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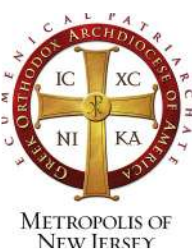
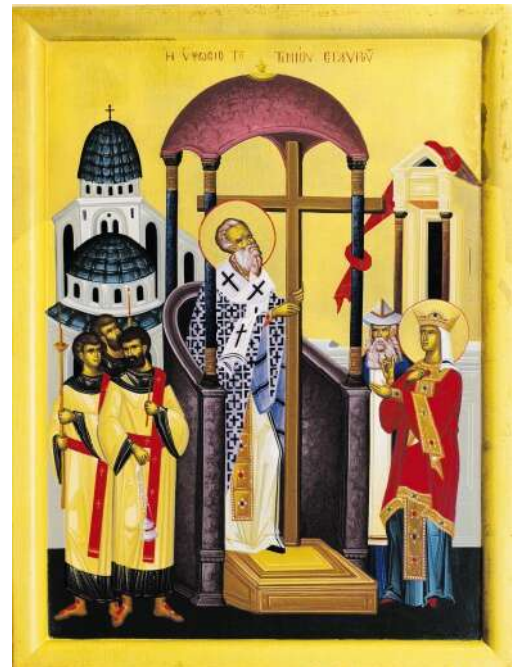
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90th Anniversary

The Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady
the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary
(September 8)



The Universal Elevation of the Holy
and Life-giving Cross of Christ
(September 14)



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HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

ΑΓΙΑ ΤΡΙΑΣ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΣ ΕΚΚΛΗΣΙΑ



Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance; grant victory to the faithful over their adversaries. And protect Your commonwealth, by the power of Your Cross.

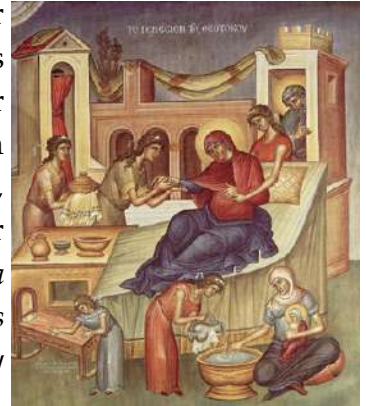
(Apolytikon of the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

My beloved parishioners,

By the Grace of God, we have entered the month of September. I truly pray that you had a restful and rejuvenating summer, and you are ready to return “full force” to our Church and community life.

September marks the beginning of the new ecclesiastical year and the commencement of all parish activities. It also has two major feasts of our Church: the Nativity of the Theotokos and ever-virgin Mary on September 8th and the Exaltation (or Elevation) of the precious and Life-giving Cross on September 14th.

The Nativity of the Theotokos comes at the beginning of the new year as a reminder that Panagia is the source of life. The All-Holy Theotokos comes to this world and becomes the vessel and the ladder that God the Father did use to send His only begotten Son into our world, to save the humankind from the bond and the slavery of the devil and bring man back to communion with Him. In other words, the Virgin Mary reunited the two worlds, Heaven and Earth, and she played the key role in our salvation. As the great liturgist of our Church, the late Fr. Alexander Schmemmann, says in a sermon: *“the Feast of her Nativity is a celebration of human history, a celebration of faith in man, a celebration of man. In celebrating Mary’s birth, we find ourselves already on the road to Bethlehem, moving toward the joyful mystery of Mary as the Mother to God.”*



On the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we are reminded of the historic event of the finding of the Cross of Jesus Christ by Saint Helen, the mother of Saint Constantine the Great, the Emperor, in 326 A.D. We read in the history of the feast: *“In the twentieth year of his reign (326), the Emperor Constantine sent his mother Saint Helen to Jerusalem to venerate the holy places and to find the site of the Holy Sepulcher and of the Cross. Relying upon the oral tradition of the faithful, Saint Helen found the precious Cross together with the crosses of the two thieves crucified with our Lord. However, Helen had no way of determining which was the Cross of Christ.*

With the healing of a dying woman who touched one of the crosses, Patriarch Macarius of Jerusalem identified the True Cross of Christ. Saint Helen and her court venerated the Precious and Life-Giving Cross along with many others who came to see this great instrument of Redemption. The Patriarch mounted the ambo (pulpit) and lifted the Cross with both hands so that all of the people gathered could see it. The crowd responded with “Lord have mercy”. (source: <https://www.goarch.org/exaltation>)

In commemoration of this triumphant elevation of the Holy Cross, in every Orthodox Church we hold a special service on the day of the Feast. We place the Cross on a tray decorated with branches of basil and flowers and we process the Cross throughout the Church chanting the Hymn of the Feast: *“Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance....”* When the priest reaches the center of the Church, he places the tray on a table, takes the Cross and offers petitions from each side of the table, the four directions of the compass, representing the universal offering of Christ’s life upon the Cross. The faithful respond by chanting *“Lord have mercy”* multiple times, while the priest raises and lowers the cross,

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a commemoration of its finding and exaltation. Then, the faithful venerate the cross and receive from the priest, as a blessing, the basil in commemoration of the finding of fragrant basil where the Cross of Christ was found. Also, the day of the Holy Cross is a day of strict fasting and repentance as it is equal to Holy Friday, the day that Jesus Christ died on the Cross.

From the two feasts we can receive many spiritual messages. The Feast of the Nativity of the Theotokos is the beginning of the unfolding of God's salvation plan for humanity and prepares the world for its salvation, as God Himself would come on earth and become man of the Virgin Mary, who is the "divine gate" and the true Mother of life. The event of Panagia's birth reminds us that we have a great example to follow: the humility and obedience of the Theotokos; the two virtues that brought forth the Messiah and therefore we have our Savior Jesus Christ, and that we should all become temples of Christ, the living God, exactly like Panagia did.

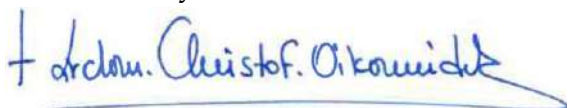
The Feast of the Elevation of the most precious Cross of Christ reminds us of the sacrificial life of the Lord, who was crucified on it for our salvation, thus transforming the wood of "punishment" and "shame" into the wood of life and salvation. It reminds us that Christ's Cross gives us hope, life, repentance, victory over sin, and the means to our salvation; it reminds us that without a "cross" in our lives there is no salvation; it reminds us also that our salvation does not happen in a magical and automatic way; it requires our active and conscious participation through the Church, the Sacraments and the spiritual life that we are all called to live as Orthodox Christians. Please wear a cross around your neck and have it close to your heart forever! Make the sign of the cross over yourselves constantly - especially in times of need- invoking the powerful grace of the Cross of Christ!

My beloved parishioners,

We are tremendously blessed having our Church communities and parishes, where we can find Jesus Christ, worshipping Him and communing with His Holy Body and Blood and with our fellow brothers and sisters. And now that September is here and the Fall is back, we are asked to return to our Churches and participate in the life of our parishes. Here at Holy Trinity, we are commencing all of our activities, beginning with the annual "picnic" on Sunday, September 8th. Please come and also sign up your children for Sunday School, Greek School and all youth activities and ministries. The first day of Sunday School will be on Sunday, September 15th, following the Divine Liturgy, and the Greek School Agiasmos Service on Wednesday, September 18th at 5.30pm. Also, don't forget our 16th annual Golf tournament on Monday, September 23rd at the Concord Country Club in West Chester, PA.

Last but not least, mark your calendars for the forthcoming celebration of our 90th Anniversary on the weekend of November 2nd and 3rd. Please join us in honoring 90 years of life and Orthodoxy in Delaware, by attending the Anniversary Gala on Saturday and the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, with the presence of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey. In the coming days you will receive a formal invitation to the Gala. For more information, please visit our website or call the Church office at 302-654-4446 or email us at office@holyltrinitywilmington.org.

May the Grace of the most precious Cross of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, through the intercession of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary, bless and protect you, your families and our beloved Community!



Archimandrite of the Ecumenical Throne
Christoforos Oikonomidis, Presiding Priest

Αγαπητοί μου Ενορίτες,

Με την Χάρη και την ευλογία της Αγίας Τριάδος υποδεχόμαστε και πάλι τον Σεπτέμβριο, τον πρώτο μήνα του Φθινοπώρου, που σηματοδοτεί την έναρξη όλων των Ενοριακών, Κοινοτικών και Νεανικών δραστηριοτήτων. Την 1^η Σεπτεμβρίου εορτάζουμε την αρχή του Εκκλησιαστικού έτους και προσευχόμαστε να μας δίνει ο Θεός δύναμη στην πορεία της ζωής μας κατά την καινούρια αυτή περίοδο.

Ο μήνας Σεπτέμβριος είναι πολύ σημαντικός γιατί εορτάζουμε -μεταξύ άλλων- δύο πολύ μεγάλες και σπουδαίες εορτές: την Γέννηση της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου στις 8 Σεπτεμβρίου και την Ύψωση του Τιμίου και Ζωοποιού Σταυρού στις 14 Σεπτεμβρίου.

Η Γέννηση της Παναγίας μας έρχεται στην αρχή του νέου έτους για να μας υπενθυμίσει ότι η Παρθένος Μαρία είναι όντως πηγή της ζωής αφού έφερε στα πανάγια σπλάχνα της τον Υιό και Λόγο του Θεού. Ως εκ τούτου, η τιμή της είναι τόσο μεγάλη από τον Θεό, που κατέχει «τα δευτερεία της Τριάδος ως η μετά Θεόν η Θεός» αφού Εκείνη έγινε η Πύλη δια της οποίας ήλθε ο Θεός στον κόσμο. Η Υπεραγία Θεοτόκος ήταν το πρόσωπο που ένωσε τον ουρανό με την γη, προσφέροντας ολόκληρο τον εαυτό της στο θέλημα του Θεού: «Σὺ ὁ τὴν γῆν καὶ τὸν οὐρανὸν γεφυρώσας τῷ ἁγίῳ σου ὀνόματι» όπως γράφει ο Άγιος Γρηγόριος ο Θεολόγος. Επίσης, η Γέννηση της Θεοτόκου σηματοδοτεί και προμηνύει την Ανάσταση του Χριστού και όλου του ανθρωπίνου γένους όπως μας υποδεικνύει το Απολυτίκιο της εορτής: *«Ἡ γέννησίς σου Θεοτόκε, χαρὰν ἐμήνυσε πάσῃ τῇ οἰκουμένῃ, ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ Ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ λύσας τὴν κατάραν, ἔδωκε τὴν εὐλογίαν, καὶ καταργήσας τὸν θάνατον, ἔδωρήσατο ἡμῖν ζωὴν τὴν αἰώνιον»*. Εμείς οι Χριστιανοί που εξόχως αγαπούμε και τιμούμε την Παναγία, έχουμε το τίμιο πρόσωπό της ως πρότυπο υπακοῆς και αγιότητας, που μας καθοδηγεί καθημερινά στην πνευματική μας ζωή και μας δείχνει τον δρόμο προς την ένωσή μας με τον Θεό.

Κατά την Εορτή του Τιμίου και Ζωοποιού Σταυρού του Κυρίου μας, τιμούμε το ιστορικό γεγονός της Ευρέσεως και Ύψώσεως Του από την Αγία Ελένη το 326μ. Χ. στα Ιεροσόλυμα, αλλά παράλληλα η Εκκλησία μας υπενθυμίζει ότι η ζωή μας είναι «σταυρική». Αυτό σημαίνει ότι εφόσον πρότυπο και οδηγός μας είναι ο Σωτήρας Χριστός, οφείλουμε να τον ακολουθήσουμε στον Σταυρό ώστε να ζήσουμε την Ανάσταση, και την πνευματική αλλά και την σωματική. Σας

παρακαλώ να έρθουμε όλοι στην Εκκλησία αυτή την ημέρα να λάβουμε την Χάρη του Σταυρού. Σας παρακαλώ να φορούμε καθημερινά όλοι στον λαιμό μας τον Σταυρό του Κυρίου, και συνεχώς να κάνουμε το σημείο του Σταυρού στο σώμα μας, και να ζητάμε την βοήθεια του Τιμίου Ξύλου. Να σταυρώνουμε τα παιδιά μας, τους συζύγους μας, το σπίτι μας, όλα μας τα υπάρχοντα, και να είμαστε σίγουροι ότι ο διάβολος, που τρέμει το σημείο του Σταυρού, θα φεύγει χωρίς να μας πειράζει. Κάθε φορά λοιπόν που έχουμε πρόβλημα, στενοχώρια, άγχος, θλίψη ή αγωνία, να κάνουμε τον Σταυρό μας και με πίστη και ελπίδα να παρακαλούμε τον Θεό να μας απαλλάξει από κάθε κακό.

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Αγαπητοί μου,

Μας αξιώνει και πάλι ο Θεός να επιστρέψουμε από τις διακοπές μας και την καλοκαιρινή ξεκούραση και να αρχίσουμε και πάλι τις Ενοριακές μας δραστηριότητες. Είμαστε τόσο ευλογημένοι που έχουμε την Εκκλησία μας!

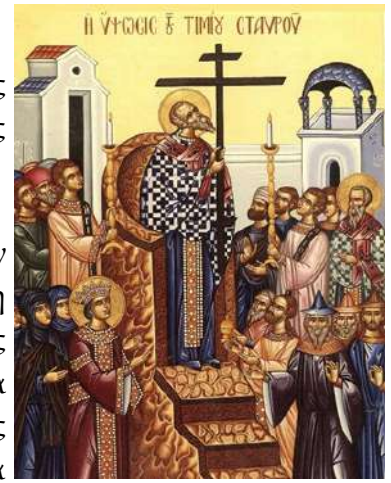
Την Κυριακή 8 Σεπτεμβρίου έχουμε το ενοριακό μας «πικ-νικ», την Κυριακή 15 Σεπτεμβρίου αρχίζει το Κατηχητικό μας Σχολείο και την Τετάρτη 18 Σεπτεμβρίου αρχίζει το Ελληνικό μας Σχολείο. Παράλληλα αρχίζουν όλες οι νεανικές δραστηριότητες. Σας παρακαλώ να φέρετε τα παιδιά και τα εγγόνια σας κάθε Κυριακή στην Εκκλησία και να τα γράψετε σε όλες τις ομάδες και δραστηριότητες που προσφέρει η Ενορία μας. Εμπιστευθείτε τα παιδιά σας στον Χριστό και την Εκκλησία Του και τα παιδιά μας θα νιώθουν ασφάλεια και ζεστασιά μέσα στην αγκαλιά του Χριστού.

Κλείνοντας, να σας υπενθυμίσω ότι φέτος εορτάζουμε τα 90 χρόνια της ενορίας μας και αποκορύφωμα τον εορτασμόν θα είναι το Σαββατοκύριακο 2 και 3 Νοεμβρίου με το επίσημο Δείπνο και την Θεία Λειτουργία, ιερουργούντος του Σεβασμιωτάτου Μητροπολίτου Νέας Ιερσής κ. Αποστόλου. Σύντομα θα λάβετε όλοι την επίσημη πρόσκληση. Περιμένουμε να σας δούμε όλους εκεί και μαζί να γιορτάσουμε αυτή την μεγάλη επέτειο της Ενορίας μας!

Εύχομαι η Χάρις του Τιμίου και Ζωοποιού Σταυρού, διά πρεσβειών της Υπεραγίας Θεοτόκου, να ευλογεί και να προστατεύει όλους και όλες!



π. Χριστοφόρος Οικονομίδης
Αρχιμανδρίτης του Οικουμενικού Θρόνου
Ιερατικός Προϊστάμενος



Holy Trinity Celebrates the Dormition of Theotokos ~ August 15, 2024



THE HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH COMMUNITY
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A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

September 2024

Dear Holy Trinity Community,

I hope that this letter finds you well and in good health!

Welcome back to another exciting year. The summer months provided us all some time to relax and recharge our spirits. Meanwhile, our Church organizations have been busy with event planning and there are some great events coming this month.



We have the WELCOME BACK PICNIC on September 8th. This is a great opportunity to sign up and learn more information about the various organizations (JOY/HOPE, GOYA, Hellenic University Club, AHEPA, Philoptochos, Young at Heart, Daughters of Penelope, etc.) and enroll your children in both Sunday School and Greek School. It is also a great opportunity to reconnect with friends after a long summer break. And to all of you, who are starting school, **Καλή Πρόοδο!**

In addition, we are finalizing the preparations and community dedications as part of our 90-year celebration, which will be held on November 2nd at the Waterfall in Claymont, Delaware. This is an event that you do not want to miss.

In case you haven't had a chance, do not forget to submit your Stewardship Pledge cards to the Church Office (or drop them off in the Narthex on Sundays). Your annual pledge supports everything we do and is used on all aspects of our worship, outreach, community life, and ministries. Your pledge will help us meet our yearly goal!

As always, if you have any thoughts and/or ideas for the benefit of the parish community (whether it impacts one person or hundreds), please feel free to reach out to myself, to one of the Parish Council members, Father Christoforos, or one of the organization heads. Their information can be found in the bulletin. We look forward to everyone's ideas and participation.

We look forward to seeing you in September!

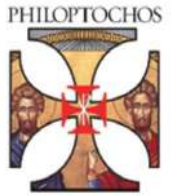
Stephanos Karakasidis

September 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 <u>Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Agiasmos	2 Labor Day Church Office Closed	3	4 FAST	5	6 FAST	7 12:30pm Pecorella Baptism
8 <u>Nativity of Theotokos</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Annual Welcome Back Picnic & Ministry Sign-ups	9	10 DE State Primary VOTING on Balcony	11 FAST	12 12pm Young @ Heart Gathering 12pm Serving @ Emmanuel Dining Room 6pm Philoptochos Meeting/ Covered Dish	13 5:30pm HOPE JOY Welcome Back Family Night & Dance Practice FAST	14 <u>Exaltation of the Holy Cross</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy
15 <u>Sunday after the Holy Cross</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School Agiasmos GOYA BOARD OATH OF OFFICE 1:30pm Bouikidis Baptism	16 6pm Vespers at St Sophia, Jeffersonville, PA Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys	17 St Sophia @ Jeffersonville, PA DVYC Coaches Meeting (TBD)	18 5:30pm Greek School 1st DAY (Agiasmos- In Church) FAST	19 6:30pm Parish Council Meeting 7pm GOYA Dance Practice	20 FAST	21 9:30am Philoptochos packing for Ronald McDonald House 6pm YAL
22 <u>1st Sunday of Luke</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School Philoptochos Sunday / Artoclasia 6pm HUC Welcome Back @ Holy Trinity, Wilmington	23 16th Annual Golf Tournament Basketball Practice 7:30pm Boys	24 6:00pm DOP Meeting 7pm DVYC Meeting, Elkins Park	25 12pm Bible Study 5:30pm Greek School FAST	26	27 FAST	28
29 <u>2nd Sunday of Luke</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School 1pm HUC EVENT , Christopher King, Speaker in AHEPA ROOM DVYC GAMES BEGIN	30 12pm Philoptochos Serving @ Emmanuel Dining Room Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys					



Philoptochos Sisterhood of Holy Trinity St. Agape Chapter



Dearest Philoptochos Sisters and Parishioners:

I hope this bulletin finds you all well. I can't believe it's September! Although I personally would love another month of summer, I believe that we also look forward to seeing each other and catching up on our summer activities. We have a very busy year ahead of us, especially preparing for the 90th Celebration of our Holy Trinity Church.

I appreciate all who brought food and desserts for the coffee hour following the celebration of the Dormition of Our Lady Theotokos. It was so good to see everyone who was able to attend. I'd also like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to the Ladies of Philoptochos, the GOYAns, the JOY/HOPE ministries and to our Holy Trinity Community for their donations and assistance for the "Pack the Back" drive, which was in association with the "Operation Classroom" initiative to assist the

underserved children in our community. Within this bulletin you'll find pictures of those who were able to assist in packing the backpacks. Again, thank you all so much!

We are now preparing for Philoptochos Sunday which will be held on Sunday, September 22, 2024. These ministry Sundays are part of 90th Celebration of Holy Trinity. The Ladies will have an Artoklasia for the health of our members and a memorial for all the Philoptochos members who have fallen asleep. Following Divine Liturgy, we will be celebrating our Philoptochos chapter in the hall, giving a short presentation of our history and recognizing all the past presidents of Philoptochos. Please reach out to family members of the past Philoptochos members who have fallen asleep and ask them to attend this special day in remembrance of their family, and in celebration of the those who have served and are currently serving. Philoptochos has assisted thousands of people in the past and this is a chance to celebrate our St. Agape Chapter. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Let's now forget our Bid N Buy to be held on October 4, 2024. Please mark your calendars and call and bring your friends and family. This is a wonderful night of fun, prizes and fellowship that you don't want to miss!!

In Christ's Service,
Dena Verikakis

**Backpacks
Delivered!!
Thank you
so much for
your generosity
and willingness
to give!!**



Kollyva for Memorials

The Philoptochos Society will prepare the tray of Kollyva for any family of our community. The cost of \$125 includes the Prosforon, oil and wine. Please allow at least a week and call the church office 654-4446 and Susie will contact the Philoptochos. Your donation of \$125 (less cost), will help Philoptochos Charities.



80 backpacks filled and ready to go!





PHILOPTOCHOS DAY – SEPT. 22

We will be celebrating the St. Agape Chapter with an Artoklasia for the health and strength for our members and a memorial for our Sisters who have fallen asleep. Following Divine Liturgy, please join us in the hall for a short history of our chapter, followed by a recognition of our past presidents and celebrating all those who have served. We look forward to seeing you all on this very special Philoptochos Day, which is part of the recognition of the 90th Anniversary of our Holy Trinity Church. If you know any of the family members of those who have fallen asleep, please ask them to attend this special day. If you have any questions, please contact me.

Dena Verikakis
President, Philoptochos St. Agape Chapter



Holy Trinity celebrates the Forefeast of the Dormition of Theotokos August 14



ECCLESIASTICAL NEW YEAR / September 1



Reading:

For the maintenance of their armed forces, the Roman emperors decreed that their subjects in every district should be taxed every year. This same decree was reissued every fifteen years, since the Roman soldiers were obliged to serve for fifteen years. At the end of each fifteen-year period, an assessment was made of what economic changes had taken place, and a new tax was decreed, which was to be paid over the span of the fifteen years. This imperial decree, which was issued before the season of winter, was named *Indictio*, that is, *Definitio*, or *Order*. This name was adopted by the emperors in Constantinople also. At other times, the latter also used the term *Epinemesis*, that is, *Distribution* (*Dianome*). It is commonly held that Saint Constantine the Great introduced the Indiction decrees in A.D. 312, after he beheld the sign of the

Cross in heaven and vanquished Maxentius and was proclaimed Emperor in the West. Some, however (and this seems more likely), ascribe the institution of the Indiction to Augustus Caesar, three years before the birth of Christ. Those who hold this view offer as proof the papal bull issued in A.D. 781 which is dated thus: *Anno IV, Indictionis LIII* -that is, the fourth year of the fifty-third Indiction. From this, we can deduce the aforementioned year (3 B.C.) by multiplying the fifty-two complete Indictions by the number of years in each (15), and adding the three years of the fifty-third Indiction.

There are three types of Indictions: 1) That which was introduced in the West, and which is called Imperial, or Caesarean, or Constantinian, and which begins on the 24th of September; 2) The so-called Papal Indiction, which begins on the 1st of January; and 3) The Constantinopolitan, which was adopted by the Patriarchs of that city after the fall of the Eastern Empire in 1453. This Indiction is indicated in their own hand on the decrees they issue, without the numeration of the fifteen years. This Indiction begins on the 1st of September and is observed with special ceremony in the Church. Since the completion of each year takes place, as it were, with the harvest and gathering of the crops into storehouses, and we begin anew from henceforth the sowing of seed in the earth for the production of future crops, September is considered the beginning of the New Year. The Church also keeps festival this day, beseeching God for fair weather, seasonable rains, and an abundance of the fruits of the earth. The Holy Scriptures (Lev. 23:24-5 and Num. 29:1-2) also testify that the people of Israel celebrated the feast of the Blowing of the Trumpets on this day, offering hymns of thanksgiving. In addition to all the aforesaid, on this feast we also commemorate our Saviour's entry into the synagogue in Nazareth, where He was given the book of the Prophet Esaias to read, and He opened it and found the place where it is written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, for which cause He hath anointed Me..." (Luke 4:16-30).

It should be noted that to the present day, the Church has always celebrated the beginning of the New Year on September 1. This was the custom in Constantinople until its fall in 1453 and in Russia until the reign of Peter I. September 1 is still festively celebrated as the New Year at the Patriarchate of Constantinople; among the Jews also the New Year, although reckoned according to a moveable calendar, usually falls in September. The service of the Menaion for January 1 is for our Lord's Circumcision and for the memorial of Saint Basil the Great, without any mention of its being the beginning of a new year.

Apolytikion in the Second Tone

Creator of the universe, setting times and seasons by Your sole authority, bless the cycle of the year of Your grace, O Lord, guarding our rulers and Your nation in peace, at the intercession of the Theotokos, and save us.

Kontakion in the Fourth Tone

You who created all things in Your infinite wisdom, and set the times by Your own authority, grant Your Christian people victories. Blessing our comings and goings throughout this year, guide our works according to Your divine will.

Reading courtesy of Holy Transfiguration Monastery
Apolytikion courtesy of Narthex Press / Kontakion courtesy of Narthex Press

HOLY TRINITY'S ANNUAL

PICNIC



Sunday, September 8, 2024

immediately after worship

Fellowship, Food & Fun for Everyone

Fellowship, Food & Fun for Everyone

There will be...

**FUN
&
FUN
&
more
!!FUN!!**



Sign up for...

**Sunday School
&
Greek School
&
all
Youth Ministries**

WE NEED YOUR HELP...

The following items are needed for the church's Welcome Back Picnic. If you are able to donate an item, please call the church office to let us know. If you cannot donate an item but can contribute towards the cost of an item, please send a check to the church office and mark "picnic" in the memo line. As always, any donation made to the church is tax deductible and will be included on your quarterly statement.

Thank you for your continued support!

Hamburgers
Rolls
Salads

Hotdogs
Fruit
Desserts

Water Bottles
Condiments
Soda / Juice



HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
WILMINGTON, DE

GOYA News



90th Anniversary

Hello fellow Parishioners - My name is Vasili Dargakis and I have the honor of serving as GOYA President at Holy Trinity Wilmington for this upcoming year. I am a senior at Garnet Valley High School and excited to have the opportunity to lead our GOYA during my last year. I would like to thank our outgoing Board and Co-Presidents Eleni Marcantonis and Christina Pennia for an amazing year. The GOYA community is grateful for their contributions and all the wonderful memories we created together.

I would now like to introduce the rest of our new GOYA board:

- Vice President: Anastasia Thomas, Odyssey Charter School, 11th Grade, "I am open to new ideas for our GOYA!"
- Treasurer: Sia Dargakis, Garnet Valley High School, 10th Grade, "I am excited for the new GOYA year to start!"
- Eleni Marcantonis, Rustin High School, 11th Grade, "I am hoping to get new events scheduled this year!"
- Anna Psihalinos, Kingsway Regional High School, 10th Grade, "Ready to get down to business this year!"

As our new GOYA year kicks off in September, I wanted to share a few key dates with you:

- September 8th: Annual Welcome Back Picnic immediately following the Divine Liturgy.
- September 15th: First day of Sunday School & swearing-in of the incoming GOYA board.
- September 16th: Basketball practices begin and will recur every Monday. Girls practice at 6:30 pm and Boys practice at 7:30 pm.
- September 19th: First dance practice at 7 pm. Dance will be every Thursday onward from the 19th. Please reach out to our dance teacher Agnoula Marcantonis (215-906-4886) with any questions or concerns. Our first performance is at the 90th Anniversary gala on November 2nd

We are all looking forward to a fantastic year with our GOYA members and look forward to building new memories with all of you!

Thank you!

Feel free to reach out to me with any other questions.

Vasili Dargakis

Email: vasilidargakis@gmail.com

Cell Number: (610)-787-0144





SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

Sunday School Directors: Amalea Rassias 302.293.1127 & Maroula Haralambidis 609. 634.5339

2024-2025 Sunday School Calendar

2024

Sept 8	No Sunday School	Church Picnic, SS Registration
Sept 15	Sunday School	(First Day of Sunday School) Sunday School Teachers' Meeting
Sept 22	Sunday School	
Sept 29	Sunday School	
Oct 6	Sunday School	
Oct 13	Sunday School	
Oct 20	Sunday School	Sunday School Teachers Meeting
Oct 27	Sunday School	Thanksgiving/Canned Food Drive Begins
Nov 3	Sunday School	
Nov 10	Sunday School	
Nov 17	Sunday School	Sunday School Teachers' Meeting,
Nov 24	Sunday School	Thanksgiving Food Drive Ends; Christmas Sock Drive Begins
Nov 28 (Thurs)		Thanksgiving
Dec 1	No Sunday School	Thanksgiving Weekend
Dec 8	Sunday School	
Dec 15	Sunday School	Breakfast with Santa (Greek School)
Dec 22	Sunday School	Youth Christmas Pageant, Communion Breakfast, Christmas Drive Ends
Dec 29	No Sunday School	Christmas Nativity Break

2025

Jan 5	No Sunday School	Christmas Nativity/ Theophany Break
Jan 6 (Mon)		Theophany
Jan 12	Sunday School	Vasilopita Sunday
Jan 18 (Sat)		HTW Basketball Tournament
Jan 19	Sunday School	HTW Basketball Tournament
Jan 26	Sunday School	
Feb 2	Sunday School	Godparents' Sunday, Sunday School Coffee Hour
Feb 9	Sunday School	
Feb 16	Sunday School	
Feb 23	Sunday School	Sunday School Teachers Meeting
Mar 2	Sunday School	
Mar 3 (Mon)		Great Lent Begins
Mar 7 (Fri)		St. John Chrysostom Parish Level Oratorical Festival (7 th -12 th)
Mar 9	Sunday School	Sunday of Orthodoxy, Procession with Icons
Mar 16	Sunday School	
Mar 23	Sunday School	Veneration of the Cross
Mar 30	Sunday School	
Apr 6	Sunday School	SS Elementary Oratorical Festival (PreK-6 th)
Apr 12 (Sat)		Saturday of Lazarus, Community Palm Folding, Youth Confessions
Apr 13	No Sunday School	Palm Sunday
Apr 18 (Fri)		Holy Friday Youth Retreat
Apr 20	No Sunday School	Pascha
Apr 27	Sunday School	
May 4	Sunday School	
May 11	Sunday School	Mother's Day
May 18	Sunday School	Sunday School Graduation, Awards Sunday

**HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Sunday School Registration is September 8th. Religious education classes will begin September 15th. If your child misses registration, please complete this form and bring to the Religious Education office.

Children are placed in our Religious Education classes according to the grade they will be attending in public/private school. Pre-School students must be three years old and Kindergarten students must be **five years old by September 1, 2024.**

The *Agiasmos* service (blessing the children and teachers) will be held on September 15th.

REGISTRATION FORM

Student's Name _____ Birthdate: _____

Student Baptismal Name: _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip Code _____

Student Home Phone & Cell Phone _____

Family E-mail Address _____

Student's Email Address _____

Grade attending in Regular School _____

Parents' Names _____

Parent Cell Phone _____

SUNDAY SCHOOL USE ONLY

Grade in Sunday School _____

Added to Sunday School Directory _____

-Coffee Hour Hosts 2024 - 25

September

- 8 PC Picnic
- 15 Altar Guild
- 22 Philoptochos
- 29 Hellenic University Club

October

- 6 AHEPA
- 13 Parish Council
- 20 Philoptochos
- 27 Sunday/Greek School /OXI Day Program

November

- 3 GOYA
- 10 Daughters of Penelope
- 17 Parish Council (**General Assembly**)
- 24 Young @ Heart

December

- 1 Hellenic University Club
- 8 Parish Council
- 15 **Greek School Lunch w/Santa**
- 22 **Philoptochos/Communion Breakfast**
- 29 **NO Coffee Hour (Christmas/New Years)**

January

- 5 Young@ Heart
- 12 Altar Guild
- 19 **GOYA Basketball Tournament**
- 26 **AHEPA Breakfast/Letters Day**

February

- 2 God Parent Sunday (Sunday School)
- 9 Daughters of Penelope
- 16 Philoptochos
- 23 Parish Council

March

- 2 Altar Guild
- 9 Hellenic University Club
- 16 GOYA
- 23 Greek School (**GK IND Program**)
- 30 Daughters of Penelope

April

- 6 Young @ Heart
- 13 **Philoptochos Palm Sunday Lunch**
- 20 **NO COFFEE HOUR (Pascha)**
- 27 GOYA

May

- 4 Parish Council (**General Assembly**)
- 11 AHEPA (Mother's Day)
- 18 **Greek School (GRADUATION)**
- 25 **NO COFFEE HOUR (Memorial Day)**

**JUNE 9 – Parish Council for Holy Trinity
Name Day Celebration**

AUGUST 15 – Philoptochos

**Coffee Hour Organizational Assignments
will resume in September**

These dates are subject to change upon agreement of organizations and prior notification of the Church Office. Additionally, families will often assume a Coffee Hour for Memorials, etc, and in the event the Church is contacted by a family wishing to do so, we will immediately notify you and your organization.

When you host a coffee hour please bring...

1 gallon milk ~ 2 gallons juice

- 2-3 dozen cookies or doughnut holes (for the children!)
- 2-3 dozen doughnuts or danish (cut in half ~ for the adults!!)
- 2-3 dozen bagels (cut in half ~ for everyone!)
- 2-3 tubs cream cheese ~ plain and/or flavored

Fruit is also an option. You are not limited to the above but please remember to bring enough for everyone! (Approximately **100** people)

Each organization is responsible for setting up the food and coffee and cleaning up the tables, food and coffee area after the coffee hour as well.



Metropolis of New Jersey Annual Holy Cross Celebration

Celebrated by His Eminence,
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Sunday, September 15, 2024

- 8:00 AM Orthros and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy:
St. George Greek Orthodox Church 1033 W. Park Avenue Ocean, NJ
- Blessing of the Waters and Youth Dive for the Cross following the
Divine Liturgy: Deal Beach - 111 Ocean Ave., Deal, NJ
- Fellowship Picnic to follow for all at St. George Church in
Ocean, NJ



“Bring the whole tithe into the storehouse, that there may be food in my house. Test me in this, says the Lord Almighty, and see if I will not throw open the floodgates of heaven and pour out so much blessing that there will not be room enough to store it.”

Malachi 3:10

For Further Reflection...

Are you a contributing member of the Body of Christ? Are you actively serving God and sharing Him with others? Are you contributing to peace and unity within His Body? Do you worship regularly? Take a moment to evaluate your life in light of these principles.

We are called to apply our gifts, training, abilities, education and skills to the tasks that God places before us. If we do this humbly and prayerfully, the Body of Christ will function to its full potential.

The Biblical motivation for giving is grace; giving is an act of worship in response to the generosity of God. You are to give, Paul says, “as God has prospered you.” In II Corinthians 8 and 9 he teaches clearly, “He who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully.” God blesses those who give with generosity.

Giving is a way to thank God for His grace and generosity. The question is not, “How much do I give to stay in the club?” or “What are the dues?” but “How can I thank God for my many blessings?”



STEWARDSHIP MINISTRIES

SHARING

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Your stewardship number: _____

Your 2023 pledge was: _____

Please increase my pledge by 10% to: _____

Please increase my pledge by 20% to: _____

My 2024 commitment is: _____

\$750.00 (\$62/month or \$15/week)

\$1,000.00 (\$84/month or \$20/week)

\$1,500.00 (\$125/month or \$29/week)

\$5,000.00 (\$415/month or \$96/week)

\$2,000.00 (Sponsors a Day of Operations)

___ # of Days (Sponsor Multiple Days)

(above figures are rounded)

I/We understand that by completing this good faith estimate, and by pledging my/our Time, Service and Sharing section of this Stewardship Card, I/We are committing ourselves to being faithful stewards of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church for 2024.

Signature _____ Date _____

Proportionate Sharing

Our operating budget for 2024 will be \$700,000.

We offer you this giving guide to assist you in determining your 2024 pledge. Please use the enclosed envelopes and give according to what God has blessed you.

PLEASE RETURN SIGNED CARD TO THE CHURCH OFFICE

“Give, and it will be given to you: good measure, pressed down, shaken together, and running over will be put into your bosom. For with the same measure that you use, it will be measured back to you.”

Luke 6:38

FINANCIAL STEWARDS OF HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Adamopoulos, Sotiere	Galanis, Agnes	Kostos, Yianni	Rassias, George & Amalea
Agriantonis, Demetrios	Galaris, Rick & Diana	Krmedas, Matoula	Regas, Constantinos
Almasou, Elias & Rasha	Gatanis, Theodore	Kromedas, Constantinos & Vasiliki	Regas, Sofia
Amygdalos, Michael & Christine	Gatos, Paula	Kyranakis, John	Rentoulis, Nicholas & Androniki
Anagnostou, Anamaria	Geanopulos, Georgiean	Laletas, Earnest & Barbara Brockett	Richardson, Robert & Stavroula
Anagnostou, Anthoula	George, Mary	Laskaris, Johanna	Riga-Crisp, Jason & Ekaterini
Anastasiades, Litsa	Georgiou, Constantinos	Laws, Brian & Vasiliki	Righos, Elaine
Andrianopoulos, Faith	Gerakios, Nikoletta	Lawson, Michael & Victoria	Roberts, Scott & Linda
Angeletakis, Christos & Christina	Gerakios, Sakelaris & Spiridoula	Lazare, John & Sandra	Roussalis, John & Valerie
Artemiadis, Panagiotis & Spyridoula	Gianelos, James & Stacie	Lazopoulos, Emmanuel & Laura	Saffos, John & Karla
Asimos Sr, George	Giannatos, Stavros & Terri	Lazopoulos, John & Christina	Saitis, Mary
Asimos, George & Kristie	Graham, Catherine	Lempesis, Dimitra	Savopoulos, Despina
Athnasiadis, Fotios & Asmik	Gray, David & Eugenia	Liarakos, George & Ann	Schillinger, Robert & Karen
Atsidis, Kostas & Eftihia	Grigorakakis, Maria	Logullo, Desponia & Francis	Semos, Joanne
Bacchieri, Stacey	Grivas, Christopher & Michelle	Lomis, Toula	Shahwan, Sofy
Baker, Stephanie	Grivas, Demetrios & Helen	MacKewiz, Irene & W. Lee	Souleles, Nicholas & Alexis
Bambacus, Meropi	Haddadin, Malik & Lina	Manoloudis, Michael & Kandi	Staab, Kristina
Barrios, Luis & Dimitra	Haldas, George & Beth	Mantzavinos, Marianthi	Staikos, Nicholas & Eirini
Belitsas, Athanasios & Antonia	Haldas, Harry	Mantzavinos, Spiros & Megan	Stavropoulos, Xanthy
Bouloukos, Anastasia	Haldas, Nicholas & Rodie	Maravelias, James & Diane	Stavru, Nicholas & Maria
Burpulis, Kecia	Haldas, Thomas	Marcantonis, George & Agnoula	Stout, Robert & Voula
Burpulis, Stamatis	Haldas-Long, Irene	Marini, Irene	Tarabicos, Christina
Calliagas, Markella	Hall, George & Michelle	Marinis, Kalliope	Tarabicos, John & Joanne
Calliagas, Nicholas & Katherine	Hantzopoulos, Bill & Lisa	Markatos, Harry & Susan	Tarabicos, Sophia
Caras, Constantine & Maria	Haralambidis, Maroula	Marvel, Jessica	Tawfik, Emad & Tania
Chahalis, Maria	Hatzis, Tom & Bing	Matulas, Anagnostis & Angela	Theodorakis, Stamatis & Lisa
Chambers, George & Katherine	Heliotis, Alexandra	Mavridis, Prodromos & Maria	Theodorakis, Nicholas
Charalambides, Dino & Nia	Hionis, Sophia	McManus, Ryan & Theodora	Thomas, Richard & Angela
Chilimidos, Effie	Humphrey, Caroline	Michell, Constantine & Elaine	Tsaganos, Alexandra
Chilimidos, Jerry & Amy	Iliadis, Antonios	Michell, Theodore & Catherine	Tsaganos, Anthony & Joanne
Christoforatos, Demetri & Dimitra	Iliadis, Dimitrios & Constantina	Milionis, Constantine	Tsaganos, Nicholas & Joanna
Christou, Alecca	Issaris, Katherine	Mistras, Antonis & Soula	Tsaganos, Peggy
Christou, Christos & Evie	Joris, Irene	Mitoulis, Constantine & Kristen	Tsaganos, Robert & Popi
Ciabattoni, Olga	Joseck, Anastasia	Mitoulis, Nikolaos & Stella	Tsakataras, George
Coates/Zerefos, George & Evie	Joseck, Xanthy & Fred	Moriello, Nicholas & Carissa	Tsakiris, Konstantine
Colborn, Brian & Nicole	Kalaitzoglou, Apostolos & Niki	Nannas, Theodore & Alexandra	Tsakumis, George & Julia
Constantinou, John & Carol	Kalaitzoglou, Stavros	Napoli, Francis	Tsakumis, Theodore
Coulaloglou, Michelle	Kaliakin, Victor & Leeza	Nicholas, Steve	Tsaldaris, Nicholas & Bonnie
Courtis, Harry & Sophia	Kamenakis, Eftimhia	Novakis, Louis	Tsigkakos, Dimos & Ioanna
Courtney, Daniel & Condylia	Kamenakis, Peter & Juli	Ohlemacher, Evangline	Tsionas, Angela
Coustenis, Katherine	Kanas, Emmanuel & Valerie	Pacienza, Stephanie	Tsionas, Anna
Dalianis, John & Vicky	Kanas, Larry & Alecia	Pandelakis, Denis & Anna	Tsionas, Evangelos
Dandolos, Dimitrios & Carol	Karablasas, Virginia	Pantelopulos, Anthony & Daphne	Tsoukalas, Frederiki
Dargakis, Minas & Kleo	Karakasidis, Demetri & Eleni	Papachrysanthou, Chris & Popi	Tsoukalas, Niki
Degermentzidis, Elias	Karakasidis, John & Vickie	Papanicholas, Evan	Tsoutsos, Nektarios & Chengmo
Demetriou, Anna	Karakasidis, Stephanos & Evaggelia	Papanicholas, Maria	Tsugranes, George & Penny
Diamanty, Thomas & Sue	Karaoglanis, Eleftherios & Niki	Papettas, Vasilis & Christina	Turley, Steve & Akiko
Diamond, Anthony & Lauren	Karapanagiotis, Athanasios	Pappas, Elias & Denise	Vande Poele, A. David & Anna
Diamond, Soula	Karas, Theodore & Pamela	Pappas, Elizabeth	Vassiliou, Kleoniki
Diamond, Thomas	Karvounis, Nikolaos & Amanda	Pastis, Jacqueline	Velitskakis, George
Dickey, Irene	Kayiaros, Joanna	Pettaris, George & Stavroula	Velitskakis, Steve & Karen
Doukakis, Helen	Kayiaros, Stephen	Phalangas, Charalambos & Mary	Verikakis, Dena
Drimones, Clara	Keros, Georgia	Piccirilli, Melissa & Joe	Verikakis, Evangelos & Shannon
Drimones, Nicholas	Kessaris, Christos & Eleni	Pispitsos, Pantelis	Vice, Elaine
Economou, Georgios & Lena	Kirifides, Alexander & Kathy	Pittaoulis, Steve	Visvardis, Fotini
Evangelatos, Speros	Kirifides, Lazarus M & Helen	Pittas, Steve	Visvardis, Socrates & Ruth
Faller, James & Catherine	Kirifides, Michael & Kerry	Poulos, Vasilios & Eulampia	Vlami, Peggy
Farella, Robert & Leah	Kirifides, Vasil & Eleftheria	Psaltis, John	Voultsis, Catherine
Ferentinos, Joan	Kirtses, Petros & Athy	Psaltis, Nicholas	Voultsis, Evangeline & Damien
Fisfis, Nicholas & Catheryn	Klezaras, Michael & Kathy	Psaltis, Thomas & Cynthia	Voultsis, Jordana
Floropoulos, Yianni	Kollias, Basil & Demi	Psihalinos, George & Athina	Wiechecki, Frank & Kelly
Fotakis, Greg & Angeliki	Kollias, Georgia	Psihalinos, Thomas & Magdalini	Wolcott, Josiah & Paraskevi
Fotakos, Leonidas & Sophia	Koninis, John & Anastasia	Raisis, Irene	Xarhoulakos, Peter
Fotakos, Lexi	Koninis II, John & Evdoxia	Raisis, Leonidas & Irene	Zerefos, Demetri & Constantina
Fountzoulas, Costas & Audrey	Kontis, Gus & Cindy	Raisis, Pauline	Zerefos, Markos & Eugenia
Fournakis, Susan	Kontodemos, Klianthis & Anthi	Raisis, Spiros	Zicarelli, Louis & Catherine
Fournaris, Anna	Kontomaris, Kostas & Melissa	Raisis, William & Emily	Zographos, Katherine
Fournaris, Emmanuel & Evie	Kostas, John & Gale	Rapposelli, Hareklia	
Fournaris, George & Soula	Kostas, Nicholas & Stephani	Rassias, Dion & Gina	

**As of August 25, 2024
(274 families)**

ALTAR GUILD

We hope everyone had a nice and relaxing summer! After a quiet summer for the Altar Guild, we are looking forward to the new ecclesiastical year and adorning our church and its icons in the coming months. If you are interested in joining us, please reach out to one of our members. No experience is needed, and we would love to have you!

Once again, we would like to thank the anonymous donors who generously donated for the following icons:

August 6th: The Transfiguration of our Lord

August 1- 14: The Icon of the Theotokos for the Paraklesis services

August 15th: The Dormition of the Theotokos

The following Icons are for September. If you wish to donate, please use the form below. A donation of \$50.00 is requested.

September 8: The Nativity of the Theotokos

September 14th: The Elevation of the Cross

The Altar Guild appreciates the community's continued support.

Thank you,

Joanne Tarabicos and Evie Fournaris

If you have a special request for a wreath or bouquets, please use the form below. The cost is \$50.00 for two small arrangements and \$100.00 for two large arrangements.

Please feel free to contact Joanne Tarabicos at 302-239-4950 or Evie Fournaris at 302-475-5035 or use the form below.

Name _____

Dedication _____

RESERVED DATE: _____

PHONE NUMBER: _____

MAY WE PRINT IT IN THE BULLETIN: YES _____ NO _____

Enclosed \$ _____

Make checks payable to "Holy Trinity Altar Guild".

Mail to: Stacy Koninis, 2602 Brightwell Drive, Wilmington, DE. 19810





THE NATIVITY OF OUR MOST HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY

September 8

Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone

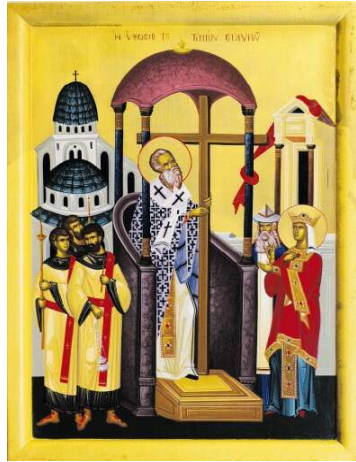
Your birth, O Theotokos, brought joy to the whole world, for from you dawned the sun of righteousness, Christ our God. Freeing us from the curse, He gave us His blessings. Abolishing death, He granted us eternal life.

Kontakion in the Fourth Tone

In your holy birth, Immaculate One, Joachim and Anna were rid of the shame of childlessness; Adam and Eve of the corruption of death. And so your people, free of the guilt of their sins, celebrate crying: "The barren one gives birth to the Theotokos, who nourishes our life."

Reading:

According to the ancient tradition of the Church, the Theotokos was born of barren and aged parents, Joachim and Anna, about the year 16 or 17 before the birth of Christ. Joachim was descended from the royal line of David, of the tribe of Judah. Anna was of the priestly tribe of Levi, a daughter of the priest Matthan and Mary, his wife.



THE ELEVATION OF THE VENERABLE AND LIFE-GIVING CROSS

September 14

Apolytikion in the First Tone

Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting our rulers to prevail over adversaries, and protecting Your commonwealth by Your Cross.

Kontakion in the Fourth Tone

Lifted up on the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victories over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them a weapon for peace, an invincible standard.

Reading:

Saint Helen, the mother of Saint Constantine the Great, when she was already advanced in years, undertook, in her great piety, the hardships of a journey to Jerusalem in search of the cross, about the year 325. A temple to Aphrodite had been raised up by the Emperor Hadrian upon Golgotha, to defile and cover with oblivion the place where the saving Passion had been suffered. The venerable Helen had the statue of Aphrodite destroyed, and the earth removed, revealing the Tomb of our Lord, and three crosses. Of these, it was believed that one must be that of our Lord, the other two of the thieves crucified with Him; but Saint Helen was at a loss which one might be the Wood of our salvation. At the inspiration of Saint Macarius, Archbishop of Jerusalem, a lady of Jerusalem, who was already at the point of death from a certain disease, was brought to touch the crosses, and as soon as she came near to the Cross of our Lord, she was made perfectly whole. Consequently, the precious Cross was lifted on high by Archbishop Macarius of Jerusalem; as he stood on the ambo, and when the people beheld it, they cried out, "Lord have mercy." It should be noted that after its discovery, a portion of the venerable Cross was taken to Constantinople as a blessing. The rest was left in Jerusalem in the magnificent church built by Saint Helen, until the year 614. At that time, the Persians plundered Palestine and took the Cross to their own country (see Jan. 22, Saint Anastasius the Persian). Late, in the year 628, Emperor Heraclius set out on a military campaign, retrieved the Cross, and after bringing it to Constantinople, himself escorted it back to Jerusalem, where he restored it to its place.

Rest from labour. A Fast is observed today, whatever day of the week it may be.

Reading courtesy of Holy Transfiguration Monastery

Apolytikion courtesy of Narthex Press

Kontakion courtesy of Narthex Press / Icon courtesy of Athanasios Clark & Theologic Systems

HOLY TRINITY REGISTRY

Funerals:

Maria Constantinou, daughter of George & Priscilla Constantinou of blessed memory, fell asleep in the Lord on August 7, 2024. Her funeral was held at Holy Trinity on August 16, 2024. In addition to her parents, she is predeceased by her sister, Christine. She is survived by her siblings, Beth, John (Carol) and Gigi, her niece and nephews, Ginny, George and Stephen. May her memory be eternal.

Voula Manis, fell asleep in the Lord on August 2, 2024. Her funeral was held at Holy Trinity on August 17, 2024. Voula was preceded in death by her husband George C. Manis and son John G. Manis and by father John C. Kapordelis, mother Helen Kapordelis, brothers Harry J. and Charles J. Kapordelis, sisters Theone Pantazis and Stella Yankoglu. She is survived and loved by son Charles G. Manis and wife Donna Kiki (Parrous) Manis of Fayetteville, NC, Katherine (Manis) Rose and husband Michael G. Rose of Ewing Township, NJ and nine grandchildren and fourteen great-grandchildren. May her memory be eternal.

Nicholas Calliagas, fell asleep in the Lord on August 23, 2024. His funeral was held at Holy Trinity on August 28, 2024. He was preceded in death by his father Costa Calliagas and step mother Amalia Calliagas. He is survived by his loving wife Kathy of 31 years and his 3 children Dino(Amanda), Markella, and Mihali(Jordan) grandchild Nikolas, Mother Jeanie Klezaras, sister DiAnna Jenkins(Andrick), brother in laws Nick and George Atsidis, his nieces and nephews, and many cousins. May his memory be eternal.

Memorials:

Costa Calliagas ~ 10 Years ~ August 4

An Artoclasia was offered by Vasiliki Kromedas on August 6 in honor of the Transfiguration of our Lord Jesus Christ, and on August 14 in loving memory of Theotokos and for the health and well being of her family.

An Artoclasia was offered by Helen Grivas on August 15 in loving memory of Theotokos and for the health and well being of her family.

Serving in September

Coffee Hours:

September 8~ Annual Church Picnic ~ Parish Council

September 15 ~ Altar Guild

September 22 ~ Philoptochos

September 29 ~ Hellenic University Club



Narthex Duty:

September 1 ~ Group 1

September 8 ~ Group 2

September 15 ~ Group 1

September 22 ~ Group 2

September 29 ~ Group 1



Prosforon Offeror's



We are looking to update our Prosfora Offeror List.

If you would like to become a regular Prosfora Offeror, please contact the church office to be added to our list. You can offer prosfora for any service by bringing it in before the service starts. If you do not bake but would like to donate towards the purchase of prosfora that we presently buy from the Holy Protection Monastery, please send \$8 for each prosfora you would like to donate. (mark the memo on your check accordingly)

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ALTAR ASSISTANTS

Alexandros Matthews ~~~ Josiah Wolcott ~~~ Markos Zerefos



Sunday
LECTURE

September 29

1:00 p.m.



Grammy-Award Winner Christopher King: The Evocative Music of our Greek Heritage:

A Multi-Media Presentation

Christopher C. King is an ethnomusicologist, writer, producer, and museum consultant. In 2002 he won a Grammy Award in the Best Historical Album category and has been nominated seven times. His book, "Lament from Epirus" brought The New York Times to Epirus and was the subject of a major documentary in 2017. Mr. King has worked as a digital preservation specialist for the Library of Congress and the Mayrent Institute for Yiddish Culture. He has also presented his work at TEDx, the New York Public Library, the Gennadius Library, Megaron-Athens Concert Hall Music Library, & The Paris Review.

As editor of the Association for Recorded Sound Collections Journal, he has compiled the most complete collection of southern Balkan music in 78-rpm disc format. In 2022, Mr. King was awarded a Public Diplomacy Grant by the US State Department to lecture in Greece on the contributions of Greek-Jewish women to Greek folk music. He was recently awarded honorary Greek citizenship for his advocacy of the music of Greece, and now lives in Konitsa, Epirus.

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Holy Trinity Food Pantry Summer Update



It was anything but slow at St. Stephen's this summer!

3,163 individuals were served in JULY!
That is an 29% increase from June when we served 2,445 individuals.

Many new clients tell us their SNAP food stamps have either been cut or significantly reduced. Your donations make a big difference!

St. Stephen's is one of the largest pantries in Wilmington,
providing assistance to our community.
The pantry will provide 3 days of emergency food for over 1,000 people each month.
Grants are running out and your donations can help fill this void.

Thank you and God Bless you for your continued support!

If you are interested in volunteering please contact the office or speak to our team.

Evie Fournaris, Tina Ganiaris, Johanna Laskaris, John Lazare,
Sandy Nannas, Steve Nicholas, and Nikki Tsakataras

July 12th at the Emmanuel Dining Room East

135 men, women and children had a nice meal on a warm summer day, thanks to **Anna Demetriou**, who very generously sponsored the meal in August. Thank you so much **Anna!** We look forward to having **Paulette Alexandridis** sponsor our day of service on Thursday, September 12th, as she has for many years now!

All are welcome to help serve on the 12th of every month or at any time!

We sincerely thank all the individuals, families and organizations who generously support this dining room!

Various groups and individuals from our church donate the food to sponsor the luncheon meal at the 3rd and Walnut St location on the 12th of every month.

If you, your family or organization would like to provide a meal, contact Nikkie Tsakataras at 302-655-2252 or Tina Ganiaris at 302-367-6758 for more information.

Thank you!



Dear Holy Trinity Family:

As the leading Greek American organization for women, the Daughters of Penelope encourages its members to participate in local community projects. The diversity and uniqueness of our membership continues to enhance the growth of the Daughters of Penelope.

Philanthropy and Volunteerism have been pillars throughout the country for the Daughters of Penelope over its many years of existence. From natural disaster relief, to raising funds to eliminate life threatening diseases, to making significant contributions to our local municipalities, the Daughters of Penelope is at the forefront of charitable giving. Yet, this only scratches the surface of the numerous philanthropic works of the association. Countless philanthropic projects are also undertaken by Daughters of Penelope chapters and districts and eventually become national projects.

Congratulations to Athena Rochonchou for her election as Treasurer to the District 5 Lodge. Athena continues to make us proud and represent our chapter.

Our 2024-2025 Chapter Officers are:

President - Anthoula Anagnostou
Vice President – Michele Coulaloglou
Secretary – Anamaria Anagnostou
Treasurer – Gale Kostas

We are presenting to the community a limited number of prints of our church's Pantocratora. These uplifting prints were professionally made and suitable for framing. Please see the flyer in the bulletin for more information.

We would like to invite the women of the community to join us in continuing our mission. Meetings are the 4th Tuesday of each month. We look forward to meeting with you.

We wish you good health and abundance.

Yours in Theta Pi

Anthoula P. Anagnostou

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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE XANTHUS #149

Έλληνες Μεταναστες στην Αμερική

Αλήθεια πόσο γρήγορα αλλάζει η γνώμη μας για άλλους λαούς και ομάδες στις ΗΠΑ; Πως έβλεπαν τους Έλληνες πριν 100 χρόνια και πως τους βλέπουν σήμερα; Αφορμή για το παρόν άρθρο μου έδωσε η γνώμη συναδέλφου στην εργασία μου ότι δεν είμαι λευκός. Δεν εννοούσε τίποτα υποτιμητικό, απλά δεν εγνώριζε ότι οι Έλληνες ανήκουν στην λευκή ή Καυκασία ομάδα ανθρώπων. Πίστευε ότι στην λευκή φυλή ανήκουν μόνο οι Αμερικάνοι βορειοευρωπαϊκής καταγωγής.

Στα τέλη του 19^{ου} και στα πρώτα χρόνια του 20^{ου} αιώνα, οι Έλληνες δεν κατατάσσονταν στους «λευκούς»! Θεωρούνταν, όπως προκύπτει απ' τα δημοσιεύματα και τις μαρτυρίες της περιόδου Ανατολίτες και μη Ευρωπαίοι. Αυτό μη μας εκπλήσσει διότι την ίδια αντιμετώπιση επιφύλασσαν οι Αμερικάνοι για όλους τους νοτιοευρωπαίους, Ιταλούς και Ισπανούς. Η γνώμη αυτή ίσως να προήλθε από το γεγονός ότι είμαστε μελαχρινοί ή από το γεγονός ότι οι πρώτοι Έλληνες μετανάστες ήταν αμόρφωτοι και δεν μιλούσαν Αγγλικά. Ακόμη μερικοί πίστευαν ότι δεν ήμασταν Χριστιανοί, μιας και δεν ήμασταν Προτεστάντες. Μετά το Έπος του 40, με πολύ λίγες εξαιρέσεις όλοι γνωρίζουν ότι ανήκουμε και εμείς στην λευκή φυλή και ότι στην πλειοψηφία μας είμαστε Ορθόδοξοι Χριστιανοί. **Η Καινή Διαθήκη και η Μετάφραση των Εβδομήκοντα Παλαιάς Διαθήκης είναι γραμμένη στην γλώσσα των θεών, Ελληνική.**

Ανήκουμε στην Ινδοευρωπαϊκή ομάδα, όπως οι Ιταλοί, οι Ισπανοί, οι Πορτογάλοι, οι Σκανδιναβοί, οι Γερμανοί, οι Βρετανοί, οι Ιρλανδοί, οι Γάλλοι όπως και οι Σέρβοι, οι Βούλγαροι, οι Ρουμάνοι και οι Αλβανοί, οι Ρώσοι, Τσέχοι, Πολωνοί, οι Αρμένιοι οι Πέρσες, οι Ινδοί και οι Κούρδοι στην Ασία. Οι επιστημονικές έρευνες απόδειξαν ότι κοιτίδα των Ινδοευρωπαίων ήταν οι στέπες της Ευρασίας. Νεότερες έρευνες τους τοποθετούν κάπου στην Ευρώπη, όχι όμως στην Νότια Ευρώπη.

Ινδοευρωπαϊκή φυλή είναι γενικός όρος, που χαρακτηρίζει τους λαούς που ανήκουν στην Ινδοευρωπαϊκή ή άρια γλωσσική ομάδα. Οι Ινδοευρωπαίοι δεν είναι φυλή απόλυτα εξακριβωμένη ανθρωπολογικά. Αποτελούν τη σπουδαιότερη ομοεθνία, που περιλαμβάνει τους περισσότερο αναπτυγμένους λαούς. **Πολύ πιθανό η αρχική κοιτίδα των Ινδοευρωπαίων να ήταν η Δυτική Ασία, ανάμεσα στον Εύξεινο Πόντο, την ανατολική Περσία και τη κεντρική Ασία. Απ' εκεί χωρίστηκαν σε δυο ρεύματα.** Το ένα προχώρησε προς τη Ινδία και το δεύτερο εγκαταστάθηκε σε όλη την σύγχρονη Ευρώπη.

Η γλωσσική συγγένεια και η συγγένεια των πολιτισμών αποδεικνύει την κοινή καταγωγή των Ευρωπαίων, που γίνεται φανερή μέχρι σήμερα κυρίως στις γεωργικές περιοχές, που είναι οι συντηρητικότερες. Η Ελληνική γλώσσα περιλαμβάνει την Μυκηναϊκή, Ιωνική, Δωρική, Αττική διάλεκτο και την πρωτοελληνική γλώσσα των Πελασγών, είναι η βάση των Ευρωπαϊκών γλώσσων.

Hellene (Greek) Immigrants in America

Have we ever thought for a moment how quickly our opinion changes about other peoples and groups in the U.S.? How were the Hellenes (Greeks) perceived 100 years ago and how they were perceived today? The reason for this article it was the opinion of a colleague of mine at work that I am not white. She did not mean anything derogatory; she just did not know that the Hellenes belong to the white (Caucasian) group of people, the white race that is. She believed that only Americans of northern European descent belong to the white race are only. I had to explain to her the facts.

At the end of the 19th and the first years of the 20th century, the Hellenes are not classified as "white"! They were considered, as appears from the publications and testimonies of the period, Orientals and non-Europeans.

This should not surprising us because the Americans considered not-white all Southern Europeans, Italians and Spaniards. This opinion may have come from the fact that we are a darker-skin people compared to north Europeans, or by the fact that the first Greek immigrants were illiterate and did not speak English. Even some believed that we were not Christians, because we were not Protestants. However, after the Epic of 40 (OXI DAY), with very few exceptions, all American compatriots know that we belong to the white race and that the vast majority of us are Orthodox Christians.

The New Testament and the Septuagint Translation of the Old Testament are written in the language of the gods, the Greek, the feder of all European languages.

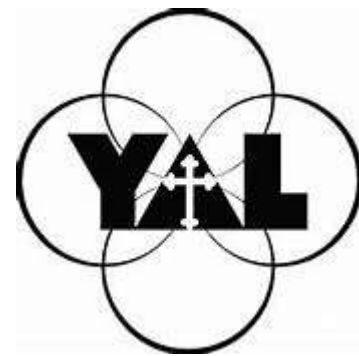
We belong to the Indo-European group like the Italians, Spaniards, Portuguese, Scandinavians, Germans, British, Irish, and French; like the Serbs, Bulgarians, Romanians and Albanians, Russians, Czechs, Poles, the Armenians, the Persians, the Indians, and the Kurds in Asia. Scientific research shows that cradle of Indo-Europeans were the steppes of Eurasia. Newer studies place them somewhere in Europe, but not in southern Europe. Indo-European race is a general term, that characterizes the peoples who belong to the Aryan or Indo-European language group. Indo-Europeans are not a completely anthropologically ascertained race. They make up the greatest groups of people, which include most of the developed nations. **Very likely the original birthplace of Indo-Europeans was the West Asia, between the Black Sea, the eastern Persia and Central Asia. From there, they divided into two streams.** One group settled in India and the second settled in contemporary Europe.

The linguistic affinity and the affinity of cultures demonstrate the common origin of Europeans, which is more evident mainly in rural areas, which are the most conservatives. The Hellenic language, includes Mycenaean, Ionic, Doric, Attic dialects and the Proto-Hellenic language of the Pelasgians, is one of the bases of all European languages.



Y.A.L. News (Young Adult League)

We hope everyone had a wonderful and safe summer! Our first gathering of the year was on August 26 for a 'welcome back' ice cream social! It was a wonderful start to the year and we are looking forward to future events.



YAL is a ministry for young adults ages 18-35. We meet on a monthly basis for spiritual discussion and fellowship!

**For more information call Anna Fournaris
@ (302.562.3414)**



The Young at Heart welcomes everyone back!

Our 1st meeting will be

Thursday, September 12 @ 12pm.

We meet in the AHEPA Room!

***Dr. Leo Raisis, First State Orthopedics,
will be our speaker at our 1st gathering!***

Our New 2024-25 Board:

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