



ASCENSION
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY



The LIGHT of the ASCENSION
Το Φως της Θείας Αναλήψεως



Sunday, January 23, 2022

Today we commemorate

14th Sunday of Luke

- [Epistle Reading click here](#)
- [Gospel Reading click here](#)

**GOSPEL and EPISTLE
READINGS**

EPISTLE READING

The reading is from St. Paul's First Letter to Timothy 1:15-17

Timothy, my son, the saying is sure and worthy of full acceptance, that Christ Jesus came

into the world to save sinners. And I am the foremost of sinners; but I received mercy for this reason, that in me, as the foremost, Jesus Christ might display his perfect patience for an example to those who were to believe in him for eternal life. To the King of ages, immortal, invisible, the only God, be honor and glory to the ages of ages. Amen.

ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

Πρὸς Τιμόθεον α' 1:15-17 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, πιστὸς ὁ λόγος καὶ πάσης ὑποδοχῆς ἱερός, ὅτι Χριστὸς ἠσοῦς ἦλθεν εἰς τὸν κόσμον ὑμάρτωλους σῶσαι, ὃν πρότερος ἐμὶ γὰρ ἄλλο διέτοτο λεγέσθην, ὅνα ὃν ἡμῶν πρώτῳ ἐνδείξεται ἠσοῦς Χριστὸς τὸν πᾶσαν μακροθυμίαν, πρὸς ὁποῦν ποτύπωσιν τὸν μελλόντων πιστεύειν ὅτι ἀπὸ τῆς ζωῆς ἀφώνιον. Τὸ δὲ βασίλειον τὸν ἀφώνων, ἀφθάρτῳ, ἀοράτῳ, μόνῳ σοφῷ θεῷ, τιμὴ καὶ δόξα εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας τῶν αἰώνων. Ἀμήν.

GOSPEL READING

The Gospel According to Luke 18:35-43

At that time, as Jesus drew near to Jericho, a blind man was sitting by the roadside begging; and hearing a multitude going by, he inquired what this meant. They told him, "Jesus of Nazareth is passing by." And he cried, "Jesus, Son of David, have mercy on me!" And those who were in front rebuked him, telling him to be silent; but he cried out all the more, "Son of David, have mercy on me!" And Jesus stopped, and commanded him to be brought to him; and when he came near, he asked him, "What do you want me to do for you?" He said, "Lord, let me receive my sight." And Jesus said to him, "Receive your sight; your faith has made you well." And immediately he received his sight and followed him, glorifying God; and all the people, when they saw it, gave praise to God

ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 18:35-43 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

Τὸ καιρὸν κείνῳ, ἐγένετο δὲ ὃν τὸ ἐγγίζειν ἀπὸ τῆς ἐκείνης ἱερῆς τυφλὸς τις ἐκάθητο παρὰ τὸν ὁδὸν προσαιτῶν. ἀκούσας δὲ ὁ χλοῦ διαπορευομένου ὑπνθάνετο τί ἐπὶ ταῦτα. ἐπηγγείλαν δὲ ἀπὸ τοῦ ὅτι Ἰησοῦς ὁ Ναζωραῖος παρέρχεται. καὶ ἐβόησε λέγων· Ἰησοῦ υἱοῦ Δαυὶδ, ἐλέησόν με· καὶ οἱ προάγοντες ἐπετίμων ἀπὸ τοῦ ὅτι σιωπήσῃ· ἀπὸ τῆς δὲ πολλῆς μῦλλον ἐκραζεν· υἱοῦ Δαυὶδ, ἐλέησόν με. σταθεῖς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐκέλευσεν ἀπὸ τὸν ἐλθῆναι πρὸς αὐτόν. ἐγγίσαντος δὲ ἀπὸ τοῦ ἐπηρώτησεν ἀπὸ τὸν λέγων· τί σοι θέλεις ποιῆσω; ὁ δὲ ἐπε· Κύριε, ὅνα ἐναβλέψω. καὶ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ἐπεὶ ἀπὸ τοῦ ἐνάβλεψον· ὁ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε. καὶ παραχρῆμα ἐνέβλεψε, καὶ ὁ κολούθει ἀπὸ τοῦ δοξάζων τὸν Θεόν· καὶ πᾶς ὁ λαὸς ἰδὼν ἔδωκεν αἶνον τῷ Θεῷ.

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, January 23, 2022

14th Sunday of Luke

Hieromartyr Clement of Ancyra [click here](#)

Martyr Agathangelos [click here](#)

8:30am-11:30 a.m.,

Orthros, Divine Liturgy

GOYA Sunday

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

[Gregory the Theologian click here](#)

9:00 am Orthros, Divine Liturgy

6:00 p.m. *Holy Unction*

Wednesday, January 26, 2022

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

Thursday, January 27, 2022

[Removal of the Relics](#)

[of John Chrystostom click here](#)

9:00 am Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 28, 2022

[Ephraim the Syrian click here](#)

[Isaac the Syrian click here](#)

9:00 am Orthros, Divine Liturgy

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

Saturday, January 29, 2022

[Removal of the Relics](#)

[of Ignatius the God-bearer click here](#)

9:00 am Orthros, Divine Liturgy

11 a.m. - 12 noon *Greek Dances (GOYA)*

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

Κυριακή, 23 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

ΙΔ' Λουκά (Τυφλού)

[Ιερομόντης Κλήμης Αγκύρας click here](#)

[Μάρτυς Αγαθάγγελος click here](#)

8:30 πμ - 11:30 π.μ.

Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Τρίτη, 25 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

[Γρηγόριος ο Θεολόγος click here](#)

9:00 πμ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

6:00 μ.μ. *Ιερών Ευχέλαιον*

Τετάρτη, 26 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

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

Πέμπτη, 27 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

[Ανακομιδή Λειψάνου](#)

[Ιωάννου Χρυσοστόμου click here](#)

9:00 πμ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Παρασκευή, 28 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

[Όσιος Εφραίμ ο Σύρος click here](#)

[Ισαάκιος ο Σύρος click here](#)

9:00 πμ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

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

Σάββατο, 29 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

Ανακομιδή Λειψάνων

Ιγνατίου του Θεοφόρου [click here](#)

9:00 πμ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

11 π.μ. - 12 μ.μ. Ελληνικοί Χοροί (GOYA)

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Sunday, January 23, 2022

10 days: Eftihia Theodoridou

10 μέρες: Ευτυχία Θεοδορίδου

40 days: Ioanna Polemis

40 μέρες: Ιωάννα Πολέμη

3 years: Athanasia Liakopoulos

3 χρόνια: Αθανασία Λιακοπούλου

*Coffee is offered by
the Polemis Family*

*Ο καφές προσφέρεται
από την οικογένεια Πολέμη
που τελεί το μνημόσυνο
εις μνήμη της κεκοιμημένης*

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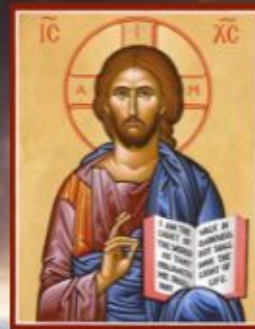
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ANNOUNCEMENTS

Conversation & fellowship



with
Fr. Christos Pappas

next meeting

will take place on

Tuesday, January 25, 2022

Zoom @ 8:00 pm

Meeting ID: 847 9194 4767

Passcode: 992534

Any questions call Fr. Christos @ 201.707.4737

Conversation and fellowship with Father Christos was a great success on January 14th. It was wonderful to meet everyone on zoom and share a meaningful evening with our spiritual leader. **PLEASE NOTE** that we will continue to meet via zoom but the meeting times have been moved to Tuesday evenings twice a month. The next meeting will be on

Tuesday, January 25, 2022 at 8 pm.

Please click on the link below and join us on ZOOM



Theophany Home Blessings

According to the Greek Orthodox tradition, the month of January is the time for home blessings. If you wish for Fr. Christo to come and bless your home, you may respond to this email and provide your name, address, phone number, and provide possible dates and times for scheduling blessing. Or you may contact Anastasia, Office Administrator, at 201-945-6448 or email us at info@ascensionfairview.org.



COURAGE TO RESIST

~ 2022 ~

NJ Hellenic American Heritage Commission



Essay Contest
&

Leontarakis Family Scholarship Awards



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NJ High School Students of Hellenic descent are invited to submit an essay that will be judged by the NJ Hellenic American Heritage Commission and the NJ Department of Education.

Two winning authors will each receive a \$2,000 Scholarship.
The Gus Leontarakis Hellenism Award and the Irene Leontarakis Agape Award.

Awards will be presented at the NJ Greek Independence Day reception on March 19, 2022.

~ 2022 Scholarship Essay ~

Background: Personal treasures and unique artifacts often provide us with memories of the past that help us maintain a connection to our history and culture. Whether a piece of art or an item of sentimental and family value, they can bring a smile to our face or tears to our eyes while filling our hearts with love and appreciation for the people and experiences that preceded us. For the same reasons, global discussions have expanded to include the return of cultural artifacts and historical treasures to their country of origin.

Essay Question: Should cultural treasures, which are a source of national pride, historical legacy and cultural and religious identity, be returned to their country of origin? Examples of such treasures may include the Parthenon Marbles, artwork stolen by Nazi Germany, or artifacts maintained in private collections throughout the world.

Submit your response of less than 1,000 words before February 28, 2022

To apply, click here or visit the address below:

<https://www.state.nj.us/state/hellenic-essay-contest.shtml>

For further information, please contact: Gigigette@aol.com

Archdiocesan School of Byzantine Music (ASBM) Reopens



ARCHDIOCESAN SCHOOL OF BYZANTINE MUSIC (ASBM)

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America has reopened online registration for The Archdiocesan School of Byzantine Music. The ASBM will train competent cantors to better serve the contemporary musical and liturgical needs of parishes within the context of the divine services. The classes will be in a virtual setting which will greatly improve access to students from all over the Archdiocese. The ASBM is designed to meet the various needs of its students, regardless their musical knowledge or experience, while still following the same model as traditional music conservatories in both Greece and the United States. For further information concerning registration and the school itself, call 646-519-6726.



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΗΣ

December 21, 2021

The Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy,
Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils, Philoptochos Sisterhoods and the PTO/PTA,
Directors/Principals and Teachers of the Afternoon Greek Schools of the
Northern New Jersey Region of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

My Beloved in the Lord,

I pray that my letter finds all of you well. With the blessings of His Eminence, Archbishop Elpidophoros of America our Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey will once again be celebrating Greek Letters and the Feast Day of the Three Hierarchs, St. Basil the Great, St. John Chrysostom and St. Gregory the Theologian, the Ecumenical Teachers of our Holy Orthodox Faith and profound supporters of Education. Furthermore, these Great Saints and Illuminators are the special Protectors of our Teachers, the educators who have devoted their life to the service of our Church and our children.

Please know that the Metropolis Celebration for the Northern New Jersey Region will take place on SATURDAY, JANUARY 29, 2022, AT 6:00 PM AT THE ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL IN TENAFLY, NEW JERSEY. The beautiful program will include the students of the area Greek Schools, as they narrate various poems, sing songs, and Greek dance with great pride. Please join us for this beautiful event as we gather together to honor the Three Hierarchs, and to celebrate the work of our Greek School Educators and our Greek School Students.

Please R.S.V.P. by contacting the St. John the Theologian Greek Orthodox Cathedral at 201-567-5072 no later than Monday, January 24, 2022 so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Conveying to you the paternal love and blessings of our Chief Shepherd, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and wishing you a most blessed and Merry Christmas, I remain



At the Direction of the Archbishop,

Archimandrite Christof. Oikonomidis

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YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

What does it mean to Be The Bee?

"...be the bee, an awesome metaphor that goes back at least to St. Basil the Great... just like bees only take the good nectar from flowers, we should only take the good from whatever situation in which we find ourselves, and leave the rest behind. St. John Chrysostom... explained the reason why bees work so hard to collect the good nectar. 'The bee is more honored than other animals, not because she labors, but because she labors for others'.. Taking what's good out of every situation and sharing it with others ... goes right to the heart of what it means to be a Christian...Elder Paisios of Mount Athos:... 'It only knows

the good things in life and is ignorant of all evil'..."

~ Steve Christoforou, Director of the Department of Youth and Young Adult Ministries, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

Check out this great series of videos to share with your children on "Finding God" and "Living Orthodoxy."

#BeTheBee #OrthodoxChristianity #StBasiltheGreat #StJohnChrysostom

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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:

Evelyn Tsugranis
Parish Youth Safety Administrator
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www.SWAB4ANDREA.com

Andrea is a member of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Wyckoff. She has leukemia and is in need of a bone marrow transplant. As of today, **Be The Match** has not found a donor. The ideal donor is of Greek or Cypriot descent and is in the age range of 18-40. You can help by gently swabbing the inside of your cheek and test to determine if you are a possible stem cell match. For more on becoming a donor please see the information below.

ANDREA NEEDS OUR HELP TO CONQUER CANCER



Hi, my name is Andrea (Demetriou) Kalliaras. My family and I are members of Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Wyckoff, NJ. I am 49 years old. My husband Constantinos (Gus) and I are proud parents to two young teens, Sophia and Nikolas.

A few months ago, I received devastating news that I have a rare form of Leukemia that can only be cured by a stem cell transplant. Unfortunately, at this point, the doctors have not found a match for me and so we are now praying for the generosity of others and reaching out to our fellow community. My mom, Fannie is Cypriot, and my dad John is Greek and Cypriot. So, we are looking for anyone that is of Greek or Cypriot descent, however, on occasion, matches are found between patients and donors of different ethnic groups.

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MY FAMILY NEEDS YOUR HELP!! A few months ago, we received devastating news that my sister, Andrea (Demetriou) Kalliaras, has a rare form of Leukemia that can only be cured by a stem cell transplant. I have always been very protective of my sister and always looked out for her. But this time I can't personally help her which tears me apart inside. My sister is not only my best friend but literally like a second mother to my three girls ages 16, 14, and 12.

We are looking for an Angel on this Earth of Greek and/or Cypriot descent between the ages of 18 and 55 to check and see if they are a match to help my sister. On occasion, matches are found between patients and donors of different ethnic groups, so even if you are not Greek or Cypriot, please register! To determine if someone is a

match It is a 10-second cheek swab in the convenience of your home via a free kit that is mailed directly to you. If you are a match, technology has advanced so much that the 80% of stem cell donations are now given through blood collection. Additionally, for whoever is a match all costs including transportation, if needed, to and from the nearest blood lab is 100% covered. Please help us in this time of need!

I am asking everyone to please like and share this post and even share via other social media outlets as well as possibly emailing the information directly to any Greek or Cypriot; people, organizations, associations and/or churches you know in the USA as well as Greece, Cyprus, Germany, the UK or anywhere in the world!

For more information or to register to be a donor visit **www.swab4andrea.com** or **<https://lnkd.in/d8h4baJ4>**

To receive a free swab kit please see below or visit **www.swab4andrea.com** :

In USA for ages 18-40 text Swab4Andrea to 61474

In USA for ages 41-55 please visit **<https://www.dkms.org/>**

In Cyprus email **cybmdr@karaiskakio.org.cy** or call Anita Koumouli at 0035722772700 or visit **<https://lnkd.in/dGppyCKj>**

In Greece visit **<https://www.xarisezoi.gr/>**

In Germany visit **<https://www.dkms.de/>**

In the UK visit **<https://www.dkms.org.uk/>**

All other countries visit Swab The World | Become a stem cell donor

~ Marc Demetriou

COMMUNITY NEWS



Congratulations to the Parish Council members of 2022!

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Peter A. Frangiskou
Ioanna Georgiadis
Emmanuel Hatzakis
Christos Kanakis
Niki Kaousias
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Themmy Kontolios
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Martha Liosatos
Mihaelos N. Mihalos
Athanasios Peppas
Constantine J. Rakkou
Panagiotis Sardis
Michael Siderias
Kimon Skarlatos
Flourentzo Toumazou
Agisilaos Triantafyllopoulos



Father Christos cuts the Vasilopita for the children and teachers of the Catechism Program.



Father Christos cuts the Vasilopita for the children, teachers, and Principal Triantafillou of the Afternoon Greek School.



Congratulations to our Junior GOYA girls volleyball team on being crowned the NJ GOYA State Champions! This is the culmination of an undefeated season and winning the District 1 championship as well. We are so proud of you and your accomplishments and would also like to congratulate and thank our coaches Costa Rakkou and Jordan Nicholas.



Thank you to all who supported the Catechism Christmas fundraiser. Your generous donations made it possible to purchase Target gift cards to all the children of St. Basil Academy, Garrison, NY and to make a donation to St. Tabitha School & Orphanage, Kenya, Africa.



COVID SAFETY MEASURES

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 stay home.

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 OR at the end of the Liturgy. Please let Fr. Christos know in advance what you decide to do.

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