



# SAINT SOPHIA GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL



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Sunday Worship: Orthros 9:00 AM, Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM.

## Sunday, May 2, 2010

*Sunday of the Samaritan Woman*

The Tone for this day is the Fourth - The Morning Gospel of the Orthros is the Fifth (John 20:1-10)

**Epistle Reading:** St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 13:7-16

**Gospel Reading:** John 4:5-42;



### Memorial Services: Evanthia Antholis

Today's Coffee Hour is sponsored by  
the Antholis family.



## SUNDAY OF THE SAMARITAN WOMAN



Concerning the Samaritans we know the following: In the year 721 before Christ, Salmanasar (Shalmaneser), King of the Assyrians, took the ten tribes of the kingdom of Israel into captivity, and relocated all these people to Babylon and the land of the Medes. From there he gathered various nations and sent them to Samaria. These nations had been idolaters from before. Although they were later instructed in the Jewish faith and believed in the one God, they worshipped the idols also. Furthermore, they accepted only the Pentateuch of Moses, and rejected the other books of Holy Scripture. Nonetheless, they thought themselves to be descendants of Abraham and Jacob.

Therefore, the pious Jews named these Judaizing and idolatrous peoples Samaritans, since they lived in Samaria, the former leading city of the Israelites, as well as in the other towns thereabout. The Jews rejected them as heathen and foreigners, and had no communion with them at all, as the Samaritan woman observed, "the Jews have no dealings with the Samaritans" (John 4:9). Therefore, the name Samaritan is used derisively many times in the Gospel narrations. After the Ascension of the Lord, and the descent of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost, the woman of Samaria was baptized by the holy Apostles and became a great preacher and Martyr of Christ; she was called Photine, and her feast is kept on February 26.

### Clergy

Rev. Dr. John T. Tavlarides  
Dean  
Rev. Dr. Steven P. Zorzos  
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### Parish Council

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### Chanter

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### Organist

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### Maintenance

Angel Claure

### Office Administrator

Despina Tsamoudakis



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### FESTIVAL COMMITTEE



Our Annual Spring Festival to be held on **May 14, 15 and 16** is just around the corner. The Festival Committee is asking for your generous financial support to help defray the costs of the event. We receive only a few donations of food products and financial donations in the past have been nominal. Please make a generous contribution to help us make the festival profitable. A receipt for tax deduction purposes will be provided. For more information please call the office at 202-333-4730.

### ATTIC TREASURES ARE BACK!!

Please bring any items at home that you want to contribute to the Attic Treasures Tent to the Cathedral office prior to the Spring Festival. Sample items of things to bring are books, jewelry, working electrical items, and Knick Knacksalso, please clean items before you bring them to.

### ORTHODOX ICONS

Many of you have ICONS in your possession, which are not actively venerated. The Cathedral will welcome donations of these Icons for sale at the Spring Festival. Proceeds will benefit the general fund of the Cathedral. Please call Presvytera Harriett Tavlarides at 202-966-2960.

### ANNUAL MERCEDES-BENZ RAFFLE

Only 1,000 tickets will be sold so you have a terrific chance of winning a brand new 2010 Mercedes-Benz GLK 350 4-Matic Luxury SUV or \$40,000 in CASH!

The drawing will be held at the Saint Sophia Cathedral on May 16th at 8:00 P.M. The tickets are \$100 each and all proceeds go to the Cathedral general operating fund. The winner need not be present to win. Licensed by the D.C. Lottery and Charitable Games Control Board. free. Please bring your own drinks. The cookout will be held from 1:00-4:30 pm outside.

### PIANO LESSONS

For children and adults now offered in the Frosene Center. Contact Linda Fotis 301-529-3802 or e-mail he at: [linda.fotis@gmail.com](mailto:linda.fotis@gmail.com).

### MONTHLY FOOD DRIVE

"The monthly Food Drive is **today**. Please remember to bring your food and toiletry donations after Divine Liturgy and deposit them on the cart near the Library or on the cart at the Kitchen door. Thank you for donating 185 items in April!"

### WALK TO CURE DIABETES

Ariadne Manuel, a 13-year old parishioner with Type I diabetes, is walking in the May 2nd Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation's 'Walk to Cure Diabetes.' Ariadne has had diabetes since she was 2, but that hasn't stopped her from leading an active life that includes Sunday school and volunteering at our festival. To donate to her team please visit: <http://walk.jdrf.org/walker.cfm?id=87644485>.

### SUNDAY SCHOOL GOYA

### KINGS DOMINION TRIP SATURDAY MAY 22, 2010

In order to secure a group rate for the tickets, we need to know how many will be able to attend by April 18th. The ticket price is \$35.00 per participant, and all family members are welcome. GOYA will again be providing lunch for everyone. No bus transportation will be provided. However, we have several families with large vehicles who will be happy to provide transportation. Please either e-mail Eleni Planzos at [esplanzos@verizon.net](mailto:esplanzos@verizon.net), or call her at 301-871-9196, for more info.

### Save the Date

Saint Sophia Greek Orthodox Cathedral

Presents

The 2010 Holiday Dance  
"WHITE CHRISTMAS"

Saturday, November 13, 2010

Dinner, Dancing to Greek and American  
Music And more!

Details and Invitations coming soon!



### Sunday School

Director  
Rev. Dr. John T. Tavlarides  
Administrators  
Ann Backus & Vivian Kambanis

### Sunday School Little Angels

Advisors  
Dina Margas  
Kathy Harrison  
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### Sunday School JOY

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Deborah Charles  
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Angela Zambetis

### Sunday School GOYA

Co-Presidents  
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### Sunday School GOYA Activities

Eleni Planzos, Coordinator

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Boys Coaches  
George C. Wallace  
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Condylia Heliotis

### GOYAL

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### Greek School - Children

Director  
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### Greek School - Adults

Director  
Alexandros Alexandrou

### Bookstore

Anastasia Boudouvas  
Arthur Lalos

### Festival Committee

Chairman  
James G. Charles



Blessed are You, O Christ our God. You showed the fishermen to be wise  
in all things when You sent down the Holy Spirit on them; and through them  
You drew the world into Your net. O Lover of humanity, glory to You.



**Hospital Calls:** Our priests make hospital calls upon request. However, to avoid misunderstandings, they will only respond to the call of an immediate family member of the hospitalized person.

**Change of Address and Phone Number.** Please inform the Church office for change of address and phone number prior to your moving. Thank you!



CATHEDRAL BOOKSTORE



Visit the Cathedral Bookstore in the Auditorium after Liturgy today for a large selection of theological and liturgical books, icons, Byzantine music CDs, and tapes. If you have any questions please contact Mrs. Anastasia Boudouvas about our Easter Specials on books and CDs. Some items are also available online.

**Please note:**

Deadline for announcements for the Sunday Bulletin is **THURSDAY 12:00 Noon.**

Please submit notices to the Church Office by mail, fax or e-mail.