

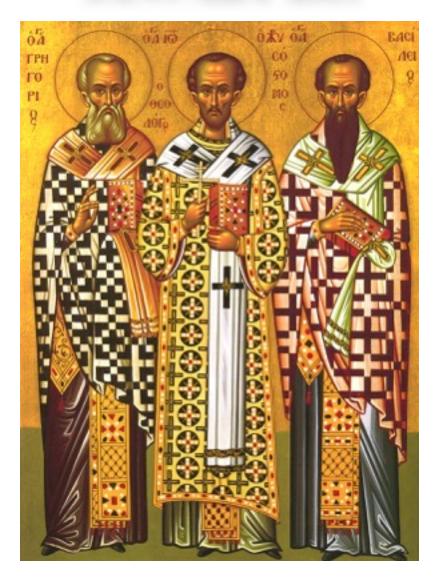
# THE MONTHLY BULLETIN

OF THE

**HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH** ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ ΜΕΤΑΜΟΡΦΩΣΕΩΣ ΤΟΥ ΣΩΤΗΡΟΣ

Marietta, GA

# JANUARY 2017



THE THREE HIERARCHS St. Basil the Great, St. Gregory the Theologian and St. John Chrysostom

#### HOLY TRANSFIGURATION

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<u>SUNDAY SERVICES</u> Orthros...... 8:30 am Divine Liturgy..... 10:00 am

#### PARISH CLERGY

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Rev. Father George Pallas, Protopresbyter

Rev. Father Paul Lundberg, Presbyter

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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. You can't miss it!

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

Happy New Year



May the New Year 2017 bring to all of you abundant blessings from God.

Best Wishes

from the Christian Orthodox Community of the Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church of Marietta, Georgia.



We are an Orthodox Parish in continuity with the Apostolic Traditions of the Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church

# Fr. Panayiotis' Message

**January 2017** 





Many new nears' ago Jesus said this parable:

"A man had a fig tree planted in his vineyard; and he came seeking fruit on it and found none. And he said to the vinedresser, `Lo, these three years I have come seeking fruit on this fig tree, and I find none.

Cut it down; why should it use up the ground?' And he answered him, `Let it alone, sir, this year also, till I dig about it and put on manure. And if it bears fruit next year, well and good; but if not, you can cut it down."' (Luke 13:6-9)

We as a parish are a fig tree planted by the Lord. Each one of us, as members of the parish, are branches of this fig tree receiving nourishment from the Holy Spirit. This new year offers us the opportunity to fulfill the desire of the Lord for us to present to Him the spiritual fruits of our lives. He has blessed us with so much. He expects us to bear the Fruits of the Holy Spirit, Love, Joy, Peace, Longsuffering,

Kindness, Goodness, Faithfulness, Gentleness, Self-control (Gal. 5:22). He expects us to shine with His light to the world around us who is in darkness.

The Holy Spirit Himself, who waters and nourishes us, is pleading with the Lord for one more year! "Grant them, Oh Lord, one more year and they will show their fruits!" This New Year 2017 must become the best year of our spiritual growth. We have no excuse. We have all the material things we need. We have a beautiful church. We have new buildings, new classrooms, new conference rooms, a new athletic court, even a new parking lot.

This new year offers us the opportunity to produce real spiritual fruits. Of course, there can be no fruits if we do not grow personally, if we do not learn how to overcome selfishness and egotism and humble ourselves, if we do not learn how to pray and surrender to the will of God, if we do not allow Him to lead our lives. There can be no spiritual growth if we do not take control over our passions, our anger and gluttony, the fleshly desires and our love of material things. There can be no growth if we do not cultivate the virtues of love and self-sacrifice for the Lord.

This new year is a new opportunity for personal development according to the will of God. We don't know how many more years He will patiently afford us, so we need to get to work.

The Orthodox Church, through the experience of generations of holy men and women, has built a worship cycle to help us connect with God more easily. It has put in place the holy sacraments to help us receive God's grace to transform ourselves and heal our wounds and passions.

The new year offers us the opportunity to utilize these tools for personal growth. We are called this year to make the extra effort to attend a Saturday Vespers, to arrive early in church and experience the Orthros prayers, to come to an overnight vigil and immerse ourselves in uplifting worship, to make sure not to miss a single service during Holy Week and experience His life on earth, which brought our redemption. This year we should read a spiritual book and challenge our minds to love God more. We should take advantage of confession to wash away the filth from our souls. This year we need to approach Holy Communion with the "fear of God, faith and love" after proper preparation and truly taste of the Kingdom of God.

Let us live this new year as if it were our last one on this earth, so the Lord may bless it and grant us many more filled with the fruits of the Spirit.

May generations after us find nourishment in the spiritual fruits of our labors for many new years to come.

J.Fr. Panayistis



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# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

# January 2017

December 31st Saturday evening. Great Vespers at 5:00 pm.

January 1, Sunday, Feast of the Circumcision of our Lord Jesus Christ, and St. Basil the Great. Sunday before the Feast of Theophany - The Baptism of Christ Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 5, Thursday, Forefeast of Theophany. The Great Hours of Theophany 9:30 -11:00 am. <u>Today we hold the fast in preparation to receive the Holy Water of Theophany (strict fast).</u>

January 6, Friday, Holy Theophany. Feast of the Baptism of Christ (the Feast of Lights). Orthros, 8:30, Divine Liturgy 9:30 am followed by the Great Ayiasmos (Blessing of the Waters).

Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm - Synaxis of St. John the Forerunner.

January 7, Saturday, Synaxis of St. John the Forerunner and Baptist. Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

January 8, Sunday, Sunday after the Feast of Theophany. Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

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

**Evening:** Great Vespers 5:00 pm, Feast of St. Efstratios the Wonderworker.

January 9, Monday, Feast of St. Efstratios the Wonderworker. Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 14, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

- January 15, Sunday, 12th Sunday of Luke. Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.
- January 16, Monday, Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Feast of St. Anthony the Great

January 17, Tuesday, Feast of St. Anthony the Great Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm - Feast of Sts. Athanasios and Cyril.

January 18, Wednesday, Feast of Sts. Athanasios and Cyril, Patriarchs of Alexandria. Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

# SCHEDULE OF SERVICES . . . January 2016

January 21, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

January 22, Sunday, 15th Sunday of Luke. Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 25, Wednesday, Great Vespers for the Feast of St. Xenophon 6:00 pm

January 26, Thursday, Feast of St. Xenophon & his Companions Orthros 9:00 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

January 28, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm. January 29, Sunday, Sunday of the Canaanite Woman

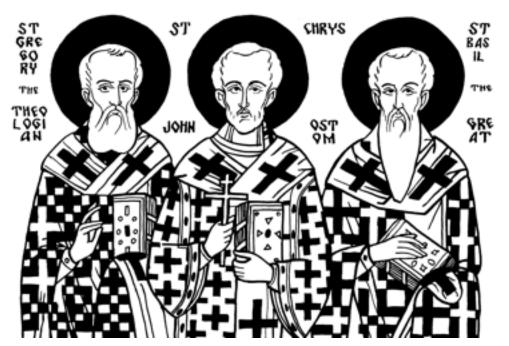
Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

Sunday Evening: Great Vespers for the Feast of the Holy Three Hierarchs 5:00 pm.

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

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

#### The Holy Three Hierarchs and Ecumenical Teachers

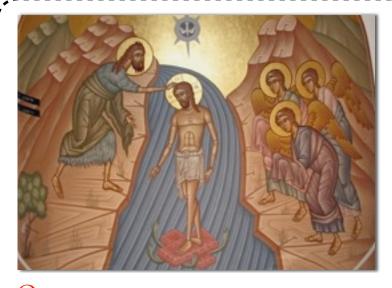


#### WISDOM FROM THE FATHERS ON PRAYER

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM SAYS:

"Prayer is a harbor in the storms of life, an anchor for those who are storm-tossed, the treasure of the poor, the security of the rich, the healing of the sick, the preservation of health. Prayer banishes evil things, and preserves the good."

"Prayer silences the passions of the soul, assuages the rebellion of anger, dismisses envy, dissipates evil desire, withers the love of worldly things, and brings great peace and serenity to the soul."



ON JANUARY 6, WE CELEBRATE THE GREAT FEAST OF THEOPHANY OR EPIPHANY, ONE OF THE MAJOR HOLY DAYS OF THE ORTHODOX CHURCH. IT WAS ON THIS DAY THAT CHRIST APPEARED BEFORE JOHN THE BAPTIST AT THE RIVER JORDAN AND ASKED TO BE BAPTIZED BY JOHN. DURING HIS BAPTISM THE HEAVENS OPENED AND GOD WAS REVEALED AS TRINITY. THEOPHANY MEANS THE APPEARANCE OF GOD. SIMILARLY, EPIPHANY MEANS THE APPEARANCE. THIS FEAST IS ALSO CALLED THE FEAST OF LIGHTS BECAUSE THE DIVINE LIGHT SHINES INTO THE WORLD WITH THE COMING OF THE LORD.

A FEW DAYS AGO (CHRISTMAS) WE SAW CHRIST AS A NEW BORN BABE. TODAY (THEOPHANY) WE SEE HIM A FULL GROWN MAN OF 30 BEGINNING HIS MINISTRY AMONG THE PEOPLE. GOD WHO SHONE FORTH FROM THE VIRGIN SHINES TO DAY FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO BEGIN HIS MINISTRY.

TODAY THE SMALL ENTRANCE OF THE DIVINE LITURGY IS EXPANDED INTO A FULL CELEBRATION. IN THE PROCESSION OF COMING FORTH FROM THE HOLY ALTAR CARRYING THE GOSPEL ALOFT, THE PRIEST REPRESENTS CHRIST COMING FORTH INTO THE WORLD TO BRING THE GOSPEL TO ALL PEOPLE. THE SMALL ENTRANCE OF THE DIVINE LITURGY IS IN REALITY A SMALL EPIPHANY OF THE LORD.

AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE LITURGY ON THEOPHANY THE PRIEST WILL PERFORM THE SPECIAL SERVICE OF THE BLESSING OF THE

#### THEOPHANY OR EPIPHANY THE FEAST OF LIGHTS (TA PHOTA)

WATERS. TODAY HE WILL BLESS THE WATER SO THAT, IN THE WORDS OF THE PRAYER:

"THOSE WHO POUR AND PARTAKE THEREOF (OF THE HOLY WATER) MAY RECEIVE IT FOR THE CLEANSING OF SOULS AND BODIES, FOR THE HEALING OF SUFFERING, FOR SANCTIFICATION OF HOMES AND FOR EVERY NEED."

WHEN LEAVING THE CHURCH WE SHALL ALL TAKE A BOTTLE OF THIS HOLY WATER WITH US TO BLESS OURSELVES AND OUR HOMES. IN SOME PARTS OF THE COUNTRY, BISHOPS THROW A CROSS INTO THE SEA, OR A RIVER, TO BE RETRIEVED BY A SWIMMER. IN THIS WAY THEY BLESS THE WATERS, PRAYING FOR THOSE WHO TRAVEL THROUGH THEM TO BE PROTECTED.

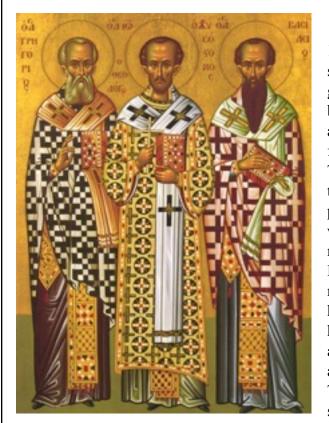
CHILDREN SHOULD BE ENCOURAGED TO KEEP A SMALL BOTTLE OF HOLY WATER AND PLACE IT NEXT TO THEIR ICON AND USE IT THE YEAR ROUND. THEY CAN PARTAKE OF THE HOLY WATER WITH A SPOON IN THE MORNING BEFORE THEY EAT AT ANY TIME OF THE YEAR WHEN THEY FEEL THAT THEY HAVE A SPECIAL NEED FOR THE LORD'S PRESENCE IN THEIR LIVES. THUS, THEY WILL KEEP EPIPHANY THE YEAR ROUND.

THIS FEAST IS REMEMBERED BY SOME OF THE WESTERN CHRISTIANS AS THE VISITATION OF THE MAGI. THIS WAS PROBABLY THE EMPHASIS GIVEN TO THE DAY IN THE WESTERN CHURCH FROM EARLIER TIMES.



Feast of the Three Hierarchs

## JANUARY 30



#### Feast of the Three Hierarchs - Celebration of Hellenic Learning

In 11th century Constantinople every conversation turned to the same controversy: Which of the three 4th-century saints was the greatest in the Orthodox church? Was it St. Basil the Great, the beloved spiritual leader who created orphanages and hospitals and left a legacy of great spiritual and theological writings in the finest form of the Greek language? Was it St. Gregory the Theologian, whose leadership kept the church together during a time of theological crisis and also contributed beautiful works of poetry and prose to the literary corpus of Hellenic learning? Or was is St. John Chrysostom, the wonderful speaker who had "a mouth of gold" and left behind a great legacy of writings in the Hellenic tongue which parallel the great philosophers and rhetoricians of classical times? In 1081, Bishop John of Galatia had a vision in which the three saints appeared to him telling him that they were equal in the eyes of God. The church set aside a day to commemorate their equality. Since then, Hellenes around the world have celebrated this day as the holiday of the Three Hierarchs, honoring the contribution of the three great saints to Orthodoxy and Hellenic Learning.

CELEBRATION OF THE THREE HIERARCHS AND HELLENIC LEARNING at Holy Transfiguration

> Lecture by the Honorable Consul of Greece in Atlanta Mr. Georgos Panagiotidis

Theme: "The Value of Hellenic Learning in Contemporary America."

Place: Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

Time: Sunday, January 22, 2016 immediately following the Divine Liturgy at 12:00 pm in the Parish Hall

Luncheon offered by AHEPA in co-operation with Hellenic Studies

All proceeds to support the AHEPA Scholarship Fund

Please secure your tickets by calling the church office

# Introduction to the Orthodox Church

The "Intro to Orthodoxy" Class, is held every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in St. Basil's Conference Room.

The new cycle of the class began on Tuesday, October 11, 2016 at 7:00 pm.

Please call the church office and register with Anne.

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

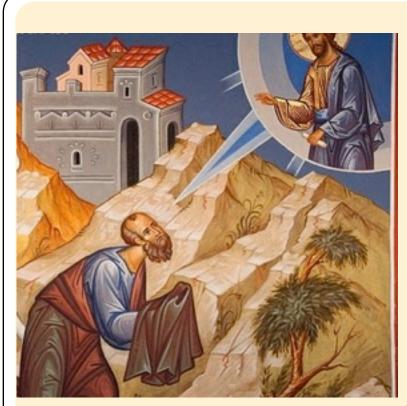
Topics addressed in the Class:

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

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



Where the Kingdom of God is made manifest!



St. Paul on the road to Damascus

**Bible Study:** The Epistle to the Hebrews Every Wednesday 10:00 am Started September 21, 2016

Join us in **St. Basil's Conference Room.** Read and discuss the Word of God from an Orthodox Patristic Perspective!

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

Supplemental Readings will also be suggested during the course of the study.

# FIND YOUR SPIRITUAL HOME IN THE ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHURCH Sunday Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM ~ All are Welcome ~

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 lovers of God. Then we will be able to make a difference in American Society, not through 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 - JANUARY

1/1/2017	Matins: <u>Luke 24:36-53</u> Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the Co</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 2:20-21, 40-52</u>	olossians 2:8-12
1/2/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 5:4-10	Gospel: John 3:1-15
1/3/2017	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 10:44-48; 11:1-10	Gospel: John 1:18-28
1/4/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 4:9-16	Gospel: John 1:18-28
1/5/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:19-27	Gospel: Luke 3:1-18
1/6/2017	Matins: Mark 1:9-11 Gospel: Matthew 3:13-17 Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to Titus	<u>2:11-14; 3:4-7</u>
1/7/2017	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8	Gospel: John 1:29-34
1/8/2017	Matins: John 20:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 4:12-17	phesians 4:7-13
1/9/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to Timothy 2:1-10	Gospel: Mark 1:9-15
1/10/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4:7-13	Gospel: Luke 3:19-22
1/11/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 13:7-16	Gospel: Matthew 11:27-30
1/12/2017	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 18:22-28	Gospel: John 10:39-42
1/13/2017	Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 3:23-29; 4:1-5</u>	Gospel: Luke 20:1-8
1/14/2017	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 2:38-43	Gospel: Luke 4:1-15
1/15/2017	Matins: John 20:11-18Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the ConstructionGospel: Luke 17:12-19	olossians 3:4-11
1/16/2017	Epistle: Acts of the Apostles 12:1-11	Gospel: John 21:14-25
1/17/2017	Matins: <u>Matthew 11:27-30</u> Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the H</u> Gospel: <u>Luke 6:17-23</u>	<u>ebrews 13:17-21</u>
1/18/2017	Matins: John 10:1-9 Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the H</u> Gospel: <u>Matthew 5:14-19</u>	ebrews 13:7-16
1/19/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2	Gospel: Matthew 19:16-26
1/20/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15	Gospel: Luke 6:17-23
1/21/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 1:12-20	Gospel: Luke 12:8-12
1/22/2017	Matins: John 20:19-31Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter toGospel: Luke 19:1-10	<u>Fimothy 4:9-15</u>
1/23/2017	Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the Philippians 3:20-21; 4:1-3</u>	Gospel: Mark 2:23-28; 3:1-5
1/24/2017	Epistle: <u>St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2</u>	Gospel: Mark 6:1-7
1/25/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2	Gospel: John 10:9-16
1/26/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4:14-17	Gospel: Mark 6:30-45
1/27/2017	Matins: John 10:1-9Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the HGospel: John 10:9-16	ebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2
1/28/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 5:22-26; 6:1-2	Gospel: Luke 6:17-23
1/29/2017	Matins: John 21:1-14 Epistle: St. Paul's Second Letter Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28	to the Corinthians 6:16-18; 7:1
1/30/2017	Matins: John 10:9-16 Epistle: St. Paul's Letter to the H Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19	ebrews 13:7-16
1/31/2017	Epistle: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 12:27-31; 13	Gospel: <u>Matthew 10:1, 5-8</u>

#### Christ is asking for your Stewardship toward His Church

Our Church needs our financial support. Let us offer from the gifts God has given us.



"Your Gifts, of what is Yours, we offer unto You, in behalf of all, and for all." Τὰ Σὰ ἐκ τῶν Σῶν, Σοὶ πϱοσφέϱομεν κατὰ πάντα καὶ διὰ πάντα. Ta sa ek ton Son, Si prosferomen kata panta ke dia panta.

From the Anaphora of the Divine Liturgy

We offer ourselves and all creation to the Lord at every Divine Liturgy with the words, "Your Gifts, of what is Yours, we offer unto 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 for Christ's work on earth through His Church.

The Christian Stewardship Program is an opportunity to respond to Christ's love by perpetuating His ministry through the Church. Stewardship places the responsibility to support the Church exactly where it belongs, on us. Let us offer then from the goods He has given us back to Him: *"Your Gifts, of what is Yours, we offer unto You."* 

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#### How much should I offer to the Church in order to support the work of God?

**Proportionate giving:** This involves two things; Firstly, that our level of giving rises out of our level of income. Secondly, that our giving is an offer of thanksgiving for His blessings.

We should ask ourselves "what is a worthy level to determine my Stewardship?" The Bible gives much guidance by teaching us that direct giving to God and His work should be proportionate to our income, wealth and possessions. Each person is to give according to his or her own ability.

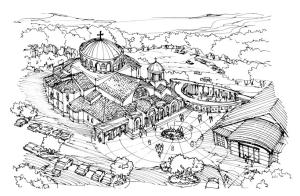
The Old Testament laid down the standard by asking for a percentage of one's income. This provides for us the principle that giving should be in proportion to our income. Each Steward should determine what percentage of his or her income will be committed to Christ and the Church for the current year.

We should consider what we spend on cable television, holidays, pets, dining out, sports events, vacations and so on. How do these compare with our giving for God's work?

We should ask ourselves if our Stewardship Commitment is serious and responsible before God. Is our gift a genuine response to the Lord: "Your Gifts, of what is Yours, we offer unto You."

Offer your Stewardship each Sunday. Family members over 18 years of age, who are employed, should make their own Stewardship Commitment.

Participation in the Christian Stewardship Program allows each Greek Orthodox Steward to vote and to seek elective office in the administration of the parish as provided in the Archdiocesan and Parish Bylaws.



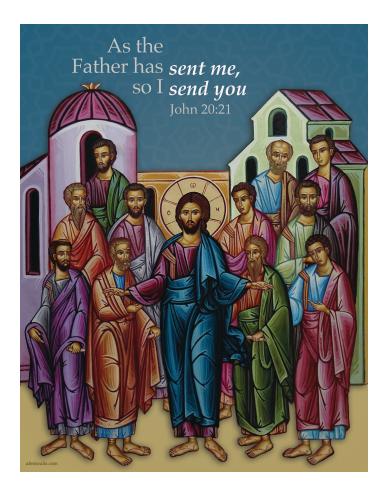
#### MEMBERSHIP/STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES FOR 2017

# THANK YOU TO THE FAITHFUL STEWARDS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED PLEDGE CARDS FOR 2017!

Mr. & Mrs. Jeff Alberts Ms. Dorian Bafas Mr. & Mrs. Trey Bane Mr. & Mrs. Tony Barrett Mrs. Evelyn Bilson Mr. & Mrs. Ken Bilson Mr. & Mrs. Bob Botni Mr. & Mrs. John Brewer Mr. & Mrs. Mark Bridgers Fr. & Mrs. John Brown Ms. Anne Bruno Mr. & Mrs. George Caras Mr. Thanos Caras Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Christopher Mr. & Mrs. Tom Comsudes Ms. Cathy Costarides Mr. Gregory Daglis Ms. Eleni Dodys Mrs. Marty Driscoll Mr. & Mrs. Cedric Dunkerly Ms. Diana Dusa Mr. Philip George Mr. & Mrs. Larry Gess Mr. & Mrs. Ted Gormanos Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Hansard Mr. Patrick Hartnett Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Hendrix Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Johansen Mr. & Mrs. Athanasios Kollias Mr. & Mrs. Zach Kollias Mr. & Mrs. Konstantinos Konstantinidis Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Kostulakos Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Koutouzis Ms. Christine P. Lavey Ms. Anna Lerios Mr. & Mrs. David Linebaugh Ms. Maria Linebaugh Ms. Sophia Linebaugh Mr. & Mrs. George Lopos Mr. & Mrs. Jay Lozier Mr. & Mrs. Bobby Macris Mr. & Mrs. Dean Marianos Mr. & Mrs. Paul Markley Dr. & Mrs. Adam Mellis Dr. Stella Michael-Makri Ms. Ioanna Michaels Mr. & Mrs. Alex Miltiades Ms. Patricia Morris Ms. Kathleen Nash Mr. Iancu Nica Mr. & Mrs. Michael O'Brien Mr. Tasi Pallas Fr. & Mrs. Panayiotis Papageorgiou Mr. & Mrs. Casey Pater Mr. & Mrs. Panaviotis Patrikakis Mr. & Mrs. John Peppas

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#### TOTAL: 76



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

## Syndiakonia Changes



Beginning with this issue, we will no longer be mailing the monthly Syndiakonia. It will be available by email only. Hard copies of the Syndikonia will be in the Narthex of the church as well as in the Parish Hall and Atrium. If a member of your family needs to have the magazine mailed to them because of some hardship, please make your request through the parish office, 770.924.8080, or <u>holytrans@comcast.net</u>.

## **AHEPA Highlights 2016**



The AHEPA Prometheus Chapter No. 519 celebrated 2016 by serving the Parish, its youth, the local community, and the Archdiocese through hard work and financial support, in the spirit of fellowship. Forty AHEPANs and friends attended the club's annual February Casino Night for a major fun and fund raising event in the beautiful Georgia Mountains. Our chapter funded three \$1,000 scholarships in 2016. Prometheus Chapter donated to the construction of the St. Nicholas Shrine, while continuing to support of Hellenic Studies with scholarship funding. The Chapter collected seventy-five toys for Toys for Tots. Through its quarterly Adopt-A-Highway pickup, AHEPA helped our Parish neighborhood on Trickum Road stay neat and clean. All this AHEPA accomplished under the second term leadership of Brother Ron Sprouse and the hard work of all the members. As always, AHEPA brothers came together in the spirit of service to our Parish: "Help me, so that I can help you, so that we can climb the mountain."

#### **AHEPA Scholarship-2017!**

Make a difference in a student's life -- nominate a student you know for an AHEPA Scholarship!

The AHEPA MOTHER LODGE Ch. No. 1 EDUCATIONAL FUND will award scholarships ranging from \$1,000 to \$3,500 for the 2017-2018 Academic Year. **Deadline for Submitting Applications is March 01, 2017.** For more information contact **Ahepan Keith Paxten** <a href="https://ahepadistrictl.org">keathpaxten@gmail.com</a>. Application form is available at: <a href="http://ahepadistrictl.org">http://ahepadistrictl.org</a>



Christmas Party - 2016 Zach Kollias' Home

# Home Blessings



## Home Blessing Form

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Availability: please write an "X" below to indicate the times when you are generally <u>not</u> available, or use a checkmark ( $\sqrt{}$ ) to indicate when you generally <u>are</u> available.

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Morning	Х						
Afternoon							
Evening							

Please send this completed form (or a copy of it) to the parish office as soon as possible. We will be in touch with you to schedule home blessings, which will begin on January 6th.

# HELLENIC DANCE NEWS

Reminder <u>ALL Dance classes</u> will be held on <u>Sundays</u> this year! Our first practice for all groups will be on Sunday January 22. We ask that everyone try to make as many practices as possible. If anyone is unable to make their class time, please contact Mrs. Paulina for makeup and other arrangements. We would love to see everyone dance at the festival this year!

We use email to communicate important information about dance. Please make sure your contact information is on our email list. If you have NOT received anything, please email Dorian at <u>MariettaHellenicDance@gmail.com</u>.

Group	Grade	Daγ	Time	Teacher	Location
Pitsirikia	Pre-K	Sunday	12:30-1:00	Paulina/Alex Matthews	Pre-K Classroom
Palamakia	К&1	Sunday	12:30-1:00	Eleni/Andrew	K&1 Classroom
Asteria	2&3	Sunday	1:00-1:45	Peggy/Karen	2nd & 3rd grade Classroom
Petaloudes	4&5	Sunday	1:00-1:45	Andrew/Maria	Atrium area in basement
Phoenix	Middle	Sunday	1:30-2:30	Ted/Elaine	PLC
Eleftheria	High	Sunday	1:30-3:30	Paulina/Demetra	Gym

Dates to mark your calendar:

Winter Break	Feb 19	NO PRACTICE		
Spring Break	April 2	NO PRACTICE		
Holy Week	April 9	NO PRACTICE		
Easter	April 16	NO PRACTICE		
Greek Festival Weekend: May 19-21st				

Also remember we have extra practices the week before festival. Please let us know by March 1<sup>st</sup> if you are planning to dance at festival. We start costume planning and other festival detail planning based on our headcount. If we haven't seen you at practice regularly, have not done makeup sessions with you, and have not heard from you by March 1<sup>st</sup>, we will assume you are NOT dancing at this year's festival!!

We are so excited to start another year of Dance!! If you have ANY questions- please let Dorian and Paulina know! We are here to help!





#### "CALLING ALL HOLY TRANSFIGURATION PARISH FAMILIES !!"

Your ideas and talents are very important to us! Please sign up for one of our committees and indicate as to whether or not you would like to play a leadership role on that committee or just be a member. Prime Timers, Parents of Elementary and Middle School Students, College Students, High School Students.... We want to hear from all of you and need you all!!

Festival Committees Operations, Food & Beverage, Entertainment, Communications

> Please call or email Eleni Nikolas 630.854.2174 enikolas68@gmail.com

We need your help to make our 2017 Festival a most memorable one!

"The strength of the team is each individual member. The strength of each member is the team."

FRIDAY, MAY 19 3PM-11PM SATURDAY, MAY 20 10AM-11PM

SUNDAY, MAY 21 11AM-6PM Рнігортосноя



Happy New Year! Thank you all for supporting Philoptochos throughout 2016! We ended the year with 124 members! It was a very busy year for our Panagia Chapter. After holding our Membership Tea at the Mountain View Community Center in January, we welcomed the opening of our Parish Hall for our Godparents Luncheon in early March. Later in the month, we held our annual Lenten retreat, beginning with the Divine Liturgy in our beautiful St. Andrew's Chapel and ending with Father Panayiotis' inspiring presentation after lunch in our new Parish Hall. In April, many ladies dyed red eggs, and then, in preparation for Holy Friday, many helped decorate the Kouvouklion. Our Resurrection Meal included loaves of tsoureki and dozens of kourourakia provided by our chapter members. May found many of us working at the annual Greek Festival, and soon after, we had our "Summer Send-off" Luncheon where we, along with some local charitable organizations, were recognized for our service to the community and received a donation from the Festival's proceeds.

In August, we brought in a speaker from "Habitat for Humanity" for our "Welcome Back" Luncheon, and learned how we might contribute to their charitable work. Later in the month, we provided "Phanouriopita" in honor of St. Phanourios and collected money to support youth activities in our Metropolis. In September, we sponsored the Artoklasia for St. Euphemia, the patron saint of the Metropolis of Atlanta. For our September general meeting, we invited a speaker to inform us of "Human Trafficking" in the Atlanta. At the end of the month and during the first two weekends in October, we assisted with the School of Spiritual Formation Conference. We are hoping that this conference will return in 2017, and would look forward to assisting again!

October will be especially remembered for our joint project with the Hope and Joy ministry. Through our combined efforts, many adults' and children's coats were collected, and we also worked together to make soft "blankets." All of these were then donated to St. John the Wonderworker parish in Atlanta to be distributed to the needy. At the end of the month, we sponsored the Artoklasia for Sts. Cosmas and Damianos and collected money for the Greece and Cyprus Relief Fund. Our Fall Fundraiser in November was a big success! All who came enjoyed delicious food and great entertainment provided by "Bouzouki Express" and the hilarious Greek comedian, Basile! We ended the year with our annual Christmas party, held in our beautiful new Atrium.

Throughout the year, we held our monthly book club meetings in members' homes and provided monthly meals for MUST ministries of Cobb County. Through membership dues, donations, and fundraising, Panagia Chapter has been able to fulfill the following commitments:

Social Services/Outreach	2,710.00
Threads of Kindness	726.00
Seminarian Assistance	1,000.00
College Students	500.00
St. John the Wonderworker	326.00
Holy Week	247.00
Miscellaneous	614.00
National Philoptochos Commitments	8,520.00
Metropolis Philoptochos Commitments	3,443.00
Atlanta Habitat for Humanity	1,000.00
Covenant House	1,000.00
TOTAL	20,086.00
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Please join us at our **Membership Tea** on **Sunday**, **January 15** (see flyer for details). This is an important year for our chapter. We will be electing a new Board of Directors in May, and the number we elect is determined by the number of members in our chapter! We hope that ALL of our current members will renew their membership, and that we add new members as well as former members who did not renew in 2016.

Thank you, again, for your ongoing support!



# Philoptochos Membership Luncheon

# Come join or renew your membership in Philoptochos!

# Sunday, January 15, 2017 Parish Hall

(Immediately following Divine Liturgy)

# What is Philoptochos?

Philoptochos is a society of dedicated women united in love and service to help the less fortunate. Philoptochos is a way to show you care and to share your love through ministry to others.

# Why join Philoptochos?

- Be part of philanthropic endeavors
- Change someone's life
- Develop friendships
- Express yourself
- Get involved in community
- Help those in need
- Learn from others
- Make an impact
- Use skills to help others

# Join us!

Receive the rewards that Christian Fellowship and Love offer! Whether you become an active or supportive member, Philoptochos will provide you with opportunities you choose to participate in and during times convenient to your busy schedule.



#### Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society Panagia Chapter #5070 2017 Membership Form Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

3431 Trickum Road,, Marietta 30066-4660 Tel. 770-924-8080 Fax. 770-924-3030

NAME:	
ADDRESS:	
CITY/STATE/ZIP:	
HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:
EMAIL:	

In gratitude for God's blessings, I pledge the following for Christ's work as a Philoptochos member. My donation will be allocated to Local, Metropolis, and National Philoptochos as follows:

1. Panagia Chapter (Local Philoptochos Stewardship)	
PLEASE CIRCLE: \$10 \$15 \$20 OTHER	\$ LOCAL CHAPTER
2. National donation per member:	\$15.00 NATIONAL
3. Metropolis donation per member:	\$ 7.00 METROPOLIS
My total Philoptochos donation (total all three lines):	
*tax deductible (501c3)	\$TOTAL

I would like to offer MY TALENTS to assist the following Philoptochos efforts (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

Soup Kitchen: 4 <sup>th</sup> Thurs. each month (Please circle) Prepare food / Donate / Serve at MUST ministries	Godparents Luncheon (Please circle) Co-chair food prep set-up clean-up		
Visit homebound	Easter Egg Dying		
Prepare meals for sick	Decorate Kouvouklion for Epitaphion		
Help with Makaria (prepare and serve meal in PLC	Resurrection Supper (food prep)		
Baking (Please circle)	Fall Fundraiser (Please circle)		
Koulouria Paximadia Vasilopita	Co-chair serve on committee		
Calling Committee (Call members for meetings)	Provide snacks/beverages for general meetings		



# NEWS YOU CAN USE!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO EVERYONE!! PRIME TIMERS has already started with new plans and ideas for 2017. It promises to be an exciting year.

We wish to thank everyone who attended our Christmas party. Fifty eight attendees feasted on a delightful meal catered by Magnolia Moments. We first saw a movie with popcorn, then played a few "brain games", sang our favorite Christmas song - for a little exercise (The 12 Days of Christmas), and winners took home prizes. The best part - Prime Timers donated \$1000 (2nd year in a row) to the building fund from the profits of our fundraiser. Yes, it was a fun evening for all!!

Our first general meeting will be held on Saturday, January 21 in the Parish Hall. Because the last one was so successful with fried chicken and all the trimmings, and everyone learning to play Bunco, we decided to have a repeat performance. This meeting is very important: We are collecting 2017 dues; We need to hear what you expect from Prime Timers; And we need your ideas about future get togethers.

We have chosen to have a garage sale this year as our fundraiser. It will be April 22 in the Parish Hall. No clothes or old TVs but please bring us all your old junk. REMEMBER ONE MAN'S JUNK IS ANOTHER MAN'S TREASURE. We will be accepting items on April 21, when we will be pricing and setting up everything. Clean baby clothes and baby items in good condition are acceptable. We will also sell hot dogs for our hungry customers!

Both our previously scheduled trips have been cancelled. We are planning retreats to different areas in Georgia and the surrounding states which are closer to us. We are open for suggestions.

In his service,

#### **PRIME TIMERS BOARD**



## WINTER YOUTH RALLY 2016



This year's Gavalas' Award was given to our own Marc Nichols



Our seniors were also honored

## WINTER YOUTH RALLY 2016





Our group was there to be blessed, as well.

# WINTER YOUTH RALLY 2016



# 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.





# January 2017

Saturday	<ul> <li>Synaxtoftjohrtrunneandlaptist</li> <li>S:45 AM Orthros</li> <li>8:45 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>12:00 PM Regas Baptism (Charlotte Elizabeth)</li> <li>4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> </ul>	14 = 3:30 PM Premarital Coun- seling for Dorian and Fi- ance (Todd Poradzisz) are (Todd Poradzisz) = 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers	21 11:30 AM Prime Timers' General meeting 12:00 PM Agne Wedding 1:00 PM Agne Wedding Re- ception 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers 5:00 PM A Memorial Service is given by Diana Honey for her parents, Damianos (11	28 8:30 AM Catechism Teacher Workshop 3:45 PM Mohrman Baptism 4:00 PM Byzartine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers	<ul> <li>7:30 AM AHEPA Adopt A</li> <li>Highway</li> <li>Hig</li></ul>
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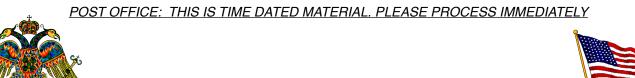
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DATE	PC DUTY	ACOLYTES	GREETERS	PROSFORO
January 1	P. Markley/S. Tingas	St. Peter	S. Gianaris/J. Schumacher	S. Gianaris/N. Kakissis/ E. Kay
January 8	J. Papastrat/S. Steffas	St. James	M. Alberts/I. Dymond	P. Koutouzis/L. Lopos/ P. Miltiades
January 15	J. Burke/E. Linebaugh	St. John	D. Bafas/K. Johnson	J. Miltiades/M. Miltiades/ K. Niarchos
January 22	K. Bilson/A. Miltiades	St. Peter	E. Markley/V. Worden	K. Panov/R. Peppas/ C. Smith
January 29	T.Bliss/B. Valagohar	St. James	P. Dunkerly/S. Lukens	C. Sprouse/I. Steffas/ M. Tingas

#### St. James Altar Servers: Alexander Skarpelis, Captain

Chris Bridgers, Evan Bilson, Andrew Bourgeois, Aaron Brown, Matthew Buchan, Constantine Gavalas, Alex Goldsholl, Jack Goldsholl, Yianni Gormanos, Gabriel Hennenfent, Kris Kollias, Nicholas Levantis, Nicholas Lukens, Gabriel Mavromatidis, Jeremy Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Aubrey Moraitakis, George Moraitakis, Angelo Nichols, Matthew Paulson, Angelos Powell, Mitchell Starks, Niko Tiller.

#### St. John Altar Servers: Niko Gekas, Captain

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

#### St. Peter Altar Servers: Christos Costarides, Captain

Zach Bethune, Hal Bradford, III, Brody Brooks, Yianni Costarides, Nicholas Demakis, Manuel Frangis, Stephen Harrah, Zayne Isaac, Andrew Levine, Morgan Lilly, Luke Melissas, Alek Nikolich, Matthew Shanahan, Evan Strakes, Michael Tsogas, Luke Turner, Matthew Turner, Leo Tzavaras, Ted Tzavaras, Jianni Vacratsas, Stefano Vacratsas, Michael Vastakis, Panayiotis Vlachos, Nikolas Wiegand.

Note: If your son is not listed and should be, please contact Fr. Paul.