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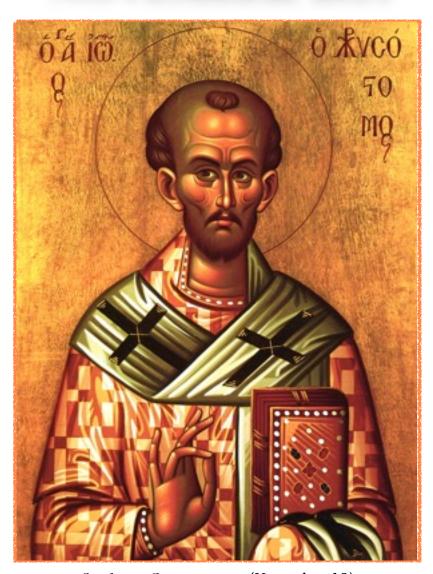
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Marietta, GA

NOVEMBER 2017



St. John Chrysostom (November 13)

The grace of your words illuminated the universe like a shining beacon. It amassed treasures of munificence in the world. It demonstrated the greatness of humility, teaching us by your own words; therefore, O Father John Chrysostom, intercede to Christ the Logos for the salvation of our souls.

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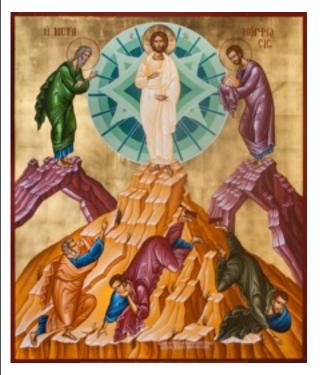
Fr. Panapiotis' Message

TAUGHT AND INSPIRED BY BEAUTY

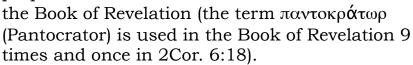
We are very blessed to have beautiful Iconography adorning the walls of our church. The white empty walls have been gradually transformed into a colorful inspiring space representing Heaven and the Glory of God. Christ the "Pantocrator" hovering above us as we worship, is surrounded by the Prophets reminding us that the prophesies of the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His person. He is the same

"Pantocrator" (the almighty ruler of all) who was revealed to the Prophets of old,

whom they always proclaim to us (2Sam. 5:10, 7:8, 7:25, 7:27, the term παντοκράτωρ (Pantocrator) is used in the Septuagint 173 times). He is the Logos (the Word) of the Father who was always present in the world revealing His will to His people. He is also the same "Pantocrator"



coming in Glory, as prophesied in



Proclamation of theological truth and inspiration are the primary goals of the iconography adorning our church; it seeks to transform our worship space from ordinary space to sacred space. The theology of the church is being proclaimed from the walls as we are surrounded by the saints and sacred scenes from the life of Christ. The biblical events come alive as we read them during the services and recognize the details in the surrounding icons. The saints standing around us remind us that the "church triumphant" (those already in the Kingdom of God) is worshipping with us at every Divine Liturgy. We are invited to join them and do the same.

Please come and behold the beauty of our worship space. Come and allow yourself to be taught and inspired. Join with the saints of the church in worshipping Him, the Pantocrator - ruler of all - witnessed by His Prophets and all His saints.

Join us to offer thanks and glory to God for all His Gifts and Love for us.



J. Fr. Pameyistis



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

November 2017

November 1, Wednesday. Sts. Cosmas & Damianos. Blessing of the water 9:00 am

November 4, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

November 5, Sunday, Fifth Sunday of Luke. (Daylight Savings Time Ends)

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

November 7, Tuesday, Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Feast of the Archangels.

November 8, Wednesday, Synaxis of the Holy Archangels Michael & Gabriel and all the Angels.

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

Wednesday Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Feast of St. Nektarios.

November 9, Thursday, Feast of St. Nektarios of Aegina.

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

November 11, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

November 12, Sunday, Eighth Sunday of Luke.

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

Sunday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm. Feast of St. John Chrysostom.

November 13, Monday, Feast of St. John Chrysostom.

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

November 15, Wednesday, Beginning of the Fast of Christmas.

November 18, Saturday, St. Plato the Great Martyr

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

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

November 19, Sunday, Ninth Sunday of Luke. (Stewardship Sunday)

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

November 20, Monday Evening: Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos.

November 21, Tuesday, Feast of the Presentation of the Theotokos to the Temple.

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

November 23, Thursday, Thanksgiving Day. Happy Thanksgiving!

November 25, Saturday, Feast of St. Catherine the Great Martyr.

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

Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

November 26, Sunday, Thirteenth Sunday of Luke.

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

November 29, Wednesday, Great Vespers 6:00 pm. Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle.

November 30, Thursday, Feast of St. Andrew the Apostle, the First Called. Feast of our Chapel.

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



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SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

December 2017

December 1, Friday. Blessing of the water 11:00 am

December 2, Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm (Feast of St. Porphyrios-Transferred)

December 3, Sunday. 14th Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Porphyrios - Transferred from Dec 2. Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am.

December 5, Tuesday. Great Vespers for Feast of St. Nicholas 6:00 pm.

December 6, Wednesday. Feast of St. Nicholas, Bishop of Myra of Lycia.

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

December 9, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

December 10, Sunday. Tenth Sunday of Luke

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

December 11, Monday Evening: Great Vespers for Feast of St. Spyridon 6:00 pm

December 12, Tuesday. Feast of St. Spyridon of Trimythus.

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

December 16, Saturday. Great Vespers 5:00 pm

December 17, Eleventh Sunday of Luke. Feast of St. Dionysios Archbishop of Aegina the Wonderworker. *Feast of St. Modestos the healer of Animals.*

Orthros 8:30 am & Divine Liturgy 10:00 am. Blessing of the Animals, 3:00 pm.

December 23, Saturday before Christmas. The Great Hours of Christmas, 9:30 am Saturday Evening: Great Vespers 5:00 pm

December 24, Sunday before Christmas. Feast of all the Righteous people from Adam to Joseph, the betrothed to the Most Holy Theotokos.

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

CHRISTMAS EVE-SUNDAY EVENING: CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION, THE NATIVITY OF CHRIST EVENING CHRISTMAS LITURGY 5:30 pm, *Divine Liturgy* of St. John Chrysostom A Christmas Reception will follow the Divine Services at the Parish Hall.

December 25, Monday, Christmas Day, The Nativity of Christ

The Birth of our Lord and God and Savior Jesus Christ according to the flesh.

Orthros 8:45 am & Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great 10:00 am.

December 26, Tuesday. Great Vespers 6:00 pm

December 27, Wednesday. Feast of St. Stephanos the First Martyr.

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

December 30, Saturday, Great Vespers 5:00 pm

December 31, Sunday before Epiphany

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

 $\textbf{Sunday Evening,} \ Great \ Vespers \ 5:00 \ pm - Circumcision \ of \ Christ, \ St. \ Basil \ the \ Great.$

Saint Katherine the Great Martyr of Alexandria November 25









Saint Catherine, who was from Alexandria, was the daughter of Constas (or Cestus). She was an exceedingly beautiful maiden, most chaste, and illustrious in wealth, lineage, and learning. By her steadfast understanding, she utterly vanguished the passionate and unbridled soul of Maximinus, the tyrant of Alexandria; and by her eloquence, she stopped the mouths of the so-called philosophers who had been gathered to dispute with her. She was crowned with the crown of martyrdom in the year 305. Her holy relics were taken by Angels to the holy mountain of Sinai, where they were discovered many years later; the famous monastery of Saint Catherine was originally dedicated to the Holy Transfiguration of the Lord and the Burning Bush, but later was dedicated to Saint Catherine. According to the ancient usage, Saints Catherine and Mercurius were celebrated on the 24th of this month, whereas the holy Hieromartyrs Clement of Rome and Peter of Alexandria were celebrated on the 25th. The dates of the feasts of these Saints were interchanged at the request of the Church and Monastery of Mount Sinai, so that the festival of Saint Catherine, their patron, might be celebrated more festively together with the Apodosis of the Feast of the Entry of the Theotokos. The Slavic Churches, however, commemorate these Saints on their original dates.

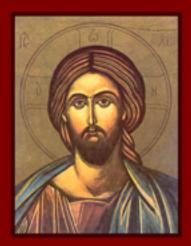
Apolytikion in the Plagal of the First Tone

Let us praise the most auspicious bride of Christ, the divine Katherine, protectress of Sinai, our aid and our help. For, she brilliantly silenced the eloquence of the impious by the sword of the spirit, and now, crowned as a martyr, she asks great mercy for all.

Kontakion in the Second Tone

O friends of martyrs, now divinely raise up a renewed chorus, praising the all-wise Katherine. For, she proclaimed Christ in the arena, trampled on the serpent, and spat upon the knowledge of the orators.

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

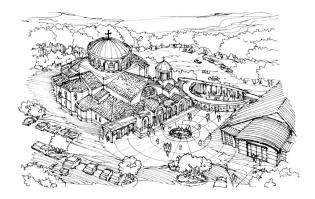
"Also many of those who were now believers came, confessing and divulging their practices." Acts 19:18

"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 - NOVEMBER

11/01/2017	Wednesday:	I Corinthians 12:27-31;13:1-	-8	Matthew 10:1, 5-8			
11/02/2017	Thursday:	Colossians 4:2-9		Luke 11:47-54; 12:1			
11/03/2017	Friday:	Colossians 4:10-18		Luke 12:2-12			
11/04/2017	Saturday:	II Corinthians 5:1-10		Luke 9:1-6			
11/05/2017	Sunday:	John 21:14-25		Galatians 6:11-18		Luke 16:19-31	
11/06/2017	Monday:	Hebrews 8:1-6		Luke 12:8-12			
11/07/2017	Tuesday:	I Thessalonians 1:6-10		Luke 12:42-48			
11/08/2017	Wednesday:	Matthew 18-10-20					
11/09/2017	Thursday:	John 10:1-9		I Thessalonians 2:9-	14	Luke 13:1-9	
11/10/2017	Friday:	I Corinthians 4:9-16		Luke 13:31-35			
11/11/2017	Saturday:	II Corinthians 4:6-15		Luke 9:37-43			
11/12/2017	Sunday:	Matthew 28:16-20		II Corinthians 9:6-11	-	Luke 10:25-37	
11/13/2017	Monday:	John 10:1-9		Hebrews 7:26-28;8:1-2		John 10:9-16	
11/14/2017	Tuesday:	I Corinthians 4:9-16		John 1:43-51			
11/15/2017	Wednesday:	I Thessalonians 4:1-12		Luke 15:1-10			
11/16/2017	Thursday:	Romans 10:11-21;11:1-2		Matthew 9:9-13			
11/17/2017	Friday:	I Corinthians 12:7-11		Luke 16:15-18;17:1-	4		
11/18/2017	Saturday:	II Corinthians 11:1-6		Luke 9:57-62			
11/19/2017	Sunday:	Mark 16:1-8		Ephesians 2:14-22		Luke 12:16-21	
11/20/2017	Monday:	II Thessalonians 1:1-10		Luke 17:20-25			
11/21/2017	Tuesday:	Luke 1:39-49, 56	Hebre	ws 9:1-7	Luke	10:38-42, 11:27-28	
11/22/2017	Wednesday:	Philemon 1:1-25		Luke 18:15-17, 26-3	0		
11/23/2017	Thursday:	II Thessalonians 2:13-17;3:1	5	Luke 18-31-34			
11/24/2017	Friday:	Philippians 3:20-21;4:1-3		Luke 19:12-28			
11/25/2017	Saturday:	Matthew 25:1-13 Ga		ans 3:23-29;4:1-5	Mark 5:24-34		
11/26/2017	Sunday:	Mark 16:9-20 Eph		sians 4:1-7 Luke		18:18-27	
11/27/2017	Monday:	I Timothy 1:1-7	Luke	e 19:37-44			
11/28/2017	Tuesday:	I Timothy 1:8-14	Luke	19:45-48			
11/29/2017	Wednesday:	I Timothy 1:18-20;2:8-15	Luke 2	20:1-8			
11/30/2017	Thursday:	Matthew 4:18-23 I Co		nthians 4:9-16	John	1:35-52	



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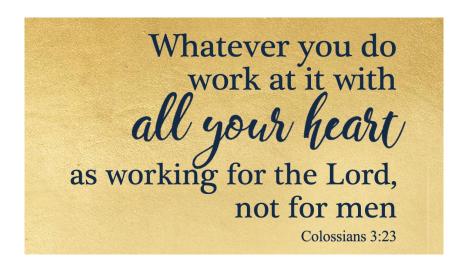
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Annual Stewardship Thanksgiving Luncheon

Sunday, November 19th, 2017 in the Parish Hall following the Divine Liturgy



FISH LUNCHEON FREE WILL OFFERING

Come and support our Parish's Stewardship program, share in fellowship and have a delicious lunch.

For additional information, please contact Jon Papastrat, 770-499-1555 <u>jon_papastrat@comcast.net</u>



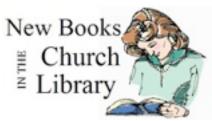
ANNOUNCEMENTS

PARISH LIFE

Please note that the **'FUNraiser'** evening listed (in an earlier Syndiakonia) for November has been postponed. Plan on joining us as we reschedule it for the beginning of 2018... stay tuned for the new date!



Choir rehearsals have been set for Tuesday evenings from 7 - 8:30 pm in the Sanctuary.



Did you know the church library catalog does more than let you know what is available to borrow? Explore the catalog http://htgoc.phoebe.opalsinfo.net/bin/home by searching for Kastner.



To honor the living and remember those who have passed, these new books have been given by Jo Kastner and Paula Christopher. How did they know what to buy for the Library?

Jo and Paula used the HTGOC Church Library Wish List

https://www.amazon.com/gp/registry/wishlist/1BH2YD0S1TZ1H/ref=cm_sw_su_w . The HTGOC Amazon wish list is easy to use. Your selection will be sent to the Church office with a note telling who the book is given by and who is to be honored.

Name days, birthdays, anniversaries, and holidays are perfect times to give a book to the library. Who would you like to honor and remember with a new book given to the Church Library?

Stocks and Securities Donations



Dear Parishioners.

Did you know that you can donate stocks and other securities to our Church? These donations can count towards Stewardship and Building Fund/Capital Campaign pledges. Like most donations to the Church, they might be tax deductible*. If you are interested in donating stocks or securities, please reach out to Anne in the church office for instructions.

Thank you, Danny Vlahiotis Assistant Treasurer

*Please discuss with a qualified tax professional if your donation will qualify as a tax deduction.



MAY 18, 19 & 20, 2018

Holy Transfiguration Parish Families,

As we begin to plan for our 28th Annual Festival, as your Festival Chairperson it is very important to me that we do our best to host a successful Festival not only for our guests, but for the representation of our Parish as well. That being said, in late August, we sent a Festival survey out to you requesting your feedback on how to make our Festival better. Unfortunately, we only received 42 responses. In an effort to gain greater feedback from you, we are sending the link out again in hopes that you will take 10 minutes to respond to 10 brief questions. https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/DJCBQM5

In addition, you are also invited to attend our 2018 Festival Planning Meeting on **Thursday, November 16th** at 7 pm in the PLC. We will be discussing the survey, taking suggestions for this years Festival, and seeking those that are interested in a more active, Leadership role. Your attendance, your voice and your constructive feedback is important.

Please RSVP and/or email me at enikolas68@gmail.com.

We look forward to seeing you all.

Eleni Nikolas Your Festival Chairperson



Caregiver Support Group

We are kicking off the HTGOC Caregivers Support Group on Saturday, November 18th, from 3:00 to 4:00 pm in the St. Basil Conference Room (library).

At the meeting, we will discuss the scope and focus of the ministry as well as handle some administrative matters.

All current and future caregivers are welcome!

Contact: Isabelle Dymond, 404.592.8343

We are excited about the new HTGOC Men's Ministry!



The focus of the HTGOC Men's Ministry is to grow a brotherhood of disciples by complimenting the Parish's preaching, teaching and guidance of men in their daily walk with God (praxis) to become more Christlike (theosis) men, husbands, fathers, ambassadors to their world, and servants in the Church as we work out our salvation. Jesus Christ is first and foremost our example of living a Christian life; and then His followers, the Apostles, who were Godfearing men. Only a religious tie bound them to Jesus. Their integrity, justice and mercy cannot be denied. They were diligent, honest and pious people, and above all dedicated to the Lord and to His command.

This ministry is not intended to become a Bible study in the academic sense, but rather to study the Bible, glean guidance from the HTGOC priest(s) & Early Church Fathers, share real life examples to learn from each other's struggles to live a deeply fulfilling Orthodox Christian lifestyle. This means we will also have "accountability partners" - a brother that can check on you on at least once a week to provide support and to be a "lifeline" as we work out our struggle; and, to refer each other to the Fathers if spiritual counseling or confession is appropriate. In learning to apply Biblical principles to our daily lives we will do so in the context of two primary benchmarks:

- 1. Who are we called to be as followers and imitators of Christ?
- 2. How do we apply that to our roles as: husbands; fathers; contributing to the local Church/parish; as businessmen; members of our local community; and, members of the human race in a fallen world?

The biggest threat facing middle-aged (and older) men today is not smoking or obesity – it's loneliness. One of the primary benefits of the Men's Ministry will be a connection with other men who are also on their spiritual journey. We plan to gather at least twice a month at HTGOC to learn, share, pray for men's hearts to be turned toward God, and to help sharpen each other as we carry the daily burdens and responsibilities as the leaders of our homes, businesses, and communities. We will cover topical studies such as: the Virtues, Passions, Sermon on the Mound, Lord's Prayer, Jesus Prayer, books on parenting, books on being Godly husbands, our roles and opportunities as laity in the Church, as well as other topics the group may choose. The goal is to glean practical tips and behaviors we can apply in our daily walk with Christ through the Holy Spirit. For the immediate future we will meet in one of the PLC conference rooms on the 1st & 3rd Wednesdays of the month at 7:00 for 1 to 1½ hours. Eventually, when it is ready, we will meet at the HTGOC House (former churches office) for more privacy and comfort. We understand Wednesday evenings will not be convenient for everyone, so we will look regularly scheduled "make up" sessions on the following weekends.

Finally, men love to have fun! So, we will also have several outings where the group can hang out and have great fun with fellow believers. We will schedule at least one "fun" outing per quarter (an evening with the guys, weekend trip, sporting events, quarterly breakfast, host car show(s), etc.) that interests the group. In the years to come we hope to have annual Men's summits w/ speakers presenting "man" related topics (fatherhood, what it means to be Christ-like husbands, Ambassadors for Christ in the workplace, etc.). We also hope to facilitate gatherings of Orthodox men from the local area to celebrate our faith and manhood. We will schedule one (or more) philanthropic outings / projects per month to benefit our church and community such as a "Repair Day" for our elderly and/or single women in the parish. And, we plan to cap off each year with an annual sojourn to a Monastery. Not only will this trip be spiritually enriching, it will give the men a common foundational experience to deepen their relationships with each other on their spiritual journeys.

If you are interested in participating please email John Dymond at: <u>jfdymond59@gmail.com</u> and include which evenings and/or weekend days & times work best for you.

Christmas Remembrance

If you would like to make a donation for a Christmas poinsettia to decorate the church this holiday season, please contact Anne in the Church office, <u>holytrans@comcast.net</u> or 770.924.8080 or fill out this form and put it in the mail or offering tray. (**NOTE: Please Print!**)

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For the Health of:		
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Please make your check payable to: HOLY TRANSFIGURATION GOC

Mail to: Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

3431 Trickum Road Marietta, GA 30066

Hellenic Dance

Travel Group Events:

THANK YOU to our traveling group!! The Macon Greek Festival was wonderful and everyone appreciated your time and talent!



Meet us every Sunday: 1:00-2:30 pm Eleftheria practice in the amphitheater (classroom downstairs if weather is bad);

1:00-2:30 pm Phoenix practice, PLC classroom. If you have any questions, please contact Paulina.

Dance closet and school display donations are still needed: Joann's gift cards; hangers (velvet non-slip); hangers - clip/pant wooden; old vintage 1940s dresses, headscarves, vases, glasses, folding tables and chairs, old Greek wine or oil jugs; anything from Greece or Cyprus that would be suitable for a table display; old dance shoes that may be donated to our younger dancers.



AHEPA Marietta Chapter #519 News & Notes—August 2017

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

Upcoming Events - BLOCK YOUR CALENDARS!

November 3-5 Cabin Fever, Blairsville, GA

November 9 AHEPA Chapter # 1 Scholarship Dinner, Kartos Hall, Atlanta

December 2 Adopt - A - Mile, Trickum Road

December 10 Christmas Party / Toys for Tots @ Ron Sprouse's home

Your Board ha been very busy planning a jam-packed event calendar. Please come to any and all that you are able. WE understand that everyone is very busy and we have lots of choices on how to spend our free time. If you believe in the AHEPA Ideals, AHEPA Scholarship program, and want to associate with like minded Christian men, please join us, and attend when you can.

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

Your Board: Keath Paxten, Zack Kollias, Ron Sprouse, Jim Burke

Hellenic Studies Announcements



Please join us on **Sunday, November 12**th for our annual FALL BAKE SALE. We will have fresh, homemade *Greek* baked goods and pastries for sale. These delicious treats will make a great addition to your Thanksgiving table!



There will be NO class (Youth or Adult) on **Tuesday, November 21**st in observance of the Thanksgiving Holiday. We hope you have a blessed and safe holiday with your family!



For the Certificate of Attainment in the Greek Language



Hellenic Studies
of Holy Transfiguration
Greek Orthodox Church

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Email: holytrans@comcast.net



- Students who obtain the Ellinomatheia Certification are recognized worldwide for their Greek language qualifications, which can be used to study in universities in Greece, Europe and the United States.
- The official institution authorized by the Ministry of Education, Research and Religious Affairs to conduct the exams is the <u>Center for the Greek Language</u> in Thessaloniki, which works in cooperation with the Aristotle University.
- The examination for the <u>Certificate of Attainment in Greek</u> is held *once per year* in mid-May, in 165 examination centers worldwide.

The examination center in Atlanta is the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation 2500 Clairmont Rd NE, Atlanta, GA 30329 (404)633-5870 (www.atlcoc.org)

Group classes are limited to 8 students and offered on Thursdays from 5:30 – 7:00 pm

For any questions, please email us at: eleni@mindspring.com OR gloupeti@gmail.com

Instructor: Georgia Loupeti

(Classics/Greek Literature - National and Kapodistian University of Athens)

The Story of OXI Day

October 28, 1940

October 28, 2017

Greece in World War II

"Hence, we will not say that Greeks fight like heroes, but that heroes fight like Greeks."

Winston Churchill



"I am unable to give the proper breadth of gratitude I feel for the heroic resistance of the People and the leaders of Greece."

Charles de Gaulle

"When the entire world had lost all hope, the Greek people dared to question the invincibility of the German monster raising against it the proud spirit of freedom."

President Franklin Roosevelt









November Philoptochos Newsletter

Philoptochos has 111 members for the year 2017. Thank you to all who have joined. Our 2018 membership drive will begin with **the Membership luncheon on January 14, 2018** in the atrium following Divine Liturgy. We will end the year with the annual pot luck **Christmas party on Dec. 5** at 6:30, following St. Nicholas vespers in our atrium. Look for details for these events in the upcoming weeks.

October expenditures for Philoptochos:

Citi Retail Services

Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church

- Local Social services: \$681.85 for mortgage and utilities
- Fanouropita: \$800 for Metropolis youth
- National Philoptochos Emergency Fund: \$500

Soup Kitchen: On September 28 we served 85 meals at Must Ministries. A special thank you to the ladies who prepared the meals and served. Kally Niarchos, Fran Tucker, Lee Nichols, Rosemary Peppas, Evelyn Bilson, Marty Driscoll, Linda Lopos, Elena Kay. Peggy and Cedric Dunkerly, Dorothy and Bobby Macris and Athena Burke.

Habitat for Humanity: Saturday, Oct. 14, 2017 - Philoptochos, and the Greek Festival, would like to thank our Priests, Parish Council and parish family for all the support you have shown towards our efforts with NW Metro Habitat for Humanity. We have succeeded in our goal of involving parish members in the different church ministries to come together for one common cause, while helping others outside our church community. On Saturday, October 14, almost all ministries and ages 16+ were represented in our Habitat Build! It was a very fun and rewarding experience for all. All the comments lead to the excitement of doing this community project again!



Bruce, Mary Chiotellis, Cedric & Peggy Dunkerly, John & Isabelle Dymond, Katie Jacobs, Jim Kontrafouris, Ellen & Sophia Linebaugh, Demetrius Lymberopoulos, Andrea & Andrianna Mancil, Paul Markley, Alex Miltiades, Christine Sprouse, Steve Steffas and Danny Vlahiotis. These women prepared a delicious lunch, that was complimented by every build volunteer: Thea Blalock, Athena Burke, Marty Driscoll, Elena Kay, Linda Lopos, Dorothy Macris and Mary Miltiades. These women cheerfully served the food: Dorothy Macris, Pat Koutouzis and Chelsea Vlahiotis. Christy Macris-Bell helped by designing our Habitat flyer. Altogether, 27 people from our parish made Holy Transfiguration visible as an integral part of the Cobb County community.



A special appreciation goes out to **Dorothy Macris**, who jumped in feet first, during Peggy Dunkerly's absence. She worked endlessly making sure all the details were covered that would make our build successful!

Everyone from our parish is invited to attend the **Dedication of the Habitat House**, on **Saturday December 2nd**, **at noon**. It is located at 715 Chestnut Hill Dr in Marietta, 30064. Fr. Paul will be giving prayers and house blessing for the new homeowners. It has been said that this is a very emotionally moving ceremony.

It has been such a pleasure working with Camille Cordak from Habitat. Please visit their website to see our Holy Transfiguration logo as a sponsor on their home page! http://nwmetroatlantahabitat.org











Dance Lessons for Women & Men, Young and Not So Young!

Have you been wanting an interesting new way to exercise? Philoptochos is offering a Greek dance session to learn and enjoy the old classics and some new dances you may not have ever done! Please join us **Wednesday, November 15th,** at 7:00 - 8:00 PM in the PLC. All ages and levels are encouraged to join. You will learn some exciting island dances, the Kalamatiano, Tsamiko, Hasaposerviko, and Zembekiko. Also featured will be the <u>Hasapiko, the dance that made Zorba famous!!! Opa! We also call</u> out to all experienced dancers to come to also offer individualized guidance. If you can help, please call Peggy Dunkerly at 770 722 9772. We will also discuss whether, we want to turn this into a monthly Greek Dancersize class, which would combine Greek music and exercise and dancing!



Dear Vendor,

We invite you to join us for the fifth annual ST. NICHOLAS HOLIDAY MARKET at the Marietta Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church.

ST. NICHOLAS HOLIDAY MARKET is a perfect opportunity for you to be rewarded for your talents while helping those in need this holiday season. This year's market will be held

Sunday, DECEMBER 10, from noon to 4:00 pm

LOCATION - Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church 3431 Trickum Road, Marietta 30066

The market will take place in the Parish Hall next to church. Parking is available along the circle around the Parish Life building.

SPONSOR - Ladies Philoptochos (friend of the poor) Society

VENDOR TERMS - \$55 table fee due by Wednesday, November 29, to reserve a table; please make checks payable to "Philoptochos" and mail to the church with a description of your items

SPACE - One 6' or 8' table ready to be uniquely decorated by you

SET UP TIME - Sunday, December 10, 9:00 am - noon

HOPE YOU WILL JOIN US FOR THIS CHARITABLE EVENT! Sincerely, Marty Driscoll Event Chair

martydriscoll@bellsouth.net - RSVP or for more details



On Saturday, Oct. 21, Philoptochos had a very entertaining mystery dinner theater program," **Death by Dessert**", by Nathan Hartswick. **Ellen Linebaugh** directed the production with a very talented cast: **Katie Jacobs, Tim Voulopos, Elaine Bilson, Kurk Johnson, Maria Alberts, Theo Bliss, Katina Dunkerly, Cedric Dunkerly, Maria Chryssopoulos, Matthew Shanahan, Kiki Gormanos, Brody Smith, Stephanie Paulson, Danny Vlahiotis and Chelsea Vlahiotis.** President Pat Koutouzis introduced **Rich Mayk** as the Master of Ceremony. The audience had a chance to try their detective skills and solve the mystery after Act I. Several people guessed who committed the crime. **Christy Macris-Bell** created the the program for the evening.



The setting and theme of the play is two Italian restaurants. **Paula Christopher** and **Jo Kastner** designed table settings with **the** colors of the Italian flag, wine bottles covered in colorful candlewax, surrounded by bunches of grapes. **Mary Miltiades** cooked a delicious Chicken Parmigiana. Our GOYAns, **Kaleb Hotnog, Darrian Dusa, Jack Goldsholl, Yianni Gormanos, Niko Tiller** and **Evanthea Bilson** served the meal and helped clean up all evening.



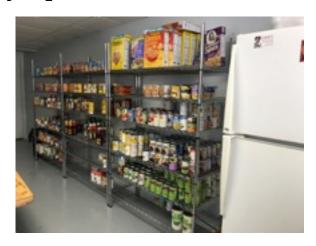
Between acts, Evelyn Bilson and Marty Driscoll organized an exciting silent auction with over 78 items. Our bartenders, George Lopos and Bobby Macris were busy making the signature drink Bellissimo Bellini, along with wine and beer.

Philoptochos appreciates Fr. George and Fr. Panayiotis and their families for attending and participating in the fundraiser. We also thank the auction donors, the sponsors, and our Holy Transfiguration church family for supporting the Philoptochos events. Profits from the mystery dinner theater will support Panagia chapter Social Services, Livesafe Resources of Marietta, and St. Nicholas National Shrine.



Food Pantry Updates





What's Up?

We are growing leaps and bounds! Our last food distribution day took place on Monday, October 16. We had several families sitting in the parking lot waiting for us to open our doors that day by the end of the evening we had helped 11 families and by the end of the week we had a total of 15 families that were able to take food home from our food pantry. Please take a minute and think about that...we are providing groceries for up to 15 families who otherwise would have very little or nothing at all to feed their children. These families have an average of 4 children they have to feed, clothe and provide a place to sleep. With your generous donations along with our neighbors, the Church of Latter Day Saints, these families are able to take enough groceries to have for an average of two weeks, until the next distribution day takes place at Sprayberry High School.

We are making a difference in people's lives locally thanks to all of you! The reverse offering was a huge success thanks to you and your generous donations in September!!

Donations:

We had a generous donation that came in thanks to our neighboring church friends, the Church of Latter Day Saints. They provided a truck full as well as a small trailer full of food for our pantry. They had professional cards printed that they distributed. They asked for donations to be given to our food pantry. Let me just say we have enough Green beans, Mac & Cheese, Pasta and Cheerios to last us for a couple of months.

We are in need of... an upright freezer. If anyone would like to donate or make a monetary donation for one, we would greatly appreciate it! Please contact Isabelle or John Dymond.

Next Food Distribution date: Monday, Nov. 20th. Time: 5:30pm - 7:00pm.

Upcoming Thanksgiving Project:

Thanksgiving is a day for spending time with loved ones and sharing a meal with our families, but most of all it is a day of giving thanks. Let's give thanks by providing a Thanksgiving dinner to our families in need! We would like to provide a turkey dinner with all its trimmings to 20 families in need this Thanksgiving holiday. These are families who otherwise will be more than likely be eating canned food on Thanksgiving. Our average families consist of 1 -2 adults and an average of 4 children. We are looking for Volunteers to sign up to sponsor a family or families with a Turkey and the veggies and stuffing.

Please consider making Thanksgiving possible for these special families. If you would like to provide a Turkey meal for Thanksgiving to one or more of our families, please email Isabelle Dymond at Icdymond1@gmail.com. by Wednesday, November 15. We only have a few weeks until Thanksgiving.

 We ask that all turkeys be dropped off frozen, this way they will not spoil until distribution day on Monday, November 20. If you would prefer to make a donation and let the pantry ministry shoppers buy the Turkey and trimmings for you, you are welcome to do so. We estimate that a turkey with all it's trimmings would cost approx. \$50.00, but whatever you can donate would be very much appreciated. The old office building (the house as we used to call it) where the pantry is located has a **mail drop** on the front door (front of the building facing Trickum); you are welcome to drop off your monetary donation in the mail slot. If you are not comfortable with doing that, you may leave your envelope with the church office. The envelope will need to include the following information: Attention Isabelle Dymond-For Food Pantry Turkey Dinner Please notify Isabelle Dymond by email at Icdymond1@gmail.com ASAP if you plan on making a monetary donation. Donations need to be in by Wednesday, November 15. This will allow the committee to purchase what is needed for each family.

December distribution day is Monday, December 18. If you would like to volunteer, for either our November or December distribution days, sign up by sending an email at least 5 days prior, to Isabelle Dymond letting her know you would like to volunteer.

For those of you who often ask us what groceries you can bring in to donate. We thought a list may be helpful for the needs for the next couple of months.

- * frozen vegetables,
- * frozen chicken breast
- * frozen fish packs
- * sport drinks such as Gatorade
- * juices (white grape juice, raspberry, peach and OJ)
- * honey is high in demand
- * vegetable oil and olive oil & vinegar
- * women & men's hygiene products
- * frozen french fries or sweet potato fries



A special shout out to all our wonderful Food Pantry volunteers for their hard work and dedication! This food pantry would not be in existence without your hard work and dedication for this great cause!

A SPECIAL MESSAGE: It is very important for EVERYONE IN OUR PARISH TO BE AWARE THAT OUR FOOD PANTRY IS FOR ANYONE WHO IS GOING THRU A HARD TIME AND NEEDS TEMPORARY ASSISTANCE.

This pantry is open to ANY and ALL of our Church Family MEMBER/S who is/are facing hard times. As Orthodox Christians that is what we do, we help each other thru these difficult times. If you need assistance from the food pantry, please reach out to Isabelle or John and we will set up a time to meet you at the pantry privately. We keep these matters **confidential. Let us help you.**

Give your goods to Christ

"For Christ is telling us: Give your goods to someone in need so that no one may steal them from you-for example, no calumniator, no devil, no thief, nor, after all the others, death. For as long as you hold on to it yourself, you are not safe in holding on to it. But if you give your goods to me through the poor, I will guard them all carefully for you and, at the fitting time, I will restore them to you with an abundant increase. I do not receive your goods to take them away from you. Rather, I receive them to increase them, to guard them more carefully, and to save them for you until that time when there is no one who lends at interest or can be moved by pity." St. John Chrysostom



NEWS YOU CAN USE!

Over 25 members enjoyed our movie night last month. It was a delightful evening - we laughed, we ate popcorn and afterward, we ate a delicious light dinner. Hopefully we can make this a monthly event. It is up to YOU!!

Our next get together is for everyone; every member in our church is invited. So far we have 54 church members signed up for a presentation from Viking Cruises. On November 4th in our Parish Hall at 11:30 am, please join us for a light lunch and dessert furnished by the personnel from Viking. After the presentation, prizes will be awarded. We appreciate their coming and hope all of you will take advantage of this wonderful opportunity. If you have not signed up, please contact Connie at cs121033@juno.com. There is no charge. It is free from Viking Cruises.

Wow, 2017 is almost over and so is our tenure as a Prime Timers board. We have served you for 5 years and have enjoyed every minute. We have taken trips together, and we have gotten to know each other closely. We have laughed together, cried together, exercised together. We became a ministry at the beginning of our tenure. We have played brain games, shared recipes, made new friends. It has all been a wonderful experience for everyone.

Our last event for 2017 will be our Christmas Party to be held Sunday, Dec. 3rd at North Point Diner. We promise a delicious meal and brain games with prizes. Cost is \$30 plus gratuity. You have a choice of three entrees and pay there individually. Of course, free wine will be available. Please join us!! More information will follow!!

It has been our pleasure to serve you. Have a wonderful holiday!!!

Your Prime Timers Board

The Connect Conference



Thanks in no small part to the generous financial and administrative support of Holy Transfiguration, the first ever Connect Conference for Orthodox young adults was truly successful. 125 young adults from across the country came to Atlanta for a weekend of faith and fellowship. Tim Tassopoulos and Bishop Gregory served as keynote speakers, while seven others led smaller sessions for faith enrichment. Above is a picture of Tim's opening keynote. Right is a picture of the Saturday night social at The Battery, which was organized by John Tiliacos. There was also a Friday night mixer, and we all worshipped together on Sunday before our final meal and the closing keynote. Athena Vlamis and Maria Linebaugh also contributed to organizing the conference. The conference leadership team has decided to organize the conference again next year and to remain for the time being as a ministry of Holy Transfiguration. Please keep this important ministry in mind as you consider your stewardship decisions for 2018.





NOVEMBER 4TH, 2017

FALL GARDEN PARTY

CROCKPOT CHALLENGE

SATURDAY IN THE GARDEN BONFIRE, FOOD, LEAVES, FELLOWSHIP

3:00 TO DARK
THE CHURCH GARDEN

Bring your best crockpot dish to share, chairs, a cooler and join us in the Garden for an afternoon of Fall Fun. This is a great time to come and celebrate our wonderful wooden wonderland that we are so blessed to have right here. No garden work today, just time to play and enjoy in food, fellowship and a campfire.

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.





November 2017

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11/5	J. Burke/E. Linebaugh	St. Peter	M. Alberts/J. Schumacher	J. Miltiades/M. Neocleous/K. Panov	Z. Kollias/E. Nikolas/ A. Reale/A. Zakreski
11/12	K. Bilson/A. Miltiades	St. James	J. & I. Dymond	M. Miltiades/K. Niarchos/R. Peppas	T. Argentis/N. Gavalas/ P. Markley/H. Mavromatidis
11/19	T. Bliss/B. Valagohar	St. John	D. Poradzisz/S. Gianaris	C. Smith/C. Sprouse/F. Tucker	P. Bilson/A. Lilly/ K. Lilly/M. Zavala
11/26	D. Christopher/D. Vlahiotis	St. Peter	K. Johnson/S. Lukens	I. Steffas/M. Tingas/ T. Vamvakias	D. Botni/K. Johnson/ S. Kargas/M. Strakes

St. James Altar Servers: Captain-Gabriel Mavromatidis

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, Jeremy Mavromatidis, Jacob Mavromatidis, Aubrey Moraitakis, George Moraitakis, Angelo Nichols, Matthew Paulson, Angelos Powell, Mitchell Starks, Niko Tiller.

St. John Altar Servers: Captain-Matthew Azimzadeh

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

St. Peter Altar Servers: Captain-Morgan Lilly

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

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