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## WINTER HOURS

Please note that **winter hours** for Church Services will begin on Sunday, September 9, 2012

**Orthros - Greek 8:00 a.m.**

**1<sup>st</sup> Divine Liturgy - English 9:00am**

**2<sup>nd</sup> Divine Liturgy - Greek & English 10:30 am**

**Office Hours 9 am - 5 pm**

## ΧΕΙΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΩΡΕΣ

Οι χειμερινές ώρες θα αρχίσουν την Κυριακή, 9η Σεπτεμβρίου 2012.

Ὁρθρος - Ελληνικά 8:00 π.μ.  
 Πρώτη Θεία Λειτουργία-Αγγλικά 9:00 π.μ.  
 Δεύτερη Θεία Λειτουργία

## FLU VACCINE

Sunday September 23, 2012 during coffee hour 10:30 to 11:30 am.

Age 65 and older: Medicare will cover the cost **PLEASE BRING YOUR INSURANCE CARDS.** Age 9 to 64 insurance will cover the cost this year so please **BRING YOUR INSURANCE CARDS.** MassHealth is excluded. If no insurance there will be a \$ 25.00 charge. A parent needs to be with a minor child to sign consent forms **\*\*DO not receive the vaccine if you are allergic to eggs\*\***

## 2012 DATES TO REMEMBER

WINTER HOURS BEGIN TODAY  
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS TODAY  
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

PEABODY  
 INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL TODAY  
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

ORTHODOX LIFE CLASS BEGINS  
 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

INQUIRER'S CLASS BEGINS  
 TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

GREEK SCHOOL BEGINS  
 WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

FUN & GAMES RESUME  
 THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

COLLEGE STUDENT SUNDAY  
 SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

ST. MAKRINA STUDY GROUP BEGINS  
 WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3

2012 GREEK FESTIVAL  
 OCTOBER 19, 20, 21

# ST. VASILIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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*Sunday before Holy Cross*



**SEPTEMBER 9, 2012**

*Sunday, September 9, 2012*  
*Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)*

**Apolytikion**

O Faithful, let us sing a hymn of praise and worship to the Logos, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, who was born of the Virgin for our salvation. Of His own will He went upon the Cross in the flesh and suffered death, to raise the dead through His glorious Resurrection.

**Apolytikion**

Your birth, O Theotokos, brought joy to the whole world, for from you dawned the sun of righteousness, Christ our God. Freeing us from the curse, He gave us His blessings. Abolishing death, He granted us eternal life.

**Apolytikion**

As we celebrate the memory of Thy righteous ancestors, O Lord, through them we beseech Thee to save our souls.

**Apolytikion for St. Vasilios**

Your message was carried throughout the world. As it received your mighty word, By which you divinely made manifest And clarified the nature of existing things You set in order the customs of men, You who are royal priesthood! Holy Father, intercede with Christ our God To grant us His great mercy.

**Kontakion**

In your holy birth, Immaculate One, Joachim and Anna were rid of the shame of childlessness; Adam and Eve of the corruption of death. And so your people, free of the guilt of their sins, celebrate crying: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos, who nourishes our life."

**Απολυτίκιον**

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν, ὅτι ἠυδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελεῖν ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομείναι, καὶ ἐγείρει τοὺς τεθνεώτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ Ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

**Απολυτίκιον**

Ἡ γέννησίς σου Θεοτόκε, χαρὰν ἐμήνυσε πάσῃ τῇ οἰκουμένη, ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ λύσας τὴν κατάραν, ἔδωκε τὴν εὐλογίαν, καὶ καταργήσας τὸν θάνατον, ἔδωκ ἡμῖν ζωὴν τῆν αἰώνιον.

**Απολυτίκιον**

Τῶν δικαίων Θεοπατόρων σου Κύριε, τὴν μνήμην εορτάζοντες, δι' αὐτῶν σε δυσωπούμεν, Σώσον τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

**Απολυτίκιον του Αγίου Βασιλείου**

Εἰς πᾶσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξῆλθεν ὁ φθόγγος σου, ὡς δεξαμένην τὸν λόγον σου, Δι' οὗ θεὸς πρεπῶς ἔδογματίσας, Τὴν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας. Τὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἦθη κατεκόσμησας, Βασίλειον ἱεράτευμα. Πάτερ ὅσιε, Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ὑπέτευε δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

**Κοντάκιον**

Ἰωακείμ καὶ Ἄννα ονειδισμοῦ ἀτεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδάμ καὶ Εὐὰ ἐκ τῆς φθοράς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν Ἄχραντε, ἐν τῇ ἀγίᾳ γεννήσει σου. Αὐτὴν εορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαός σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν παισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι, ἡ στείρα τί κτει, τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.



**College Student Sunday - Sept 16, 2012**

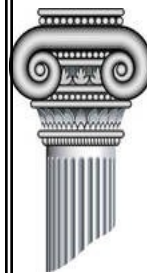
It's that time of year again and as Orthodox students arrive on college campuses, OCF is already in high gear, organizing resources and programs to help our students stay connected to Christ and His Church. On Sunday, September 16th, parishes across North America will be celebrating College Student Sunday and recognizing our college students

**PHILOPTOCHOS TRIP**

Join us for a memorable visit to the breathtaking Hudson Valley on October 24-26. The trip includes a cruise on the Hudson River, tours of the Franklin D. Roosevelt Museum, Frederick W. Vanderbilt's opulent mansion, and the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, and one of the meals at the Culinary Institute of America. To receive a flyer and obtain more information, please call Lola Kalivas at 978-535-0798.

**FROM OUR CHOIR**

Everyone (children and adults) are invited to join us upstairs every Sunday to sing the Divine Liturgy. We also rehearse at the choir loft every Tuesday night at 6:30. Tony Vatosios  
Choir Director  
978-750-9761



**2012 GREEK FESTIVAL**

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19 - 5 P.M. TILL MIDNIGHT  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 20 - NOON TILL MIDNIGHT  
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21 - NOON TILL 6 P.M.



St. Vasilios Greek Orthodox Church Peabody, MA  
Save the Dates as St. Vasilios Prepares for its Annual Festival

**GREEK FOODS • GREEK PASTRY • COUNTRY STORE •  
BOUTIQUES • DANCING • RELIGIOUS DISPLAY •  
ETHNIC DANCES • CHILDREN'S GAMES •  
GRAND RAFFLE**

**PTA COFFEE HOUR:** Please join us for coffee hour today immediately following the first Divine Liturgy in the Educational Center. Our first coffee hour fellowship was generously fully sponsored by John Provas and the Pouloupoulos Family in memory of wife and mother Mary Provas

**COFFEE HOUR:**

As most of you know, while Church School is in session, parents, grandparents and friends gather in the Rev Andrew Demotses Community Center for fellowship and refreshments. These “coffee hours” are a place for us to reconnect with our St. Vasilios family, celebrate joys and be comforted during loss. The St. Val’s PTA supplies and staffs our time together with volunteers, but has always welcomed and encouraged anyone from the community to sponsor a week. These sponsorships help defray the costs of paper goods and supplies. You can use these days to remember loved ones on their birthday, anniversary, name day, christening, celebrating a wedding or mourning at a funeral or memorial service, or just for the good health of family and friends.

Just as the church and families have been feeling the squeeze of the slow economy, rising costs and limited incomes, we have also been struggling with the continued pressures of financing our weekly fellowship. The weekly cost to put forth refreshments is approximately \$250. This accounts for coffee and necessary condiments, donuts, muffins, and paper goods. We operate at a loss each and every week and it has become increasingly more difficult to subsidize.

This year we will again be offering **FULL SPONSORSHIP** for **\$150** with no other sponsors and no donation baskets placed on the tables (unless approved by the family as added income for the group), or **\$50** for a **PARTIAL SPONSORSHIP**. There may be multiple sponsors on such days, and a free will basket will be in place. We also welcome any homemade treat, fruit platter or sweet you would like to provide for the event. Your sponsorship will be listed in the Sunday Bulletin that is distributed in church and placed in a frame on the table of treats.

We ask that you consider sponsoring a coffee hour in the near future or in the alternative, be generous at the free will baskets! Please contact Pam Katsiris at [Pamy-ianmi@comcast.net](mailto:Pamy-ianmi@comcast.net) or 978-740-2449 to reserve your week.

**COFFEE HOUR VOLUNTEERS:**

There will be sign up sheets in the Community Center for those that would like to volunteer some time to help out and serve at our Sunday Coffee Hours. It requires a minimal amount of work. You must help set up around 9 am. There is a guide in the supply closet that will help you, (All the treats and supplies will be on hand for you) serve coffee and refill the treats, and help to clean up after. Please consider helping out this ministry and fellowship.

**Jr. GOYA**

The St. Vasilios Jr. GOYA will be having its first meeting of the new year on Sunday, September 16th at 2:00PM in the parlor room. We'll be planning our activities for the coming year. Jr. GOYA is open to all of our young people in grades 6-8. Come join us and see what we are all about! Please contact Mark Yankopoulos at [mark.yankopoulos@yahoo.com](mailto:mark.yankopoulos@yahoo.com) with any questions.

*The Reading is from St. Paul's First Letter  
to the Galatians 6:11-18*

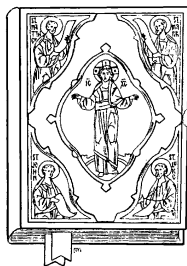
BRETHREN, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and not only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

**Πρὸς Γαλάτας 6:11-18**

Ἀδελφοί, ἴδετε πηλικοῖς ὑμῖν γράμμασιν ἔγραψα τῇ ἐμῇ χειρὶ. Ὅσοι θέλουσιν εὐπροσωπῆσαι ἐν σαρκί, οὗτοι ἀναγκάζουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμνεσθαι, μόνον ἵνα μὴ τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Χριστοῦ διώκωνται. Οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ περιτετημημένοι αὐτοὶ νόμον φυλάσσουν, ἀλλὰ θέλουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμνεσθαι, ἵνα ἐν τῇ ὑμετέρᾳ σαρκὶ καυχῶσινται. Ἐμοὶ δὲ μὴ γένοιτο καυχᾶσθαι εἰ μὴ ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ· δι' οὗ ἐμοὶ κόσμος ἐσταύρωται, καὶ γὰρ τῷ κόσμῳ. Ἐν γὰρ Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ οὔτε περιτομὴ τι ἰσχύει, οὔτε ἀκροβυστία, ἀλλὰ καινὴ κτίσις. Καὶ ὅσοι τῷ κανόνι τούτῳ στοιχήσουσιν, εἰρήνη ἐπ' αὐτούς, καὶ ἔλεος, καὶ ἐπὶ τὸν Ἰσραὴλ τοῦ θεοῦ. Τοῦ λοιποῦ, κόπους μοι μηδεὶς παρεχέτω· ἐγὼ γὰρ τὰ στίγματα τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματί μου βαστάζω. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μετὰ τοῦ πνεύματος ὑμῶν, ἀδελφοί. Ἀμήν.

*Sunday before Holy Cross*  
*The Reading is from John 3:13-17*

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life.



"For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

**Κατὰ Ἰωάννην 3.13-17**

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· καὶ οὐδεὶς ἀναβέβηκεν εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν εἰ μὴ ὁ ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καταβάς, ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ὁ ὢν ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ. καὶ καθὼς Μωϋσῆς ὑψώσε τὸν ὄφιν ἐν τῇ ἐρήμῳ, οὕτως ὑψωθῆναι δεῖ τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχη ζωὴν αἰώνιον. Οὕτω γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν κόσμον, ὥστε τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ τὸν μονογενῆ ἔδωκεν, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχη ζωὴν αἰώνιον. οὐ γὰρ ἀπέστειλεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸν κόσμον ἵνα κρίνη τὸν κόσμον, ἀλλ' ἵνα σωθῆ ὁ κόσμος δι' αὐτοῦ.



WEEKDAY SERVICES	ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ
Elevation of the Cross Friday, September 14 <sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. Orthos 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	Ἡ Ὑψωσις τοῦ Τιμίου Σταυροῦ Παρασκευή, 14 <sup>η</sup> Σεπτεμβρίου 8:00 π.μ. Ὅρθρος 9:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία
Vesperal Liturgy of St. James Monday, October 22 <sup>nd</sup> 6 p.m.	Ἑσπερινός Δευτέρα, 22 <sup>η</sup> Οκτωβρίου 6:00 μ.μ.
Demetrios the Myrrbearer Friday, October 26 <sup>th</sup> 8:00 a.m. Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	Δημήτριος ὁ Μεγαλομάρτυς Παρασκευή, 26 <sup>η</sup> Οκτωβρίου 8:00 π.μ. Ὅρθρος 9:00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

**PLEASE PRAY FOR:** Edward, James, Richard, Anna, Mary, Caitlin, Lexi, Harry, Dan, Christina, Georgia, Serena, Damon, Terry, Christine, Stephen, James, Susan, Cynthia, Richard. If you wish to add or remove a name from the list, please call the Church Office.

**CEMETERY VISITS:** Due to the number of sacraments, 40 day blessings and memorials on Sundays it is difficult to make unscheduled cemetery visits on Sundays after liturgy. If you would like a Trisagion at the graveside you are **kindly asked to make an appointment during the week by calling the church office.**

**HOSPITAL VISITS**

Salem Hospital is making a change in order to be in compliance with new privacy laws. This change will mean that we will **no** longer receive the list of Orthodox patients in the hospital. So, if you or a loved one will be in the hospital please call the church office so that we can pay you a pastoral visit. This change will also affect Beverly Hospital as well. Also, families of people in nursing home please call the church office so that their names will be included on the list of residents.

**MEMORIALS:** We commemorate today the blessed memory of the following Members of our parish who have fallen asleep in the Lord:

40 day	Areti Christ
1 yr	Elaine Papadreau
6 month Trisagion	Haralambos Kardas

**VIGIL LIGHTS**

Elizabeth Aoun in memory of grandmother Elissavet.

**FINANCIAL UPDATE**

The following donations were received on September 2, 2012.

Trays	\$ 335
Candles	\$ 352



**GREEK SCHOOL**

This year we are offering open enrollment for Greek School. You can visit [www.stvasilios.org](http://www.stvasilios.org) and download a registration form or visit the Church Office at your convenience. We have purchased iPads and projectors from the proceeds of our 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebration to make learning Greek more interactive and have installed internet in the school. The first day of Greek School will be on Wednesday, September 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:30 with an Agiasmos Service in the Church. Classrooms will be assigned at the end of the service. Once again, Greek School will meet on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from 3:30-5:00. Greek School is open to students in grades Kindergarten through 7<sup>th</sup> grade in American School. Children entering Kindergarten can enroll in the Pre-K class. For questions contact Principal Dina Kalaitzidis at [greeksschool@stvasilios.org](mailto:greeksschool@stvasilios.org)