

## SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

## Message from FR. MICHAEL L. PASTRIKOS, PROTOPRESBYTER

## Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

On behalf of the entire Community of St. Nicholas, I greet you with the wonderful words and expression of Christ is Risen!

It is so great to feel the Paschal joy and bask in the warmth of God's love. The month of May gives us the opportunity between Pascha and Ascension to really dwell on the Light of the Resurrection as it shines upon us leading us towards Christ.

I realize that Holy Week is over, but what a Holy Week it was! It is the greatest feeling that anyone can experience when attending the beautiful services that our Orthodox Church provides. I want to take the opportunity to thank the members of

our Parish Council for doing a tremendous job throughout the Holy Week experience. They were really on top of things and their energy and enthusiasm was evident.

Many thanks to our wonderful Choir Members and our Choir Director/Organist Pete Bisbikis for their tireless hours of chanting and praising our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ throughout the Holy Week Services. Our Choir was outstanding. I don't think that we would experience that spiritual feeling of Holy Week without the beautiful angelic voices of our Choir members-(Kudos to all of you).

Many thanks to our Chanters, George Chrisovergis, Harry Amarantidis, for their efforts, and special thanks to Demetrios Apostolou who really did most of the work load during all the services. I was impressed with his stamina, his love for chanting and his enthusiasm which made it much easier for me to accomplish the major task of enduring the many services throughout Holy Week.

Thank you to our Sexton, Stelios Cavouras and all the Altar Boys for their tireless efforts and support. A special thank you to the Goyans and their Advisors for making over 2,000 crosses for Palm Sunday. The Men and Women who stayed

with Christ all night during Holy Thursday. Some of the people stayed until 5:00 in the morning.

Many thanks also to all of our wonderful Parishioners who donated all the items for the Great Lenten Period and for

the Holy Week services. All the Wreaths for the five Salutations, all the Flower arrangements outside and inside the Altar, the Resurrection Icon and Banner, the beautiful Wreaths for the Cross of our Lord, the Paschal Lilies, the Ladies who decorated the Epitaphio for Holy Friday, the little beautiful Myrrh-Bearers who enlightened the Church with their angelic presence, the young men who helped carry the Epitaphio on Holy Friday night, the people who donated the Paschal candles, Holy Unction items, the Easter Eggs, the Palms for Palm Sunday, the Bay Leaves for Resurrection Saturday.



A special thank you to the master Chefs, Vasili Skordalos/ Palm Sunday Dinner and the crew that cooked the Lamb for Resurrection Night.

I would also like to thank the people who were involved in the Fire Works Display for Holy Saturday evening that was awesome and memorable. They made the Paschal celebration of the Resurrection a sight to remember. If I missed anyone or anything, please forgive me, because there were so many people that were involved in the success of Holy Week.

It was also wonderful to see our Church filled to capacity almost every night. We had record crowds throughout the Holy Week Services. I received so many compliments during the services, and I heard from many who were visiting from Greece that they really felt at home.

Let's not forget that Holy Week is always a spiritual journey and a fulfilling experience. But why is it that when Pascha is over we forget about what Christ did for us on the Cross? I ask myself that question every year? All those thousands of people who participated in all the services, where are they now? The Lord is with us every day, blessing us, protecting



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us, giving us our health and wellbeing. He is present when we are joyful and present and when we deal with life's sorrows. And how do we repay Him? That's the question that needs to be answered by all of us. Do we really love our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, or do we just go through the motions as Christians? So what are we to do after the hype of Pascha is over? Do we just go about doing the same things that we have been doing up to Pascha? Or does the experience of Pascha change us and shape our living? Does it at least refresh our commitment to our faith. The Paschal message of hope and love needs to prevail and continue long after we celebrate Pascha. The meaning of Pascha does not end with the Resurrection of our Lord, but it should continue in us as we live with the hope that one day we will be with Christ in His Holy Kingdom.

Here are a few suggestions on how to assess and analyze our Great Lenten journey, and our efforts leading us to the Resurrection of our Lord and Holy Pascha: Did we practice prayer, charity, and fasting? Did we read the Holy Bible to our Children, describing to them the passions of our Lord? Did we participate in the Liturgical services with regularity during our spiritual journey to Pascha? Did we watch our words and actions? Did we work on establishing any broken relationships between family, relatives, and friends? Did we give more of ourselves to Christ? Did we make our yearly Stewardship commitment to the Church? Did we come to love Christ even more than before? If you answered (Yes) to any of these questions, then please continue to do that in your life and strive to accomplish more each year!

This is what God expects from all of us in order to reach our final destination, the Kingdom of Heaven. If you make these steps a personal priority, then you are a candidate to receive the reward that God has promised to all His children.

May our Resurrected Lord always protect you and your family from any harm or danger. May He give you abundant health and prosperity. May the Light of the Resurrection always shine brightly in your hearts and guide you towards a better and spiritual relationship with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

#### CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!

#### ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ! ΑΛΗΘΩΣ ΑΝΕΣΗ!

Εκ μέρους της ευρύτερης Κοινότητας του Αγίου Νικολάου σας χαιρετώ με τα υπέροχα λόγια και την έκφραση, Χριστός Ανέστη!

Είναι τόσο σπουδαίο να αισθάνεσαι την χαρά του Πάσχα και να απολαμβάνεις τη ζεστασιά της αγάπης του Θεού. Ο μήνας Μάϊος μας δίνει την ευκαιρία να αισθανθούμε πραγματικά το Φως της Ανάστασης, με το Πάσχα και την Ανάληψη του Κυρίου, που λάμπει και μας οδηγεί προς τον Χριστό. Αντιλαμβάνομαι ότι η Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα τελείωσε, αλλά τι Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα ήταν αυτή! Είναι η μεγαλύτερη αίσθηση που μπορεί κανείς να γνωρίσει όταν παρακολουθεί τις όμορφες Ακολουθίες που προσφέρει η Ορθόδοξη Εκκλησία μας. Α ήθελα να εκμεταλλευτώ την ευκαιρία για να ευχαριστήσω τα μέλη του Κοινοτικού Συμβουλίου μας που έκαναν τρομερή δουλειά κατά τη διάρκεια όλης της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας. Ήταν πραγματικά πολύ οργανωμένοι και η ενέργειά τους και ο ενθουσιασμός τους ήταν ολοφάνερα. Πολλά ευχριστώ απευθύνω στα υπέροχα Μέλη της εκκλησιαστικής μας Χορωδίας, αλλά και στο Χοράρχη / Οργανοπαίκτη Παναγιώτη Μπισμπίκη για τις ακούραστες ώρες τους να ψάλλουν τους ύμνους και να δοξάζουν τον Κύριό μας και Σωτήρα Ιησού Χριστού, καθ'όλη τη διάρκεια της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας. Η Χορωδία μας ήταν εξαιρετική. Δεν νομίζω ότι θα μπορούσαμε να βιώσουμεμε σε βάθος αυτό το πνευματικό αίσθημα της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας χωρίς τις όμορφες αγγελικές φωνές των μελών της Χορωδίας μας -

(Μπράβο σε όλους σας). Πολλές ευχαριστίες απευθύνω στους Ψάλτες μας, Γιώργο Χρυσοβέργη, Χαράλαμπο Αμαραντίδη, για τις προσπάθειές τους, και ιδιαίτερες ευχαριστίες απευθύνω στο Δημήτρη Αποστόλου που πραγματικά σήκωσε το μεγαλύτερο μέρος του φόρτου εργασίας κατά τη διάρκεια όλων των Ακολουθιών. Εντυπωσιάστηκα με την αντοχή του, την αγάπη του για ψαλμωδία και τον ενθουσιασμό του που έκανε τη Λειτουργία για μένα πολύ πιο εύκολη, ώστε να ολοκληρώσω το σημαντικό καθήκον της εκτέλεσης των πολλών Ακολουθιών της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας. Ευχαριστώ επίσης το Νεωκόρο μας, Στέλιο Κάβουρα, και όλους τους Ιερόπαιδες για τις ακούραστες ώρες υπηρεσίας τους και την υποστήριξή τους. Ευχαριστώ τα παιδιά της Νεολαίας μας και τους Υπευθύνους των που έφτιαξαν πάνω από 2.000 σταυρούς για την Κυριακή των Βαΐων. Τους άνδρες και τις γυναίκες που παρέμειναν μαζί με τον Χριστό όλη τη νύχτα κατά την Μεγάλη Πέμπτη προς Μ. Παρασκευή. Μερικοί από τους ανθρώπους αυτούς έμειναν μέχρι τις 5:00 το πρωί. Πολλές ευχαριστίες επίσης σε όλους τους θαυμάσιους Ενορίτες μας, οι οποίοι δώρισαν όλα τα αναγκαία για τη περίοδο της Μεγάλης Τεσσαρακοστής και για τις Ακολουθίες της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας και του Πάσχα. Όλα τα στεφάνια για τους πέντε Χαιρετισμούς της Θεοτόκου, στην Εκκλησία αλλά και τα Βάζα πάνω στην Αγία Τράπεζα. Την Εικόνα της Ανάστασης και το Λάβαρο, καθώς και τη διακόσμιση του Εικονοστασίου, τα όμορφα στεφάνια για τον Σταυρό του Κυρίου μας, την Μεγάλη Πέμπτη. Τα Πασχαλικά Κρίνια, τις Κυρίες που διακόσμισαν τον Επιτάφιο την Μεγάλη Παρασκευή. Τα όμορφα μικρά

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Dear St. Nicholas Parishioners.

Christ has risen! The love of our Lord Jesus Christ was felt throughout our beloved St. Nicholas Church during Holy Week. Thanks go to our tireless pastor, Father Michael, who served our community—no small task when thousands prepare to receive Holy Communion throughout this time. A tremendous thank you is extended to our Choir members, organist Pete Bisbiskis, Demetrios "Jimmy" Apostolou, for chanting and singing throughout the Holy Week. For those of you who do not know, Konstantinos Fekos, had to relocate for work out of the area and could not assist Father Michael with the Holy Week duties. We are grateful for the service that Konstantinos was able to provide the church this past year and half. Even though great effort was made to hire a chanter for Holy Week, none were available. Also, I would like to thank all the parish volunteers and parish organizations, specifically the Ladies Philoptochos, the Diamonds, GOYA, Altar boys, and Parish Council members (former, current, and newly elected) for helping to prepare the church for Holy Week services. I am grateful for the tireless dedication of the Ladies Philoptochos members throughout Holy Week and to all who volunteered to decorate the epitaphios and complete the endless tasks necessary to bring us through the sorrow of Christ's Passion, culminating into the joyful celebration of his Resurrection. We also appreciate the donations offered by our parishioners in the form of flowers, supplies for Holy Unction, and all the other offerings made during this Lenten season. Special thanks go to John Korologos for donating and preparing the four lambs, roasted potatoes, and salad, as well as to Ikaros restaurant for providing the mageiritsa served after the Divine Liturgy on Holy Saturday night. This year, over 200 churchgoers enjoyed this wonderful traditional meal. We are sincerely grateful to everyone for their continued love and dedication to our Saint Nicholas Church.

Please join us on Thursday, June 7th, for the opening ceremonies of the St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival. I urge everyone to come forth to volunteer your time and effort in any capacity during the

four day festival. With everyone's help, we will be able to continue our mission to raise St. Nicholas to an even higher level. To volunteer at the festival, please contact Maria Salpeas at 410-633-5020 and she will connect you with the Committee Chairperson in need of help. I leave you with the quote from Margaret Mead: "Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed people can change the world. Indeed, it is the only thing that ever has."

In Christ,
Demos Anastasiades, Parish Council President
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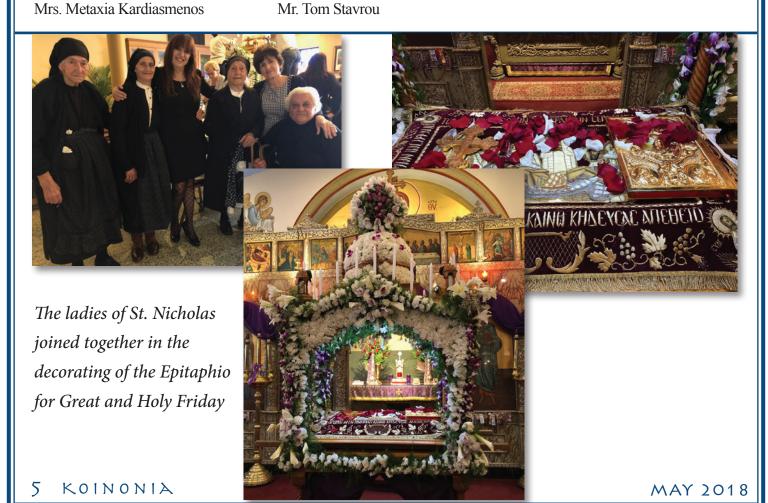
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## Μήνυμα Από τον Πατέρα Μιχαήλ Λ. Παστρικό (continued)

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Κυριακή των Βαΐων, τις Δάφνες για την πρώτη Ανάσταση το Μεγάλο Σάββατο το πρωΐ. Ευχαριστώ ιδιαίτερα τους σεφ, κ. Βασίλη Σκορδάλο / Δείπνο της Κυριακής των Βαΐων, και τους κυρίους που προετοίμασαν και έψησαν τα Αρνιά για τη Νύχτα της Ανάστασης. Θα ήθελα επίσης να ευχαριστήσω τους ανθρώπους που συμμετείχαν στην έκθεση των πυροτεχνημάτων, το βράδυ του Μεγάλου Σαββάτου, ήταν φοβερό και αξέχαστο. Έκαναν την πασχαλική γιορτή της Ανάστασης αξέχαστη, κάτι που θα το θυμόμαστε. Αν παρέπλειψα κάποιον ή κάτι, παρακαλώ συγχωρέστε με, γιατί υπήρχαν τόσοι πολλοί άνθρωποι που συμμετείχαν στην επιτυχία της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας και του Πάσχα.

Ήταν επίσης υπέροχο να βλέπουμε την Εκκλησία μας να γεμίζει σχεδόν κάθε βράδυ. Είχαμε ρεκόρ συμμετοχής εκκλησιαζομένων όλη τη Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα. Έλαβα τόσα πολλά συγχαρητήρια κατά τη διάρκεια των Ακολουθιών και άκουσα από πολλούς επισκέπτες μας από την Ελλάδα ότι αισθάνθηκαν πραγματικά σαν να ήταν στην πατρίδα μας.

Ας μην ξεχνάμε ότι η Μεγάλη Εβδομάδα είναι πάντα ένα πνευματικό ταξίδι και μια θαυμάσια εμπειρία. Γιατί όμως, όταν τελειώνει το Πάσχα, ξεχνάμε τι έκανε ο Χριστός για μας πάνω στο Σταυρό; Αναρωτιέμαι γι' αυτό κάθε χρόνο; Όλοι αυτοί οι χιλιάδες άνθρωποι που συμμετείχαν σε όλες τις Ακολουθίες, πού είναι τώρα; Ο Κύριος είναι μαζί μας κάθε μέρα, ευλογώντας μας, προστατεύοντας μας, χαρίζοντάς μας υγεία και ευημερία. Είναι παρόν όταν είμαστε χαρούμενοι και παρόν όταν αντιμετωπίζουμε τη θλίψη της ζωής. Και πώς τον ανταμοίβουμε; αυτό είναι το ερώτημα που πρέπει να απαντηθεί από όλους μας. Αγαπάμε πραγματικά τον Κύριο και Σωτήρα μας Ιησού Χριστό, ή περνάμε τις συγκινητικές Ακολουθίες, απλά, γαιτί λεγόμαστε Χριστιανοί.

Τι πρέπει λοιπόν να κάνουμε μετά τη λήξη της διαφημιστικής εκστρατείας του Πάσχα; Μήπως απλά να κάνουμε τα ίδια πράγματα που κάναμε μέχρι τώρα το Πάσχα; Ή μήπως η εμπειρία του Πάσχα θα αλλάξει και διαμορφώσει τη ζωή μας ή θα ανανεώσει τουλάχιστον τη δέσμευσή μας στην πίστη μας; Το Πασχαλινό μήνυμα της ελπίδας και της αγάπης πρέπει να επικρατήσει και να συνεχιστεί πολύ μετά την γιορτή του

Πάσχα. Το νόημα του Πάσχα δεν τελειώνει με την Ανάσταση του Κυρίου μας, αλλά θα πρέπει να συνεχίζεται μέσα μας, επειδή ζούμε με την ελπίδα ότι κάποια μέρα θα είμαστε με τον Χριστό, στην Αγία Του Βασιλεία.

Έχω αναφέρει κατά το παρελθόν κάποιες προτάσεις σχετικά με το τι πρέπει να αξιολογήσουμε και να αναλύσουμε κατά τη δάρκεια του Μεγάλου ταξιδιού μας της Τεσσαρακοτής και τις προσπάθειές μας που μας οδηγούν στην Ανάσταση του Κυρίου και του Αγίου Πάσχα. Σας ερωτώ λοιπόν, προσευχόσαστε, κάνατε φιλανθρωπίες και νηστεία; Μήπως διαβάζατε την Αγία Γραφή στα παιδιά σας, περιγράφοντας τους τα πάθη του Κυρίου μας; Μήπως συμμετείχατε στις Λειτουργίες σε κανονική βάση κατά τη διάρκεια του πνευματικού ταξιδιού σας προς το Πάσχα; Προσέχατε τα λόγια και τις πράξεις σας; Προσπαθήσατε να συμφιλιώσετε τυχόν σπασμένες σχέσεις μεταξύ οικογένειας, συγγενών και φίλων; Προσφέρατε περισσότερα στον Χριστό; Προσφέρατε στην ετήσια δέσμευσή μας της Εθελοντικής Προσφοράς στην Εκκλησία; Φθάσατε στο σημείο να αγαπάμε τον Χριστό ακόμα περισσότερο από πριν; Αν απαντήσατε (Ναι) σε κάποια από αυτές τις ερωτήσεις, τότε συνεχίστε σ' αυτό το ρυθμό τη ζωή σας. Αυτό είναι που περιμένει ο Θεός από όλους μας, προκειμένου να φτάσουμε στον τελικό μας προορισμό, την Βασιλεία των Ουρανών. Εάν βάλετε ως προτεραιότητα και προχωρήσετε με αυτά τα βήματα στη προσωπική σας ζωή, τότε είστε υποψήφιος για να λάβετε την ανταμοιβή που ο Θεός έχει υποσχεθεί για όλα τα παιδιά Του.

Σας εύχομαι όπως ο Αναστάς Κύριος μας πάντα να προστατεύει εσάς και ταμέλη της οικογένειάς σας από κάθε κακό ή κίνδυνο. Εύχομαι να σας χαρίζει υγεία και ευημερία. Εύχομαι το Φως της Αναστάσεως πάντα να λάμπει στις καρδιές σας και να σας καθοδηγεί προς μια καλύτερη πνευματική σχέση με τον Κύριό μας και Σωτήρα Ιησού Χριστό.

#### ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!! ΑΛΗΘΩΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!!

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# IONIAN VILLAGE AND LEADERSHIP 100 REVITALIZE TRAVELING RETREAT PROGRAM, IV ON-THE-GO

**NEW YORK** – IV On-the-Go, the traveling retreat program of the Office of Ionian Village will return in the Fall of 2018 after a two year hiatus. Following a successful debut from 2014-2016, Leadership 100 has awarded a five-year grant to support the program's revitalization and offer the parishes and young people of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese a taste of Ionian Village's unique and interactive approach to youth ministry.

The goal of Ionian Village is simple: to bring the young people of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America into a close understanding and love for both the Orthodox faith and Hellenic heritage. While the Ionian Village summer camping programs aim to reach as many campers as possible each year, IV On-the-Go provides the opportunity for even more young people to interact with the amazing Ionian Village Ministry here in America throughout the school year.

Each IV On-the-Go program is catered to the individual needs and availability of the host parish or community. IV On-the-Go can accommodate a variety of youth ministry retreat options: a one-day retreat, a lock-in, an overnight trip, or even a full weekend-long retreat. The only responsibility of the host parish is to provide a venue, food, and the participants! The IV On-the-Go Team takes care of everything from creating a schedule, writing content, procuring supplies, and even supplying experienced staff for these exciting faith-centered events.

IV On-the-Go programs include a mix of energetic, athletic, and creative activities with engaging discussions, all designed to establish a level of comfort and trust with our Staff Members and to ultimately foster an environment of growth and reflection. Each IV On-the-Go event is supervised and led by experienced young adult members of our Ionian Village Team from all over the country.

Leadership 100, in order to maximize participation and offer this opportunity to as many parishes as possible regardless of size or income, has approved a five-year grant that will fully subsidize costs for this amazing ministry. This generous grant will allow IV On-the-Go to facilitate 10 retreats each year for a total of 50 retreats over the life of the grant.

IV On-the-Go is open to every parish and youth group across the Archdiocese. For more information about this exciting ministry and to have IV On-the-Go visit your parish, please visit www.ionianvillage.org/iv-on-the-go.

## **HOLY ASCENSION - THURSDAY, MAY 17**



# The Ascension of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ

#### Introduction

The Feast of the Ascension of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ is celebrated each year on the fortieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter). Since the date of Pascha changes each year, the date of the Feast of the Ascension changes. The Feast is always celebrated on a Thursday.

The Feast itself commemorates when, on the fortieth day after His Resurrection, Jesus led His disciples to the Mount of Olives, and after blessing them and asking them to wait for the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, He ascended into heaven.

#### Historical Background

The story of the Ascension of our Lord, celebrated as one of the Twelve Great Feasts of the Church, is found in the book of the Acts of the Apostles 1:3-11. It is also mentioned in the Gospels of Mark (16:19) and Luke (24:50-53). The moment of the Ascension is told in one sentence: "He was lifted up before their eyes in a cloud which took Him from their sight" (Acts 1:9).

Christ made His last appearance on earth, forty days after His Resurrection from the dead. The Acts of the Apostles states that the disciples were in Jerusalem. Jesus appeared before them and commanded them not to depart from Jerusalem, but to wait for the "Promise of the Father". He stated, "You shall be baptized with the Holy Spirit not many days from now" (Acts 1:5).

After Jesus gave these instructions, He led the disciples to the Mount of Olives. Here, He commissioned them to be His witnesses "in Jerusalem, and in all Judea and Samaria, and to the end of the earth" (Acts 1:8). It is also at this time that the disciples were directed by Christ to "go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit" (Matthew 28:19). Jesus also told them that He would be with them always, "even to the end of the world" (Matthew 28:20).

As the disciples watched, Jesus lifted up His hands, blessed them, and then was taken up out of their sight (Luke 24:51; Acts 1:9). Two angels appeared to them and asked them why they were gazing into heaven. Then one of the angels said, "This same Jesus, which is taken up from you into heaven, shall so come in like manner as you have seen Him going into heaven" (Acts 1:11).

#### Icon of the Feast

The icon of The Ascension of Our Lord is a joyous icon. It is painted with bright colors. Christ is shown ascending in His glory in a mandorla A mandorla is a design which is almond-shaped or round. Inside the mandorla is the figure of a holy person. Christ blesses the assembly with His right hand. In His left is a scroll. The scroll is a symbol of teaching. This icon shows that the Lord in heaven is the source of blessing. In addition, Jesus is the source of knowledge. The icon reminds us that Christ continues to be the source of the teaching and message of the Church, blessing and guiding those to whom He has entrusted his work.

The Theotokos occupies a very special place in this icon. She is in the center of the icon, immediately below the ascending Christ. The gesture of her hands is gesture of prayer. She is clearly outlined by the whiteness of the garments of the angels. The Theotokos is depicted in a very calm pose. This is quite different from the appearance of the Disciples. They are moving about, talking to one another and looking and pointing towards heaven. The entire group, the Theotokos and the disciples represent the Church.

The icon of the Ascension includes some who did not witness the Ascension. St. Paul is shown to the left of the Theotokos, but we know that he was not present at the Ascension. At that time, St. Paul did not yet believe in Jesus. But he became a Christian and one of the greatest Apostles and missionaries of Church.

The icon expresses the sovereignty of Christ over His Church; He is its Head, its guide, its source of inspiration and teaching; it receives its commission and ministry from Him, and fulfils it in the power of the Holy Spirit.

## **HOLY PENTECOST - SUNDAY, MAY 27**

# **Holy Pentecost**

Courtesy of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America <u>www.goarch.org</u>

#### Introduction

The Feast of Holy Pentecost is celebrated each year on the fiftieth day after the Great and Holy Feast of Pascha (Easter) and ten days after the Feast of the Ascension of Christ. The Feast is always celebrated on a Sunday.

The Feast commemorates the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles on the day of Pentecost, a feast of the Jewish tradition. It also celebrates establishment the Church through the preaching of the Apostles and the baptism of the thousands who on that day believed in the Gospel salvation message of through **Jesus** Christ. The Feast is also seen as the culmination of the revelation of the Holy Trinity.



## Historical Background

The story of Pentecost is found in the book of The Acts of the Apostles. In Chapter two we are told that the Apostles of our Lord were gathered together in one place. Suddenly, a sound came from heaven like a rushing wind, filling the entire house where they were sitting. Then, tongues of fire appeared, and one sat upon each one of Apostles. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages as directed by the Spirit (Acts 2:1-4).

This miraculous event occurred on the Jewish Feast of Pentecost, celebrated by the Jews on the fiftieth day after the Passover as the culmination of the Feast of Weeks (Exodus 34:22; Deuteronomy 16:10). The Feast of Weeks began on the third day after the Passover with the presentation of the first harvest sheaves to God, and it concluded on Pentecost with the offering of two loaves of unleavened bread, representing the first products of the harvest (Leviticus

23:17-20; Deuteronomy 16:9-10).

Since the Jewish Feast of Pentecost was a great pilgrimage feast, many people from throughout the Roman Empire were gathered in Jerusalem on this day. When the people in Jerusalem heard the sound, they came together and heard their languages being spoken by the Apostles (Acts 2:5-6). The people were amazed, knowing that some of those speaking were Galileans, and not men who would normally speak many different languages. They wondered what this meant, and some even thought the Apostles were drunk (Acts 2:7-13).

Peter, hearing these remarks, stood up and addressed the crowd. He preached to the people

regarding the Old Testament prophecies about the coming of the Holy Spirit. He spoke about Jesus Christ and His death and glorious Resurrection. Great conviction fell upon the people, and they asked the Apostles, "What shall we do?" Peter said to them, "Repent, and let every one of you be baptized in the name of Jesus Christ for the remission of sins; and you shall receive the gift of the Holy Spirit" (Acts 2:38-39).

The Bible records that on that day about three thousand were baptized. Following, the book of Acts states that the newly baptized continued daily to hear the teaching of the Apostles, as the early Christians met together for fellowship, the breaking of bread, and for prayer. Many wonderful signs and miracles were done through the Apostles, and the Lord added to the Church daily those who were being saved (Acts 2:42-47).

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## **GREEK SCHOOL NEWS**



The Greek School celebrated May 1st with a lesson outdoors and wreath making





## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

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## 2018-2019 SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS AVAILABLE <u>Deadline May 4, 2018</u>

NEW YORK – The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America announces that applications for the Scholarship and Fellowship programs administered by the Archdiocese are now available.

Applications can be accessed by visiting http://www.goarch.org/. For more information, please email scholarships@go-arch.org or call 212-774-0283. The deadline for submitting an application for any of these scholarships is **May 4, 2018**.

George & Naouma (Gioule) Gioles Scholarship Katina John Malta Scholarship Paleologos Scholarship

Applications and instructions for these three scholarships administered by the Department of Philanthropy of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America are available for awards to be made for the 2018-2019 academic year. The **George & Naouma (Gioule) Gioles Scholarship** and the **Katina John Malta Scholarship** are for undergraduate studies, and the **Paleologos Scholarship** is awarded for graduate work of a non-theological nature. Each of these scholarships was established through generous gifts from dedicated Greek Orthodox Christians who wanted to provide financial assistance towards the education of young people from our Orthodox Christian community.

#### The Christos and Georgia Trakatellis Fellowship

Applications are also available for a fellowship from **The Christos and Georgia Trakatellis Fellowship Fund** for the 2018-2019 academic year. This Fund was established in 2011 by His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios and his brother, Prof. Antonios Trakatellis, in memory of their parents, Christos and Georgia.

The Fund, overseen by the Chancellor's Office, offers fellowships to graduates of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology to study Greek language, Hellenic culture and liturgical practice. These studies can take place in the United States or, preferably, in Greece or at the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. The study could be part of an established academic program (Doctoral or Master Levels) or part of a free program, which should be well structured and clearly defined in view of the above stated purpose of the Fund. Candidates shall be chosen based on merit and need. The amount of the fellowship is \$3,000 per semester for up to two semesters. One or more full or partial fellowships will be awarded annually.

#### The S. Gregory Taylor Scholarship

The Taylor Scholarship Fund offers financial assistance to students pursuing a post-graduate degree in the areas of theology, religious studies, or pastoral training. The Chancellor's Office of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America oversees the Fund and awards scholarships on an annual basis. Awarding of scholarships will be determined based on program of study, financial need, previous academic work, recommendations, availability of funds and how the applicant intends to serve the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America after receiving this degree. Scholarships are awarded for actual course work being done towards a post-graduate degree (an initial graduate-level degree is required). As per the guidelines of the Fund, preference will be given to graduates of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology.

## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS / NEA ΤΗΣ ΦΙΛΟΠΤΩΧΟΥ

#### Christos Anesti!

On Sunday, April 1st was our annual Tsourekia Bake Sale. We would like to thank the families of Sun Bakery for their generous donation and wish them many years of health! We appreciate everyone's support. All funds collected will help those in need.

Thank you to all the ladies and young girls who helped with the decorating of the Epitaphio on Good Friday. Most of all everyone who opened their hearts and contributed towards the flowers. We are extremely grateful. Kai tou xronou!

Join us on Saturday, May 5th at 12 noon for our 2nd Annual Mothers Day Derby Brunch at Sparrows Point Country Club. Donation \$35.00 for Adults and \$10.00 for children 12 and under. Cash Bar. For tickets or information please contact Nora Kefalas (410-979-6656) or Irene Vasilios (410-687-3978). Tables of 8. So bring your family and friends and don't forget your Hats for an afternoon of food and fun!

Every year our Philoptochos is represented at the annual Clergy Laity which takes place in New Jersey. This year it will be held on Monday, May 7th. In order for us to attend our next general meeting which is also the last one for the year, will take place on Tuesday, May 8th at 7:00 p.m. We apologize for the inconvenience.

Scholarship Applications are available in the church office and must be completed and returned no later than Sunday, April 29th and will be presented on Sunday, May 20th in church.

#### **Donations:**

In Memory of Athena Neofitou: Mrs. Ismini Manolitsis In Memory of Manoli Pikounis: Mrs. ELeni Pikounis In Memory of Smaragdi Voxakis: Samantha Voxakis In Memory of Helen Frangos:

Samantha Voxakis and John Frangos

*In Memory of Konstantinos and Antonio's Nicolaides*: Virginia Nicolaides

**Anonymous Donation** for the food account in memory of their parents

May their memory be eternal and God grant many years of health to their families!

#### ΧΡΙΣΤΟΣ ΑΝΕΣΤΗ!!

Την Κυριακή, 1η Απριλίου είχαμε την ετήσια πώληση Πασχαλινών Τσουρεκιών. Θα θέλαμε να ευχαριστήσουμε το Sun Bakery για την γενναιόδωρη δωρεά τους και να τους ευχηθούμε υγεία και μακροζωΐα! Εκτιμούμε ιδιαίτερα την υποστήριξη όλων σας. Όλα τα έσοδα θα διατεθούν στο ταμείο των απόρων.

ο helped Ευχαριστούμε όλες τις κυρίες και τις δεσποινίδες που εβοήθησαν στο στολισμό του Επιταφίου την Μεγάλη απο Παρασκευή. Κυρίως σε όλους όσοι έκαναν δωρεές για την αγορά των ανθέων. Σας είμαστε ευγνώμονες. Και ΤΗΙΟΡΤΟCHOS του χρόνου.

Το Σάββατο, 5 Μαΐου, θα εορτάσουμε την Εορτή της Μητέρας, και σας προσκαλούμε να τιμήσετε με τη παρουσία σας το 2ο ετήσιο Derby Brunch στο Sparrows Point Country Club. Δωρεά κατ άτομο \$35.00 για ενηλίκους και \$10.00 για παιδιά 12 ετών και κάτω. Πληρώνετε το ποτό σας. Για εισισήρια παρακαλείστε να επικοινωνήσετε με την Νόρα Κεφάλα, 410-979-6656 ή την Ειρήνη Βασιλείου, 410-687-3978. Τα τραπέζια είναι 8 ατόμων. Μπορείτε να φέρετε

συγγενείς και φίλους σας, και μη ξεχάσετε τα καπέλα σας. Θα περάσουμε ένα απόγευμα με φαγητό και διασκέδαση.

Κάθε χρόνο η Φιλόπτωχος συμμετέχει στο Ετήσιο ΚληρικολαΪκό Συνέδριο στη Νέα Ιερσέη. Εφέτος θα τελεστεί την Δευτέρα, 7 Μαΐου. Για να συμμετέχουμε όμως και εμείς θα πρέπει η επομένη μας τελευταία συνεδρίαση για εφέτος να γίνει την Τρίτη, 8 Μαΐου, στις 7:00 μ.μ. Μας συγχωρείτε για την αλλαγή.

Αιτήσεις υποτροφιών υπάρχουν στο Γραφείο της Κοινότητας και μπορούν τις παραλάβουν οι ενδιαφερόμενοι, με την προϋπόθεση να τις συμπληρώσουν και να τις επιστρέψουν το αργότερο μέχρι την Κυριακή 29 Απριλίου. Η απονομή των υποτροφιών θα γίνει την Κυριακή 20 Μαΐου στην Εκκλησία.

#### ΔΩΡΕΕΕΣ

Εις μνήμη της Αθηνάς Νεοφύτου: Κα. Ισμήνη Μανωλίτση Εις μνήμη του Εμμανοουήλ Πικούνη: Κα. Ελένη Πικούνη Εις μνήμη της Σμαραγδής Βοζάκη: Κα. Σαμάνθα Βοζάκη Εις μνήμη της Ελένης Φράγκου:

Κα. Σαμάνθα Βοξάκη & Ιωάννης Φράγκος Εις μνήμη Κωνσταντίνου & Αντωνίου Νικολαΐδη :

Κα. Ευγενία ΝΙκολαΐδη

Ανώνυμος Δωρεά στο Λογαρισμό Σίτισης εις μνήμη των γονέων των

Αιωνία τους η μνήμη! Ο Κύριος να χαρίζει Υγεία και Μακροζωΐα σ΄ αυτούς και τα μέλη της οικογενείας τους.

## **EARLY EDUCATION CENTER NEWS**



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The Saint Nicholas Bilingual Early Education Center provides a safe, nurturing, home away from home learning center. We accept children from 6 weeks till 5 years of age. We currently have openings for children ages 3-5 in our Preschool room. If you have any questions please feel free to contact the director, Sophia Moshonisiotis, at 410-633-5020 extension 4.

In April, we celebrated Easter with a visit from the Easter bunny and an egg hunt. The children enjoyed searching and finding the eggs that our Easter bunny left for them. We also celebrated our one-year anniversary and hosted a breakfast for our BEEC family.

This month the children will learn how to plant flowers and care for them. They will watch them grow and present their flowers to their mothers for Mother's Day. The children will also learn about the life cycle of a butterfly. We will have live caterpillars in our classrooms and they will teach us about the miracle of metamorphosis. We can't wait to see them turn into beautiful butterflies!

#### ΔΙΓΛΩΣΣΟ ΕΚΠΑΙΔΕΥΤΙΚΟ ΚΕΝΤΡΟ ΠΡΟΣΧΟΛΙΚΗΣΗΛΙΚΙΑΣ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ

Το Δίγλωσσο Κέντρο Προσχολικής Εκπαίδευσης του Αγίου Νικολάου παρέχει ένα ασφαλές περιβάλλον, ένα σπίτι μακριά από το σπιτι, ένα σπίτι μάθησης. Ανοίξαμε τις πόρτες μας στα μέσα Απριλίου 2017. Ξεκινήσαμε με μόλις 5 παιδιά και τώρα έχουμε 30 παιδιά εγγεγραμμένα στο πρόγραμμα μας. Δεχόμαστε παιδιά από 6 εβδομάδων μέχρι 5 ετών. Αυτή τη στιγμή υπαρχουν θέσεις μόνο



για παιδιά προσχολικης ηλικίας 3-5 ετών. Αν έχετε οποιαδήποτε ερώτηση μη διστάσετε να επικοινωνήσετε με την υπεύθυνη Σοφία Μοσχονισιώτη στο τηλέφωνο 410-633-5020, γραμμή 4

Τον Απρίλιο γιορτάσαμε το Πάσχα με επίσκεψη από το Πασχαλινό Κουνελάκι και αναζήτηση των πασχαλινών αυγών. Οι μαθητές μας διασκέδασαν ψάχνοντας τα πασχαλινά αυγά που είχε κρύψει το Πασχαλινό Κουνελάκι που ήταν γεμάτα με γλυκές εκπλήξεις. Στις 5 Απριλίου το σχολείο μας γιόρτασε επίσης τον ένα χρόνο λειτουργίας του, με διοργάνωση πρωινού για τους γονείς των μαθητών μας.

Αυτό το μήνα, οι μαθητές μας θα μάθουν πως να φυτεύουν και να φροντίζουν λουλούδια. Θα τα παρακοληθήσουν να μεγαλώνουν για να τα προσφέρουν στις μητέρες τους για τη γιορτή της Μητέρας. Οι μαθητές θα διδαχτούν επίσης για το κύκλο ζωής της πεταλούδας. Σε κάθε αίθουσα θα υπάρχουν ζωντανές κάμπιες, όπου παρακολουθώντας τες καθημερινά θα διδάχτούμε το θαύμα της μεταμόρωσης. Ανυπομονούμε να τις δούμε να μεταμορφώνονται σε όμορφες πεταλούδες.

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## **NOTICES**



## THE AMERICAN HELLENIC SOCIETY

OF ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

The American Hellenic Society is now welcoming couples of mixed Greek and American backgrounds!



Our first event was a great success! Look for information soon about a Spring cookout!

For information, please email <a href="mailto:info@ahsofstnicholas.org">info@ahsofstnicholas.org</a>



## **HOLY PENTECOST - SUNDAY, MAY 27 (Continued)**

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#### Icon of the Feast

The icon of the Feast of Pentecost is known as "The Descent of the Holy Spirit". It is an icon of bold colors of red and gold signifying that this is a great event. The movement of the icon is from the top to the bottom. At the top of the icon is a semicircle with rays coming from it. The rays are pointing toward the Apostles, and the tongues of fire are seen descending upon each one of them signifying the descent of the Holy Spirit.

The building in the background of the icon represents the upper room where the Disciples of Christ gathered after the Ascension. The Apostles are shown seated in a semicircle which shows the unity of the Church. Included in the group of the Apostles is Saint Paul, who, though not present with the others on the day of Pentecost, became an Apostle of the Church and the greatest missionary. Also included are the four Evangelists, Matthew, Mark, Luke, and John, holding books of the Gospel, while the other Apostles are holding scrolls that represent the teaching authority given to them by Christ.

In the center of the icon below the Apostles, a royal figure is seen against a dark background. This is a symbolic figure, Cosmos, representing the people of the world living in darkness and sin, and involved in pagan worship. However, the figure carries in his hands a cloth containing scrolls which represent the teaching of the Apostles. The tradition of the Church holds that the Apostles carried the message of the Gospel to all parts of the world.

In the icon of Pentecost we see the fulfillment of the promise of the Holy Spirit, sent down upon the Apostles who will teach the nations and baptize them in the name of the Holy Trinity. Here we see that the Church is brought together and sustained in unity through the presence and work of the Holy Spirit, that the Spirit guides the Church in the missionary endeavor throughout the world, and that the Spirit nurtures the Body of Christ, the Church, in truth and love.

#### Orthodox Christian Celebration of the Feast of Pentecost

This great Feast of the Church is celebrated with the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom on the Sunday that is the fiftieth day after the celebration of Pascha. The Liturgy is conducted on the day of the Feast, and is preceded the evening before by a Great Vespers service and on the morning of the Feast by the Matins service. On the day of the Feast a Vespers service is conducted that includes the kneeling prayers. These prayers mark the beginning of the practice of kneeling during the Liturgy at the time when the holy gifts of bread and wine are consecrated as the body and blood of Christ. The practice of kneeling has been suspended during the Paschal season. On the Monday following the Feast, the Divine Liturgy is conducted in commemoration of the All-holy and Life-creating and All-powerful Spirit, Who is God, and One of the Trinity, and of one honor and one essence and one glory with the Father and the Son (From the Synaxarion of the Feast).

Scripture readings for the Feast are the following: At the Saturday Vespers: Numbers 11:16-17, 24-29; Joel 2:23-32; Ezekiel 36:24-28. At the Orthros (Matins): John 20:19-23. At the Pentecost Sunday Divine Liturgy: Acts 2:1-11; John 7:37-52, 8:12. At the Divine Liturgy on the Monday of the Holy Spirit: Ephesians 5:8-19; Matthew 18:10-20.

#### Prayer of the Holy Spirit

Heavenly King, Comforter, the Spirit of Truth, everywhere present and filling all things, Treasury of blessings and Giver of life: come and abide in us, cleanse us from every impurity and save our souls, O Good One.

#### Hymns of the Feast

Apolytikion (Plagal Tone Four)

Blessed are You, O Christ our God, who made fisherman all-wise, by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit, and through them, drawing all the world into Your net. O Loving One, glory be to You.

Kontakion (Plagal Tone Four)

When the Most High came down and confounded tongues of men at Babel, He divided the nations. When He dispensed the tongues of fire, He called all to unity, and with one voice we glorify the Most Holy Spirit.

## JOY PROGRAM

## ~ The St. Nicholas JOY Program ~

The JOY Program is designed for ages 3-11. The program will prepare our children for GOYA and will emphasize the same goals of fellowship and

understanding of our faith.



Please join us at our next meeting on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>May19th</u>. Please feel free to contact me at 443-221-8024 or ckouroublakis@gmail.com for more information.

The JOY group meets once a month every third Saturday from the hours of 12:00 Noon to 2:00 pm. Each meeting has a theme based on the Ecclesiastical Feast Days of the month. Activities include Crafts, Games, Basketball practice, and a lesson by Fr. Michael. Snacks will be provided by the parish.

## **CHURCH PROJECTS**

We are happy to report that the repair of the 33 main floor church pews and 11 balcony pews are almost complete. The Parish Council located two additional kneelers and will be ordering additional book holders for the pews. The two kneelers will be installed when the new book holders arrive. Please note the pews in the balcony area are not the same quality as the pews on the main floor and great effort was made to restore them. The pews were cleaned of built-up residue, repaired, stained and re-lacquered with a satin finish by Bahret Church Interiors for \$9,906.00. Since the pews have been so thoroughly cleaned, the natural wood grain may be felt by touch. The appearance of the pews will improve over the next 60 days as the lacquer cures. Also, it is important to note that every scratch or distress mark isn't going to be removed due to the normal aging of the wood.

The Parish Council chose the best and most economical option available. Stripping and refinishing was not an option as the wood is too old (60 + years) and the lacquer on the refinished old wood would transfer onto the parishioners clothing during hot, humid days. The process of refinishing 33 pews would have cost approximately \$30,000.00. Purchasing new pews would have been too expensive – at a cost of \$56,981.00.

The Parish Council used the funds donated for the church by Mr. Peter Angelos.

The Parish Council is actively fundraising to replace the carpet in the church, repair the church ceiling and refinish the church chandeliers.







## 2018 CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD

Registration is now open!

July 16 - 20 at Camp Wo Me To - Jarrettsville, MD

To register - <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/Sdewr2w8UbHsEvqN2">https://goo.gl/forms/Sdewr2w8UbHsEvqN2</a>

Staff are also needed in all areas. To register - <a href="https://goo.gl/forms/o2NYbmDnaE7uJ8b92">https://goo.gl/forms/o2NYbmDnaE7uJ8b92</a>

## PAN-HELLENIC NEWS

## Ανακοίνωση από το Συμβούλιο του Χορευτικού Συλλόγου ΠΑΝ-ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ

Το Συμβούλιο του Χορευτικού Συλλόγου ΠΑΝ-ΗΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ επιθυμεί να ενημερώσει όλα τα άτομα τα οποία κατά διαστήματα συμμετείχαν, χόρευαν με το ΠΑΝ ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ, από της ιδρύσεώς του, ότι προσπαθώντας να κάνει καταγραφή των παραδοσιακών στολών τις οποίες είχε φτιάξει η αείμνηστη και αλησμόνητη κ. Λέλα Αγγέλου, ήρθε αντιμέτωπος με τα εξής προβλήματα:

- 1. Διαπίστωσε ότι δεν έχει όλες τις στολές και
- 2. Ότι λείπουν μεμονομένα κομμάτια από διάφορες παραδοσιακές στολές.

Παρακαλούμε λοιπόν όλα τα άτομα που χόρεψαν κατά διαστήματα με το γκρούπ του ΠΑΝ-ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ να κάνουν μία επιδρομή στους

ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ να κάνουν μία επιδρομή στους αποθηκκευτικούς χώρους του σπιτιού τους και εάν βρουν κάποια ξεχασμένη παραδοσιακή στολή ή κάποιο κομμάτι αυτών, όπως καπέλο, μαντήλι κεφαλής, ζώνη ή ζωνάρι, ποδιά, γιλέκο με τις χρυσές τρέσες κ.λ.π. επίσης γιλέκο αντρικό, πουκάμισο ανδρικό, ζωνάρι θαλασσί και ανδρική βράκα μαύρη, τα οποία κομμάτια αποτελούσαν ανδρική παραδοσιακή στολή, που φόραγαν κορίτσια παριστάνοντας τους καβαλιέρους του γκρουπ. Αυτές οι στολές ήταν 5 τώρα έχουμε μόνο 1 γιλέκο, και 1 ζωνάρι.

Καταλαβαίνουμε ότι επειδή το ΠΑΝ-ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ δεν ήταν σε λειτουργία για πολλά χρόνια, πιθανώς δεν ξέρατε που να αποτανθείτε για να τα παραδώσετε. Τώρα είναι η κατάληλη στιγμή γι' αυτό. Απευθύνουμε λοιπόν θερμή παράκληση σε όλες σας, αν υπάρχει στο σπίτι σας κάποια στολή είτε κάποιο από τα κομμάτια, να τα επιστρέψετε στο Σύλλογο, τηλεφωνώντας στο 443-845-8903 για να κλείσετε ένα ραντεβού με τη Στάσα Χατζηευθυμίου Λουκάκη.

Σας ευχαριστούμε εκ των προτέρων Από το Συμβούλιο του Συλλόγοδυ ΠΑΝ-ΧΕΛΛΕΝΙΚ



## **NOTICES**



Greek food & Desserts

Beer, Wine & Spirits

Amusement for Kids



Greek Music
Silent Auction & Vendors
Live Greek Folk Dancing

\*\*FREE ADMISSION & FREE ON-SITE PARKING\*\*

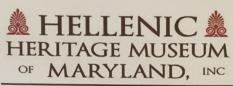


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#### LUNCHEON

Please join the Hellenic Heritage Museum Committee for an enjoyable luncheon on Sunday, May 6th after services in the Father Constantine Monios Hall, at the Annunciation Cathedral.

- Learn more about the museum's programs and plans
- View a sampling of some of the treasures that the museum has in its collection
- Hear a fascinating preview presentation about how to research our Greek ancestry from Carol Kostakos Petranek; Hellenic Genealogist and Co-Director of the Washington DC Family History Center. (more to come at a future seminar)
- Hear a very interesting story shared by Antigoni Lefteris Ladd from Tigrett Leadership about the recent community research project she led.

Donation: \$10.00.

Please contact Maria Letras for tickets by April 30<sup>th</sup> at marigold1@me.com or (410) 916-3764

# <u>United Chios Societies</u> <u>of Baltimore Scholarship</u>



Application forms are available in the Church Office and are due no later than Friday, July 13, 2018

## FESTIVAL NEWS



PREPARATIONS ARE NOW UNDERWAY FOR THE 2018 ST. NICHOLAS FESTIVAL!

- MANY VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED TO MAKE THIS A SUCCESSFUL EVENT. IT IS IMPORTANT THAT EVERY PARISHIONER DONATE THEIR TIME AND TALENT. IT IS OUR CHURCH'S BIGGEST FUNDRAISER AND IT IS CRITICAL FOR THE FINANCIAL WELL-BEING OF OUR BELOVED COMMUNITY. THERE WILL BE A WIDE VARIETY OF VOLUNTEER OPTIONS FOR EVERYONE. PLEASE CONTACT THE CHURCH THE OFFICE (410-633-5020) OR PENNY (SEND2 PENNY@AOL.COM) TO SIGN UP! THERE IS ALSO A SIGN-UP SHEET IN THE CHURCH ATRIUM. CHECK YOUR EMAIL FOR FESTIVAL MEETING NOTICES!
- YIAYIA'S BASEMENT WILL BE SELLING DONATED ITEMS AGAIN THIS YEAR AT THE CHURCH. WE ARE NOW COLLECTING THE FOLLOWING:
  - JEWELRY & ACCESSORIES
  - HOUSEHOLD ITEMS
  - COLLECTABLES
  - LINENS (MARK DIMENSIONS)
  - ARTWORK
  - HOLIDAY ITEMS
  - BOOKS, CDS, DVDS

## WE CANNOT ACCEPT THE FOLLOWING:

- NO TOYS OR SMALL ELECTRONICS
- NO LUGGAGE
- NO FURNITURE
- NO CLOTHING OR SHOES
- NO MATTRESSES OR PILLOWS
- NO 8 TRACKS/VHS,/CASSETTES OR TVS

CONTACT MARIA AT 410-633-5020 TO SET UP YOUR DONATION!

- AD BOOK SALES ARE NOW UNDERWAY! WE ARE ASKING THAT ALL PARISHIONERS OF ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH TO PLEASE PURCHASE AD SPACE IF YOU OWN A BUSINESS OR WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE A MEMORIAL OR CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE. PLEASE ALSO USE ANY CONNECTIONS YOU MAY HAVE TO ASSIST WITH THE AD SALES. ALL PROCEEDS BENEFIT OUR CHURCH. IF YOU OR SOMEONE YOU KNOW IS INTERESTED IN PLACING AN AD, PLEASE CONTACT KYRA AT KONTOUDISK@GMAIL.COM OR VISIT STNICHOLASMD.ORG AND CLICK THE FESTIVAL AD THEN THE AD BOOK LINK
- **RAFFLE TICKETS** WILL BE MAILED THE WEEK AFTER EASTER. PLEASE ASSIST US WITH SELLING THE TICKETS THIS IS A HUGE REVENUE SOURCE FOR THE FESTIVAL. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT CONTACT MARIA AT 410-633-5020.
- · VENDORS SPACE STILL AVAILABLE! FIND THE FORM @ STNICHOLASMD.ORG

## FESTIVAL AD BOOK FORM - RESERVE NOW!

# GREEK FOLK FESTIVAL

Check if same ad as 2017

## AD PLACEMENT ORDER FORM

Support St. Nicholas Church by purchasing your ad space for 2018 now! Don't forget weddings, baptisms, engagements, graduations, memorials

\$400 - Full Page - 6" x 9"

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\$125 - Quarter Page - 3" x 4.5"

(If Available):

\$600 - Back Cover

\$600 - Inside Front Cover

\$500 - Inside Back Cover

**DEADLINE: MONDAY, MAY 1ST** 

Completed forms and artwork must be received by 5/1/18 or placement cannot be guaranteed in the ad book

Artwork to <a href="mailto:adrienne@kosaridesign.com">adrienne@kosaridesign.com</a>

Company: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address:

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Submission date: / / 2018

<u>NOTE</u>: Please e-mail an electronic version of your ad to <u>adrienne@kosaridesign.com</u> by Monday, May 1. Ads that do not fit the measurements above will be resized. No bleed edge required. Please check box at top of form if same ad as 2017.

PAYMENT: Please send your form and check made out to: St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival 2018

Ad Book, 520 South Ponca Street, Baltimore, MD 21224. To pay with a credit card please contact



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## **LITURGICAL PROGRAM - MAY**

Sunday, May 6 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Sunday, May 13 Sunday of the Blind Man: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Thursday, May 17 Holy Ascension of our Lord: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am
Sunday, May 20 Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Monday, May 21 Sts. Constantine & Helen Equal to the Apostles: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Lit. 9:30
Saturday, May 26 Saturday of the Souls: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am
Sunday, May 27 HOLY PENTECOST: Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Monday, May 28 Celebration of the Holy Spirit: Orthros 8:45 Divine Liturgy 9:30 am



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Monday, May 28 Memorial Day at the Cemetery: Service at Oak Lawn will begin at 11:00 am

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## **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

Saturday, May 5th: The Ladies Philoptchos Mother's Day Brunch

Tuesday, May 8th: The Diamonds Monthly Meeting at 1 p.m.,

The Parish Council Monthly Meeting at 7 p.m.

Tuesday, May 8th: Philoptochos Meeting at 7 p.m.

Saturday, May 12th to Sunday, May 13th: The GOYA Away Basketball Tournament sponsored by

the Ss. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church of Annapolis

Saturday, May 12th: The Ladies Panchian Society Monthly Meeting at 1 p.m.

Sunday, May 13th: Mother's Day

Monday, May 14th: GOYA Monthly Meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Sunday, May 20th: The Diamonds Patron Saint Celebration Artoclasia; Scholarship Sunday by the

Ladies Philoptochos Society

Friday, May 25th: The GOYA End of Year Celebration and Elections.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Monday, June 4th: Festival Set-Up at the Church and Plateia Begins

Wednesday, June 6th: GOYAns, Church Volunteers complete Festival Set-up at the Plateia

starting at 6 p.m. or earlier.

Thursday, June 7th: Opening Ceremonies for the Festival begin at 7 p.m.

Friday, June 8th: St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival from 12 noon to 10 p.m.

Saturday, June 9th: St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival from 12 noon to 10 p.m.

Sunday, June 10th: St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival from 12 noon to 10 p.m.

Sunday, June 17th: GOYA Donuts for Dad Appreciation Sunday.

Monday, June 18th- June 22nd: Vacation Bible School.

Tuesday, June 19th-June 20th: GOYA End of Year Trip.