

Αγιος Σωτηριος, Αρωνιαδικα

During a recent trip to Kythera, I was fortunate enough to meet an incredibly vibrant priest, Father Sampson from Ayios Sotirios, Aroniadika. He had recently celebrated his Church's 100th Anniversary as seen in the photos on the opposite page. My meeting with Father Sampson was totally by accident. I had some clothes that I wanted to give to the poor, but was unsure if the facility of donating unwanted goods or clothes even existed on the island. Upon talking to a number of people at Potamo one Sunday morning, it seemed that everyone was in agreement that this young priest was the 'go to' man in this regard.

Upon meeting him with my husband, we soon realized that we were in the presence of an extraordinary man with incredible energy and passion for his Church and parishioners. We interrupted him while he was about to recommence painting inside the Church. High scaffolding betrayed the difficulty of the task at hand. Father Sampson gave us a guided tour around his beautiful Church and its grounds. We heard no whining about lack of funds or assistance to do the job, just the enthused ideas of an industrious and humble man who is prepared to roll up his sleeves and work.

Καλη δυναμη Πατερ!

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