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Marietta, GA

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CHRIST IS RISEN FROM THE DEAD!

And the angel said to them, "Do not be afraid: Do you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified: *He is Risen; he is not here: behold the place where they laid him.*" (Mark 16:16)

"The Lord is Risen indeed" (Luke 24:34)

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

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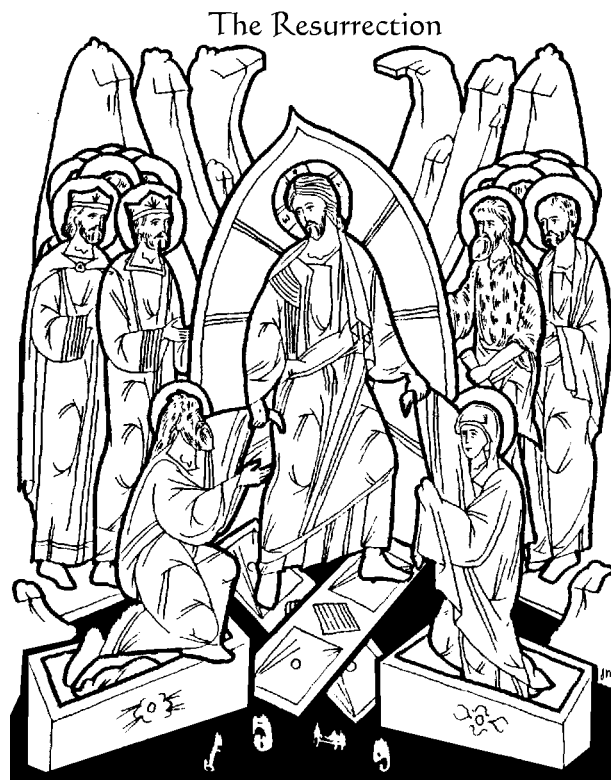
FROM I-75 Exit at 267-A. At 1st light, turn right (Sandy Plains Road). Continue for 3-4 miles until you see a CVS Pharmacy on your left. At that light turn left onto Trickum Rd. Proceed Approx 1/2 mile. Church will be on your left. Can't miss it!

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Christ is Risen!

Truly He is Risen!

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*May the Light of the Risen Christ shine in
your life always!*

*The Christian Orthodox Community of
Holy Transfiguration, Marietta, GA*

IS THE RESURRECTION RELEVANT TODAY?



We will soon walk through Holy Week, experience Christ's passion, suffering and crucifixion, and then rejoice in His Resurrection. We will continue to greet each other with "Christ is Risen!" for 40 days reminding ourselves of this amazing event. But the question is, how is this event relevant to us or the world we live in today?

In the first century and subsequently, the defeat of death by Christ was welcome news to the people of the time. Death was everywhere. People suffered from wars, famines, plagues and all kinds of social and political abuse. Human beings needed the hope that there is something better than what they were experiencing in their lives, otherwise this life made no sense.

The ancients tried to find ways to counter the effects of death through poems and heroic tales, through monuments, graves and even mummification, but they had no clear indication as to what happens after death. The Greeks understood that the souls enter Hades, a place of darkness and everlasting suffering. The Egyptians equipped the tombs of their loved ones with material things, so that they might continue to have the comforts they experienced in this life. The Jews thought that the souls entered Sheol, a place of dormancy and sleep and many of them understood that there they were awaiting the final resurrection. It was this revelation of the possibility of the resurrection that gave hope to the Jewish people throughout the many centuries of oppression and suffering. And, finally, it was in Jesus Christ that this promise of God was made reality. The Jewish people received the fulness of the revelation of God through the life, actions and teachings of Jesus, but the affirmation of the identity of Jesus as the Messiah and the Son of God came through His Resurrection. It is through this that the promised Kingdom of God was opened widely to all humanity. It is through the Resurrection that humanity is healed and made immortal, honored and glorified united to divinity in the person of Jesus Christ. It is now through a relationship with the Risen Christ that people can experience the power of God and a blessed life that never ends.

Even at a time like ours (two thousand years later) when science and technology are providing us with great conveniences and comforts, we are still faced with the same human issues; pain and suffering come to us in various forms, physical, emotional, mental and spiritual, and death strikes us, even when we don't expect it, as an inevitable end. Even in a wealthy and technologically advanced society like ours, people still live in great distress and more and more people every year take their own lives trying to find release from their suffering (as recent statistics have shown). Wars are still raging around the world, evil strikes even in places where we do not expect it (like schools, airports and subways) and people are still looking for hope for the future and are still trying to make sense of life and death.

The "Christ Event", the power of the Resurrection, the transformation offered by Christ continues to provide hope and comfort in the face of the tribulations of humanity and our ultimate physical death. We are reassured by this intervention of God that life does not end with the death of our bodies. Our spirit, our conscience, our soul lives on in the hands of God who has power over death and offers us eternal life "in a place where there is no pain, sorrow and suffering", but life everlasting!

Christ is Risen, brothers and sisters, offering hope to the whole world!

Truly He is Risen, offering Life Eternal to all who seek Him!

The Commission of Christ to us is to spread this message of hope to the whole world through teaching and baptising.

This is the Mission of the Church and of our local Parish!

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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

April 2016

April 1, Friday. Third Salutation to the Theotokos 7:00 pm. Τρίτοι Χαιρετισμοί 7:00 μμ

April 2, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

April 3, Third Sunday of Great Lent - Sunday of the Veneration of the Holy Cross.

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

At the end of the Divine Liturgy we will hold the procession of the Holy Cross.

April 4, Monday. Great Compline 6:00 pm

April 6, Fourth Wednesday of Great Lent. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, 5:45 pm

A Lenten Dinner will be offered at 7:00 pm followed by a **Presentation and Discussion.**

April 7, Thursday. Great Compline 6:00 pm

April 8, Fourth Salutation to the Theotokos 7:00 pm. Τέταρτοι Χαιρετισμοί 7:00 μμ.

April 9, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

April 10, Fourth Sunday of Great Lent, St. John of Climacus.

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

April 11, Monday. Great Compline 6:00 pm

April 13, Fifth Wednesday of Great Lent. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, 5:45 pm

A Lenten Dinner will be offered at 7:00 pm followed by a **Presentation and Discussion**

April 14, Thursday, Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete 6:00 pm

April 15, Friday, The Akathist Hymn 7:00 pm

April 16, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

April 17, Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Great Lent. St. Mary of Egypt

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

April 18, Monday. Great Compline 6:00 pm

April 20, Sixth Wednesday of Great Lent. Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts, 5:45 pm.

A Lenten Dinner will be offered at 7:00 pm followed by a **Presentation and Discussion.**

April 21, Thursday, Great Compline 6:00 pm

April 22, Friday, Great Vespers, Resurrection of St. Lazarus 6:00 pm

April 23, Saturday, The Resurrection of St. Lazarus

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

Making of the palm crosses and Confession for children follows the Divine Liturgy.

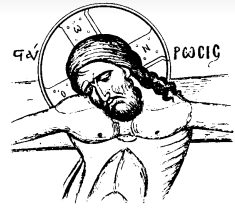
Evening: Great Vespers for Palm Sunday 5:00 pm

April 24, Palm Sunday. The Entrance of our Lord Jesus Christ into Jerusalem

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



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Divine Services for Holy and Great Week and Pascha 2016

April 24, Sunday. Palm Sunday. Κυριακή τῶν Βαΐων.

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

Today we eat fish. Σήμερα γίνεται κατάλυσις ἰχθύος.

Evening: Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου 7:00 μμ.

April 25, Holy and Great Monday. Ἀγία καί Μεγάλη Δευτέρα.

Evening: Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου 7:00 μμ.

April 26, Holy and Great Tuesday. Ἀγία καί Μεγάλη Τρίτη.

Evening: Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Νυμφίου 7:00 μμ.

April 27, Holy and Great Wednesday. Ἀγία καί Μεγάλη Τετάρτη.

Morning: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 9:00 am. Λειτ. Προηγιασμένων Δώρων 9:00 πμ

Afternoon: Holy Unction (the service of Holy Oil for Healing) 3:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Ἁγίου Εὐχελαίου 3:00 μμ.

Evening: Small Compline 6:45 pm, Holy Unction (the service of Holy Oil for Healing) 7:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τοῦ Ἁγίου Εὐχελαίου 7:00 μμ.

April 28, Holy and Great Thursday, Ἀγία καί Μεγάλη Πέμπτη.

Remembrance of the Last Supper and the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Morning: Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 9:00 am. Θεία Λειτουργία Μ. Βασιλείου 9:00 πμ

Evening: The Service of the Passion of Christ 7:00 pm. Ἀκολουθία τῶν Παθῶν 7:00 μμ

April 29, Holy and Great Friday. Ἀγία καί Μεγάλη Παρασκευή.

The Crucifixion and Burial of Christ. Ἡ Σταύρωσις καί Ταφή τοῦ Κυρίου

Morning: The Great Hours 9:00 am, Μεγάλες Ὡρὲς 9:00 πμ.

Afternoon: The lowering of the Body of the Lord from the Cross and preparation for His Burial 3:00 pm. Ἀποκαθήλωσις τοῦ Κυρίου 3:00 μμ.

Evening: The Burial of Christ--Lamentations at the Tomb of the Lord (Epitaphios) 7:00 pm, followed by Procession of the Tomb of Christ. Ἐπιτάφιος Θρῆνος 7:00 μμ.

April 30, Holy and Great Saturday. Μέγα Σάββατο. Θ. Λειτουργία Μεγ. Βασιλείου 9:30πμ

Morning: Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 9:30 am. The Descent of Christ into Hades.

Midnight Resurrection Services: The Canon of Easter 11:00 pm,

12:00 Midnight, The Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, Ἡ ἈΝΑΓΓΕΛΙΑ

12:30 am, Orthros and Divine Liturgy of Pascha. Ὁρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία Ἀναστάσεως

MAY 1, The Holy and Great Sunday of Pascha (the Bright Day). Τό Ἅγιον Πάσχα.

Noon: Great Vespers of Love 12:00 pm. During this Service the Gospel is read in various languages. A Paschal Picnic follows! Also Feast of St. George (moved from April 23).

May 2, Renewal Monday, Orthros 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. Feast of St. George.



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May 2016

May 1, The Holy and Great Sunday of Pascha (the Bright Day).

Noon: Great Vespers of Love 12:00 pm. During this Service the Gospel is read in various languages. A Paschal Picnic follows! Also Feast of St. George (moved from April 23).

May 2, Renewal Monday, Orthros 9:00 am and Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. Feast of St. George.

May 4, Wednesday, Great Vespers for **Feast of St. Irene the Great Martyr** 6:00 pm

May 5, Thursday, Feast of St. Irene the Great Martyr

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

May 7, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 8, Sunday of Thomas

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

May 15, Sunday, Sunday of Myrrh-bearing Women-Greek Festival

Orthros 8:15 am and Divine Liturgy 9:30 am.

Note: Festival Sunday - **The Divine Liturgy will begin at 9:30 am**

May 20, Friday, Great Vespers - Feast of Sts. Constantine & Helen 6:00 pm

May 21, Saturday, Feast of Sts. Constantine and Helen.

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

Saturday Evening, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 22, Sunday, Sunday of the Paralytic

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

May 28, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 29, Sunday, Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

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

Remembrance of the Fall of Constantinople - May 29, 1453 AD

June 5, Sunday, Sunday of the Blind Man

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

June 8, Wednesday, Great Vespers - Feast of Ascension 6:00 pm

June 9, Thursday, Ascension of the Lord

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

Questions for Orthodox Christians

Is the Orthodox Church only for those from Greek, Russian or Romanian heritage?

Why are we hiding our Faith from mainstream America?

Why are we known more for our food rather than our Faith?

Why are we not Offering the Orthodox Faith to those around us who are looking for it?

The Orthodox Church has preserved the original Apostolic Faith pure and unblemished. The Orthodox Church did not experience a reformation or counter reformation because the Faith was kept untouched by time and people. That does not mean all Orthodox people are always perfect, but that the Faith has remained perfect.

If the Orthodox Church in America is to succeed in its primary mission to bring the Gospel of Salvation and Sanctification to the world--we must continually return to the core Faith, to the prime theological teachings of the divinity of Christ and the salvation offered through Him.

We also need to establish our own schools where we will cultivate in our children the Orthodox Christian principles of life as the early Christians did. We cannot shape souls effectively unless we undertake a serious effort of immersion of our people from a young age in the Faith and Orthodox way of life. A serious Christian education is the way to do that. An Orthodox Christian education in particular is the only way to counter the intellectual onslaught of the secular society upon the minds of our people.

For years, as immigrants (Greeks, Russians, Serbs and others), we sought to establish ourselves as a respectable minority in America. We have succeeded and surpassed most other minorities. We now stand at a crossroads: we either continue to seek further political and societal acceptance through the use of the wealth God has given us, or we turn our focus to the greatest treasure we have, the ORTHODOX FAITH, and find ways to effectively share it with those around us.

We can either use our wealth to further impress the secular world with our successes so that we can continue to gain their respect and recognition, or we can seek ways to present the treasure of ancient Christianity that has been handed down to us by creating opportunities for theological education for those around us, especially those who are looking for authentic Christian teaching. Do we become anchored citizens of this world through our secular successes, or do we cultivate our citizenship in heaven through a witness of authentic Christian life?

This is a critical moment in the life of our Parish, as well. We have established ourselves by the grace of God as a respectable "faith group" in this corner of the earth. People are now ready to listen to us if we do have a serious message to offer. But we need to first understand what this message really is and make it an integral part of our own lives. As a group of people who claim to be followers of Christ, we need to begin living according to His teaching. People around us have to recognize us from our love for each other and our good works. We need to make a mark in the local community as both philanthropists as well as philotheoi (lovers of God). Then we will be able to make a difference in American Society, not through our monetary wealth, but rather through the Wealth of the Orthodox Faith and Traditions that we have inherited.

Let's become Ambassadors of Orthodox Christianity, the Ancient Faith, the Faith of the Apostles!

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 - APRIL

4/1/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 13:2-13	Vespers OT1: Genesis 8:4-21	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 10:31-11:12
4/2/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 10:32-38	Gospel: Mark 2:14-17	
4/3/2016	Matins: John 21:14-25 Gospel: Mark 8:34-38; 9:1	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6	
4/4/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 14:24-32 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 11:19-12:6	Vespers OT1: Genesis 8:21-9:7	
4/5/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 25:1-9 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 12:8-22	Vespers OT1: Genesis 9:8-17	
4/6/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 26:21-27:9 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 12:23-13:9	Vespers OT1: Genesis 9:18-10:1	
4/7/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 28:14-22 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 13:19-14:6	Vespers OT1: Genesis 10:32-11:9	
4/8/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 29:13-23 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 14:15-26	Vespers OT1: Genesis 12:1-7	
4/9/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 6:9-12	Gospel: Mark 7:31-37	
4/10/2016	Matins: Matthew 28:16-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 6:13-20	
4/11/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 37:33-38:6 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 14:27-15:4	Vespers OT1: Genesis 13:12-18	
4/12/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 40:18-31	Vespers OT1: Genesis 15:1-15	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 15:7-19
4/13/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 41:4-14	Vespers OT1: Genesis 17:1-9	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 15:20-16:9
4/14/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 42:5-16	Vespers OT1: Genesis 18:20-33	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 16:17-17:17
4/15/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 45:11-17	Vespers OT1: Genesis 22:1-18	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 17:17-18:5
4/16/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7	Gospel: Luke 1:39-49, 56	
4/17/2016	Matins: Mark 16:1-8 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14	
4/18/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 48:17-49:4	Vespers OT1: Genesis 27:1-41	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 19:16-25
4/19/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 49:6-10	Vespers OT1: Genesis 31:3-16	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 21:3-21
4/20/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 58:1-11 Vespers OT2: Proverbs 21:23-22:4	Vespers OT1: Genesis 43:26-31; 45:1-16	
4/21/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 65:8-16	Vespers OT1: Genesis 46:1-7	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 23:15-24:5
4/22/2016	Orthros OT: Isaiah 66:10-24	Vespers OT1: Genesis 49:33-50:26	Vespers OT2: Proverbs 31:8-31
4/23/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 12:28-29; 13:1-8	Gospel: John 11:1-45	
4/24/2016	Matins: Matthew 21:1-11; 15-17 Gospel: John 12:1-18	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 4:4-9	
4/25/2016	Gospel: Matthew 21:18-43	Gospel: Matthew 24:3-35	
4/26/2016	Gospel: Matthew 22:15-46; 23:1-39	Gospel: Matthew 24:36-51; 25:1-46; 26:1-2	
4/27/2016	Gospel: John 12:17-50	Gospel: Matthew 26:6-16	
4/28/2016	Matins: Luke 22:1-39 Gospel: Matthew 26:1-20; John 13:3-17; Matthew 26:21-39; Luke 22:43-44; Matthew 26:40-75; 27:1-2 12 Gospels: The Twelve Gospels of the Passion of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 11:23-32	
4/29/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 5:6-8	Gospel: Matthew 27:62-66	
4/30/2016	Matins: Matthew 27:62-66	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11	Gospel: Luke 9:1-6

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - MAY

5/1/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 1:1-8	Gospel: John 1:1-17
5/2/2016	Matins: Luke 21:12-19 Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11	Gospel: John 1:18-28
5/3/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 2:14-21	Gospel: Luke 10:16-21
5/4/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 13:7-16	Gospel: John 1:35-52
5/5/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 2:38-43	Gospel: John 3:1-15
5/6/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 3:1-8	Gospel: John 2:12-22
5/7/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 3:11-16	Gospel: John 3:22-33
5/8/2016	Matins: Matthew 28:16-20 Epistle: St. John's First Universal Letter 1:1-7 Gospel: John 20:19-31	
5/9/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 3:19-26	Gospel: John 2:1-11
5/10/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	Gospel: Luke 6:12-19
5/11/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 4:13-22	Gospel: John 5:17-24
5/12/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 4:23-31	Gospel: John 5:24-30
5/13/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 5:1-11	Gospel: John 5:30-47; 6:1-2
5/14/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 5:21-32	Gospel: John 6:14-27
5/15/2016	Matins: Luke 24:1-12 Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7	Gospel: Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8
5/16/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60	Gospel: John 4:46-54
5/17/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 8:5-17	Gospel: John 6:27-33
5/18/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 8:18-25	Gospel: John 6:35-39
5/19/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 8:26-39	Gospel: John 6:40-44
5/20/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 8:40; 9:1-19	Gospel: John 6:48-54
5/21/2016	Matins: John 10:9-16 Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 26:1, 12-20	Gospel: John 10:1-9
5/22/2016	Matins: Luke 24:13-35 Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 9:32-42	Gospel: John 5:1-15
5/23/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 10:1-16	Gospel: John 6:56-69
5/24/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 10:21-33	Gospel: John 7:1-13
5/25/2016	Matins: Luke 7:17-30 Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15 Gospel: John 7:14-30	
5/26/2016	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	Gospel: John 8:12-20
5/27/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 10:44-48; 11:1-10	Gospel: John 8:21-30
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5/30/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 12:12-17	Gospel: John 8:42-51
5/31/2016	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 12:25; 13:1-12	Gospel: John 8:51-59

UNDERSTANDING CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

BY DR. LARRY GESS



DO I TRULY BELIEVE IN GOD?

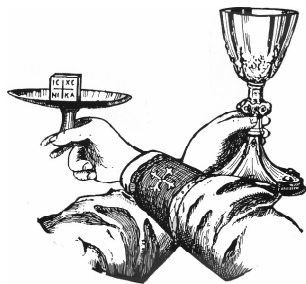
If we only say we believe in God, we are expressing an opinion. However, if our belief in God, than we can truly say we believe Him.

What then is the difference between an opinion and a belief? An opinion is what we currently think but it is influenced by the ongoing events in our lives. However, a belief is a deeply held life view which guides how we live – what we think about, how we act, and prioritizes what we do daily.

If we truly believe in the Holy Trinity, **we should be doing the following frequently:**

- † **Attend church services to worship God and thank Him for our blessings.**
- † **Engage in the holy sacraments, especially Confession of our sins.**
- † **Pray to Him (if possible, continuously-unceasingly).**
- † **Engage in activities personally and collectively which enable us to grow closer to Him, (like study of the Holy Scriptures, reading the lives of the Saints, attending theological and spiritual conversations).**
- † **In thanksgiving to Him, sacrificially return for His work a portion of the treasures derived from His blessings.**
- † **In thanksgiving to Him, sacrificially return for His Work a portion of our time and talents derived from His Blessings.**

Taking these actions not only expresses our belief in and love of Him, it also enables us to continuously overcome our 'unbelief' and it heightens our personal relationship with Him as well as demonstrates our love of others.



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

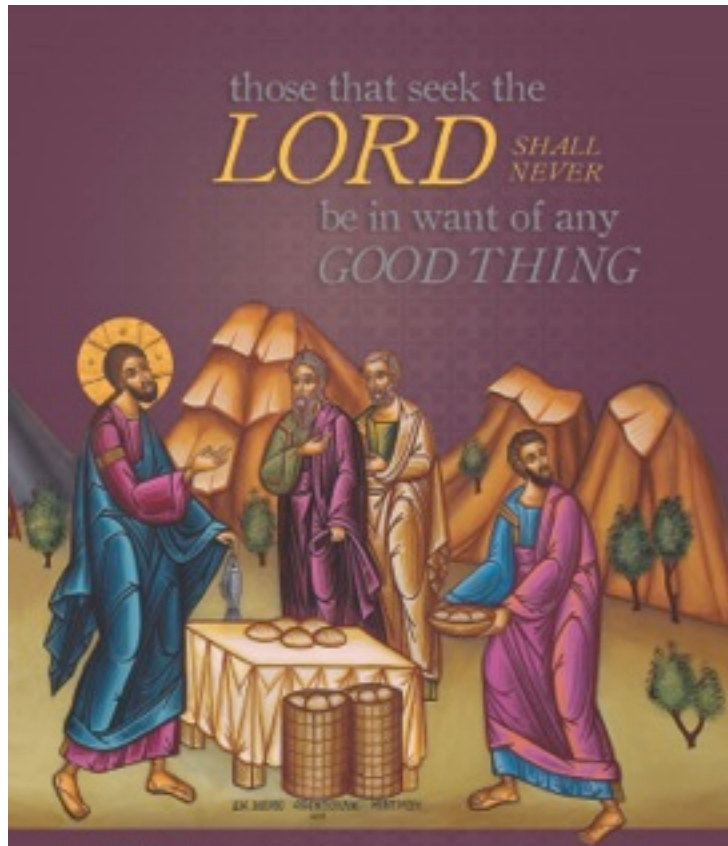
"We praise you, we bless you,
we thank you, O Lord and we
pray to you O our God."

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!



Thank you for your support of the Holy Transfiguration Stewardship Program.

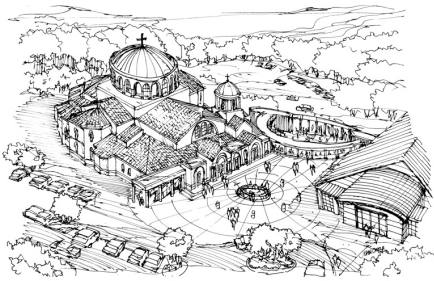
Stewardship is an opportunity to examine our priorities and values, to express our thankfulness, to give of ourselves and to grow in grace. It allows us to participate in the work of God. Bearing fruit in the world is the visible result of our abiding in Christ, the True Vine.

You are encouraged to offer your prayerful thanks and continue in the fulfillment of your commitment to Christ's Church in thanksgiving for His many blessings to you.

Your Stewardship Commitment is a testimony of your dedication to your own spiritual growth and the spreading of our beloved Orthodox Faith. I thank you on behalf of Holy Transfiguration.

Yours in Christ,

Becky Gess Valagohar
Stewardship Ministry



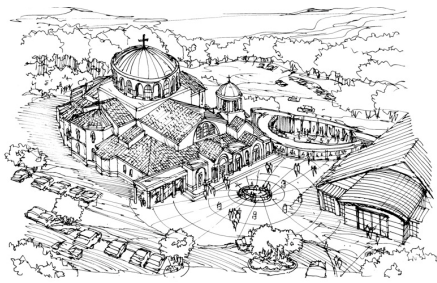
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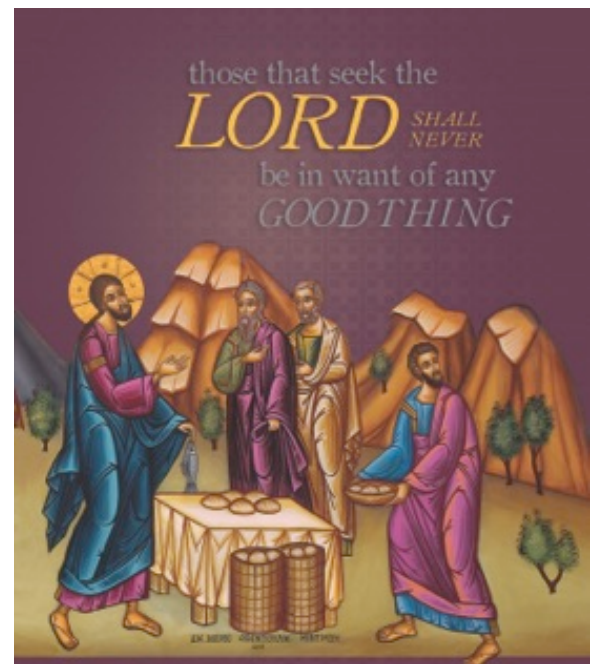
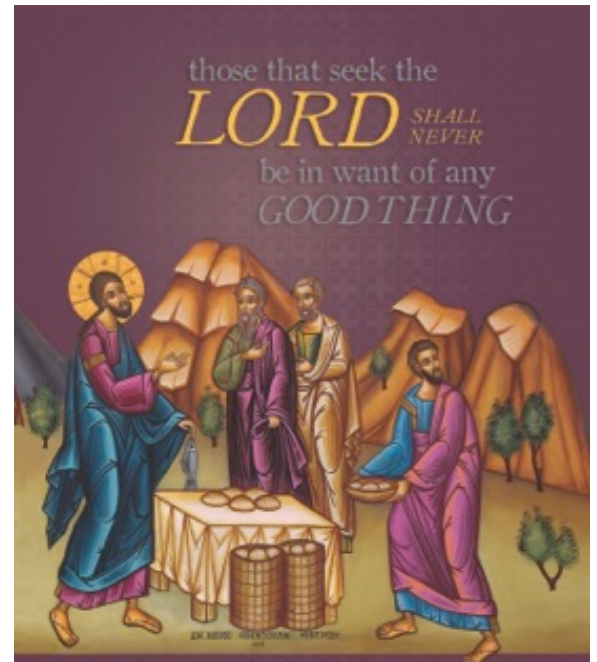
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The Capital Campaign for
HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Become a part of the “Our Faith, Our Future” building fund campaign in 2016!
The walls are rising up, built on the strong foundation of our Faith!

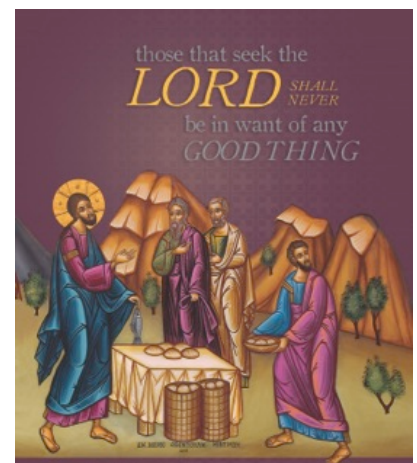
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Once Again...Coffee Hour Hosts Are Needed!



The truth of the matter is, hosting coffee hour is an easy way to offer your service to our church. Please go to the Sign up Genius website: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0d4cabad23a2fe3-coffee> and choose your date to play the part of the magical elves for the rest of us, then email Anne Willcocks at holytrans@comcast.net to have your name or the special occasion included in the weekly bulletin.

If you are new and need an invitation to join the group, contact Stephanie Lukens at dsclukens@gmail.com. Stephanie can also send you detailed directions for hosting.

Thank you for your service,

Parish Life Ministry
Outreach Ministry

Special Book Signing in the Parish Hall
Under the Umbrella...A Resource for Families with Alzheimer's
Sunday, April 3 and Sunday April 10 during coffee hour

A book written by both Rosemary Kromidas Hendrix and Floyd F. Hendrix, Jr. as a resource for families who had a diagnosis of Alzheimer's or other dementia. A unique program, designed to keep loved ones at home for as long as possible and to help others.

Please stop by the table in the Parish Hall and get your copy on the dates of the signing. Limited copies will also be on sale in the Bookstore.

Under the Umbrella...

A Resource for Families With Alzheimer's



Palm Sunday Luncheon - April 24th **Parish Hall** **Sponsored by the Holy Transfiguration Choir**

Grilled Tilapia, Green Beans, Greek Salad, Potatoes, Dessert

Adults - \$12
Children - \$6 (under 10 yrs.)
Maximum per Family - \$40

No prepaid tickets; tickets will be sold at the door.

All monies benefit the Capital Building Fund Campaign

Thank you to the Pappas Brothers (Papadreux Restaurant of Houston) and Tom Lambrou of Cosmopolitan Restaurant of Marietta for their food donations.



Holy Week Flowers

If you would like to make a donation for the flowers that will decorate the church icons and Epitaphio, please contact Anne in the church office, 770.924.8080, holytrans@comcast.net or fill out this form and put it in the offering tray.

Note: Due to the lateness of Pascha this year, lilies are not available.

Name: _____

In Memory of: _____
(Please Print)

or

For the Health of: _____
(Please Print)

Amount of Donation: _____

The names of donors and dedications will be published in the bulletin on Pascha, May 1st.



Luminaria

Honor the memory of a loved one with a luminary on Holy Friday, April 29th.

Luminaries are sponsored by the Dance Ministry; suggested donation is \$5.00 per luminary.

Your Name: _____

In Memory Of: _____

(Please Print - 1-2 names per luminary)

Please return this completed form with check (payable to HT Dance Ministry) in the tray during the Divine Liturgy on Sunday or to the church office by **Wednesday, April 27th.**

Thank you for your support.

INVITATION TO
THE AGAPE PICNIC
On the Bright Sunday of the
Resurrection
at Holy Transfiguration

ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!



You are Invited to the Agape Picnic on
Pascha Sunday, May 1, 2016
following *the Great Vespers of Love, 12:00 noon at*
**HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK
ORTHODOX CHURCH**

Sponsored by the Parish Life Ministry in the Parish Life Center and on Church grounds.

Delicious Buffet Menu:

Roasted Leg of Lamb or Chicken, Roasted Greek Potatoes, Oven Roasted
Vegetables, Village Salad

Wine, Beer, Tea, Lemonade, Sodas and Galactobourekos (Custard Pastry),
Chocolate Torte, and other Yummy Sweets.



Adults: \$15.00
Children (12 and under): \$5.00
(Children's menu same as above)



Music, Easter Egg Hunt

Tickets will be available on Sunday in the Parish Life Center, or to
reserve, please call Anne at the Church office, 770.924.8080, and
request Lamb or Chicken.

**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING EVERYONE ON THE GREAT AND
HOLY SUNDAY OF PASCHA (THE BRIGHT DAY).**

Feed your Body and Soul...



May 13-15, 2016

This is the largest church fundraiser that benefits our building fund and local charities.

Here's how YOU can help –

Get the word out - Use the power of Email and Social Media ...

- ✓ Spread the word using Facebook, Twitter, Instagram or your favorite media
- ✓ Distribute the flyer to your friends and neighbors via email; invite them to come.
- ✓ Use free advertising through community websites, school bulletins, etc.

Join us for Festival Cooking and Pastry Assembly...

Festival Cooking Dates Remaining! We need many helping hands!!

<u>Tiropita</u>	Thursday, March 31 – Saturday, April 2	10AM-5PM
<u>Pastitsio</u>	Thursday, April 7 – Friday, April 8	4PM -9PM
<u>Pastry Packing</u>	Friday, May 6 – Saturday, May 7	10AM-5PM

Visit our Festival Table during Coffee Hour...

- **Advertise in our Program Book...**
 - With over 13,000 visitors during the Festival weekend, this is great exposure for your business or a chance to commemorate a special event, such as a graduation or anniversary.
- **Buy Pre-Sale Gift Cards...**
 - \$10 Gift Cards for \$8; \$25 Gift Cards for \$20
 - Makes great gifts for teachers, friends and neighbors
 - Great way to feed your family during the Festival
- **Buy T-Shirts...**
 - A limited supply of T-Shirts from last year's Festival are available for only \$5
- **Sign-up to Volunteer...**
 - Laptops will be available for those who want to view the shifts and jobs available on the Sign Up Genius.
 - We can help you find just the right place to work; simply fill out a volunteer form with your availability.

26th Annual marietta **GREEK FESTIVAL**



“COBB COUNTY’S MOST DELICIOUS FESTIVAL”

FRIDAY, MAY 13
3PM-11PM

SATURDAY, MAY 14
10AM-11PM

SUNDAY, MAY 15
11AM-6PM

- *SAVOR Authentic Homemade Greek Food & Pastries*
- *ENJOY Live Greek Music & Dance Performances*
- *GUIDED TOURS of our Byzantine Sanctuary & Chapel*
- *LEARN about Greek Culture & Traditions*
- *SHOP for Imported Greek Gifts & Jewelry*
- *FUN FOR THE FAMILY in our Kid Art & Play Area*



ON THE CHURCH GROUNDS & OUTDOOR GREEK AMPHITHEATER
HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
3431 Trickum Road, Marietta GA 30066
(Between Sandy Plains & Shallowford Rds.)

VISIT: WWW.MARIETTAGREEKFESTIVAL.ORG
PHONE: 770.924.8080

ADMISSION \$4.00
(CHILDREN UNDER 12 FREE)

FREE ADMISSION
FRIDAY ONLY
3PM-5PM

WEEKEND
ADMISSION PASS
\$5.00

FREE Parking & Shuttle Bus Service is Available at:

- Simpson Middle School, Trickum Rd. (After 5pm Friday & All Day Saturday & Sunday)
- Church of Latter Day Saints, Trickum Rd. (All Day Friday & Saturday, Except Sunday)
- Lassiter High School, Shallowford Rd. (After 4pm Friday & All Day Saturday & Sunday)

Please, no animals permitted, except services pets

HELLENIC DANCE

Calling ALL Dancers!!!!

We are gearing up for our big event!!! With only a handful of practices left, we need you to make any and all practices!!!

Please remember that we do not have practice the following dates:

	No Practice	
Spring Break	Sunday-April 3*	Tuesday-April 5
Holy Week	Sunday-April 24	Tuesday-April 26
Pascha	Sunday-May 1	

*Middle School will have a makeup session for anyone interested on April 3rd. Please find Mrs. Elaine after church.

Please make sure you are part of the email list. We will call extra dance practices in May, the week before Festival. We will make these announcements via email and on Facebook.

Luminary Help!

Dorian needs help with luminaries on Good Friday. Please let Dorian know if you can be at the church early to help line up all the bags. We will also need several people to help light the luminaries. And most importantly, PLEASE help Dorian clean up all the bags after service.

FESTIVAL HELP!

We need volunteers to help us move costumes OUT OF STORAGE on Saturday May 7th at 9 AM and bring back to the Church. Please let Paulina or Dorian know if you are available to help!

Needs for Festival: Cases of water for the dancers
Fans for the dressing rooms (just to borrow for the weekend)

Festival Dance Shirts:

We would like all dancers to have a dance shirt. In prior years, we ask that this shirt is worn if it is raining outside and we cannot wear the costumes. So please make sure your child has a dance shirt! This is the **SAME** design as prior years. You can email Dorian at mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com or DorianBafas@yahoo.com Please include the Dancer's Name, Grade and size of shirt.

Sizes for unisex shirts:

Youth XS
Youth S
Youth M
Youth L
Adult S
Adult M
Adult L
Adult XL

Sizes for "girls cut" style:

Adult XS
Adult S
Adult M
Adult L
Adult XL

Shirt will be \$13 each (2X and 3X available for \$1 more). Please make checks payable to Holy Transfiguration and put Dance Shirts in the comment line. **All money is due by Friday - April 15th!!!** You may give the money to Dorian or any teacher or send it to the church office.

Thank you for *another* wonderful year!



Greek Independence celebration on March 27th



As we look back on this school year...

...we see how much each of our children have grown and how much they have learned! This year was a challenge, as we did not have access to our usual classroom space in the PLC during the building renovation. Despite our space limitations, the children did an excellent job and attended classes week after week. We thank the parents for their dedication as well, and for their enthusiasm and passion for teaching their children the Greek language.

Next year promises so many *exciting* things...new classroom spaces in the renovated PLC, a new curriculum and new teaching aids & technology. We look forward to welcoming your children to our program for an enriching and fulfilling experience. Stay tuned for more details on the coming school year. Registration will take place in August with the school year beginning in early September.

Hellenic Studies Program
Eleni Clement, Director

PHILOPTOCHOS

We thank all who participated in the 10th Annual Metropolis Spiritual Retreat at the Diakonia Center, March 18-20. All who attended enjoyed the fellowship and felt spiritually renewed. We look forward to next year's retreat and hope that more ladies from our parish will consider attending.

As Pascha draws near, we have a few areas in which we need help and hope that you will consider volunteering for any of the following:

- dying two dozen eggs (kits will be distributed on Sunday, April 24).
- 400 koulourakia are needed for the Resurrection Meal (April 30).
- Thursday, April 28: prepare flowers for Friday's decorating of the Kouvouklion (4 or 5 people)
- Friday, April 29: many hands are needed to decorate the Kouvouklion (meet at 9:00 A.M. in the chapel)
- Friday afternoon, April 29: help prepare vegetables for the Resurrection Meal
- Friday afternoon/Saturday morning or afternoon: prepare bowls of sand to hold candles during the Resurrection meal
- Saturday/Sunday, April 30/May 1: help to serve at the Resurrection meal and stay for clean up.

Please email Linda Lopos at llopos624@gmail.com if you are able to help with any of the above.

Thanks to all who have joined or renewed your membership in Philoptochos. If you have not yet joined or renewed your membership, please stop at the Philoptochos table in the Parish Hall any Sunday to complete the membership form. You may also download the form from the church website: www.holytransfiguration.info (click on "ministries", then "Philoptochos"). To date, we have 94 members who have fulfilled their 2016 financial commitment. They are:

Maria Alberts	Donnis Gavalas	Ellen Linebaugh	Cathy Papadopoulos
Liz Azimzadeh	Niki Gess	George Lopos	Fr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou
Dorian Bafas	Martha Gingles	Linda Lopos	Pres. Catherine Papageorgiou
Lois Bafas	Irene Hammond	Stephanie Lukens	Jeannie Paxten
Faye Bakatsas	Christopher Hansard	Eliana Lundberg	Rosemary Peppas
Nancy Barke	Leslie Hansard	Dorothy Macris	Paula Rogers
Christy Bell	Rosemary Hendrix	Eftichia Macris	Randy Rogers
Evelyn Bilson	Sis Hondras	Bobis Markatos	Linda Sampaness
Irma Bliss	Sheila Howington	Xanthippe Marsico	Kate Skilikas
Dorothy Botni	Annette Jacobs	Despina Mavromatides	Peter Sklikas
Andrew Bourgeois	Mike Jacobs	Dena McCollum	Christine Sprouse
Christina Bourgeois	Jo Kastner	Artemis Michael	Irene Steffas
Athena Burke	Irene Kipreos	Ioanna Michaels	Mary Stiakakis
Melina Burke	Steve Kipreos	Anthe Modenos	Connie Stratigos
Kathy Bylos	Gerre Klementzos	Patricia Morris	Theresa Taoushiani
Helen A. Carlos	Mary Ellen Knuchel	Costa Neocleous	Zach Taoushiani
Helen S. Carlos	Triada Kokkosis	Maroulla Neocleous	Steve Tingas
Mary Chiotellis	Margaret Kollias	Kally Niarchos	Mary Beth Tsoukalas
Eleni Clement	Virginia (Ginny) Kostulakos	Eleni Nikolas	Fran Tucker
Paula Christopher	Patricia A. Koutouzis	Georgia O'Brien	Vanessa Vacratsas
Cathy Costarides	Anna Lerios	Julie Orologas	Becky Valagohar
Despina Dalton	Stacey Levantis	Fr. George Pallas	Chelsie Vlahiotis
Marty Driscoll	Demetra Lilly	Pres. Toulia Pallas	
Isabelle Dymond	Argyro Liakakos	Mary Papadimitriou	

On **Saturday, April 16**, we will have our annual **Panagia Chapter Lenten Retreat**. We will begin in the Chapel at 9:00 for the Preparation of the Holy Gifts, Divine Liturgy, and Commemoration of the Souls. Then we will proceed to the Parish Hall for brunch, followed by a presentation and discussion led by Fr. Panayiotis. More details will be coming soon.

Mark your calendars for **Sunday, June 5**, for our **"Summer Send-off Luncheon"** and **Saturday, November 5**, for our annual **Philoptochos Fall Fundraiser**. We are excited to bring Basile the Comedian to our PLC for this year's major fundraiser. Get ready for an evening of laughter, entertainment, and refreshments! More details will be coming soon.

Make sure you visit our beautiful enlarged bookstore just outside the Parish Hall in our renovated PLC. We have an outstanding expanded inventory of icons, books, and other religious and Orthodox items to meet your needs.

Our Panagia Chapter's National and Metropolis Commitments and Local Expenses (including social services):

	<u>2015 (Jan. – Dec.)</u>	<u>2016 (through March 10)</u>
National:	\$8,843.12	\$4,030.00
Metropolis:	\$7,410.00	\$ 609.00
Local:	\$9,618.52	\$1,939.99
TOTAL	\$34,775.72	\$6,578.99

Through membership dues and our fundraising efforts, we are able to continue to provide assistance to those in need! Thank you very much for your generous support!

Book Club:

Soup Kitchen: On February 25th, we prepared and served 76 hot meals at Must Ministries. A special thank you to the following who helped to prepare and/or serve the meals: Fran Tucker, Cathy Costarides, Mary Miltiades, Paula Rogers, Dorothy Macris, Niki Gess, Evelyn Bilson, Cathy Papadopoulos, Bobby Macris, Pat Koutouzis, Michael Gavalas and Athena Burke. Philoptochos also donated spaghetti and meat sauce (excess prepared for the Godparents' Luncheon).

Important Dates:

April 14:	Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M. (after Compline), OCR	May 19:	Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M., OCR
April 16:	Panagia Chapter Lenten Retreat	May 26:	Soup Kitchen
April 24:	Distribution of Egg Dying Kits	May 26:	Book Club
April 28:	Soup Kitchen	June 5:	Summer Send-off Luncheon (location TBD)
April 29:	Decorate Kouvouklion (Chapel and Narthex)	June 16:	Board Meeting (time and location TBD)
April 29:	Prepare vegetables for Resurrection Meal	June 23:	Soup Kitchen (Meals by GOYA members)
April 30/May 1:	Resurrection Meal in PLC	June 23:	Book Club
May 1:	Birthday celebration for Fr. George and Fr. Panayiotis; Nov. 5:		Annual Philoptochos Fall Fundraiser
	Name Day celebration for Fr. George		



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

AHEPA Marietta Chapter #519 News & Notes—April/May 2016

Upcoming Events--BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!

April 12	Regular Monthly Mtg	Marietta Fish Market
May 7	Adopt-A-Mile	Trickum Rd
May 10	Regular Monthly Mtg	Location TBD
May 20-22	AHEPA District Convention	Birmingham, AL (see below)
June 4	TBD—AHEPA Family Picnic	TBD
June 5	Scholarship Awards Ceremony	Annunciation Cathedral Atlanta

ADOPT-A-MILE has recently received special recognition in the National AHEPAN magazine. We have a dedicated group of Brothers that meet once per quarter to keep Trickum Rd spiffy. Join us on May 7 @ 8:30 AM for a Saturday AM walk, with brotherhood and breakfast.

AHEPA DISTRICT CONVENTION will be held in Birmingham, AL May 20-22. Brothers from 7 states will come together for business meetings and fellowship. Attending a District meeting provides great perspective on the domain...mixed in with fellowship and fun. A basketball tournament will round out the weekend. A Marietta Team is being formed. Contact Harry Kipreos for hotel information and details.

SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS CEREMONY will be held at the Annunciation Cathedral June 4 at 1:00 PM. This is a truly exciting event...where you can witness the fruits of our work...the students receiving their college scholarship. Join us this year and cheer for the Marietta recipients!

FACEBOOK & HOLY TRANSFIGURATION WEBSITE. Be sure to check out AHEPA #519 on Facebook and the AHEPA section of our church website for new photos, updates, and fresh content. Utilize these areas for additional information/details for our Marietta Chapter #519.

Questions about AHEPA? Interested in being a member of this great organization? Please contact any Board Member: Zack Kollias, Ted Sampanes, Keath Paxten, Ron Sprouse



NEWS YOU CAN USE

Apologies to all for this article being the first of 2016. Our first general meeting of 2016 was held on January 16 at Lucia's Italian Restaurant with 32 people attending. Costa Neocleous talked about our responsibilities to our church and to ourselves, about our traditions, concentrating on Name Days helping us to become more Christ like. He also mentioned that he can order Artoklasia loaves from the monastery which Father Panayiotis supports.

Our board members made delicious desserts, which everyone enjoyed. It was a fun day for everyone. The board proposed a change in the by-laws: dues were changed from \$12 per year to \$15, number of board members was changed from 7 to 10, and that members be 60 and older rather than 50. The motion was voted in favor and now these changes stand.

Our Christmas Party was held on December 13 at the Diner at North Point. 39 attended: we sang songs, played brain games and won prizes. Prime Timers were proud to donate \$1000 to the building fund from the money we had raised during the year.

Your board met March 1 resulting in some exciting plans for our members. First, as a ministry we are required to have one fundraiser per year. We decided that there are so many ministries "bumping" into each other asking for the same night to hold an event, we would raise our money by selling "AMAZING BASKETS" since the baskets from our fundraising event last year were so successful. We will raffle 2 baskets every 2-3 months and promise they will be unique in every way. We also plan to have 2 or 3 breakfasts/lunches after church during coffee hour. EXCITING, ISN'T IT!!!

Since 2016 will be our last year as a board (this is our 4th year), we are hoping to make it an exciting one. We hope to take 2 trips this year. Our first trip is a **Pigeon Forge/Smoky Mountain Show Trip on June 14-16 for \$255**. Our second trip is to **New York City on Sept. 29-Oct 5 for \$749**. The 1st trip requires we have at least 30 passengers. On the 2nd trip we have partnered with the Roswell and Alpharetta Adult Recreation Centers and it only requires 15 people. We have also asked members of the Golden Group from the Cathedral to join us on both trips. Please contact us ASAP for the Pigeon Forge trip if you are interested. As we have in the past, you may pay by the month. Flyers are available and will be each Sunday during coffee hour. If you have questions and are interested, please call Connie at 770-992-9707 or Dorothy at 770-971-9956. We will be glad to mail you a flyer!!

April 17 is our first coffee hour for this year. Our 2 baskets will be on display on April 10; drawing tickets will be for sale and afterward for 4 weeks at which time we will have our first drawing.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!!

PRIME TIMERS NEW MEMBERS FOR 2016:

Evelyn Bilson	Mary Ellen and Alan Knuchel
Dorothy and Bob Botni	Linda and George Lopos
Athena and Jim Burke	Xanthippe Marsico
Elene Catrakilis	Dena and Glenn McCollum
Martha Gingles	Ioanna Michaels
Renee and Jim Hammond	Maro and Costa Neocleous
Sis and Chris Hondras	Maria Stiakakis
Gerre and Nick Klementzos	Connie Stratigos
Ginny and Dennis Kostulakos	

If you wish to join, please send a check payable to HTGOC Prime Timers to: Dorothy Botni
3019 Walker Drive
Marietta, GA 30062

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



Our Parish has purchased an additional 105 plots, which we are making available at a price of \$3,200.00, which includes one plot and a vault.

Our parish is blessed to be able to provide a resting place for our people - a place where you can have an upright 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.

The family of Betty & Tikie Paulson (Paulson & Jacobs families) has contributed a monument in the center of this Orthodox Cemetery, providing an Altar for the celebration of the Divine Liturgy.

You may purchase plots through the church office - No interest financing is available.



Remembering the Fall of Constantinople to the Moslem Turks - May 29, 1453



On May 29, 1453, the last Emperor Constantine Palaeologos falls defending the Christian City and the civilization it represents. The only Christian Empire which lasted 1,100 years became subjected to utter slaughter and destruction.

May 29, 1453: The Fall of Constantinople

The fall of the city to the Ottoman Turks signaled the end of the longest civilization in the history of humankind and the only truly Christian Empire ever.

On that fateful Tuesday of May in 1453, Constantinople fell to the hands of the Ottoman Turks, led by Mehmet the Conqueror. The Great City, which for 1,100 years represented the Christian Greco-Roman Civilization initiated by Constantine the Great, was overrun by the Asian warriors and reduced to carnage and rubble.

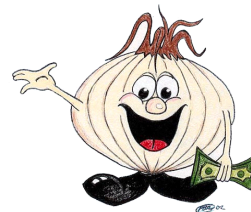
The Great Church of Agia Sophia (built by Emperor Justinian), which for 900 years stood as the symbol of the triumph of Christianity in the world, was turned into a muslim mosque. Its bells proclaiming Christ have been silenced until today.

The Greco-Roman Christians, who preserved Orthodox Christianity for over 1,000 years, came under the rule of the muslim conquerors. For the next 400 years (and in some places even until today) they would suffer the ultimate oppression and humiliation, but they would continue preserving the Faith undefiled.

The Christians have lived under muslim yoke always looking to the miracle of the Resurrection of the Lord with the hope of liberation and freedom, but also looking to the Kingdom of God, the ultimate liberation from all oppression.



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April 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>27 Second Sunday of Easter Easter Sunday</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club <p>8:30 AM Orthros</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:15 AM Catechism 11:45 AM A 3 year Memorial 11:50 AM A 10 year Memorial 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM Asteria Dance Practice (2nd & 3rd) 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies 6:00 PM Hellenic Studies Promotional Class 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:15 PM Petaloudes Dance Practice (4th & 5th) 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Third Wednesday of Great Lent 5:45 PM Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7:00 PM Lenten Dinner/Presentation/Discussion 7:30 PM Middle School Youth Group Meeting (Jr. GOYA) 	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Tiropita) 6:00 PM Great Compline 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> April Fools Day 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Tiropita) 7:00 PM Third Salutation to the Theotokos 8:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting (Sr. GOYA) 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Tiropita) 2:00 PM Youth Protection Workshop 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Classes-Hellenic Dance Third Sunday of Great Lent 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy-Procession of Holy Cross 11:15 AM Catechism 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 7:00 PM Education Development Committee 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No Classes-Hellenic Studies No Classes-Hellenic Dance 11:00 AM Prime Timers' General Meeting 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:00 PM EGY Meeting 	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourth Wednesday of Great Lent 5:45 PM Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7:00 PM Lenten Dinner/Presentation/Discussion 7:30 PM Middle School Youth Group Meeting (Jr. GOYA) 	<p>7</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Kargas Baptism (Penelope) 4:00 PM Festival Cooking (Pastichio) 6:00 PM Great Compline 7:00 PM Finance Committee Meeting - 4th Quarter Review 	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM Festival Cooking (Pastichio) 7:00 PM Fourth Salutation to the Theotokos 8:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting (Sr. GOYA) 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Catechism Teachers' Workshop (Off campus)-Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Pastichio) 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fourth Sunday of Great Lent 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:15 AM Catechism 12:30 PM Pitsirikia Dance 12:30 PM Palamania Dance 1:00 PM Metamorphosi 1:30 PM Phoenix/Eleftheria 4:00 PM Education Development Committee Work 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 7:00 PM Parish Council Meeting 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM Asteria Dance Practice (2nd & 3rd) 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies 6:30 PM AHEPA Chapter Meeting 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:15 PM Petaloudes Dance Practice (4th & 5th) 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Thomas Jefferson's Birthday Fifth Wednesday of Great Lent 5:45 PM Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7:00 PM Lenten Dinner/Presentation/Discussion 7:30 PM Middle School Youth Group Meeting (Jr. GOYA) 	<p>14</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete 7:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting 	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tax Day 5:00 PM Maravagias Baptism 7:00 PM The Akathist Hymn 8:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting (Sr. GOYA) 	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Philoptochos Lenten Retreat/General Meeting 1:00 PM Altar Server Workshop 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fifth Sunday of Great Lent 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:15 AM Catechism 12:30 PM Palamania Dance Practice (K & 1st) 12:30 PM Pitsirikia Dance Practice (Pre-K) 1:00 PM Metamorphosi 1:30 PM Phoenix/Eleftheria 	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM Asteria Dance Practice (2nd & 3rd) 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies 7:00 PM Choir Practice 7:15 PM Petaloudes Dance Practice (4th & 5th) 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sixth Wednesday of Great Lent 5:45 PM Divine Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 7:00 PM Lenten Dinner/Presentation/Discussion 7:30 PM Middle School Youth Group Meeting (Jr. GOYA) 	<p>21</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Compline 	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Earth Day 6:00 PM Great Vespers - Resurrection of St. Lazarus 8:00 PM High School Youth Group Meeting (Sr. GOYA) 	<p>23</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Resurrection of St. Lazarus 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy (followed by the making of palm crosses and Confession for children) 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers for Palm Sunday
<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Palm Sunday-Th... in Jerusalem 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:15 AM Catechism 12:30 PM Palamania Dance Practice (K & 1st) 12:30 PM Pitsirikia Dance Practice (Pre-K) 1:00 PM Metamorphosi 1:30 PM Phoenix/Eleftheria 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Monday 7:00 PM Bridgroom Service 	<p>26</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Tuesday 7:00 PM Bridgroom Service 	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Wednesday 9:00 AM Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts 3:00 PM Holy Unction (the service of Holy Oil for Healing) 6:45 PM Small Compline 7:00 PM Holy Unction (the service of Holy Oil for Healing) 	<p>28</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Thursday 9:00 AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 7:00 PM The Service of the Passion of Christ 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Friday 9:00 AM The Great Hours 3:00 PM The lowering of the Body of the Lord from the Cross and preparation for His Burial 7:00 PM The Burial of Christ-Lamentations at the Tomb of the Lord (Epitaphios) 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Holy and Great Saturday 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers

May 2016

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 The Holy and Great Council of the Holy and Great Synod 12:00 AM Midnight, The Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ 12:30 AM Orthros and Divine Liturgy of Pascha 12:00 PM Great Vespers of Love (During this Service the Gospel is read in various languages) 1:00 PM Paschal Picnic	2 Renewal Monday/Feast of St. George 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	3 4:30 PM Asteria Dance Practice (2nd & 3rd) 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies-Graduation 7:15 PM Petaloudes Dance Practice (4th & 5th)	4 6:00 PM Great Vespers for the Feast of St. Irene the Great Martyr. 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	5 Feast of St. Irene the Great Martyr 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	6 10:00 AM Package Pastries	7 7:30 AM AHEPA Adopt A Highway 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
8 Mother's Day Mother's Day Sunday of Thomas 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:15 AM Catechism Graduation	9 4:00 PM Package Pastries 6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting	10 4:00 PM Package Pastries 6:30 PM AHEPA Chapter Meeting	11 4:00 PM Salad Prep 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	12 10:00 AM Salad Prep	13 Marietta Greek Festival	14 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal
15 Marietta Greek Festival Sunday of the Myrr-bearing Women 8:15 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy	16	17	18 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	19 7:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting	20 AHEPA District Convention 6:00 PM Great Vespers - Feast of Sts. Constantine & Helen	21 Feast of Sts. Constantine & Helen 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
22 AHEPA District Convention Sunday of the Paralytic 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	23	24	25 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	26 11:30 AM Soup Kitchen (Philoptochos) 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club	27	28 2:00 PM Serbian Wedding (Fr. Miladin) 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
29 Sunday of the Holy Trinity John F. Kennedy's Birthday 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 3:00 PM Brooks Baptism (Paul) 7:00 PM Cyprus Night	30 Memorial Day Memorial Day	31	1 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	2	3 6:00 PM Scheib/Che-chopoulos Wedding Rehearsal 6:30 PM AHEPA End of Year Family Barbecue	4 AHEPA Family Picnic 11:00 AM Baptism Eugenia Doulerakis 4:00 PM Scheib/Che-chopoulos Wedding

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Anne Willcocks, Parish Administrator



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DATE	PC DUTY	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	PROSFORO
Apr. 3	D. Christopher/G. O'Brien	St. Peter	D. Bafas/K. Johnson	S. Bethune/F. Tucker/T. Vamvakias
Apr. 10	C. Pater/A. Tsarouhas	St. James	P. Dunkerly/B. Valagohar	A. Burke/P. Koutouzis/K. Niarchos
Apr. 17	M. Nichols/R. Rogers	St. John	E. Markley/M. Pohlman	M. Caras/P. Christopher/C. Costarides
Apr. 24	P. Markley/S. Tingas	St. Peter	M. Alberts/C. Kollias	M. Driscoll/I. Dymond/M. Eleftheriou
May 1 Pascha	S. Steffas/T. Vouloupous	St. James	Pascha	S. Gianaris/N. Kakissis/E. Kay
May 8	A. Miltiades/B. Valagohar	St. John	D. Levine/B. Valagohar	K. Bylos/L. Lopos/P. Miltiades
May 15 Festival	D. Christopher/G. O'Brien	St. Peter	Festival	E. Bilson/J. Miltiades/M. Miltiades
May 22	C. Pater/A. Tsarouhas	St. James	S. Gianaris/S. Lukens	K. Panov/R. Peppas/C. Sprouse
May 29	M. Nichols/R. Rogers	St. John	P. Koutouzis/E. Markley	I. Steffas/S. Tidwell/M. Tingas

St. James Altar Servers: Paul Jacobs-Captain

Chris Bridgers, Evan Bilson, Matthew Buchan, Constantine Gavalas, Alex Goldsholl, Jack Goldsholl, Yianni Gormanos, Gabriel Hennenfent, Kris Kollias, Nicholas Levantis, Nicholas Lukens, Gabriel Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Aubrey Moraitakis, George Moraitakis, Angelo Nichols, Matthew Paulson, Alexander Skarpelis, Mitchell Starks, Niko Tiller, Nick Zakreski

St. John Altar Servers: Nicholas Tassopoulos-Captain

Christopher Alberts, Matthew Azimzadeh, Andrew Bass, Christopher Bilson, Theo Bliss, Anthony Bundros, Christian Coleman, Carter Copses, Jay Copses, Mason Copses, Nick Danos, Cole Foster, Alex Gekas, Nicholas Gekas, William Jansma, Angelo Makris, Michael Marianos, Alexander Morgan, Tommy O'Brien, Evan Papadopoulos, Alexander Thorne, Braden Thorne, Csaba Wagner, Romeo Wagner

St. Peter Altar Servers: Lucas Porter-Captain

Zach Bethune, Hal Bradford, III, Christos Costarides, Yianni Costarides, Michael Farina, Leo Frangis, Manuel Frangis, Stephen Harrah, Andrew Levine, Morgan Lilly, Luke Melissas, Alek Nikolich, Matthew Shanahan, Evan Strakes, Michael Tsogas, Luke Turner, Matthew Turner, Gianni Vacratsas, Stefano Vacratsas, Michael Vastakis, Panayiotis Vlachos.

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