



Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis Church of  
New Jersey



Ascension Greek  
Orthodox Church  
Fairview, NJ

**ASCENSION**  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY



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



**December 15, 2024**

**Today we commemorate**  
**11th Sunday of Luke**

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

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Sunday

December 15, 2024

**11th Sunday of Luke**

[\(click here\)](#)

**Ag. Eleftherios**

[\(click here\)](#)

**8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Orthros, Divine Liturgy**

**Christmas Retreat**

**Catechism School**

**Coffee is served by**

**the Parish Council**

### Monday

December 16, 2024

**Haggai the Prophet**

[\(click here\)](#)

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

### Tuesday

December 17, 2024

**Daniel & Dionysios**

**of Zakynthos**

[\(click here\)](#)

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

### Wednesday

December 18, 2024

**Sebastian & his Companions**

[\(click here\)](#)

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

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

***Greek School***

**5:30 - 6:30 p.m. *Greek School***

***Christmas Program***

### Thursday

December 19, 2024

**Boniface of Tarsus**

[\(click here\)](#)

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

**6:00 Holy Unction**

**Friday**

**December 20, 2024**

**Ignatius the God - Bearer**

**(click here)**

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

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

**Greek School**

**6:00 - 9:00 p.m. Annual**

**Christmas Lighting**

**& Open House at Metropolis**

**Saturday**

**December 21, 2024**

**Juliana & Themistocles**

**(click here)**

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

**Sunday**

**December 22, 2024**

**Sunday Before Nativity**

**11th Sunday of Luke**

**(click here)**

**Anastasia the Great Martyr**

**(click here)**

**8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.**

**Orthros, Divine Liturgy**

**Catechism Nativity Peagant**

**Breakfast with Santa**

**Coffee is served by the GOYA**

**Κυριακή**

**15 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

**ΙΑ' Λουκά**

**(click here)**

**Αγ. Ελευθερίου**

**(click here)**

**8:30 π .μ. – 11:30 π.μ.**

**Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία**

**Retreat**

**Κατηχητικού Σχολείου**

**Ο καφές σερβίρεται**

**από το Συμβούλιο**

**Δευτέρα**

**16 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

**Άγγαιός Προφήτης, Μόδεστος**

**(click here)**

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

Τρίτη

17 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024

Δανιήλ και  
Διονύσιος Ζακυνθινός  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

Τετάρτη

18 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024

Σεβαστιανός Και οι σύν αυτό  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 - 6:30 μ.μ.

*Ελληνικό Σχολείο*

5:30 - 6:30 μ.μ. Χριστουγεννιάτικο  
*Πρόγραμμα Ελληνικού Σχολείου*

Πέμπτη

19 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024

Βονιφάτιος & Γρηγέντιος  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

6:00 μ.μ. Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον

Παρασκευή

20 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024

Ίγνάτιος ό Θεοφόρος  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 - 6:30 μ.μ.

*Ελληνικό Σχολείο*

6:00 - 9:00 μ.μ.

*Φωταγώγηση*

*Χριστουγεννιάτικου  
Δέντρου στην Μητροπόλη*

Σάββατο

21 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024

Ίουλιανή & Θεμιστοκλής  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

**Κυριακή**

**22 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

**Προ της Χριστού Γεννήσεως**

**(click here)**

**Αναστασία Μεγαλομάρτυς**

**(click here)**

**8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 π.μ.**

**Όρθρος**

**Θεία Λειτουργία**

**Πρόγευμα με**

**τον Άη Βασίλη**

**Ο καφές σερβίρεται**

**από την GOYA**

**LIVE STREAM click  
here**

**LIGHT a CANDLE and SAY a PRAYER click here**

## **OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER**



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**Protopresbyter**

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9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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[DONATE to the ASCENSION CHURCH click here](#)

**TRISAGIO –ΤΡΙΣΑΓΙΟ**  
**ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ - SATURDAY**  
**14 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

37 χρόνια: Νικόλαος Ιωάννου  
37 years: Nicholas Ioannou

**MEMORIAL SERVICES –ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ**

**ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ - SATURDAY**  
**14 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

6 μήνες: Εμμανουήλ Σταΐκος  
6 months: Emmanouel Staikos

**ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ - SUNDAY**  
**15 Δεκεμβρίου, 2024**

3 χρόνια: Μαριάνθη Τσεκούρα  
3 years: Marianthi Tsekoura

3 χρόνια : Θεόδωρος Συμεωνίδης  
3 years : Theodoros Symeonidis

18 χρόνια: Γεώργιος Οικονομάκος  
18 years: George Ikonomakos

29 χρόνια: Ευαγγελία Οικονομάκου  
29 years: Evangelia Ikonomakos

*Το φαγητό προσφέρεται από την Οικογένεια Μπαλτζή  
που τελεί το μνημόσυνο εις μνήμη της κεκοιμημένης*

*The Lunch is offered by the Baltzis Family  
that has the Memorial Service*

**SACRAMENTS – ΜΥΣΤΗΡΙΑ**  
**Saturday, December 14th, 2024**

**11:00 a.m. - BAPTISM**

**Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas James Houlis**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**December 13, 2024**

Greek School-HOPE/JOY  
Christmas Fun Night

**December 15, 2024**

Catechism School  
Christmas Retreat

**December 18, 2024**

5:30 p.m. Greek School  
Christmas Program

**December 14, 2024**

Greek School Christmas Carols  
in Greek Businesses

**December 19, 2024**

6:00 Holy Unction

**December 20, 2024**

6:00 p.m. Metropolis Christmas Lighting

**December 22, 2024**

Catechism Nativity Program  
GOYA Breakfast with Santa

**HOPE & JOY -  
GREEK SCHOOL**

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church, Fairview, NJ

Ascension  
Greek School

HOPE and JOY

The Ascension Greek School and HOPE & JOY are organizing a

# Christmas Fun Night



DECEMBER 13, 2024

6:30 - 7:45 pm

All Greek School and HOPE & JOY students are welcome

*Baking*

Please join us in making traditional kourambiedes!

*Arts*

Make your own Christmas ornament to decorate our community Christmas tree.

*Pizza and refreshments will be served.*

**DO NOT MISS THIS FREE AND FUN EVENT!**

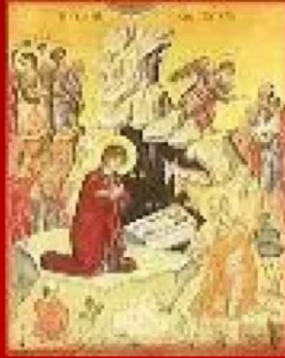
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CATECHISM SCHOOL





*Ascension Church*  
*Catechism Christmas Retreat*



Divine Liturgy  
Christmas Lesson by Fr. Christos  
Christmas tree lighting | make an ornament  
Christmas carols | Christmas crafts  
rehearse for Nativity Program  
healthy breakfast, lunch & treats

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**DECEMBER 15, 2024 | 10 AM - 3:00 PM**

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Scan here to  
Register now



Click to REGISTER

## GREEK SCHOOL

**Ευχέλαιο στο ελληνικό μας σχολείο! Ένα ωραίο μάθημα Θρησκευτικών από τον π. Χρήστο για τα παιδιά του ελληνικού μας σχολείου την περασμένη Τετάρτη, 11 Δεκεμβρίου!**

**A lesson in the meaning of Efhelaio by Fr. Christos to the students of our Greek School, a wonderful experience for students, Teachers and Parents!**

**Reminder- Υπενθύμιση**

**The fantastic Christmas Program of the Greek School will take place on**

**Wednesday, December 18, from 5:30-6:30 p.m. Our PTO Santa will visit us and bring the Christmas presents to all students!**

**Beautiful presentation of the Nativity on the stage and wonderful singing of the Christmas Carols by our great school choir! A wonderful cultural program of love, joy and glory!**

**Το φαντασμαγορικό πρόγραμμα του ελληνικού μας σχολείου για τα Χριστούγεννα θα γίνει τη Τετάρτη 18 Δεκεμβρίου από 5:30-6:30 μ.μ. Θα μας επισκεφθεί ο Άγιος Βασίλης του PTO με τα δώρα του για όλα τα παιδιά μας!**

**Όλοι ευπρόσδεκτοι να ζήσουν το πνεύμα των Χριστουγέννων στο πρόγραμμα του ελληνικού μας σχολείου με την μοναδική σε ομορφιά αναπαράσταση της Γέννησης του Χριστού στην μεγάλη σκηνή!**

**Ελάτε να απολαύσετε τα ελληνικά κάλαντα της χορωδίας μας! Μελωδικές, αγγελικές φωνές!**









PTO

**ASCENSION FAIRVIEW PTO**



# **CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE**

**DURING GREEK SCHOOL HOURS  
STARTING DECEMBER 6TH - 20TH**

**AND**

**SUNDAYS, DECEMBER 8TH AND 15TH  
AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY**

**\$20 - SMALL PLATTER**

**\$30 - LARGE PLATTER**

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR  
GREEK SCHOOL!  
ΚΑΛΕΣ ΓΙΟΡΤΕΣ!**



# ASCENSION PTO NEWSLETTER

December 2024

## Christmas Bake Sale



## CALLING ALL BAKERS!

In preparation for our Christmas Bake Sale in December, we are asking for volunteers to bake koulourakia, kourambiedes, melomakarona and baklava!

We are also seeking volunteers to help us assemble the cookie platters on Friday, December 6 at 4:30. If you'd like to help in any way, please click on the link:

[https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9A82FA4F9C16-46251504-christmas#/  
/](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C094EA9A82FA4F9C16-46251504-christmas#/)

## Special Thanks

This month we'd like to extend special thanks to **Mythos Restaurant** and the **Beacon Diner** for their generosity in providing food for our Greek School community. We thank you for your continued support!

## Upcoming Events

- **December 4** - PTO Meeting at 5pm
  - **December 6** - Christmas Bake Sale Begins & Christmas Tree Decoration
  - **December 8** - PTO Serves Coffee
  - **December 18** - Christmas Program at 5:30pm
  - Week of December 23 - **NO SCHOOL**
  - **SCHOOL REOPENS January 3**
- PTO wishes you and your families a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!*

## Reminders



**Collection of PTO Dues** for the 2024-2025 are still ongoing. The price for dues is \$50 per family. Please use the QR code to pay for dues.

**BRING AN ORNAMENT ON 12/6:** We ask all students to bring or make an ornament to decorate our Christmas tree during Greek school!

**SAVE THE DATE:** Our 19th Annual **TAVERNA NIGHT** will be held on February 1, 2025 at 7:30 pm.

**Have questions?** E-mail us!  
[ascensionfairviewpto@gmail.com](mailto:ascensionfairviewpto@gmail.com)

*Save the Date*



INVITE YOU TO THE CELEBRATION  
OF THEIR MARRIAGE

**Ascension Fairview PTO**

INVITES YOU TO OUR

**19TH ANNUAL**

**TAVERNA NIGHT**

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2025**

*Let's celebrate together!*

**GOYA**



ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Fairview, NJ

# VASILOPITA SALE



Order by  
12/8

GOYA  
fundraiser

Pre-Order Today \$23

Pick-Up on Sunday, December 22nd, after Divine Liturgy  
Baked by the Sisters at Agia Skepi Monastery in PA

NAME \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE NUMBER \_\_\_\_\_

VASILOPITA (#) \_\_\_\_\_ X \$23 = \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT DUE**

Return/Mail Order Form with payment to Ascension Church

Make checks payable to Ascension GOYA or Venmo @Ascensiongoya

Any questions contact Bill Theodorakos at (201) 694-1455

[CLICK TO PLACE YOUR ORDER](#)

ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Fairview, NJ

GOYA



*Breakfast with*  
SANTA

*Sunday, December 22, 2024*

after Divine Liturgy

**\$10**



*all proceeds benefit the  
youth of our Church*

METROPOLIS OF NJ

HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN APOSTOLOS OF NEW JERSEY  
&

KIMISIS TIS THEOTOKOU, HOLMDEL NJ,

INVITE YOU TO ATTEND OUR  
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CONCERT  
PRESENTING,



YOUTH CHOIR, KIMISIS CHOIR,  
NJ CHAMBER ORCHESTRA,  
& CHORUS FROM THE  
TRI STATE METROPOLITAN AREA  
OF NY & NJ  
UNDER THE DIRECTION OF  
MAESTRO DIMITRIOS M. FOUSTERIS  
WITH TRADITIONAL SONGS & CAROLS  
AND SELECTIONS FROM HANDEL'S  
"MESSIAH"

DEC 14TH 2024, 6:00PM  
20 HILLCREST RD  
HOLMDEL NJ

ADULTS \$40  
STUDENTS \$20

COMPLIMENTARY REFRESHMENTS WILL BE SERVED  
IN OUR COMMUNITY CENTER

FOR TICKETS & INFORMATION  
CALL 732-739-1515  
EMAIL US OFFICE@KIMISIS.COM  
OR SCAN QR





***His Eminence  
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey***

*Cordially Invites all of the clergy and  
the beloved faithful to the*

**ANNUAL  
CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTING &  
OPEN HOUSE**

*on*  
**Friday, December 20, 2024  
6:00 - 9:00pm**

*At the*  
**Metropolis Headquarters  
215 E. Grove Street  
Westfield, NJ 07090**



Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey

*HIS EMINENCE  
METROPOLITAN APOSTOLOS  
OF NEW JERSEY  
INVITES ALL TO A*



*BYZANTINE NATIVITY MUSIC &  
CHRISTMAS CAROL CONCERT*

*TRADITIONAL GREEK  
ORTHODOX HYMNS*

*DIRECTED BY PROTOPSALTIS GRIGORIOS PEIOS  
AND CHRISTMAS CAROLS BY ST. GEORGE CATHEDRAL PAGEANT CHOIR*

**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2024**

**6:00 PM | FREE WILL OFFERING**

**ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL  
256 S. 8TH ST. PHILADELPHIA, PA**



His Eminence,  
Metropolitan Apostolos  
of New Jersey

*Cordially Invites you to the*

**METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY  
VASILOPITA CUTTING  
WITH DINNER TO FOLLOW**

**Thursday, January 2, 2025**

**6:30 - 9:00 P.M.**

Hosted by:

St. George Greek Orthodox Church

1101 River Road

Piscataway, New Jersey 08854



Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey



# Archpastoral Visit of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Orthros and  
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy for the  
Theophany of our Lord, God, and  
Savior Jesus Christ

Monday, January 6, 2025

9:00 A.M.

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church

101 Anderson Avenue

Fairview, NJ 07022



## GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

### ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΣΗΣ

December 3, 2024

To the Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy  
Of the Northern New Jersey Region of the  
Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

My Beloved Fathers,

I pray you and your families are well, both spiritually and physically, as continue to prepare ourselves the celebration of the Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ.

It is with much joy that I inform you that the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey Annual Epiphany Celebration and the Blessing of the Waters Service will take place **on Monday, January 6, 2025, at 2:00pm**. Please know that this year's celebration will once again be taking place on the pier of Molos Restaurant, located at 1 Country Rd. 682, Weehawken, NJ 07086.

Please know that **your participation is expected at this beautiful Annual Celebration**. You are asked to arrive no later than 1:45pm so that the service may begin in a timely manner. Please **bring your Rasso and Epitachelion with you**, so that you may participate in the service of the Blessing of the Waters.

In addition to your presence, **you are kindly requested to bring at least 10 persons from your community with you** to Molos to attend this Annual Epiphany celebration in order to add to the celebratory atmosphere.

I sincerely look forward to your participation and the participation of the devout faithful from your community whose presence will enrich the Epiphany Celebration. Praying that our loving Lord grants you and your families an abundance of health, joy, and His bountiful blessings during this holiday season, I remain

With paternal love and blessings,

*Metropolitum Agostolo*  
† APOSTOLOS  
Metropolitan of New Jersey





Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey



# His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Invites you to the  
Annual Epiphany Celebration

Monday, January 6, 2025  
2:00 P.M.

Great Blessing of the Waters  
with the Sacred Cross

Molos Restaurant  
1 Country Road 682  
Weehawken, NJ 07086

## 10th Anniversary Gala In Honor of the Episcopal Ordination of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey



Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey

10th Anniversary Gala  
in Honor of the Episcopal Ordination of  
His Eminence  
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Monday, January 13, 2025  
5:30 P.M. Cocktail Hour  
6:30 P.M. Dinner

The Venetian  
546 River Drive, Garfield, NJ 07026

Tickets.....\$160.00 per person

For more information contact the Metropolis at  
908-301-0500 or Email [10thAnniversaryNJ@gmail.com](mailto:10thAnniversaryNJ@gmail.com)

For Sponsorships, please complete and submit the  
Sponsorship Form

All ticket purchases and sponsorships are due by January 3, 2025

### Sponsorship Program Levels of Support

Sponsor.....	\$1,250
Supporter.....	\$2,500
Patron.....	\$5,000
Benefactor.....	\$10,000
Grand Benefactor.....	\$20,000

10 Tickets for Dinner, Full Program Insert

All net proceeds from sponsorships and tickets for the 10th Anniversary Gala  
will be restricted to solely benefit the Sacred Ministries of the Metropolis of New Jersey



## GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

### ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΕΣΗΣ

December 9, 2024

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,

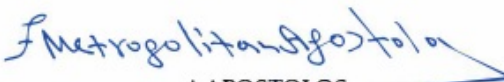
I pray that my letter finds all of you well. It is with much joy and excitement that I write to Inform you that the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey will once again be celebrating Greek Letters and the Feast Day of the Three Hierarchs, St. Basil the Great, St. John Chrysostom and St. Gregory the Theologian, the Ecumenical Teachers of our Holy Orthodox Faith and profound supporters of Education.

Therefore, please know that the Metropolis Three Hierarchs/Greek Letters Celebration for the Northern New Jersey Region will take place on SATURDAY, JANUARY 25, 2025, AT 6:00 PM AT THE ST. ATHANSIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH IN PARAMUS, 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 know that all the Greek Schools of the Northern New Jersey Region are invited to participate in this wonderful event, and I ask that the parish Greek schools please confirm your participation in this event by contacting the parish office at 201-368-8881.

In addition, please know that this event is open to all and I ask that all those wishing to attend this beautiful celebration please R.S.V.P. by contacting the St. Athanasios Parish Office at 201-368-8881 no later than Friday, January 17, 2025 so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Praying that our loving Lord continues to bless you and all the devout faithful of our sacred Metropolis with every good and perfect gift from above, I remain,

With paternal love and blessings,

  
† APOSTOLOS  
Metropolitan of New Jersey



Ο Σεβασμιώτατος Μητροπολίτης Νέας Ιερσέης  
κ. ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

Σας προσκαλεί να συνεορτάσουμε  
«Την Εορτή των Τριών Ιεραρχών  
και την Ημέρα των Ελληνικών Γραμμάτων»



*Σάββατο 25 Ιανουαρίου 2025, ώρα 6:00 μ.μ.*

**Ιερός Ναός Αγίου Αθανασίου  
51 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ 07652**

Παρακαλούμε RSVP στο γραφείο του Ναού  
(201-368-8881) έως τις 17 Ιανουαρίου 2025



**His Eminence  
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey  
Cordially invites all the dedicated Faithful  
of the Northern New Jersey Region to the Annual**

***Greek Letters Day Celebration***

***Honoring the Three Hierarchs of our Orthodox Church***



***St. John Chrysostom, St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory the Theologian***

**Saturday, January 25, 2025 at 6:00 pm**

**St. Athanasios Greek Orthodox Church**

**51 Paramus Road, Paramus, NJ, 07652**

**Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 201-368-8881  
by January 17, 2025**

# *Save the Date*

Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey



Music & Dance Festival  
Philadelphia: February 14-16, 2025

*President's Day Weekend (February 14 – 16, 2025) at the  
Sheraton Hotel - Downtown Philadelphia.*

*Categories include:*

- Greek Folk Dancing  
(JOY, GOYA and Young Adult Groups)*
- &*
- Parish Youth and Young Adult Liturgical Choirs*

*Registration Packets will be coming shortly*



# CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD



**Maryland**  
June 15 - 21, 2025


**Virginia**  
July 6-12, 2025

**New Jersey**  
July 13 - 19, 2025

**Registration Opens February 2025**

## More Information

 <https://www.nj.goarch.org/camp-good-shepherd>

 908-301-0500





**SAVE THE  
DATE!**

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**2024 SAINT BASIL ACADEMY  
CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION!**

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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14  
11 AM-2 PM**

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For more info or to RSVP, please  
contact [L.Biniaris@sbagoa.org](mailto:L.Biniaris@sbagoa.org)

[www.sbagoa.org](http://www.sbagoa.org)

**A JOURNEY OF FAITH  
To Thessaloniki, Mt. Athos and Constantinople  
Led by His Eminence Apostolos of New Jersey  
February 21-March 3, 2025: 11 Days / 9 Nights**



**Thessaloniki & Mt. Athos:** See the most important religious sites in Northern Greece. Visit Greece's second largest city, Thessaloniki. Attend Liturgy at the Cathedral of St. Demetrios, visit the Monastery of St. John the Theologian in Souroti to venerate the grave of St. Paissios and visit the awe inspiring Meteora Monasteries. Men will depart for the Holy Mountain for two nights and the women will enjoy a visit to Ormylia Monastery and a visit to a museum in Thessaloniki.

**Constantinople:** Visit the important Greek Orthodox sites: the Ecumenical Patriarchate and St George Cathedral, Agia Sophia, Panagia Vlacherna where the "Te Ypermahou" was first chanted, Chora and Baloukli Monastery - Zoodochos Peghe. Also, visit the Underground Cisterns. Shop at the exciting Grand Bazaar! Enjoy a birthday banquet for His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew as well as a private audience with the Patriarch (subject to confirmation).

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**RATE: Per person double occupancy \$4700\* & single occupancy \$5635\***

\*Rates include the air tax/fuel of approximately \$475 which is not guaranteed until ticketing a month prior to departure. Rate above reflects a 4% check discount which does not apply if payment is made any other way. Due to Aegean Airlines group reservations policy, the air fare between Thessaloniki and Istanbul is not guaranteed and may be subject to fare increases depending on when you make your reservation to join the group. An air supplement may apply.

**Deposit of \$800 due by November 20, 2024 or late booking fee of \$50 per person will apply.**

**YOUR TOUR WILL INCLUDE:**

- \*Round-trip airfare on Turkish Airlines: EWR / IST / Thessaloniki & IST / EWR & Aegean Airlines: Thessaloniki / ATH / IST
- \*Private arrival and departure transfers in a deluxe air conditioned motorcoach with English speaking escort
- \*7 1/2 days of private sightseeing for men & 6 days for the women. All entrance fees are included.
- \*Women: 6 nts first class hotel in Thessaloniki at the Electra Palace or similar including daily breakfast, all taxes and service fees.
- \*Men: 4 nts first class accommodation in Thessaloniki at the Electra Palace or similar including daily breakfast, all taxes and service fees & 2 nts accommodation on the Holy Mountain including meals and transportation on the Holy Mountain & roundtrip private ferries
- \*All: 3 nts first class accommodation in Constantinople at the Divan Istanbul Hotel or similar including daily breakfast, all taxes & service fees.
- \*1 welcome dinner in Thessaloniki, 1 dinner in Constantinople & a banquet for His. All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew
- \*Private audience with His All Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew (subject to confirmation)

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

On November 23, 2024, our church celebrated our 72nd Anniversary. Thank you to our Greek School who performed beautiful songs to our community under the direction of Mrs. Erasmia Voukelatos and Principal Demosthenes Triantafillou. Thank you to our Chairlady Nikki Antoniou, and Co-Chairs Ioanna Georgiadis and Pauline Tasigiannis, the Ascension Board, our MC Dr. Basil Baltzis, and everyone who attended and supported our annual event!





























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