

Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church

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September 27, 2020

1st Sunday of Luke

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Epistle: The Lord will give strength to his people.

Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 6:1-10.

Brethren, working together with him, we entreat you not to accept the grace of God in vain. For he says, "At the acceptable time I have listened to you, and helped you on the day of salvation." Behold, now is the acceptable time; behold, now is the day of salvation. We put no obstacle in any one's way, so that no fault may be found with our ministry, but as servants of God we commend ourselves in every way: through great endurance, in afflictions, hardships, calamities, beatings, imprisonments, tumults, labors, watching, hunger; by purity, knowledge, forbearance, kindness, the Holy Spirit, genuine love, truthful speech, and the power of God; with the weapons of righteousness for the right hand and for the left; in honor and dishonor, in ill repute and good repute. We are treated as impostors, and yet are true; as unknown, and yet well known; as dying, and behold we live; as punished, and yet not killed; as sorrowful, yet always rejoicing; as poor, yet making many rich; as having nothing, and yet possessing everything.

Apostolos: Κύριος ἰσχύϊν τῷ λαῷ αὐτοῦ δώσει.

Στίχ. Ἐνέγκατε τῷ Κυρίῳ υἱοὶ Θεοῦ, ἐνέγκατε τῷ Κυρίῳ δόξαν καὶ τιμὴν.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 6:1-10.

Ἀδελφοί, συνεργοῦντες δὲ καὶ παρακαλοῦμεν μὴ εἰς κενὸν τὴν χάριν τοῦ θεοῦ δέξασθαι ὑμᾶς - λέγει γάρ, Καιρῷ δεκτῷ ἐπήκουσά σου, καὶ ἐν ἡμέρᾳ σωτηρίας ἐβοήθησά σοι· ἰδοῦ, νῦν καιρὸς εὐπρόσδεκτος, ἰδοῦ, νῦν ἡμέρα σωτηρίας - μηδεμίαν ἐν μηδενὶ διδόντες προσκοπήν, ἵνα μὴ μωμηθῇ ἡ διακονία· ἀλλ' ἐν παντὶ συνιστῶντες ἑαυτοὺς ὡς θεοῦ διάκονοι, ἐν ὑπομονῇ πολλῇ, ἐν θλίψεσιν, ἐν ἀνάγκαις, ἐν στενοχωρίαις, ἐν πληγαῖς, ἐν φυλακαῖς, ἐν ἀκαταστασίαις, ἐν κόποις, ἐν ἀγρυπνίαις, ἐν νηστείαις, ἐν ἀγνότητι, ἐν γνώσει, ἐν μακροθυμίᾳ, ἐν χρηστότητι, ἐν πνεύματι ἀγίῳ, ἐν ἀγάπῃ ἀνυποκρίτῳ, ἐν λόγῳ ἀληθείας, ἐν δυνάμει θεοῦ, διὰ τῶν ὄπλων τῆς δικαιοσύνης τῶν δεξιῶν καὶ ἀριστερῶν, διὰ δόξης καὶ ἀτιμίας, διὰ δυσφημίας καὶ εὐφημίας· ὡς πλάνοι καὶ ἀληθεῖς· ὡς ἀγνοούμενοι, καὶ ἐπιγινωσκόμενοι· ὡς ἀποθνήσκοντες, καὶ ἰδοῦ, ζῶμεν· ὡς παιδευόμενοι, καὶ μὴ θανατούμενοι· ὡς λυπούμενοι, αἱ δὲ χαίροντες· ὡς πτωχοί, πολλοὺς δὲ πλουτίζοντες· ὡς μηδὲν ἔχοντες, καὶ πάντα κατέχοντες.

Gospel: Luke 5:1-11

At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 5:1-11

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκεῖνῳ, ἐστὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς παρὰ τὴν λίμνην Γεννησαρέτ, καὶ εἶδε δύο πλοῖα ἐστῶτα παρὰ τὴν λίμνην· οἱ δὲ ἀλιεῖς ἀποβάντες ἀπ' αὐτῶν ἀπέπλυναν τὰ δίκτυα. ἐμβὰς δὲ εἰς ἓν τῶν πλοίων, ὃ ἦν τοῦ Σίμωνος, ἠρώτησεν αὐτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς ἐπαναγαγεῖν ὀλίγον· καὶ καθίσας ἐδίδασκεν ἐκ τοῦ πλοίου τοὺς ὄχλους. ὡς δὲ ἐπαύσατο λαλῶν, εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα· ἐπανάγαγε εἰς τὸ βάθος καὶ χαλάσατε τὰ δίκτυα ὑμῶν εἰς ἄγρην. καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ Σίμων εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἐπιστάτα, δι' ὅλης τῆς νυκτὸς κοπιάσαντες οὐδὲν ἐλάβομεν· ἐπὶ δὲ τῷ ῥήματί σου χαλάσω τὸ δίκτυον. καὶ τοῦτο ποιήσαντες συνέκλεισαν πλῆθος ἰχθύων πολὺ· διερρήγγυτο δὲ τὸ δίκτυον αὐτῶν. καὶ κατένευσαν τοῖς μετόχοις τοῖς ἐν τῷ ἐτέρῳ πλοίῳ τοῦ ἐλθόντας συλλαβέσθαι αὐτοῖς· καὶ ἦλθον καὶ ἔπλησαν ἀμφοτέρα τὰ πλοῖα, ὥστε βυθίζεσθαι αὐτά. ἰδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέπεσε τοῖς γόνασιν Ἰησοῦ λέγων· ἐξελθε ἀπ' ἐμοῦ, ὅτι ἀνὴρ ἁμαρτωλὸς εἰμι, Κύριε· θάμβος γὰρ περιέσχεν αὐτὸν καὶ πάντας τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ ἐπὶ τῇ ἄγρᾳ τῶν ἰχθύων ἧ συνέλαβον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ἰωάννην, υἱοὺς Ζεβεδαίου, οἳ ἦσαν κοινωνοὶ τῷ Σίμωνι. καὶ εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα ὁ Ἰησοῦς· μὴ φοβοῦ· ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἀνθρώπους ἔσῃ ζαχαρῶν. καὶ καταγαγόντες τὰ πλοῖα ἐπὶ τὴν γῆν, ἀφέντες ἅπαντα ἠκολούθησαν αὐτῷ.

For now they were well instructed beforehand...But mark both their faith and their obedience. For though they were in the midst of their work when they heard His command, they delayed not, they procrastinated not, they said not, "let us return home, and converse with our kinsfolk," but "they forsook all and followed."
St. John Chrysostom

RESURRECTIONAL APOLYTIKION

Thou didst abolish death by Thy Cross; Thou didst open Paradise to the thief; Thou didst transform the myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and didst bid Thine Apostles to preach that Thou art risen, O Christ God, granting great mercy to the world.

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέωξας τῷ Ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

APOLYTIKION FOR MARTYR CALLISTRATUS & HIS COMPANIONS

Thy Martyrs, O Lord, in their courageous contest for Thee received as the prize the crowns of incorruption and life from Thee, our immortal God. For since they possessed Thy strength, they cast down the tyrants and wholly destroyed the demons' strengthless presumption. O Christ God, by their prayers, save our souls, since Thou art merciful.

Οι Μάρτυρές σου, Κύριε, εν τή αθλήσει αυτών, στεφάνους εκομίσαντο τής αφθαρσίας, εκ σου τού Θεού ημών, σχόντες γάρ τήν ισχύν σου, τούς τυράννους καθείλον, έθραυσαν καί δαιμόνων, τά ανίσχυρα θράση. Αυτών ταίς ικεσίαις, Χριστέ ο Θεός, σώσον τάς ψυχάς ημών.

APOLYTIKION OF THE TRANSFIGURATION

Thou wast transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Thy disciples Thy glory as each one could endure. Shine forth Thou on us, who are sinners all, Thy light ever-unending, through the prayers of the Theotokos. Light-bestower, glory be to Thee.

Μετεμορφώθης εν τώ όρει Χριστέ ο Θεός, δείξας τοίς Μαθηταίς σου τήν δόξαν σου, καθώς ήδυναντο, Λάμπων καί ημίν τοίς αμαρτωλοίς, τό φώς σου τό αιΐδιον, πρεσβείαις τής Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

APOLYTIKION OF HOLY TRINITY

Blessed are You, O Christ our God, Who has shown forth the fishermen to be most wise by sending down upon them the Holy Spirit. And through them, You drew the world into Your net. O merciful One, glory to You!

Ευλογητός ει Χριστέ, ο Θεός ήμων, ο πανσόφους τους αλιείς αναδείξας, καταπέμψας αυτοίς το Πνεύμα το άγιον, και δι' αυτών την οικουμένην σαγηνεύσας, φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

SEASONAL KONTAKION

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee.

Προστασία τών Χριστιανών άκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρòς τòn Ποιητήν άμετάθετε. Μή παρίδης άμαρτωλών δεήσεων φωνάς, αλλά πρόφθασον, ώς άγαθή, εις τήν βοήθειαν ήμών, τών πιστώς κραυγαζόντων σοι · Τάχυνον εις πρεσβείαν, καί σπεύσον εις ίκεσίαν, ή προστατεύουσα άεί, Θεοτόκε, τών τιμώντων σε.

SEPTEMBER 27 CALLISTRATUS THE MARTYR & HIS 49 COMPANIONS

These Martyrs contested for the Faith during the reign of Diocletian, in the year 288. Saint Callistratus was arrested as a Christian, and after being tormented, was enclosed in a sack and cast into the sea. The sack burst, and the Saint came to dry land safe and sound. Forty-nine soldiers, seeing this, also confessed Christ, and with him were cast into prison, then beheaded.

SEPTEMBER 28 CHARITON THE CONFESSOR

Saint Chariton was born in the city of Iconium during the reign of Aurelian, about the year 274. He was arrested, tortured, and condemned to death because of his Christian Faith, but finally set free by imperial edict. He came to Palestine, where he took up the ascetic life. He also brought many Jews and pagans to the Faith. Having dwelt in the desert of Judea for many years, and established several monasteries throughout the region, he reposed in peace.

SEPTEMBER 28 BARUCH THE PROPHET

The Prophet Baruch was the son of Nerias, and the disciple of the Prophet Jeremias (Jer. 39:12; 43:4 LXX). The extant prophetic book that he wrote is divided into five chapters; it was composed in the fifth year of the Babylonian Captivity of the Jews during the years of Sedekias, 583 B.C. The prophetic lection that is read on the eve of the Feast of Christ's Nativity, which bears Jeremias' name, is taken from the prophecy of Baruch (Bar. 3:35-4:4). His name means "blessed."

SEPTEMBER 29 CYRIACUS THE HERMIT OF PALESTINE

This Saint was born in Corinth in 448. He went to Palestine to the Lavra of Euthymius the Great, but because of his youth was sent by Saint Euthymius to Saint Gerasimus; after the death of Saint Gerasimus he returned to the Lavra of Saint Euthymius. Later he took on a more rigorous life of asceticism in the wilderness of Natoufa, where there was nothing to eat except the exceedingly bitter wild herb called squills, which, however, through his prayers, God made sweet for him and his disciple. He lived 107 years and reposed in the year 555.

SEPTEMBER 30 GREGORY THE ILLUMINATOR, BISHOP OF ARMENIA

This Saint, a Parthian by race, was the son of Anak. He was born about the year 240 and was taught the Faith of Christ in Caesarea of Cappadocia. He entered the service of Tiridates, King of Armenia, but when discovered to be a Christian, he was subjected to many horrible torments at the King's hands, then was cast into a pit of mire with poisonous serpents and left to die. By the power of God, however, he abode there unharmed for fourteen years, his needs provided by a certain widow, until he was made known by revelation and set free. He converted to piety innumerable multitudes of Armenians, including Tiridates himself, and was consecrated bishop by Leontius, Archbishop of Caesarea, to shepherd the vast flock he had gained for Christ. He spent the last part of his life in retirement in the ascetical discipline, and reposed in peace about the year 325. Saint Gregory is honoured as the Illuminator of Armenia.

OCTOBER 1 THE HOLY PROTECTION OF THE THEOTOKOS

The Feast of the Protection commemorates the appearance of the most holy Theotokos in the Church of Blachernae in Constantinople in the tenth century, as recorded in the life of Saint Andrew the Fool for Christ's sake. While the multitudes of the faithful were gathered in church, Epiphanius, the friend of Saint Andrew, through the Saint's prayers, beheld the Virgin Mary above the faithful and spreading out her veil over them, signifying her unceasing protection of all Christians. Because of this we keep a yearly feast of gratitude, imploring our Lady never to cease sheltering us in her mighty prayers.

OCTOBER 1 ANANIAS, APOSTLE OF THE 70

Saint Ananias, whose name means "God is gracious," was from Damascus, where by divine revelation he was commanded to baptize the Apostle Paul (Acts 9: 10-17). He completed the course of martyrdom when he was stoned to death during the proconsulate of Lucian.

OCTOBER 1 ROMANOS THE MELODIST

Saint Romanos flourished during the reign of Anastasius (491-518). He was from Emesa of Syria, and apparently was born of Jewish parents, for a hymn written in his honour in Greek says he was "of Hebrew stock," and it has furthermore been noted that he uses many Semitic idioms in his writings. He was baptized an Orthodox Christian, and at some time became a deacon in the Church of Beirut. He was the first composer of the kontakia, the foremost of which is that of the feast of Christ's Nativity, On this day the Virgin In composing many of his kontakia. Saint Romanos was inspired by the hymns of Saint Ephraim of Syria.

OCTOBER 2 THE HOLY HIEROMARTYR CYPRIAN AND THE VIRGIN MARTYR JUSTINA

Saint Justina who was from Damascus, lived in virginity for the sake of Christ. Saint Cyprian, who was from Antioch, began as an initiate of magic and worshipper of the demons. A certain foolish young man who had been smitten with Justina's beauty hired Cyprian to draw her to love him; when Cyprian had wed every demonic device he knew, and had failed, being repulsed by the power of Christ Whom Justina invoked, he understood the weakness of the demons and came to know the truth. Delivered from demonic delusion, he came to Christ and burned all his books of magic, was baptized, and later ascended the episcopal throne in his country. Later, he and Justina were arrested by the Count of Damascus, and having endured many torments at his hands, they were sent finally to Diocletian in Nicomedia, where they were beheaded about the year 304.

OCTOBER 3 DIONYSIOS THE AREOPAGITE

This Saint was from Athens, a learned man, and a member of the famous judicial court of Mars Hill (in Greek Aeros Pagos, hence the name Areopagite (see Acts 17:19-34). When Saint Paul preached in Athens, he was one of the first there to believe in Christ, and, according to some, became the first bishop of that city. Others say -- and this may be more probable--that he was the second Bishop of Athens, after Saint Hierotheus, whom Dionysios calls his friend and teacher "after Paul" (On the Divine Names, 3:2). With Saint Hierotheus he was also present at the Dormition of the most holy Theotokos; the Doxasticon of the Aposticha for the service of the Dormition is partly taken from a passage in Chapter III of On the Divine Names. According to ancient tradition, he received a martyr's end (according to some, in Athens itself) about the year 96.

Please Observe the Government Mandates and Metropolitan's Directives for Coronavirus Restrictions for your attendance at Services.

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 3RD,

ORTHROS 9:00 A.M. DIVINE LITURGY 10:00 A.M.

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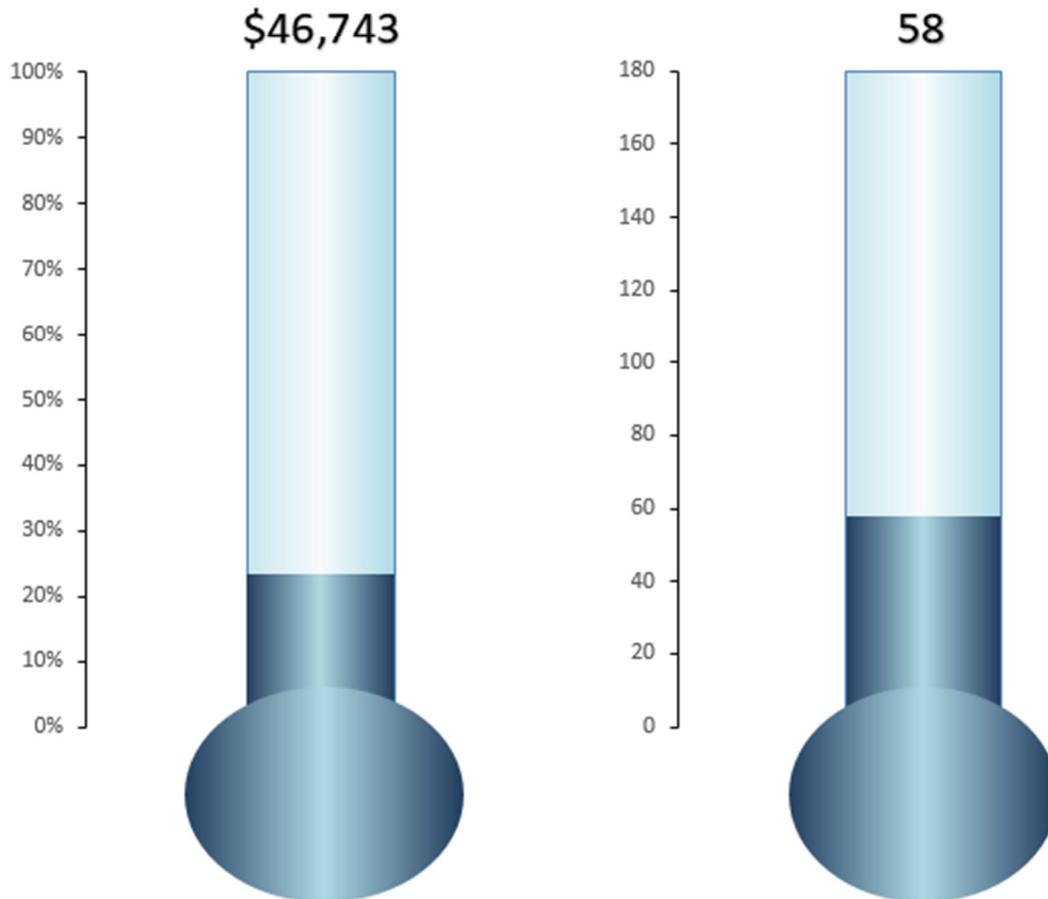
STEWARDSHIP 2020

Dear Holy Trinity Stewards, Parishioners and Friends,

Stewardship is about giving as a way of thanking God for His grace and generosity. Giving is through our commitment of time, talent and treasure so that our Parish can continue to be here for each of us. We offer you our heartfelt thanks for your dedication to our beloved Holy Trinity and for your participation.

2020 STEWARDSHIP GOAL

\$200,000
180 Families



To become a Steward, please visit us online at: www.holytrinitychicago.com/stewardship

During this time away, you have the opportunity to maintain your monthly Stewardship Commitment. You can mail your check to our temporary office or pay online, through our website, via PayPal, Debit, or Credit Card.

Metropolitan Nathanael's Archpastoral Teachings

Annual Archpastoral Teaching, *On Life*



Starting in 2019, [His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael](#) has begun offering an Archpastoral Teaching for the faithful of all ages and walks of life, and in all the ministries of the Church, to creatively apply the profound teachings of our faith in their lives.

The Archpastoral Teachings draw from our faith's splendid treasury, including Holy Scripture, the writings of the saints, and the worship services. *On Mercy* (2019), explores the meaning of mercy within our Orthodox theological and spiritual tradition. It offers a variety of practical suggestions for ways to weave the theme of mercy into our everyday lives. *On Life* (2020), invites us to focus on what is always true, always right, always perfect—God's love for us through His gift of life. The reader is called to protect and nurture the sacred gift of life in all its aspects.



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA
METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO

METROPOLIS NEWS: August 2020

A monthly roundup of news and upcoming events from the Metropolis, our Parishes and Metropolitan Nathanael.

Click on the images below to view more information!

Featured News of the Month



ORDER of THE MYRRHBEARING WOMEN

Metropolis of Chicago Launches New Women-Led Initiative

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago announced the launch of a new initiative, the **Order of the Myrrhbearing Women**, which seeks to recognize, promote, and amplify the individual and collective voices of women in service of Christ and His Church.

Under the initiative, a two-year fellowship has been established to which women across the Metropolis can apply to receive funding for the development and implementation of a new ministry in their home parishes.



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The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago announced today the launch of a new ministry designed to address food security and stable housing for families and individuals living in the Chicago area.

Called **Project HOPE** (Humanitarian Outreach and Philanthropic Engagement), the new ministry is operating and already has distributed more than five tons of food and more than 2,000 meals to people in need.

[View Announcement](#)



CONNECT WITH PROJECT HOPE

If you or someone you know is eligible to participate in food and housing services, please contact the **Orthodox Store representative** at your parish. If you would like to volunteer your time or support HOPE in other ways, including contributing and partnering with HOPE to distribute meals, please contact us.

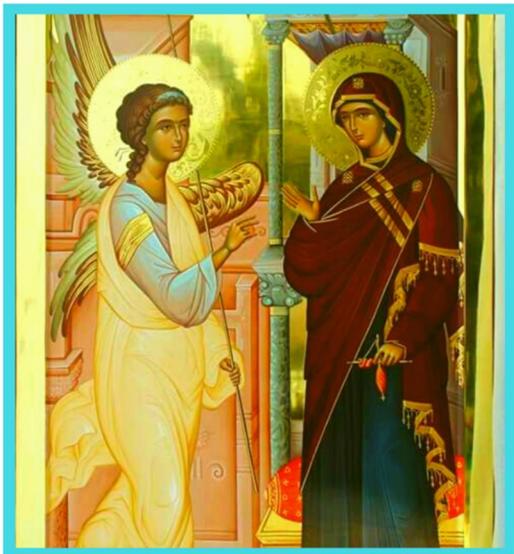


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ANGELS OF HOPE

COVID-19 COMMUNITY-RELIEF DINNER PROGRAM

The Coronavirus pandemic and devastating economic conditions have caused immense hardship and suffering for so many in our community. **In the face of these challenges, we are uniquely positioned to help people who need it most in our community.**



The Metropolis of Chicago, together with the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral, are supporting a program developed by Dr. Dame Evangeline Gouletas and Cité Restaurant designed to provide delicious ready-to-eat hot meals three times a week to individuals and families in our community experiencing hardship.

Funds raised would also be used to help those in need pay for rent, medical expenses and other urgent obligations on a case by case basis. All funds raised will be deposited in a restricted account and only used for these purposes described.

If you or your family are in need of food assistance, please contact Fr. Stamati at Annunciation Cathedral Chicago via email

at frstamati@annunciationcathedralchicago.org or call (312) 664-5485.

MAKE A DONATION

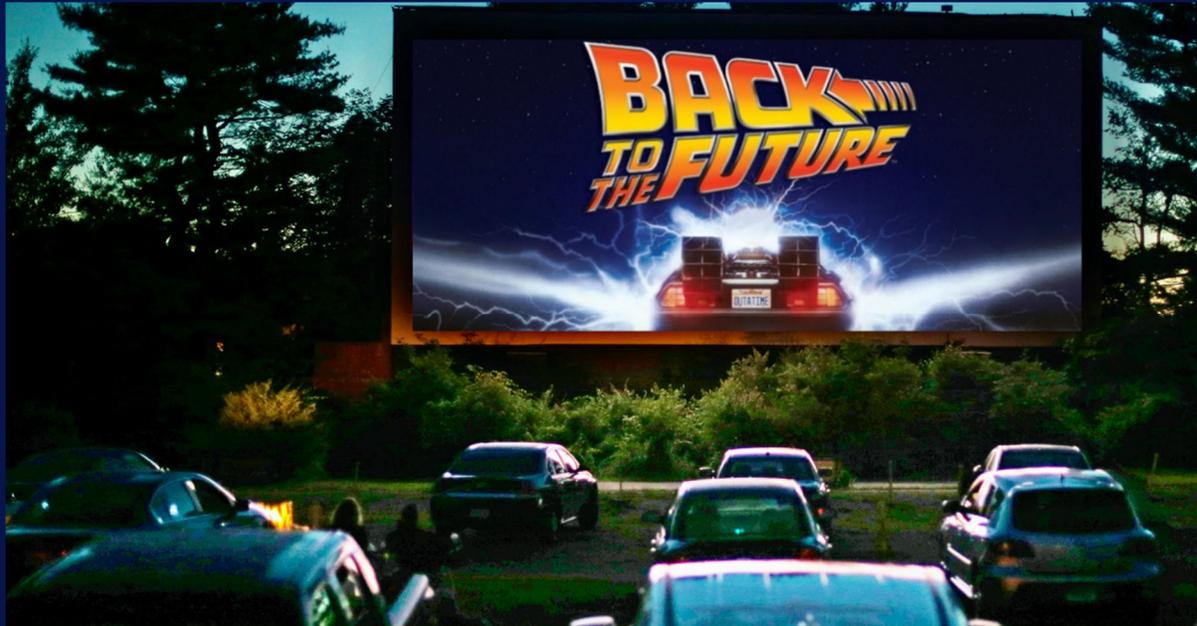
We need your help to make this critical humanitarian relief program possible. Please prayerfully consider supporting an effort that will bring much needed relief to the hungry in our community today.

All checks should be made payable to the **Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral** and mailed to 1017 N. LaSalle Dr., Chicago, IL 60610. Please note "*Angels of Hope*" in the memo section of your check.



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A SAINT IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER FUNDRAISER



DRIVE-IN MOVIE NIGHT

OCTOBER 10, 2020 | 6:30 PM

Saint Iakovos Retreat Center
920 224th Avenue, Kansasville, WI

SOCIALLY DISTANCED, SPACE IS LIMITED

First come, first served parking begins at 6:00 PM
Reserve your spot by October 7

BOXED DINNERS & CONCESSIONS AVAILABLE FOR SALE

Lawn chairs and blankets encouraged

NUMBER OF GUESTS LIMITED TO VEHICLE'S SEAT BELTS

Free will donations appreciated

IN CASE OF INCLEMENT OF WEATHER

Check event website at 3 PM on October 10 for alternate rain date

RESERVE YOUR SPOT

Space limited so all cars must register in advance to secure a spot by October 7, 2020.



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO
ST. IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER
A place of faith, a place of fellowship

MORE UPCOMING EVENTS

THE GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO FAMILY SYNAXIS PRESENTS

PARENTING UNIVERSITY



A way to connect with Orthodox parents and hone your skills for the most important job of your life!

FRIDAY Sept. 18, 2020
New! Attend this event online!

Featuring:

THE PLAN 2020
7:00 - ZOOM presentation and Q&A

When our Home IS our Church
with Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago



* Find the link to register at www.goefamilysynaxis.org or on our Facebook page

"...My peace I give to you; not as the world gives do I give to you. Let not your hearts be troubled, neither let it be afraid." (John 14:27)

PARENTING UNIVERSITY:

When Our Home IS Our Church

Friday, September 18 at 7 PM | Zoom

When the churches closed in March due to COVID-19, families had to re-imagine their faith practice. Now that churches have reopened, they are limited in capacity and many families still have not returned to the liturgy for various reasons.

Join Metropolitan Nathanael for a discussion about how we can make our home a little church, especially during this challenging time.

[REGISTER HERE](#)



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The Metropolis of Chicago Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society
Cordially Invites You To Its September Virtual Fundraiser
Saturday, September 19, 2020

Though this event will be different, our commitment to helping those in need hasn't changed.

Please join us
12:00 Noon
Program To Follow

This year's proceeds to benefit:



The St. Iakovos Retreat Center



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The Metropolis Philoptochos Philanthropic Endeavors

For Reservations Please Call:
Ms. Pat Gerbanas 773.415.7818, Mrs. Christina Hiotis 847.699.7463
or Mrs. Joanne Stavrakas 773.914.6048

September Virtual Fundraiser

Saturday, September 19, 2020

Online

The Metropolis of Chicago Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society is hosting a virtual fundraiser to honor AGAPE nominees and winners.

Proceeds will support the St. Iakovos Retreat Center, Team No Kid Hungry, and the Philoptochos Philanthropic Endeavors.

RSVP by calling one of the following:

Pat Gerbanas | (773) 425-7818

Mrs. Christina Hiotis | (847) 699-7463

Mrs. Joanne Starokos | (773) 914-6048

GOAL + YAL Chicago *present*

YAL SOFTBALL

WHO: Age 18-35 Young Adults

WHAT: A 3-weekend softball tournament, parish versus parish

WHERE: Games @ SS. Constantine & Helen, Palos Hills

WHEN: Oct. 3-4, 10-11 (7 games guaranteed); 17-18 (finals only)

DETAILS: Parishes will register as a team, by email, to: y2am@chicago.goarch.org (info at: chicago.goarch.org/goal)

Registration is \$400/team

All games in the afternoon/evening

COVID-19 Protocols will be used

Questions/help finding a team? Email us!



YAL Softball Tournament

October 3 - October 18, 2020

SS. Constantine & Helen - Palos Hills, IL

Join us for a softball tournament for young adults (ages 18-35)! It will take place over the first three weekends in October on Saturday & Sunday during afternoons/evenings. The exact schedule will depend on the number of registrants.

Deadline to register is by October 3.

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FANARI

FALL Camp!

Who: Current 5th-12th Fanari Campers

What: First-ever Fall Camp Weekends, by cabin!

When: Oct 2-4 > Athenians (5th/6th)
Oct 9-11 > Delphians (11th/12th)
Nov 6-8 > Spartans (9th/10th)
Nov 13-15 > Olympians (7th/8th)
21 CAMPER MAX/WEEK

Where: St. Iakovos Retreat Center

Details: fanari.camp/fall-camp

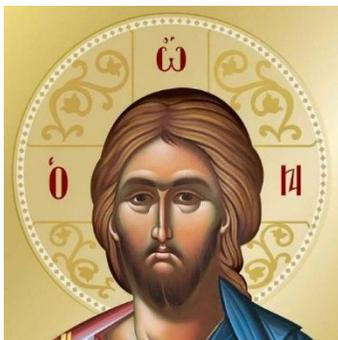
REG OPENS SEPT 11 @ 3pm | \$300/camper

FANARI: Fall Camp

Sessions from October through November
St. Iakovos Retreat Center

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