

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

The LIGHT of the ASCENSION is our weekly newsletter which will inform and hopefully, inspire you with all things and activites having to do with our church and community. Please share with your family, friends, children, and grandchildren and become part of the Ascension family. Happy New Year and have a wonderful week!



Sunday, January 9, 2022

## **Today we commemorate**

## **Sunday After Epiphany**

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# GOSPEL and EPISTLE READINGS

#### **EPISTLE READING**

### The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 4:7-13

BRETHREN, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (in saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.) And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

#### ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

#### Πρός Έφεσίους 4:7-13 τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

$\square$ δελφοί, $\square$ ν $\square$ $\square$ κάστ $\square$ $\square$ μ $\square$ ν $\square$ δόθη $\square$ χάρις κατ $\square$ τ $\square$ μέτρον τ $\square$ ς δωρε $\square$ ς το $\square$ Χριστο $\square$ . Δι $\square$
λέγει, $□ναβ□ς ε□ς □ψος □χμαλώτευσεν α□χμαλωσίαν, κα□ □δωκεν δόματα το□ς □νθρώποις.$
Τ□ δέ, □νέβη, τί □στιν ε□ μ□ □τι κα□ κατέβη πρ□τον ε□ς τ□ κατώτερα μέρη τ□ς γ□ς; □
καταβάς, α□τός □στιν κα□ □ □ναβ□ς □περάνω πάντων τ□ν ο□ραν□ν, □να πληρώσ□ τ□
πάντα. Κα $\square$ α $\square$ τ $\square$ ς $\square$ δωκεν το $\square$ ς μ $\square$ ν $\square$ ποστόλους, το $\square$ ς δ $\square$ προφήτας, το $\square$ ς δ $\square$ ε $\square$ αγγελιστ <mark>άς,</mark>
τοὺς δὲ ποιμένας καὶ διδασκάλους, πρὸς τὸν καταρτισμὸν τῶν ἀγίων, εἰς ἔργον διακονίας,
ε□ς ο□κοδομ□ν το□ σώματος το□ Χριστο□· μέχρι καταντήσωμεν ο□ πάντες ε□ς τ□ν □νότ <mark>ητα</mark>
τ $□$ ς πίστεως κα $□$ τ $□$ ς $□$ πιγνώσεως το $□$ υ $□$ ο $□$ το $□$ θεο $□$ , ε $□$ ς $□$ νδρα τέλειον, ε $□$ ς μέτρον $□$ λικίας
τοῦ πληρώματος τοῦ Χριστοῦ.

#### **GOSPEL READING**

#### The Gospel According to Matthew 4:12-17

At that time, when Jesus heard that John had been arrested, he withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth he went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sat in darkness have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

#### ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΚΟ ΑΝΑΓΝΩΣΜΑ

#### Έκ τοῦ Κατὰ Ματθαῖον 4:12-17 Εὐαγγελίου τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα

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□Ιορδάνου, Γαλιλαία τ□ν □θν□ν, □ λα□ς □ καθήμενος □ν σκότειε□δε φ□ς μέγα, κα□ το	ς
καθημένοις $\Box$ ν χώρ $\Box$ κα $\Box$ σκι $\Box$ θανάτουφ $\Box$ ς $\Box$ νέτειλεν α $\Box$ το $\Box$ ς. $\Box$ Απ $\Box$ τότε $\Box$ ρξατο $\Box$ $\Box$ Ιησο	
κηρύσσειν καὶ λέγειν· μετανοεῖτε· ἤγγικε γὰρ ἡ βασιλεία τῶν οὐρανῶν.	

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

## Sunday, January 9, 2022

SundayAfter Epiphany 9:00am-12 noon, Orthros, Divine Liturgy Swearing in of Parish Council

Tuesday, January 11, 2022 Theodosios the Cenobiarch 9:00 am Orthros, Divine Liturgy 6:00 p.m. Paraklisis

Wednesday, January 12, 2022 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Greek School

Friday, January 14, 2022 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Greek School

## ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

## Κυριακή, 9 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

Κυριακή μετά τα Θεοφάνεια 9:00 πμ-12μμ Ορθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία Ορκωμοσία του Συμβουλίου

Τρίτη, 11 Ιανουαρίου, 2022 Θεοδόσιος Όσιος Κοινοβιάρχης 9:00 πμ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία 6:00 μ.μ. Παράκληση

Τετάρτη, 12 Ιανουαρίου, 2022  $4:30~\mu.\mu.-6:30~\mu.\mu.$  Ελληνικό Σχολείο

Παρασκευή, 14 Ιανουαρίου, 2022 4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο

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#### Saint Eustratius the Wonderworker

Saint Eustratius came from the city of Tarsus. At twenty years of age he secretly left his parents' home and settled in the Abgar monastery (on Olympos in Asia Minor). There he lived a strict ascetic life, eating only bread and water, and spending his nights at prayer. After a certain while he was chosen as igumen of the monastery.

During the reign of the Iconoclast Leo the Armenian (813-820), Saint Eustratius hid from pursuit by roaming the hills and the wilds. After the death of the emperor he returned to the monastery. Prayer was always on his lips, and he constantly repeated the words: "Lord, have mercy!"

Before his death he gave instructions to the monks not to be attracted towards earthly blessings, and constantly to think about the future life. Signing himself with the Sign of the Cross, he said, "Into Thy hands, O Lord, I commend my spirit" and he died in peace at age 95.

#### Όσιος Ευστράτιος ο Θαυματουργός

Ο Όσιος Ευστράτιος καταγόταν από την περιοχή της Ταρσίας (Ταρσός Βιθυνίας στη Μικρά Ασία), η οποία ανήκε στη μεγάλη διοικητική περιφέρεια των Οπτημάτων και συγκεκριμένα από την κωμόπολη που έφερε το όνομα Βιτζιανή και έζησε τον 9ο αιώνα μ.Χ. Οι γονείς του, Γεώργιος και Μεγεθώ, ήταν ευσεβείς και εύποροι. Ο Όσιος Ευστράτιος ανατράφηκε με παιδεία και νουθεσία Κυρίου και οι γονείς του φρόντισαν και για την εκπαίδευσή του. Όταν συμπλήρωσε το εικοστό έτος της ηλικίας του η καρδιά του κυριεύθηκε από Θείο έρωτα. Τότε άφησε τους γονείς του και μετέβη στον Όλυμπο της Βιθυνίας, στο Μοναστήρι του Αυγάρου, στο οποίο μόναζαν οι θείοι του, από τη μητέρα του, Γρηγόριος και Βασίλειος. Εκεί λοιπόν, έγινε δεκτός από τους θείους του και ακολούθησε και αυτός την επίπονη και σκληρή ζωή του μοναχού.

Ο Όσιος καθημερινά διακονούσε τους πάντες με πρόθυμη καρδιά και ταπεινό φρόνημα. Δεν ενδιαφερόταν για τίποτε από τα αγαθά του κόσμου. Δεν είχε τίποτε στην κατοχή του, παρά μόνο ένα τρίχινο ένδυμα και ένα ύφασμα από μαλλί προβάτου. Δεν είχε ούτε τόπο ορισμένο για να κοιμάται. Λένε μάλιστα, ότι από τότε που έγινε μοναχός, στα εβδομήντα πέντε του ασκητικού του βίου, δεν κοιμήθηκε ποτέ ύπτιος ή με το αριστερό πλευρό.

Όταν πέθαναν οι προ αυτού ηγούμενοι της μονής, οι πατέρες εμπιστεύθηκαν στον Όσιο τη διοίκηση της μονής και τον ανέδειξαν ηγούμενο.

Εκείνο τον καιρό επέστρεψε νικητής από τον πόλεμο κατά των Βουλγάρων, ο εικονομάχος Λέων ο Ε' (813-820 μ.Χ.), ο οποίος ανέτρεψε τον ευσεβέστατο αυτοκράτορα Μιχαήλ. Η αίρεση της εικονομαχίας άρχισε να φουντώνει. Ο Όσιος Ευστράτιος, μετά από προτροπή του Οσίου Ιωαννικίου του Μεγάλου (τιμάται 4 Νοεμβρίου), άφησε τη Μονή και επέστρεψε στην πατρίδα του. Μόλις όμως έγινε η αναστήλωση των αγίων εικόνων, ο Όσιος επανήλθε στο μοναστήρι του. Η μέρα περνούσε με Πνευματικά γυμνάσματα και άσκηση και η νύκτα με αγρυπνίες και γονυκλισίες. Η μονολόγιστη ελπίδα, η ευχή του Κυρίου ημών Ιησού Χριστού, ήταν στην καρδιά και τα χείλη του. Ο Θεός τον αξίωσε με το χάρισμα της θαυματουργίας.

Ο Άγιος προείδε, με τη Χάρη του Θεού, το θάνατό του. Λίγο πριν απέλθει από την παρούσα ζωή, κάλεσε τους μοναχούς και τους είπε: «Αδελφοί, ο χρόνος της επίγειας ζωής μου έφθασε στο τέλος του. Λοιπόν, τέκνα μου αγαπητά, να φυλάξετε την παρακαταθήκη που παραλάβατε, γιατί τα πράγματα της παρούσας ζωής είναι πρόσκαιρα και μάταια, ενώ της μέλλουσας ζωής είναι άφθαρτα και αιώνια». Μόλις τελείωσε τα σύντομα αυτά λόγια, τους ευλόγησε και τους σφράγισε με το σημείο του Σταυρού. Έπειτα, αφού ύψωσε το βλέμμα του στον ουρανό, είπε, «Κύριε, εις τας γείρας σου παραδίδω το πνεύμα μου».

Έτσι ο Όσιος Ευστράτιος κοιμήθηκε με ειρήνη σε ηλικία 95 ετών.

### Theodosios the Great, the Cenobite

This Saint had Cappadocia as his homeland. He lived during the years of Leo of Thrace, who reigned from 457 to 474. The Saint established in the Holy Land a great communal monastery, wherein he was the shepherd of many monks. While Saint Sabbas was the head of the hermits of Palestine, Saint Theodosius was governor of those living the cenobitic life, for which reason he is called the Cenobiarch. Together with Saint Sabbas, towards whom he cherished a deep brotherly love in Christ, he defended the whole land of Palestine from the heresy of the Monophysites, which was championed by the Emperor Anastasius and might very well have triumphed in the Holy Land without the opposition of these two great monastic fathers and their zealous defense of the Holy Council of Chalcedon. Having lived for 103 years, he reposed in peace.

## Όσιος Θεοδόσιος ο κοινοβιάρχης

Ο Όσιος Θεοδόσιος ο Κοινοβιάρχης είναι άγιος της Χριστιανικής Εκκλησίας, η μνήμη του οποίου τιμάται στις 11 Ιανουαρίου. Την ημέρα αυτή γιορτάζουν ο Θεοδόσιος και η Θεοδοσία.

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Ο Θεοδόσιος καταγόταν από την Μωγαρισό της Καππαδοκίας και ασπάστηκε σε νεαρή ηλικία τον μοναχισμό (5ος αιώνας).

Κατά την διάρκεια του ταξιδιού του στους Αγίους Τόπους επισκέφτηκε την Αντιόχεια και ζήτησε την ευλογία του Οσίου Συμεών του Στυλίτη. Στα Ιεροσόλυμα, αφού μαθήτευσε κοντά στον ησυχαστή Λογγίνο, έγινε μοναχός και ίδρυσε κοινοβιακή αδελφότητα και Μονή που ανήγειρε εκ θεμελίων.

Με τον υποδειγματικό του βίο έγινε σοφός διδάσκαλος και καθοδηγητής πολλών μοναχών. Λόγω ζωηρής αντίδρασης του στην αίρεση του Ευτυχούς εξορίστηκε για λίγο από τον αυτοκράτορα Αναστάσιο Α'.

Ο Θεοδόσιος διορίστηκε προϊστάμενος όλων των κοινοβίων της Παλαιστίνης γι'αυτό και το προσωνύμιο «κοινοβιάρχης». Έζησε περίπου 105 χρόνια.

## Sunday, January 9, 2022

40 days: Marianti Tsekoura 40 μέρες: Μαριάνθη Τσεκούρα

40 days: Esther Muzuris 40 μέρες: Αριστέα Μουζούρη

1 year: Evangelos Koutros 1 χρόνος: Ευάγγελος Κούτρος

Lunch is offered by

the Baltzis Family

Θα προσφερθεί φαγητό από την οικογένεια Μπαλτζή που τελεί το μνημόσυνο εις μνήμη της κεκοιμημένης

## **OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER**



## Rev. Christos L. Pappas

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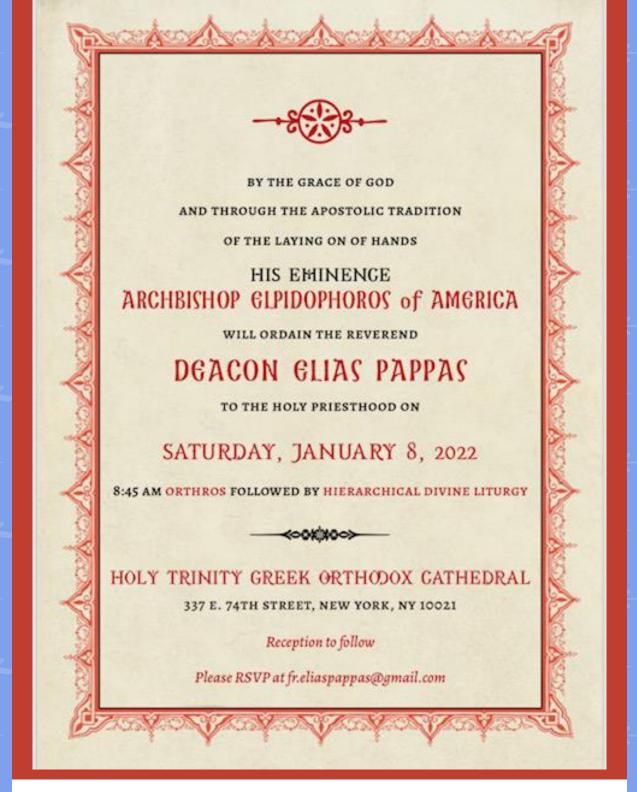
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## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

## Sunday, January 9, 2022 Swearing-in Parish Council

Join Us in congratulating the Parish Council of 2022

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



We are happy to announce that the Rev. Dn. Elias Pappas will be ordained to the Holy Priesthood this Saturday, January 8, 2022

## Πάντα Άξιος

Ordination will be live streamed from Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral

LIVE STREAM click here

\*\*\*Unfortunately, due to COVID, the reception is by *invitation only*\*\*\*



## Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

#### ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ

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 <u>SATURDAY</u>, <u>JANUARY 29</u>, 2022, <u>AT 6:00 PM AT THE ST. JOHN THE THEOLOGIAN GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL IN TENAFLY</u>, <u>NEW JERSEY</u>. 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

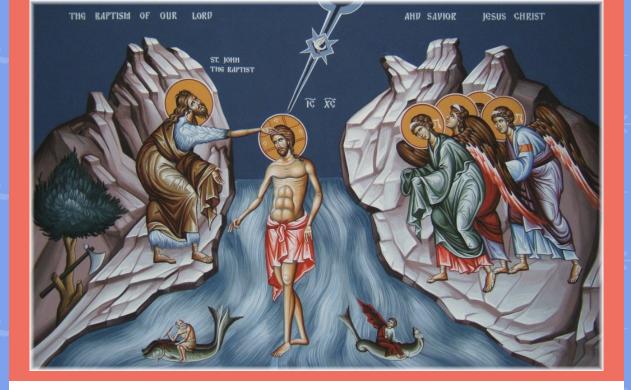
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## **Theophany Home Blessings**

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.

## YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES

#### HOLY WATER FOR THE WHOLE WORLD

"... God is everywhere and in everybody ...holy water ... spreads God's grace to everyone and everything ... it only takes a single drop of holy water to eventually bless the entire world..."

~ 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."

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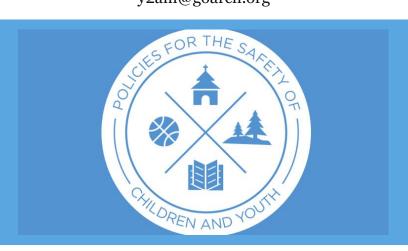
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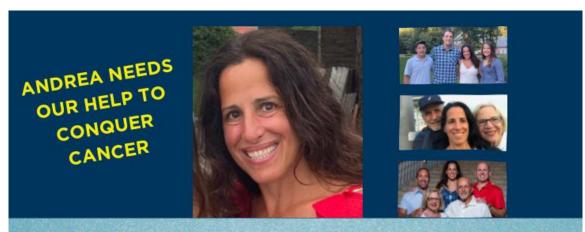
For more information and to register to be a youth worker, contact:

Evelyn Tsugranis

Parish Youth Safety Administrator

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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.



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!

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## **COMMUNITY NEWS**









We thank His Grace, Bishop Apostolos of Medeia for officiating Holy Epiphany services at our Ascension Church and for the Blessing of the Waters at The Yacht Club in Edgewater, NJ.





Congratulations to Mr. Triantafillou, Principal, teachers, students and Santa for a beautiful Christmas Program on Friday, December 17, 2021. Wishing everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy and prosperous 2022!



Thank you for supporting the Christmas Shop sponsored by the Ascension Catechism Program. This was their first FUNDRAISER and all proceeds will go to two Orthodox organizations, St. Basil Academy, Garrison, NY and St. Tabitha School & Orphanage, Kenya, Africa.





A beautiful Nativity Program was presented by the Catechism Program on  $\,$ 

Sunday, December 19, 2021. Thank you to Father Christo, Mrs. Addie Toumazou, the Catechism teachers, and all our students for a very meaningful Christmas celebration!



It was a yummy Breakfast with Santa supporting the GOYA (Greek Orthodox Youth of America) of our church on Sunday, December 19, 2021. Thank you to all for supporting the youth of the Ascension Church!



Congratulations to the Girls Junior Volleyball team for winning the Championship District 1! Great job girls and coaches! Good luck at the Championship game against the Southern District on January 8 & 9, 2022! Please support our volleyball team to another win! First row (left to right): Vicky Georgiou, Anthia Psofakis, Callie Fantis, and Meni Drossos. Standing (left to right): Coach Jordan Nicholas, Nina Vratsanos, Kiki Bardatsos, Themelina Petrakis, Irena Avalos, Mariana Rakkou, Katerina Arapidis, and Costas Rakkou, Coach/Advisor. (Juniors Not in photo: Sophia Lekkas and Dionysia Diakomihalis)

(Senior Team not in photo: Maria Baltzis, Irini Stathis, & Sophia Vergara)



Congratulations to the boys Senior Basketball team for a great season and for representing our church and community in the best possible light. (Left to right) Costas Rakkou, Coach/Advisor, Theo Nannas, Stasi Kostogiannis, Andrew Avalos, Chris Kersul, Andreas Socratous, Jonathon Magalias, Dimitri Bardatsos, and Mike Tsugranis, Coach/Advisor.



#### **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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