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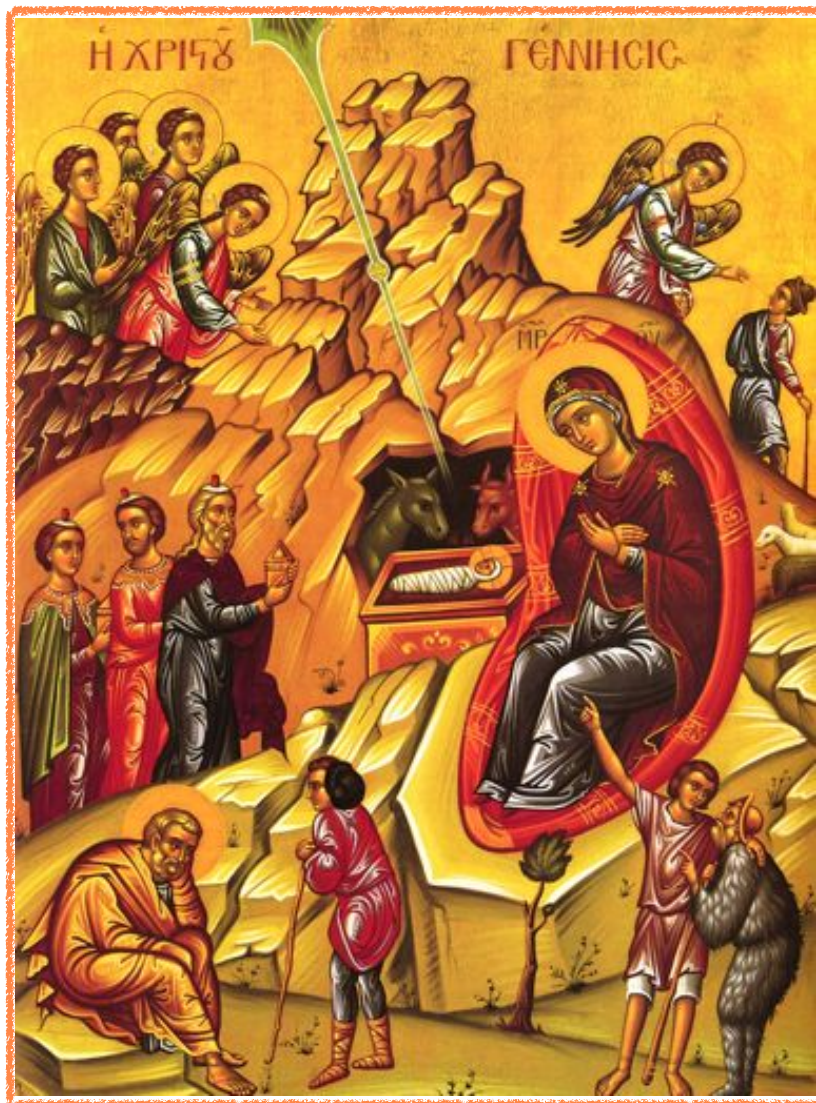
THE MONTHLY BULLETIN

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Marietta, GA

DECEMBER 2010



THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST

Christ is born, glorify Him. Christ comes from heaven, meet Him.
Christ is on earth, be exalted. Sing unto the Lord, all the earth,
and sing praises in gladness, O you people, for He is glorified.

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SUNDAY SERVICES

Orthros..... 8:45 am Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am

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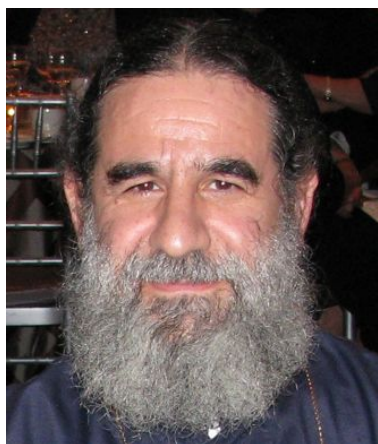
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FROM I-75 Exit at 267-A. At 1st light, turn right (Sandy Plains Road). Continue for 3-4 miles until you see a CVS Pharmacy on your left. At that light turn left onto Trickum Rd. Proceed Approx 1/2 mile. Church will be on your left. Can't miss it!

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THE MYSTERY OF HUMILITY - BIRTH IN A MANGER



The birth of Christ is a momentous event in the history of the world. It occurred at a time when humanity was at a desperate crossroads. The Roman Empire was at its glory, but the people of the Empire lived in the midst of wars, poverty, disease, uncertainty. Their gods to whom they turned for comfort were capricious, full of passions and mischief and provided no hope of transformation for the human person. On the contrary, turning to Zeus, or Poseidon, Mars or Aphrodite, provided no hope of deliverance from their human predicament because the lives of these gods were in many ways full of the same vices that plagued humanity.

On the side of the Jews, centuries had passed since Abraham and Moses and the promise of the prophets for deliverance of the Jewish nation was nowhere in sight. The suffering of the people under the yoke of Roman occupation was growing more and more unbearable. Zealots, one after the other declaring themselves as the promised Messiah, turned to violent resistance against the Romans with the only outcome more bloodshed and further oppression for the people.

It was at such a time that God chose to come to earth as man in a humble manger, unknown by men, but revealed by the angels to simple shepherds. Nature stood still in awe as it beheld the miracle. The ineffable, incomprehensible Yahweh lying in a manger as a vulnerable baby. His mother knew what a great mystery this was, but could not comprehend why she was chosen to participate in it.

The shepherds, simple and faithful, their minds and hearts pure from the machinations of the intellect behold the angel and are filled with fear: *"Be not afraid; for behold, I bring you good news of a great joy which will come to all the people; for to you is born this day in the city of David a Savior, who is Christ the Lord. And this will be a sign for you: you will find a babe wrapped in swaddling cloths and lying in a manger."* (Luke 2:10-12) And they rush to find Him and worship Him as *a multitude of the heavenly host were praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace among men."* (Luke 2:13-14)

He was born humbly, He lived and grew up humbly. He did not attend the great philosophical schools of his time. He lived and worshipped quietly in Nazareth until the time was right. Then, He revealed Himself fully. Since then there has been no prophet, teacher, miracle worker or moral paradigm that the world has seen who can match Him.

He brought a message of peace and hope, not only through the divine wisdom he imparted, but also through the personal example of humility, love and sacrifice that He showed. He gave us the potential to transform ourselves from fallen individuals who are immersed in our passions and vices to "sons of God" like Himself, perfected through the power of the *mystery of humility* revealed to the simple of heart at the manger.

Fr. Panayiotis



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

December 2010

December 1, Wednesday, Blessing of the water 10:00 am.

December 4, Saturday, Great Vespers, 5:00 pm.

December 5, Sunday, Tenth Sunday of Luke.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

December 6, Monday, Feast of St. Nicholas bishop of Myra of Lycia.

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

December 11, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

December 12, Sunday, Eleventh Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythus. Feast of the Forefathers of our Lord Jesus Christ. Feast of St. Modestos (moved from December 16). Feast of St. Dionysios Archbishop of Aegina the Wonderworker (moved from December 17).

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Blessing of the Animals, 3:00 pm.

December 18, Saturday, Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

December 19, Sunday before Christmas, Feast of all the Righteous people from Adam to Joseph, the betrothed to the Most Holy Theotokos.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

December 24, Friday, Morning: The Great Hours of Christmas, 9:00 am

Friday Evening: Christmas Celebration, The Nativity of Christ

CHRISTMAS VESPERAL LITURGY 5:30 pm, Vespereal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great.

A Christmas Reception will follow the Divine Services at the Church Hall.

Παρασκευή Ἑσπέραις: Ἑσπερινή Λειτουργία Χριστουγέννων, 5:30 μμ.

December 25, Saturday, Christmas Day, The Nativity of Christ

The Birth of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

Ἡ κατὰ Σάρκα Γέννησις τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ Θεοῦ καὶ Σωτῆρος ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. Ὁρθρος 9:00 πμ καὶ Θεία Λειτουργία 10:00 πμ.

December 25, Saturday Evening: NO Vespers today.

December 26, Sunday after Christmas. Feast of St. Joseph the betrothed to the Virgin Theotokos.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

December 31, Friday, **Great Vespers 8:30 pm** - Circumcision of Christ, St. Basil the Great.



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

January 2011

January 1, Saturday, Feast of the Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ, Feast of St. Basil the Great

Orthros 9:15 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

On Friday evening (December 31st) Great Vespers at 7:00 pm.

Saturday Evening: NO Vespers today.

January 2, Sunday before the Feast of Theophany.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 5, Wednesday, Forefeast of Theophany (Kalanta).

The Great Hours of Theophany 8:30 am, followed by the Vespers of Theophany and Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great (10:00 am)

Today we hold a strict fast in preparation to receive the Holy Water of Theophany.

January 6, Thursday, Holy Theophany. Feast of the Baptism of Christ (the Feast of Lights).

Orthros, 8:30 am and Divine Liturgy 9:30 am, Great Ayiasmos (Great Blessing of the Waters)

January 7, Friday, Synaxis of St. John the Fore-Runner and Baptist.

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 8, Saturday, Great Vespers, 5:00 pm

January 9, Sunday after the Feast of Theophany.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Vasilopita Sunday. Today we will celebrate the Vasilopita for the benefit of St. Basil's Academy.

January 15, Saturday, NO Vespers today.

January 16, Sunday, 12th Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Anthony the Great (moved from January 16).

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 22, Saturday, Great Vespers, 5:00 pm

January 23, Sunday, 14th Sunday of Luke.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 29, Saturday, Great Vespers, 5:00 pm.

January 30, Sunday, Feast of the Holy Three Hierarchs, Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian and John Chrysostom.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Special presentation following the Divine Liturgy in honor of the Three Hierarchs.

Saint Savvas the New of Kalymnos

December 5 and the 5th Sunday of Great Lent



St. Savvas the New is the patron saint of the Greek Island of Kalymnos, where he lived during the last twenty years of his life as the priest and spiritual father of the nuns of the Convent of All Saints. He was a great ascetic, confessor, iconographer and miracle-worker. He is one of the recently recognized saints in the Orthodox Church.

Saint Savvas was born in 1862 in Eastern Thrace and was baptized with the name of Vasilios. From a young age he had a calling for the holy monastic life and so he left for Mount Athos as a teen where he entered St. Anne's Skete. Along with the usual monastic duties, he learned iconography and Byzantine music.

After a few years, he traveled to Jerusalem for a pilgrimage to the holy sites, and there he entered the monastery of St. George Hozevitou. After a period of being a novice, he was tonsured a monk and given the name of Savvas.

In 1902, St. Savvas was ordained a deacon and a year later he was ordained to the Holy Priesthood. He spent almost 10 years in the desert by the Jordan where he led an austere life

and occupied himself with prayer and iconography. His dwelling consisted of two cells which he reached by ascending up a rope ladder. This isolation was necessary for successful inner concentration and noetic prayer and he made great spiritual progress there.

Due to health reasons and the political situation in Palestine which made life unsafe, St. Savvas returned to Greece where he searched for a quiet place to continue his monastic life. He traveled throughout Greece for three years but could not find a suitable place. His prayers were answered when another saint, [St. Nektarios of Aegina](#), had asked St. Savvas to come to the Holy Trinity Convent in Aegina and serve as a priest for nuns. There he would also be able to teach them the sacred art of iconography and Byzantine music. St. Savvas stayed at the convent for six years, from 1919 until 1925. This time at the Convent was one of the most significant events in the saint's life due to his association with St. Nektarios who was at the height of his spiritual development. St. Savvas had the opportunity to confess and receive counsel from St. Nektarios. The two had the highest esteem for each other and each considered the other a saint. As a matter of fact, St. Savvas painted the first icon of St. Nektarios: One day St. Savvas asked the Abbess not to let anyone disturb him for forty days, during which he remained confined to his cell. After 40 days, he came out of his cell holding an icon of St. Nektarios. He handed it to the Abbess and asked her to place it in the church for veneration. The Abbess was surprised since St. Nektarios had not been glorified ("canonized") as a saint yet and she was afraid that the convent would get into trouble. Although the saint was always meek and humble, he insisted, and told her in a commanding manner: "You must show obedience. Take the icon and place it on the icon stand, and do not scrutinize the will of God." He knew the holiness and purity of St. Nektarios.

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After St. Nektarios reposed, more and more pilgrims would come to the convent due to the growing reputation of St. Nektarios as a miracle-worker. This disrupted the quiet life that St. Savvas loved and so he departed the convent in 1925, again for a quieter life.

St. Savvas spent the last years of his life as the priest and spiritual father at the Convent of All Saints on the island of Kalymnos. As a confessor, he combined leniency with severity. He was lenient on certain sins and severe to others. He remained an ardent spiritual striver until the end of life and practiced extreme forms of self-restraint with regard to food, drink and sleep. St. Savvas became a shining example of virtue to all who came into contact with him. Many smelled a heavenly fragrance in his presence and some even saw him rising above the ground as he stood at prayer.

Towards the end of his life, St. Savvas was in a state of intense concentration and holy contrition. For 3 days he did not receive anyone and he gave his last counsels: requested love and obedience in Christ. When he was on the point of death taking his last breath, suddenly he received strength, brought his blessed small hands together, and clapped them repeatedly saying his last holy words: "The Lord! The Lord! The Lord!". He went to the Lord in 1948 on the eve of the feast of the Annunciation. One nun saw the soul of the saint ascending in a golden cloud towards heaven. After about 10 years when the saint's grave was opened in accordance to the Greek Orthodox custom, a heavenly fragrance emanated from the grave and this was witnessed by many, including the local bishop. This was a testament to the sanctity of the saint. Numerous miracles and healings have since been attributed to St. Savvas the New of Kalymnos.

Apolytikion of St. Savvas of Kalymnos

Let us faithful praise Holy Savvas, the glory and protector of Kalymnos, and peer of the Holy Ascetics of old; for he has been glorified resplendently as a servant of Christ, with the gift of working miracles, and he bestows upon all God's grace and mercy.

Kontakion

Today the island of the Kalymnians celebrates your holy memory with a rejoicing heart; for it possesses as truly God-given wealth, your sacred body that has been glorified by God, O Father Savvas, approaching which they receive health of both soul and body.

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - DECEMBER

12/1/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 4:9-22	Gospel: Luke 20:1-8
12/2/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 1:5-14	Gospel: Luke 20:9-18
12/3/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 1:15-16; 2:1-10	Gospel: Luke 20:19-26
12/4/2010	Matins: Matthew 25:1-13 Gospel: Mark 5:24-34	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5
12/5/2010	Matins: Luke 24:36-53 Gospel: Luke 13:10-17	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2
12/6/2010	Matins: John 10:1-9 Gospel: Luke 6:17-23	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 13:17-21
12/7/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 4:1-13	Gospel: Luke 21:12-16
12/8/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 5:11-14; 6:1-8 Gospel: Luke 21:5-8, 10-11, 20-24	
12/9/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:22-27	Gospel: Luke 8:16-21
12/10/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:18-25	Gospel: Luke 21:37-38, 22:1-8
12/11/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:11-13	Gospel: Luke 13:19-29
12/12/2010	Matins: John 20:1-10 Gospel: Luke 14:16-24; Matthew 22:14	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19
12/13/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 8:7-13	Gospel: Mark 8:11-21
12/14/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:8-23	Gospel: Mark 8:22-26
12/15/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 1:8-18	Gospel: Mark 2:23-28; 3:1-5
12/16/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 10:35-39; 11:1-7	Gospel: Mark 9:10-15
12/17/2010	Matins: Luke 11:47-54; 12:1 Gospel: Mark 9:33-41	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2
12/18/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:8-12	Gospel: Luke 13:19-29
12/19/2010	Matins: John 20:11-18 Gospel: Matthew 1:1-25	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:9-10; 32-40
12/20/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 10:32-38	Gospel: Mark 9:33-41
12/21/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 12:25-27; 13:22-25	Gospel: Mark 10:2-12
12/22/2010	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 1:1-18	Gospel: Mark 10:11-16
12/23/2010	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 1:19-27	Gospel: Mark 10:17-27
12/24/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 1:1-12	Gospel: Luke 2:1-20
12/25/2010	Matins: Matthew 1:1-25 Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:4-7
12/26/2010	Matins: John 20:19-31 Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19
12/27/2010	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60	Gospel: Matthew 21:33-42
12/28/2010	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 3:1-10	Gospel: Mark 11:11-23
12/29/2010	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 2:11-18	Gospel: Matthew 2:13-23
12/30/2010	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 4:7-17; 5:1-9	Gospel: Mark 11:27-33
12/31/2010	Epistle: St. Peter's First Universal Letter 1:1-25; 2:1-10	Gospel: Mark 12:1-12



FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Fellow Parishioners,

What a year... We had record attendance and revenues at our annual festival, we have a sign in front of the church, we lost our activities director, but we gained a new one, we paid down our mortgage on the sanctuary to below 1 million, we have new icons in the iconostasis, and we have the newly installed Pantocrator to round out some of the major milestones for the year. It is all due to everyone in the community and their contributions both big and small.

As we use this time of year to reflect on our accomplishments, let us also remember our blessings, our families and friends, those who have moved on from this life, and those who are just now entering it. Some people found themselves without a job. Some people have been affected by illness. Let us keep them in our prayers.

The Parish Council elections are December 12th. We have some great people running for a coveted spot on the PC. Be sure to vote.

We still have iconography scheduled to be installed throughout the next three to four years. If you want to pledge to a specific icon, please contact the office for more information on how you can do this. If you are pledging to the general icon fund, then thank you.

Now that the Pantocrator is installed, it is time to also focus on new pews for the sanctuary. As many of you have expressed, the old pews have outlived their usefulness, and it is time to work toward getting the permanent pews. If you are interested in helping with the purchase of new pews, again contact the office for more information.

On a personal note, I want to thank each of you for your contributions of time and talent, as well as friendship and words of encouragement. Let us pray that God will continue to bless us, our families and our world.

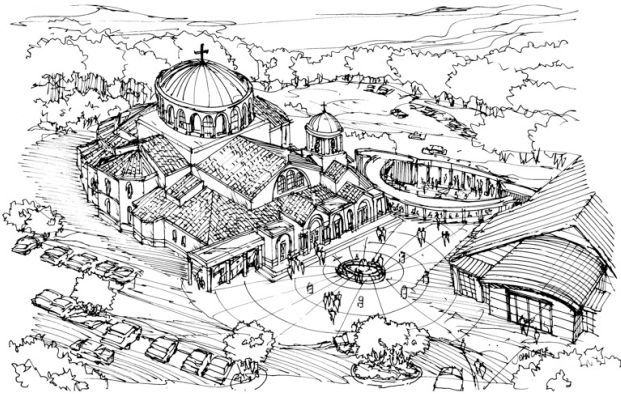
On behalf of the Parish Council, I would like to wish each one of you a blessed Christmas and Happy New Year.

In His Service,

Drew Dudley,
Parish Council President

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Let us gather in the House of the Lord

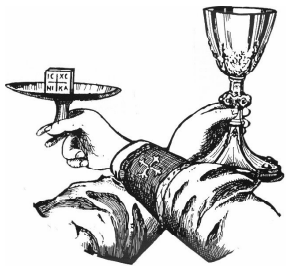


Enabling our hearts to be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches through the understanding of the mystery of God. (Col. 2:2)

Please fill out your Pledge Card today and bring your offering to the Lord.

If you have not done so yet, please send in your 2010 Stewardship Pledge

"Honor the LORD with your substance and with the first fruits of all your produce." (Proverbs 3:9)



**"YOUR OWN GIFTS,
OF YOUR OWN,
WE OFFER UNTO YOU."**

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

Stewardship is the act of returning to God what is His. We offer ourselves and all creation to the Lord at every Divine Liturgy with the words, *"Your own gifts, of Your own, we offer to You."* We acknowledge that everything we offer to God is a gift from Him. We take what God has given to us and we return it to Him as an act of our thanksgiving and praise.

As stewards of God's gifts, we return to Him a portion of our time, talents and treasures so that Christ's work on earth might be accomplished through His Church.

Please join the Stewardship program so that you may receive the joy which He gives to those who love Him!

*"We praise you, we bless you,
we thank you, O Lord and we
pray to you O our God."*

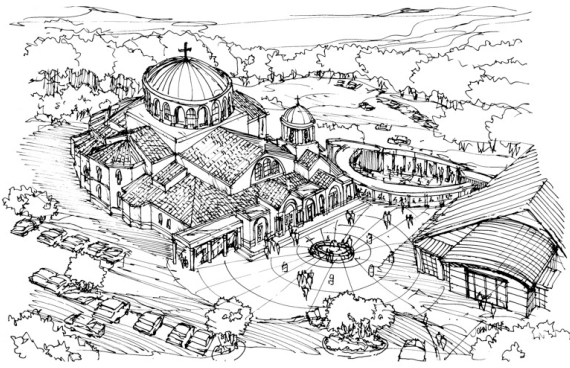
The Necessity of Stewardship

Our Parish depends on the Stewardship of its members. Our Parish is funded by us.

Let us offer to our Parish from the Gifts of God to us. Let us offer in proportion of His Gifts to us. Let us bring our offering with a joyful heart.

You will be Blessed greatly if you support the work of our Parish and the work of His Church.

Have you submitted your Stewardship Card and Building Fund Pledge? If not, please do so today.



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STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES FOR 2010

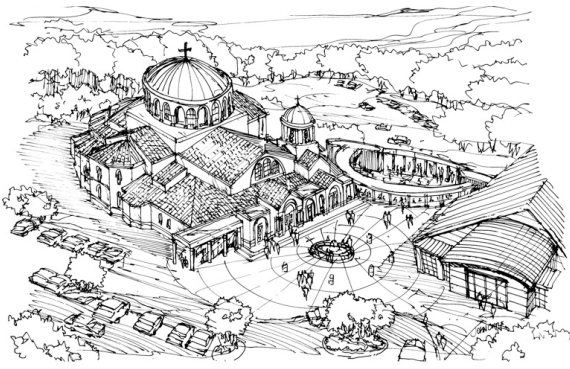
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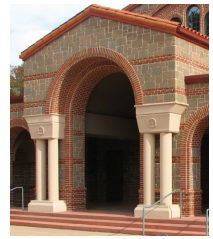
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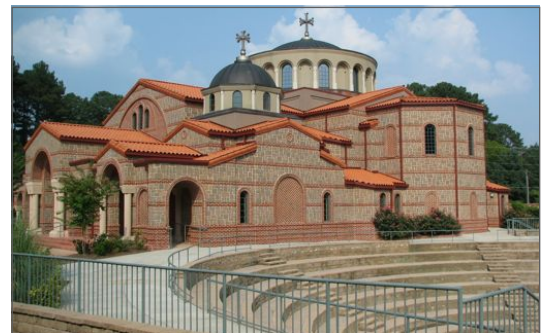
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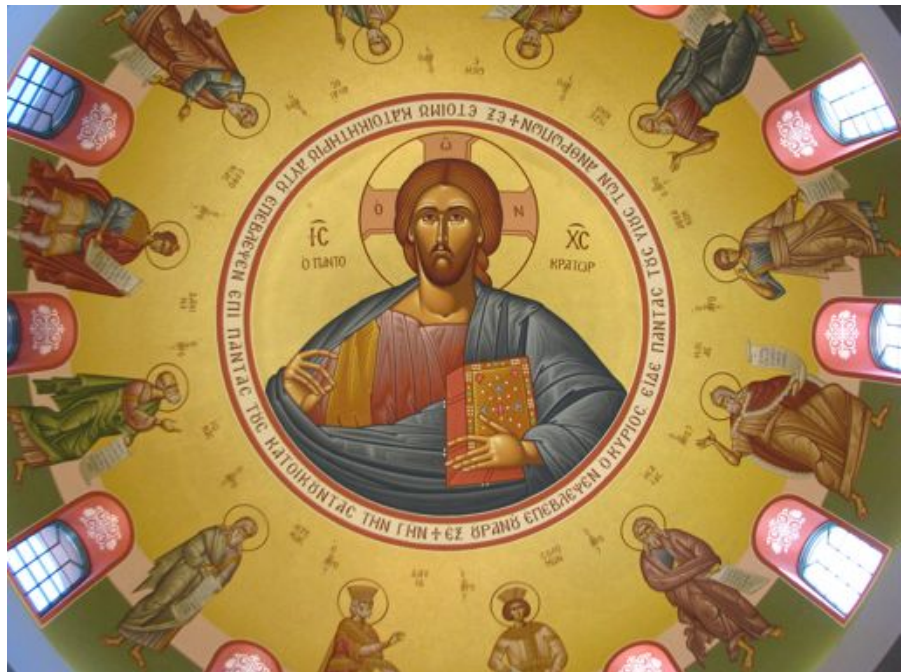
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ALL THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN BAPTIZED IN
CHRIST HAVE PUT ON CHRIST. ALLELUIA.

Konstantinos and Alexia Laios - November 7, 2010



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The Priests And Parish Council Of
Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
Invite You To Participate In A...

Town Hall Meeting

When? - Sunday, December 12th, 2010

Where? - PLC, following The Divine Liturgy

About What? - The future of our community!

Join us in a discussion about the future needs of our church. We welcome *your feedback* regarding the **programs** and **facilities** we may need, to facilitate the growth of our community in the next 5, 10, 15 years!

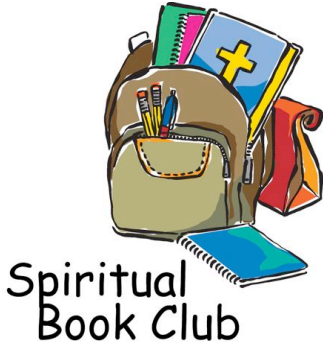
HOPE/JOY

Thank you to all who participated last month. We had a wonderful session with Dr. Larry Gess.

Save the Date: Sun., January 9th, 2011! We invite parents of children of all ages to join us for a gathering in the PLC after coffee-hour. Our guest speaker will be Dr. Stella Michael-Makri and her topic will be "An Introduction to Positive Discipline: Empowering Your Child and Yourself Through Kind and Firm Parenting".



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The next Spiritual Book Club will be held **Sunday, December 5th** from **6:30** till **8:30pm** in the Parish Life Center. The book for discussion is ***The Life of St. Anthony* by St. Anthanasios**. It is available in the bookstore. Please contact **Elene Catrakilis**, elenecat@yahoo.com, if you have any questions. If anyone has any suggestions for spiritual book club reading, please email your suggestions to Elene to be forwarded to Father for consideration.



The Choir welcomes and needs new voices, young and old, to sing with us during services on Sundays and various Holidays. It is not necessary for you to read or speak Greek. Most music is in English phonetics. All we need is for you to make a commitment to sing with us to enhance the spiritual element of the Divine Liturgy and other services.

Practices are limited to certain times of the year held primarily before the Christmas Season and also before and during The Great Lenten Season of Pascha. Most Practices are held @ 7pm on either Tuesdays, Wednesdays and/or Thursday evenings.

Please join us in singing a "Joyful Noise Unto the Lord". For further info, please contact the church office or Demetri Miltiades @ dmiltiades@mslogistics.us

We look forward to you joining us.

Hellenic Dance



Thank you to the 60+ people who turned out for the first Community Wide Dance and Pot Luck on Saturday, November 6th. We had wonderful food, friendship and fun times dancing. A grateful 'Opa!' to the performers of the evening....for Phoenix--- **Catherine Adamson, Jacob Harrah, Stephen Harrah, Paul Jacobs, Stephanie Lilly, and Katie Sarris**. And for Eleftheria--- **Natasha Catrakilis, Alexandra Harrah, Katie Jacobs, Alex Lilly, Sophia Linebaugh, Michael Sarris, and Luke Tassopoulos**.

We look forward to the second Community Wide Dance and Pot Luck scheduled for **Saturday, February 12th**. Hope you all can make it!

All Pre-K through 5th grade dance classes will start mid January. Please watch for future updates concerning these classes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS



THANK
YOU
VERY
MUCH!

Irene Macris and her family would like to thank our friends and church family for helping celebrate her 90th birthday. We appreciate the gifts, flowers, food, and generous donations for the church icon. Your participation made this one of the most memorable days of her life.

Bobby Macris



"As Iron Sharpens Iron, One Man Sharpens Another" (Proverbs 27:17)

Upcoming Events--BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!

December 12 5:00 PM	Christmas Party at the home of Ted & Linda Sampanes (bring your guest)
December 14	Second Tuesday meeting—Guest Speaker - Dr. Michaelides
January 11	Second Tuesday meeting
January 30	Greek Letters Day/ Three Hierarchs Scholarship Luncheon

AHEPA will once again be sponsoring a TOYS FOR TOTS program in December. Now is the time to collect a few new toys for the needy boys and girls! Be sure to bring a gift to the Christmas Party on December 12. Collection bins are now set up in the PLC and church office.

Dr. Kyriakos Michaelides, Honorary Consul of Cyprus, will be our guest speaker at the December 14 Chapter Meeting. Dr. Michaelides will be speaking on the current state of affairs in Cyprus. This will be a very informative discussion.

Atlanta AHEPA Chapter #1 hosted their 21st annual Fellowship Dinner on November 9. Marietta Chapter was well represented and 4 of our members shared in the winnings. We thank **Harry Kipreos** for his culinary expertise and help in preparing the meal for 100 brothers.

Our Marietta AHEPA Brothers recently enjoyed "Cabin Fever", a weekend away in the beautiful North Georgia Mountains in a luxury cabin. Eleven brothers spent time hiking, fishing, watching football, eating really well, and just hanging out around the fire. This high-quality time together provided a great opportunity to get to know each other even better and strengthen our friendships. A special thank you goes to **Tyrone Emery** for his spiritual leadership and support.

Questions about AHEPA? Interested in being a member of this great organization? Please contact Ron Sprouse or any Board Member.

Your Board: Ron Sprouse, Plutarch Vamvakias, Zack Kollias, Harry Kipreos

GOYA WEDNESDAYS IN DECEMBER

Wed. Scripture Reading // Saints commemorated during the week- Can you identify all the Saints?

Wed., 12/01/2010

Epistle:

- 2 Timothy

4:9-22

Gospel:

- Luke 20:1-8



Wed., 12/08/2010

Epistle:

- Hebrew 5:11-14;

6:1-8

Gospel:

- Luke 21:5-8;

10-11; 20-24



Wed., 12/15/2010

Epistle:

- 2 Timothy

1:8-18

Gospel:

- Mark 2:23-28;

3:1-5



Wed., 12/22/2010

Epistle:

- James 1:1-18

Gospel:

- Mark 10:11-16



Wed., 12/29/2010

Epistle:

- Hebrews

2:11-13

Gospel:

-Matthew 13-23



Visit the Online Chapel at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Website for help in identifying the saints commemorated in Dec.

GOYA QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES

Coming Soon...



BIBLE BOWL 2010 at WINTER YOUTH RALLY

-GENESIS 26-50
-THE GOSPEL OF MATTHEW

"Great is the profit to be derived from the Sacred Scriptures and their assistance is sufficient for every need."

"This is the cause of all evils, the not knowing the Scriptures. We go into battle without arms, and how are we to come off safe?"

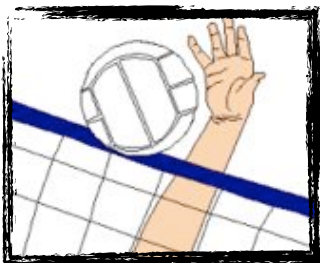
-St. John Chrysostom



WINTER YOUTH RALLY

DECEMBER 27-30, 2010

PRACTICE HARD. PLAY HARD. HAVE FUN.



LET'S GO!



St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival 2011



- Local Festival: Date still to be determined.

- Elementary Division (grades 4-6)

- Junior Division (grades 7-9)

- Senior Division (grades 10-12)

- Topics, Tips, and Resources now online.

- More to come!

GOYA- REWIND

Congratulations

on your
Baby Girl!

THE GOYANS SHARE
THEIR APPRECIATION
TO JENNIE MILTIADES
FOR HER LABOR OF LOVE
ON BEHALF OF THE
GOYANS & WISH HER
AND CHARLES
HEARTFELT
CONGRATULATIONS FOR
THE ARRIVAL OF THEIR
BABY GIRL - CAROLINE
EVELYN MILTIADES.



GOYA Discussions- Iconography in the Church; the lives of Saints Demetrios and Nestor- and the Gospel Reading of the day; The Sunday Gospel of the Parable of the Rich Man and Lazarus; the Life of Saint Arsenios of Cappadocia



GOYA- REWIND



PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

CONGRATULATIONS to Marty Driscoll on her re-appointment to the National Board of Philoptochos.

THANK YOU to all who participated and supported our **Fall Fundraiser, the Nifty Fifties Dinner Theater**. We raised over \$8,500 to benefit Social Services and "Blessings in a Backpack".

SWEETS 'N TREATS: Plan to purchase your "Koulourakia in a Bag" for only \$6/bag for holiday parties and gift giving and Spanakopita, \$20/pan for your Christmas parties and Christmas Dinner. Both are on sale each Sunday after the Divine Liturgy while they last.

"STELLA'S STOCKING FUND" proceeds benefit families in need during the holidays and our Social Services fund. Please see Mary Miltiades or stop by the Philoptochos table at coffee hour to make a donation.




SAVE THE DATE: for the annual **Philoptochos Christmas Party, Monday, December 6, 2010 at 6:30 pm** at the home of **Annette Jacobs, 720 Dunscore Court, Roswell GA 30075**, phone 770-992-1684. Please join us for a potluck dinner and fellowship.

NATIONAL COMMITMENTS FOR DECEMBER:

- UNICEF (United Nations International Children's Emergency Fund) - Philoptochos donations help this global organization to protect the rights, health and well being of all children.
- General Medical Fund – This fund helps people who are seeking assistance associated with an illness. It addresses aid for areas of an illness not specifically covered by other Philoptochos funds and programs.

MEETINGS:

- **BOARD MEETING – Monday, January 17, 2010**, PLC, 6:30 potluck dinner, and 7:00 pm meeting.
-  **MEMBERSHIP TEA/LUNCHEON, Sunday, January 23, 2010** in the PLC after the Divine Liturgy

BOOK CLUB: No Book Club this month, but please join us for a **Book Club Christmas Gathering** on Dec 2, 2010, 7:00 pm and bring books to donate. Location TBD and announced in weekly bulletin. Next Book Club meeting is **Thursday, January 27, 2011 at 7:00 pm**. More information will follow.

SOUP KITCHEN: No Soup Kitchen in November or December. We are **collecting food for Must Ministries** in the barrels in the PLC. Please help us, by bringing in non-perishable items. Questions, please contact Athena Burke (ibgreek@bellsouth.net).

MEMBERSHIP: Contact **Evelyn Bilson** at evelynbilson@hotmail.com, **Nancy Barke** at knitchef@gmail.com or **Dorothy Macris** at dorothymacris@comcast.net.

SAVE THESE DATES for 2011

January 9, 2011 - Vasilopita. We need bakers.

January 23, 2011 – Membership Tea/Luncheon, after Divine Liturgy in the PLC.

February 6, 2011 - Godparents Luncheon & Silent Auction. Plan to invite your God Child or God Parent for a fun luncheon and Silent Auction. .

April 8-10 - Philoptochos Retreat at the Diakonia Center.

For more information or questions, please contact Annette Jacobs, President, at 770-992-1684 or am1988@bellsouth.net .

Prime Timers News



Happy 60th Anniversary, Sis and Christ Hondras



Lining up for our delicious breakfast

We had a delicious breakfast and celebrated Sis and Christ Hondras' 60th wedding anniversary at our November 13th meeting in the PLC. Nick Papeacos spoke to the group about our needs and asked for suggestions for improving our parish facilities. Our top two suggestions were to improve/expand parking on the church grounds and to improve acoustics in both the church sanctuary and main room of the PLC. We also discussed the need for window coverings in the main room of the PLC so that we can show movies during the day.

Thank you, Shirley Kiritsy and Pat Koutouzis, for volunteering to serve on our board for the coming year. Our board will have its next meeting in the church office conference room at 10:30 on December 3. Don't forget our Christmas dinner/dance at the Mykonos Taverna, 5 PM – 8 PM, on Saturday December 4. Please call Linda Lopos at 678-445-3556 or Dorothy Botni at 770-971-9956 for more information and to make your reservations.

Merry Christmas

HRONIA POLLA!



GOT GREEK?

...we do!!

*Interested in learning Greek?
Thinking about traveling to Greece?*

HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH HELLENIC STUDIES PROGRAM

A very special thank you to **Toula Brotsis** and **Brandy Vachtsevanos** for planning our very successful fundraiser bake sale on Sunday, November 14th! We appreciate all your hard work.



Christmas Caroling - The Hellenic Studies Program will be sponsoring a Greek Christmas Caroling event! We will have specific days during the month of December where we will drive to parishioner's homes and commercial establishments to sing Christmas carols and remember our Greek traditions. Please let us know if you are interested in having the students visit your home or business. **Stop by the Hellenic Studies table in the PLC directly after the Liturgy to express your interest!!**

We will be accepting enrollment through the first of next year, so don't miss the opportunity to learn Greek, whether you already speak some Greek or are a beginner. We have four levels of classes for children and three for adults to accommodate you wherever you may be. Please contact Eleni Clement (liebel7@yahoo.com) or Natalie Konstadinidis (creco3@yahoo.com).

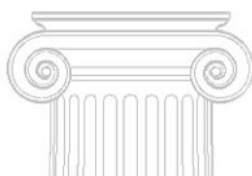
Check out the Hellenic Studies page on the Church website for upcoming events and important information on Hellenic Studies happenings!



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*The Kolokotronis-Peloponnesian Society and
the Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church of
Marietta, GA*

INVITE YOU TO PARTICIPATE IN
THE GREAT FESTIVE CELEBRATION
OF THE ARRIVAL OF THE NEW YEAR 2011
On Friday, December 31st 2010

Esperinos-Vespers at 8:30 pm
followed by the Dinner Dance at 9:30 pm

Traditional Greek Cooking
Buffet Style Dinner
Cash Bar

Live Traditional Greek Music

Proceeds will be used to support Church Ministries

Adults: \$25; Children under 18 years: \$15; under 5 years: free
Dance only: \$15 per person

For more information call: Church Office 770-924-8080
Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church,
3431 Trickum Road, Marietta. GA 30066



Bible Study:

*The Apologists - Justin Martyr
every Wednesday at 10:00am
and
every Thursday at 7:00pm*

*Pick a day and join us
in the Office Conference Room.
Learn about the Faith of the Early
Church as recorded by the Early
Christians themselves as they
defended the Christian Faith against
the accusations of the Pagans!*

LAUGHING IS GOOD FOR YOU!



*"No, you weren't downloaded.
You were born."*



December 2010

- US Holidays
- Sacraments
- Social Events/Rentals
- Divine Services
- Ministry Meetings

November 2010							December 2010							January 2011							
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Thirteenth Sunday of Luke ■ 8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy ■ 12:00 PM Lopos/Solomon Coffee Hour	29 Feast of St. A... the Apostle ■ 6:00 PM Great Vespers	30 Feast of St. A...f our Chapel) ■ 9:00 AM Orthros ■ 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy ■ 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies ■ 7:00 PM Introduction to Orthodoxy	1 10:00 AM Bible Study ■ 10:00 AM Blessing of the Water ■ 7:00 PM GOYA Meeting	2 7:00 PM Bible Study ■ 7:00 PM Philoptochos Book Club	3 10:30 AM Prime Timers Board Meeting	4 9:30 AM PC Training Workshop ■ 5:00 PM Great Vespers ■ 5:00 PM Prime Timers' Christmas Party
5 10th Sunday of Luke ■ 8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy ■ 11:15 AM Catechism ■ 11:30 AM Krystalla ■ 1:30 PM Phoenix & Eleftheria Dance Practice ■ 1:30 PM Metamorposi ■ 6:30 PM Spiritual Book Club	6 Feast of St. ...f Myra of Lycia ■ 9:00 AM Orthros ■ 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy ■ 7:00 PM Philoptochos Christmas Party	7 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies ■ 7:00 PM Introduction to Orthodoxy	8 10:00 AM Bible Study ■ 7:00 PM GOYA Meeting	9 7:00 PM Bible Study	10 5:00 PM Great Vespers	11
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26 Sunday after ...in Theotokos ■ 8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy ■ 4:00 PM Pohlman Baptism (Zachary)	27 Winter Youth Rally	28	29	30	31 New Year's Day (observed) Circumcision...sil the Great. ■ 8:30 PM Great Vespers	1 New Year's Day

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DATE	PARISH COUNCIL DUTY	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	PROSFORO
Dec. 5, 2010	A. Miltiades/C. Westmoreland	Team II	D. Botni/P. Dunkerly Host: J. Paxten	R. Peppas/M. Turner
Dec. 12, 2010	H. Catrakilis/M. Kipreos	Team I	N. Gess/ A. Lerios Hosts: J. & F. Tucker	N. Porter/F. Tucker
Dec. 19, 2010	P. Bilson/T. Isaac	Team II	A. & T. Johansen Host: S. Ehmer	S. Tidwell/M. Tingas
Dec. 26, 2010	J. Burke/A. Melissas	Team I	M. Caras/J. Niarchos Host: D. Bafas	I. Steffas/T. Vamvakias

Altar Server Teams

Team 1: Chris Alberts, George Caras, Dylan Rogers, Will Papeacos, Stratton Paulson, Alexander Georgacopoulos, Nicholas Azimzadeh, Yianni Turner, Zach Melissas, Michael Marianos, Paul Jacobs, Christopher Bilson, Leo Frangis, Michael Papadimitriou, Nicholas Gekas, Matthew Shanahan, Anthony Bundros, Alex Skarpelis, Chris Danos, Evan Papadopoulos, Yanni Gormanos

Team 2: Nick Steffas, Alex Elias, Christos Costarides, Michael Sarris, Evans Nichols, Nick Brewer, Graeme Hunt, Daniel Bridgers, Zach Derr, Luke Tassopoulos, Alex Brewer, Mike Steffas, Dean Papastrat, Eli Nichols, Michael Bridgers, Nicholas Tassopoulos, Nicholas Zakreski, Lucas Porter, Jacob Harrah, Chris Bridgers, Stephen Harrah, Nick Danos