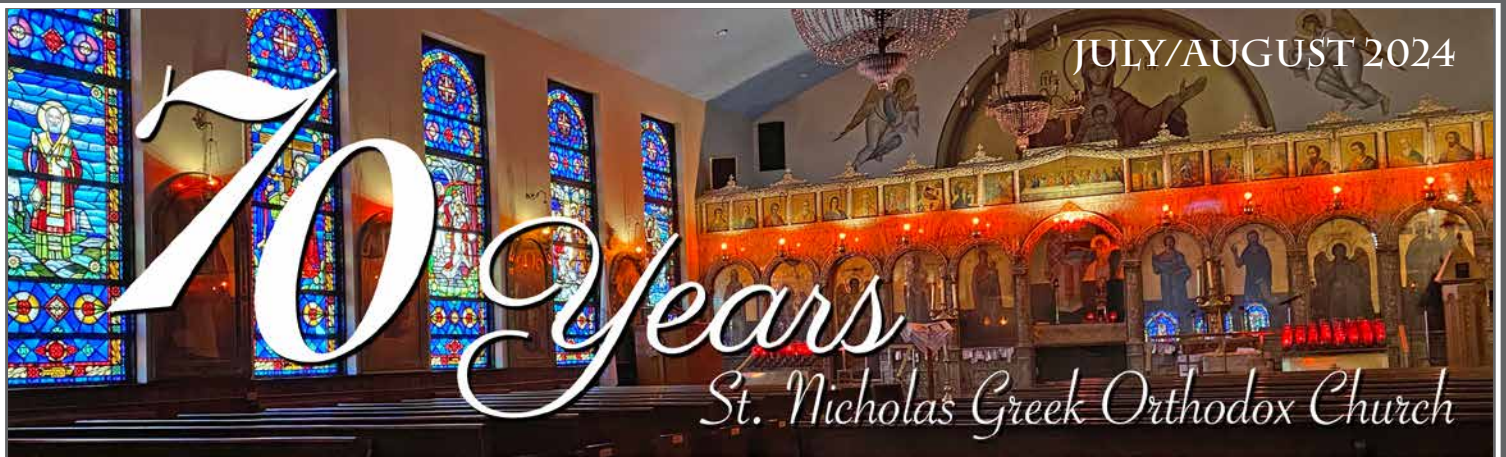


JULY/AUGUST 2024



St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

Message from FR. GEORGIOS OIKONOMOU, PROTOPRESBYTER

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

We welcome the summer months of July and August, leaving behind June, a month full of beautiful moments, rich activities, and, above all, the blessing of God. The greatest event of June for our community was, without a doubt, the great Greek Festival. I would like to share some thoughts on my experiences during those four days.

The Saint Nicholas Greek Festival was a great success. Thousands of visitors from all nationalities—young children, pupils, students, young, middle-aged, elderly—felt more than welcome. Everyone enjoyed the genuine Greek and warm hospitality. They were entertained by the beautiful music and joined in a big round dance, the most known “Kalamatiano”. The deliciousness of the Greek food, a result of the secret recipe, which today I will reveal and disclose to all, gave pleasure to everyone. So, what is the secret recipe? It is love! It is the special “ritual” of preparing each dish in the unique way passed down from generation to generation, traveling with our ancestors across the ocean from the Greek islands and other parts of our homeland to arrive here in Baltimore. The secret recipe is also a courtesy of our wonderful ladies, who, for months prior to the Festival, devoted their mornings and often afternoons to preparing these foods. Hand-rolling a thousand dolmades. Artfully passing the meat through the skewers. Preparing sweet and savory treats. And as they prepared them, they sang, laughed, danced, exchanged banter, and told stories of old. Even though each one had the sufferings, the pains, the sorrows, and the troubles of life, there was the inspiration of giving back to our church and community. These people know all too well that it was through such sacrifices and efforts that our church was built. And now they are, in turn, offering their time and effort so that this work may continue for generations to come. I express my deepest gratitude and unlimited respect to these anonymous volunteers who toiled before and during the Festival for their great contribution, and I pray that God, through the intercession of St. Nicholas, will reward them and their families with rich blessings for their great contribution to our church.

Another element of the festival that I want to mention is the Traditional Dances that were presented. Thirteen dance groups of Traditional Dances delighted the visitors by presenting well-executed Greek Dances from every corner of our country. I would particularly like to mention the four dance groups of our community: the BEEC, the Greek School, the Hellenic Golden Coins, and the Panhellenic Dance Group. Each of them presented their program with special and unique beauty, filling us with joy, hope, and optimism for the future. The young children deservedly took over the baton from the older ones, filling us with expectations. Personally, it was a thrilling moment for me when I heard Stamatis Stamoulis, a young boy, playing the clarinet with such heartfelt

expression that he had nothing to envy from an experienced instrumentalist. These moments are truly a blessing from God. May Almighty God bless and protect all children. And may we elders reflect on our sacred responsibilities to them so that children and young people always feel beautiful in the church space, welcome, feeling our love and not our strictness or excessive demands.



I would like to conclude by sharing one more thought with you. What is ultimately the purpose of a Festival, and how can its success be measured? By how much money we made? That is certainly one way, and in that sense, the Festival was successful. However, I personally believe that the purpose and success of the Festival is much deeper and more substantial. The purpose is to witness the Orthodox Christian Faith to our visitors and to acquaint them with the ideals and values of our homeland. It is a unique opportunity to talk to them about Lord Jesus Christ our Savior and Greece. I have to confess that I was impressed and touched by the goodwill of many visitors who wanted to hear and learn about our faith. They had questions and asked for information about Orthodox Tradition and Worship. They visited our church, marveled at its beauty, lit a candle, and sat in the pews to pray. They wanted to learn a few Greek words or joyfully shared the words or expressions they knew. They showed interest in Greek history. Therefore, the Greek Festival is not just “souvlaki and fustanellas,” as some people think. It is an opportunity for us to make our tradition known to the people of our neighborhood and city, with whom we live together, sharing the same country. And, if, as many say, the beautiful and blessed land of America is a mosaic of countless ethnic, cultural, and religious traditions, the Greek Orthodox Church and tradition has provided some of the most beautiful, significant, and spiritually enriching pieces of this mosaic. We could say that Greek tradition is as necessary as the salt that flavors the food, without which the food would be bland and tasteless.

May God grant that next year we will again celebrate the Saint Nicholas Greek Festival with success and enthusiasm. Until then, and as many of our parishioners have already traveled to Greece or are about to do so, I wish everyone safe and happy travels and a happy reunion. Whether you are here or anywhere, you are always first in my heart and prayers.

With paternal love in Christ,
Fr. Georgios Oikonomou
Protopresbyter

Kainonia

GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF
AMERICA METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY



Αγαπητοί μου εν Χριστώ αδελφοί,

Υποδεχόμαστε τους καλοκαιρινούς μήνες του Ιουλίου και του Αυγούστου, αφήνοντας πίσω μας τον Ιούνιο. Έναν μήνα που ήταν γεμάτος με όμορφες στιγμές, πλούσιες δραστηριότητες και προπάντων την ευλογία του Θεού. Το σπουδαιότερο γεγονός του Ιουνίου για την κοινότητά μας ήταν πέρα από κάθε αμφιβολία το μεγάλο Ελληνικό Πανηγύρι και θα ήθελα να μοιραστώ μαζί σας στη συνέχεια μερικές σκέψεις από όσα βίωσα αυτές τις τέσσερις μέρες.

Το Ελληνικό Πανηγύρι του Αγίου Νικολάου, το περίφημο Φεστιβάλ, γνώρισε μεγάλη επιτυχία. Χιλιάδες επισκέπτες όλων των εθνικοτήτων, μικρά παιδιά, μαθητές, φοιτητές, νέοι, μεσήλικες, ηλικιωμένοι, όλοι ένιωθαν ευπρόσδεκτοι και καλοδεχούμενοι. Όλοι απόλαυσαν τη γνήσια ελληνική και ζεστή φιλοξενία. Διασκέδασαν με την όμορφη μουσική και ενώθηκαν σε μεγάλο κυκλωτικό χορό. Η νοστιμιά του ελληνικού φαγητού ως αποτέλεσμα της κρυφής συνταγής, που σήμερα θα φανερώσω και θα αποκαλύψω σε όλους, πρόσφερε ευχαρίστηση στους πάντες. Ποια είναι λοιπόν η μυστική συνταγή; Είναι η αγάπη! Είναι το μεράκι! Είναι το φιλότιμο! Είναι το ιδιαίτερο «τελετουργικό» προετοιμασίας του κάθε φαγητού με τον μοναδικό τρόπο, όπως μεταδόθηκε από γενιά σε γενιά και ταξίδεψε μαζί με τους προγόνους μας διασχίζοντας ολόκληρο τον Ωκεανό, ξεκινώντας από τα ελληνικά νησιά και τα άλλα μέρη της πατρίδας μας για να φτάσει εδώ στη Βαλτιμόρη. Η μυστική συνταγή είναι επίσης η προσφορά των θαυμάσιων κυριών μας, που μήνες ολόκληρους πριν το Φεστιβάλ αφιέρωναν τα πρωίνα τους και πολλές φορές τα απογεύματα στην προετοιμασία αυτών των δεσμάτων. Τυλίγοντας στο χέρι με τρυφερότητα, μαστοριά και μεράκι έναν έναν χιλιάδες ντολμάδες. Περνώντας με τέχνη το κρέας στα καλαμάκια. Ετοιμάζοντας τα γλυκά και τα αλμυρά κεράσματα. Και καθώς τα ετοιμάζαν τραγουδούσαν, γελούσαν, χόρευαν, αντάλλασσαν πειράγματα και έλεγαν ιστορίες από τα παλιά τα χρόνια. Κι ας είχε ο καθένας και η καθεμία τα βάσανα, τους πόνους, τους καημούς, τα προβλήματα της ζωής. Υπήρχε η έμπνευση της προσφοράς στην εκκλησία και την κοινότητά μας. Γιατί γνωρίζουν πολύ καλά αυτοί οι άνθρωποι ότι με τέτοιες θυσίες και προσπάθειες χτίστηκε η εκκλησία μας. Και τώρα προσφέρουν με τη σειρά τους τον χρόνο και τον κόπο τους, για να συνεχιστεί και στις επόμενες γενιές αυτό το έργο. Εκφράζω τη βαθύτατη ευγνωμοσύνη μου και τον απεριόριστο σεβασμό μου σε αυτούς τους ανώνυμους ήρωες εθελοντές, που κοπίασαν πριν αλλά και κατά τη διάρκεια του Φεστιβάλ για την σπουδαία προσφορά τους και προσεύχομαι ο Θεός διά πρεσβειών του Αγίου Νικολάου να ανταμείψει με πλούσια ευλογία τους ίδιους και τις οικογένειές τους για την σπουδαία συνεισφορά τους στην εκκλησία μας.

Ένα άλλο στοιχείο του πανηγυριού, που θέλω να αναφέρω, είναι οι Παραδοσιακοί Χοροί, που παρουσιάστηκαν. Δεκατρία χορευτικά συγκροτήματα Παραδοσιακών Χορών ενθουσίασαν και ξεσήκωσαν τους επισκέπτες παρουσιάζοντας άρτια Ελληνικούς Χορούς από κάθε γωνιά της πατρίδας μας. Ιδιαίτερα θα ήθελα να αναφερθώ στα τέσσερα χορευτικά τμήματα της κοινότητάς μας, του Παιδικού Σταθμού, του Ελληνικού Σχολείου, των Ελληνικών Χρυσών Φλουριών και του Πανελληνίου Χορευτικού Συγκροτήματος. Το

καθένα από αυτά με ιδιαίτερη και μοναδική ομορφιά παρουσίασε το πρόγραμμά του και μας πλημμύρισαν με χαρά, ελπίδα και αισιοδοξία για το μέλλον. Τα μικρά παιδιά παραλαμβάνουν πανάξια τη σκυτάλη από τους μεγαλύτερους και μας γεμίζουν με προσδοκίες. Προσωπικά, ήταν συγκλονιστική στιγμή για εμένα όταν άκουσα τον Σταμάτη Σταμούλη, ένα παιδί νεαρής ηλικίας, να παίζει κλαρίνο με τέτοια μαστοριά και εγκάρδια έκφραση, που δεν είχε τίποτα να ζηλέψει από έμπειρο οργανοπαίχτη. Αυτές οι στιγμές είναι αληθινά ευλογία Θεού. Ο Πανάγαθος Θεός να ευλογεί και να προστατεύει όλα τα παιδιά. Και εμείς οι μεγαλύτεροι να αναλογιστούμε τις ιερές ευθύνες μας απέναντί τους, ώστε τα παιδιά και οι νέοι να αισθάνονται πάντα όμορφα στον χώρο της εκκλησίας, ευπρόσδεκτα, να αισθάνονται την αγάπη μας και όχι την αυστηρότητα ή τις υπερβολικές απαιτήσεις μας.

Θα ήθελα ολοκληρώνοντας να μοιραστώ μαζί σας ακόμα μία σκέψη. Ποιος είναι τελικά ο σκοπός ενός Φεστιβάλ και με ποιον τρόπο μπορεί να αποτιμηθεί η επιτυχία του; Ανάλογα με το πόσα λεφτά κάναμε; Αυτός είναι σίγουρα ένας τρόπος. Και υπό αυτή την έννοια ήταν επιτυχημένο το Φεστιβάλ. Θεωρώ, ωστόσο, προσωπικά ότι ο σκοπός και η επιτυχία του Φεστιβάλ είναι πολύ βαθύτερα και ουσιαστικά. Σκοπός είναι η μαρτυρία της Ορθόδοξης Χριστιανικής Πίστης στους επισκέπτες μας. Και επιπλέον η συνάντηση και η γνωριμία τους με τα ιδανικά και τις αξίες της πατρίδας μας. Είναι μια μοναδική ευκαιρία να τους μιλήσουμε για τον Χριστό και την Ελλάδα. Και ομολογώ ότι εντυπωσιάστηκα και συγκινήθηκα από την καλή προαίρεση πολλών επισκεπτών, που ήθελαν να ακούσουν και να μάθουν για την πίστη μας. Είχαν ερωτήσεις και ζητούσαν πληροφορίες για την Ορθόδοξη Παράδοση και τη Λατρεία. Επισκέπτονταν την εκκλησία μας και θαύμαζαν την ομορφιά της. Άναβαν κεράκι και κάθονταν στα στασίδια να προσευχηθούν. Ήθελαν να μάθουν λίγες ελληνικές λέξεις ή μοιράζονταν με χαρά όσες λέξεις ή εκφράσεις γνώριζαν. Έδειχναν ενδιαφέρον για την Ελληνική Ιστορία. Το Ελληνικό Πανηγύρι λοιπόν δεν είναι μόνο «σουβλάκια και φουστανέλες», όπως κάποιοι νομίζουν. Είναι η ευκαιρία που έχουμε να κάνουμε γνωστή την παράδοσή μας στους ανθρώπους της γειτονιάς και της πόλης μας, με τους οποίους ζούμε μαζί, μοιραζόμαστε την ίδια χώρα. Και, αν όπως λένε πολλοί, η όμορφη και ευλογημένη χώρα της Αμερικής είναι ένα ψηφιδωτό από αναρίθμητες εθνικές, πολιτισμικές και θρησκευτικές παραδόσεις, η Ελληνική Ορθόδοξη Εκκλησία και παράδοση έχει προσφέρει μερικές από τις ομορφότερες, σπουδαιότερες και πνευματικά υψηλότερες ψηφίδες. Θα μπορούσαμε να πούμε ότι η ελληνική παράδοση είναι απαραίτητη σαν το αλάτι που νοστιμίζει το φαγητό και χωρίς αυτό το φαγητό θα είναι άνοστο και άγευστο.

Να μας αξιώσει ο Θεός και του χρόνου να γιορτάσουμε πάλι με επιτυχία και ενθουσιασμό το Ελληνικό Πανηγύρι του Αγίου Νικολάου. Μέχρι τότε και καθώς πολλοί ενορίτες μας ήδη ταξίδεψαν στην Ελλάδα ή πρόκειται να ταξιδέψουν, εύχομαι σε όλους καλά και ασφαλή ταξίδια και καλή αντάμωση. Είτε βρίσκεστε εδώ είτε οπουδήποτε, έχετε πάντα πρώτη θέση στην καρδιά και τις προσευχές μου.

Με εν Χριστώ αγάπη,
Πρωτοπρεσβύτερος Γεώργιος Οικονόμου

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Please submit your article(s) to the Koinonia staff by the deadline stated below:

ISSUE MONTH: SEPTEMBER 2024

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Please email your article(s) to: vkotsatou@stnicholasmd.org

Articles are due no later than the 20th of each month. If they are received after the deadline they will be published in the following month's issue.

All articles must be proofread and color corrected prior to submission.

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear parishioners and friends of our church,

Once again, we proved the enormous power of volunteering. We proved in practice that we all worked our miracle together at our festival this year and we had the desired result we were asking for...God's blessing on our beautiful collaboration. Because one of the most well-known benefits of volunteering is its impact on our community. Volunteering allows us to connect with the members of our community and with excellent cooperation to make the illegal, legitimate. Even a little help can make a huge difference in the lives of our community and also It benefits us and our family. Dedicating time to volunteering gives the opportunity for new relationships, expands the social circle and strengthens our social skills. One of the best ways to make new friends and strengthen existing relationships is to commit to doing things with other people from time to time. Volunteering is the best way to meet new people especially if we are new to the area. It strengthens ties with the community and widens the social network because we find people with common interests and enjoy common activities together. All this together gave us the satisfaction of our success.

A simple thank you is so small for how much you have given my dears to our community, for how much you have worked for our festival. We thank you from the bottom of our hearts, everyone. That you did to get them back health and family happiness. Have a wonderful summer full of the Lord's blessing.

*With immense love & appreciation,
Stamatia Ieromonachos
President of St. Nicholas Parish Council
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church of Baltimore*

Αγαπημένοι μας ενορίτες και φίλοι της εκκλησίας μας,

Για μια ακόμη φορά αποδείξαμε την τεράστια δύναμη του εθελοντισμού. Αποδείξαμε εμπράκτως ότι όλοι μαζί κάναμε το θαύμα μας και στο φετινό φεστιβάλ μας και είχαμε το πολυπόθητο αποτέλεσμα που παρακαλούσαμε...Ευλογία Θεού λοιπόν η όμορφη συνεργασία μας. Γιατί ένα από τα πιο γνωστά οφέλη του εθελοντισμού είναι η επίδραση του στην κοινότητα μας. Ο εθελοντισμός μας επιτρέπει να συνδεθούμε με τα μέλη της κοινότητας μας και με άριστη συνεργασία να κάνουμε το αθέμιτο, θεμιτό .



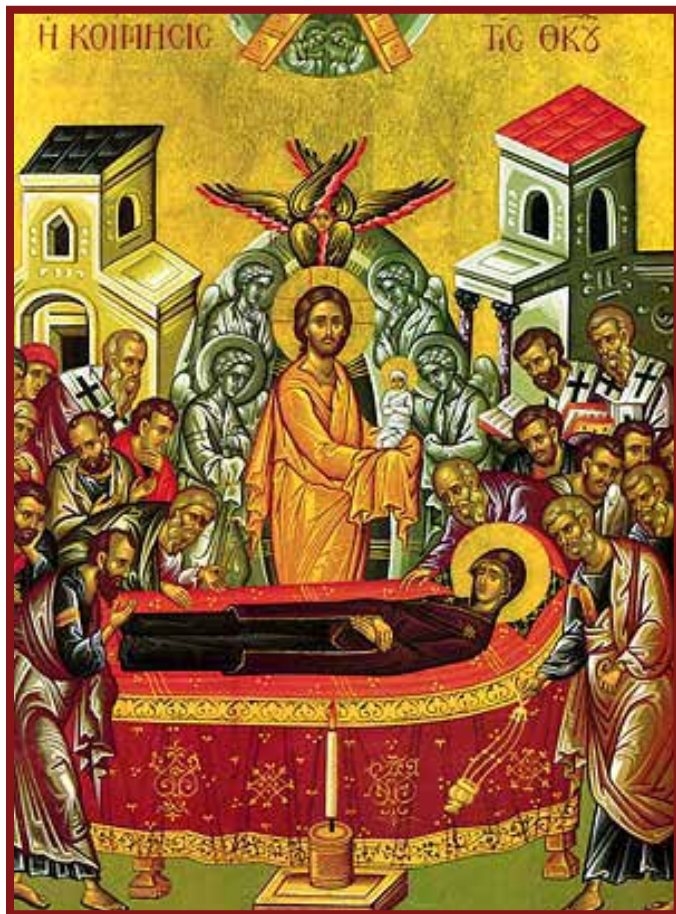
Ακόμη και η μικρή βοήθεια μπορεί να κάνει την τεράστια διαφορά στην ζωή της κοινότητας μας και επίσης. Οφελεί εμάς και την οικογένεια μας. Η αφιέρωση χρόνου σε εθελοντισμό δίνει την ευκαιρία για νέες σχέσεις, διευρύνεται ο κοινωνικός κύκλος και ενισχύονται οι κοινωνικές δεξιότητες μας. Ένας από τους καλύτερους τρόπους να κάνουμε νέους φίλους και να ενισχύσουμε τις υπάρχουσες σχέσεις είναι να δεσμευτούμε να κάνουμε κατά καιρούς πράγματα με άλλους ανθρώπους. Ο εθελοντισμός είναι ο καλύτερος τρόπος να γνωριστούμε με νέους ανθρώπους ειδικά αν είμαστε νέοι στην περιοχή. Ενισχύει τους δεσμούς με την κοινότητα και διευρύνει το κοινωνικό δίκτυο γιατί βρίσκουμε ανθρώπους με κοινά ενδιαφέροντα και απολαμβάνουμε παρέα κοινές δραστηριότητες. Όλα αυτά μαζί μας έδωσαν την ικανοποίηση της επιτυχίας μας.

Ένα απλό ευχαριστώ είναι τόσο μικρό στα τόσα που δώσατε αγαπημένοι μου στην κοινότητα μας, για το πόσο εργαστήκατε για το φεστιβάλ μας. Σας ευχαριστούμε από καρδιάς όλους μα όλους. Ότι κάνατε να τα πάρετε πίσω υγεία και οικογενειακή ευτυχία. Να έχετε ένα υπέροχο καλοκαίρι γεμάτο ευλογία Κυρίου

*Με απέραντο σεβασμό, αγάπη και εκτίμηση,
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Πρόεδρος Του Διοικητικού Συμβουλίου
Αγίου Νικολάου Βαλτιμόρης*

Dormition of the Theotokos

Courtesy of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
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Along with the biblical reference in Acts 1:14 that confirms that the Virgin Mary was with the Holy Apostles on the day of Pentecost, the tradition of the Church holds that she remained in the home of the Apostle John in Jerusalem, continuing a ministry in word and deed.

At the time of her death, the disciples of our Lord who were preaching throughout the world returned to Jerusalem to see the Theotokos. Except for the Apostle Thomas, all of them including the Apostle Paul were gathered together at her bedside. At the moment of her death, Jesus Christ himself descended and carried her soul into heaven.

Following her repose, the body of the Theotokos was taken in procession and laid in a tomb near the Garden of Gethsemane. When the Apostle Thomas arrived three days after her repose and desired to see her body, the tomb was found to be empty. The bodily assumption of the Theotokos was confirmed by the message of an angel and by her appearance to the Apostles.

Icon of the Feast

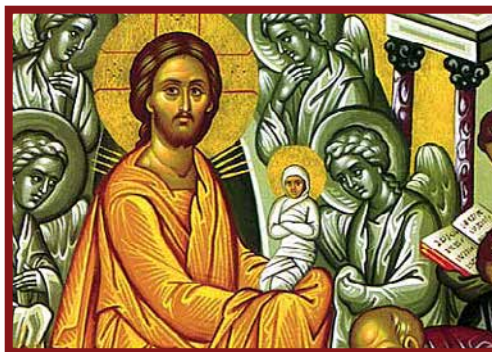
The Icon of the Feast of the Dormition of the Theotokos shows her on her deathbed surrounded by the Apostles. Christ is standing in the center (1.) looking at His mother. He is holding a small child clothed in white representing the soul of the Virgin Mary. With His golden garments, the angels above His head, and the mandorla surrounding Him, Christ is depicted in His divine glory.

Introduction

The Feast of the Dormition of Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary is celebrated on August 15 each year. The Feast commemorates the repose (dormition and in the Greek *kimisis*) or “falling-asleep” of the Mother of Jesus Christ, our Lord. The Feast also commemorates the translation or assumption into heaven of the body of the Theotokos.

Biblical Story

The Holy Scriptures tell us that when our Lord was dying on the Cross, He saw His mother and His disciple John and said to the Virgin Mary, “Woman, behold your son!” and to John, “Behold your mother!” (John 19:25-27). From that hour, the Apostle took care of the Theotokos in his own home.



1. Christ, appearing in His Glory, stands in the center of the icon cradling the soul of His Mother, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary.

The posture of the Apostles direct attention toward the Theotokos (2.). On the right Saint Peter censures the body of the Theotokos. On the left Saint Paul (3.) bows low in honor of her.

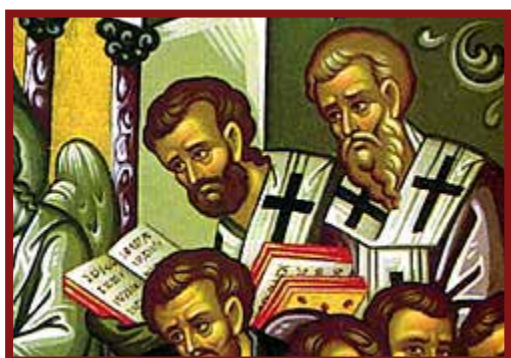
DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS - AUGUST 15



2. The Apostles bow their heads in reverence to the Theotokos as Saint Peter (right) censes her body (detail).

Together with the Apostles are several bishops (4.) and women. The bishops traditionally represented are James, the brother of the Lord, Timothy, Heirotheus, and Dionysius the Areopagite. They are shown wearing episcopal vestments. The women are members of the church in Jerusalem.

3. The Apostle Paul bows in honor of the Theotokos (detail).



4. Also in attendance to pray for the Theotokos were several Bishops (detail).

In front of the bed of the Theotokos is a candle (5.) that helps to form a central axis in the icon. Above the candle is the body of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary. Standing over His mother is Christ holding her most pure soul. Above Christ the gates of heaven stand open, ready to receive the Mother of God.

5. The Theotokos lies in the center of the icon surrounded by the Apostles and a candle in front of her bed (detail).



This great Feast of the Church and the icon celebrates a fundamental teaching of our faith—the Resurrection of the body. In the case of the Theotokos, this has been accomplished by the divine will of God. Thus, this Feast is a feast of hope, hope in Resurrection and life eternal. Like those who gathered around the body of the Virgin Mary, we gather around our departed loved ones and commend their souls into the hands of Christ. As we remember those who have reposed in the faith before us and have passed on into the communion of the Saints, we prepare ourselves to one day be received into the new life of the age to come.

We also affirm through this Feast as we journey toward our heavenly abode that the Mother of God intercedes for us. Through Christ she has become the mother of all of the children of God, embracing us with divine love.

[Orthodox Christian Celebration of the Feast of the Dormition](#)

The commemoration of the Dormition of the Theotokos and the preparation for the Feast begin on August 1 with a period of fasting. A strict fast is followed on most of the days (no meat, dairy, oil, or wine), with the exceptions of fish on the Feast of the Transfiguration (August 6) and the day of the Dormition. Oil and Wine are allowed on Saturdays and Sundays.

On the weekdays before the Feast, Paraklesis services are held in most parishes. These consist of the Great Paraklesis and the Small Paraklesis, both services of supplication and prayer for the intercessions of the Theotokos.

The Feast of the Dormition is celebrated with the Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom which is conducted on the morning of the Feast and preceded by a Matins (Orthros) service. A Great Vespers is conducted on the evening before the day of the Feast. Scripture readings for the Feast of the Dormition are the following: At Vespers: Genesis 28:10-17; Ezekiel 43:27-44:4; Proverbs 9:1-11. At the Matins: Luke 1:39-49, 56. At the Divine Liturgy: Philippians 2:5-11; Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28.

MEMORIALS

In Memory of Despina Polites

Ms. Arezina (Roza) Cornias

Ms. Kalliopi Philippou

Ms. Mary Serafis

Mr. Demetrios & Mrs. Eva Campanides

Mr. George & Mrs. Stavroula Chrisovergis

Ms. Anastasia Vasilakopoulos

Dr. Lambros & Mrs. Eva Stamatakis

Ms. Rose Tsakalos

Ms. Christina Rologas

Mr. Benjamin & Mrs. Janice Neil

Ms. Anastasia Koulatsos

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Moniodis

Saint Nicholas Ladies of Philoptochos

In Memory of Polychronis Alafassos

Ms. Kalliopi Philippou

In Memory of Gabriel Pantelides

Ms. Kalliopi Philippou

Mr. Jimmy & Mrs. Argie Maurakis

Ms. Maritsa Souranis

Mr. Christ Angelopoulos

In Memory of George Katsimpiris

Mrs. Nikola Katsimpiris Wallace

In Memory of Emmanuel Koukoulas

Ms. Anthie Koukoulas

In Memory of Erma Papademetriou

Ms. Cynthia Popomanolis

In Memory of Argyro Vatakis

Ms. Helen Harris





**GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA
ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL**

Prot. No. 180/2024

Archepiscopal Encyclical for Father's Day

June 16, 2024

Unto the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, the Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, the Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, the Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and the entirety of the Christ-named Plenitude of the Holy Archdiocese of America.

Ἐφανερώσά σου τὸ ὄνομα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις οὓς δέδωκάς μοι ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου. Σοὶ ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοὺς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασι. (κατὰ Ἰωάννην 17:6)

I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; Yours they were, and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. (*John 17:6*)

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

This year's observance of Father's Day happily coincides with the Feast that bridges Ascension and Pentecost — the celebration of the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea. We have appropriated this secular occasion in order to highlight the "fathers" of our parishes, the clergy of our Archdiocese. Like the 318, they have been chosen to engage in the spiritual contest to preach and teach the unalloyed Orthodox Faith of Christ. Our parish clergy have kept the Faith and the Divine Word that God the Father delivered to the world through His Son, which is preserved and transmitted from generation to generation by the members of the Holy Priesthood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Knowing how the clergy care for us, we thought it meet and right that we should make a special effort to care for them. For this reason, we beseech every parish to make an extraordinary collection on this Sunday to enhance and support the Clergy Pension Fund. On this Sunday, when we remember our earthly fathers — living and reposed — may we also remember our spiritual fathers who labor for our salvation in Christ.



Let us celebrate this Father's Day by honoring the Saintly 318 Father of the First Ecumenical Council and remembering our faithful clergy and their needs. Thus, we shall prove ourselves to be holders of the word God and worthy heirs of the Faith of Nicaea.

With much gratitude and paternal blessings in Christ,

† ELPIDOPHOROS
Archbishop of America



ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΙΚΗ ΕΓΚΥΚΛΙΟΣ

Αριθμ. Πρωτ. 180/2024

Αρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος για την ημέρα του πατέρα.

16 Ιουνίου 2024

Πρὸς τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Ἀρχιερεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Ἱερεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τὶς Μοναχές, τοὺς Προέδρους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Ἀρχοντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμερήσια καὶ Ἀπογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τὶς Φιλοπτώχους Ἀδελφότητες, τὴ Νεολαία, τὶς Ἑλληνορθόδοξες Ὄργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληρο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Ἱερᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς Ἀμερικῆς.

«Ἐφανερώσά σου τὸ ὄνομα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις οὓς δέδωκάς μοι ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου. Σοὶ ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοὺς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασ» (Ἰω. 17:6).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφές ἐν Χριστῷ,

Ἡ Ἡμέρα τοῦ Πατέρα συμπίπτει κατὰ τὴν ἐφετεινὴ χρονιά μὲ τὴν Κυριακὴ τῶν Ἁγίων τριακοσίων καὶ δεκαοκτῶ πατέρων τῆς ἐν Νικαίᾳ Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου, μίᾳ ἑορτῇ ποὺ συνδέει τὴν ἑορτὴ τῆς Ἀναλήψεως μὲ τὴν ἑορτὴ τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς. Αὐτὴ λοιπὸν τὴν εὐκαιρία, ὅπου οἱ πάντες γιορτάζουν καὶ τιμοῦν τοὺς φυσικοὺς πατέρες τους, δράττουμε καὶ ἐμεῖς γιὰ νὰ τιμήσουμε τοὺς πνευματικοὺς πατέρες τῶν ἐνοριῶν μας, τοὺς κληρικοὺς τῆς Ἱερᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς μας. Ὅπως οἱ τριακόσιοι καὶ δεκαοκτῶ πατέρες τῆς Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου ἐπιλέχθηκαν γιὰ νὰ πρωτοστατήσουν στοὺς πνευματικοὺς ἀγῶνες γιὰ τὴ διδασκαλία τῆς ὀρθῆς πίστεως ἐν Χριστῷ, ἔτσι καὶ ὁ ἐνοριακὸς μας κληρὸς κρατᾷ ἀνόθευτὴ τὴν πίστη, ὅτι ὁ θεῖος λόγος παρέχεται ἀπὸ τὸν Πατέρα διὰ τοῦ Υἱοῦ στὸν κόσμον, μίᾳ πίστῃ ποὺ διαφυλάσσεται καὶ διαδίδεται διὰ μέσῳ τῶν γενεῶν ἀπὸ τὰ μέλη τοῦ ἱεροῦ κλήρου τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Γνωρίζοντας πόσο οἱ κληρικοὶ μᾶς φροντίζουν, θεωροῦμε ὅτι εἶναι σωστὸ καὶ πρέπον νὰ συντονίσουμε καὶ τὶς δικές μας προσπάθειες γιὰ τὴ φροντίδα τους. Γιὰ αὐτὸ τὸ λόγο, παρακαλοῦμε κάθε κοινότητα νὰ πραγματοποιήσῃ περιφορὰ δίσκου αὐτὴ τὴν Κυριακὴ, πρὸς ἐνίσχυση καὶ στήριξη τοῦ Συνταξιοδοτικοῦ Ταμείου τῶν



Κληρικῶν. Αὐτὴ τὴν Κυριακὴν, ὅταν τιμοῦμε τοὺς φυσικοὺς μας πατέρες, ζῶντες καὶ κεκοιμημένους, ἅς τιμήσουμε καὶ τοὺς πνευματικοὺς μας πατέρες, οἱ ὅποιοι ἐργάζονται γιὰ τὴ σωτηρία μας ἐν Χριστῷ.

Ἄς ἐορτάσουμε αὐτὴ τὴν Ἡμέρα τοῦ Πατέρα τιμώντας τοὺς τριακοσίους καὶ δεκαοκτῶ πατέρες τῆς Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς εὐλαβεῖς μας κληρικούς, φροντίζοντας γιὰ τὶς καθημερινὲς ἀνάγκες τους, φανερώνοντας τὸ Λόγο τοῦ Θεοῦ ὡς ἄξιοι κληρονόμοι καὶ συνεχιστὲς τῆς πίστεως τῆς Νικαίας.

Μετὰ πατρικῶν εὐχῶν καὶ εὐγνωμοσύνης ἐν Χριστῷ,

Ὁ Ἀμερικῆς Ἐλπιδοφόρος

+ Ὁ Ἀμερικῆς Ἐλπιδοφόρος

FESTIVAL THANK YOU!



THANK YOU !!!

Dear Friends of the Greek Folk Festival,

On behalf of St Nicholas Greek Folk Festival Committee 2024 we would like to extend our deepest gratitude to everyone who contributed to the success of this year's Greek Folk Festival.

To our dedicated volunteers, your tireless efforts, enthusiasm, and commitment made the event run smoothly and created an unforgettable experience for all attendees.

From organizing activities to ensuring everything ran on schedule, your hard work did not go unnoticed, and we are profoundly grateful for your support.

To our generous donors, thank you for your invaluable contributions. Your financial support and donations of goods and services were crucial in making the festival a vibrant and joyous celebration of Greek culture. Your generosity allows us to continue hosting events that bring our community together and celebrate our rich heritage.

To all the people who attended the festival, thank you for joining us and being a part of this wonderful event. Your participation and enthusiasm made the festival lively and fun.

We hope you enjoyed the music, dance, food, and all the cultural activities as much as we enjoyed sharing them with you. This festival would not have been possible without each and every one of you. Your involvement, whether as a volunteer, donor, or attendee, helped create a memorable celebration of Greek culture and community spirit.

We look forward to seeing you again next year for another fantastic Greek Folk Festival!

With heartfelt thanks,

Sofia Xouri - Chairperson

Spyros Alafassos - Co-Chairperson

Stamatia Ieromonahos - Board President

GREEK SCHOOL 2024-2025

Εβδομαδιαίο Πρόγραμμα

Saint Nicholas Greek Afternoon Weekly Schedule, 2024-25

Phone Number: 410-633-5022 EMAIL: stngreekschool@gmail.com

	ΠΡΟΝΗΠΙΟ Pre-K	ΝΗΠΙΑΓΩΓΕΙΟ Kindergarten	Α΄ 1st	Β΄ 2nd	Γ΄ 3rd	Δ΄ 4th	Ε΄ 5th	ΣΤ΄ 6th	ΕΛΛΗΝΟΜΑΘΕΙΑ A2 – B1 – B2 – Γ1 & ΕΝΗΛΙΚΕΣ ΑΡΧΑΡΙΟ & ΠΡΟΧΩΡΗΜΕΝΟ ΕΠΙΠΕΔΟ
Δευτέρα Monday									
4:45-6:10 (1 ^η βάρδια)	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Χορός Dance	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Χορός Dance	Χορός Dance	Ελληνικά Greek Language	ΤΟ ΒΕ ΑΝΝΟΥΝΤΕΔ
5:45-6:15				Χορός Dance	Χορός Dance	Χορός Dance	Χορός Dance		
6:15-6:45			Χορός Dance		Χορός Dance			Χορός Dance	
6:20-7:45 (2 ^η βάρδια)		Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language	
Τετάρτη Wednesday									
4:45-6:10 (1 ^η βάρδια)	Ελληνικά Greek Language		Ελληνικά Greek Language		Ελληνικά Greek Language			Ελληνικά Greek Language	ΤΟ ΒΕ ΑΝΝΟΥΝΤΕΔ
6:05-6:20 (1-2 Βάρδια)	OXI	OXI	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	Μαθαίνω για την Πίστη μου	
6:20-7:45 (2 ^η βάρδια)		Ελληνικά Greek Language		Ελληνικά Greek Language		Ελληνικά Greek Language	Ελληνικά Greek Language		

GREEK SCHOOL 2024-2025



Saint Nicholas Greek Afternoon School Yearly Calendar, 2024-25

Phone Number: 410-633-5022 EMAIL: stngreekschool@gmail.com

PTA E-mail : stnicholaspta520@gmail.com

DATES	EVENTS
<u>September</u>	
June, 1 st	Registration begins through church office during normal business hours. Last day of registration Wednesday, September 11 th , 2024
Sunday, 8 th	BLESSING OF THE SCHOOL IN CHURCH FOR ALL CLASSES FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY
Monday, 9 th	Back-to-School Night for all parents /Open House - the first 15 minutes of class - Mandatory Attendance by All parents
<u>October</u>	
Monday, 28 th	School Program- OXI Day, 28th of October 1940 in the large social hall of the church. Pie Fundraiser starts
<u>November</u>	
Thursday, 21 st	Pie Fundraiser: Your order must be submitted.
Monday, 25 th	Pie goes home!!!
Wednesday, 27 th	School Closes (Thanksgiving Holiday)
<u>December</u>	
Monday, 2 nd	Greek School Resumes after Thanksgiving Day Break Decorating of church for Christmas
Wednesday, 4 th	Decorating of church for Christmas
Wednesday, 18 th	Greek School Christmas Party & Caroling. All students & parents should be in attendance. More information to follow.
Thursday, 19 th -January 5 th	Christmas Break - Greek School Is Closed Merry Christmas!
<u>January</u>	
Monday, January 6 th	School Reopens & Theophany Celebration: video/ craft in class & Saint Basil's Bread (Vasilopita) cutting for the school
Monday, 13 th	1 st day of Review for mid-term examination; grades 1st-6th
Monday, 15 th	2 nd day of Review for mid-term examination; grades 1st-6 th TYPO
Monday, 20 th	School Closed (Martin Luther King Day)
Wednesday, 22 nd	Mid-term examination for grades 1st-6th

GREEK SCHOOL 2024-2025

Monday, 27th	Make-up Day for Exams
Wednesday, 29th	Report Cards Distributed & Parent-Teacher Conferences before/after class. Please email your teacher to schedule a time to meet
**** TBD	Three Hierarchs Celebration, 5th & 6th Grade reciting poems in Church
<u>February</u>	
TBD	Fundraiser (Godparent Sunday)
Sunday, 16 th	Spaghetti lunch after church service
Monday, 17 th	School Closed (President's Day)
Wednesday, 26 th	Celebrating Apokries – Activities/ crafts
<u>March</u>	
Monday, 3rd	March bracelets activity in class (Μάρτηδες) Clean Monday- Picnic in class with Lenten foods Bake sale – LAGANES – Potential kite flying
TBD	Celebration organized by the Metropolitan
Monday, 24th	School Program, 25th of March, Greek Independence Day Celebration Program immediately after church services.
<u>April</u>	
Sunday, 6 th (TBD)	Md. Greek Independence Day Parade at 2 p.m.; all students and parents to attend//
Wednesday, 9 th	Easter Program in Class for all students & crafts School Closed for Easter
Saturday, 12 th	Lazarus Saturday/ Easter Breakfast for the Community Children after church services at the Plateia starting at 11:00 a.m.
Sunday, 13 th	Palm Sunday – Myrofores Palm Sunday night
Monday, April 14 th –20 th	Holy Week- Please attend church with your children; Easter Break!!!
Friday, 18 th	Myrofores Holy Friday night
Wednesday, 23rd	Resume after Easter
<u>May</u>	
Wednesday, 5 th	Wreath of Flowers Program at Plateia
Monday, 12 th	1 st Day of Review for Final Examination Grades 1st-6 th
Wednesday, 14 th	2 nd Day of Review for Final Examination Grades 1st-6 th
Monday, 19 th	Final Examination for Grades 1st-6th
Wednesday, 21 st	Make-up day for Exams & Parent-Teacher Conference Day Last Day of Greek School Classes & last rehearsal for our End of the Year Program
Monday, 26th	Greek School Closed (Memorial Day)
Wednesday, 28 th	Report Cards Distributed. End of the Year Program
<u>June</u>	
TBD	6th Grade Graduates Presented in Church and Graduation Luncheon held afterwards.
Thursday 5 th – Sunday 8 th	Saint Nicholas Greek Festival

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT WEATHER, GREEK SCHOOL CLOSES WHEN THE BALTIMORE COUNTY SCHOOLS ARE CLOSED. IN A DIFFERENT SITUATION PARENTS WILL BE NOTIFIED BY PHONE & EMAIL!

ΑΙΤΗΣΗ ΕΓΓΡΑΦΗΣ/ REGISTRATION FORM

Σχολικό Έτος 2024-25/ School Year 2024-25

Please, complete this form by printing or typing the information in either Greek or English.
Παρακαλούμε να συμπληρώσετε τα στοιχεία που ζητούνται στα Ελληνικά/ Αγγλικά.

GRADE – ΤΑΞΗ

Pre-K Kindergarten 1st 2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th Ellinomatheia Adults

STUDENT DATA - Στοιχεία μαθητή/μαθήτριας

ΟΝΟΜΑ ΠΑΙΔΙΟΥ/ STUDENT'S NAME: _____

και στις 2 γλώσσες/ in both languages - GR & EN _____

ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΣΗ/ HOME ADDRESS: _____

E-MAIL ADDRESS: _____

ΤΗΛΕΦΩΝΟ/ TELEPHONE NUMBER: _____

ΚΙΝΗΤΟ ΤΗΛΕΦΩΝΟ/ CELL PHONE NUMBER: _____

ΗΜΕΡ. ΓΕΝΝΗΣΕΩΣ ΜΑΘΗΤΗ-ΡΙΑΣ/ STUDENT'S DATE OF BIRTH: _____

ΟΝΟΜΑ ΠΑΤΕΡΑ/FATHER'S NAME (GR & EN): _____

ΤΟΠΟΣ ΓΕΝΝΗΣΕΩΣ ΠΑΤΕΡΑ/ FATHER'S PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

ΟΝΟΜΑ ΜΗΤΕΡΑΣ/ MOTHER'S NAME (GR & EN): _____

ΤΟΠΟΣ ΓΕΝΝΗΣΕΩΣ ΜΗΤΕΡΑΣ/ MOTHER'S PLACE OF BIRTH: _____

In case of emergency, please contact: _____

Σε περίπτωση ανάγκης επικοινωνείστε με: _____

Emergency contact phone number: _____

Τηλέφωνο ατόμου ανάγκης: _____

Do you have internet access? _____

Έχετε διαδίκτυο; _____

Medical issues we should be aware of (allergies etc): _____

Ιατρικά θέματα που πρέπει να γνωρίζουμε (π.χ.αλλεργίες)

B. Photography Policy:

We would like families to know that the school may, from time to time, take photographs of the students for use in St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church or School publications, or school media (i.e. the church website). If you do not wish your child's photograph to be used, you must submit your request in writing with this form.

***NOTE: St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church or School cannot control photograph or film taken by the general media.

C. Payment Procedures:

1. Payment in full must accompany each registration.
2. Registration fees are based on each student's family stewardship status with St. Nicholas Church or a nearby church. A certificate in good standing must be presented at the time of registration from neighboring church.
3. Current stewards of St. Nicholas or families, who wish to become stewards of St. Nicholas, please see the Church Secretary prior to submitting this registration form.
4. Tuition will not be refunded for registration cancellations after September 30, 2024.
5. Tuition: \$ 750.00 per student, includes tuition, books and security guard.

Notes (for office use only): _____

Method of payment: _____ Cash: _____ Check (# _____)

Receipt No. Of Stewardship Payment: _____ Receipt No. Tuition Payment: _____

D. Volunteering:

One parent of each family is required to volunteer her/his time for a minimum of one Greek School event per year and one festival shift. More information will be shared by the PTA at the beginning of the school year.

** I understand that all lessons end at 6:10PM for the 1st shift and 7:45PM for the 2nd shift and I agree to picking up my child/children from the Church's Atrium waiting Hall with no more than a 5 minutes' delay. The Greek School bears no responsibility for the students' safety past that time.

Parent Signature/ Υπογραφή γονέα



NOW HIRING TEACHERS AND AIDES! ST. NICHOLAS BILINGUAL EARLY EDUCATION CENTER

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. BEEC is hiring full-time Teachers at the Center. If you or anyone you know is interested, please call the Center at 410-633-5020 extension 4 or message us on Facebook.

Our teachers and students were busy in July. The Preschool teachers sure we're keeping the preschool classroom busy with tons of fun and educational activities for them to engage in. They learned about Canada, Eric Carle and more! The children loved every minute of it!

We celebrated the Fourth of July with the children of BEEC as we ate, played fun games, made crafts and more! We welcomed Soccer Shots to our center for the summer to teach us a bit about soccer and the kids had a ball! We also are enjoying our new and improved water day activities. The kids got to enjoy a slip and slide, splash pad, water balloons and also our sprinkler system!

This month the BEEC children will continue to enjoy summer break with water Wednesdays. We will also have a visit from the Kona Ice to celebrate our students who are moving up!

Το Δίγλωσσο Κέντρο Πρόωρης Εκπαίδευσης του Αγίου Νικολάου παρέχει ένα ασφαλές κέντρο περιποίησης και εκμάθησης μακριά από το σπίτι. Δεχόμαστε παιδιά από 6 εβδομάδων έως 5 ετών. Η BEEC προσλαμβάνει Καθηγητές πλήρους απασχόλησης στο Κέντρο. Εάν ενδιαφέρεστε εσείς ή κάποιος που γνωρίζετε, καλέστε το Κέντρο στο 410-633-5020 και πείστε τον αριθμό 4 ή στείλτε μας μήνυμα στο Facebook.

Οι καθηγητές και οι μαθητές μας θα είναι απασχολημένοι τον Ιούλιο. Οι δάσκαλοι της προσχολικής ηλικίας θα κρατήσουν την τάξη της προσχολικής ηλικίας απασχολημένη με πολλές διασκεδαστικές και εκπαιδευτικές δραστηριότητες για να συμμετέχουν. Θα μάθουν για τον Καναδά, τον Eric Carle και πολλά άλλα! Τα παιδιά θα λατρέψουν κάθε λεπτό του!

Θα γιορτάσουμε την 4η Ιουλίου με τα παιδιά μας καθώς θα τρώμε, θα παίζουμε διασκεδαστικά παιχνίδια, θα φτιάχνουμε χειροτεχνίες και άλλα πολλά! Θα καλωσορίσουμε το Soccer Shots στο κέντρο μας για το καλοκαίρι για να μας μάθουν λίγα πράγματα για το ποδόσφαιρο και τα παιδιά θα έχουν μπάλα! Θα απολαύσουμε επίσης τις νέες και βελτιωμένες δραστηριότητές μας για την ημέρα του νερού. Τα παιδιά θα απολαύσουν ένα slip and slide, pad splash, μπαλόνια νερού και επίσης το σύστημα καταιονισμού μας!

Αυτό το μήνα τα παιδιά BEEC θα συνεχίσουν να απολαμβάνουν τις καλοκαιρινές διακοπές με νερό τις Τετάρτες. Θα έχουμε και επίσκεψη από το Kona Ice για να γιορτάσουμε τους μαθητές μας που ανεβαίνουν!



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In gratitude for God's blessings I/we make the following commitment to the ministries of St. Nicholas Church:
Σαν έκφραση ευγνωμοσύνης μου για τις ευλογίες που έχω λάβει από τον Θεό, δεσμεύομαι με την ακόλουθη οικονομική και εθελοντική μου προσφορά προς την Εκκλησία του Αγίου Νικολάου:

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Γίνετε μάρτυρες του έργου του Θεού! Δώστε από το ταλέντο με το οποίο σας έχει προικίσει, με τις ικανότητες, τις εμπειρίες, την οικονομική σας ευχέρεια. Η προσφορά μας στον Χριστό και την Εκκλησία Του ας βασιστεί στην αγάπη μας προς Αυτόν, όχι στην οικονομική μας δυνατότητα.

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Name of Spouse / Όνομα συζύγου	Date of Birth / Ημερομ. Γεννήσεως
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Communication Preferences / Προτιμήσεις επικοινωνίας	
<input type="checkbox"/> Mail / Ταχυδρομείο <input type="checkbox"/> Email / Ηλεκτρονική <input type="checkbox"/> Text / Μήνυμα	
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SPONSOR A COFFEE HOUR

We have resumed the Coffee Hour following the Divine Liturgy on Sundays. Please consider sponsoring a coffee hour in memory of a loved one, for the health of your family, or in honor of our St. Nicholas Church. Please call the office at **410-633-5020** to schedule.

Thank you for your support!

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Thank you for all you do to support our St. Nicholas family throughout the year!



NOTICE:

All organizations must review their upcoming events with Paraskevi Kotsatou (410-633-5020) who will add the event to the official church calendar on the bulletin board across from Father Georgios' office.

Thank you for your cooperation.



Sunday Coffee Hour
Sponsored by
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Coffee & Assorted Cookies
Includes setup, cleanup, paper goods
\$200

Coffee Service Only
Includes setup, cleanup, paper goods
\$120

Fruit Tray
\$40

Spanakopita
100 pieces
\$75

Tyropita
100 pieces
\$75

Tray of Cheese, Olives & Crackers
\$100

Sandwiches
Tuna, Shrimp or Chicken
\$2 per piece



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Greek Dishes For Pick Up

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Pre-orders required Wednesday prior | Cooked or frozen

Dolmades

1/2 Tray (50 pieces)

\$50

Spanakopites

35 square pieces

\$40

Tiropites

35 square pieces

\$40

Pastitsio

1/2 Tray

\$55

Mousaka

1/2 Tray

\$60

Lamb Shank w/ Orzo

5 Orders

\$100



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Makaria Menu

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Appetizer Choices

Cheese Pies (*included*)
Spinach Pies (*included*)
Fried Calamari (*add \$2.00pp*)

Choices of salad (1)

Garden Salad, Greek Salad, Village Salad, Caesar Salad

Choices of Entree

Choice of two sides, Roll & Butter (*included*)

31pp

Flounder (broiled/fried)
Shrimp Creole
Cod Fish (broiled/fried)

39pp

Two (2) Jumbo Lump Crab Cakes
Choice of Fish and One (1) Jumbo Lump Crab Cake

Sides (2 choices)

Greek Style Lemon Potatoes, Roasted Red Skin Potatoes, Kritharakie(orzo),
white rice, fresh cut vegetables, string beans Greek style

Beverages (items included)

Red or White Wine, Coffee and Tea, Sodas, Water
Also available - Paximadia

Bar Options

Mixed Drinks \$6
Domestic Beer \$6
Imported Beer \$6
Mixed Drinks and Beer Available at Per Drink Charge



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STEWARDSHIP AND CONTRIBUTIONS

ST. NICHOLAS STEWARDSHIP FUND REPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2024 (11-1-2023 – 10-31-2024)

REPORT DATE: 07-02-2024 PLEDGED: \$95,550 RECEIVED: \$91,541 PLEDGED OUTSTANDING: \$4,009

TOTAL FISCAL YEAR CONTRIBUTIONS RECEIVED: \$207,398 # of Families: 356 # of Contributors: 349

Agapios, Diamantis	Forakis, Stamati & Despina	Koutelis, Adamantios	Posluszny, Jeffrey & Daphne
Agapios, Maria	Fotinos, Aikaterini	Koutsantonis, Demetrios	Poulimenakos, Eleni
Ahepa Lord Baltimore #364	Fotinos, Michael	Koutsantonis, George	Prassinis, Demetrios & Carol
Akalestos, Emmanuel & Kaiti	Foukas, Pavlos & Andromahi	Koutsantonis, John	Protopapas, Nicholas
Alafassos, Spiro & Penny	Frangakis, Sofoula	Kovios, Panagiotis & Christine	Psichis, Dula
Alevrogiannis, Argie	Frangos, Constantine	Kron, Christopher & Alexa	Qirjako, Spiro & Bona
Alexandrou, Niki	Frangos, John & Katerina	Lagadinos, Katerina	Redmiles, Sophia
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Anastasiades, Demos & Nancy	Funeral Home, Connely	Lallas, Eva	Reppas, Soterios & Elia
Angelopoulos, Chris	Galiatsatos, Gerasimos & Lambrini	Lambrow, Stephanie	Rigopoulos, Mary Ann
Angelos, John & Irene	Gargiulo, Angela	Larentzos, James & Despina	Riley, Nicholas
Angelos, Mark & Kalliope	Gavrilis, John & Patricia	Laskarides, Demetrios	Roberts, Brian & Maria
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Anonymous, Anonymous	Georgalas, Michael & Hrisovalantou	Lerakis, Dimitra	Roros, Arieta
Apesos, Antigoni	Georgas, George	Lericos, Irene	Roros, Dimitrios & Polly
Aravidis, Nickolas & Smaragda	Georgiadis, Diogenis & Nektaria	Luebben, Paraskevi	Roros, John & Angeliki
Arbulu, Sophia	Gerapetrites, Panagiota	Makris, John	Roros, Kyriaki
Argetakis, Andronikos & Paraskevi	Gialamas, Joanna	Mamalis, Konstantinos	Roros, Nikoletta
Argetakis, Angeliki	Giannakoulia, George	Manolitsis, Ismini	Roussos, Anthony & Laura
Argetakis, George & Kelly	Giannas, Stylianos & Maria	Maragos, Petros & Lambrini	Roxanis, Dean & Soula
Argirakis, Pantelis & Despina	Giannopoulos, Ilias	Mastromanolis, Manuel	Roxanis, John
Argiropoulos, William & Fotini	Giannopoulos, Vasilios	Mavrikos, Lambrini	Roxanis, Steven
Argyarakis, Despina	Giorgakis, Antonios	Mavrodontis, Zaharias & Voula	Sakellis, George & Penelope
Arnas, Kiriakos & Deana	Glava, Kiki	Mavronis, Michael & Kleopatra	Salpeas, Maria
Aronis, Konstatinos & Moragiannis, Vasiliki	Glykiadis, Despina	Mavronis, Nicholas	Sarioglou, Nikolaos
Athanasiou, Antonios & Penny	Halkias, Anastasia	Mavroulis, Photis & Eva	Sarris, Mihalía
Athos, Janet	Halkias, Fotini	Micklos, Angelos & Panagiota	Sazaklis, Antonios
Atsalis, Gus & Kalliope	Harris, Athena	Micklos, Christine	Schaefer, Stephanie
Atsalis, Maria	Hatziefthimiou, Anastasia	Mihail, Nikolaos & Lee Ann	Serafis, Mary
Atsidis, Ioannis & Efthimia	Hatzigeorgalis, Antonios	Miller, Emmanuel & Mary	Sfakianoudis, John & Angeliki
Avgerinos, Despina	Hatzigeorgalis, Nikolaos	Millett, Earl & Alex, Elizabeth	Sfiriou, Antonia
Avgerinos, George & Phaedra	Hatzinicolos, Nick & Olga	Milonas, Kimon	Siskos, Stefanos & Dina
Avgerinos, Vasilios & Sophia	Home, Funeral	Mimaras, Stavros & Maria	Skandalis, George
Bakalis, John	Hondroulis, Emmanuel & Maria	Minadakis, Antonios & Agapi	Skevofilax, Emmanuel
Balomas, Patricia	Houvardas, Minas	Minas, Rose	Skordalos, Vasilios & Sandy
Basil, George & Angie	Hristopoulos, Yianni	Moniodis, Michael & Effie	Souranis, Maritsa
Belios, Peter & Vergos, Karen	Ieromonahos, Pantelis & Stamatia	Moniodis, Michael & Flora	Souranis, Michael & Spyridoula
Bisbikis, Pete & Eleni	Iliadis, Mary	Moskonas, Vasiliki	Souranis, Paraskevi
Bisiotis, Dimitrios & Fotini	Johns, Aspasia	Moskos, Thomas & Tampa	Spencer, Eric & Donna
Bonolis, Catherine	Kaikis, Andreas	Myaris, John & Sofia	Stakias, Stelios & Tina
Bouloubasis, Nicholas	Kaikis, Clemis & Maria	Nistazos, George & Despina	Stamatopoulos, Nicolas
Bournias, Lambrini	Kaitis, Angela	Nistazos, Nickolas & Alena	Stamides, Sofia
Bournousouzis, Panagiota	Kaliakoudas, Sofia	Nitsa Stakias Zdiara	Stamidis, Anastasios & Angela
Bouyoukas, John	Kaminaris, Demetrios & Michelle	Nychis, George & Angeliki	Stamidis, Chrisoula
Britzolakis, Georgios & Eugenia	Kapetanakos, Elias & Stephanie	Nychis, Vasilios & Evangelia	Stavlas, Jerry & Kalliope
Canning, Nicole	Kapetanakos, Soula	O'Drudy, Leo & Tricia	Stewart, John & Rita
Cardiges, Nicholas	Kaputos, Marshall	Ohno, William & Maria	Syropoulos, Amalia
Chagetas, Angela	Karabelas, Ioanna	Oikonomou, Fr. Georgios	Syropoulos, Nicholas & Angeliki
Chambarlis, John	Karabelas, Pete & Helen	Orfanidis, Vasilía	Tasker, Dale & Kalomira
Charalambopoulos, Charalambos & Aspasia	Karaflos, Athanasios	Orfanos, Michael	Tetteris, Rhodea
Chrissomallis, Metaxia	Karagiannis, Carla	Panagodimos, Panagiotis	Themelis, John & Renee
Chrissomallis, Sophie	Karagiannis, Maria	Pandelidis, Demetrios & Elisavet	Theoharis, Emmanuel & Maria
Christ, Philip & Marinam	Karamihalís, George	Pantelides, Joanne	Triantafillos, Costas & Mary
Christakou, Stavroula	Karamihalís, Theologos	Papadimitriou, Ermion	Trintis, Thorina
Chrysochos, Georgio	Karanikolis, Nick & Chrysanthi	Papadopoulos, Anastasios & Marianthi	Tripoulas, Marilena
Cornias, Arezina	Karavedas, Viola	Papadopoulos, Efstathios & Kalliope	Tsakalidis, Jeanette
Cornias, Despina	Karellas, Eugenia	Papalexopoulos, Christianna	Tsampos, George & Demetra
Cornias, Fotini	Karousos, George & Markella	Papathakis, Matthew	Tsampos, John & Nikolette
Cornias, Kalliope	Kastanakis, Michael & Nikki	Papavasiliou, Lucas & Renee	Tsampos, Michael & Christina
Cornias, Larry	Kastellorizios, Lisa (Evangelia)	Papavasiliou, Virginia	Tsapakidis, Nikolaos
Cornias, Mark & Kiriaki	Katsaros, Emanuel	Paragios, Ioannis & Popi	Tsapakidis, Theoharis & Papadimas, Evangelia
Cornias, Nicholas	Katsaros, Michael & Sophia	Paralis, Kon/Nos & Anna	
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Dardamanis, Eva	Kefalas, Mike & Nora	Parthemos, Kaliope	Tsapalas, Theodore & Pamela
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Diniotis, Anastasia	Klosterides, Michael & Klosteridis, Eleni	Patras, Nikos & Kelly	Vailis, Evangelia
Douskas, Konstantinos	Koliadis, Emmanuel & Zenovia	Patras, Stephen	Vailis, Panagiotis
Douskas, Vasiliki	Kolotos, Dora	Patrikos, Aikaterine & Jissri, Mike	Vasilakopoulos, Anastasia
Efthimiou, Giannoula	Konstantinou, John & Mary	Peach, Antonia	Vasilakopoulos, Irene
Eliopoulos, Anna	Kontoudis, Konstantinos & Kyriaki	Pentikis, Anthony	Vasiliades, Antonios & Sofia
Eliou, Ernest & Lilian	Kornias, Christos & Irene	Petrinolis, Irene	Vasilios, Frank & Irene
Fakas, James & Novalasia	Kornias, George & Maria	Petropoulos, Konstantinos	Vatakis, Tessie
Fakas, Vasilios	Korologos, Louis & Anastasia	Philippou, Kalliope	Venetis, Dimitrios & Kiki
Fantis, Flora	Kosmas, Demetrios & Denise	Philippou, Philip	Verenakis, Maria
Fantis, Penelope	Kosmas, Sam & Lerakis, Marianna	Pikounis, Andrew	Vergos, George
Filipidis, Effie	Kostos, John	Pikounis, Eleni	Vergos, John
Filipidis, James	Koukides, Georgios	Pikounis, George & Vasiliki	Vergos, Stephanie
Filipidis, Nicholas & Lydia	Koukides, Harry & Stella	Pikounis, John & Despina	Vizaniaris, Evangeline
Filippakis, Filippos	Koukides, John	Pikounis, Kalliope	Vougarakis, Harry
Filippou, Jason & Maria	Koukides, Konstantinos & Styliani	Pirovolikos, Michael & Eirini	Xouri, Sofia
Forakis, George	Koukoulas, Anthie & Nezis, Hariklia	Polikandriotis, Kostas & Hariklia	Yianakis, Steve & Katina
Forakis, Michael & Alexandra	Koumoudis, Sotiris & Vasiliki	Polikandriotis, Nicholas	Zervos, Christine
Forakis, Nicholas & Athena	Kouroupis, Steve	Politis, Minas & Sophia	
	Kourtesis, Michael & Adrienne	Polychronis, Aristides & Virginia	

FINANCIALS

Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Budget vs. Actuals: Church and Greek School

January - June 2024

	Actual	Budget	over (under) Budget
Income			
4000 Stewardship	147,149.00	135,964.00	11,185.00
4010 Greek School Registration	7,050.84	8,361.00	(1,310.16)
4020 Sales - Candles	52,088.00	51,773.00	315.00
Other Income	52,287.21	29,608.00	22,679.21
Total Income	258,575.05	225,706.00	32,869.05
Total Cost of Goods Sold	37,915.24	26,055.00	11,860.24
Gross Profit	220,659.81	199,651.00	21,008.81
Expenses			
Total CAPITAL COSTS (CHURCH)	18,937.07	6,250.00	12,687.07
Total GENERAL & ADMINISTRATION	119,161.95	153,718.00	(34,556.05)
Total OCCUPANCY COSTS	39,513.86	43,515.00	(4,001.14)
Total PAYROLL EXPENSES	172,947.87	170,513.00	2,434.87
Total YOUTH AND EDUCATIONAL	1,600.00	0.00	0.00
Total Expenses	352,160.75	373,996.00	(21,835.25)
Net Operating Income	(131,500.94)	(174,345.00)	42,844.06
Other Revenue			
ERTC (Net, less Paychex fee)	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total Other Revenue	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Net Other Revenue	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00
Net Revenue	(131,500.94)	(174,345.00)	42,844.06

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Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Budget vs. Actuals: Learning Center January - June 2024

	Actual	Budget	over (under) Budget	
Income				
4011 Learning Center Income	593,181.06	593,970.00	(788.94)	
Total 4011 Learning Center Income	593,181.06	593,970.00	(788.94)	99.87%
Total Income	593,181.06	593,970.00	(788.94)	
Gross Profit	593,181.06	593,970.00	(788.94)	
Expenses				
LEARNING CENTER				
Total Payroll Expense (L.C.)	411,517.71	364,753.00	46,764.71	112.82%
Total Food and Classroom Supplies (L.C.)	20,449.67	22,022.00	(1,572.33)	92.86%
Total Admin and Office Expenses (L.C.)	26,676.57	41,517.00	(14,840.43)	64.25%
Total Occupancy Expenses/Cap Improvements (L.C.)	51,370.71	26,613.00	24,757.71	193.03%
Total LEARNING CENTER	510,014.66	454,905.00	55,109.66	
VACANT BUILDING EXPENSES - 4815 Eastern Ave	6,785.40	6,138.00	647.40	
Total Expenses	516,800.06	461,043.00	55,757.06	
Net Operating Income	76,381.00	132,927.00	(56,546.00)	57.46%
Other Revenue				
State and Local Grants	0.00	0.00	0.00	
Total Other Revenue	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Net Other Revenue	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	\$ 0.00	
Net Revenue	\$ 76,381.00	\$ 132,927.00	(56,546.00)	57.46%

4815 Eastern AVE Mortgage Principal Payments \$ 3,626.62
OVERALL BEEC SURPLUS (LOSS) (Operating and Mortgage) \$72,754.38

Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church Budget vs. Actuals: Plateia January - June 2024

	Actual	Budget	over (under) Budget
Income			
4140 Plateia Income (Onsite)	179,985.00	123,145.00	56,840.00
Total Income	179,985.00	123,145.00	56,840.00
Cost of Goods Sold			
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Total Plateia CGS Expenses	42,638.64	43,230.00	(591.36)
Total COST OF GOODS SOLD	42,638.64	43,230.00	(591.36)
Total Cost of Goods Sold	42,638.64	43,230.00	(591.36)
Gross Profit	137,346.36	79,915.00	57,431.36
Expenses			
PLATEIA EXPENSES			
Total Occupancy Expenses (Plateia)	75,703.42	70,308.00	5,395.42
Total Payroll Expenses (Plateia)	21,558.61	6,227.00	15,331.61
Total Admin Expenses (Plateia)	10,102.92	13,255.00	(3,152.08)
Total Bus Dev/Marketing Expenses (Plateia)	8,627.18	9,403.00	(775.82)
Total PLATEIA EXPENSES	115,992.13	99,193.00	16,799.13
Total Expenses	115,992.13	99,193.00	16,799.13
Net Operating Income	21,354.23	(19,278.00)	40,632.23

LITURGICAL CALENDAR - JULY/AUGUST

JULY

- Sunday, July 7: 2nd Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am
- Sunday, July 14: Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am
- Saturday, July 20: Glorious Prophet Elias: Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am
- Sunday, July 21: 4th Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am
- Monday, July 22: Sts. Mary Magdalene the Myrrhbearer and Markella of Chios:
Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am
- Friday, July 26: Saint Paraskevi the Righteous Martyr of Rome:
Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am
- Saturday, July 27: Saint Panteleimon the Great Martyr & Healer:
Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am
- Sunday, July 28: 5th Sunday of Matthew: Saint Irene the Righteous of
Chrysovalantou: Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am

AUGUST

- Thursday, August 1: Service of the Small Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm
- Friday, August 2: Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm
- Sunday, August 4: 6th Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am
Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm
- Monday, August 5: Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ:
Great Vespers Service: 7 pm
- Tuesday, August 6: Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am
Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

LITURGICAL CALENDAR - JULY/AUGUST

Wednesday, August 7: Service of the Small Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

Thursday, August 8: Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

Friday, August 9: Service of the Small Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

Sunday, August 11: 7th Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am
Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

Monday, August 12: Service of the Small Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

Tuesday, August 13: Service of the Great Paraklesis to the Most-Holy Theotokos: 7 pm

The Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary

Wednesday, August 14: Great Vespers Service: 7 pm

Thursday, August 15: Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am

Sunday, August 18: 8th Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am

Friday, August 23: Apodosis of the Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary, Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:15 am

Sunday, August 25: 9th Sunday of Matthew:
Orthros: 8:30 am Divine Liturgy: 9:45 am

Tuesday, August 27: Saint Phanourios the Great Martyr & Newly Appeared of Rhodes:
Divine Liturgy and the Blessing of Phanouropites: 9:00 am

Thursday, August 29: Beheading of the Holy and Glorious Prophet, Forerunner and Baptist John: Divine Liturgy: 9:00 am