap shot of what we

discussed.

**Our Vision for 2018-2019!**

1. **Staying Positive**—All Things are possible to the one who believes in Christ.
2. **A Better Self**—Spiritual, health and financial education.
3. **Reaching a broader audience**—getting the Philoptochos message out to the community.

**Some of the Items discussed/voted on at the meeting:**

- \$500.00 Summer donation to assist with the Greece Fires.
- \$500.00 Commitment to IOCC for the same.
- \$200.00 Available monthly in gift cards for Fr. John to distribute.

The Sarasota Jewish federation is honoring Greece this year for their efforts to assist the Jewish population during the Holocaust. We will be hosting an event in the Hall at the end of the year—Date TBD.

Everyone was asked to be sure their email, phone numbers and addresses were up to date—we communicate via phone, email and the bulletin.

**Save the Dates:**

Taverna Night—October 20th  
 Autumn Fest—November 17th & 18th  
 Baking with Yia Yia—December 14th  
 Holiday Luncheon—December 15th

**MEALS ON WHEELS NEEDS YOU!**

Volunteers are needed on Saturdays thru October to assist in packing the meals. 8:00 and 10:00am. 421 N Lime Avenue, Sarasota. Call Marilyn to reserve your spot 941-545-5363.

**PILGRIMAGE TRIP OPPORTUNITY**

Holy Trinity G.O.C. in Clearwater is organizing a bus trip for the entire weekend of September 28-30, the cost is \$240 per person, which includes the bus and two nights hotel stay (double occupancy) at the Marriott near Emory. Besides the opportunity to participate in the procession and arrival of the

*Miraculous Icon of the Panagia* to the Panagia Chapel, we will be able to attend the Annunciation Cathedral's Greek Festival.

Interested parishioners of St. Barbara's will be considered if there are any empty seats left by Holy Trinity parishioners. Please, call June in the office (941)355-2616. On a first call, first serve basis.

***If more than forty (40) of our parishioners are interested in this pilgrimage trip we will make our own transportation/hotel arrangements.***

**ECCLESIASTICAL NEW YEAR BEGINS  
SEPT 1ST**

Our Orthodox Church Year is like a mosaic—many pieces...feast days, fast days, scripture readings, saints' days and much more brought together for us to strengthen us in the faith. Let us all begin this year with a commitment to daily prayer and Bible reading—fasting and attending church whenever there are services. May our Lord be with us and bless our efforts!

**ALL FAITH'S FOOD BANK**

Please continue to support our Food Bank. Your donations of non-perishable food items do make a difference in the lives of others. Please place your donations in the "All Faiths Food Bank" container in our Parish Hall. Thank You! For your support.

## REMEMBER SMYRNA

September 9th marks the 96th year since the veritable holocaust of Smyrna (now Izmir) and the martyrdom of Smyrna's Metropolitan Chrysostomos. During the early 20th century, 1.7 million Greek Christians were forced by the Turkish government to leave their ancestral homes and properties, never to see their homes again. Before the forced exodus of Christians from Asia Minor, many atrocities were carried out. Greek men and boys were not allowed to leave but held back to be exterminated. 1.4 million were massacred.

The burning of Smyrna in September 1922 and the horrors that accompanied the expulsion of the Christian population were the culmination of many years of official and unofficial Ottoman policy. According to the Asia Minor Holocaust Committee, in 1913 Turks who had occupied Eastern Thrace massacred close to 16,000 inhabitants. In the summer of 1914 as many as 400,000 Greek subjects were drafted by the Turkish government to serve in forced labor battalions, only to die from "hunger, hardship, and mistreatment." Along with the widespread Massacres of Armenians that began in April 1915, the Turkish government initiated the expulsion of the Greek population of Pontos in 1916. Over 350,000 Pontian Greeks were massacred. These are just some of the events that have been documented in a lengthy chronology of oppression. In 1997, a memorial was erected in Washington D.C. to commemorate the anniversary of this tragic day—Sept 9th.

With special prayers, let us honor the memory of the 3.5 million Christians who perished and martyred in Asia Minor because of their religion and ethnicity.

***May we never forget and may their memory be eternal!***

FROM FR. FRANK:

### **Where to our St. Barbara children go on Sunday Morning?**

**With their parents they gather to pray at our St. Barbara Church.  
They are ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS!!!**

### **Orthodox Catechism Classes for our Youth- Where good things happen!**

#### **Religious Education is for everyone!**

*It's when we worship and pray in church.*

*It's when we speak the truth in love.*

*It's when we support one another in our spiritual journey of life.*

*It's when we commit ourselves in living our Orthodox Faith.*

*It's when we help a young child light a candle— and make their cross.*

*It's when all of us come together as one*

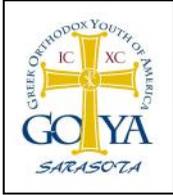
**Becoming and functioning as the body of Christ.**

#### **REMEMBRANCE AND SUPPORT GROUP**

Support Groups are popular ministries in many Greek Orthodox Churches nationwide. Here at St. Barbara, we would like to start a Support Group for ALL who are suffering with a loss of a loved one.

First meeting will take place September 11th, 2018 at 10:00am in the Social Hall in one of the classrooms.

If you are interested, please contact June in the office at 941-355-2616 or email her at stbarbara34243@gmail.com. We would love for you to join us!



## Save the Dates for Fun & Fellowship.

- Fri, Sept 14 @ 7PM: First meeting/parent open-house
- Oct 12-14: GOYA Volleyball tournament in St Pete

### GLENDI 2019

We are in the process of scheduling our First Glendi 2019 meeting. Anyone that is interested with any new ideas or questions, please send an email to George Karabatsos at [sarasotagreekfest.com](mailto:sarasotagreekfest.com).

### ST. BARBARA HELLENIC DANCE PROGRAM

We are looking forward to another exciting year for our Hellenic Folk Dancers.

Our goal is to promote Greek folk dance traditions to younger generations. A team of experienced instructors provides expert instruction in a friendly and supportive environment.

Special Meeting with our HFD parents will be on Sunday, September 9th and the Classes start on Sunday, September 16th after Church Services.

Registration is currently open and we encourage everyone to register promptly. We look forward to seeing all of you for what promises to be another memorable year for our Hellenic Folk Dancers.

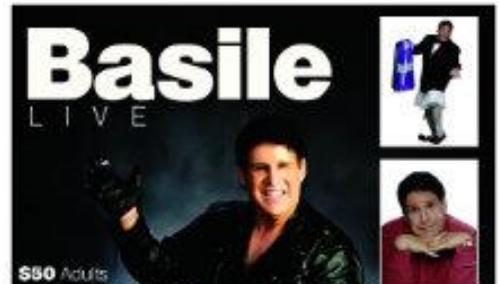
## Basile Live

**Spread the word! Invite Friends!  
Get your tickets now before they are gone!**

We're receiving a great interest for the Basile Fundraiser. If you have not yet secured your tickets, please call today!

**A Great Big THANK YOU to our Sponsors for their Support!**

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**Sat, September 8, 2018**

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

Matheos Hall

409 S. Old Coachman Road

Clearwater, FL 33765

For information & tickets call Dorothy Xinos 213-418-1086 or Carrie Zenzel 727-480-8111  
Suggested audience 12+



## Let us REGISTER. It is AWESOME!

**Planting the Seeds of Orthodoxy:** If you haven't done so yet, please register your teen (7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> grade) for GOYA. Our meetings are held once a month on a Friday night with amazing speakers, topics, activities, and inspiration imbued with the Orthodox faith. **Friends Forever, Orthodox for Life!**



### Why GOYA?

The mission and goal of GOYA ministry is to lead our young people into experiencing the Holy Orthodox Christian Faith. It is not an organization or club but rather a ministry of the Church. By developing a personal relationship with Our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ and becoming active sacramental members of the living Church, our young people will be equipped with tools necessary to assist them in their journey toward salvation. These young people will undoubtedly one day become parish counsel members, Sunday School teachers, and stewards of the church.



## **ST. BARBARA GREEK SCHOOL MISSION**

*The mission of Saint Barbara Greek Language School is to assist in the preservation and enhancement of the Greek culture and language in the United States.*

Classes are held at our Parish Hall beginning on Wednesday, **September 5, at 6:00p.m.**

- The curriculum consists of vocabulary building, reading, writing and grammar with an emphasis on conversation.
- The students' educational and cultural experience also includes
- the "OXI" Day celebration in October,
- "Agios Vasilis" visit during our Christmas celebration party and the
- Greek Independence Parade at Tarpon Springs.

*The Greek school is self-sufficient and it is supported by students' tuitions, fundraisers and donations.*

For further information please call Natasha Smith at (941)727-8824.

***Natasha Smith and Greek school staff***



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