

Luncheon on the 1st Tuesday of every month!

All members of our Community are invited to participate in and enjoy a regular luncheon gathering at a restaurant of our choice, a short distance from the Church! We are all brothers and sisters in Christ, and as a Christian family, this will be a gathering for fellowship, conversation and fun! It will be a wonderful opportunity to catch up with old friends and other parishioners, as well as to get to know newcomers to our Church! Please call your friends and invite them to join us! It will be a time where we can enjoy each other's company, create new beautiful memories and offer encouragement and support to each other in times of need!

Our June luncheon took place at the Mediterranean Breeze and what fun we had! The rest of the year, we will be meeting on the first Tuesday of each month at a different restaurant of the group's choosing except the months of July and August. Each of us will be responsible for paying for our own meal, but there are no membership dues required to participate in the group. Our September **luncheon** is at **Mimi's Cafe**. Please give Marina a call so we have an idea of how many people will be joining us! We would love to see you there!

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Sophia & her three daughters:

Faith, Hope, and Love

These Saints were from Italy and contested for the Faith about the year 126, during the reign of the Emperor Hadrian. Faith was twelve years old, Hope, ten, and Love, nine; each was tormented and then beheaded, from the eldest to the youngest. Their mother Sophia mourned at their grave for three days, where she also fell asleep in peace; because of her courageous endurance in the face of her daughters' sufferings, she is also counted a martyr. The name Sophia means "wisdom" in Greek; as for her daughters' names, Faith, Hope, and Love (Charity), they are Pistis, Elpis, and Agape in Greek, and Vera, Nadezhda, and Lyubov in Russian.

Apolytikion of Martyrs

Sophia, Pistis, Elpis & Agape

in the Fourth Tone

O Lord Jesus, unto Thee Thy lamb doth cry with a great voice: O my Bridegroom, Thee I love; and seeking Thee, I now contest, and with Thy baptism am crucified and buried. I suffer for Thy sake, that I may reign with Thee; for Thy sake I die, that I may live in Thee: accept me offered out of longing to Thee as a spotless sacrifice. Lord, save our souls through her intercessions, since Thou art great in mercy.

Welcome Everyone!
Καλώς ήλθατε όλοι σας!



Saint Efstathios

October Luncheon:

**Tuesday, October 4th, at
11:30 am**

OPA! Mezze Grill

In the Ashburn Village

Shopping Center

Tel: (703) 729-2211

Happy Nameday! Χρόνια σας Πολλά!

*August: Sotiris Sotiria (6th), Maria
Marios Panagiota Panagiotis Despina
(15th)*

*September: Stavros Stavrini Stavroula
(14th), Sophia Pisti Elpida Agapi (17th),
Efstathios Efstathia (20th), Frosso (25th)*