

The LIGHT of the ASCENSION Το Φως της Θείας Αναλήψεως



October 27, 2024

Today we commemorate 7th Sunday of Luke

- Epistle Reading (click here)
- Gospel Reading (click here)

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday

October 27, 2024

7th Sunday of Luke (click here)

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Orthros, Divine Liturgy Catechism School Coffee is served by the Parish Council
2nd General Assembly
Meeting

Monday October 28, 2024

Holy Protection of the Theotokos (click here)

OXI Day 9:00 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Wednesday

October 30, 2024

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

Thursday

October 31, 2024

6:00 - 7:30 p.m.

Paraklisis & Bible Study

Friday

November 1, 2024

Cosmas & Damianos

(click here)

(Agiasmos)

9:00 a.m. Orthros Divine Liturgy

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

Saturday

November 2, 2024

4:00 p.m. GOYA Bowling Tournament 7:00 p.m. Bowling Dance

Sunday

November 3, 2024

5th Sunday of Luke

(click here)

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m., Orthros Divine Liturgy

Catechism School

Coffee is served by the PTO

Αγία Σκέπη της Θεοτόκου Τετάρτη Πέμπτη

Κυριακή 27 Οκτωβρίου, 2024 Ζ' Λουκά

(click here)

8:30 π . μ . – 11:30 π . μ . Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία Κατηχητικό Σχολείο Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το Συμβούλιο Γενική Συνέλευση

Δευτέρα 28 Οκτωβρίου, 2024

(click here)

Ημέρα του ΟΧΙ Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

> 30 Οκτωβρίου, 2024 4:30 - 6:30 µ.µ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο

31 Οκτωβρίου, 2024 6:00 - 7:30 μ.μ. Παράκληση & Μελέτη Αγίας Γραφής

Παρασκευή 1η Νοεμβρίου, 2024 Κοσμάς & Δαμιανός Ανάργυροι (Αγιασμός) Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 - 6:30 μ.μ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο

Σάββατο 2 Νοεμβρίου, 2024 4:00 μ.μ. GOYA Bowling **Tournament** 7:00 µ.µ.. Bowling Dance

Κυριακή

3 Νοεμβρίου, 2024

E' Λουκά (click here)

8:30 π .μ. – 11:30 π.μ., Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία Κατηχητικό Σχολείο Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το ΠΤΟ

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LIGHT a CANDLE and SAY a PRAYER click here

MEMORIAL SERVICES MNHMOΣΥΝΑ

ΣABBATO - SATURDAY

2 χρόνια: Βασίλειος Παντελής 2 years: Vasilios Pantelis

Ο καφές προσφέρεται από την οικογένεια Παντελή που τελεί το μνημόσυνο εις μνήμη του κεκοιμημένου

Coffee is offered by the Pantelis Family that has the Memorial Service

KYPIAKH - SUNDAY

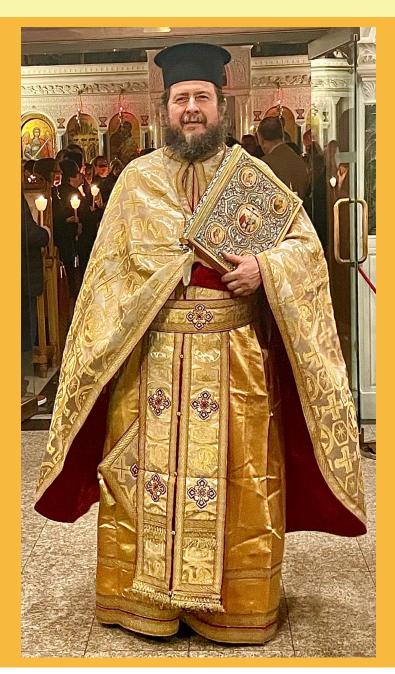
40 μέρες: Αιμίλιος Α. Γιαννούδης 40 days: Emilios A. Yiannoudes

3 χρόνια: Αικατερίνη Νικολάου 3 years: Ekaterini Nicolaou

Ο καφές προσφέρεται από τις οικογένειες Γιαννούδη και Νικολάου που τελούν τα μνημόσυνα εις μνήμη των κεκοιμημένων

Coffee is offered by the Yiannoudes & Nicolaou Families that have the Memorial Services

OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER



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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Parishioners, Family and Friends,

The Parish Council and all the Ascension Organizations welcome you back for a new and exciting year. The Organizations have planned events for our community. The Parish is looking for volunteers to join our team in promoting our events. Please check in within any board member.

As per our previous letter, the Board continues to implement upgraded changes to our community. We had installed 28 cameras and an alarm system for our Parish and School safety. Additionally, entry keypads have been installed to keep all doors closed especially during school hours. A new water heater has been installed. Electrical updates have been completed. The 2 AC units for the Church have been temporarily repaired. We need new AC units where we are working with PSEG on implementing new LEED-type efficient equipment. A new kitchen is being installed in the church hall. After this is completed, we will proceed with painting and cleaning the entire hall and office area. Additional plans are brewing for updating our community areas.

Further, A contractor was awarded for the Henry Street Parking Lot project. Unfortunately, we have experienced some delays in updating the existing zone status. Our Professional Engineer, Lawyer and Committee are working diligently in getting this expedited for a quick town approval. Hopefully we will see the approvals shortly and have the parking lot completed. An update will follow.

All these items take up considerable time, coordination, effort, devotion and dedication. The church relies on donations to help complete these crucial and necessary projects. It is our duty to help our Parish continue to preach our faith, heritage, and customs. Together we can accomplish these goals.

The Parish is our home and place where we meet new friends, families and our children have the opportunity to socialize as well as learn about our customs, religion and most important the Greek language. Our Parish is the only community that offers a Greek Junior High School. Each year, we are blessed and proud of our students' receiving scholars and awards. This is a remarkable

achievement, and it is our duty to continue this mission.

Please take the time to ascertain that your paid membership is up to date. Any additional donations are appreciated and required to subsidize the costs of all these repairs and in helping upgrade our facilities.

If you have not yet paid for 2024, payments can be made by check to the Ascension Church. For a quicker payment process, please click on the link below and pay by credit/debit card.

https://tithe.ly/give_new/www/#/tithely/give-one-time/305721

We have achieved so much in the past and for that we are very proud. It is our duty to try and secure the future of our Church and our children. It is difficult to act alone but very easy when we work together. Jesus taught us "For where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in the midst of them".

We thank everyone for their love and support for our membership/stewardship fund.

God Bless!

Peter A. Frangiskou Parish Council President

2024 PAID MEMBERSHIP

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REV. CHRISTOS L. PAPPAS PROTOPREBYTER

October 14, 2024.

To: All members of the Ascension Greek Orthodox Church

Dear Parishioners,

On Sunday, October 27, 2024, at 12:30 p.m., the 2nd General Assembly Meeting of our Parish will take place at the Church Hall. In the event that there is no quorum, the General Assembly Meeting will be rescheduled for Sunday, November 10, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.

At this General Assembly, we will discuss topics that concern our Parish and its progress. Your Priest and the Parish Council wish that every parishioner make every effort to be present.

We wish to remind you that, in order to participate in the General Assembly Meeting and have voting privileges, it is required that your membership be paid for the year 2024.

AGENDA

- 1. Call of meeting to order PRAYER-
- Election of Chairman of the General Assembly
- Election of Secretary of the General Assembly
- Reading of minutes of the previous General Assembly and approval of them
- 5. Financial Statements as of Sept.30, 2024
- 6. Approval of Budget for 2025
- 7. Nominations for six new members of the Parish Council for the years 2025-2027
- Old Business
- 9. New Business
- 10. Prayer and ADJOURNMENT

We await all of you at the General Assembly Meeting on Sunday, October 27, 2024, at 12:30 p.m.

Sincerely,

Panagiotis Sardis Secretary

Fr. Christos L. Pappas Protopresbyter

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Ελληνική Ορθοδόξος Εκκλησία της Θείας Αναλήψεως



REV. CHRISTOS L. PAPPAS PROTOPREBYTER

14 Οκτωβρίου, 2024.

Προς: Όλα τα Μέλη της Ελληνικής Ορθοδόξου Κοινότητος της Θείας Αναλήψεως

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. Октарртов, 2024.

Αγαπητά μας Μέλη,

Την Κυριακή, 27 Οκτωβρίου, 2024 στις 12:30 μ.μ. είναι προγραμματισμένη η 2^η Ετήσια Γενική Συνέλευση της Κοινότητάς μας στην αίθουσα της Εκκλησίας μας. Αν εκείνη την ημέρα δεν υπάρξει απαρτία, η 2^η Γενική Συνέλευση θα επαναπρογραμματιστεί για την Κυριακή, 10 Νοεμβρίου, 2024 στις 12:30 μ.μ.

Στη Συνέλευση αυτή θα συζητήσουμε θέματα που αφορούν την Κοινότητά μας και την πρόοδο της. Ο Ιερέας και το Διοικητικό Συμβούλιο, εύχονται όπως όλα τα Μέλη προσπαθήσουν να συμμετάσχουν στη Γενική Συνέλευση.

Σας υπενθυμίζουμε και πάλι ότι, για να λάβετε μέρος στη Γενική Συνέλευση και να έχετε δικαίωμα ψήφου, πρέπει να έχετε πληρωμένη τη συνδρομή σας για το 2024.

ΗΜΕΡΗΣΙΑ ΔΙΑΤΑΞΗ

- 1. Έναρξη της Συνελεύσεως Προσευχή
- 2. Εκλογή του Προέδρου της Συνελεύσεως
- 3. Εκλογή Γραμματέως της Συνελεύσεως
- 4. Ανάγνωση των Πρακτικών της τελευταίας Γενικής Συνελεύσεως & επικύρωσις αυτών.
- 5. Έγκριση Απολογισμού Εσόδων & Εξόδων από 30 Σεπτεμβρίου, 2024
- 6. Έγκριση Προϋπολογισμού για το 2025
- Υποδείξεις Μελών για έξι θέσεις του Εκκλησιαστικού Συμβουλίου για τα έτη 2025-2027
- 8. Παλαιά θέματα
- 9. Νέα Θέματα
- 10. Προσευχή και Λήξη Συνεδρίασης.

Σας περιμένουμε λοιπόν όλους στη Γενική Συνέλευση της Κοινότητάς μας, την Κυριακή, 27 Οκτωβρίου, 2024 στις 12:30 μ.μ.

Μ' εκτίμηση,

Παντελής Φραγκίσκου Πρόεδρος Παναγιώτης Σάρδης Γραμματέας

π. Χρήστος Λ. ΠαππάςΠρωτοπρεσβύτερος

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Αριθμ. Πρωτ.: 340/2024

Άρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος γιὰ τὴν ἡμέρα τοῦ «ΟΧΙ».

27 Όκτωβρίου 2024

Ποὸς τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Άρχιερεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Τερεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τἰς Μοναχές, τοὺς Πορέδρους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Άρχοντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμερήσια καὶ Ἀπογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τἰς Φιλοπτώχους Αδελφότητες, τἡ Νεολαία, τὶς Ἑλληνορθόδοξες Οργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληρο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Γερᾶς Αρχιεπισκοπῆς Αμερικῆς.

«Μακάριος ό λαός, οὖ ἐστι βοηθὸς Κύριος ό Θεὸς αὐτοῦ» (Δοξολογία ἐπὶ τῆ 28η Ὀκτωβρίου. Τῶν Νικητηρίων).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφὲς ἐν Χριστῷ,

Η ήμέφα τοῦ «ΟΧΙ» ἀποτελεῖ μία λαμπρὴ ὑπενθύμιση τοῦ θάρφους καὶ τῆς ἐπιμονῆς τοῦ Ἑλληνικοῦ Λαοῦ, ὁ ὁποῖος ἔδειξε τὸ ἀναστημά του ἀπέναντι στὴν φασιστικὴ ἐπιθετικότητα καὶ τὴν εἰσβολὴ στὰ ἱερά μας χώματα κατὰ τὸν Δεύτερο Παγκόσμιο Πόλεμο. Ή γραμμὴ ἄμυνας βάφτηκε μὲ αἶμα καὶ ὁ ἡρωϊσμός τους μοιάζει μὲ ἐκεῖνον τῶν ἡρώων τοῦ 1821, τὸ παράδειγμα τῶν ὁποίων ἀκολούθησαν πιστά.

Ή Έλλάδα μας εἶναι μία μικοὴ χώρα μὲ ἀνυπέρβλητο πολιτισμό! Εἴτε στὸ ἡπειρωτικὸ τμῆμα, εἴτε στὰ ἀμέτρητα νησιά της, εἴτε στοὺς θύλακες τῆς Μικρᾶς Ασίας ἐδῶ καὶ χιλιάδες χρόνια, ἡ ἰδιοφυῗα τοῦ ἔλληνα ἀνέκαθεν ἔλαμπε σὰν ἄστρο σὲ ὅλο τὸν κόσμο. Ἡ ἀντίσταση τῆς Ἑλλάδος στὸν κατακτητὴ καὶ στοὺς φασίστες τοῦ Δευτέρου Παγκοσμίου Πολέμου ἦταν αὐτονόητη, καθὼς ἡ βία, ἡ καταπίεση καὶ ἡ ὼμότητα ἀποτελοῦν ξένες ἔννοιες γιὰ κάθε γνήσιο ἕλληνα. Ἁν σὲ αὐτὸν τὸν πολιτισμὸ τῆς δημοκρατίας καὶ τῆς ἐλευθερίας προσθέσουμε τὴ χριστιανικὴ ὀρθόδοξη πίστη μὲ τὸν πνευματικό της δυναμισμὸ καὶ τὴν αὐταπάρνηση ἀπέναντι στὸ κακό, τότε μποροῦμε νὰ καταλάβουμε αὐτὴ τὴν αὐθόρμητη ἀντίσταση κατὰ τῆς τυραννίας.



Έπομένως, δὲν εἶναι τυχαῖο ὅτι ἡ Ἐκκλησία τῆς Ἑλλάδος μετέφερε τὴν ἑορτὴ τῆς Ἁγίας Σκέπης τῆς Θεοτόκου ἀπὸ τὴν 1^η Ὁκτωβρίου (τὴν ἡμέρα ποὺ ἑορτάζεται κανονικά) στὴν ἡμέρα τοῦ «ΟΧΙ». Αὐτὴ ἡ πίστη ὅτι ὁ Θεὸς μὲ τἰς μεσιτεῖες τῆς Θεοτόκου ἔρχεται πάντοτε ὡς προστάτης καὶ βοηθὸς ἀπέναντι σὲ κάθε ἄδικη εἰσβολή, εἶναι βαθιὰ ριζωμένη στὴν καρδιὰ τοῦ ἑλληνικοῦ λαοῦ. Σὲ ὅλο τὸν κόσμο, αὐτὴ τὴν ἡμέρα, οἱ ἔλληνες καὶ οἱ φιλέλληνες γιορτάζουν μὲ πίστη στὸ Θεὸ τὸν ἀγώνα γιὰ δικαιοσύνη καὶ ἀγαθοσύνη, ἀπαντώντας «ΟΧΙ» στὸν όλοκληρωτισμὸ καὶ «ΝΑΙ» στὴν ἐλευθερία! Πόσο, ἀλήθεια, εὐλογημένοι εἴμαστε, ποὺ ἔχουμε βοηθὸ καὶ σκεπαστὴ τὸν Κύριο καὶ Θεό μας;

Μετὰ πατρικῆς ἐν Κυρίφ Ἰησοῦ Χριστῷ ἀγάπης,

† ό Άμερικῆς Ἑλπιδοφόρος

to Aprening Lyropoeos



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 340/2024

Archiepiscopal Encyclical for the Commemoration of OXI Day

October 27, 2024

To the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and entirety of the Christloving Plenitude of the Sacred Archdiocese of America:

Blessed is the people, whose help is the Lord their God. (Doxology for October 28th, the Feast of Victory)

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

OXI Day is a shining reminder of the courage and steadfastness of the People of Greece, who stood tall in the face of the fascist aggression and invasion against their Nation during World War II. The line that they drew was in their own blood, and their heroism is redolent of those Immortal Heroes of 1821, in whose steps they faithfully followed.

Greece may be a small land, but it is an enormous civilization. Whether in the mainland, the islands, or the outposts of Asia Minor that were founded thousands of years ago, the genius of Hellas has always shone forth for all the world to see. The resistance of Greece to the fascists of the Second World War was inevitable, for such cruel and violent forms of domination are counter to every impulse of the Hellenic Mind. Add to this culture the Christian Orthodox Faith, and you have a spiritual, mental, and indeed, national phalanx against tyranny.

Therefore, it is no accident that the Church of Greece transferred the feast of the Holy Protection of the Virgin from October 1st (the day it is normally observed) to OXI Day, October 28th. This recognition of God's favor and aid in the face of invasion through the intercessions of His Holy Mother is deeply engrained in the psyche of the Greek People. Around the world, Hellenes and Philhellenes alike celebrate this faith in God and



faith in the human potential for justice and goodness on this Day of the "OXI" to totalitarianism and the "NAI" to freedom. How blessed we all are to be the People whose help is on the Lord our God.

With paternal love in Christ,

16 Ареста Жундорогог

† ELPIDOPHOROS

Archbishop of America



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 339/2024

Archepiscopal Encyclical for National Leadership 100 Sunday

October 27, 2024

To the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and entirety of the Christloving Plenitude of the Sacred Archdiocese of America:

Τίς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων ἐν ὑμῖν; δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστορφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραῦτητι σοφίας. (Ἐπιστολή Ἰακώβου 3:13)

Who is wise and understanding among you? By their good way of life, let them show their works in the meekness of wisdom.

(Epistle of Iakovos 3:13)

Dear sisters and brothers in Christ,

On this Sunday, which falls after the Feastday of Saint Iakovos, the Brother of God and First Bishop of Jerusalem, we begin with discerning and sagacious words from his Epistle that describe the people and purpose of the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Fund. This permanent endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism of our Archdiocese is comprised of "wise and understanding" stewards from across the Nation, who manifest their "works in the meekness of wisdom."

Leadership 100 has been carefully and thoughtfully making distributions from its fund for over forty years, often without fanfare or boasting; simply and quietly doing the work of the Church. Their cooperation and commitment to positive diakonia has resulted in seventy-seven million dollars in disbursements to a wide array of institutions and ministries, with over thirty million dollars going to support Hellenic College and Holy Cross School of Theology. Leadership 100 provides real evidence of their "good way of



life" every day, as their philanthropic contributions not only help people fulfill their own missions, but also catalyze ministries in creative and innovative ways.

On this Sunday, October 27th, let us take time to remember Leadership 100 and its important role in our Church today, and let us also make special remembrance of the ever-memorable Archbishop Iakovos, for whom the Endowment is named, and whose vision for the fund is being realized by its wonderful Members, in accordance with the word of Saint Iakovos, the Brother of God.

With paternal love in our Lord Jesus Christ,

16 Ареста Тутового

† ELPIDOPHOROS

Archbishop of America



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Αριθμ. Πρωτ. 339/2024

Άρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος γιὰ τὴν Κυριακή ἀφιερωμένη στὴν Ήγεσία τῶν 100.

27 Όκτωβοίου 2024

Ποός τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Αρχιερεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Ίερεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τὶς Μοναχές, τοὺς Προέδρους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Αρχοντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμερήσια καὶ Απογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τὶς Φιλοπτώχους Αδελφότητες, τὴ Νεολαία, τὶς Ἑλληνορθόδοξες Ὁργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληρο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Ἱερᾶς Αρχιεπισκοπῆς Αμερικῆς.

«Τίς σοφὸς καὶ ἐπιστήμων ἐν ὑμῖν; δειξάτω ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστορφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτοῦ ἐν πραΰτητι σοφίας» (Επιστολὴ Ἰακώβου 3:13).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφὲς ἐν Χριστῷ,

Κατὰ τὴ σημερινὴ ήμέρα, Κυριακὴ μετὰ τὴν ἑορτὴ τοῦ Αγίου Ιακώβου τοῦ Αδελφοθέου καὶ πρώτου ἐπισκόπου Ιεροσολύμων, θυμόμαστε τὰ σοφὰ λόγια ἀπὸ τὴν ἐπιστολή του πρὸς τὸ πλήρωμα τῆς Ἐκκλησίας, τὰ ὁποῖα ταιριάζουν ἀπολύτως στὴν ἀποστολὴ τοῦ ἀποθεματικοῦ Ταμείου τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100 «Αρχιεπίσκοπος Ιάκωβος» καὶ στὰ ἀξιότιμα μέλη του. Αὐτὸ τὸ ἀποθεματικὸ Ταμεῖο γιὰ τὴν Ορθοδοξία καὶ τὸν Ἑλληνισμὸ ἀποτελεῖται ἀπὸ «σοφοὺς καὶ ἐπιστήμονας», ἐκλεκτὰ μέλη ἀπὸ ὅλη τὴν Αμερική, τὰ ὁποῖα «δεικνύουν ἐκ τῆς καλῆς ἀναστροφῆς τὰ ἔργα αὐτῶν ἐν πραΰτητι σοφίας».

Ή Ήγεσία τῶν 100 μὲ σύνεση καὶ προσοχὴ ὑποστηρίζει διάφορες δράσεις γιὰ περισσότερο ἀπὸ σαράντα χρόνια, χωρὶς θόρυβο καὶ τυμπανοκρουσίες, συνεισφέροντας ταπεινὰ καὶ ἀθόρυβα στὸ ἔργο τῆς Ἐκκλησίας. Αὐτὴ ἡ προσήλωση τῶν μελῶν στὶς διακονίες τῆς Ἐκκλησίας ἔχει ὡς ἀποτέλεσμα τὴ χρηματοδότηση ἀπὸ



τὸ Ταμεῖο αὐτὸ μὲ περισσότερο ἀπὸ ἑβδομήντα ἑκατομμύρια δολλάρια γιὰ τὴ στήριξη ένὸς εὐρέως φάσματος δράσεων καὶ όργανισμῶν, μὲ ἀποκορύφωμα τὴ στήριξη τοῦ Ἑλληνικοῦ Κολλεγίου καὶ τῆς Θεολογικῆς Σχολῆς τοῦ Τιμίου Σταυροῦ μὲ τριάντα ἑκατομμύρια δολλάρια. Τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100 ἀποδεικνύουν καθημερινὰ «τὴν καλὴν ἀναστροφήν», καθὼς οἱ φιλανθρωπίες τους δὲν προσφέρουν μόνο βοήθεια στοὺς ἀνθρώπους γιὰ νὰ ἐκπληρώσουν τὴν ἀποστολή τους, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς ἐμπνέουν στὶς διακονίες τους μὲ δημιουργικοὺς καὶ καινοτόμους τρόπους.

Αὐτὴ τὴν Κυριακή, 27 Ὁκτωβρίου, ἄς ἀφιερώσουμε λίγο ἀπὸ τὸ χρόνο μας γιὰ νὰ τιμήσουμε τὴν Ἡγεσία τῶν 100 καὶ τὸν σημαντικότατο ρόλο της στὴν Ἐκκλησία μας σήμερα, μνημονεύοντας τὸν ἀείμνηστο Αρχιεπίσκοπο Ἰάκωβο, τοῦ ὁποίου τὸ ὄνομα ἔχει τὸ Ταμεῖο τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100. Τὸ ὅραμα τοῦ Ἀρχιεπισκόπου Ἰακώβου γιὰ τὸ Ταμεῖο αὐτὸ ὑλοποιεῖται χάρη στὰ ἀξιότιμα μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, ὅπως ἀκριβῶς λέει ὁ ἄγιος Ἰάκωβος ὁ Άδελφόθεος.

Μετὰ πατρικῆς ἐν Κυρίω Ιησοῦ Χριστῷ ἀγάπης,

То Ареста Тутобого

† ό Αμερικῆς Ἑλπιδοφόρος



Archpastoral Visit of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Orthros and
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
for the Feast of the Entrance of the
Theotokos into the Temple

Thursday, November 21, 2024 9:00 A.M.

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church 101 Anderson Avenue Fairview, NJ 07022



His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey



Invites All the Faithful to the
First Celebration of the Feast of St. Iakovos of Evia
Patron Saint of the Metropolis of New Jersey



Hierarchical Great Vespers, Acolyte Blessing, and Dinner Reception

Thursday, November 21, 2024 6:00 P.M.

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church 250 Gallows Hill Road Westfield, NJ 07090 Orthros, Hierarchical Divine Liturgy, and Reception

Friday, November 22, 2024 9:00 A.M.

Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey 215 E. Grove Street Westfield, NJ 07090



ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 27, 2024 General Assembly Meeting

November 10, 2024 Catechism School Giving Thanks Luncheon

November 23, 2024

Ascension Church Annual Dinner Dance

December 8, 2024

Parish Council Elections

December 20, 2024

Metropolis Christmas Lighting

December 22, 2024

Catechism Nativity Program GOYA Breakfast with Santa

Greek School Ελληνικό Σχολείο

On November 1: Two new amazing after school activities will be offered

- a. Have fun learning painting with Mrs. A. Melis
- b. First Greek Jeopardy in Mythology Mrs. Tjionas, Mrs. Mari, Miss Oikonomou in charge

We are starting a painting class for our students after school on November 2.

Mrs. Aspasia Melis, an accomplished painter and former teacher of our school, will start teaching students the art of painting!

Two Groups of students:

Students interested in the art of painting will be divided in two groups:

Group A: Grades 1-5 Group B: Grades 6-9

Parents have to sign up for this fun- activity. Sign -up at the entrance table of the school



PTO

ASCENSION PTO NEWSLETTER

October 2024

WELCOME MESSAGE

NEW PTO BOARD

On behalf of the PTO, we welcome you all to a new year where we have many exciting things in store. The PTO had it's first meeting on September 20th, where we elected our new board for the 2024-2025 school year. Our executive board is as follows:

President - Sonia Biggs Vice President- Marianna Tsartolia Corresponding Secretary- Alexandra Louridas

Recording Secretary- Vanessa Chrepa Treasurer- Maria Tsesmeli Asst. Treasurer- Christina Theodorakos

PTO Members

Evangelia Papageorgiou Theodora Tsilikopoulou Ourania Minasian Paraskevi Giraldo Dimitra Avalos Angela Christolias

All parents are encouraged to join our PTO meetings. The next PTO meeting will be on November 1, 2024 at 5pm.

We look forward to a great year!

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PTO DUES

For this year, PTO dues will be \$50 per family. This will help PTO cover costs for all activities we do for the children. To pay your dues, please use the QR code below.



Or access direct link here: https://www.paypal.com/donate/? hosted_button_id=7XBHS3HR97DW6 We thank you for your support!

TRIP TO SECOR FARMS



We have limited spots available for our trip to Secor Farms on 10/20. Click below on link to register: https://docs.google.com/form s/d/e/IFAIpQLSIYhoXB4NK6MU h89T8uQSGADWeQME5BolwytJ

UPCOMING EVENTS

- OCTOBER 20 Trip to Secor Farms
- OCTOBER 25 @ 5:30 -OXI Day Program (Refreshments will be served)
- NOVEMBER 1@ 5:00 PTO Meeting
- NOVEMBER 3 PTO serves coffee after Divine Liturgy

GOYA



CATECHISMSCHOOL



Please Join us for
Giving Thanks Luncheon
hosted by the Catechism teachers
reinforcing a message of gratitude not only that supports our
Christian values, but provides us with an opportunity to
reemphasize to our children the things that matter most.

SIGN-UP for LUNCHEON



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Advent Retreat and Luncheon

Be Watchful – Be Sober: St. Paul's Wisdom for Spiritual Maturity

Guest Speaker:

Fr. Barnabas Powell



Saturday, November 16

St. George Cultural Center

9:30 - 12:00 (Session 1) 12:00 - 1:00 (Lunch) 1:00 - 3:00 (Session 2)

3:00 - 3:30 (Q&A)

Fr. Barnabas (Charles) Powell is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. Having been raised in a small Pentecostal church as a boy, Barnabas grew to love the church, enjoy the music, and eventually came to be the youth pastor of his home church. In 2007 Barnabas was given the blessing of Metropolitan ALEXIOS of Atlanta to enter Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA.

On November 8th 2009, Barnabas was ordained to the diaconate in his hometown of Atlanta, GA at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios and on Sunday March 8, 2010 he received ordination to the holy priesthood at the same cathedral.

He is now the proistamenos (senior pastor) of Sts. Raphael, Nicholas, and Irene Greek Orthodox Church in Cumming, GA. Fr. Barnabas founded Faith Encouraged Ministries in 2014 and was the host of Faith Encouraged LIVE talk show on Ancient Faith Radio until January 2019. Fr. Barnabas is married to the (former) Connie Demas, and they have two daughters, Alexandra and Katherine.



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COMMUNITYNEWS

GREEK SCHOOL

Trip by the PTO to Secor Farms in Mahwah Sunday, October 20, 2024

Μια αξέχαστη εκδρομή του Ελληνικού μας Σχολείου που διοργάνωσε με μεγάλη επιτυχία ο Σύλλογος Γονέων-Δασκάλων (PTO) για την γιορτή Halloween στο Secor Pumpkin Farm!

A blue sky and a warm sun greeted the group of 40 persons, students and parents, of the Greek School of the Ascension visiting the well- known Secor Farms in Mahwah, New Jersey! The family of Mrs. Maria Tsesmelis and Stavros Koukladas was the first to arrive and kept greeting all the guests and giving them instructions! The highlight of the trip for all, young and old, was the hayrides and the pictures of different characters. Walking through the corn maze was also exciting and spooky! Tasting freshly made apple cider donuts was out of this World! Taking pictures was a big challenge and a happy experience. Below you will see some of them! We would like to thank all the members of the PTO Board, the President Mrs. Biggs, Vice- President Mrs. Mitrogogos, and all the Board Members. The trip was indeed a new experience that combined American traditions as part of our Greek-American experience. The students had fun and were jumping and running constantly breaking small and big pumpkins! BOO!!!

We thank all the parents for participating!









PHILOPTOCHOS Fashion Show



























Congratulations to George Lazarou and Themelina Petrakis who represented our community at the Northern New Jersey Youth Commission Mr. & Miss GOYA Pageant on Sunday, October 13, 2024 at the Hanover Manor in East Hanover, New Jersey.

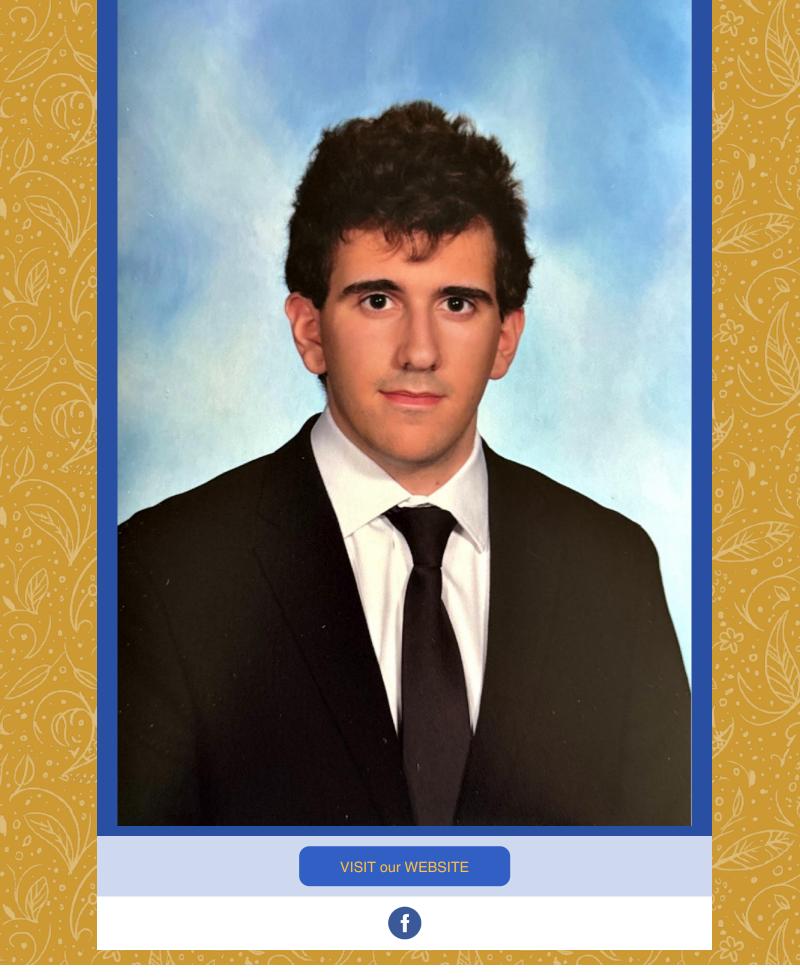
And congratulations to Constantine Tsugranis and Sofia Vergara for receiving the Northern New Jersey Youth Commission Scholarship in recognition of their tremendous accomplishments in both school and the Ascension community.













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