

## 2017 Christmas Caroling Schedule



- ♪ Sunday, December 10th, 1 p.m. @ Hale Ho Aloha ICF/SNF, 2670 Pacific Heights Road
- ♪ Sunday, December 17th, 1:45 p.m. @ Hale Nani Rehabilitation & Nursing, 1677 Pensacola Street

If you would like to make a donation to help decorate the Church with poinsettias for Nativity, please email: [office@greekorthodoxhawaii.org](mailto:office@greekorthodoxhawaii.org).

### Words of Wisdom from the Holy Fathers

*“And the Word became flesh!...in order to make us earthly beings into heavenly ones, in order to make sinners into saints; in order to raise us up from corruption into incorruption, from earth to heaven; from enslavement to sin and the devil – into the glorious freedom of children of God; from death – into immortality, in order to make us sons of God and to seat us together with Him upon the Throne as His royal children. O, boundless compassion of God! O, inexpressible wisdom of God! O, great wonder, astounding not only the human mind, but the angelic [mind] as well!”*

+ **St. John of Kronstadt, Sermon on the Nativity of Jesus Christ**

#### To Our Visitors:

We are pleased that you have chosen to worship with us. Just a reminder, however: the Sacrament of Holy Communion is a manifestation of the *unity of the Body of Christ*. As such, only those who are members in spiritual good standing of the Orthodox Church – and who have prepared themselves for the Sacrament – may partake of the Holy Chalice. However, *everyone* is welcome to come up with our people at the end of the service to receive blessed bread. *Please be sure to join us at Coffee Hour following Services.*

## Ss Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Pacific



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10th Sunday of Luke

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Commemoration of: Menas, Hermogenes, and Eugephos,  
Martyrs of Alexandria; Thomas the Righteous of Bithynia

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### Apolytikia - Entrance Hymns

*Ote katilthes* (Resurrection Hymn) Tone 2

*When You descended to death, O Life immortal, rendered to Hades a mortal blow by Your radiant Divinity, and when from the depths of darkness You raised the dead, all the power of Haven were crying out to You, O Giver of Life, Christ our God, glory to You.* (Translation as sung by the Choir)

*Thi egratias* (Martyrs) Tone 8

*When they had deadened burning impulses and movements \* of sinful passions by their self-control and virtue, \* then the Martyrs of Christ were given the divine grace \* of driving away the illnesses of the sick \* and working wonders, alive and after their death. \* Paradoxical miracle it is indeed, that naked bones \* should pour out cures abundantly. \* Glory be to our only God.* (Translation from AgesInitiatives.com)

*Tu Stavru Su* (Hymn of the Church) Tone 8

*Having seen in the sky the form of Your Cross and, like Paul, having received his calling not from men, Your apostle among Kings, Lord, placed his reigning city in Your hand, which forever you guard in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, for You alone are the lover of mankind.* (Translation as sung by the Choir)

### Kontakion

*I Parthenos simeron* Tone 3

*On this day the Virgin Maid \* goes to the grotto to give birth \* to the pre-eternal Word \* in an ineffable manner. \* Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. \* Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds \* Him who willed that He appear as \* a newborn Child, \* the pre-eternal God.* (Translation from AgesInitiatives.com)

Epistle Reading Ephesians 6:10-17

BRETHREN, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

Gospel Reading

Luke 13:10-17

At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the Sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the Sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the Sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the Sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the Sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

### Activities & Announcements

Today

- ✦ 10th Sunday of Luke; 1 Year Memorial for Ted (Anargyros) Anastasopoulos; Sunday School Christmas Pageant; Philoptochos Christmas Luncheon
- ✦ **Parish Council Election Results**– Congratulations to our newly elected Parish Council Members! They are: Stavros Emery, Scott Pasieta, Susan Shaindlin, and Andrew Tujios. Oath of Office and Election of Officers are scheduled to take place on Sunday, January 14, 2018, pending ratification from the Metropolis.

This Week

- ✦ TUE, 12/12– St. Spyridon the Wonderworker: Orthros 8:30 a.m.; Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
- ✦ THU, 12/14– Parish Council Meeting 5:30 p.m.
- ✦ FRI, 12/15– St. Eleftherios the Holy Priest Martyr: Orthros 8:30 a.m., Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.
- ✦ SAT, 12/16– Christmas Choral Concert, 7 p.m.
- ✦ SUN, 12/17– 11th Sunday of Luke

Upcoming Events

- ✦ **Christmas Choral Concert**– Saturday, December 16th, 7 p.m.
- ✦ **Greek Night 2017 FDF Fundraiser for the Aloha Youth Choir**– Saturday, December 30th, 6:30 to 9 p.m.. Greek dinner and entertainment in the social hall. Purchase tickets online at [aycgreeknight2017.eventbrite.com](http://aycgreeknight2017.eventbrite.com) or see any Aloha Youth Choir family or Mindy Scordilis.
- ✦ **Pastoral Visit from His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos and His Grace Bishop Apostolos**– Wednesday, January 3, 2018 to Monday, January 8, 2018
- ✦ **Epiphany Celebration & Cross Throwing** - Sunday, January 7, 2018
- ✦ **FDF Fundraiser Glendi for Dance Groups**– Saturday, January 20, 2018, 6 p.m. to 9:30 p.m., Dinner and Entertainment in Church Hall. For tickets, contact Dianna Graves or any dancer.