

**ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
BALTIMORE, MARYLAND**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 2022 SUNDAY AFTER THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

WELCOME BACK NOTICE:

On behalf of the Parish Council, Fr. Michael, and Church Staff , we would like to welcome back and wish a Happy New Ecclesiastical Year to everyone in the Parish. We hope you had a wonderful summer with fun filled events. Now it's time to get busy again. The month of September always brings us new challenges in the church. During the summer months St. Nicholas has been very busy and we are on our way for another exciting and challenging year. **WELCOME BACK EVERYONE!!!**

MEMORIAL SERVICE:

A 3 year Memorial service will be chanted today in memory of our sister in Christ, Zoe Paros Maltas. May her soul rest in peace and may her memory be eternal.

GOYA SWEARING IN SERVICE: INSTALLATION OF THE NEW OFFICERS

We are proud to announce the Installation of the new Goya officers who will be sworn in today immediately following the church service. It is always a pleasure seeing our Youth taking on great responsibilities for their church and community. This really shows how connected our Youth are towards their parish and community. So on behalf of the Parish Council, Fr. Michael, and the entire family of St. Nicholas, we would like to extend our sincere congratulations to our Youth for their continued commitment to their church and to the community at large. May our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ continue to bless and protect our Youth with much health and prosperity.

WEEKLY CALENDAR:

Monday, September 19: Greek School Classes 4:45 pm till 7:45 pm

Ladies Philotochos Society (Crab Fest Fundraiser) Costas Inn Restaurant 6:00 pm Donation: \$60.00

Tuesday, September 20: St. Nicholas "Diamonds" Luncheon/Meeting - 1:00 at the Plateia

Wednesday, September 21: Greek School Classes 4:45 pm till 7:45 pm

Attention all Goyan's : The first Meeting for the Goyan's will take place at the Church Hall on Wednesday evening at 7:00 pm

SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS:

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS: Through the month of September we will be accepting registrations for the Sunday school classes. As parents, you have the responsibility to bring your children on time to the Sunday school classes. Religious Education is very important for the spiritual growth and stability for our children. Learning about God, the Church, and their faith gives the children the opportunity to explore new horizons in their life. Parents, we ask you to invest in your children's future by securing a lifetime of blessings through the blessings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The teachers cannot teach the children if the parents don't bring them to the classroom. We need our parents to focus on their children's attendance, and bring them to the class room on time. Make sure that your child or children come to church before 10:00 am. **HAVE A GREAT YEAR!**

SPECIAL NOTICE TO PARENTS:

Today we are excited to begin the New Ecclesiastical Year with Sunday School registration and the first day of Sunday School . Students who are in church by 10:00 am will sit in the front pews until the Holy Gospel and Father Michael's sermon. We will then dismiss the children to their Sunday School Classes. Sunday School classes are from pre-K to tenth grade. We would love to have more volunteers as aides and teachers. We will take volunteers from high school juniors to adults. Please email stnicholassundayschool@yahoo.com. If you are able to give back to the church in this way. As High school students, we can offer you community service hours for your service.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Tuesday, September 20th- St. Nicholas "Diamonds" first Meeting 1:00 pm.

AXION CHARITY EVENTS:

ATTENTION EVERYONE: On Friday September the 30th the Axion Charity Events will be having a "BINGO FUNDRAISER" for all the four Churches. This event will be held at the St Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in the Hermes Rafalides Center which is located at 2504 Cub Hill Parkville, Maryland 21234. Prices for the tickets: \$30.00 in advance, and \$35.00 at the Door. Come and enjoy a fun filled evening with your friends and family. There will be Door prizes, Games, Refreshments and other great gifts given out throughout the event. For tickets please contact Eleni Roros at 443-621-0587 or Olga Paterakis at 410-491-4066.

UPCOMING MEMORIALS:

A 40 day Memorial in memory of Kalliopi Tserkis . A 1 year Memorial in memory of Vasilis Trintis.

ATTENTION ALL PARENTS: ALTAR BOYS NEEDED:

Fr. Michael is calling all our young men in the Parish 10 years and older to come and serve God by serving in the Altar as an Altar boy. What an honor it is for our young people to help their Church in this manner. If you are interested please contact Fr. Michael or the Church office and leave your name and phone number with the Church Secretary.

CHOIR NEWS:

We are looking for new members to join our St. Nicholas Choir. Anyone who is interested in joining please contact the church office at 410-633-5020 or you can contact our Choir Director Mr. Pete Bisbikis at 443-803-3547 or Email him at peterbisbikis@comcast.net. Rehearsals are scheduled on Friday evenings usually twice a month at 7:00 pm

WE HAVE ONE SPECIAL EVENT THAT IS HAPPENING IN NEW YORK.

We have our Baltimore Son The-Very Rev. Fr. Constantine Moralis who has been elevated at this moment as His Grace Bishop Elect Constantine of Sassima who will be ordained to the Holy Episcopacy on October 15th, 2022 at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in New York. He will be the auxiliary Bishop for the Metropolis of Denver. There are no words to express how proud we are of His Grace Bishop Constantine of Sassima, bestowed to him such an achievement honor. This is an historical event for our Churches in Baltimore and we should all be proud of him. Congratulations to His Grace Bishop Elect Constantine of Sassima ,and with our Lord's Blessings , May he always be Worthy of his Ordination. PANTA AXIOS.

SPECIAL NEWS NOTICE TO ALL PARENTS:

We have struggled every year trying to inform all parents that in order to register your child or children to the different organizations of the church, such as GOYA, SUNDAY SCHOOL, GREEK SCHOOL, AND DANCE, all parents are requested to fill out a Stewardship Pledge Card. We have a lot of children that the parents register every year to all the Organizations but they forget to fill out their financial responsibilities. Please, when you register your child/or children make sure that you fill out a Pledge card also.

CHIOS SOCIETY NEWS: We would like to inform everyone that the Chios Society has cancelled the Tea Party that was scheduled for Sept. 17th of this month, and that they rescheduled this event for April 22, 2023.