

# ***SYNDIAKONIA***

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## ***THE MONTHLY BULLETIN***

*OF THE*

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

**Marietta, GA**

**OCTOBER 2018**



***Apolytikion of the Vimatarissa.***

***Mode 3. Your Confession.***

An inviolable, and sacred treasure, for your Monastery, of Vatopedi, is your celebrated image, O Spotless Maid, though being hidden away for full seventy years, yet it remained in the well without suffering harm; wherefore, honoring you we now receive your protecting care, Vimatarissa and full of grace.

# **HOLY TRANSFIGURATION**

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## **CHURCH OFFICE**

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## **SUNDAY SERVICES**

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

## **PARISH CLERGY**

*Rev. Father Panayiotis Papageorgiou, Ph.D.*

*Presiding Protopresbyter*

*Rev. Father George Pallas, Protopresbyter*

*Rev. Father John Brown, Protopresbyter*

## **PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS**

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

**FROM I-75 Exit at 267-A. At 1st light, turn right (Sandy Plains Road). Continue for 3-4 miles until you see a CVS Pharmacy on your left. At that light turn left onto Trickum Rd. Proceed Approx 1/2 mile. Church will be on your left. You can't miss it!**

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

### AN ECUMENICAL SYMPOSIUM



Once again, our parish completed a three-day unique gathering of more than a hundred people from various Christian groups during which we tried to delve into the thought and practices of the Ancient Church in order to draw wisdom and spiritual guidance from the experience of the early Christians.

Our two outstanding guest speakers were Professor Robin Young of the Catholic University of America, who specializes in the history, theology and spirituality of the Early Church and Dr. Ken Boa of Reflections Ministries of Atlanta who presented a contemporary American perspective as compared to the practices of the Early Church.

My role in this was to provide the Orthodox Christian perspective where necessary, which I did during the panel discussions, as well as offer a presentation on the Monks of Mount Athos and their spiritual practices.

This Symposium of theological encounter is unique in its effort to bring together people from the Orthodox, Roman Catholic and Protestant traditions, not in order to debate the many differences which are multiplying as we speak, but to seek the similarities which are found in the teachings of the Ancient Church and find ways to learn and grow spiritually from them.

Professor Robin Young, in her three presentations, provided an overview of the historical development of theology and spirituality in the practices of the Early Church and the subsequent emergence of the monastic movement. She also explained how the Early Christian thinkers utilized the language, culture and philosophical thinking of their world to explain to the people around them the Christian Faith, thus ultimately transforming their society. This is the same challenge which we face today in our own so called "post-modern" world. We need to figure out how to re-introduce Christianity to the people of America in a language that will make sense to them and will be applicable and transformative in their lives.

Dr. Ken Boa gave two presentations on a synthesis of the Early Christian fathers on spiritual practices and an erudite comparison of the present of ancient worship with contemporary American Christianity.

Of course, as you may imagine, this only constitutes the beginning of this conversation. Next year, the conference will address practical spirituality as drawn from the Early Church and proposed by later reformers of the Christian West. Stay tuned!

My dear friends, our parish is becoming a serious center for adult spiritual development for many people. This is an opportunity for all of us to learn and expand our minds and hearts to bring Christ into our lives using the tried and successful methods of Christians who went before us, the saints of the Church.

These lectures will be made available in digital audio recordings. Please call the church office and ask for them.

*Fr. Panayiotis*



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## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

### **October 2018**

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

**October 6, Saturday,** NO Great Vespers today.

**October 7, Sunday,** Third Sunday of Luke.

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

**October 13, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 14, Sunday,** Sunday of the Seventh Ecumenical Council (787 AD).

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

**October 17, Wednesday,** Great Vespers for Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist 6:00 pm

**October 18, Thursday,** Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist.

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

**October 20, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 21, Sunday,** Sixth Sunday of Luke.

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

**October 22, Monday,** Great Vespers for Feast of St. James the Apostle 5:00 pm

**October 23, Tuesday,** St. James the Apostle, the Brother of God and First Bishop of Jerusalem.

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

**October 24, Wednesday,** Service of Supplication to the Theotokos 6:00 pm

**October 25, Thursday,** Great Vespers for Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr 6:00 pm.

**October 26, Friday,** Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr.

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

*Name-day of Archbishop Demetrios of America.*

**October 27, Saturday,** Great Vespers 5:00 pm.

**October 28, Sunday.** Seventh Sunday of Luke.

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

**OXI Day Celebration.** Doxology at the end of the Divine Liturgy. All Hellenic Studies students will attend this Service.





## St. John of Kronstadt (1908 AD)

Celebrated on October 19



Father John of Kronstadt, one of the most well known Russian saints of recent history, possessed an evangelical fervor, and, above all, was 'flesh of the flesh' of the Orthodox tradition and of the faith and life of the Orthodox Church. Father John was an expressive and impressive preacher, an promoter of frequent communion, a man who moved the hearts of hardened sinners to repentance, a man with a great depth of love, and a spiritual healer. Huge crowds flocked to him from all parts of Orthodox Russia to hear him and to be healed by him (in body and soul).

Father John believed in indulging people with love. To indulgent people with love means not to judge, not to take revenge, and to endure and forgive. "Do not confuse man -this image of God - with the evil which is in him, because evil is only his accidental misfortune, a sickness, a devil's dream; but man's essence - the image of God - is always there". This recognition of God in others is the rule he used in relating to others. He also said, "As far as is it possible, be gentle, humble and simple to all, considering yourself, without hypocrisy, to be spiritually below everyone. Pride is the reason for a cold, pompous and insincere manner towards those whom are considered to be below us, or those from whom we hope to derive some benefit. When people speak ill of you and you feel resentment, it means that you are proud, and pride must be eliminated from your heart by worldly dishonor. Therefore, do not resent and hate those who speak ill of you, but try to love them as you would love people who benefit you, and pray for them. Maintain a peaceful and loving disposition towards your brother even if he deprives you of your last shilling; show him that, above all, you love God's image in him. However most people are angry when they are deprived even of a very small part of their property!"

One of the basic aims of love is to see everyone saved, transformed and united to true, divine love. This is impeded by what he called "malicious joy" when he said, "Oh, how disgusted I am by this devilish malicious joy over the sins of one neighbor! People cast a slur on someone's whole life because of one sin that he has committed. They forget that love extenuates everything. A Christian must truly wish for himself and others, that God's name should be constantly glorified in both himself and others, that all should become Temples of God".

However, sobriety from evil is not enough. We should also seek to obtain inner peace, since "without inner peace and harmonious coexistence with others, one cannot have peace and harmony within oneself. In acquiring inner peace, let us also be peacemakers in relation to our fellowmen".

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To attain peace and love, and to preserve them, "Do not be put out of countenance when you are angry and when this anger prepares to manifest itself in words, command it to be silent. When you allow anger to express itself, it will pour out with great force and may overwhelm your defense". He continued, "Do not expose all your impurities, not to contaminate others with the breath of evil concealed in you. It is better to speak of your illness to your spiritual father or your friend in order that they may direct and restrain you".

On reproaching others of their evil he said, "It is better not to pass on reproachful words, but to keep silent about them or, even if it is not true, convey words of love and goodwill; then our spirits will be at peace" and, "if you wish to correct somebody's faults of your own accord, restrain yourself, because, usually, through our pride and irritability, we do more harm than good... Pray to God that He Himself will enlighten the mind and the hearts of men; if God sees that your prayer is full of love, He most certainly will grant your wish. An embittered person is ill; to cure him we must apply to his heart a plaster of Love", and finally, "Look at every human being as if he were unique in God's world, a great miracle of God's wisdom and grace, and do not let the fact that you are accustomed to him serve as a ground for neglect".

"Our Savior bids us to love our enemies which is extremely difficult; but for a heart which is reborn through grace, it is easy to do so because God helps the believer in everything".

The reader is referred to "The Life of Father John of Kronstadt" by Bishop Alexander, published by St. Vladimir's Seminary Press, as a good introduction to his life and as an outline of his spiritual message.

## Seeking Holiness in diverse ways

Christians through the centuries have sought to connect with God in many different ways. Early on, even from the time of St. Paul, we know of people who dedicated their lives to a more secluded and prayerful state. Others, called by the Holy Spirit, went out to preach the Gospel and spread the news of salvation in Christ. Yet, others, felt God's call to feed and clothe the poor. Each one of these ways are expressions of the human desire to fulfil God's call to holiness. Each one does not exclude the other two, but should, rather complement them.

Today, we are faced with the same challenges. Prayer has to rise up to heaven to counteract evil and sin. The Gospel has to be preached, because people around us are ignorant of the Christian Faith; they are especially ignorant of the treasures of spiritual wisdom and guidance they can receive from the Orthodox Church. But, we also have an obligation to help those in need. Helping the needy begins from those immediately close to us. We can be of help as we show compassion, caring, kindness and love to everyone we encounter. Then, we may seek to comfort others through material things, as well.

# Introduction to the Orthodox Church

The "Intro to Orthodoxy" Class meets every Tuesday at 7:00 pm in St. Basil's Conference Room. Please call the church office and register with Anne.

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

Topics addressed in the Class:

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

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



Where the Kingdom of God is made manifest!



St. Paul on the road to Damascus

## *Bible Study:*

*The Epistles to the Corinthians*

*Every Wednesday at 10:00 am  
and 7:00 pm*

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

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

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



## DAILY BIBLE READINGS - OCTOBER

10/1/2018	Monday:	Acts 9:10-19	Luke 6:24-30	
10/2/2018	Tuesday:	I Timothy 1:12-17	Luke 6:37-45	
10/3/2018	Wednesday:	Acts 17:16-34	Luke 6:46-49, 7:1	
10/4/2018	Thursday:	Philippians 1:20-27	Luke 7:17-30	
10/5/2018	Friday:	Philippians 1:27-30; 2:1-4	Luke 7:31-35	
10/6/2018	Saturday:	I Corinthians 4:9-16	John 20:19-31	
10/7/2018	Sunday:	John 20:11-18	II Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9	Luke 7:11-16
10/8/2018	Monday:	Philippians 2:12-15	Luke 7:36-50	
10/9/2018	Tuesday:	I Corinthians 4:9-16	Matthew 9:36-38; 10:1-8	
10/10/2018	Wednesday:	Philippians 2:24-30	Luke 8:22-25	
10/11/2018	Thursday:	Acts 8:26-39	Luke 9:7-11	
10/12/2018	Friday:	Philippians 3:8-19	Luke 9:12-18	
10/13/2018	Saturday:	II Corinthians 1:8-11	Luke 6:1-10	
10/14/2018	Sunday:	John 20:19-31	Galatians 2:16-20	Luke 8:26-39
10/15/2018	Monday:	Philippians 4:10-23	Luke 9:18-22	
10/16/2018	Tuesday:	Colossians 1:1-3; 7-11	Matthew 27:33-54	
10/17/2018	Wednesday:	Romans 9:18-33	Luke 9:44-50	
10/18/2018	Thursday:	Colossians 4:5-11, 14-18	Luke 10:16-21	
10/19/2018	Friday:	Acts 2:14-21	Luke 10:1-15	
10/20/2018	Saturday:	II Timothy 2:1-10	Luke 7:1-10	
10/21/2018	Sunday:	John 21:1-14	Galatians 2:16-20	Luke 8:26-39
10/22/2018	Monday:	Colossians 2:13-20	Luke 10:22-24	
10/23/2018	Tuesday:	Galatians 1:11-19	Matthew 13:54-58	
10/24/2018	Wednesday:	Colossians 3:17-25; 4:1	Luke 11:9-13	
10/25/2018	Thursday:	Colossians 4:2-9	Luke 11:14-23	
10/26/2018	Friday:	Luke 21:12-19	II Timothy 2:1-10	John 15:17-27; 16:1-2
10/27/2018	Saturday:	II Corinthians 5:1-10	Luke 8:16-21	
10/28/2018	Sunday:	John 21:14-25	Galatians 6:11-18	Luke 8:41-56
10/29/2018	Monday:	I Thessalonians 1:1-5	Luke 11:29-33	
10/30/2018	Tuesday:	I Thessalonians 1:6-10	Luke 11:34-41	
10/31/2018	Wednesday:	Romans 16:1-16	Luke 11:42-46	





## STEWARDSHIP CORNER



### *Stewardship Message*

One day, a person complained to his priest that the Church and Christianity is one continual “give, give, give.” To which the priest replied, “Thank you very much for the finest definition of Christianity I have ever heard. You’re right, Christianity is all about a constant “give, give, give.” God giving His only Son to the world to show His unconditional love. His Son Jesus giving His life on the cross to forgive our sins and destroy death. Then our Lord’s disciples giving all they had to make sure God’s Good News of love was preached to all people everywhere. They not only gave away their homes and businesses, but even gave up their lives as martyrs in gratitude to God!

In 2018, we have received 365 pledges. Thank you to the families who have submitted their 2018 Membership/Stewardship Pledge.

Our 2018 Membership/Stewardship goal is to receive **400** Membership/Stewardship Pledges. We have a long way to go to reach this goal and need everyone’s support. We are currently 35 pledges behind our 2018 goal. Please turn in your 2018 Pledge card as soon as possible.



It is offering our blessings back to God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, empowering, transfiguring, loving ministry through the Church. For God, Infinite though He is, has chosen to work through us, through our gifts, to continue His saving work in the world today.

Fr. Anthony M. Coniaris

**Have you submitted your Stewardship Form? If not, please do so today.**

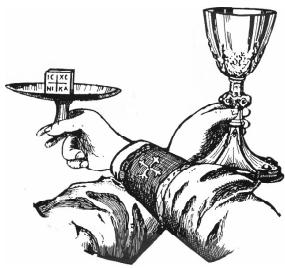
## *You are a Member of the Church!* *Are you a Steward also?*

A question always asked by our parishioners is "How can I be a member of the Parish? I am already an Orthodox Christian. Isn't that enough?"

The answer to this is very simple: All people baptized and chrismated (confirmed) in the Orthodox Church are automatically members of the Church, but it takes a little more to be "members in good standing" in the Orthodox Church and in the Parish. First, it is required that a person be married in the Church and live their life as an Orthodox Christian, participating in the Holy Sacraments, in order to be in good standing within the Orthodox Church. If one has been married outside the Orthodox Church or has gone through a civil divorce and has not obtained a Church divorce may not be in good standing with the Church. Please check with the priest of the parish in order to find out where you are.

### **How can one be a member of the Parish?**

It takes participation in the parish by supporting the operation and ministries of the parish to be a member in good standing. In order to do that, you have to fill out the Membership/Stewardship Form and indicate on it how you are going to participate in the Parish with your Time, Talents and Treasure. When you join the Parish in this way you make a Pledge to God that you will support the work of the Church with the gifts He has given you so that the Gospel may be preached and people may be saved through the ministries of the Church. **Please join us at Holy Transfiguration and serve God with us!**



*"YOUR OWN GIFTS,  
OF YOUR OWN,  
WE OFFER UNTO YOU."*

### **WHAT IS THE PRIMARY PURPOSE OF THE PARISH'S STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY?**

Most of the parishioners seem to think that the primary purpose of the Stewardship Ministry is to collect money for the operation of the parish. However that is not what Stewardship is about – the collection of funds is a secondary purpose of stewardship.

Stewardship is about our relationship with God and our desire to connect with Him. It is about our Love for God and His work of Salvation. It is about our salvation and the salvation others.

Stewardship is also about our sharing of what God has given us to spread the Gospel and help others to come to Him. We do this by donating our time and talents to serve His Church, but we also donate money to support the ministries of the Church for the salvation of all. Our Stewardship enables the Local as well as the Universal Church to do the work of salvation.

### **The Necessity of Stewardship**

Our Parish depends on the Stewardship of its members. Our Parish is funded by us.

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

You will be Blessed greatly if you support the work of our Parish and the work of His Church.

Have you submitted your Stewardship Form? If not, please do so today.



## MEMBERSHIP/STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES FOR 2018

THANK YOU TO THE FAITHFUL STEWARDS WHO HAVE SUBMITTED PLEDGE  
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Mr. & Mrs. Charles Miltiades  
Mr. & Mrs. Demetri Miltiades  
Mrs. Athena Missen  
Mr. & Mrs. Leo Modenos  
Mr. & Mrs. Dennie Moorehead  
Mr. & Mrs. John Moraitakis  
Ms. Patricia Morris  
Ms. Demetra Moshonas  
Mr. & Mrs. John Moustoukas  
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Moustoukas  
Mr. & Mrs. Erik Musto  
Mr. & Mrs. George Nakos  
Mr. & Mrs. George Nasr  
Mr. & Mrs. Costa Neocleous  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Niarchos  
Miss Maria Niarchos  
Miss Sofia Niarchos  
Mr. Iancu Nica

Mr. & Mrs. Christopher Nicholaou  
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Nicholas  
Mr. & Mrs. Marc Nichols  
Mr. & Mrs. Spiro Nicolopoulos  
Ms. Eleni Nikolas  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael O'Brien  
Mr. & Mrs. Bill O'Connor  
Mr. & Mrs. Clifford Opdyke  
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Mr. Tasi Pallas  
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Mr. & Mrs. Chris Pantelis  
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Papadimitriou  
Mr. & Mrs. Aristotle Papadopoulos  
Mr. & Mrs. Pete Papadopoulos  
Miss Olympia Papageorgiou  
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Mr. Stratis Papageorgiou  
Mr. & Mrs. Jon Papastrat  
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Mr. & Mrs. Brandon Pittman  
Mr. & Mrs. Todd Poradzisz  
Mr. & Mrs. Tony Porter  
Mrs. Poly Potter  
Ms. Maria Poulos  
Mr. & Mrs. Francesco Quintero  
Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Reale  
Mr. & Mrs. Bryan Reid  
Dr. & Mrs. Lambros Rigas  
Mr. & Mrs. David Roberts  
Mr. & Mrs. Randy Rogers  
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Rury  
Mr. & Mrs. Ted Sampanes  
Miss Christina Sarmir  
Mr. & Mrs. Jay Sarmir  
Miss Alexa Sarmir  
Mr. & Mrs. Emmanuel Sarris  
Mr. & Mrs. George Sarris  
Mr. & Mrs. Bojidar Savov  
Mr. & Mrs. Gheorghe Schipor  
Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Schumacher  
Mrs. Andigone Seraphim  
Mr. Mike Serkedakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Vasileios Sfyris  
Mr. & Mrs. David Shelby  
Mr. & Mrs. Taka Shoji  
Mr. Costas Simoglou  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeremy Simpson  
Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios Skarpelis  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Sklikas

Mr. & Mrs. Manning Smith  
Ms. Marcy Smith  
Mr. & Mrs. Alton Sotir-Simms  
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitri Soulios  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Spanos  
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Mrs. Mary Stiakakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Strakes  
Mrs. Connie Stratigos  
Mr. & Mrs. Brett Strauch  
Mr. & Mrs. Stoyan Sugarliev  
Mr. & Mrs. John Szwest  
Mr. & Mrs. Zacharias Taouschiani  
Ms. Marinella Taouschiani  
Mr. & Mrs. Tim Tassopoulos  
Mr. & Mrs. Ovidiu Teodorescu  
Mr. & Mrs. John Thomas  
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Mr. & Mrs. Steve Thorne  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tidwell  
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Tiller, Jr.  
Ms. Maria Tingas  
Mr. Steve Tingas  
Mr. & Mrs. Kiril Todorov  
Mr. Athan Tsarouhas  
Mr. & Mrs. Dimitrios Tsoukalas  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Tucker  
Mr. & Mrs. Ray Turner  
Mr. George Tzortzinakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Chris Vachtsevanos  
Drs. George & Athena  
Vachtsevanos  
Mr. & Mrs. Stavros Vacratsas  
Ms. Becky Valagohar  
Mr. & Mrs. Plutarch Vamvakias  
Mr. Gregory Vassilious  
Mr. & Mrs. Luigi Vattelana  
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Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Vatzakas  
Mr. & Mrs. Theodoros Vatzakas  
Mr. & Mrs. Vaio Vlachos  
Mr. & Mrs. Danny Vlahiotis  
Dr. Phillip Votas  
Mr. Tim Voulopos  
Mr. Julian Wade  
Mr. & Mrs. Jeffrey Waggoner  
Mr. & Mrs. Marc Westmoreland  
Mr. Benjamin Whitener  
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Whiteside  
Mr. & Mrs. Malcolm Worden  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Xanthakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios Yiannovits  
Ms. Eleftheria (Rita) Young  
Mr. & Mrs. Greg Young  
Mr. & Mrs. Matt Zakreski  
Mr. & Mrs. Marco Zavala  
Mrs. Angela Ziros  
Ms. Eleftheria Zoheir

**Total: 365**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### "The Choir of Holy Transfiguration is Building for the Future"



We are looking for a qualified individual to begin training as The Assistant Choir Director. Our Future is Bright and we need to Start NOW to pass the torch to keep our wonderful spiritual ministry tradition alive and thriving for years to come.

If you are interested or know of someone that is interested in this Fantastic Opportunity, please contact Demetri Miltiades either by email or phone listed below:

[miltiadesdc@gmail.com](mailto:miltiadesdc@gmail.com)

404-213-4220

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## GOYA — Winter Youth Rally Practice

Boys' Basketball — Tuesday, 7:00-8:15 p.m.

Girls' Basketball — Sunday, 1:00-2:30 p.m.

Girls' Volleyball — Monday, 7-8:30 p.m. (starts Oct. 15)

Bible Bowl — To Be Determined

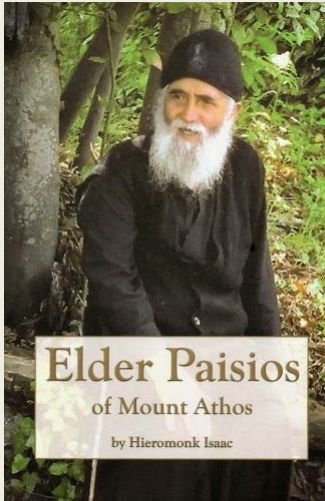
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Our church-wide HABITAT FOR HUMANITY build is **October 27th** from 7:30am-4:00pm. Instead of the punch list, we will do inside painting and interior work. To volunteer, send Peggy Dunkerly an email , [greekpd@comcast.net](mailto:greekpd@comcast.net) , and you will be sent information on registration. We also need food to be prepared for our lunch: spanakopita, bakla bites, Eddie's baked beans and koulouria. Recipes provided. If you are a ministry chair, please let Peggy know if your ministry would like to provide anything to welcome the new homeowner family. This will be a worthwhile experience for all.

# LIBRARY NEWS

## READ ABOUT MODERN SAINTS & ELDERS



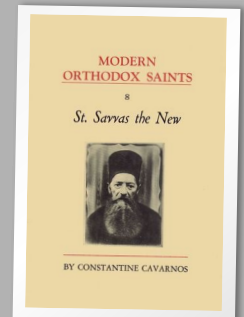
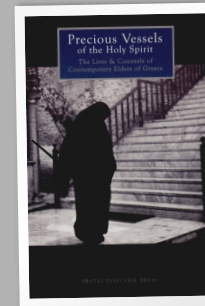
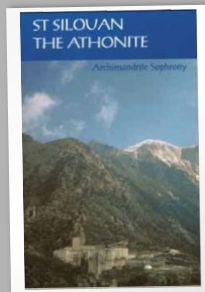
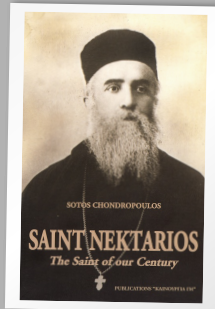
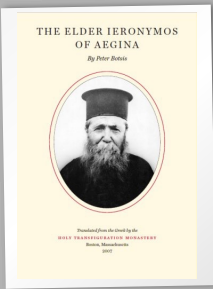
### BOOKS AVAILABLE IN OUR CHURCH LIBRARY

#### ELDER PAISIOS OF MOUNT ATHOS

Elder Paisios of Mount Athos (1924-1994) was one of the greatest and most revered elders of the Orthodox Church in the twentieth century. This biography, written by his close spiritual disciple Elder Isaac and universally recognized as the most authoritative account of his life, has been reprinted numerous times in numerous languages. The life and virtues of the elder are exhaustively and accurately sketched in profound simplicity, revealing the spiritual brilliance which shone forth from his heart, enveloping on all who drew near.

### MORE LIBRARY BOOKS ABOUT MODERN ORTHODOX SAINTS

- My Life in Christ (St. John of Kronstadt)
- Elder Ambrose of Optina
- St. Arsenios the Cappadocian
- The Guru, the Young Man, and the Elder
- St. Nekatrios
- The Elder Ieronymos of Aegina
- St. Silouan the Athonite
- Precious Vessels of the Holy Spirit
  - from *Modern Orthodox Saints Series*
- Vol. 1, St. Cosmas Aitolos
- Vol. 2, St. Macarios of Corinth
- Vol. 3, St. Nicodemos the Hagiorite
- Vol. 4, St. Nikephoros of Chios
- Vol. 6, St. Arsenios of Paros
- Vol. 9, St. Methodia of Kimolos



## SPIRITUAL BOOK CLUB

- The Book: ***Of Water and the Spirit*** by Fr. Alexander Schmemmann (*Available at our Bookstore*).
- **Date of the next meeting: Sunday, November 4, 2018 at 6:30 pm** in the Atrium of our new building.

### About the Book:

#### Of Water and the Spirit:

In this study of the Orthodox understanding of Christian initiation, the rites of baptism and chrismation, Fr. Schmemmann invites us to 'rediscover' our own baptism. He penetrates the Church's rubrics and rituals and reveals the message of man's entrance into the new life provided by Christ, into the Church and into God's Kingdom. The result is a powerful statement of the meaning baptism should hold in our lives.

# AHEPA News



## **AHEPA Marietta Chapter #519**

### **SOUTHERN PANCAKE BREAKFAST**

**SUNDAY OCTOBER 7**

**AFTER CHURCH IN THE PLC**

**TO SUPPORT OUR SCHOLARSHIPS AND CHARITABLE ENDEAVORS**



### **Menu**

**Pancakes (regular, baklava, chocolate chip), scrambled eggs, sausage, bacon, grits, and fruit.**

**Adults \$7, children 10 and under \$4**

## HELLENIC DANCE

**Coffee Hour** - Hellenic Dance will be hosting coffee hour on Nov. 11, 2018. Please note this date on your calendars and plan to volunteer. Sign ups for what to bring and do will be forthcoming.

**HDF** - Registration for HDF is taking place through January. If you have a 2-12<sup>th</sup> grade dancer and are interested, please contact Paulina Vastakis for more information at [Paulinasox3@att.net](mailto:Paulinasox3@att.net) or text 678-294-4262. Practices for Elefteria begin Sept. 30. Phoenix and Petaloudes (2<sup>nd</sup>-5<sup>th</sup> grade) practice both begin on Oct. 14.

**Travel Group** - Practice continues for the Macon Greek Festival and the Friends of Cyprus event. For questions and schedule information, contact Despina Chryssopoulos, [chryssopoulos.despina@gmail.com](mailto:chryssopoulos.despina@gmail.com)

If you would like to be added to the Hellenic Dance Ministry email list, please send a message to: [mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com](mailto:mariettahellenicdance@gmail.com). You can also like and follow us on Facebook under “Holy Transfiguration Marietta Greek Dancers” for more information and updates.

**Thank You** - Thank you to everyone who helped make our Sept. 15, International Folk Dance Exhibition fundraiser a success. We had over 100 people attend the event. To our donors, dancers, parents, volunteers, and guests, we could not have done it without you. Thank you!!







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# HELLENIC STUDIES

## 2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR

### 28 OCTOBER OXI DAY

Please join us on **Sunday, October 28** following the Divine Liturgy in the **Parish Life Center** of our church

The Hellenic Studies students will give a brief presentation of songs and poems to commemorate this Greek National Holiday and significant day in the history of our homeland.

Lunch Tickets:

\$12 Adults

\$8 ages 7-12

FREE for ages 6 and under

### SAVE THE DATE! BAKE SALE NOV 11

Our Annual Bake Sale will take place Sunday, November 11. Message us at [hellenicstudiesmarietta@gmail.com](mailto:hellenicstudiesmarietta@gmail.com) for any requests of Greek Pastries. YUM!

# SAINT PHILOTHEI FOOD PANTRY

## OF HOLY TRANSFIGURATION

We are delighted to announce our food pantry has a Patron Saint and a new name! We will now be referred to the Saint Philothei Food Pantry. Sometime in the next few weeks we will be sending out an invitation for the special service and celebration. A special "Thank you" to all that participated in the voting of our Patron Saint! We had a total of 105 votes/families. **WOW!**

**Reverse Pantry:** Our last reverse pantry was a huge success, and we appreciate all our parish members who brought in groceries and supplies. Thank you to all who participated in this!!!



Rummage Sale coming up on Saturday, October 13 from 8:30 – 2:30, in the upper level of the “house”. We need volunteers to help get set up on Thursday and Friday evening 5:30 – 8:00 PM, and we need volunteers to work the rummage sale. Two shifts are offered or all day would be great! 1<sup>st</sup> shift: 8:00 – 11:30 am - 2<sup>nd</sup> shift 11:30 – 3:00 pm.

Our food pantry has had a successful year thanks to all our parish families who contributed to our church pantry, and we want to especially thank our wonderful volunteers who worked so hard throughout the year to keep the pantry up and running.

**Next Food Distribution** will take place on *Tuesday, October 16* from 5:30 – 6:30. In celebration of FALL what a perfect time for fellowship! So, we are planning a picnic for our special friends and their families. What a great way to get to know our friends a little better. Everyone is invited to come out and join the fun! We plan to fire up the grille and have hamburgers, hot dogs and possibly some grilled or baked chicken. We would like to offer homemade veggie dishes and/or casseroles, salad and dessert. The picnic area is where we will be setting up, in the lower parking lot.

**\*\* Please let us know by October 10<sup>th</sup> if you and your family would like to join in on this night of fellowship. Please contact Isabelle Dymond at 404-502-8343 or email [icdymond1@gmail.com](mailto:icdymond1@gmail.com) or John Dymond at 678-938-5607 or [jfdymond59@gmail.com](mailto:jfdymond59@gmail.com)**

**A generous person will prosper; whoever refreshes others will be refreshed.**  
~ Proverbs 11:25



## SAINT PHILOTHEI FOOD PANTRY



AHEPA Marietta Chapter #519 News & Notes—December 2017

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

### Upcoming Events -- Block your Calendar

October 7th Pancake Breakfast, Parish Hall

October 13 Adopt a Mile-Meet at the church at 8:30 am

November 2 - 4 Cabin Fever (Moorehead Cabin, Blairsville)

November 6 - AHEPA Scholarship Dinner ( Carlos Center, Atlanta)

**Pancake Breakfast:** AHEPA Pancake breakfast will support our efforts to fund scholarships for the young adults in our church. ALL PROCEEDS go the funding of these scholarships. Please join us in the Parish Hall or the kitchen in supporting AHEPA's efforts. Adults \$7, children 10 and under \$4

**ADOPT - A - MILE:** We have a dedicated group of Brothers that meet once per quarter to keep Trickum Rd. in front of the church clean and spiffy. Please join us on October 7th @ 8:30 AM for a Saturday AM walk, with brotherhood and breakfast.

For those of you that are not members of AHEPA, consider joining our Chapter. It is just \$75 per year! Want to learn more about the chapter, then go to : FACEBOOK & to the HOLY TRANSFIGURATION WEBSITE or contact one of the AHEPA Board members: Keath Paxten, Zack Kollias, Ron Sprouse or Jim Burke.





## OCTOBER PHILOPTOCHOS NEWSLETTER



### **Lights, Camera, Murder** *Copyright 2015 by Andrew Hull*

Siddlington Studios is shooting the latest British blockbuster, 'A Bittersweet Affair', and competition winners have been invited along for a day to watch the filming and to see what goes on behind the camera. The cast and crew have been working on the film for a few weeks and tensions are running high. Old flames, jealous lovers and past tragedy are just a few of the extras to make an appearance. Will the competition winners get to see more than just their favorite film stars and will everyone make it safely to the end of the day...

All are invited to the **Philoptochos Mystery Dinner Theater** on **Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018**. Ellen Linebaugh will be directing another exciting mystery again this year. Check out the billboard in the PLC which will display the **Holy Transfiguration actors** during the month of October!

Tickets are \$50 (students, \$35) which include delicious appetizers, dinner, non-alcoholic drinks and dessert by Magnolia Moments. A cash bar will be available. Doors open at 6:00 and the performance will begin at 7 pm in the Parish Life Center. The **silent auction** items will be open for bids throughout the evening. Proceeds will benefit **Open Hand** and **Philoptochos Local Social Services**.

Reservations can be made through **October 17** following the Divine Liturgy or by calling Pat Koutouzis at 404.542.1924 or [koutouzisjd@comcast.com](mailto:koutouzisjd@comcast.com). Please see enclosed flyer. No tickets will be sold at the door. By popular demand, we will have another **GOYA Tech night** on Wednesday, Oct. 10 at 7:00. Please see enclosed flyer for details.

Look for the **Philoptochos Angel Tree** in Atrium at the end of November. The **Philoptochos Christmas Dinner** will be a pot luck on **December 5 at 7:00 pm** following the Vespers for St. Nicholas. On **December 14**, we will go caroling with **HOPE and JOY!** Details for these events will be in the November Syndiakonia and future bulletins.

During the month of September, Philoptochos sent \$500 to the Holy Cross/Hellenic College Scholarship fund and \$200 to the Retired Clergy/Widowed Presbyteres fund. The tray for St. Phanourios collected \$516 which was sent to the metropolis for the youth. **Philoptochos** is ending the 2018 year with **101 members!** Thank you to all who have joined and supported Philoptochos this year. We will begin the 2019 membership drive on January 13, 2019. Niki Gess has a very active **visitation committee**. If you know of someone who needs a card, phone call or visit, please contact Niki at [n.gess@comcast.net](mailto:n.gess@comcast.net).

Holy Transfiguration has been doing **soup kitchen** on the 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday of every month from January through October for about 28 years. A group goes to **MUST Ministry** in Marietta and serves the homeless. Our volunteers prepare Greek chicken, rice, and salad. If you would like to cook, serve, or make a monetary donation to this important and worthwhile ministry, please contact Athena Burke at [ibgreek@bellsouth.net](mailto:ibgreek@bellsouth.net). The next soup kitchen date is October 25, 2018.

For September Soup Kitchen, we served 91 people Greek chicken, potatoes, rice and salad. Thank you to volunteers Lois Bafas, Stephanie Gianaris, Lea Gormanos, Margaret Kollias, Pat and Dennis Koutouzis, Linda Lopos, Harry Mavromatidis, Dorothy and Bobby Macris.



# TECH NIGHT

## WITH THE GOYANS

DO YOU  
"TWEET"  
"WHATS APP"  
"GOOGLE"  
"INSTAGRAM"  
"FACEBOOK"  
"SNAPCHAT"

Become Tech Savvy and  
Learn about Internet &  
Social Media tools!

*7PM in the PLC*

Wednesday  
October 10, 2018

For more information  
Contact Pat Koutouzis

770-514-1337

koutouzisjd@comcast.net



*Philoptochos Presents*

*LIGHTS,  
CAMERA,  
MURDER*

**a Mystery Dinner Theatre production**

Written by Andrew Hull / Directed by Ellen Linebaugh

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PERFORMANCES BY  
HOLY TRANSFIGURATION PARISHIONERS

**When:** Saturday, October 20, 2018

**Where:** Holy Transfiguration Parish Life Center

**Doors Open:** 6 PM      **Performance:** 7 PM

**Tickets:** \$50 Adults / \$35 Students

**Catered by:** Magnolia Moments

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***For Reservations & Tickets***

after the Divine Liturgy in PLC **or** please contact

**[koutouzisjd@comcast.net](mailto:koutouzisjd@comcast.net) / 404.542.1924**

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CASH BAR & SILENT AUCTION

Profits go to Open Hand and  
Panagia Chapter Local Social Services





## NEWS YOU CAN USE!

Five years ago our membership consisted of over 60 members. Today, we barely have 30 members. Where have all our seniors gone? Many prefer to stay home and watch TV. We have asked for suggestions: You asked for movies - we have shown 3 movies during weekdays and will continue to do so. However, we have so many activities going on in our parish, it is difficult to reserve the parish hall on the weekends. You asked for trips - We have taken trips to the Biltmore Estate in Asheville and to Branson, MO. We went on a wine tasting excursion to Frogtown and to Gibbs Garden for a picnic, and we had a meal at the Smith House. Getting together is FUN! We will continue to get together for Bingo and Bunco since these games are favorites among our members. Please let us know if you have a suggestion for future gatherings.

Please mark your calendars for the following:

**November 10:** General meeting in Parish Hall - more information to follow.

**December 2:** Annual Christmas party in Parish Hall, catered by MAGNOLIA MOMENTS (our own Mary Miltiades).

**February 13, 2019:** Valentine party in Parish Hall.

One of the requirements for being a ministry is to have an annual fundraiser. Beginning Sunday, September 30, we will start selling raffle tickets for 4 unique baskets created by Mary Ellen Knuchel. Drawing will be at our Christmas party. Please support this worthy endeavor!

**THANK YOU!**



# CONFERENCE ON SPIRITUAL FORMATION 2018

Exploring the Richness of the Christian Faith

*"Can the Early Church Enrich Spiritually Modern Christians"*



Professor Robin Young,  
Catholic University



Dr. Ken Boa,  
Reflections Ministries





# RECEIVING THE ICON OF THE THEOTOKOS "VIMATARISSA"

A Blessing for our Metropolis from the Holy Mountain  
*Procession and Doxology at the Chapel of the Diakonia Center*





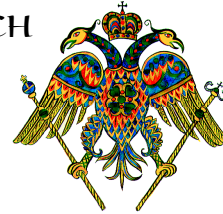
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>30 Second Sunday of Pentecost</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Catechism</li> <li>1:00 PM GOYA Girls' Basketball</li> <li>1:00 PM Isaksson Baptism (Persephone)</li> <li>6:30 PM Premier showing of St. Porphyrios Video by</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>11:00 AM Agiasmos—the Blessing of the Waters</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>6:30 PM Meeting with KSU/OCF</li> <li>7:00 PM Philoptochos Play Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy Class</li> <li>7:00 PM GOYA Boys' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Morning Bible Study</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Evening Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>4</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Young Children's Play Group</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>5</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Rental: Nichols/Reilly Wedding Reception Set-Up</li> <li>5:00 PM Nichols/Reilly Wedding—Bishop Sebastian Presiding</li> <li>5:00 PM No Vespers Service today</li> </ul>	<p>6</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Rental: Nichols/Reilly Wedding Reception Set-Up</li> <li>5:00 PM Nichols/Reilly Wedding—Bishop Sebastian Presiding</li> <li>5:00 PM No Vespers Service today</li> </ul>
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<p>14</p> <p>Sunday of the Merciful Heart</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Catechism</li> <li>1:00 PM GOYA Girls' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>15</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Philoptochos Play Rehearsal</li> <li>7:00 PM WYR Volleyball Practice</li> </ul>	<p>16</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>4:30 PM Rental: Les Martirios of Atlanta</li> <li>5:30 PM Pantry Distribution</li> <li>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy Class</li> <li>7:00 PM College Outreach Mtg</li> <li>7:00 PM GOYA Boys' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>17</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>6:00 AM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist</li> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Evening Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>18</p> <p>Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>10:30 AM Young Children's Play Group</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>19</p> <p>Philoptochos Fundraiser Set-Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Joel the Prophet</li> <li>7:00 PM Philoptochos Play Rehearsal</li> </ul>	<p>20</p> <p>Philoptochos Fundraiser Set-Up</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Grief Recovery Support Group</li> <li>11:30 AM Mellis Baptism (Michael)</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> <li>6:00 PM Philoptochos Fundraiser</li> </ul>
<p>21</p> <p>6th Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Catechism</li> <li>1:00 PM GOYA Girls' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>22</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. James the Apostle</li> <li>7:00 PM WYR Volleyball Practice</li> </ul>	<p>23</p> <p>St. Ignace of Antioch</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>9:00 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>7:00 PM GOYA Boys' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>24</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>6:00 PM Service of Supplication to the Theotokos</li> <li>7:00 PM Evening Bible Study</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> </ul>	<p>25</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Young Children's Play Group</li> <li>11:30 AM Soup Kitchen (Philoptochos)</li> <li>6:00 PM Great Vespers—Feast of St. Demetrios the Great Martyr</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> <li>6:30 PM Philoptochos Book Club</li> </ul>	<p>26</p> <p>Feast of St. Demetrios (America)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:45 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> </ul>	<p>27</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Habitat for Humanity Build</li> <li>10:00 AM Oxi Day Celebration Set-Up</li> <li>3:30 PM Millsap Baptism</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> <li>6:30 PM Rental: Copeland</li> </ul>
<p>28</p> <p>7th Sunday of Luke</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8:30 AM Orthros</li> <li>10:00 AM Divine Liturgy</li> <li>11:30 AM Catechism</li> <li>12:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>1:00 PM OXI Day Celebration</li> <li>1:00 PM GOYA Girls' Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>29</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>6:30 PM Parish Council Meeting</li> <li>7:00 PM WYR Volleyball Practice</li> </ul>	<p>30</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Pickleball</li> <li>10:45 AM Kafenion</li> <li>7:00 PM GOYA Boys' Basketball</li> <li>7:00 PM Intro to Orthodoxy Class</li> </ul>	<p>31</p> <p>Halloween</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>5:30 PM Hellenic Studies</li> <li>7:00 PM Youth Group (GOYA)</li> <li>7:00 PM Evening Bible Study</li> </ul>	<p>1</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:30 AM Young Children's Play Group</li> <li>11:00 AM Agiasmos—the Blessing of the Waters</li> <li>6:30 PM Men's Recreational Basketball</li> </ul>	<p>2</p> <p>AHEPA Cabin Fever</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>10:00 AM Grief Recovery Support Group</li> <li>5:00 PM Great Vespers</li> <li>6:00 PM Friends of Cyprus Event (Tentative)</li> </ul>	<p>3</p>



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10/7	Z. Kollias/K. Bilson	St. Peter	P. Dunkerly/E. Markley	I. Michaels/Paula Christopher/Niki Kakissis	E. Nikolas/A. Reale/M. Strakes
10/14	D. Koutouzis/S. Tingas	St. James	P. Koutouzis/C. Vlahiotis	E. Kay/P. Koutouzis/L. Lopos	S. Alberts/T. Argentis/C. Sprouse
10/21	D. Christopher/ D. Vlahiotis	St. John	J. and I. Dymond	I. Dymond/Jennie Miltiades/Mary Miltiades	D. Botni/K. Johnson/ S. Kargas
10/28	T. Bliss/P. Markley	St. Peter	S. Linebaugh/V. Worden	P. Miltiades/M. Neocleous/K. Niarchos	J. & I. Dymond/A. Zakreski

### **St. James Altar Servers:** Captain-Gabriel Mavromatidis

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

### **St. John Altar Servers:** Captain-Alex Gekas

Christopher Alberts, Steven Ardagna, Vassilios Asprakis, Andrew Bass, Anthony Bundros, Christian Coleman, Carter Copses, Jay Copses, Mason Copses, Nick Danos, Cole Foster, Stephen Harrah, Kaleb Hotnog, William Jansma, Alexander Morgan, Robbie O'Brien, Tommy O'Brien, Roberto Radu, Alexander Thorne, Braden Thorne, Csaba Wagner, Romeo Wagner.

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