

# ***SYNDIAKONIA***

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## ***THE MONTHLY BULLETIN***

*OF THE*

**HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ ΜΕΤΑΜΟΡΦΩΣΕΩΣ ΤΟΥ ΣΩΤΗΡΟΣ

**Marietta, GA**

**OCTOBER 2013**



**Sts. Cyprian and Justina - October 2**

"You who was converted from the art of sorcery, O divinely wise one, to the knowledge of God, and wast manifested to the world as a most wise physician, granting healing to those who honor thee, O Cyprian together with Justina. With her, then, entreat the Master, the Lover of mankind, that He may save our souls."

# **HOLY TRANSFIGURATION**

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## SUNDAY SERVICES

Orthros..... 8:30 am    Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am

## **PARISH CLERGY**

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*Pastoral Assistant: Paul Lundberg*

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### **Directions to our Parish:**

**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!**

<http://www.holytransfiguration.info/directions/>

### *A thousand Years of Uninterrupted Worship*



I had the blessing again last month to spend six days on Mount Athos, the Holy Mountain. This pilgrimage has always moved me as I found myself surrounded by the monks, people who have dedicated their whole lives to serve and worship God in humility, obedience, chastity and absolute poverty. These are men from around the world and from all walks of life, younger and older, educated and simple; they spend endless hours in worship, the reading of the Psalms, the chanting of hymns and they start each and every day with the Divine Liturgy.

I found myself standing at the center of some of the oldest churches of Mount Athos, at the Protaton in Karyes and in the monasteries of Iviron and Vatopedi. As I looked around, I marveled at the beauty of the interior of these churches, at the serenity of the faces of Christ and the saints depicted on the walls, and for the first time, I was struck with awe as I realized that countless scores of men struggling to attain union with God had stood here before me for over a thousand years. As I looked around at

the beauty of the icons, I could not help but be moved by the fact that every single day for the last thousand years the Divine Liturgy has been celebrated here. My gaze moved to the marble floors weaved like carpets and laid out in front of the icons of Christ and the Theotokos. Those masterpieces of marble art stand witness to the endless prayers that have been rising up toward God; their beauty sings along with the monks in the worship of our Creator, "Glory to You, O Lord", for a thousand years!





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## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### October 2013

**October 1, Tuesday,** Blessing of the Water 11:00 am. Feast of the Protection of the Theotokos.

**October 5, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 6, Sunday.** Third Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Thomas the Apostle.  
Feast of all the Saints of Cyprus.  
Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

**October 12, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 13, Sunday,** Fourth Sunday of Luke and of the Seventh Ecumenical Council (787 AD).  
Feast of St. Luke the Apostle and Evangelist (transfer from October 18).  
Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

**October 19, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 20, Sunday,** Sixth Sunday of Luke. Translation of his relics of St. Gerasimos of Kefalonia.  
Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

**October 25, Thursday,** Great Vespers 6:00 pm for Feast of St. Demetrios.

**October 25-26, Friday-Saturday, Overnight Vigil** for the Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr.  
**Friday Evening:** Great Vespers 9:00 pm followed by Orthros and Divine Liturgy (to finish after midnight). *A light reception will follow in the hall of the Church.*

Name-day of Archbishop Demetrios of America.

Ἁγίου Δημητρίου Μεγαλομάρτυρος τοῦ Μυροβλήτου.

Ὁνομαστική ἑορτή Ἀρχιεπισκόπου Ἀμερικῆς κ. κ. Δημητρίου.

**October 26, Saturday Evening,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 27, Sunday,** Seventh Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Prokle, wife of Pontious Pilate.  
Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

OXI Day Celebration. Doxology at the end of the Divine Liturgy. All Hellenic Studies students will attend this Service.

Δοξολογία Ἑθνικῆς Ἑορτῆς 28ης Ὀκτωβρίου 1940 μετὰ τό πέρας τῆς Θείας Λειτουργίας. Ὅλοι οἱ μαθητές τοῦ Ἑλληνικοῦ μας σχολείου θά παρευρεθοῦν στήν τελετή αὐτή.

### ON HUMILITY AND REPENTANCE

Humility should not be confused with weakness of mind. It is, rather, the desire to not be arrogant. Humility is exhibited when one lowers himself in order to help the other climb higher. It is the act of helping others improve themselves by accepting them where they are and lifting them up.

## Introduction to the Orthodox Church

The "Intro to Orthodoxy" Class, meets every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in the Office Conference Room.

The new cycle of the class began on Tuesday, September 24, 2012 at 7:00 pm.

Please call the church office and register with Anne.

This class is not only for those who are entering the Orthodox Church, but is also beneficial to everyone who wants to refresh their knowledge of the Faith and continue to learn new things.

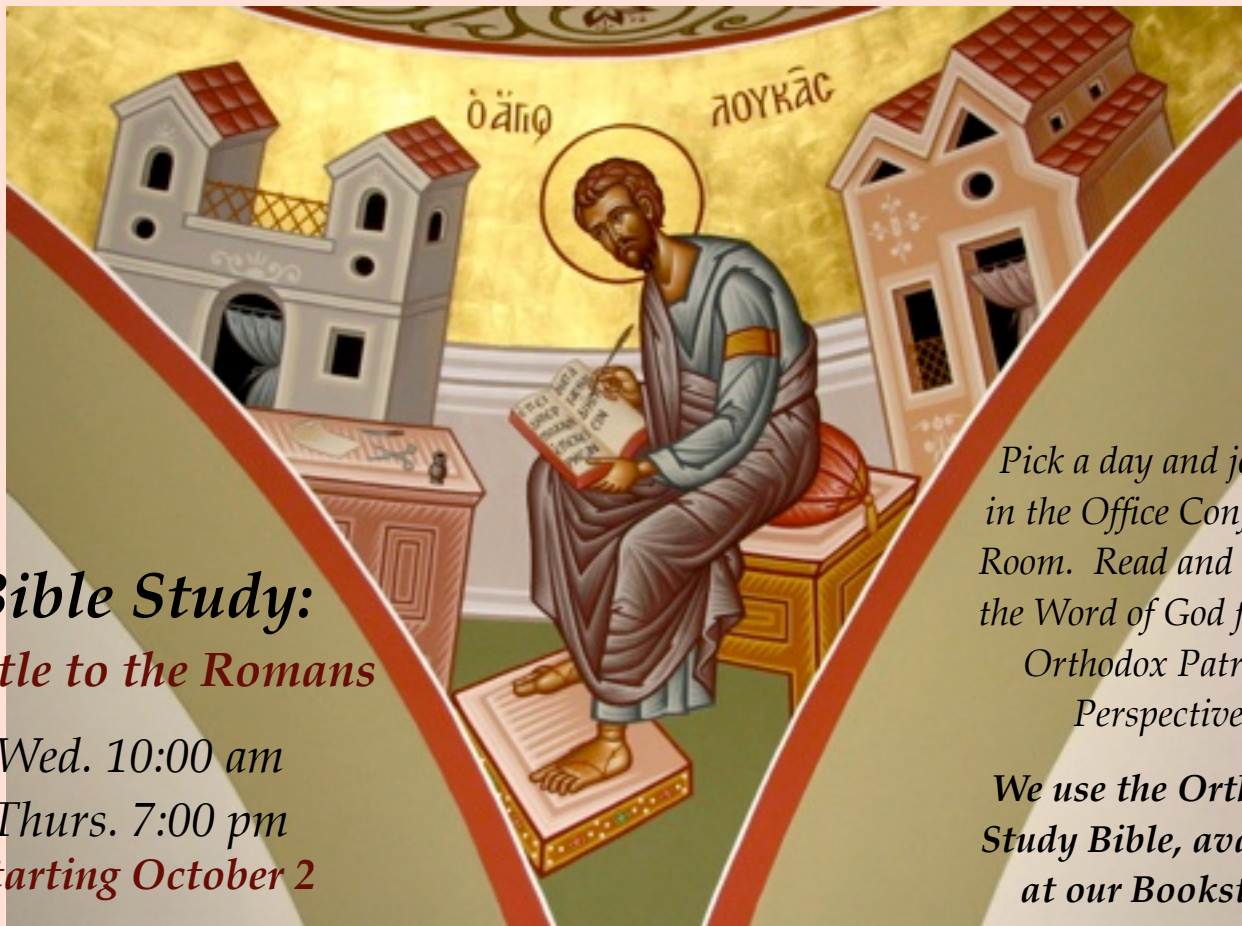
Topics addressed in the Class:

1. Sources of the Christian Faith - Our roots
2. History of Christianity - Our path of Faith
3. Holy Sacraments - Tapping into Divine Grace
4. Orthodox Spirituality - The Mystical Life
5. Holy Icons - Windows into Heaven
6. Orthodox Worship - Divine Liturgy

For any further questions, please speak with Fr. Panayiotis.



Where the Kingdom of God is made manifest



### ***Bible Study:*** ***Epistle to the Romans***

Wed. 10:00 am

Thurs. 7:00 pm

***Starting October 2***

*Pick a day and join us  
in the Office Conference  
Room. Read and discuss  
the Word of God from an  
Orthodox Patristic  
Perspective!*

*We use the Orthodox  
Study Bible, available  
at our Bookstore.*

# HOLY TRANSFIGURATION

## SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB



**Do you**

- Enjoy reading spiritual books about the Orthodox Faith?
- Like talking about what you have read?
- Want to expand your knowledge about our faith?

**If so, You are invited to join our Church's very own**

## SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

- We meet **once a month**, on a Sunday afternoon (see announcement).
- Time** : 6.30pm till 8.30pm
- Where**: At the Hall of the Church (PLC).
- Light refreshments and soft drinks will be served, as well as coffee and dessert. Members can contribute to refreshments if they so wish.

### **Meeting Format**

- Food and fellowship for the first half hour, followed by reading and discussion.
- The discussion leader is Fr. Panayiotis, but other people present and propose themes and topics.
- Each participant should try to read as much of the assigned book as possible and bring their questions/topics or a favorite passage to talk about.

### **Currently**

- The Book: ***The Blessed Surgeon*** -The Life of St. Luke Archbishop of Simferopol by Archdeacon Vasily Marushchak (*Available at our Bookstore*).
- **The Date of the next meeting**: Sunday, October 27, 2013 at 6:30 pm in the PLC

Under the guidance of a spiritual father, spiritual book clubs are a great way to enhance one's spiritual growth, challenge oneself to examine new ideas, and get to know others better on a journey where deeply personal ideas are shared and explored together.

Any questions can be directed to Fr. Panayiotis at [fr.panayiotis@comcast.net](mailto:fr.panayiotis@comcast.net) or Elene Catrakilis at [elenecat@yahoo.com](mailto:elenecat@yahoo.com).

### **About the Book:**

The Blessed Surgeon - The Life of St. Luke Archbishop of Simferopol by Archdeacon Vasily Marushchak.

"World-famous pioneering surgeon, tortured confessor, archbishop and miracle-worker--St. Luke is one of the most intriguing saints who suffered under the Soviets. Outspoken regarding his faith, he was exiled and tortured multiple times. Yet the authorities could not deny his exceptional medical skills: he was appointed as a chief surgeon overseeing the treatment of injured soldiers during WWII and received the Stalin award for his pioneering surgical work.

This book is the first presentation of his life in English. It documents his personal struggles, self-sacrifice and love for patients, miracles, and bold spiritual guidance during the Church's most difficult period in Russia."

## **The Mission Statement of our Parish**

**Our Parish is the local eucharistic community of the Church in this locality;**

**The aims and purposes of our Parish are to keep, practice and proclaim the Orthodox Christian Faith pure and undefiled.**

**The diakonia (ministry) of the Parish includes proclaiming and teaching the Gospel in accordance with the Orthodox Faith; sanctifying the faithful through God's grace in worship, the Divine Liturgy and the other sacraments; enhancing its parishioners' spiritual life; and adding to the numbers of the faithful by receiving persons into the Church through instruction, Baptism and/or Chrismation. In addition, the Parish has established educational and philanthropic activities to foster the aims and mission of the Parish and to edify its parishioners in the Faith and ethos of the Church.**

**The ultimate goal of our Parish is to lead its members into the Kingdom of God.**

**See UNIFORM PARISH REGULATIONS. CHAPTER ONE, ARTICLE 15**

### **The Practice of "Confession" In the Bible**

#### **Old Testament**

"He shall confess his sin that he has committed. And he shall make full restitution for his wrong, adding a fifth to it and giving it to him to whom he did the wrong." Num. 5:7

"Those of Israelite descent separated themselves from all foreigners, and they stood and confessed their sins and the guilt of their fathers. While they stood in their places, they read from the book of the law of the LORD their God for a fourth of the day and spent another fourth of the day in confession and worship of the LORD their God." Nehemiah 9:2-3

#### **New Testament**

"Confessing their sins, they were baptized by John in the Jordan River." Matthew 3:6

"And there went out unto John all the land of Judaea, and they of Jerusalem, and were all baptized by him in the river of Jordan, confessing their sins." Mark 1:5

"Therefore confess your sins to each other and pray for each other so that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person is powerful and effective." James 5:16

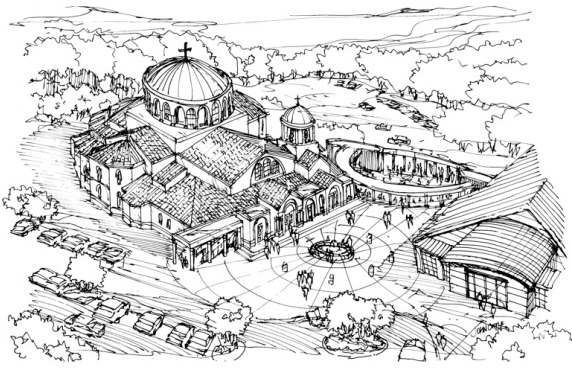
"Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices." Acts 19:18

"Fight the good fight of the faith. Take hold of the eternal life to which you were called when you made your good confession in the presence of many witnesses." 1 Timothy 6:12

"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

## DAILY BIBLE READINGS - OCTOBER

10/1/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 9:10-19</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 6:37-45</a>
10/2/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 1:12-17</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 6:46-49, 7:1</a>
10/3/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 17:16-34</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:17-30</a>
10/4/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:8-21</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:31-35</a>
10/5/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:17-21; 5:1-5</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 5:27-32</a>
10/6/2013	Matins: <a href="#">Luke 24:1-12</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:11-16</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15</a>
10/7/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:28-31; 5:1-10</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:36-50</a>
10/8/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:11-21</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 8:1-3</a>
10/9/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 9:36-38; 10:1-8</a>
10/10/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 1:1-9</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 9:7-11</a>
10/11/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 8:26-39</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 9:12-18</a>
10/12/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 10:23-28</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 6:1-10</a>
10/13/2013	Matins: <a href="#">Luke 24:13-35</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 8:5-15</a>
10/14/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 1:22-23; 2:1-3</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 9:18-22</a>
10/15/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:19-22; 3:1-7</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 9:23-27</a>
10/16/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 3:8-21</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 27:33-54</a>
10/17/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 9:18-33</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 9:49-56</a>
10/18/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 4:5-11, 14-18</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 10:16-21</a>
10/19/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 2:14-21</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:1-10</a>
10/20/2013	Matins: <a href="#">Luke 24:36-53</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 8:26-39</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1</a>
10/21/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 10:22-24</a>
10/22/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:20-25</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:1-10</a>
10/23/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 1:11-19</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 13:54-58</a>
10/24/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:33; 6:1-9</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:14-23</a>
10/25/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 6:18-24</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:23-26</a>
10/26/2013	Matins: <a href="#">Luke 21:12-19</a> Gospel: <a href="#">John 15:17-27; 16:1-2</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10</a>
10/27/2013	Matins: <a href="#">John 20:1-10</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 8:41-56</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 9:6-11</a>
10/28/2013	Matins: <a href="#">Luke 1:39-49, 56</a> Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28</a>	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7</a>
10/29/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 1:8-14</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:34-41</a>
10/30/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 1:12-20</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:42-46</a>
10/31/2013	Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 1:20-27</a>	Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 11:47-54; 12:1</a>



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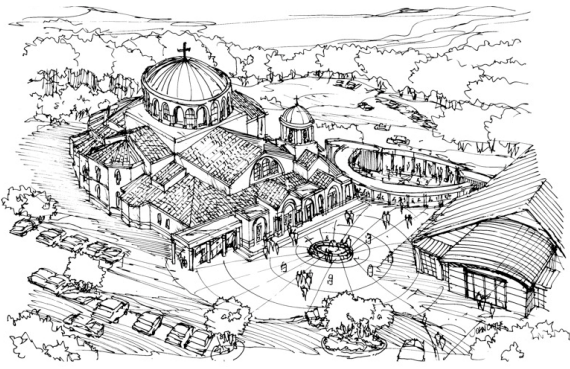
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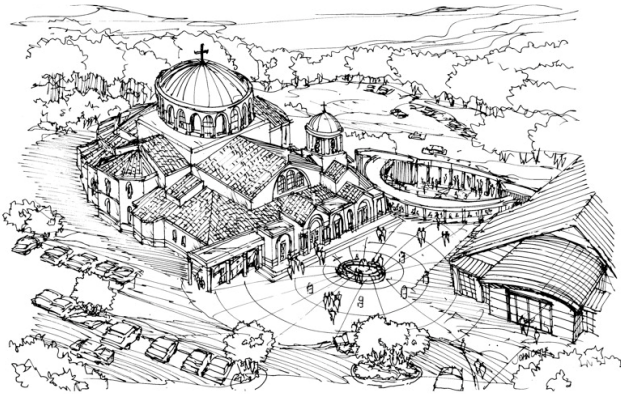
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Mr. & Mrs. James Peters  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Pethel  
Mr. & Mrs. James Pierce  
Mr. & Mrs. Brandon Pittman  
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Porter  
Mr. & Mrs. Morris Potter  
Fr. George E. Prassas  
Mr. & Mrs. Francesco Quinterno  
Mr. & Mrs. Eric Richards  
Dr. & Mrs. Lambros Rigas  
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Rogers  
Mr. & Mrs. Todd Rogers  
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Rory  
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Sampanes  
Mr. & Mrs. Jay Sarmir  
Mr. & Mrs. George Sarris  
Mr. & Mrs. Emmanuel Sarris  
Ms. Antonia Scelzi  
Mr. & Mrs. Gheorghe Schipor  
Mr. & Mrs. Constantine Seraphim  
Mr. Mike Serkedakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Enrique Sermenio  
Mr. & Mrs. Vasileios Sfyris  
Mr. & Mrs. John Shanahan  
Mr. & Mrs. David Shelby  
Mr. & Mrs. Taka Shoji  
Mr. & Mrs. Antonios Sideris  
Ms. Nicole Sigalos  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Simpson  
Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios Skarpelis  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Skordeles  
Mr. Zach Slocum  
Mr. & Mrs. Manning Smith

Mrs. Mary Smith  
Mrs. Vasiliki Smith  
Ms. Robbin Sotir/Mr. Alton Simms  
Mr. Dimitri Soulios  
Mr. & Mrs. Ron Sprouse  
Mr. & Mrs. Ben Starks  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Steffas  
Mrs. Mary Stiakakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Strakes  
Mrs. Connie Stratigos  
Mr. & Mrs. Brett A. Strauch  
Mr. & Mrs. Stoyan Sugarliev  
Mr. & Mrs. Zacharias Taouschiani  
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Tassopoulos  
Mr. & Mrs. Gary Teague  
Mr. & Mrs. Ovidiu Teodorescu  
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Thompson  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Thorne  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tidwell  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Tiller  
Mr. Steve Tingas  
Ms. Maria Tingas  
Mr. & Mrs. Lenny Trovato  
Mr. Athan Tsarouhas  
Mr. & Mrs. Diamandis Tsiernikas  
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitrios Tsoukalas  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tucker  
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Turner  
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Turner  
Ms. Christina Tzortzinakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Vachtsevanos  
Mr. & Mrs. George Vachtsevanos  
Ms. Becky Valagohar  
Mr. & Mrs. Plutarch Vamvakias  
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitri Vastakis  
Ms. Maria Vatzakas  
Mr. & Mrs. Theodoros Vatzakas  
Mr. & Mrs. Vaios Vlachos  
Dr. Phillip Vodas  
Mr. Tim Voulopos  
Mr. & Mrs. Jamie Wagner  
Mr. & Mrs. Marc Westmoreland  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Woodall  
Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Worden  
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Wysmierski  
Ms. Peggy Yeotis  
Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios Yiannovits  
Mr. Basile Zafiroulis  
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Zakreski  
Mr. & Mrs. Marco Zavala

**Total Members: 321**

# HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

## *Love One Another*



*This is My commandment, that you love one another as I have loved you. ....You are My friends if you do whatever I command you. ....I choose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit, ....These things I command you that you may love one another.*

*John 15:12-17*

**Please fill out your Membership/Stewardship Form today and bring your offering to the Lord.**

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

### **STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY CORNER – Larry Gess, Chair**

Our parish – Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church – is among the ten largest parishes of the Metropolis of Atlanta in terms of annual income, annual expenditures, and amount of funds contributed each year for the support of the Patriarchate, our Archdiocese, and our Metropolis. We would not have reached this distinction without the dedicated support of the Stewards of this parish throughout the past twenty-four years of its existence. This parish has been truly blessed as these core parishioners earnestly believe in returning a significant portion of their material blessings from God to His Church as well as freely giving of their time and talents to the ongoing work of the Church.

As of September 15, when the most recent donation analysis was done for this edition of the Syndiakonia, each individual and/or couple who had turned in a Membership/Stewardship Form was expected to have donated about seventy-one percent (71%) of what they indicated they would donate this year for the operation of our parish. The same core group of dedicated faithful Stewards described above has supported this parish by exceeding what they indicated they would give by forty percent (40%) or by over \$37,000 more than was expected for mid-September.

Another fifty individuals/couples donated what they indicated they would. Thus nearly two-thirds of the 2013 members of our parish have met or exceeded their intended donations.

Unfortunately, eighty-two individuals/couples have donated a little over one-half of what they indicated they would, while another fifty individuals/couples who have turned in their Stewardship Cards have not yet made a donation by mid-September towards what they indicated they would offer to assist God's work. Hopefully, this one-third of the Stewards will step up during this last quarter of the year to assist our parish to meet its obligations, especially as we attempt to adequately fund the parish ministries for the first time in recent years.

We urge everyone to consciously re-examine what he/she are able and willing to offer in terms of time, talent, and treasure to God's Church, and this parish in particular.

We pray for God's abundant blessings on all the Stewards and friends of our parish.

## UNDERSTANDING STEWARDSHIP

### BY LARRY GESS

By now, most Holy Transfiguration parishioners are aware of the true meaning of Christian stewardship – returning freely a sacrificial portion of God’s blessings to Him out of love and in thanksgiving for his continued blessings. Our Church also teaches us that we receive God’s blessings for three reasons: (a) for our personal needs and the needs of our family, (b) to use for assisting others in their need and (c) for supporting the propagation of His Gospel through His Church.

If the stewardship concept is so simple, why then are the donations of our time, talent, and treasure so limited for so many of us? Primarily, we are caught in the middle of a war between two worlds – the Kingdom of God and the ‘modern-day’ secular world (the Kingdom of the World). This latter Kingdom is waging war against us by spreading doubts about the Kingdom of God:

- Doubts that we ourselves and our blessings come from God
- Doubts that we need to spend any significant time engaged in ‘God-oriented’ activities
- Even doubts that God exists or is active in the world.

What is so sad about the secular world attraction is that it could easily rob each of us of our gift of living forever with God (in the Kingdom of God). Stewardship is actually a ‘barometer’ as to which world we primarily find ourselves in at this point in time. Yet on the other hand, stewardship can also be a means of finding our way into the Kingdom of God. Christ taught us that if we donate our time, talents, and treasure for the purpose of helping others (both within the Church and directly serving the needy) it is as if we are serving Him. In this way we will grow spiritually, including coming closer to Him. There is only one way to find out if this is true – practice Christian stewardship conscientiously for a sustained period of time and see the changes in your world outlook and your life. As we are currently early in a new Church Year, please try this renewed approach regarding Christian stewardship and allow God's Blessings to come to you.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS



CROWN THEM WITH GLORY  
& HONOR

Adam Tsirnikas & Katina Couscos - Sept. 1, 2013

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*Constantinos Dickos - September 5, 2013*  
*Nicholas George Angelos - September 20, 2013*



**Sunday, October 20**  
**Parish Life Center**  
**(following the Divine Liturgy)**  
**A light lunch will be served.**

**We need your vote and your input!!**

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Parish Recycling is  
underway!!

Please note the specially marked containers  
as well as the large “Coke Bottles” from the Festival  
and let's recycle our aluminum, glass, paper, and  
plastic trash.

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**PLC Basement  
Cleanup**



**We will be cleaning and organizing the Parish Life  
Center basement on Saturday, October 19th, from  
9:00 am to 2:00 pm.**

**Many helping hands are needed, and all ministries that  
store things in the basement need to have a representative  
present.**

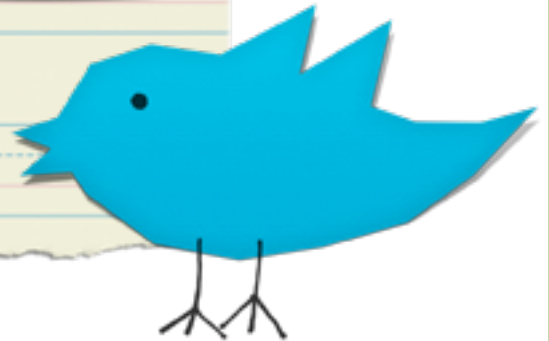
**PARISH**

# CHILDCARE

**WHEN:**  
During the Sunday  
Divine Liturgy

**TIME:**  
10:00 am  
to  
Noon

**WHERE:**  
Parish Life Center  
Nursery Classroom



**AGE OF CHILDREN**

FROM ONE TO THREE YEARS

**NOTE:** Children under one year  
are welcome, but a parent must  
stay with the child.

Childcare will be run by parents, and  
volunteer helpers are needed!! Contact:  
Syra Pethel [sapethel@gmail.com](mailto:sapethel@gmail.com)

To register: Please email Syra Pethel [sapethel@gmail.com](mailto:sapethel@gmail.com) or 404.556.0364 with  
your name, child's name and age.

Donations of **gently** used toys, books, furniture etc. that are age appropriate are  
needed. Please contact Syra and let her know what you wish to donate. Pick up  
of larger items will be arranged.



# SIGN UP TO HOST COFFEE HOUR

**Why Host?** To celebrate Name-days, special occasions (such as Birthday or Anniversary), Ministry Stewardship Opportunity, or just because you want to.

## What Would I Need To Do?

- Make the Coffee
- Set Up Kids Table
- Set Up Adults Table
- Clean Up

## What Do I Need To Bring?

Simple, Light Food Fare of your choice - Here is an example:

- Two gallons of juice (for Kids table)
- Cookies/Snacks for about 50 kids (For Kids Table)
- Items such as Muffins, bagels, cream cheese, jelly for 100+ adults - cut in small pieces (sponsor choice to modify)

Add, Family Members and Friends to help serve, clean up and provide food (optional, but highly recommended).

There are still a few dates left in 2013 to fill, as well as many dates in 2014. If you are interested in hosting a coffee hour, please contact Maria Alberts at [mariaalberts@comcast.net](mailto:mariaalberts@comcast.net) or (404) 966-6694.

# 2013 Community Christmas Card

Support our parish and wish everyone in the parish  
a Merry Christmas!!

If you would like for your name to be included in our community card,  
please complete the form below and return it with  
your free-will donation to the church office by no later  
than Sunday, November 24th! Thank you!

I would like my name(s) to read as follows:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(PLEASE PRINT)

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Amount Enclosed \_\_\_\_\_

*Please make your check payable to: HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GOC*

**Mail to: Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church  
3431 Trickum Road  
Marietta, GA 30066**



**FOR UNTO US A  
CHILD IS BORN!!**

# Parish Youth



As a result of our strategic planning meetings, the parish is refocusing on philanthropy. One of the initiatives is Jacob's Garden, which is developing on the new property next door and will provide food to less fortunate children in our community. Below, the parish youth group visits the garden to learn about this new activity and how they can help.

Above, the high school catechism class on its first day. This is a large group, usually close to thirty youth, who completely fill the office conference room on Sunday mornings. This year, their lessons revolve around the theme "Come, Receive the Light" and pertain to the basics of living an Orthodox Christian life.



Special thanks to Catherine A., GOYA Historian, for providing pictures of the youth group.

# Youth at the Homecoming Picnic



Above, a crowd looks on as youth dig into their watermelon slices. Below, the two winners of the watermelon-eating contest, Evanthis B. and Angelo N.  
Special thanks to Carter C. and Catherine A. for organizing and running the contest!

# Youth

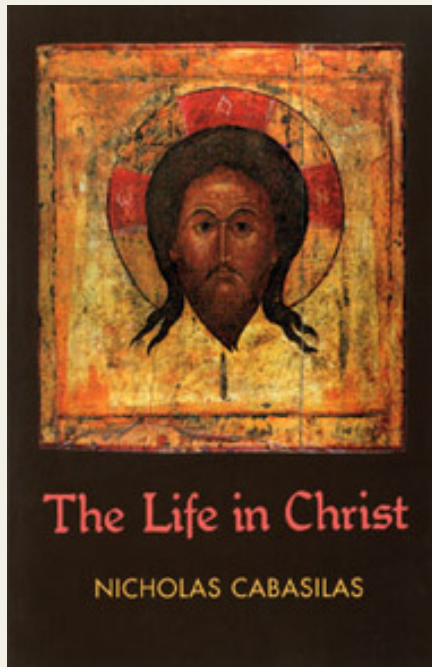


Clockwise from top: Summer basketball at the cathedral; Stephanie, Ashley, Theo, Carter, Drew, Yianni, and Jeremy; GOYA advisers Spiro, Smith, and Michael as judges of a singing contest at a Wednesday night meeting; Theodora after helping make a Homecoming Picnic banner.



# LIBRARY NEWS

## NEW BOOKS IN THE CHURCH LIBRARY



THE LIFE IN CHRIST

BY NICHOLAS CABASILAS

### **The Life in Christ (Cabasilas)**

- A remarkable product of Byzantium's last great flowering of theology. At a time when secular humanism was increasingly asserting man's complete autonomy, Cabasilas proclaimed that man's true life lies not in himself, but in Christ.

### **Everyday Saints and Other Stories**

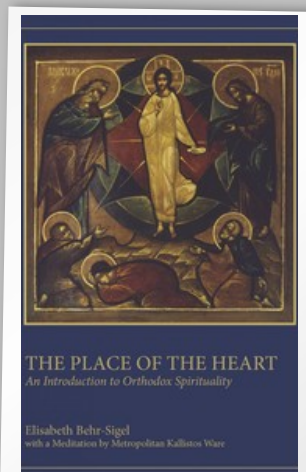
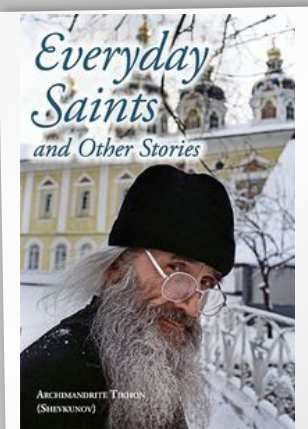
- Discover a wondrous, enigmatic, remarkably beautiful, yet absolutely real world. Peer into the mysterious Russia soul, where happiness reigns no matter what life brings.

### **The Place of the Heart**

- A description of the basic essential elements of Orthodox spirituality.

### **The Scent of Holiness**

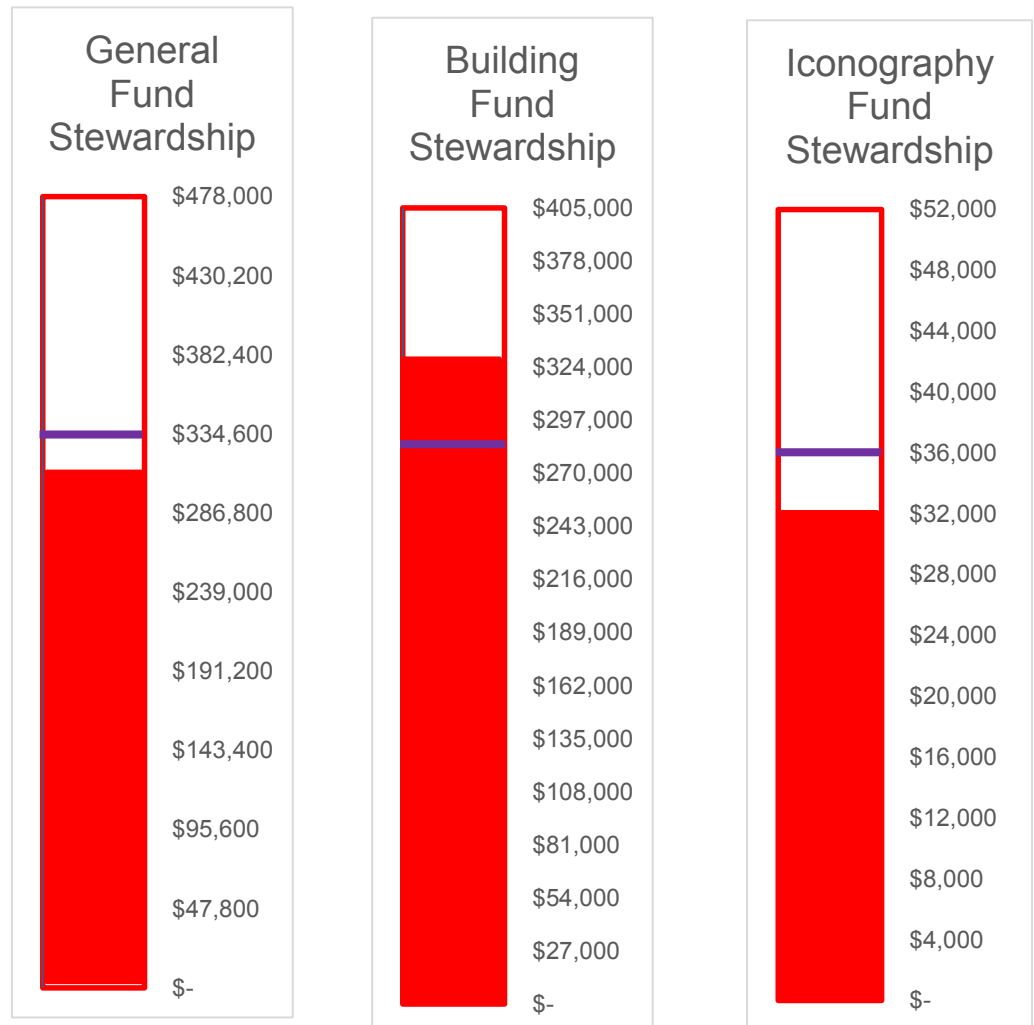
- Collection of stories from the author's frequent trips to women's monasteries in Northern Greece. Written by a layperson for laypeople.



# TREASURER'S CORNER

Welcome to the Treasurer's Corner, your monthly updated on Holy Transfiguration's finances. The Parish Council thanks you for your generous support of the parish. We encourage you to keep your donations current so that cash flow obligations can be met.

Line Represents Need  
as of September 16



## Reminders

When making your donations, please write a separate check for each church fund to which you donate (i.e. General, Building, Iconography, etc.). In the memo section of each check, please indicate the fund you are donating to along with your church PIN (e.g., General Fund PIN 234).

You can monitor your donations online through the IconCMO system. To get your PIN and setup your account, ask Anne (770-924-8080, [holytrans@comcast.com](mailto:holytrans@comcast.com)), and she will send you an email from the IconCMO website which will provide your PIN and a temporary password which you can use to setup your IconCMO account.

If you ever have questions, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours in Christ,

Christopher Hansard  
Treasurer

Athan Tsarouhas  
Assistant Treasurer

Larry Gess  
Stewardship Liaison

## TRANSFIGURATION GARDENS ORTHODOX CEMETERY AT GREEN LAWN CEMETERY, ROSWELL, GA

Our Parish has purchased 50 plots, which we are making available at a reduced price of \$2,900. This price includes one plot with a vault.

This is an effort of our parish to provide a resting place for our people where you can also have a headstone with a cross and the names of the deceased and where the Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on a regular basis and our people will be commemorated for centuries to come. One of our parishioners has paid for the construction of a monument in the center of this Orthodox Cemetery, which provides an Altar for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

You may purchase plots through the church office.

An additional benefit provided by Dignity Funeral Home is a reduced **pre-need price Funeral package of \$7,500 available during 2013.**



# HELLENIC DANCE PROGRAM

## NEWS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

OCTOBER 2013

October will be a *busy* month for the Hellenic Dance Ministry, with several festival performances *outside* of the Atlanta metro area.

**Please come out to support our dancers at one of the following events:**

*October 11-13 - Holy Trinity,  
Augusta Greek Festival*

*October 19-20 - Holy Cross,  
Macon Greek Festival*

For any dancer who would like to participate, please contact Paulina Vastakis to confirm your availability to perform. Any parents who can volunteer to help chaperone should also contact Paulina to let her know your availability. Any help is appreciated!

### PRACTICE SCHEDULE:

Phoenix (Middle School): 1:30-3:00pm  
Eleftheria (High School): 1:30-3:30pm

Practices will be held on these 4 Sundays:

October 6<sup>th</sup>  
October 13<sup>th</sup>  
October 20<sup>th</sup>  
October 27<sup>th</sup>



*Instructor John Peppes of Detroit, Michigan worked with our dancers during a weekend-long workshop in September.*



### A special *thank you*...

To all the dancers and instructors who took part in the September workshop, we thank you! You helped make the event a success. We look forward to performing the new dances we learned in the future.

## DANCERS AT PEACHTREE CITY FESTIVAL



# HELLENIC STUDIES

*A special announcement from Hellenic Studies...*

The 2013-2014 school year is off to a fantastic start! We are excited to announce that enrollment in our program continues to grow. We look forward to another exiting year of learning!

It is not too late to enroll... if you are interested in enrolling in Youth, Adult, or Adult (Biblical) Greek classes – please contact Eleni Clement:  
**eleni@mindspring.com**



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## SAVE THE DATE!

Please *save the date* of **Sunday, October 27th**

The Hellenic Studies program will be hosting  
a luncheon in the Parish Life Center in honor of

**“OXI Day”**

At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy,  
Fr. Panayiotis will offer a special Doxology

We hope you will join us in commemorating a  
*significant* day in the history of our homeland.

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**Don't forget to check in with us online!**

*Visit our page*

<http://www.holytransfiguration.info/our-culture/hellenic-studies/>

*“Like” us on Facebook*

<https://www.facebook.com/HellenicStudiesofHolyT>

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## **Important Dates in October and November:**

Tuesday, October 1<sup>st</sup> – Parent Meeting

Tuesday, November 5<sup>th</sup> – Parent/Teacher Meeting

***Please plan to attend!!!***



## **Support Orthodox Missions through the Combined Federal Campaign**

Are You a Federal Employee? Give to OCMC through the Combined Federal Campaign (CFC)! Federal employees have a special giving option for their gifts to the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC). OCMC is registered as a charity through the Combined Federal Campaign. Between September 1, 2013 – December 15, 2013, Federal employees can register for the campaign and pledge their gifts for OCMC directly through workplace payroll deduction! In 2012, donations offered through the CFC topped \$44,500!

The enrollment period is now, so if interested, visit [www.opm.gov/cfc](http://www.opm.gov/cfc) for more information. To designate OCMC as the beneficiary of your charitable gift, use OCMC's CFC number, 10304, when registering.

If you have any questions, contact Kenneth Kidd, OCMC Annual Gifts Officer, at 877-463-6784, ext. 161, or at [kenny@ocmc.org](mailto:kenny@ocmc.org).

## **Missionaries Returning Home**

Transitioning from one of life's chapters to the next can be both challenging and exciting. After years of dedicated service, several OCMC missionaries are preparing to embark on the next chapters of their lives.

Most recently, Christina Semon has completed missionary service in Romania and Moldova. She was instrumental in helping the Church in Moldova to establish a vibrant self-sustaining youth ministry. While in the field, she also completed her Master's degree in Theology. Back in the US, she plans on furthering her education, probably in teaching English as a second language (TESL) and contemplating her path of future service.

Maria Roeber also recently returned from her term of service in Tanzania. She played a vital role in helping to re-open the Orthodox Resurrection Health Centre in Bukoba, and she helped many mothers welcome their babies into the world. She hopes to pursue graduate studies for midwifery to better equip herself for career service in her chosen profession. While stateside, she will also be working for OCMC's Missionary Department on a part-time basis, assisting primarily in recruiting and training.

Maria's co-worker in Christ, Felice Stewart, has completed her missionary service in Tanzania as well and has been re-assigned as a Mission Specialist to serve in the area of addictions treatment and counseling. Working with OCMC missionary Floyd Frantz, Felice will be working to further establish the St. Dimitrie Program (SDP) in countries where addictions ministry is needed including Romania, Moldova, Tanzania, and Alaska.

James and Daphne Hargrave, with their infant son Peter Henry, will be returning home from Tanzania in September. The Hargraves worked closely with His Eminence Jeronymos while in Tanzania and helped to support and administer many of the Metropolis' efforts including multiday youth retreats. James and Daphne will reside in British Columbia for a period where Daphne will seek work as a nurse and make plans for becoming certified in the US as well. James hopes to pursue theological studies beginning in 2014 in order to better equip himself to serve as a career missionary. They both hope to return to East Africa.

Please remember these missionaries and their families as they transition into their new lives and join us in thanking them for all that they have done to share the Orthodox Faith with others through their unique gifts and talents.



## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Please join us on **October 12** for our annual fall fundraiser! Our theme this year is "Greek Night" with proceeds to benefit our Philoptochos Social Services, projects and commitments, and Jacob's Cupboard. Tickets are \$35.00 per person. Please see the enclosed flyer for details. Stop by the Philoptochos table in the PLC to purchase your tickets. We hope to see you all there!

We would like to thank the following ladies for preparing the Artoklasia in honor of St. Euphemia, the patron saint of our Atlanta Metropolis Philoptochos: **Rosemary Peppas, Evelyn Bilson, Marty Driscoll, Niki Kakissis, Toulia McCarty and Irene Steffas.**

We would like to also thank the following parishioners for either cooking and/or serving 91 people at the Must Ministries Soup Kitchen on August 22: **Maria Alberts, Nancy Barke, Evelyn Bilson, Mike Gavalas, Niki Gess, Dorothy Macris, Kally Niarchos, Cathy Papadopoulos, Paula Rogers, Kathy Shoji, Irene Steffas, and Basile Zafiroulis.**

The next date for the soup kitchen will be on October 24, 2013. Please contact Athena Burke at [ibgreek@bellsouth.net](mailto:ibgreek@bellsouth.net) or 770-973-3111 if you would like to help prepare or serve food or would like to make a monetary donation.

Our next book club will meet on **October 24, 2013** at the home of Cathy Papadopoulos.

Please mark your calendars for the following upcoming special events that will benefit our Philoptochos:

**Saturday, November 2:** "Marietta's Got Talent" at the Clay Oven Restaurant (details to come)

**Saturday, November 23:** A Night of Comedy and Jazz at Jerry Farber's Comedy Club (details to come)

**BRING** your "**SMALL**" **USED ELECTRONICS**, accepting **ONLY** the following items: cell phones, laser and inkjet cartridges, iPods, video games & consoles, scientific and graphing calculators, DVDs and GPS devices, PDAs, digital cameras and laptops to a drop off box near the Bookstore. **Philoptochos** is supporting Simpson Middle School in collecting these items to help raise funds for needy families in East Cobb. Funds from the recycling will benefit students whose utilities have been shut off or are experiencing other emergencies that would impact their ability to attend and succeed in school. It is a small way for all of us at Holy Transfiguration to possibly make a big difference in a needy student's success at school...and life.

### **Important Dates:**

October 7: Board Meeting

October 12: Fall Fundraiser

October 24: Soup Kitchen

October 24: Book Club

**OPA!**



Delicious Greek Food

Live Greek Band

Dance Show

Singing Waiters and  
Waitresses

Silent Auction

# **GREEK NIGHT**

**Saturday, October 12, 2013**

**Panagia Chapter, Philoptochos  
Charity Fall Fundraiser**

Proceeds to benefit: Philoptochos Social Services  
Jacob's Garden/Cupboard

**7:00 P.M.**

**\$35.00 per person**

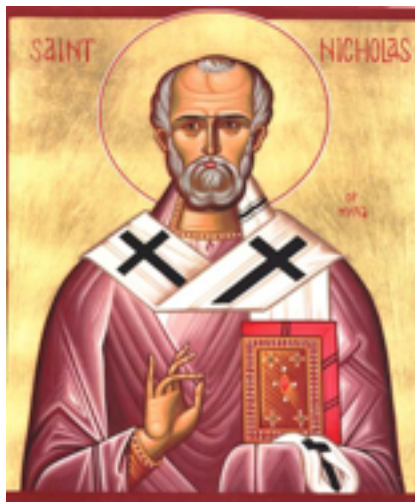
(includes appetizers, dinner, dessert, non-alcoholic beverage and entertainment)

**Cash Bar**

Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church Parish Life Center (PLC)

3431 Trickum Rd., Marietta, GA 30066

Reservations Required (limited seating): 678-492-5818 or [llopos@bellsouth.net](mailto:llopos@bellsouth.net)



## **St. Nicholas Christmas Market . . . SAVE THE DATE !!!**

Come shop with us on SUNDAY - DECEMBER 8  
Philoptochos UNIQUE holiday market full of Special Gifts

After a successful debut last year, St. Nicholas Christmas Market promises to be the perfect shopping spot this holiday!!!

A portion of sales will benefit our Philoptochos Social Services Fund to help those in need.

VENDORS: If you are interested in having a table in the PLC, please  
contact Mary Miltiades at [404/626-5111](tel:4046265111) or [marymiltiades@gmail.com](mailto:marymiltiades@gmail.com)  
Marty Driscoll at [770/977-0467](tel:7709770467) or [martydriscoll@bellsouth.net](mailto:martydriscoll@bellsouth.net)



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

### **GREAT NEWS!!!**

**Our chapter was awarded District 1 Chapter of the Year!**

District Governor Constantine Zouboukas presented our chapter with the award at our meeting September 10.  
A gathering of 25 brothers enjoyed a steak dinner and a wonderful evening.

### **Congratulations to Melina Blasetti.**

Melina was awarded an AHEPA National Educational Foundation Scholarship!

**Marietta students received a total of 14 scholarships from the AHEPA family.**

### **Upcoming Events--BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!**

Tuesday, October 8 - Fun Meeting - Marietta Diner, 6:30 pm  
October 18-20 - Cumming Greek Festival  
Tuesday, October 29, Chapter 1 Fellowship Dinner  
Sunday, November 3, Pancake Breakfast - PLC  
November 15-17 - Cabin Fever 4

Questions about AHEPA? Interested in being a member of this great organization? Please contact any Board Member.  
Your Board: Harry Kipreos, Jim Tidwell, Zack Kollias, and Dr. Phil Vodas  
Vice-Presidents: Alan Levine, Michael Gavalas, Theodore Georgacopoulos, and Ron Sprouse

# PRIME TIMERS

Board Meetings: October 1st and November 5 - 10:30 am, Office Conference Room  
December 3 - 10:30 am, Connie Stratigos' home

## Upcoming Events:

### *Visit to the Tellus Science Museum, Cartersville, GA, Tuesday, October 8th!*

This is a world-class museum with four main galleries: The Weinman Mineral Gallery, The Fossil Gallery, Science in Motion, The Collins Family My Big Backyard as well as a 120 seat digital planetarium and an observatory with a state-of-the art 20-inch telescope.

We will leave the Parish Life Center parking lot at 10:30 am and travel by car. Cost is \$15.50 per person which includes entrance to the museum plus the planetarium. Lunch is on your own; cafeteria is located in the museum building. Please plan on joining us!



Contact: Connie Stratigos, 770.992.9707  
ALL ARE WELCOME!



Save the date, Sunday, December 15,  
for our Christmas party, 5:00 pm at  
Provino's Italian Restaurant,  
1255 Grimes Bridge Road, Roswell, GA 30075

Bring a small (\$10.00) wrapped gift and  
come for a good meal and holiday fun!

# October 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>29</p> <p>Second Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:15 AM Catechism</li> <li>12:30 PM Hellenic Dance</li> <li>1:30 PM Men's Recreational</li> <li>1:30 PM Phoenix/Elleftheria</li> <li>2:30 PM Girls' Basketball &amp;</li> <li>3:00 PM Bible Bowl Meeting</li> <li>3:30 PM Boys' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>30</p> <p>11:30 AM Prime Timers' General Meeting</p> <p>7:00 PM Byzantine Iconography Class</p>	<p>1</p> <p>Feast of the...he Theotokos</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting</li> <li>11:00 AM Blessing of the Waters</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies (Paul)</li> <li>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Cobb County School Break</p> <p>Atlanta Greek Festival</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>7:00 PM Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <p>6:30 PM McQueary/Wells Wedding Rehearsal</p>	<p>5</p> <p>3:30 PM Baptism of Katherine Wells and her son, Michael</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p>
<p>6</p> <p>Cobb County School Break</p> <p>Atlanta Greek Festival</p> <p>Third Sunday...ints of Cyprus</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:15 AM Catechism</li> <li>12:00 PM Library Open</li> <li>12:30 PM Coaches' Meeting</li> </ul> <p>and 5 more...</p>	<p>7</p> <p>Philoptochos Fundraiser Set-Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:30 PM PC Meeting</li> <li>7:00 PM Byzantine Iconography Class</li> <li>7:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting</li> </ul>	<p>8</p> <p>10:30 AM Prime Timers - Tellus Museum</p> <p>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy</p>	<p>9</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>10</p> <p>7:00 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>11</p>	<p>12</p> <p>4:00 PM Byzantine Chant Class</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p> <p>6:00 PM Philoptochos Fall Fundraiser</p>
<p>13</p> <p>Fourth Sunday... October 18)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:15 AM Catechism</li> <li>11:30 AM A 1 year Memo-</li> <li>12:30 PM HOPE/JOY Pump-</li> <li>1:30 PM Phoenix/Elleftheria</li> <li>1:30 PM Men's Recreational</li> <li>2:30 PM Girls' Basketball &amp;</li> <li>3:30 PM Boys' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>14</p> <p>Columbus Day</p>	<p>15</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</p> <p>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy</p>	<p>16</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study</p> <p>6:30 PM Facilities Planning Committee</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>17</p> <p>7:00 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>18</p> <p>Cumming Greek Festival</p>	<p>19</p> <p>9:00 AM PLC Clean-Up Day</p> <p>3:00 PM Baptism of David Davis</p> <p>4:00 PM Byzantine Chant Class</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p>
<p>20</p> <p>Cumming Greek Festival</p> <p>Sixth Sunday... of Kefalonia</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:15 AM Catechism</li> <li>12:00 PM Parish Assembly</li> </ul>	<p>21</p> <p>7:00 PM Byzantine Iconography Class</p>	<p>22</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</p> <p>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy</p>	<p>23</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>24</p> <p>11:00 AM Soup Kitchen</p> <p>6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club</p> <p>7:00 PM Bible Study</p>	<p>25</p> <p>9:00 PM Overnight Vigil for the Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr</p>	<p>26</p> <p>... Overnight Vigil for the Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr</p> <p>4:00 PM Byzantine Chant Class</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p> <p>6:00 PM GOYA Corn Maze</p>
<p>27</p> <p>Seventh Sunday...ontious Platte Oxi Day Celebration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>1:30 PM Men's Recreational</li> <li>2:30 PM Boys' Basketball</li> <li>3:30 PM Girls' Basketball &amp;</li> <li>6:30 PM Spiritual Bookclub</li> </ul>	<p>28</p> <p>7:00 PM Byzantine Iconography Class</p>	<p>29</p> <p>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</p> <p>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy (Fr. George)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>10:00 AM Bible Study (Paul)</p> <p>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</p>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween</p> <p>7:00 PM Bible Study (Paul)</p>	<p>1</p> <p>11:00 AM Blessing of the Water</p>	<p>2</p> <p>4:00 PM Byzantine Chant Class</p> <p>5:00 PM Great Vespers</p> <p>6:30 PM Philoptochos Benefit Night</p>

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October 6, 2013	C. Hansard/J. Tidwell	Team II	M. Alberts/M. Zavala	TBA
October 13, 2013	C. Costarides/G. Lopus	Team I	P. Dunkerly/C. Kollias	TBA
October 20, 2013	D. Koutouzis/A. Tsarouhas	Team II	P. Koutouzis/E. Markley	TBA
October 27, 2013	G. O'Brien/R. Rogers	Team I	D. Bafas/D. Levine	TBA

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