



ASCENSION
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY



The LIGHT of the ASCENSION **Το Φως της Θείας Αναλήψεως**

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Sunday, November 21, 2021

Today we commemorate
The Entrance of the
Theotokos into the Temple
Είσοδος της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου
εις τον Ναό

- **Epistle Reading**
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The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

Είσοδος της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου εις τον Ναό

According to the tradition of the Church, the Theotokos was brought to the Temple at three years of age, where she was consecrated to God and spent her days until she was fourteen or fifteen years old; and then, as a mature maiden, by the common counsel of the priests (since her parents had reposed some three years before), she was betrothed to Joseph.

Η Είσοδος της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου εις τον Ναό

Τῷ αὐτῷ μηνὶ ΚΑ΄, ἡ ἐν τῷ Ναῷ Εἰσοδος τῆς Υπεραγίας Δεσποίνης ἡμῶν Θεοτόκου καὶ
Ἀειπαρθένου Μαρίας.

Ἐνδον τρέφει σε Γαβριὴλ Ναοῦ Κόρη,
Ἦξει δε μικρὸν καὶ το χαίρει σοι λέξων.
Βῆ ἱερὸν Μαρὶη τέμενος παρὰ εἰκάδι πρώτῃ.

Ἡ εἰς τὸν νομικὸν Ναὸν τῆς κυρίας Θεοτόκου Εἰσοδος, ἐπροξένησεν εἰς τοὺς ὀρθοδόξους Χριστιανούς εορτὴν θαυμαστὴν καὶ παγκόσμιον. Ἐπειδὴ καὶ ἐγένεν αὕτη με παράδοξον τρόπον, καὶ εἶναι ἓνα προοίμιον τοῦ μεγίστου καὶ φρικτοῦ μυστηρίου τῆς ἐνανθρωπήσεως τοῦ Θεοῦ Λόγου. Το ὁποῖον δια μέσου τῆς Θεοτόκου ἐμέλλε νὰ γένη εἰς τὸν κόσμον. Ἐλαβε δε τὴν ἀφορμὴν ἡ εορτὴ τῶν Εἰσοδίων δια τὴν υπόθεσιν ταύτην. Ἡ παναοίδιμος Ἄννα, ἐπειδὴ ὅλην σχεδὸν τὴν ζωὴν τῆς ἐπέρασε στεῖρα χωρὶς νὰ γεννήσῃ παιδίον, τούτου χάριν παρεκάλει τὸν Δεσπότην τῆς φύσεως ομοῦ με τὸν ἄνδρα τῆς Ἰωακείμ, νὰ χαρίσῃ εἰς αὐτοὺς τέκνον. Καὶ ἀν ἐπιτύχουν τοῦ ποθομένου, εὐθὺς νὰ ἀφιερῶσουν εἰς τὸν Θεὸν τὸ γεννηθὲν παιδίον. Καὶ λοιπὸν ἐγέννησε παραδόξως τὴν πρόξενον γενομένην τῆς σωτηρίας τοῦ γένους τῶν ἀνθρώπων, τὴν καταλλαγὴν καὶ φιλίωσιν τοῦ Θεοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων, τὴν αἰτίαν τῆς ἀναπλάσεως τοῦ πεσόντος Ἀδάμ, καὶ τῆς τούτου ἐγέρσεως καὶ θεώσεως. Αὐτὴν λέγω τὴν Υπεραγίαν καὶ Δέσποιναν Θεοτόκον Μαρίαν. Ὅθεν ὅταν αὕτη ἐγένε τριῶν χρόνων, ἐπῆραν αὐτὴν οἱ γονεῖς τῆς, καὶ ἐπρόσφεραν κατὰ τὴν σημερινὴν ἡμέραν εἰς τὸν Ναόν. Καὶ πληροῦντες τὰς υποσχέσεις οὐοῦ ἔκαμαν, ἀφιέρωσαν τὴν θυγατέρα αὐτῶν εἰς τὸν χαρισάμενον ταύτην Θεόν. Καὶ παραδίδουσιν αὐτὴν εἰς τοὺς ἱερεῖς, καὶ μάλιστα εἰς τὸν τότε Ἀρχιερέα Ζαχαρίαν. Ὁ ὁποῖος ταύτην παραλαβὼν, ἐμβάσε μέσα εἰς τὸ ἐνδότατον τοῦ Ναοῦ, ὅπου μόνος ὁ Ἀρχιερεὺς μίαν φορὰν τὸν χρόνον εἰσῆρχετο. Καὶ τούτο ἐποίησε κατὰ βούλησιν Θεοῦ, ὅστις ἐμέλλε μετὰ ὀλίγον νὰ γεννηθῇ ἐξ αὐτῆς, δια τὴν διόρθωσιν καὶ σωτηρίαν τοῦ κόσμου. Ἐκεῖ λοιπὸν ἡ Παρθένος διέμεινε χρόνους δώδεκα, τρεφομένη μεν ξενοπρεπῶς ἀπὸ τὸν Ἀρχάγγελον Γαβριὴλ με τροφὴν οὐράνιον. Ἀξιουμένη δε τῆς τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐμφανείας, ἕως ὅτου ἐπλησίασεν ὁ καιρὸς τοῦ θείου Εὐαγγελισμοῦ, καὶ τῶν οὐρανίων καὶ υπερφυσικῶν ἐκείνων μηνυμάτων. Τα ὁποῖα ἐμήνουν, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς εὐδόκησε νὰ σαρκωθῇ ἀπὸ αὐτὴν φιλανθρώπως, δια νὰ ἀναπλάσῃ τὸν φθαρέντα κόσμον ὑπὸ τῆς ἀμαρτίας. Τότε γὰρ ἡ Θεοτόκος ἐξελθούσα ἀπὸ τὰ Ἅγια τῶν Ἀγίων, παρεδόθη εἰς τὸν μνήστορα Ἰωσήφ (1), ἵνα ἐκεῖνος ὑπάρχῃ φύλαξ καὶ μάρτυς τῆς παρθενίας αὐτῆς. Καὶ ἵνα ὑπηρετήσῃ, τόσον εἰς τὸν ἀσπορον τόκον τῆς, ὅσον καὶ εἰς τὴν φυγὴν τὴν εἰς Αἴγυπτον, καὶ εἰς τὴν ἀπ' ἐκείνης ἐπάνοδον εἰς γῆν Ἰσραὴλ. (Ὁρα τὸν εἰς τὰ Εἰσόδια λόγον τοῦ Δαμασκηνοῦ, ὁμοίως ὅρα καὶ εἰς τὸν Μηνιάτην καὶ εἰς τὴν Σάλπιγγα (2).)

(1) Σημείωσαι, ὅτι ἀφ' οὗ ἐμνηστεύθη ὁ Ἰωσήφ τὴν Παρθένον, ἐπέρασαν τέσσαρες μῆνες, καὶ ἔπειτα εὐηγγελίσθη ἡ Θεοτόκος, καθὼς λέγει Ἰππόλυτος ὁ Θηβαῖος ἐν τῷ χρονικῷ Συντάγματι. Οὗτος δε ἐστίν, οὐχὶ ὁ παλαιὸς Ἰππόλυτος ὁ Πάπας Ρώμης, καθὼς σφαλερῶς υπέλαβε Νικηφόρος ὁ Κάλлистος, βιβλ. β', κεφαλ. γ', τῆς Ἐκκλησιαστικῆς Ἱστορίας, καὶ Μελέτιος ὁ Ἀθηνῶν ἐν τῷ α' τόμῳ τῆς Ἐκκλ. Ἱστορίας. Δὲν εἶναι λέγω, οὗτος, ὁ παλαιὸς ἐκεῖνος Ἰππόλυτος. Ἀλλὰ ὁ νέος, ὅστις ἔζησε μετὰ τὸν παλαιόν, ὑπὲρ τὰ ἐπτακόσια ἔτη. (Ὁρα τὴν Ἐκατονταετηρίδα.)

(2) Σημειώσαι, ότι εις την εορτήν των Εισοδίων δὺν εγκώμια ἔχει ὁ Νικομηδείας Γεώργιος, ὁ καὶ τὴν Ακολουθίαν αὐτὴν μελοποιήσας, ὧν τοῦ μεν πρώτου ἡ ἀρχὴ ἐστὶ· «Καλὰς ἡμῖν υποθέσεων ἀρχάς». Τοῦ δε δευτέρου· «Αἱ τῶν θείων πανηγύρεων ἐλλάμπεις». Ὁ Κωνσταντινουπόλεως Γερμανὸς ἐν, οὐ ἡ ἀρχὴ· «Ἰδοὺ πάλιν ἐτέρα πανήγυρις». Ὁ Κωνσταντινουπόλεως Ταράσιος ἐν, οὐ ἡ ἀρχὴ· «Φαιδρά καὶ παράδοξος ἡ παρούσα πανήγυρις». Ὁ Θεοφύλακτος Βουλγαρίας ἐν, οὐ ἡ ἀρχὴ· «Καὶ μνήμη μεν δικαίου». Ὁ Θεσσαλονίκης Γρηγόριος ὁ Παλαμὰς δὺν, ἐν μεν, οὐ ἡ ἀρχὴ· «Ἐπὶ τῶν μειζόνων ἡ κατὰ ἀνθρωπίνην δύναμιν». Ἅλλον δε, οὐ ἡ ἀρχὴ· «Εἰ ἐκ τοῦ καρποῦ τὸ δένδρον γινώσκεται». Τα ὁποῖα πάντα μετέφρασεν εἰς τὸ ἀπλοῦν ἡ ἐμὴ ἀδυναμία, ἥτις ἐφίλοπόνησε καὶ ἐγκώμιον ἴδιον εἰς τὴν εορτὴν ταύτην, καὶ οκτῶνχους Κανόνας συνέθετο. Ἀπερ πάντα εὐρίσκονται εἰς τὴν ἱερὰν καὶ βασιλικὴν Μονὴν τοῦ Χιλανταρίου. Καὶ ὁ βουλόμενος ζητησάτω ταῦτα. Καὶ τοῦτο δε σημειούμεν, ὅτι οὐκ ὀρθῶς γράφει Μελέτιος ὁ Ἀθηνῶν ὅτι ἦτον τόπος χωρισμένος εἰς τὸν Ναόν, οὗ μόναι αἱ παρθένοι ἔμενον καὶ σὺν αὐταῖς ἔμενε καὶ ἡ Θεοτόκος. Καὶ αἱ μὲν ἄλλαι παρθένοι ἐξήρχοντο μετὰ τὴν ἀπόλυσιν καὶ ἐπῆγαινον εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτῶν. Μόνη δὲ ἡ Θεοτόκος ἐπροσκαρτέρει εἰς τὸν Ναόν. Οὐ γὰρ εἰς τὸν οἶκον τῶν παρθένων, ἀλλ' εἰς αὐτὰ τὰ Ἅγια τῶν Ἀγίων εἰσῆλθεν ἡ Θεοτόκος κακεῖ ἔμενε τρεφομένη ὑπὸ Ἀγγέλου. Καὶ ἀγκαλὰ τοῦτο ἐφαίνετο ἀτοπον νὰ εἰσέλθῃ γυνὴ εἰς τὸ ἐνδότατον τοῦ Ναοῦ, τὸ φαινόμενον ὅμως αὐτὸ ἀτοπον ἐδιώρθωσεν ὁ Ζαχαρίας. Εἶπε γὰρ εἰς τὸν λαόν, ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς δείχνει εἰς τὸ ἐμπροσθέν τοῦ κρεμάμενον λογεῖον, πῶς θέλει νὰ ἔμβῃ ἡ Παρθένος μέσα εἰς αὐτὰ τὰ Ἅγια τῶν Ἀγίων. Καὶ οὕτως ἐπεισε τὸν λαόν, καὶ ἔστερξαν νὰ ἐμβάσῃ τὴν Παρθένον ἐκεῖ. Οὕτως ὁ Θεοφύλακτος Βουλγαρίας γράφει ἐν τῷ εἰς τὰ Εἰσόδια λόγῳ, λὺν θαυμασίως τὸ παρά τισι φαινόμενον ἀτοπον τῆς εἰς τὰ Ἅγια εἰσόδου τῆς Θεοτόκου. Ἀφ' οὗ ὅμως ἡ Κυρία Θεοτόκος ἐγέννησε τὸν Κύριον, ἐσυναρίθμησε ταύτην ὁ Ζαχαρίας ταῖς ἐν τῷ Ναῷ προσκαρτερούσαις παρθένοις, ὡς Παρθένον οὖσαν καὶ μετὰ τόκον, διὸ καὶ ἐφονεύθη. Ὡς λέγει ὁ Μέγας Βασίλειος ἐν τῷ εἰς τὴν Χριστοῦ γέννησιν λόγῳ.

Ταῖς τῆς Θεοτόκου προεβείαις Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς.

GOSPEL and EPISTLE READINGS

EPISTLE READING ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:1-7

BRETHREN, the first covenant had regulations for worship and an earthly sanctuary. For a tent was prepared, the outer one, in which were the lampstand and the table and the bread of the Presence; it is called the Holy Place. Behind the second curtain stood a tent called the Holy of Holies, having the golden altar of incense and the ark of the covenant covered on all sides with gold, which contained a golden urn holding the manna, and Aaron's rod that budded, and the tables of the covenant; above it were the cherubim of glory overshadowing the mercy seat. Of these things we cannot now speak in detail. These preparations having thus been made, the priests go continually into the outer tent, performing their ritual duties; but into the second only the high priest goes, and he but once a year, and not without taking blood which he offers for himself and for the errors of the people.

Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 9:1-7 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

□ δελφοί, ἐ□χεν □ πρώτη σκην□ δικαιώματα λατρείας, τό τε □γιον κοσμικόν. Σκην□ γ□ρ κατεσκευάσθη □ πρώτη, □ν □ τε λυχνία κα□ □ τράπεζα κα□ □ πρόθεσις τ□ν □ρτων, □τις λέγεται □για. Μετ□ δ□ τ□ δεύτερον καταπέτασμα σκην□ □ λεγομένη □για □γίων, χρυσο□ν □χουσα θυμιατήριον, κα□ τ□ν κιβωτ□ν τ□ς διαθήκης περικεκαλυμμένην πάντοθεν χρυσί□, □ν □ στάμνος χρυσ□ □χουσα τ□ μάννα, κα□ □ □άβδος □αρ□ν □ βλαστήσασα, κα□ α□

πλάκες τῆς διαθήκης· περὶ αὐτῆς Χερουβὶμ δόξης κατασκιάζοντα τὸ ἱερόν·
περὶ οὗ οὐκ ἔστιν νῦν λέγειν κατὰ μέρος. Τούτων δὲ οὕτως κατεσκευασμένων, ἐξ ἑνὸς
τῶν πρώτων σκηνῶν διὰ παντὸς ἐσίσιασιν οἱ ἱερεῖς, τῆς λατρείας πεπιτελοῦντες· ἐξ δὲ τοῦ
δευτέρου παζ τοῦ ἑνιαυτοῦ μόνος ὁ ἀρχιερεὺς, ὁ χωρὶς αἵματος, ὁ προσφέρει τὸ
ἑαυτοῦ καὶ τῶν τοῦ λαοῦ ἁγνοημάτων·

GOSPEL READING ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

The Gospel According to Luke 10:38-42, 11:27-28

At that time, Jesus entered a village; and a woman called Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve you alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 10:38-42, 11:27-28 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τὸ καιρὸν αὐτὸν, ἐσπλῆθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐξ κόμην τινά· γυνὴ δὲ τις ὀνόματι Μάρθα
ἐπεδέξατο αὐτὸν ἐξ τῶν οὐκ ἰσχυρῶν. καὶ τῷδε ἡν δελφὴ καλουμένη Μαρία, ἣ καὶ
παρακαθίσασα παρὰ τοῦ πόδας τοῦ Ἰησοῦ ἠκούε τὸν λόγον αὐτοῦ. ἡ δὲ Μάρθα
περιεσπῶτο περὶ πολλῶν διακονίαν· ἠπιστάσα δὲ εἶπε· Κύριε, οὐ μέλει σοι ὅτι ἡ δελφὴ
μου μόνην με κατέλιπε διακονεῖν; ἐπεὶ οὐκ ἔστιν ἵνα μοι συναντιλάβηται. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ
εἶπεν αὐτῇ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· Μάρθα Μάρθα, μεριμνᾷς καὶ τυρβάζῃ περὶ πολλά· ἡνὲς δὲ ἓστι
χρεία· Μαρία δὲ τὸν ἁγαθὸν μερίδα ἐξελέξατο, ὅτις οὐκ ἀφαιρεθήσεται ἀπὸ αὐτῆς.
Ἐγένετο δὲ ἡν τὸ λέγειν αὐτὴν ταῦτα ἠπάρασά τις γυνὴ φωνῶν ὅτι τοῦ ἁλίου εἶπεν
αὐτῇ· μακαρία ἡ κοιλία ἣ βαστάσασά σε καὶ μαστοὶ οἱ στήλας. αὐτὴς δὲ εἶπε·
μενοῦνγε μακάριοι οἱ ἀκούοντες τὸν λόγον τοῦ Θεοῦ καὶ φυλάσσοντες αὐτό

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, November 21, 2021

**Entrance of the Theotokos
into the Temple**

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Orthros, Divine Liturgy
Catechism teachers and students will
remain seated with their families
Coffee is served by the Parish Council

Monday, November 22, 2021

Philemon of the 70

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, November 23, 2021

Amphilochios, Bishop, Gregory Bishop

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

6:00 p.m. Paraklesis

7:30 p.m. School Board Meeting

Wednesday, November 24, 2021

Clement, Pope of Rome

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Greek School

Thursday, November 25, 2021

Thanksgiving Day

Katherine the Great Martyr

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Friday, November 26, 2021

Stylianios the Monk of Paphlagonia

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

No School - Thanksgiving

Saturday, November 27, 2021

James the Great Martyr of Persia

9:00 a.m. - Orthros, Divine Liturgy

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

Κυριακή, 21 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Είσοδος της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου

8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το Συμβούλιο

Δευτέρα, 22 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Φιλήμων εκ των 70

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

Τρίτη, 23 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Αμφιλόχιος Επί., Γρηγόριος Επί.

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

6:00 μ.μ. Παράκληση

7:30 μ.μ. Συνεδρίαση Σχολικής Επιτροπής

Τετάρτη, 24 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Κλήμης Επί.

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο

Πέμπτη, 25 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Ημέρα Ευχαριστιών

Αικατερίνη Μεγαλομάρτυς

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

Παρασκευή, 26 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Όσιος Στυλιανός ο Παφλαγών

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία

Κλειστό το Ελληνικό Σχολείο

Σάββατο, 27 Νοεμβρίου, 2021

Ιάκωβος ο Πέρσης

9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θ. Λ.

MEMORIAL SERVICES **ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ**

Sunday, November 21, 2021

**In Memory of all
the deceased Members of the Community**

**Εις μνήμη όλων των
Κεκοιμημένων Μελών της Κοινότητας**

9 months: Pantazis Tasigiannis

9 μήνες: Πανταζής Τασιγιάννης

20 years: Tsampicos Perides

20 χρόνια: Τσαμπίκος Περίδης

*The coffee is offered by
the Perides & Stavrou Families*

*Ο καφές προσφέρεται από τις οικογένειες
Περίδη & Σταύρου που τελούν το μνημόσυνο
εις μνήμη του κεκοιμημένου*

SACRAMENTS **ΜΥΣΤΗΡΙΑ**

Baptisms - Βαπτίσεις:

12:00 noon; Saturday, November 20, 2021

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Irving

2:00 p.m. Sunday, November 21, 2021

Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Louros

OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER

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ANNOUNCEMENTS



69th Anniversary of the Ascension Church

On Thursday, November 27, 1952 was the first Divine Liturgy
of the Ascension Church in Fairview.

This Sunday, we celebrate the 69th Anniversary of our community.

We will have artoklasia for the good health of all our members
and a memorial service for all our past parishioners.

69η Επέτειος της Εκκλησίας

Πέμπτη 27 Νοεμβρίου, 1952, έγινε η πρώτη Θεία Λειτουργία στην
Εκκλησία της Θείας Αναλήψεως!

Η ενορία μας γιορτάζει 69 χρόνια από την ίδρυσή της.
Χρόνια Πολλά!

Την Κυριακή, θα τελέσουμε
Αρτοκλασία Υπέρ Υγείας των Μελών
και

Μνημόσυνο Υπέρ Αναπαύσεως όλων των Μελών.

**ASCENSION GREEK
ORTHODOX CHURCH**
Fairview, NJ

Join Us

BIBLE Study
Conversation & Fellowship
with **Fr. Christos Pappas**

When

EVERY TUESDAY after Paraklesis in Church (Greek)
&
EVERY SECOND FRIDAY of the month (English)
6:45 pm in the lower community room

With Childcare

FRIDAY pizza and playtime with
supervision will be available for all children
while parents attend

Register with

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Ascension PTO
Christmas Bake Sale



Friday, December 10, 2021
(after Greek School)
Sunday, December 9, 2021
After the Divine Liturgy
\$25 per platter

Thank you for Supporting our Greek Afternoon School!
Καλές Γιορτές!!!



Philoptochos is having a
Food Drive for Thanksgiving.

**Please donate and help us
contribute to those in need.**

Boxes for canned and dry goods,
toiletries, baby food and paper goods
can be found outside the bookstore.



If you would like to volunteer in one of our
youth ministries, you must comply
with the

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
Policies for the
safety of children and youth

For more information and to
register to be a youth worker,
contact:

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COMMUNITY NEWS



On October 29, 2021, the Ascension Afternoon Greek School, grades pre-K to 9th grade performed for OXI Day to the parents, grandparents, and the community.

Mr. Demosthenes Triantafillou, the Principal, congratulating all the students and teachers; Presbytera Maria Pappas, Pre-K & K; Theano Kallopoulos, first grade; Maria Bonitsis, second grade; Vasiliki Manolis, third grade; Madalena Aravosita, fourth grade; Dimitra Baltzis, sixth grade; Maria Sardis, seventh and ninth grade; and Vaia Tjionas, eighth grade and ninth grade.



Meet the new Greek School PTO of the Ascension Afternoon Greek School. Standing (left to right) Kathy Coyle; Christina Arapidis, Treasurer; Lena Kontolios; Ria Antista; Sara Yannakogeorgos; Corresponding Secretary; Lavon Detsikas; Maria Karantonis, Assistant Treasurer; Sofia Petrakis, Recording Secretary; Alexandra Louridas. Seated (left to right) Sophia Mihalakis, Vice President; Demosthenes Triantafillou, Principal; and Sonia Skounaki-Garbidakis, President. Not pictured: Smrita Sinha. Congratulations and good luck!



November 14th was National Philoptochos Sunday and our community recognized these amazing ladies for their tireless work. Standing (left to right) Martha Liossatos; Vicky Diamantopoulos; Toula Drossos; Georgia Stamatis, Treasurer; Lea Drivas, President. Seated (left to right) Athena Giannaros, 2nd Vice President; Tzeni Kalantozonakis; Demetra Delaportas, 1st Vice President; Chrystalla Kanakis; Pauline Tasigiannis, Corresponding Secretary; Ange Gargas. Not pictured: Cathe Lekkas, Recording Secretary; Nikki Kaousias, Assistant Treasurer; Julie Mellis; Kiki Avrambos; Margarita Pantelis; Eugenia Callas; and Areti Yanovich. We are grateful and appreciate the entire Ascension Philoptochos Board!



Congratulations to all the students of the Ascension Catechism Program! Mrs. Addie Toumazou and all the Catechism teachers; Elizabeth Baltzis, Samantha Binikos, Maria Bonitsis, Anastasia Pinou-Melizanis, Eugenia Mihalatos, Michaela Toumazou, Vicky Sekkas, Asimina Georgiou-Spyropoulos, Evelyn Tsugranis, Erasmia Voukelatos; invite and welcome all children to register for the Catechism Program.



The Ascension GOYA (Greek Orthodox Youth of America) hosted the Bowling Tournament Dance November 6, 2021. Congratulations to all our amazing youth and Advisors, Dimitra Baltzis, Cindy Harilaou, Costa Rakkou, Mike Tsugranis, Peter Frangiskou, and Sofia Petrakis.



CHANGES TO MASK REQUIREMENTS

You are strongly encouraged to wear a mask or face covering in church for the protection of those who cannot wear a mask, have a weakened immune system, or cannot receive the vaccine. Try to physically distance yourself as best as possible while in church. If you have the symptoms of COVID-19, or suspect you might have been exposed to someone who has COVID-19, please do not come.

The Divine Liturgy is live streamed on our church website. You can watch from home or in our Church Hall downstairs and come up for Holy Communion at the appropriate time at the end of the Liturgy. Please let Fr. Christos know what you decide to do.

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