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THE SUPREME COURT'S DECISION ON HOMOSEXUAL MARRIAGE AND ORTHODOX CHRISTIANITY



Five lawyers vs four lawyers representing a deeply divided country have made a decision, which will shape further the minds, hearts and conscience of Americans and will have serious ripple effects on the morals of people around the world. This was primarily a political and ideological decision on the part of the judges. They would not have dared to make this decision 40 years ago or even 20 years ago. But a lot has happened in the last few decades that has changed the way Americans understand and experience family and sexuality thanks to the concerted efforts of many people with deep pockets and many politicians who have been taking advantage of those deep pockets for

their own benefit. Americans are also being changed by the media and the wealth of degenerate actors and actresses who have been advocating their own immoral lifestyles as the norm.

All this is in direct contrast to Orthodox Christian values as lived by millions of people in the last 2000 years. Orthodox Christians, of course, have lived austere, ascetic lives in the midst of adversities and persecutions, but stood steadfast on the issues of sexual continence and family values. The Orthodox Church, drawing from the teachings of Christ and the Apostles has a tremendous corpus of decisions, known as the Holy Canons, put together by the Saints and spiritual leaders over centuries, which specify in detail both the norms of behavior on sexual and marital issues, as well as the penance appropriate for those who cross the boundaries and hurt themselves and others in the process.

The purpose of these decisions and parameters of life, which the Holy Canons advocate, is *"to help us, who live in this broken human condition, realize when we fall away from God, and guide us back to healing and restoration in our relationship with God."*

The Holy Canons show compassion for the sinners, the broken human persons, and try to bring them back to the Church, the spiritual hospital, so that they may be healed and restored in God's Love. The Church has a compassionate spiritual process in place to help both homosexuals and heterosexuals to realize that sexuality is not the center of human life, because when the Kingdom of God comes in power at the Resurrection *"they will neither marry nor be given in marriage, but they will be like angels in heaven."* (Matthew 22:30)

The decision of the five-of-nine U.S. Supreme Court judges is in utter conflict with the teaching of Christ, the Holy Apostles and the Saints of the Orthodox Church, because it has neither concern nor compassion for the broken human beings, but rather endorses their brokenness and encourages their fall further away from God. There is nothing in this decision that is spiritually beneficial for those involved, in spite of the claim of Justice Kennedy (who now presents himself as a spiritual authority).

For us, Orthodox Christians, this is not an issue of Rights, but an issue of Salvation, healing from the wounds of our sins and ultimate spiritual perfection in the likeness of God - theosis. No one has ever and no one ever will reach the perfected state of theosis by immersing themselves in sexuality. On the contrary, many people who have chosen the road of sexual continence, have been declared Saints through the spiritual gifts and spiritual powers granted to them by the Holy Spirit, like the most recent saints, Paisios and Porfyrios.

Fr. Panayiotis



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

July 2015

July 1, Wednesday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am

July 4, Saturday, NO Vespers today.

July 5, Fifth Sunday of Matthew.

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

July 11, Saturday, NO Vespers today.

July 12, Sixth Sunday of Matthew

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

July 18, Saturday, Pan-Orthodox Vespers at Annunciation Cathedral in Atlanta 6:30 pm

July 19, Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council (451)

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

July 20, Monday. Feast of St. Elias (Elijah the Prophet)

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

July 24, Friday, Great Vespers, Dormition of St. Anna and St. Olympias 6:00 pm

July 25, Saturday, Dormition of St. Anna, mother of the Most Holy Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary and Feast of St. Olympias the Deaconess.

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

Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

July 26, Eighth Sunday of Matthew. Feast of St. Paraskevi the Great Martyr.

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

"You shall be holy to me; for I the LORD am holy." (Lev. 20:26)

God is calling us to become holy like He is Holy. Our Sanctuary is the place where we begin to receive God's holiness. It is in the worship services, the holy sacraments and especially in the Divine Liturgy that we receive the Grace of God, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, sanctification and holiness. When we immerse ourselves in prayer we connect with the lifeline of Eternal Life, we participate in the Kingdom of God, even in the here and now. Let's use this sacred time to make our lives holy.



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August 2015

August 1, Saturday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

Beginning of the Fast of August. Oil and wine is allowed only on Saturdays and Sundays.

Fish is allowed on August 6 for the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Savior.

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 2, Ninth Sunday of Matthew. Forefeast of the Transfiguration of the Lord.

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

August 3, 4, Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 5, Wednesday Evening: Great Vespers - the Transfiguration of our Savior Christ

Great Vespers begins at 7:00 pm -- Feast-Day of our Parish begins.

Light Reception to follow the Great Vespers.

August 6, Thursday. The Transfiguration of our Savior. **Parish Feast-Day.**

Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am, followed by coffee and social time - *Today we eat fish.*

Thursday Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 7, Friday Evening: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 8, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 9, Sunday. Tenth Sunday of Matthew, Sunday after the Transfiguration of the Lord

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

August 10, 11, 12 & 13 Monday - Thursday: Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 14, Friday Evening: Great Vespers, Dormition of the Theotokos 6:00 pm

August 15, Saturday. Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos.

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

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 16, Sunday. Eleventh Sunday of Matthew. Sunday after the Dormition.

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

August 22, Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 23, Sunday. Twelfth Sunday of Matthew. St. Phanourios (moved from Aug 27)

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

August 28, Friday. Great Vespers, Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner 6:00 pm

August 29, Saturday. Remembrance of the Beheading of St. John the Fore-Runner (Baptist)

Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. *This is a day of strict fast.*

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

August 30, Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew.

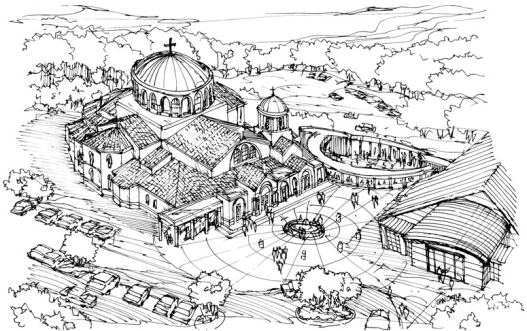
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DAILY BIBLE READINGS - JULY

7/1/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13:1-8	Gospel: Matthew 10:1, 5-8
7/2/2015	Matins: Luke 1:39-49, 56 Gospel: Luke 1:39-49, 56	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7
7/3/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:1-16	Gospel: Matthew 13:3-9
7/4/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 8:14-21	Gospel: Matthew 9:9-13
7/5/2015	Matins: Luke 24:13-35 Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2
7/6/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:17-24	Gospel: Matthew 13:10-23,43
7/7/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5	Gospel: Mark 5:24-34
7/8/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 4:9-15	Gospel: Luke 6:17-19, 9:1-2, 10:16-22
7/9/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:18-23	Gospel: Matthew 13:36-43
7/10/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:5-8	Gospel: Matthew 13:44-54
7/11/2015	Matins: Mark 5:24-34 Gospel: Luke 7:36-50	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10
7/12/2015	Matins: Luke 24:36-53 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:6-14
7/13/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 2:2-10	Gospel: Matthew 13:54-58
7/14/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:1-16	Gospel: Matthew 14:1-13
7/15/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 13:11-14; 14:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 17:24-27; 18:1-4	
7/16/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 7:24-35	Gospel: Matthew 15:12-21
7/17/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5	Gospel: Mark 5:24-34
7/18/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 12:1-6	Gospel: Matthew 10:37-42, 11:1
7/19/2015	Matins: John 20:1-10	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15 Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19
7/20/2015	Epistle: St. James' Universal Letter 5:10-20	Gospel: Luke 4:22-30
7/21/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 10:5-12	Gospel: Matthew 16:6-12
7/22/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:2-12	Gospel: Luke 8:1-3
7/23/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 10:28-33; 11:1-8	Gospel: Matthew 16:24-28
7/24/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 11:8-23	Gospel: Matthew 17:10-18
7/25/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:22-27	Gospel: Luke 8:16-21
7/26/2015	Matins: John 20:11-18 Gospel: Matthew 14:14-22	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5
7/27/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10	Gospel: Luke 21:12-19
7/28/2015	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7	Gospel: Matthew 18:18-22;19:1-2; 13-15
7/29/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 13:4-13; 14:1-5	Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16
7/30/2015	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 15:35-41	Gospel: Matthew 20:17-28
7/31/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 14:26-40	Gospel: Matthew 21:12-14; 17-20

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - AUGUST

8/1/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2	Gospel: Matthew 10:16-22
8/2/2015	Matins: John 20:19-31 Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60
8/3/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 15:12-19	Gospel: Matthew 21:18-22
8/4/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 15:29-38	Gospel: Matthew 21:23-27
8/5/2015	Epistle: St. Peter's First Universal Letter 1:1-25; 2:1-10	Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32
8/6/2015	Matins: Luke 9:28-36 Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9	Epistle: St. Peter's Second Universal Letter 1:10-19
8/7/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 1:12-20	Gospel: Mark 9:2-9
8/8/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 15:30-33	Gospel: Matthew 17:24-27; 18:1-4
8/9/2015	Matins: John 21:1-14 Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16
8/10/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 2:3-15	Gospel: Matthew 23:13-22
8/11/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 2:14-17; 3:1-3	Gospel: Matthew 23:23-28
8/12/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 3:4-11	Gospel: Matthew 23:29-39
8/13/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:1-12	Gospel: Matthew 24:13-28
8/14/2015	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:13-18	Gospel: Matthew 24:27-33, 42-51
8/15/2015	Matins: Luke 1:39-49, 56 Gospel: Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 2:5-11
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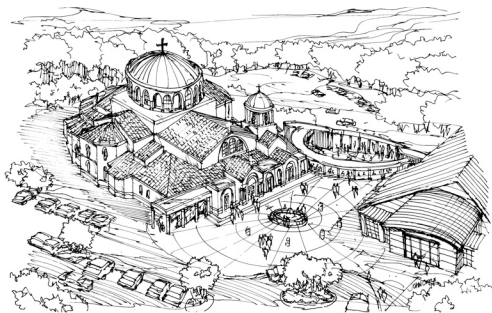
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I Peter 4:8-10

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Did you know that the Holy Trinity is present in the Old Testament as well as the New?

God is always present in the world. Everything that happens is under His Providence.

Join us to discover the major events of the Old Testament and their connection with the New Testament.

The class meets every Wednesday from June 10 - August 26 (except August 5) at 7:00 pm in the Chapel.

This is an investigative Lecture/Discussion Class which aims at helping the participants learn more about Christianity and deepen their faith in God. It is a class appropriate for beginners and advanced students alike.

Director of the Class: Fr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou, Ph.D.
Assisted by a team of volunteers



Hellenic Dance: We danced the Festival Weekend away!!! Thank you to our dancers, teachers, and costume moms! We appreciate all the time you all have spent to teach the dancers and pull together such an amazing program! We couldn't do it without you!

Karen Fox
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THANK YOU!

FROM HELLENIC STUDIES



Another great year completed...

We would like to thank the parents, students and staff of our Hellenic Studies Program for another fantastic year. We have seen our school grow tremendously in the last few years, and we hope with your support, we will continue to grow. A special thank you to our Director Eleni Clement for her tireless work in making the program a great success – and to Tasia Kipreos for keeping us organized and communicating important information to parents. Stay tuned this summer for more details regarding the 2015-2016 school year. Enrollment will begin in August.

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HELLENIC DANCE NEWS JUNE/JULY



ALL DANCERS AND PARENTS: If you think you have left some clothing behind at the church over the festival weekend, we have many articles of clothing in the Lost and Found. Please check in the dance closet by Sunday June 22. On Monday 23, all clothing will be donated to MUST Ministries.



A HEARTFELT thanks to Paulina Vastakis, Dorian Bafas, Despina Chrysopoulos, Tasia Kipreos, Angelo Makris, and Jennifer Mallie for helping us pack away and move the ENTIRE dance closet! Your help was greatly appreciated!!!



No one likes to do more laundry than they have to....so that is why we must say **THANK YOU TO ALL of our LAUNDRY MOMS** – Cathy Costarides, Georgia Hutt, Courtney Maniatis, Demetra Lilly, Christina Pallas, Donna Smith and Despina Vlamis!!! Thanks for helping us care for our beautiful costumes and helping us save money too!!! ***Despina Vlamis gets the Laundry mom of the year award for washing and ironing 426 pleats in 7 foustanelles. And that comes out to: $426 \times 7 = 2982$ PLEATS!!! Past winners; Demera Lilly and Vicki Gekas***

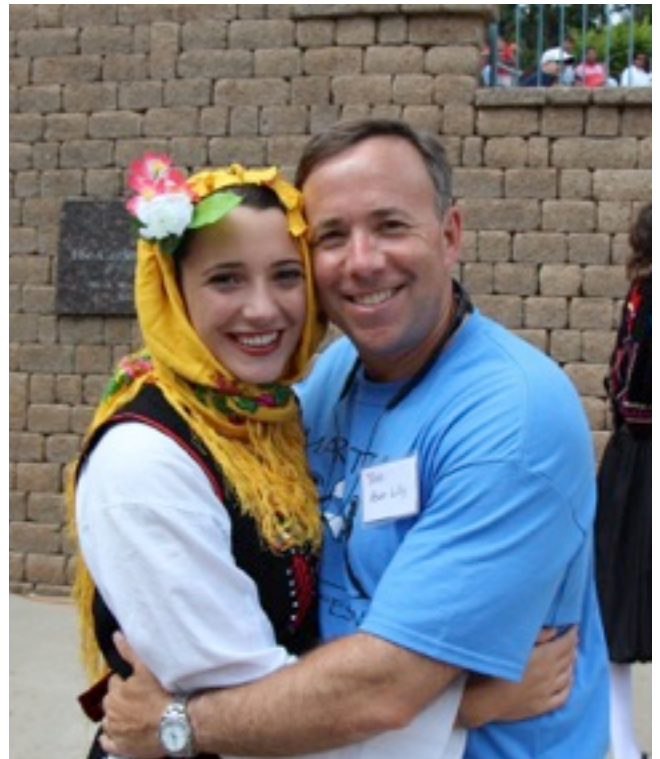
GOING TO GREECE THIS SUMMER?

If you will be traveling to Greece this summer and are interested in attending a Greek Folk Dance Workshop while you are there, please contact Paulina Vastakis, paulinasox3@att.net for more information.

Marietta Greek Festival 2015



The Church and the Marietta Greek Festival are both very much about family! As these pictures show, every generation of a family—children, parents, and beyond—can contribute to the life of the parish. Aside from dancing, cooking, and dressing up as ancient warriors, youth can serve in many other ways. The Church, the body of Christ, is our extended, spiritual family. The time we spend together—whether cooking chicken, dancing the *kalamatiano*, participating in worship services, or helping with philanthropic efforts—only strengthens our relationships with our spiritual family. Thank you to all of you who make the parish a priority in the life of your immediate families!



Marietta Greek Festival 2015



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Groundbreaking, June 21, 2015



Clergy-Laity Assembly, 2015





PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

We are pleased to announce the Philoptochos Board members for the 2015-2017 term: Linda Lopos, President; Dorothy Macris, First Vice President; Peggy Dunkerly, Second Vice President; Christy Macris, Recording Secretary; Eleni Nikolas, Corresponding Secretary; Pat Koutouzis, Treasurer; Nancy Barke, Assistant Treasurer; Christine Sprouse, Advisor; Evelyn Bilson; Dorothy Botni; Athena Burke; Marty Driscoll; Niki Gess; Stephanie Gianaris; Leslie Hansard; Annette Jacobs and Irene Steffas.

Thank you 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 PLC 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 112 members who have fulfilled their 2015 financial commitment and they are:

Maria Alberts	Christine Demakis	Connie Kollias	Maro Neocleous	Mary Smith
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Dorian Bafas	Peggy Dunkerly	Pat Koutouzis	Lee Nichols	Christine Sprouse
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Lois Bafas	Niki Gess	Stacey Levantis	Toula Nielsen	Mary Stiakakis
Nancy Barke	Stephanie Gianaris	Ellen Linebaugh	Eleni Nikolas	Connie Stratigos
Alexis Bass	Martha Gingles	Linda Lopos	Georgia O'Brien	Theresa Taoushiani
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Michelle Broussard-Hanes	Georgia Hutt	Dawn Mavromatidis	Fr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou	Ellie Turner
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Paula Christopher	Jo Kastner	Niko Miltiades	Kathy Shoji	Ann Zakreski
Dennis Christopher	Steve Kipreos	Penny Miltiades	Kate Sklikas	Angela (Kiko) Ziros
Agapi Chrysopoulos	Irene Kipreos	Anthe Modenos	Peter Sklikas	
Eleni Clement	Gerry Klementzos	Patricia Morris	Donna Smith	
Nancy Copeland	Mary Ellen Knuchel	Kim Moustoukas	Eugenia Smith	

Soup Kitchen: On May 28, we served 78 meals at Must Ministries. Thank you to the following parishioners who helped by donating, preparing, or serving food: Mary Miltiades, Kally Niarchos, Tina Vamvakias, Niki Gess, Athena Burke, Ellen Young, Maria Alberts, Dorothy and Bobby Macris, Michael Gavalas, and Pat Koutouzis. Please contact Athena Burke at 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 GOYANS will be doing the **Soup Kitchen** in June.

Important Dates:

July

- July 14 (TUESDAY): Board Meeting: 7:00, Steffas Office
- July 23: Soup Kitchen
- July 23: Book Club
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August

- August 11 (TUESDAY): Board Meeting: 7:00, Steffas Office
- August 16: Welcome Back Luncheon/General Meeting (Location TBD)
- August 23: Second tray for St. Phanourios (youth activities); Bring St. Phanourios Cake/bread
- August 27: Soup Kitchen
- August 27: Book Club

NEWS YOU CAN USE!



Our long awaited trip to Branson, MO has come and gone. Everyone had a grand time. We served refreshments on the bus as we drove to our destination, and everyone was in a festive mood. The shows were, to our amazement, very family oriented with performers of all ages. We are working on our 2016 trip plans, but we know it will be difficult to find one comparable to Branson!

While our “Disco Night” fundraiser was a disappointment with fewer than 100 attendees, we did meet our expenses, and everyone had a good time. Our basket drawing, however, was a total success, and because the baskets were donated, the proceeds were a clear profit. A big thank you to all those who supported this event.

July 4th is approaching, and we always celebrate with a patriotic picnic. The year due to the construction beginning around the Parish Life Center, the pavilion will not be used. We have decided to have an indoor picnic at “Come and Get It” restaurant and avoid the hot and humid unbearable weather that we’ve be having. Date and time is Saturday, July 11, 11:30 am, and our menu consists of barbecue pork with 3 sides (cole slaw, baked beans, and corn on the cob). Peach cobbler for dessert and drinks. Price is \$13 per person. If you need a ride, call Connie at 7770-992-9707 or Dorothy at 770-971-9956. Please rsvp so we can plan accordingly. Different games will be played and the winners will receive great prizes. Sounds like fun? Please join us! Remember *“laughter is an instant vacation.”*

Our church is growing, and it is an exciting time for our community. Please support the new building; it is for the future of our church and the young people who will one day become Primer Timers!!





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Menu: BBQ Pork with 3 sides (baked beans, cole slaw,
corn on the cob), peach cobbler, drinks; price is \$13 per person.

LOTS OF FUN (Laughter is an instant vacation!)

GAMES WITH PRIZES

SINGING OF PATRIOTIC SONGS

Let's get together and celebrate!

Need a ride? Call Connie, 770-992-9707, email
cs121033@juno.com or Dorothy Botni, 770-971-9956 .

Eula Carlos - In Memoriam

Eula (Kyriaki) Caras Carlos was born in Cordele, GA on July 17, 1928 and peacefully fell asleep in the Lord on Friday, May 22, 2015.

Her family moved to Atlanta 15 months after her birth, and Eula became a lifelong member of the Greek Orthodox Annunciation Cathedral. On January 23, 1949, Eula married Andrew C. Carlos, her husband of 50 years and best friend. Eula was a member of The Ladies Philoptochos Society and president for several terms and became a member of The National Board of The Ladies Philoptochos society for the last 30 years. At Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA., Eula established The Lofos Stewardship Program, League Of Faithful Orthodox Stewards. Eula also is an emeritus board member of The St. Photios National Shrine in St. Augustine, FL. Eula was a member of leadership 100, a Greek Orthodox Ministry, and served on the board for many years. Eula was also the sole benefactor of the chapel of St. Andrew at Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church, which she built in memory of her husband Andrew honoring his patron saint.



Not only did she serve the church, but Eula reached out also to Georgia State University to establish the chair of Hellenic Studies in order to bring the study of Hellenism to a greater number of people. Eula has been a long time volunteer and supporter of Shepherd Spinal Center and established The Andrew C. Carlos Multiple Sclerosis Institute @ Shepherd for extensive treatment and research for Multiple Sclerosis. Eula was a founding member of The Auxiliary For Visiting Nurse in which Hospice Atlanta was built in 1996. Together with Dr. Arthur and Linda Booth, Eula and Andrew worked many years to make this facility a reality. Eula and her family will always be grateful for the loving care given at Hospice Atlanta.

Her husband Andrew and her eldest son Chris predecease Eula. Eula is survived by her son and daughter in law, Jimmy And Helen Carlos, her son and daughter in law, John and Elaine Carlos, Her daughter and son in law, Helen A. Carlos and Ron Hilliard, her daughter in law Marina Carlos and her brother and sister In Law Billy and Betty Caras, her granddaughters Karl, Jordan, Angela, Drew and Andrea along with many nieces, nephews and godchildren.

Eula and her family have been blessed with her loving caregivers Cynthia, Ernestine, Stella and Schewon. In lieu of flowers, donations in Eula's Memory may be made to the Annunciation Cathedral, Hospice Atlanta, The MS Institute @ Shepherd Center, Hellenic College Holy Cross, St. Photios National Shrine, Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church Building Fund.

Visitation was on Sunday, May 24, from 5-7pm and the Trisagion service was at 7pm at Patterson's Oglethorpe Hill. The Funeral Service was at The Annunciation Cathedral at 2500 Clairmont Road at 11am on Monday, May 25, with interment at Arlington Memorial Park following.

The family wishes to thank all of Eula's friends for your love and prayers.

July 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Fourth Sunday of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:45 AM 40 Day Blessing of Connie Tsamamis and her son George Panayiotis. 3:30 PM Howe Baptism (Niko George)	29 Feast of the...Peter and Paul 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy for Sts. Peter & Paul 12:00 PM Ontiveros-Aldaba Baptism (Pavlina)	30	1 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 7:00 PM Summer Series--Deepening Faith (GOYA) 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)	2	3 Independence Day observed	4 Independence Day
5 Fifth Sunday of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	6 10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting	7 6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting	8 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 7:00 PM Summer Series--Deepening Faith	9 6:30 PM Finance Committee Meeting	10 5:30 PM Boudouris Wedding Rehearsal	11 11:30 AM Prime Timer's Picnic 4:00 PM George Boudouris Wedding
12 Sixth of Matthew 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	13	14 7:00 PM Philoptochos Board Meeting	15 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 7:00 PM Summer Series--Deepening Faith	16	17 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	18 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 6:30 PM Pan-Orthodox Vespers
19 Sunday of the Holy Fathers 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	20 Feast of St. E... the Prophet 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	21 11:00 AM Website Development Meeting	22 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 7:00 PM Summer Series--Deepening Faith	23 11:30 AM Soup Kitchen (Philoptochos) 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club	24 6:00 PM Great Vespers, Dormition of St. Anna and St. Olympias	25 Dormition of...e Deaconess 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
26 Eighth Sunday...Great Martyr. 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 12:00 PM 40 day Blessing of Irene (Celsel) Baleno and her son, Ethan Christian.	27	28	29 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 7:00 PM Summer Series--Deepening Faith	30	31	1 10:00 AM College Student Retreat 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers

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July 5	M. Alberts/S. Tingas	St. Peter	H. Arp/P. Koutouzis	E. Kay/P. Koutouzis
July 12	S. Steffas/T. Voulopos	St. James	L. Sampanes/M. Zavala	A. Lerios/Linda Lopos
July 19	M. Alberts/D. Koutouzis	St. John	P. Dunkerly/E. Markley	P. Militades/F. Tucker
July 26	G. O'Brien/B. Valagohar	St. Peter	C. Kollias/S. Lukens	K. Niarchos/L. Nichols
Aug. 2	C. Pater/A. Tsarouhas	St. James	D. Levine/D. Smith	K. Panov/R. Peppas
Aug. 9	M. Nichols/R. Rogers	St. John	D. Bafas/K. Johnson	C. Sprouse/I. Steffas
Aug. 16	M. Alberts/S. Tingas	St. Peter	C. Kollias/M. Pohlman	S. Tidwell/M. Tingas
Aug. 23	S. Steffas/T. Voulopos	St. James	L. Sampanes/M. Zavala	F. Tucker/E. Turner
Aug. 30	D. Koutouzis/S. Tingas	St. John	P. Dunkerly/P. Koutouzis	K. McQueary/T. Vamvakias

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