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**Marietta, GA**

**JUNE-JULY 2011**



Holy Pentecost - The Descend of the Holy Spirit

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## SUNDAY SERVICES

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

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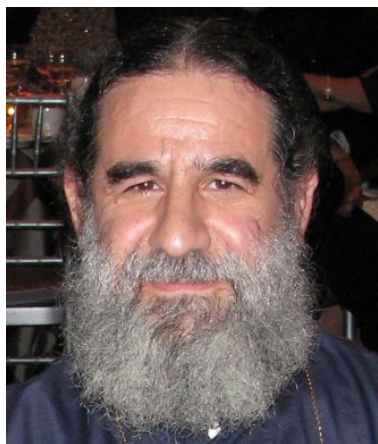
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### **Directions to our Parish:**

**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!**

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### STAYING CONNECTED!!!



As we plan our Summer vacation we are all preparing to go places and visit friends and family we haven't seen in a while. Kids will leave their classmates and neighbors behind but are looking forward to making new acquaintances and building new friendships.

In this world of the digital age, however, though we will all travel far and wide we are planning to stay connected! Facebook membership has increased by leaps and bounds in the last year and even though we may be going many thousands of miles away from our base, we are going to

remain close to everyone - *just a mouse-click away*. Many of us have iPhones, androids and Blackberries, iPads, laptops and net-books and we are going to carry them around with us looking for a signal to get us online. Our voice will be traveling through the air in a miraculous way reaching those we have left behind to assure them that we are doing well. Images and even videos will be transmitted to websites and hard drives to share with others what our eyes are seeing and our ears are hearing. *We are living at an amazing time, for sure!*

It seems to me that this digital connection, however, which can be achieved wherever we are through air waves and satellites, is not very different from the spiritual connection we can always have with God wherever we are. The spiritual one is even easier, because we do not need iPhones or iPads, hard drives or websites. God's satellite reaches everywhere without the need of any equipment. His Facebook is always open and ready to receive and interface with each one of us.

Our vacation needs to be a very pleasant one, but it can also be a very blessed one, as well. We have the means to attain both goals.

My brothers and sisters, let us travel, vacation and have fun but stay connected. Let us make sure that those we left behind share with us the sights and sounds of our experiences as we travel. More than anything else, let us not lose our connection with God. No matter where you are, seek the closest Orthodox church nearby for the Sunday services, but above all, raise your heart and mind and offer your praise and glorification to God from anywhere at any time. His network is never down. Your voice will always reach Him. Your messages will always be received. *His Grace will always be with you!*

HAVE A JOYOUS SUMMER AND A BLESSED VACATION!

*Fr. Panayiotis*



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## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **June 2011**

**June 1, Wednesday,** Blessing of the Water 11:00 am

**Evening:** Great Vespers for the Ascension of the Lord 6:00 pm

**June 2, Thursday. The Ascension of the Lord.** Τῆς Ἀναλήψεως

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

**June 4, Saturday.** NO Vespers.

**June 5, Sunday, Sunday of the 318 Holy Fathers of First Ecumenical Council.**

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

**June 11, Saturday of the Souls.** Ψυχοσάββατο.

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

This service will be held at the Greenlawn Cemetery where we have been given space for an Orthodox Cemetery. A memorial has been built in the center, which we will use as a chapel.

**Evening:** NO Vespers

**June 12, Sunday of Holy Pentecost.** Κυριακή τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς.

Orthros 8:30 am and **Divine Liturgy 9:45 am.** The Great Vespers of the Holy Spirit will follow the Divine Liturgy.

During this week (including Wednesday and Friday) we may eat all things - NO FASTING.

**June 18, Saturday,** NO Vespers.

**June 19, Sunday of the All Saints.** Κυριακή τῶν Ἁγίων Πάντων. (Father's Day)

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

**June 20, Monday.** Today begins the Fast of the Holy Apostles which lasts until June 28. During this fast we eat fish on all days except Wednesdays and Fridays.

**June 25, Saturday.** Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**June 26, Sunday, Second Sunday of Matthew**

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

**June 28, Tuesday.** Great Vespers for the Feast of the Holy Apostles 6:00 pm

**June, 29, Wednesday.** Holy Apostles Peter and Paul. Ἁγίων Ἀποστόλων Πέτρου καί Παύλου.

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





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### **July 2011**

**July 1, Friday**, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

**July 2, Saturday**, NO Vespers today.

**July 3, Third Sunday of Matthew.**

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

**July 9, Saturday**, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**July 10, Fourth Sunday of Matthew.**

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

**July 16, Saturday**, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**July 17, Sunday of the 630 Holy Fathers of 4th Ecumenical Synod (451)**

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

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

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

**July 23, Saturday**, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**July 24, Sixth Sunday of Matthew.** St. Christina the Martyr. Today we will also commemorate St. Paraskevi (July 26) and St. Panteleimon (July 27) the Great Martyrs.

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

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

**July 30, Saturday**, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

**July 31, Seventh Sunday of Matthew.**

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

## **TRUE STEWARDSHIP**

In every Divine Liturgy the priest concludes every set of petitions with the following invocation:

*"Let us commit ourselves and one another and our whole life unto Christ our God."*

This is ultimate Stewardship as we surrender to God, trusting that He loves us and will do for us what is best for us.



## Orthodox Martyrs of China (+1899)

June 11th



One of the best-kept secrets in the Orthodox world has to be the existence of the Chinese Martyrs who celebrate their feast day on June 11th. Almost everyone was unaware of the fact that not even one hundred years ago, a group of Chinese Orthodox Christians gave up their lives for Christ and His Church in the great city of Beijing.

The time is the dawn of the 20th century, and the place is one of unrest and rebellion against all foreigners who live in the country. It was the time of the Boxer Rebellion which held foreigners responsible for every misfortune that took place. The first to suffer were the Christians, and in 1899 the first English missionary was killed. On the 10th of June, proclamations were posted on walls all over Beijing, calling on the Chinese to slaughter all Christians and threatening all those Christians who tried to hide with martyrdom.

On the 11th of June, China finally shone in glory as it would offer her share of martyrs for the Church. This is how Dr. Piperakis of the University of Athens describes the events:

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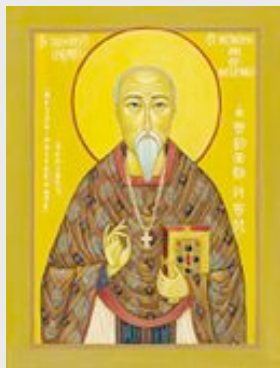
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“The executioners’ procession set off triumphantly with burning torches, as the idols of the traditional god of the Chinese were carried aloft. Censers were held so that the Christians could cense the idols, and thus deny their ‘alien’ faith. The pressure was unbearable, the martyrdoms most terrible. The fear was great. The Orthodox Christians’ homes were surrounded. Threats and violence were used to force the Orthodox to sacrifice to false gods and deny Christ. Unfortunately, as with all oppression, many capitulated and burnt incense to save their lives, while others who were stronger in faith boldly confessed Christ. The latter, the confessors, were led out of the city to the Boxers’ idol worshipping temples. Here, after indescribable torture, cutting them open and pulling out their entrails and the like, they were finally beheaded or burnt to death. The martyrs’ houses suffered the same fate as their owners. Churches and Orthodox institutions were also given over to the flames. All the church buildings (with the exception of the one in Hankow), the Sino - Russian Library and the print shop with its 30,000 woodcarved Chinese characters were set alight and burnt to ashes. The Russian missionaries managed to flee to Chien-Chin and then to Shanghai. The whole of missionary Innocent Figurofsky’s work was completely destroyed. Of the 700 Orthodox Chinese believers, 300 were martyred for their faith. Taking account of its low strength in numbers, the Orthodox Church of China gave up more martyrs than the more populous heterodox Churches.”

Included in those who received the crown of martyrdom was the first Chinese heirmartyr, St. Mitrophan Chi-Sung:

“St. Mitrophan was the first Orthodox Chinese priest. He was ordained by St. Nicholas of Japan and served the Orthodox mission for fifteen years. He sat among the ruins of the burnt-out Orthodox Mission, enveloped by the men, women and children of his flock, when they started to hit his chest with fists. His presbytera Tatiana and his 23-year-old son Isaiah were slaughtered before his very eyes, while they cut off the nose, ears and toes of his younger son John. Not only did the child martyr refuse to complain or protest but, as if by miracle, he felt no pain. The executioners taunted him, calling him a “child of demons”. He answered saying, “I am an Orthodox Christian and I believe in Christ, not in demons”. After father Mitrophan’s execution, his future daughter in law, 19-year-old fiancée of now-martyred Isaiah, arrived at the priest’s house. She wanted to die together with the family of her betrothed. When the Boxers surrounded the house, Maria helped many of the faithful jump over garden walls. She faced her executioners with courage and reproached them for the unjust murder of so many innocent souls, who had not been tried by any court. The executioners pierced her feet and wounded her hands, encouraging her to leave and be saved. Brave Maria answered them boldly, “I was born here at the Church of the All-Holy Mother of God, I will die here too.” Then the Boxers executed her.”

Of the 1,000 people in the Beijing parish, 222 received the crown of martyrdom and constituted the glorious sacrificial beginning of the 20th century, which would soon turn purple by the river of blood that flowed out of the vast expanses of Russia. However, the small Church of the Chinese people proclaim through their martyrdom that Orthodoxy has no borders and is above race, nations, and languages. The Orthodox Church is the Church of all nations, people, languages, and stands before God to offer praise and worship.



Saint Mitrophan



Church of the Holy Martyrs of Beijing- destroyed 1957



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## Saint John Maximovitch the Wonderworker (+1966) July 2nd (June 19th- Julian Calendar)



Archbishop John was born on June 4, 1896, in the village of Adamovka in the province of Kharkov in southern Russia. He was a member Maximovitch family, to which St. John of Tobolsk also had belonged. His father, Boris, was a marshal of nobility in one part of Kharkov province; and his uncle was rector of Kiev University. He received at baptism the name of Michael, his heavenly protector being the Archangel Michael. He was a sickly child and ate little. ...

In 1924 Vladika was ordained reader in the Russian church in Belgrade by Metropolitan Anthony, who continued to exert great influence over him; and Vladika in his turn showed the utmost respect and devotion to his superior. In 1926 Metropolitan Anthony tonsured him a monk and ordained him hierodeacon in the Milkov Monastery, giving him the name John, after Vladika's own distant relative, Saint John Maximovitch of Tobolsk. On November 21 of the same year Vladika was ordained hieromonk by Bishop Gabriel of Chelyabinsk. From 1925 to 1927, Vladika was an instructor of religion at the Serbian State High School, and from 1929 to 1934 he was a teacher and tutor at the Serbian Seminary of St. John the Theologian at Bitol. There he served the Divine Liturgy in Greek for the local Greek and Slavic communities, who had the greatest esteem for him.

The city of Bitol was in the diocese of Okhrida, and at that time the ruling bishop of this diocese was Nicholas Velimirovitch, a Serbian Chrysostom, a noted preacher, poet, writer, and organizer and inspirer of the popular religious movement. He, as much as Metropolitan Anthony, valued and loved the young Hieromonk John, and himself exerted a beneficial influence upon him. More than once he was heard to say, "If you wish to see a living saint, go to Bitol to Father John. " ...

For, indeed, it began to become evident that this was an entirely extraordinary man. It was his own students who first discovered what was perhaps Vladika's greatest feat of asceticism. They noticed at first that he stayed up long after everyone else had gone to bed; he would go through the dormitories at night and pick up blankets that had fallen down and cover the unsuspecting sleepers, making the Sign of the Cross over them. Finally it was discovered that he scarcely slept at all, and never in a bed, allowing himself only an hour or two each night of uncomfortable rest in a sitting position, or bent over on the floor praying before icons. Years afterward he himself admitted that since taking the monastic vows he had not slept lying in a bed....

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In 1934 it was decided to raise Hieromonk John to the rank of bishop....Vladika was assigned to the diocese of Shanghai....Vladika arrived in Shanghai in late November, on the Feast of the Entrance of the Mother of God into the Temple, and found a large cathedral uncompleted and a jurisdictional conflict to resolve. The first thing he did was to restore Church unity. He established contact with Serbs, Greeks, Ukrainians....

Vladika himself gathered sick and starving children off the streets and dark alleys of Shanghai's slums. Beginning with eight children, the orphanage later housed up to a hundred children at one time, and some 3500 in all. When the Communists came, Vladika evacuated the whole orphanage, first to an island in the Philippines, and then to America....

It soon became apparent to his new flock that Vladika was a great ascetic. The core of his asceticism was prayer and fasting. He ate once a day at 11 p.m. During the first and last weeks of Great Lent he did not eat at all, and for the rest of this and the Christmas Lent he ate only bread from the altar. His nights he spent usually in prayer, and when he finally became exhausted he would put his head on the floor and steal a few hours of sleep near dawn. When the time would come to serve Matins, someone would knock on the door, to no avail; they would open the door and find Vladika huddled on the floor in the icon corner, overcome by sleep. At a tap on the shoulder he would jump up, and in a few minutes he would be in church for services-cold water streaming down his beard, but quite awake....

Vladika wore clothing of the cheapest Chinese fabric, and soft slippers or sandals, always without socks no matter what the weather. He often went barefoot, sometimes after having given his sandals away to some poor man. He even served barefoot, for which he was severely criticized....

With the coming of the Communists, the Russians in China were forced once again to flee, most of them through the Philippine Islands. In 1949 approximately 5000 Refugees from the Chinese mainland were living in an International refugee Organization camp on the island of Tubabao in the Philippines. This island is located in the path of the seasonal typhoons which sweep through that part of the Pacific. During the 27 month period of the camp's occupancy, the island was threatened only once by a typhoon, and it changed course and bypassed the island.

When the fear of typhoons was mentioned by one Russian to the Filipinos, they replied that there was no reason to worry, because "your holy man blesses your camp from four directions every night. " They referred to Vladika John; for no typhoon struck the island while he was there. After the camp had been almost totally evacuated and the people resettled elsewhere (mainly in the U.S.A. and Australia), and only about 200 persons were left on the island, it was struck by a terrible typhoon that totally destroyed the camp.

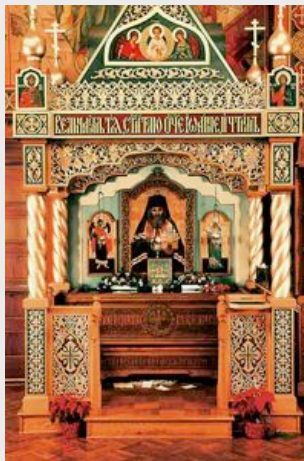
Vladika himself went to Washington, D. C., to get his people to America. Legislation was changed and almost the whole camp came to the New World – thanks again to Vladika. ...

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Vladika remained true to the end to his path of faithful service to the Church. To those who knew him in his last years perhaps two aspects of his character stood out. First was his strictness in what regarded the Church and the law of God. He insisted on the proper deportment of Church servers, allowing no levity, or even talking, in the altar. Himself an expert in Divine services, he would correct errors and omissions in the order of service immediately. With the congregation, too, he was strict, allowing no women to kiss the cross or icons while wearing lipstick, and requiring that the antidoron distributed at the end of the Liturgy be received fasting. He spoke against the desecration of the eves of Sundays and feast days by the organization of balls and other entertainment's on them. He staunchly defended the Church (Julian) Calendar against new calendar innovators. He forbade his clergy to participate in "Pan Orthodox" services because of the dubious canonicity of some participants; and the activities of Orthodox "ecumenists" caused him to shake his head in disbelief. He was strictest of all with regard to the holy doctrine of Orthodoxy; while he was still a young bishop in Shanghai his critical essay on the "Sophiology" of Archpriest S. N. Bulgakov was instrumental in the Synod's condemnation of the latter's heresy in 1936. No one who has seen will soon forget Vladika's fierce look while lowering the pontifical candlesticks at the proclamation of the Anathemas against heretics on the Sunday of Orthodoxy – here he was one with the Church in excluding from her bosom all who reject the full and saving Orthodox faith. All this was not from any narrow – minded literalness or "fanaticism," but from the same fear of God which Vladika preserved his whole life long, and which prohibits one from trespassing against God's law at the peril of one's salvation. ...

Again, on the evening before his departure for Seattle, four days before his death, Vladika astonished a man for whom he had just served a moleben with the words, "You will not kiss my hand again." And on the day of his death, at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy which he celebrated, he spent three hours in the altar praying, emerging not long before his death, which occurred at 3:50 p. m. on July 2 (June 19, OS), 1966. He died in his room in the parish building next to the church, without preparatory signs of any illness or affliction. He was heard to fall and, having been placed in a chair by those who ran to help him, breathed his last peacefully and with little evident pain, in the presence of the miracle working Kursk Icon of the Sign. Thus was Vladika found worthy to imitate the blessed death of his patron, St. John of Tobolsk.



## DAILY BIBLE READINGS - JUNE

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| 6/1/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 18:22-28</a>                                                                                  | Gospel: <a href="#">John 12:36-47</a>             |
| 6/2/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 1:1-12</a>                                                                                    | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 24:36-53</a>             |
| 6/3/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8</a>                                                                                    | Gospel: <a href="#">John 14:1-11</a>              |
| 6/4/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2</a>                                                                | Gospel: <a href="#">John 10:1-9</a>               |
| 6/5/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 20:16-18, 28-36</a>                                                                           | Gospel: <a href="#">John 17:1-13</a>              |
| 6/6/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 21:8-14</a>                                                                                   | Gospel: <a href="#">John 14:27-15:7</a>           |
| 6/7/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 21:26-32</a>                                                                                  | Gospel: <a href="#">John 16:2-13</a>              |
| 6/8/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 2:4-10</a>                                                                      | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 10:16-22</a>          |
| 6/9/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 25:13-19</a>                                                                                  | Gospel: <a href="#">John 16:23-33</a>             |
| 6/10/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 27:1-44; 28:1</a>                                                                             | Gospel: <a href="#">John 17:18-26</a>             |
| 6/11/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30</a>                                                                                  | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 10:16-21</a>             |
| 6/12/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11</a>                                                                                    | Gospel: <a href="#">John 7:37-52; 8:12</a>        |
| 6/13/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19</a>                                                                      | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 18:10-20</a>          |
| 6/14/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. James' Universal Letter 5:10-20</a>                                                                            | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 4:22-30</a>              |
| 6/15/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 1:18-27</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 5:20-26</a>           |
| 6/16/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 1:28-32; 2:1-9</a>                                                                 | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 5:27-32</a>           |
| 6/17/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 2:14-28</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 5:33-41</a>           |
| 6/18/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 1:7-12</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 5:42-48</a>           |
| 6/19/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2</a><br>Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30</a> |                                                   |
| 6/20/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 2:28-29; 3:1-18</a>                                                                | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 6:31-34; 7:9-11</a>   |
| 6/21/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 4:4-12</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 7:15-21</a>           |
| 6/22/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 4:13-25</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 7:21-23</a>           |
| 6/23/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 5:10-16</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 8:23-27</a>           |
| 6/24/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 13:11-14; 14:1-4</a>                                                               | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 1:1-25, 57-68, 76-80</a> |
| 6/25/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 3:19-24</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 7:1-8</a>             |
| 6/26/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 2:10-16</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 4:18-23</a>           |
| 6/27/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 7:1-14</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 9:36-38; 10:1-8</a>   |
| 6/28/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 7:14-8:2</a>                                                                       | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 10:9-15</a>           |
| 6/29/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 11:21-33; 12:1-9</a><br>Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 16:13-19</a>       |                                                   |
| 6/30/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16</a>                                                              | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 9:36, 10:1-8</a>      |

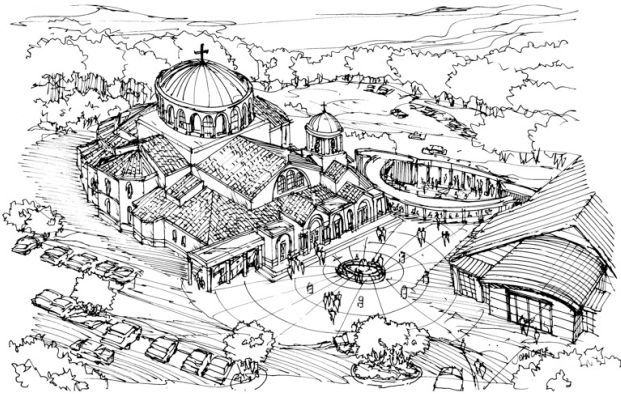


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| 7/2/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7</a>                                                                          | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 1:39-49, 56</a>              |
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| 7/7/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5</a>                                                               | Gospel: <a href="#">Mark 5:24-34</a>                  |
| 7/8/2011  | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 4:9-15</a>                                                                       | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 6:17-19, 9:1-2, 10:16-22</a> |
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| 7/10/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 6:18-23</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 8:5-13</a>                |
| 7/11/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10</a>                                                              | Gospel: <a href="#">Luke 7:36-50</a>                  |
| 7/12/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 14:9-18</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 12:14-16; 22-30</a>       |
| 7/13/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 2:2-10</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 12:38-45</a>              |
| 7/14/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:1-16</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 16:20-24</a>              |
| 7/15/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 13:11-14; 14:1-5</a><br>Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 17:24-27; 18:1-4</a> |                                                       |
| 7/16/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 8:14-21</a>                                                                         | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 9:9-13</a>                |
| 7/17/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to Titus 3:8-15</a>                                                                               | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 5:14-19</a>               |
| 7/18/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 16:17-24</a>                                                                        | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 13:10-23, 43</a>          |
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| 7/26/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5</a>                                                               | Gospel: <a href="#">Mark 5:24-34</a>                  |
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| 7/28/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7</a>                                                                                      | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 15:12-21</a>              |
| 7/29/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 7:35-40; 8:1-7</a><br>Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 15:29-31</a>           |                                                       |
| 7/30/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">Acts of the Apostles 15:35-41</a>                                                                                   | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 10:37-42, 11:1</a>        |
| 7/31/2011 | Epistle: <a href="#">St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 15:1-7</a>                                                                          | Gospel: <a href="#">Matthew 9:27-35</a>               |

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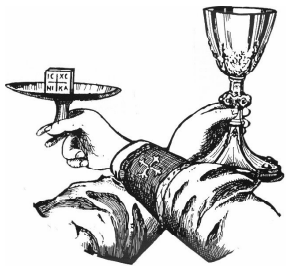


*Enabling our hearts to be encouraged, being knit together in love, and attaining to all riches through the understanding of the mystery of God. (Col. 2:2)*

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

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



**"YOUR OWN GIFTS,  
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### **WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?**

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

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

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

*"We praise you, we bless you,  
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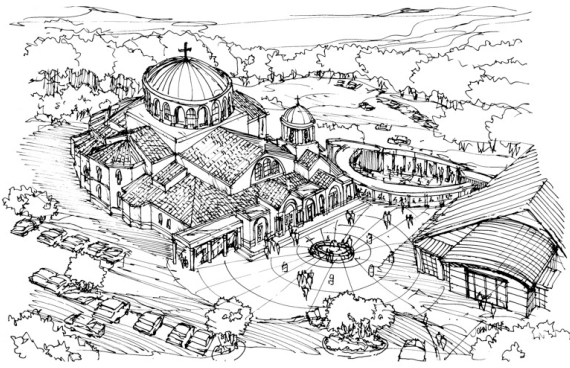
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Our Parish depends on the Stewardship of its members. Our Parish is funded by us.

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

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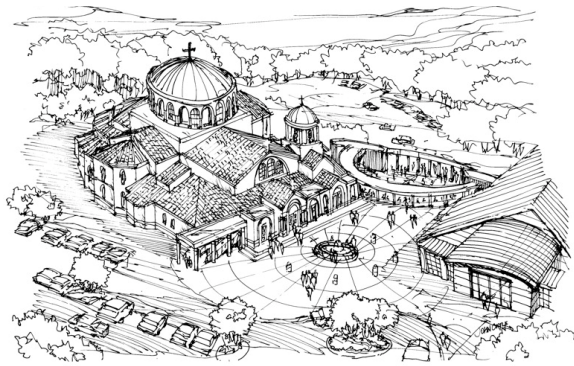
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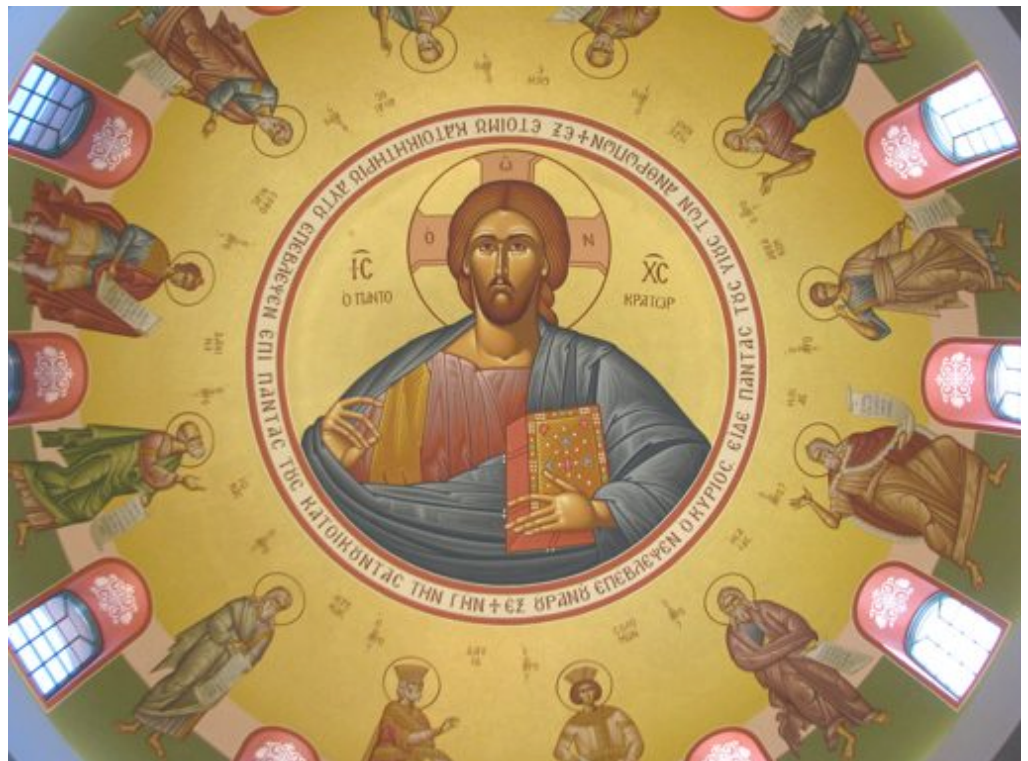
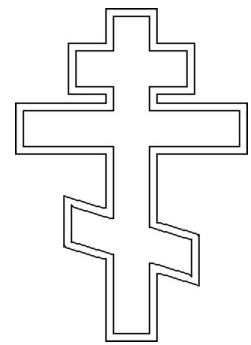
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## FURTHER CLARIFYING CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP

Hopefully most Holy Transfiguration parishioners now understand that we donate our time, talents, and treasures to God's Church (including our parish as a part of the Church) as an expression of our love for God and in thanksgiving to Him for His blessings continuously being showered upon us. (Please note how blessed our parish was during our recent Festival.)

However our donations to the parish are only a small part of our Christian stewardship. Christ told us that serving others in need is an important way to show our love for Him and to practice stewardship. Let's focus upon the Parable of the Good Samaritan. The Jewish Priest and the Levite (persons who were responsible for Jewish religious practices and held community leadership) thought they had good reasons to pass by the injured man on the other side. Also the Jewish leadership thought they had good reasons for crucifying Christ even though they most certainly knew that He had recently raised Lazarus from the dead. Rationalizations are wonderful inventions. They give us a reason to go ahead and do something that we really know it would be better if we didn't do it.

Now back to exploring a further understanding of Christian stewardship – See how even the place we parked during the recent Greek Festival represents our Stewardship to God's Church: The people who come to our Festival are the guests of the Orthodox Church as well our parish (as the only way they know the Church is through their exposure to us). Many of them used their navigators or maps from such websites as MapQuest to find our church. Thus they probably used I-75 and then eventually drove northward onto Trickum Road from Sandy Plains Road – thereby seeing the parking lots at the Church of Latter Day Saints and Simpson Middle School first. Most of the time on Friday evening, Saturday evening, and Sunday afternoon, they found these two parking lots to be full. Therefore they were forced to seek parking on the neighborhood streets or at the Shallowford Crossing Shopping Center or at the Lassiter High School parking lots. But the neighborhood streets were full, the Explorer Scouts didn't know where the other lots were, signage to the other lots was limited, and these people could not put the other lots into their navigators as they had no street address. It is very unfortunate that a great many of our befuddled guests had considerable trouble parking because many of us had parked on the nearby streets and at Simpson Middle School. In this way, we were not good stewards to Christ and our faith by using these close-by parking spaces during the festival instead of leaving them for our guests.

**Thus there are two important Christian Stewardship points to always keep in mind: (1) we are practicing stewardship when we serve our guests whenever they visit our parish, and (2) we are called to practice Christian stewardship (showing our love of Christ) whenever we are exposed to someone in need.**

# Stewardship versus Pledging

## (Confessions of a Long-time Stewardship Chair)

by

Larry Gess, Stewardship Ministry Chair

It is not surprising that most parishioners think that a Stewardship Drive is the same thing as a Pledge Drive, while they are actually entirely different. The only thing that is similar is that the parishioner is expected to complete a form and return it to the parish.

When I was first asked to initiate a new stewardship program for the Annunciation Cathedral in the early 1970's, I could not locate any materials concerning Orthodox Stewardship. In fact, there were no Greek Orthodox materials until the National Stewardship Commission was organized in late 1980's. What I did was borrow materials used by Protestant Churches and non-profit charities. What was implemented was more of a pledge system than true Christian stewardship. Unfortunately, most Greek Orthodox parishes around the country still use a pledge system. So when parishioners move here from these parishes, they think that Holy Transfiguration also still uses a pledge system.

When Holy Transfiguration was started in 1989, it was a combination of a stewardship and pledge system. Some ensuing Priests and many ensuing Stewardship Committee chairs evolved the system even more into a pledge system. Thus, many parishioners who do not read their Sydiakonia and their stewardship mailings think we have a pledge system. This Article is one more attempt to set the record straight. If you ever hear anyone refer to our process as a pledge, please ask them to read this article.

A pledge system typically has the following characteristics:

- ⇒ The parishioner is asked to pledge a fixed amount **to the parish** (not to donate money to continue Christ's work on earth)
- ⇒ The parishioner is asked **to sign the pledge** (thus making the pledge an implied contract)
- ⇒ The parishioner is not allowed to be a member-in-good-standing during the ensuing year **until he/she has completed the pledge for the previous year**
- ⇒ The parishioner is not allowed to vote in a General Assembly, Parish Council Election, or any other voting matter **if he/she has not up-to-date on his/her pledge**

### What is Christian Stewardship?

Christian Stewardship is simply the act of demonstrating to God that we believe in Him as well as how much we love Him and how thankful we are to Him for our continued blessings from Him by sacrificially returning a portion of these blessings for His work on earth—thereby spreading our faith in Him as well as assisting those people in need.

On the Stewardship Form, the parishioner is asked to make a reasonable estimate of what they will donate during the ensuing year, thereby enabling the Parish Council to plan the annual budget for the approval of the General Assembly and to assist the Council in managing its monthly expenditures effectively throughout the year.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

Stavros Hatzidakis - May 22, 2011

Eleni Vastakis - May 28, 2011

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*CROWN THEM WITH GLORY  
& HONOR*

Zachary and Amanda Thornbury - May 1, 2011

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

Upcoming Events--BLOCK YOUR CALENDAR!

June 14

July & August

Second Tuesday Meeting--Parish Life Center

No Meetings

THANK YOU THANK YOU THANK YOU too all those who supported the CLASSIC CAR SHOW & GARAGE SALE. This was a wonderful fundraiser for our scholarship fund. There were nearly 30 very amazing classic cars on display...and treasures galore in the pavilion.



**SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS ANNOUNCED.** I am thrilled to announce the 2011-2012 CHAPTER LEVEL scholarships that have been awarded. Join me in congratulating these eleven outstanding students and their parents:

**George Caras, Christine Cassimus, Eleni Davino, Alayna Dunkerly, Alexa Jacobs, Maria Linebaugh, Sophia Linebaugh, Jonathan Radivoj, Angelica Scelzi, Anna Shoji, Arthur Tingas.**

Additional scholarships at the DISTRICT and NATIONAL level are expected and will be announced soon.

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

Your Board: Ron Sprouse, Plutarch Vamvakias, Zack Kollias, Harry Kipreos  
Vice Presidents: Keath Paxten, Jim Tidwell, Greg Muse, Andy Johansen



# REGISTER NOW



## VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Holy Transfiguration

Monday, June 20 -  
Friday, June 24

9:00 am to 12:30 pm

Please register by Monday,  
June 13th!

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contact Ana Dudley,  
404.966.2068 or  
[diniz\\_claudia@hotmail.com](mailto:diniz_claudia@hotmail.com)

Cost: \$40 per child

The Twelve Great Feasts, Volume I: Feasts of the Theotokos

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City, State, Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Caregiver's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Caregiver's Phone # \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Baptismal Name \_\_\_\_\_ Grade Next Fall \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Birth Date \_\_\_\_\_

T-Shirt Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Church/Parish Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

Food allergies or other medical conditions we should be aware of \_\_\_\_\_

Yes, I would like to help with \_\_\_\_\_



Congratulations to each and every one of you on a successful Festival! We all pulled together and showed up with fellowship and fun was had by all! We had 13,000 friends and guests visit our Church who enjoyed and experienced our faith, our music, our food and other traditions. The band and dancers entertained and captured the attention of the audiences! Everyone raved about the multitude of foods offered from the pastitsio to the souvlaki to the galatobourekos! The lines to tour our sanctuary and learn about Orthodoxy were never-ending! And our Parish Family greeted, transported, educated, and served others with grace, joy and a smile! The set up, staffing and take down of the 2011 Marietta Greek Festival took place smoothly, safely and without a hitch (maybe a few hiccups)!

Our beloved Metropolitan Alexios, along with Father Panayiotis and Father George, provided inspiration and a special Blessing on the first day of the event while God's many blessings included dry and cool weather every minute of the entire weekend...the people came and loved it all! All of our hard work and efforts - baking, cooking, cleaning, advertising, planning and preparing - were rewarded with the highest income-producing Festival ever!!! More details as to the net income realized from the Festival will be presented once all the bills come in and are satisfied.

Thank you to the newcomers who joined in this year...to the old timers (we know who we all are) who continued to serve...to the young and the old....the people who need to be recognized and honored are too innumerable to be mentioned here at this time, but I can say as this year's chair, I feel so blessed and thankful for the sacrifice, the kindness, the support, the talent and the love given by our parishioners as we served side by side these past weeks and months. Allow me to say a few words about the few responsible for this major event - your 2011 Festival Board of **Cathy Papadopoulos, Pam Starks, Mary Miltiades, Athan Tsarouhas, Jim Niarchos, Terry Bliss and Theodore Georgacopoulos** ... please express your gratitude to these seven individuals who led, created and managed this effort with dedication, patience and love. I know my love and respect for each of them has increased exponentially as a result of this experience. As I said previously to you all, a few cannot undertake something like the Festival alone - and a few did not have to, because you all are committed to each other, to Holy Transfiguration and God.

With heartfelt thanks and wishes for continued success and growth and in His service,

Becky Gess Valagohar  
Your 2011 Marietta Greek Festival Chair



# GOYA WEDNESDAYS IN JUNE

Saints commemorated during the week- Can you identify all the Saints?

**Wed., 06/01/2011**



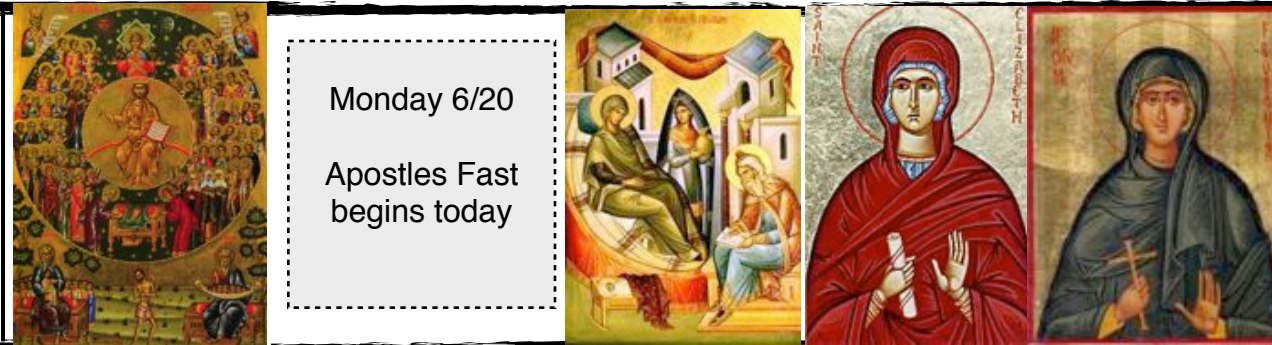
**Wed., 06/08/2011**



**Wed., 06/15/2011**



**Wed., 06/22/2011**



Monday 6/20

Apostles Fast  
begins today

**Wed., 06/29/2011**



Visit the [Online Chapel](#) at the [Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Website](#) for help in identifying the saints commemorated in June



# GOYA WEDNESDAYS IN JULY

Saints commemorated during the week- Can you identify all the Saints?

**Wed., 07/06/2011**



**Wed., 07/13/2011**



**Wed., 07/20/2011**



**Wed., 07/27/2011**



"Man is worthy of being loved just because he's in the image of God. It doesn't matter at all if he's good or bad, moral or sinful. Man is worthy of being loved for what he is. Christ loved and sacrificed Himself for sinful, corrupt people. "I came not to call the righteous, but sinners to repentance." We should be the same way:.....our love should be like the love of God" –Elder Paisios

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



## GOYA QUARTERLY ACTIVITIES



### **GOYA End-of-the-School-Year Pool Party!**

Thursday, June 2nd, 2011 at 7:00pm  
Mr. & Mrs. Vouloupos will again host this year

Address: 3050 Devereux Chase, Roswell, GA 30075  
Hope that you can be there!

\*also...GOYA Officers elections for next school year



### **GOYA Opportunity to Serve Hot Lunch to Those in Need in the Marietta Community**

Purchase, Prepare, and Serve a Hot Meal

**Thursday, June 23rd, 2011**

MUST Loaves and Fishes Community Kitchen  
55 Elizabeth Church Rd NE, Marietta, GA  
(770) 426-7667

(refer to email sign-up list to see what needs are still  
available)



## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

### **Year End Wrap up from Annette Jacobs, Philoptochos President 2009-2011**

Wow! Another year has already gone by. First, we would like to thank all of the members of our parish for all of your help and support throughout the year.

We began the year by having a wonderful lunch at the Tiliacos' restaurant *Come-N-Get-It* and looking at Philoptochos then and now. Thank you to **Evelyn Bilson, Dorothy Macris** and **Nancy Barke** for coordinating such a great time.

In October, we had our annual fall fundraiser. This year we had a "Nifty-Fifties Mystery Dinner Theatre." This event was terrific!! We had a wonderful opportunity to see the many talents of our own community's actors. The fundraiser was to benefit our own Panagia Chapter Social Service Fund as well as Blessings in a Backpack. We were able to raise \$ 8,670.00. Thank you to **Carol Sarmir** and her team for a very successful event.

In November and December, instead of our traditional Sweets and Treats, we had "Koulourakia in a Bag" and also Spanakopita for sale to benefit our Panagia Chapter Social Services. This fundraiser raised almost \$2,000. Thank you to **Marty Driscoll** and **Mary Miltiades** for leading these events. At our annual Christmas party, we collected gift cards to purchase clothes and toys for the children of our soldiers so that we could remember them during the holiday season. In addition, we collected socks to send to our soldiers.

In January, we had our annual membership luncheon in the PLC. Thank you to **Evelyn Bilson, Dorothy Macris** and **Nancy Barke** for coordinating such a lovely luncheon. We currently have 88 members! If you have not joined or wish to renew your membership, please see Evelyn Bilson.

In February, we had our annual Godparents luncheon and this year we included a silent auction. Thank you to **Nikki Palamiotis** and **Kate Lewis** for coordinating the luncheon and **Mary Miltiades** for coordinating the silent auction. We would also like to thank those who so graciously donated items to our auction. We raised \$2,703.00. Proceeds were to benefit our Panagia Chapter Social Service Fund and also Blessings in a Backpack. Each year it is so wonderful to see so many Godparents and Godchildren participate in the Divine Liturgy together and then share a delicious lunch.

We will end the year with a luncheon at Caper's Restaurant. Please join us for great food, fun and fellowship. Through the various fundraisers, we were able to donate \$4,500.00 to Blessings in a Backpack as well as backpacks to put the food in. Blessings in a Backpack feed those children on the weekend that might otherwise go hungry.

Though we will have an "End of the Year luncheon", *our work is never over*. Philoptochos works year round to help those in need both locally and nationally. We are so blessed to have such a giving parish. You have enabled our chapter to outreach to so many in need. We hope that you will continue to give your time, talent, and treasure to support our mission.



### *End of the Year Luncheon*

Join us **Sunday, June 5, 2011, Caper's Restaurant**, 1:00 p.m. to celebrate the past year and look forward to the next year. Our special guest speaker will be our own Georgia Bendo, Missionary. Please **RSVP Mary Miltiades at 770-626-5111 or [mmiltiadesbellsouth.net](http://mmiltiadesbellsouth.net)** by June 1<sup>st</sup>.



### *Charles Salome Memorial Scholarship*

The Panagia Chapter of the Ladies Philoptochos Society is once again offering the Charles Salome Memorial Scholarship for one college student, as well as, one graduating high school senior. Each scholarship will be for \$1000. These funds are for students attending an accredited 4-year college or accredited technical college in the fall. Please contact Nancy Barke for the application materials at 770.509.8738. The **deadline for submission of the application is June 10, 2011**. No applications will be accepted after that date.

**SOUP KITCHEN:** On April 28th, we served 96 homeless at Must Ministries with chicken, rice, and salad. Those who helped serve, donated money and prepared the food were: **Kally Niarchos, Cathy Costarides, Margaret Kollias, Paula Rogers, Niki Gess, Linda Lapos, Michelle Broussard-Hanes, Cathy Papadopoulos, Irene Hammond, Stephanie Gianaris, Christine Stavrou, Dorothy Macris, Vasile Zafiroulis and Athena Burke**. This month GOYA will be sponsoring the Soup Kitchen, preparing the food and serving. Please contact **Athena Burke at [ibgreek@bellsouth.net](mailto:ibgreek@bellsouth.net) or 678-462-9775** to make a monetary donation.

For more information or questions, please contact Annette Jacobs at [am1988@bellsouth.net](mailto:am1988@bellsouth.net) or 770-992-1684.

# July 2011

- US Holidays
- Sacraments
- Social Events/Rentals
- Divine Services
- Ministry Meetings
- Home
- Social Events/Rentals
- Divine Services
- Ministry Meetings
- Home
- Facilities
- Fr. George Schedule
- Fr. Panayiotis Schedule
- Sacraments

| June 2011 |    |    |    |    |    |    | July 2011 |   |   |    |    |    |    | August 2011 |    |    |    |    |    |    |
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| 26        | 27 | 28 | 29 | 30 |    |    |           |   |   | 24 | 25 | 26 | 27 | 28          | 29 | 30 | 31 |    |    |    |

| Sunday                                                                                                                                                 | Monday                  | Tuesday | Wednesday | Thursday | Friday | Saturday |
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| <b>Fast of the Holy Apostles</b><br><b>Second Sunday of Matthew</b><br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy                                         | 26                      | 27      | 28        | 29       | 30     | 1        |
| <b>Third Sunday of Matthew</b><br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy                                                                              | <b>Independence Day</b> | 4       | 5         | 6        | 7      | 8        |
| <b>Fourth Sunday of Matthew</b><br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy                                                                             | 10                      | 11      | 12        | 13       | 14     | 15       |
| Sunday of the Holy Apostles (451)<br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy                                                                           | 17                      | 18      | 19        | 20       | 21     | 22       |
| <b>Sixth Sunday...reat Martyrs</b><br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy<br>11:30 AM A 40 day Memorial Service is given by Dorothy Macris for her | 24                      | 25      | 26        | 27       | 28     | 29       |
| <b>Seventh Sunday of Matthew</b><br>8:45 AM Orthros/10:00 AM Divine Liturgy                                                                            | 31                      | 1       | 2         | 3        | 4      | 5        |
| 5:00 PM Great Vespers<br>5:45 PM 40-day Blessing-Michaelides (Katherine)                                                                               | 2                       | 3       | 4         | 5        | 6      | 7        |
| 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water<br>11:00 AM Fr. Stefero Adult Baptism                                                                                   | 8                       | 9       | 10        | 11       | 12     | 13       |
| 5:00 PM Great Vespers                                                                                                                                  | 16                      | 17      | 18        | 19       | 20     | 21       |
| 5:00 PM Great Vespers                                                                                                                                  | 23                      | 24      | 25        | 26       | 27     | 28       |
| 5:00 PM Great Vespers                                                                                                                                  | 30                      | 31      | 1         | 2        | 3      | 4        |



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Rev. Fr. Panayiotis Papageorgiou, Ph.D., Protopresbyter

Rev. Fr. George Pallas, Protopresbyter

Tyrone-Stavros Emery, Pastoral Assistant

Anne Willcocks, Parish Secretary

| DATE          | PARISH COUNCIL DUTY      | ACOLYTES | GREETERS                | PROSFORO                         |
|---------------|--------------------------|----------|-------------------------|----------------------------------|
| June 5, 2011  | M. Alberts/T. Isaac      | All      | L. Gormanos/R. Sprouse  | F. Tucker                        |
| June 12, 2011 | C. Dunkerly/R. Rogers    | All      | P. Dunkerly/J. Niarchos | S. Tidwell/M. Tingas             |
| June 19, 2011 | D. Dudley                | All      | D. Bafas/K. Niarchos    | N. Porter/I. Steffas             |
| June 26, 2011 | M. Alberts/G. Lopus      | All      | P. Dunkerly/I. Steffas  | L. Lopus/K. Melissas             |
| July 3, 2011  | H. Catrakilis/M. Kipreos | All      | TBA                     | M. Broussard-Hanes/A. Burke      |
| July 10, 2011 | P. Bilson/J. Tidwell     | All      | TBA                     | C. Costarides/M. Driscoll        |
| July 17, 2011 | M. Alberts/G. Lopus      | All      | TBA                     | M. Eleftheriou/T. Georgacopoulos |
| July 24, 2011 | D. Dudley/C. Dunkerly    | All      | TBA                     | N. Kakissis/E. Kay               |
| July 31, 2011 | M. Alberts/G. Lopus      | All      | TBA                     | Tasia Kipreos/Themis Kipreos     |

**Altar Boy Team Summer Schedule:** Please note that during the summer months any altar boy is welcome to serve on any given Sunday. The weekly team schedule will start up again in September.