

ANNOUNCEMENTS

We will return to our post-Coffee Hour classes today!

Stick around and join in !

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sat. Aug. 5	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 6	8 am	Divine Liturgy
Tues. Aug. 8	6:30 pm	ASONA Movie Night
Sat. Aug. 12	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 13	8 am	Divine Liturgy
Mon. Aug. 14	DORMITION FAST BEGINS	
Sat. Aug. 19	10 am	Transfiguration Liturgy
	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 20	8 am	Divine Liturgy
Sat. Aug. 26	5 pm	Great Vespers
Sun. Aug. 27	8am	Divine Liturgy

ASONA Movie Night

See insert



GREATMARTYR
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ASONA TEXT ALERTS

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And get on our parish text alerts list, and stay up to date via email or text alerts. Text STOP to 84576 to stop text notifications at any time. There is no charge for this service, but carrier message and data rates may apply.

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NORTH AMERICA
CHURCH

SUN. JULY 30, 2023

FATHERS OF THE 6TH EC. COUNCIL

TONE 7

GREAT MARTYR MARINA



Prokeimenon in 7th Tone (Ps 29)

The Lord shall give strength to His people. The Lord shall bless His people with peace!

Offer the Lord, O you sons of God! Offer young rams to the Lord!

In the 4th Tone

Blessed art Thou, O Lord God of our fathers, and praised and glorified is Thy name forever.

1 CORINTHIANS 1:10-18; HEBREWS 13:7-16

Brethren, I beseech you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that ye all speak the same thing, and that there be no divisions among you, but that ye be perfectly joined together in the same mind and in the same judgment. For it hath been reported unto me about you, my brethren, by those who are of the house of Chloe, that there are contentions among you. Now this I say, when every one of you saith, 'I am of Paul,' and 'I of Apollos,' and 'I of Cephas,' and 'I of Christ': Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were ye baptized in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you but Crispus and Gaius, lest any should say that I had baptized in mine own name. And I baptized also the household of Stephanas. Besides, I know not whether I baptized any other. For Christ sent me not to baptize, but to preach the Gospel, and not with the wisdom of words, lest the cross of Christ should be made of no effect. For the preaching of the cross is foolishness to those who perish; but unto us who are saved, it is the power of God..

Brethren, remember those who have the rule over you, who have spoken unto you the Word of God. Follow their faith, considering the outcome of their manner of living. Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, and today, and for ever. Be not carried about with divers and strange doctrines. For it is a good thing that the heart be established with grace, not with meats which have not profited those who have been occupied therewith. We have an altar from which they have no right to eat, who serve the tabernacle. For the bodies of those beasts, whose blood is brought into the sanctuary by the high priest for sin, are burned outside the camp. Therefore Jesus also, that He might sanctify the people with His own blood, suffered outside the gate. Let us go forth therefore unto Him outside the camp, bearing His reproach. For here we have no continuing city, but we seek one to come. By Him therefore let us offer the sacrifice of praise to God continually, that is, the fruit of our lips giving thanks to His name. But to do good and to communicate forget not, for with such sacrifices God is well pleased.+

Alleluia in the 7thTone (Ps 92)

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to Thy Name, O Most High! To declare Thy mercy in the morning, and Thy truth by night!

And in the 1st tone

The God of gods, the Lord, hath spoken, and He hath called the earth from the rising of the sun to its setting.

GOSPEL: MATT. 14:14-22; JOHN 17:1-13

At that time, Jesus saw a great multitude, and was moved with compassion toward them, and He healed their sick. And when it was evening, His disciples came to Him, saying, 'This is a desert place and the time is now past. Send the multitude away, that they may go into the villages and buy themselves victuals.' But Jesus said unto them, 'They need not depart. Give ye them to eat.' And they said unto Him, 'We have here but five loaves and two fishes.' And He said, 'Bring them hither to Me.' And He commanded the multitude to sit down on the grass, and took the five loaves and the two fishes; and looking up to Heaven, He blessed and broke the loaves and gave them to His disciples, and the disciples to the multitude. And they all ate and were filled. And they took up the fragments that remained, twelve baskets full. And those who had eaten were about five thousand men, besides women and children. And straightway Jesus constrained His disciples to get into a boat and to go before Him unto the other side, while He sent the multitudes away.

At that time when Jesus had spoken these words, he lifted up his eyes to heaven and said, "Father, the hour has come; glorify thy Son that the Son may glorify thee, since thou hast given him power over all flesh, to give eternal life to all whom thou hast given him. And this is eternal life, that they know thee the only true God, and Jesus Christ whom thou hast sent. I glorified thee on earth, having accomplished the work which thou gavest me to do; and now, Father, glorify thou me in thy own presence with the glory which I had with thee before the world was made. I have manifested thy name to the men whom thou gavest me out of the world; thine they were, and thou gavest them to me, and they have kept thy word. Now they know that everything that thou hast given me is from thee; for I have given them the words which thou gavest me, and they have received them and know in truth that I came from thee; and they have believed that thou didst send me. I am praying for them; I am not praying for the world but for those whom thou hast given me, for they are thine; all mine are thine, and thine are mine, and I am glorified in them. And now I am no more in the world, but they are in the world, and I am coming to thee. Holy Father, keep them in thy name, which thou hast given me, that they may be one, even as we are one. While I was with them, I kept them in thy name, which thou hast given me; I have guarded them, and none of them is lost but the son of perdition, that the scripture might be fulfilled. But now I am coming to thee; and these things I speak in the world, that they may have my joy fulfilled in themselves.'+

ASONA Movie Night 2023

Tues. August 8th
6:30 pm (movie starts at 7 pm)

Harkins Theaters Arrowhead 18
16046 N Arrowhead Fountains Center Dr, Peoria, AZ 85382



Once again, ASONA Movie Night has returned!

We will be gathering for fun and fellowship to watch

THE MEG 2: The TRENCH

Which features not 1 but 3 Megaladons AND a special appearance by

THE KRAKEN!

Yes, it's basically "Megashark vs Giant Octopus" on steroids.

All are welcome. Please remember if you bring kids, this is a shark movie.
See Fr. John if you have any questions.



GREATMARTYR
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This fall will mark the 5th anniversary for the
GreatMartyr Euphemia Orthodox Theological Academy.

Founded in 2018, originally to provide training and education for men seeking ordination to the diaconate in the Vicariate for Palestinian/Jordanian Orthodox Christian Communities in the United States under the Patriarchate of Constantinople, the Academy now boasts students in 24 countries, and ordained graduates in multiple jurisdictions, including the Patriarchates of Jerusalem, Antioch, Alexandria, Greece, Serbia, and ROCOR.

Many of our own Arizona clergy - both deacons and priests, and some lay Bible instructors - are graduates of the GMEOTA program. Many homeschooling parents have taken courses and graduated as well. GMEOTA has courses in Old and New Testament Scripture, Church History, Canon Law, Patristics, Moral theology, Dogmatic theology, comparative theology, and more!

Classes start September 1st! Enroll now!

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SAINTS ALIVE

The Lives and Deeds of the Heroes of our Faith

Great Martyr Marina

Saint Marina was born into the family of a pagan priest from the city of Antioch, in the center of the Roman Province of Pisidia in Asia Minor. She was raised by a wet nurse who lived on an estate owned by Marina's mother, who died when the Saint was still an infant. From the nurse or from an unnamed man of God from the wanderers Marina learned the basics of Christianity at the age of twelve.

After hearing the story of the conception and birth of Jesus Christ by the Most Holy Virgin, Marina's faith in the Christian God was strengthened, and it was her intention to renounce worldly temptations.

She decided she would never marry and, despite the fact that she attracted the attention of men, she would become the bride of Christ. Some sources explicitly indicate on her willingness to "lay down her life for the Lord."

Olymbrios, the imperial governor of that region, was fascinated by Marina's beauty and wanted to marry her. The Saint did not hide the fact that she was a Christian. Then the ruler gave her into the care of a noble woman, hoping that she would persuade the girl to deny Christ. Then Olymbrios offered her his hand and heart publicly, in the center of the city, from the prefect's podium, but Marina remained unwavering in her refusal.

The temptations of this life, which promised her fame and fortune, were immediately replaced by physical suffering. The forces that made it possible to overcome physical suffering and the temptation to end pain at the cost of apostasy, the Martyr drew from prayers to the Lord. The Saint bravely en-



dured cruel tortures: she was beaten with rods, her body was raked with tridents, they drove nails into her, and burned her with fire.

But even this, the second level of temptation did not exhaust the Saint's feat (podvig). The source of the third level of testing was Satan himself, whose onslaught was also threefold.

The first time the devil appeared to the Saint in prison, on the night after the first day of torture, when she prayed, she folded her arms crosswise.

The peculiarity which distinguishes the Great Martyr Marina from other holy virgins, and even men, is that the girl made active physical resistance to Satan. After entering into single combat with him, Saint Marina continued to pray. Noticing a copper hammer lying in the corner of the dungeon, she grabbed it and began to beat Satan on the head with it, holding him by the horns, and stepping on his neck, Saint Marina said: "Depart from me, O lawless one."

After that, the heavens opened, and the Martyr's body was healed of her wounds from the previous day. A voice from above encouraged her, urging her not to be afraid of anything.

But the devil made a third onslaught on the girl. Under the guise of the frankness of the story of his atrocities, he tried to draw her into those sins to which the Saint was opposed. But Marina defeated the Father of lies, making the Sign of the Cross over him. The abyss swallowed up Satan, and the Saint spent the rest of the night in prayers of thanksgiving and joy until the day of her final contest began.

The eparch tried again to break the Holy Virgin's resistance by torture. The Martyr was suspended on a tree, scorched with fire, dunked in a barrel of water - and that became her Holy Baptism. Suddenly, as she was being submerged in the water, a light shone, and a snow-white dove descended upon the girl with a golden crown in its beak.

The astonished crowd began to praise God and declared themselves to be Christians. The governor ordered everyone to be executed. On that day, together with the fifteen-year-old bride of Christ Marina, 15,000 people were beheaded. This occurred in the year 304.

It has been suggested that at some stage in the history of Western Europe, Marina was renamed Margarita (pearl) in Latin hagiography and it was given to her for beauty and nobility. At some point, the Saint began to be venerated in various parts of Europe under different names. Closer to the south and east she was known by her original name of Marina, but in the west and north as *Margarita*.

GLORY TO GOD FOR ALL THINGS!