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Marietta, GA

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Christ is Risen from the dead, by death trampling upon death and to those in the tombs He has granted life!

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

The Church: A Place of friendships!

Dear friends and parishioners, Christ is Risen!



This time of renewal through the Resurrection of our Lord is also a good time to renew our connections with the people around us.

There is a Greek proverb which goes like this: "Tell me who your friend is and I will tell you who you are."

Friendship is a powerful bond among people. It is a necessary social connection, which also shapes and defines who we are. As children, we are affected by our friends. As adults, we become more selective. It is only natural that we will usually associate with people who think like us, who share some common beliefs, values of life and ideals. It is also natural that we would socialize with people that we get along with, whom we might admire for who they are or what they stand for.

It is also possible that we may occasionally spend time with people who are not as compatible with us, but we have learned to tolerate. These are the realities of life!

No matter which way you look at human relationships, the fact is that we need to make connections with others. We need to spend time with fellow human beings. We are social animals that need social interaction. By coming together we form social groups and fulfill our need for human companionship.

Such a social human group is also the Church. As soon as we enter a Church community, the process of making social connections begins. Although we may be nice and kind to all people, we will eventually lean toward certain individuals or families. In a small parish it is easier for everyone to get to know everyone else thus creating the feeling of a one big family. As the parish grows larger, however, as new people arrive, it is possible that the original core group may become unable to absorb newcomers just because of the sheer size of the group. This is the critical point for the loss of the family feeling in the parish. Older members of the group may tend to associate with each other and not make the extra effort to bring in those new arrivals. Older members may also tend to promote their old friends and acquaintances to positions of responsibility, thus cutting off those they have not been able to know well. Such an occurrence is a great detriment to friendship and the welfare of the group as a whole.

I believe, my friends, that at Holy Transfiguration we have reached this critical point. There are two sides to this issue, of course. First, there are those on the inside who need to come out of their comfort zone, reach out to the new arrivals and try to include them in their inner circle. Second, the newcomers need to be more aggressive in seeking to create bonds with the established core. All of us need to broaden our horizons of relationships. It will take a bit of effort from both sides, but there is a lot to be gained from the new friendships. We will be enriched in ways that we cannot imagine. We need each other. We need friends who share common values with us, but who also share with us the Orthodox Faith. We can expand our spiritual relationships to include those who are new to the Faith. We can offer to become sponsors in their baptism or the blessing of their marriage. We can offer to become godparents for their children. We can offer to guide them in their first steps as Orthodox Christians.

Above all, there is the need to show love and respect to everyone around us. We must always treat others as we want them to treat us. This is the key to every healthy friendship.

Christ is Risen dear friends and He has opened for us once again the opportunity to grow further on the road to His Kingdom.

Glory be to His Holy Name!

Fr. Panayiotis



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

May 2017

May 1, Monday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

May 6, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 7, Sunday, Sunday of the Paralytic

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

May 8, Monday, St. John the Evangelist and Theologian

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

May 13, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 14, Sunday, Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

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

May 19-21, Friday-Sunday, Greek Festival - Lectures and Tours of the Church

May 21, Sunday, Sunday of the Blind Man. Feast of Sts Constantine & Helen

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

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

May 24, Wednesday, Great Vespers - Feast of Ascension 6:00 pm

May 25. Thursday, Ascension of the Lord.

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

May 27, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

May 28, Sunday, Sunday of the 318 Holy Fathers of First Ecumenical Council.

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

Today we remember all the American heroes of the wars (Memorial Day Weekend)

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

June 1, Thursday, Blessing of the Water 11:00 am.

June 3, Saturday, Saturday of the Souls. Ψυχοσάββατο.

Orthros 9:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

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

Afternoon: Great Vespers 5:00 pm (at the church)

June 4, 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.

An Orthodox Easter

By DAVID B. HART

The Wall Street Journal April 9, 2004; Page W13

This is one of those rare years when Christians of the Eastern and Western communions celebrated Easter on the same Sunday. For those of us who -- in quixotic moments -- blow upon the gray embers of our hopes for a reunited Church, this is always an especially happy occasion. We may not all be entering into the mysteries of Christ's death and resurrection as one, but at least this year we are doing it at the same time.

After all, one of those tiresome platitudes that hovers over the division between the ancient churches is that, whereas Eastern Orthodox tradition principally emphasizes the resurrection of Christ, Catholic (and Protestant) tradition principally emphasizes his death. The one, it is said, proclaims more a "theology of glory"; the other, more a "theology of the cross."

There may be some truth in this, but not much. The more deeply one ventures into either tradition, the more one grasps the inseparability in both of Christ's passion and glorification, his sacrifice and his victory. And it is in just these rare years when our two Paschal calendars coincide -- when we mourn and rejoice together -- that this commonality seems especially evident.

One genuinely pronounced difference between East and West does, however, become obvious at these times: that of liturgical sensibility. Nor is this insignificant. How we worship very much determines how we "see" the suffering or risen Christ in our devotions.

To those unfamiliar with Orthodox worship, it is difficult to convey a proper sense of its sheer expressive extravagance -- its dramaturgical splendor, its combination of the mystical and the spectacular, its profusion of symbols, poetry and large forceful gestures. The churches are lavishly adorned with icons, the entire liturgy is sung, the services are long and intricate, and everything (if well executed) is utterly absorbing.

And during Holy Week (or Passion Week, as it is called in the East), all this liturgical exorbitance reaches its climax. As the week progresses, worship becomes all but continuous, morning and evening, culminating in three magnificent services in which is concentrated all the dramatic genius of Byzantine liturgy.

On Friday night, the service of Lamentation is celebrated. An image of the dead Christ is laid in his funeral bier (ornately carved, copiously decorated with flowers), and shatteringly powerful hymns of mourning are sung over him. The bier is then borne in procession around the outside of the church; briefly, the church doors become the gates of Hades, upon which the priest beats with the book of the Gospels to announce the arrival of the Lord of Glory, who comes to plunder death of its captives.

The Eucharistic liturgy on Saturday morning is an unapologetic exercise in triumphalism. Its governing theme is Christ's conquest of death, sin and the devil, and his harrowing of hell. At one point, in fact, the priest passes through the congregation flinging bay leaves to every side as a symbol of Christ's victory.

And this same triumphalism pervades the Easter Vigil that begins that same night and continues on well into the early hours of Easter morning. At the moment of highest drama, at midnight, all the lights in the church are extinguished, and the faithful wait in total darkness. The priest then bears a lighted candle in through the central door of the great icon screen behind which the altar is hidden, as a symbol of the risen Christ departing from his tomb, and summons the congregation to light the candles they have brought with them from this flame.

Thereafter, the liturgy is all light and joy, punctuated by frequent repetitions of the great Paschal hymn -- "Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs restoring life!" And (incredibly enough) a feast follows.

As I have said, one must experience such worship to understand its profundity. I can say only that, in my two decades of being Orthodox, the power of these services has not diminished in the least; and every year, at one point or another, I become entirely lost in the glory of the Gospel being announced and portrayed before my eyes.

And as, again, this is one of those years when one can almost deceive oneself that the churches are united, I might finish by recommending an Eastern custom to all Christians, of every communion. For 40 days following Easter, the Orthodox greet one another with the words "Christ is risen!" To which the correct response is "He is risen indeed!"

Mr. Hart, an Eastern Orthodox theologian, is the author of "The Beauty of the Infinite" (Eerdmans).

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

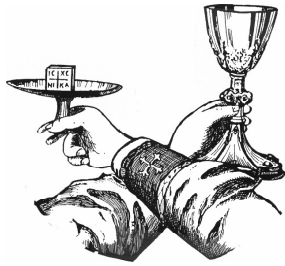
"If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just and will forgive us our sins and purify us from all unrighteousness." 1 John 1:9

DAILY BIBLE READINGS - MAY

05/01/2017	Monday:	Acts 6:8-15; 7:1-5, 47-60	John 4:46-54	
05/02/2017	Tuesday:	Hebrews 13:7-16	Matthew 5:14-19	
05/03/2017	Wednesday:	Acts 8:18-25	John 6:35-39	
05/04/2017	Thursday:	Acts 8:26-39	John 6:40-44	
05/05/2017	Friday:	Acts 8:40; 9:1-19	John 6:48-54	
05/06/2017	Saturday:	Acts 9:19-31	John 15:17-27; 16:1-2	
05/07/2017	Sunday:	Luke 24:13-35	Acts 9:32-42	John 5:1-15
05/08/2017	Monday:	John 21:15-25	I John 1:1-7	John 19:25-28, 21:24-25
05/09/2017	Tuesday:	Acts 10:21-33	John 7:1-13	
05/10/2017	Wednesday:	I Corinthians 4:9-16	Luke 6:12-19	
05/11/2017	Thursday:	Acts 10:34-43	John 8:12-20	
05/12/2017	Friday:	Acts 10:44-48; 11:1-10	John 8:21-30	
05/13/2017	Saturday:	Acts 12:1-11	John 8:31-42	
05/14/2017	Sunday:	John 20:1-10	Acts 11:19-30	John 4:5-42
05/15/2017	Monday:	Acts 12:12-17	John 8:42-51	
05/16/2017	Tuesday:	Acts 12:25; 13:1-12	John 8:51-59	
05/17/2017	Wednesday:	Acts 13:13-24	John 6:5-14	
05/18/2017	Thursday:	Acts 14:20-28; 15:1-4	John 9:39; 10:9	
05/19/2017	Friday:	Acts 15:5-12	John 10:17-28	
05/20/2017	Saturday:	Acts 15:35-41	John 10:27-38	
05/21/2017	Sunday:	John 10:11-18	Acts 26:1, 12-20	John 9:1-38
05/22/2017	Monday:	Acts 17:1-9	John 11:47-54	
05/23//2017	Tuesday:	Acts 17:19-28	John 12:19-36	
05/24/2017	Wednesday:	Acts 18:22-28	John 12:36-47	
05/25/2017	Thursday:	Mark 16:9-20	Acts 1:1-12	Luke 24:36-53
05/26/2017	Friday:	II Corinthians 4:6-15	Matthew 11:2-15	
05/27/2017	Saturday:	Acts 20:7-12	John 14:10-21	
05/28/2017	Sunday:	John 21:1-14	Acts 20:16-18, 28-36	John 17:1-13
05/29/2017	Monday:	Acts 21:8-14	John 14:27-15:7	
05/30/2017	Tuesday:	Acts 21:26-32	John 16:2-13	
05/31/2017	Wednesday:	Acts 23:1-11	John 16:15-23	

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."*

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.

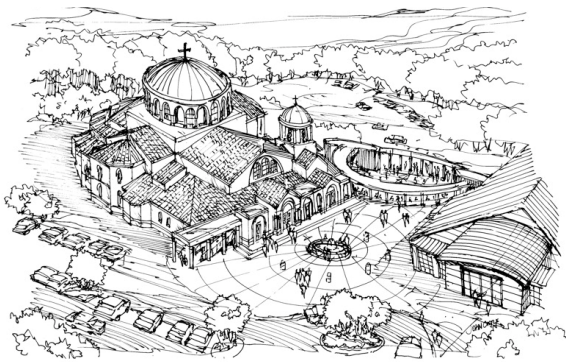
The Old Testament laid down the standard by asking for a percentage of one's income. This provides for us the principle that giving should be in proportion to our income. Each Steward should determine what percentage of his or her income will be committed to Christ and the Church for the current year.

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 By-laws.



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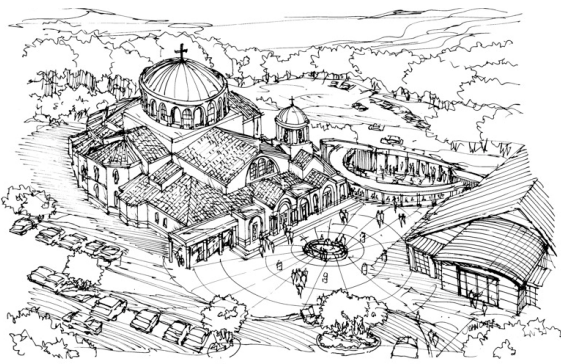
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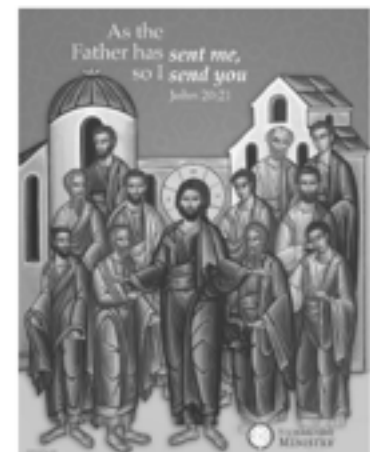
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Mr. & Mrs. Michael McLean
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Mr. & Mrs. George Nakos
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Mr. & Mrs. Tony Porter
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Mr. & Mrs. Ron Schumacher
Mrs. Andigone Seraphim
Mr. Mike Serkedakis
Mr. & Mrs. Vasileios Sfyris
Mrs. Julie Shanahan
Mr. & Mrs. David Shelby
Mr. & Mrs. Taka Shoji
Mr. & Mrs. Antonio Sideris
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Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sklikas
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Mr. & Mrs. Steve Steffas
Mr. & Mrs. Tracey Stephens
Mrs. Mary Stiakakis
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Strakes
Mrs. Connie Stratigos
Mr. & Mrs. Brett Strauch
Mr. & Mrs. Stoyan Sugarliev

Mr. & Mrs. Zacharias Taousiani
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Tassopoulos
Mr. & Mrs. Ovidiu Teodorescu
Mrs. Stephanie Thompson
Mr. & Mrs. Steven Thompson
Mr & Mrs. Steve Thorne
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Tiller
Ms. Maria Tingas
Mr. Steve Tingas
Mr. Athan Tsarouhas
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitrios Tsoukalas
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tucker
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Vachtsevanos
Mr. & Mrs. George Vachtsevanos
Mr. & Mrs. Stavros Valacratsas
Ms. Becky Valagohar
Mr. & Mrs. Plutarch Vamvakias
Mr. Gregory Vassilious
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitri Vastakis
Mr. & Mrs. Luigi Vattelana
Ms. Maria Vatzakas
Mr. & Mrs. Danny Vlahiotis
Mr. & Mrs. George Vlamis
Ms. Athena Vlamis
Dr. Phillip Vodas
Mr. Tim Vouloupos
Mr. Julian Wade
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Waggoner
Mr. & Mrs. Marc Westmoreland
Mr. Benjamin Whitener
Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Worden
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Xanthakis
Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios Yiannovits
Ms. Eleftheria Young
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Zakreski
Mr. & Mrs. Marco Zavala
Mrs. Angela Ziros

Total: 317



ANNOUNCEMENTS

SOUP KITCHEN:

On March 23, Philoptochos served 52 luncheon meals at Must Ministries. This was the smallest group we have had to serve in many years so the leftover chicken was kept for the dinner meal. Thanks to the following people who helped prepare and/or serve the food: Cathy Costarides, Isabelle Dymond, Christine Sprouse, Tina Vamvakias, Dorothy Botni, Sandra McAteer, Liz Brewer, Dorothy Macris, Pat Koutouzis, Athena and Melina Burke, and Stephanie Gianaris.

If you would like to help out with soup kitchen by cooking, serving, or donating funds, please contact Athena Burke at ibgreek@bellsouth.net.

WHO WANTS TO PLAY VOLLEYBALL?

Monday evenings*, from 7-8:30 pm, the gym will be available for community volleyball. This is open to anyone who would like to play. Please wear comfortable clothes and tennis shoes. Water only is permitted in the gym.

See you all there!

*We will not be playing on the Monday before & after the Festival-5/15 & 5/22.



Hellenic Studies ...wishes you Καλό Καλοκαίρι!

We've just wrapped up *another great year* in the Hellenic Studies Program. Our youth and adult students spent the year learning the Greek language, and taking part in our cultural events – including our **"OXI" Day celebration** in the fall, and **Greek Independence Day celebration** in March. This year both our youth *and* adult students participated in the Greek Independence program, and really wowed our community and distinguished guests! Thank you ALL for your hard work!

Stay tuned over the summer for information and registration details for next year!



AHEPA Marietta Chapter #519 News & Notes—April 2017

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

AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter #1 and Marietta Chapter #519 will hold their AHEPA Scholarship Awards Ceremony at Holy Transfiguration Church on June 4, 2017. Recipients of the scholarships come from The Cathedral and Holy Transfiguration.

Holy Wednesday - Lesson to the Children for the Adults to hear



Holy Friday



27th Annual marietta **GREEK** FESTIVAL



“COBB COUNTY’S MOST DELICIOUS FESTIVAL”

FRIDAY, MAY 19
3PM-11PM

SATURDAY, MAY 20
10AM-11PM

SUNDAY, MAY 21
11AM-7PM

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



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

VISIT: WWW.MARIETTAGREEKFESTIVAL.ORG

PHONE: 770.924.8080

FREE Parking & Shuttle Bus Service is Available at:

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

Please, no animals permitted, except services pets

2017 Festival Cooking Dates

WE NEED EVERYONE'S HELP TO MAKE THIS FESTIVAL A SUCCESS THIS YEAR!

If you would like to help with food prep or donating pastries, please call or email
Eleni Nikolas @ enikolas68@gmail.com * 630.854.2174

Many helping hands are needed!

Thursday, March 2	10am-9pm	Spanakopita
Friday, March 3	10am-9pm	Spanakopita
Thursday, March 9	10am-9pm	Spanakopita
Thursday, March 16	10am-9pm	Keftedes
Thursday, March 23	10am-9pm	Dolmades
Friday, March 24	10am-9pm	Dolmades
Wednesday, April 19	10am-9pm	Tyropita
Thursday, April 20	10am-9pm	Tyropita
Wednesday, April 26	10am-9pm	Packaging Pastries
Thursday, April 27	10am-9pm	Packaging Pastries
Tuesday, May 2	10am-9pm	Pastichio
Wednesday, May 3	10am-9pm	Pastichio
Thursday, May 4	10am-9pm	Packaging Pastries
Friday, May 5	10am-9pm	Packaging Pastries
Thursday, May 11	10am-9pm	Packaging Pastries
Friday, May 12	10am -9pm	Packaging Pastries



GOYA 2017 Calendar

(UPDATED)

MARCH

~~LEADERSHIP MEETING:~~ Sunday, March 26th - Immediately after catechism classes

~~GENERAL MEETING:~~ Wednesday, March 29th - 2017/2018 Leadership Team Nominations

APRIL

~~LEADERSHIP MEETING:~~ April's meeting is pushed back to March due to Spring Break

~~GENERAL MEETING:~~ Wednesday, April 26th - 2017/2018 Leadership Team Elections/Voting

~~OUTING:~~ **Stone Mountain - Saturday, April 29th 4:00-10pm**

MAY

LEADERSHIP MEETING: Sunday, May 7th 1:00pm

GENERAL MEETING: Wednesday, May 31st - End of the Year Party/Welcome and Farewell

OUTING: **Pool Party/Bilson Pool -Wednesday, May 31st 6:30-9:30**

JUNE

LEADERSHIP MEETING: TBD- Planning for 2017-2018 calendar

GENERAL MEETING: -NONE

OUTING: **Tubing in Helen- Saturday, June 10th**

JULY

LEADERSHIP MEETING: TBD- Planning for 2017-2018 calendar

GENERAL MEETING: - NONE

OUTING: **Rafting Trip – Saturday, July 15th**

SAVE THE DATE!!

Middle & High School Youth Group (GOYA)

GOYA exists to develop Orthodox Christian faith, life, and friendship among parish youth by engaging them in fun and meaningful experiences.

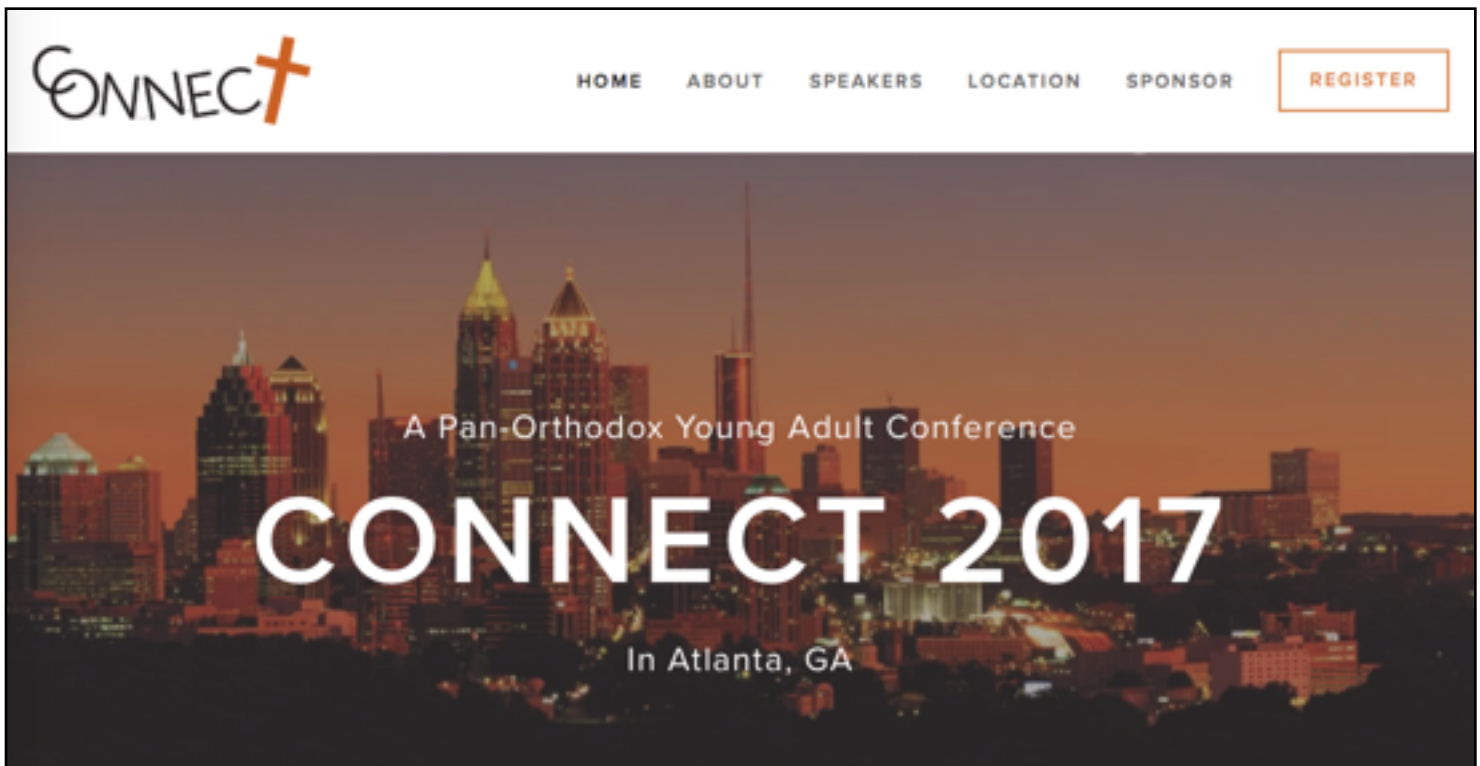
We gather every Sunday—the Lord’s Day—to worship God and reconnect with each other. We gather every Wednesday evening to build up our faith, life, and friendships.



Above, the middle and high school girls serve as myrrh-bearing women on Holy Friday evening. Along with singing or chanting, this is one of the ways in which our girls can become involved in the liturgical life of the parish. Below, the Eleftheria dance group practices on a Sunday in our new gym. Along with Catechism and GOYA, our Hellenic Dance ministry provides another opportunity for our youth to come together and build friendships with each other. Youth who are involved in all three of these ministries (Catechism, GOYA, and Hellenic Dance) experience the best connections at church and have the most opportunities to create and deepen their friendships with other youth who share their faith.



The CONNECT Conference



The Connect Conference is a Pan-Orthodox initiative for young adults in their 20's and 30's. Through learning, fellowship, and worship, the conference aims to better connect Orthodox young adults to their faith, to the Church, and to each other.

The format of the conference includes keynote addresses to the group, breakout sessions in smaller groups with Q&A time, worship (including the Divine Liturgy), and plenty of opportunities for fellowship, including communal meals and off-campus activities.

Young adults are often underserved in terms of ministries and events in our parishes. With plenty of focus on youth, college students, and senior adults, Orthodox young adults are often without specific support at a critical time in their lives when careers are being forged, new families are being formed, and the danger of stagnant or declining faith continues to persist. The young adult organizers of this conference seek to change that. Whether you're in grad school, working, married, or single, if you're a young adult seeking to increase your faith and devotion to Christ, this conference is for you.

The theme this year is *Finding Christ in Every Day Life*. Successful Orthodox Christian lay professionals and clergy will provide a range of perspectives on how to live and work in the world while remaining faithful Christians.

The 2017 conference will be held in Atlanta, Georgia from October 6th-8th, at the fantastic Sheraton Suites Galleria. For more information, contact John Tiliacos or Fr. Paul Lundberg.

HELLENIC DANCE NEWS



FESTIVAL WEEK DANCE

SCHEDULE OF PRACTICES

SUNDAY, MAY 14th (Mother's Day)

Phoenix – 1:30-2:30pm in the Amphitheater

Eleftheria – 1:30-2:30 Platea

NOTE shorter practice so we can enjoy Mother's day! Expected to really FOCUS!

**Anyone that was not fitted for costumes by this point needs to get their costume!

MONDAY, MAY 15th

Eleftheria – 7:00-10:00ish in the Amphitheater

TUESDAY, MAY 16th ALL GROUPS WILL BE PRACTICING IN THE AMPHITHEATER

COSTUME MOVE DAY! Any costumes that have not been moved to the classroom/dressing rooms need to be moved today!

5th grade and under - BRING YOUR DANCE BOXES! Also add time if you have NOT been fitted for COSTUME FITTINGS!

Pitsirikia – 4:30 – 5:00

Palamakia – 5:00-5:30

Asteria – 5:30 – 6:00

Petaloudes – 6:00 – 6:45

Phoenix – 7:00 – 9:00

Eleftheria – 7:00 – 10:30ish

WEDNESDAY, MAY 17th

Eleftheria – 7:00-10:00 AT BAPA DANCE STUDIO

THURSDAY, MAY 18th

BRING YOUR DANCE BOX!

Phoenix – 7:00-9:00

Eleftheria – 7:30-10:30

FRIDAY – SATURDAY – SUNDAY GREEK FESTIVAL SHOWTIME!!!

Ladies Philoptochos Society Panagia Chapter News

Hristos Anesti! We thank everyone who helped decorate the Kouvouklion, dyed eggs for Pascha, baked kouroulakia, and helped to prepare veggies for the soups! We especially want to thank Peter Tiller and Athan Tsarouhas who prepared very delicious Magaritsa and Avgolemono soups and the salad. We also thank everyone who helped with and attended our Pastitsio Luncheon on Sunday, April 23. Proceeds from the luncheon will be used to offset the costs of our "Feeding Children Everyone" project.

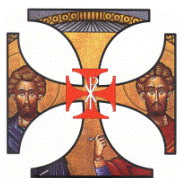
Mark your calendars for Sunday, June 11, for our annual "Summer Send-off" Luncheon. This year's luncheon will be held at Alpha Soda in Alpharetta. Please refer to the flyer included in this issue of *Syndiakonia* for details.

Our Philoptochos Board Elections will take place in the Chapel on Sunday, May 7, immediately following Divine Liturgy. Following is the current list of people (101 members!) who have either joined or renewed their membership in Philoptochos for 2017, and who are eligible to vote.

Maria Alberts	Nancy Copeland	Thomasena "Tomi" Johnson	Eleni Nikolas
Stephanie Alberts	Cathy Costarides	Josephine (Jo) Kastner	Radmica Nikolas
Amir Azarvan	Margaret Csonka	Irene Kipreos	Georgia O'Brien
Dorian Bafas	Despina Dalton	Gerre Klementzos	Julie Orologas
Lois Bafas	Christine Demakis	Mary Ellen Knuchel	Fr. George Pallas
Christy Macris-Bell	Beth Doulgerakis	Loretta (Lori) Kollias	Pres. Toula Pallas
Sophia Bethune	Marty Driscoll	Ginny Kostulakos	Mary Papadimitriou
Celeste Bilson	Katina Dunkerly	Pat Koutouzis	Cathy Papadopoulos
Evelyn Bilson	Peggy Dunkerly	Anna Lerios	Pres. Catherine Papageorgiou
Dorothy Botni	John Dymond	Stacey Levantis	Jeannie Paxten
Christina Bourgeois	Isabelle Clodaras Dymond	Ellen Linebaugh	Rosemary Peppas
Rosalie Bourgeois	Niki Gess	George Lopus	Polyxeni Potter
Elizabeth Brewer	Stephanie Gianaris	Linda Lopus	Paula Rogers
Toula Argentis Brotsis	Martha Gingles	Stephanie Lukens	Randy Rogers
Patrice Brown	Lea Gormanos	Dorothy Macris	Dina Rury
Athena Burke	Irene Hammond	Bobis Markatos	Kathy Shoji
Melina Burke	Christopher Hansard	Xanthippe Marsico	Kate Sklikas
Kathy Bylos	Leslie Hansard	Dena McCollum	Peter Sklikas
Maria Caras	Rosemary Hendrix	Ioanna Michaels	Christine Sprouse
Helen S. Carlos	Mildred (Sis) Hondras	Mary Miltiades	Irene Steffas
Eleni Catrakilis	Sheila Howington	Penny Miltiades	Mary Stiakakis
Mary Chiotellis	Annette Jacobs	Patricia Morris	Irina Sugarliev
Paula Christopher	Mike Jacobs	Costa Neocleous	Steve Tingas
Eleni Clement	Nancy Copeland	Maro Neocleous	Mary Beth Tsoukalas
Maria Comsudes	Victoria Jansma	Kally Niarchos	Becky Valagohar
			Rita Young

Only members in good standing (dues paid for 2017) will be able to vote in the May 7 Election of new Board Members. If you haven't yet joined Philoptochos or renewed your membership, it is never too late! Stop by the Philoptochos table in the Parish Hall any Sunday, or complete the membership form (included in this issue) and mail or drop it off at the church office.

Thank you for supporting Philoptochos!



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

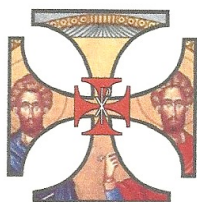
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ADDRESS:	
CITY/STATE/ZIP:	
HOME PHONE:	CELL PHONE:
EMAIL:	

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

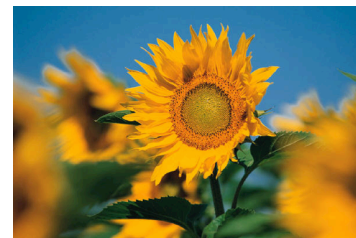
I would like to offer MY TALENTS to assist the following Philoptochos efforts (PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY):

Soup Kitchen: 4 th 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) Koulouria Paximadia Vasilopita	Fall Fundraiser (Please circle) Co-chair serve on committee
Calling Committee (Call members for meetings)	Provide snacks/beverages for general meetings



Philoptochos Summer Send-off Luncheon

**Join us as we say *hello* to Summer!
Celebrate our accomplishments.
Honor Festival Charity Recipients.**



**Everyone is
Welcome!**

**Not a member? No problem! Everyone
is invited for a great time and the chance
to join the 2nd largest women's group in
the country!**

WHEN: Sunday, June 11, 2017 at 1:00 P.M.

WHERE: **Alpha Soda**

11760 Haynes Bridge Rd.
Alpharetta, GA 30009
<http://alphasoda.com>



Order off the menu

RSVP: by June 4, 2017

dorothymmacris@gmail.com or 678-428-2407



NEWS YOU CAN USE!

May is always "Festival Month" at Holy Transfiguration Church. It is a time we show off our heritage, our delicious food, our fabulous pastries, our hospitality and of course our beautiful church and new building. So much energy goes into this event; we as senior church members should be proud of how our religion has evolved from the era when we were young. Don't miss this wonderful opportunity to enjoy this event. INVITE YOUR FAMILY, FRIENDS, NEIGHBORS! DON'T MISS THIS FANTASTIC EVENT!

Recently we sent all seniors an invitation to join our ministry. Our membership has declined in the last 2 years and this is a reminder that we want all our senior church members to attend our "get togethers" and enjoy each other and HAVE FUN. We want to hear from you. What do you want to do or where do you want to go?

We are planning a movie night. We are planning another trip to Gibbs Garden for an outdoor picnic. A group called "Dedicated Fun Seekers" meets the first and third Monday of each month at 11 am to play a new brain game. IT IS FUN TO PLAY AND EASY TO LEARN. Join us! We are also planning to introduce a new form of exercise known as "FITTERSITTERS" or "SITTERCISE" for seniors where you sit and exercise. Doesn't that sound interesting??? Come and find out.

Prime Timers invites everyone from 60 plus to join our fun group. We have changed our monthly board meeting to the first Tuesday of each month at 10:30am. Anyone is welcome to attend as a guest.

Remember our favorite saying:

" A DAY WITHOUT LAUGHTER IS A DAY WASTED".

In Christ's name,

PRIME TIMERS BOARD

ELEVATE



YOUR GAME



YOUR FRIENDSHIPS

YOUR LOVE

YOUR FAITH

THROUGH ATHLETICS,
PHILANTHROPY, AND
SOCIAL TIME

BECAUSE LIFE IS BETTER
WHEN YOU'RE TOGETHER!

Who: Middle school youth

Where: Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
Marietta, Georgia

When: Saturday, September 9, 2017
10am - 5pm

For more information, call Mimi at (404) 990-2122

Registration information coming soon!

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



Our Parish owns a large selection of burial plots, which we are making available to our parishioners 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.



May 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>30</p> <p>Sunday of the Myrrin-bearing Women</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:20 AM Catechism 11:30 AM Library Open 11:40 AM A 3 year Memorial- ... Morin Wedding Reception 12:15 PM AHEPA Pancake 12:30 PM Parents' Table 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate 11:00 AM Dedicated Fun Seekers Group 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 7:00 PM Coed Volleyball Night 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Pastichio) 10:30 AM Prime Timers' Board Meeting 10:45 AM Kafenion 5:30 PM Hellenic Studies- Graduation 7:00 PM Festival Board Meeting 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival Cooking (Pastichio) 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival: Packaging Pastries 6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 7:00 PM Greeter Training 	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival: Packaging Pastries 	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:30 AM Rental: Lassiter Choral Fundraiser 3:00 PM Rental: Jean-Felix Wedding Reception 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>7</p> <p>Sunday of the Paralytic</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:20 AM Catechism-Last 11:30 AM Library Open 11:40 AM A 15 year Memorial- ... Philoptochos 12:00 PM Philoptochos 12:30 PM Philoptochos 12:30 PM Pittsirikia (Pre-K) and 3 more... 	<p>8</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 9:50 AM Young Children's Playdate 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 7:00 PM Coed Volleyball Night 	<p>9</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:30 PM Rental: Les Marmions of Atlanta 7:00 PM AHEPA Meeting 7:00 PM Education, Youth, Culture (EYC) Committee Meeting 	<p>10</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2:00 PM Lassiter Soccer Dinner 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>11</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival: Packaging Pastries 6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 	<p>12</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Festival: Packaging Pastries 12:00 PM Rental: Set-up Lassiter Orchestra 	<p>13</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Rental Lassiter Orchestra Fundraiser 9:00 AM Bulgarian Divine Liturgy 10:35 AM 40 day Blessing of Elena Sekoulov and her daughter, Melanie. 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>14</p> <p>Mother's Day</p> <p>Sunday of the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM Catechism Graduation 11:30 AM Library Open 	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate 11:00 AM Dedicated Fun Seekers Group 	<p>16</p>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 	<p>19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Greek Festival 	<p>20</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal
<p>21</p> <p>Greek Festival</p> <p>Sunday of the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:15 AM Orthros 9:30 AM Divine Liturgy 	<p>22</p>	<p>23</p>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:00 PM Great Vespers- Feast of Ascension 7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA) 	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Ascension of the Lord 8:45 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM Soup Kitchen (Philoptochos) 6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club 7:00 PM Festival Board 	<p>26</p>	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 9:00 AM Sara Jantz-Use of Parish parking lot for her Wedding in neighborhood. 11:00 AM Rental: Mitkov Baptism (Serbian Priest) 1:00 PM Baptism of Claudia (Vasil's fiancé) 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy Choir Rehearsal 5:00 PM Great Vespers
<p>28</p> <p>Sunday of the Holy Spirit</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 11:30 AM A 2 year Memorial- ... Library Open 11:30 AM Library Open 11:40 AM A Memorial Service is given by Mary Ellen 11:50 AM A Memorial Service is given by Stratton 3:00 PM Baptisms, Christ- 	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Memorial Day Remembrance of the Fallen 10:00 AM Young Children's Playdate 	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting 	<p>31</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 6:30 PM Youth Group (GOYA)-Pool Party 	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 11:00 AM Blessing of the Water 6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball 7:00 PM Parochial School Planning Committee 	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 3:00 PM St. Clair/Kim Reception Set-Up 6:00 PM St. Clair/Kim Wedding Rehearsal 	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Saturday of the Souls 9:30 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy 12:00 PM St. Clair/Kim Wedding 1:00 PM Rental: St. Clair/Kim Wedding Reception 3:45 PM Baptism of Marla 4:00 PM Byzantine Liturgy 5:00 PM Great Vespers

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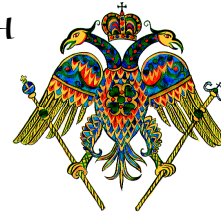
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5/7	P. Markley/S. Tingas	St. James	B. Valagohar/M. Zavala	J. Miltiades/ M. Miltiades/ M. Neocleous	H. Mavromatidis/ J. Alberts/T. Argentis/ G. Caras
5/14	J. Papastrat/S. Steffas	St. John	E. Markley/V. Worden	P. Miltiades/ K. Niarchos/ K. Panov	D. Botni/K. Johnson/ Z. Kollias/G. Sarris
5/21	J. Burke/E. Linebaugh	St. Peter	Festival	R. Peppas/ C. Smith/ C. Sprouse	J. Dymond/S. Frank/ D. Lukens/R. Peppas
5/28	K. Bilson/J. Burke	St. James	M. Alberts/K. Johnson	I. Steffas/ M. Tingas F. Tucker	P. Bilson/S. Kargas C. Sprouse/A. Zakreski

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.

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

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