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Ιερός Καθεδρικός Ναός Αγίας Τριάδος



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My beloved parishioners and friends of Holy Trinity Cathedral,

October arrives each year with a quiet beauty that invites reflection and gratitude for God's blessings. Summer's warmth gives way to cooler days, changing leaves, and a familiar daily rhythm. Within our Cathedral family, this season marks a return to parish life. Our ministries are active, classrooms are filled, organizations gather, children return to their programs, and our liturgical life calls us toward the center of who we are as Orthodox Christians. It is deeply encouraging to see our Cathedral alive with worship, learning, fellowship, service, and many generations together. Yet a parish is truly alive not because its calendar is full, but because its people pray, receive Holy Communion, care for one another, grow in faith, and **place Christ at the center of their lives**.



October brings together faith, history, courage, sacrifice, and the witness of those who came before us. One of the great saints commemorated this month is Saint Demetrios the Great Martyr and Myrrh-Streamer, celebrated October 26. Saint Demetrios lived at the beginning of the 4th century, during Roman persecution, and was a young officer whose position mattered less to him than his faith in Jesus Christ. When expected to participate in the persecution of Christians, he refused. Rather than protect his position or remain silent, he openly confessed Christ and encouraged others to remain faithful. His courage led to imprisonment and martyrdom. His example remains powerful because he knew where his loyalty belonged. He could have chosen security and acceptance, but he chose Christ. His life reminds us that faith shapes how we live, the choices we make, and our courage when beliefs are challenged.



The city of Thessaloniki has loved Saint Demetrios for centuries as its great protector and intercessor. His magnificent Basilica remains a major place of Orthodox pilgrimage, where the faithful venerate his holy relics and seek his prayers. His feast is also tied to Thessaloniki's modern history because on October 26, 1912, the city was liberated during the Balkan Wars after centuries of Ottoman rule. The people experienced this liberation on their patron saint's feast as profoundly meaningful. For them, Saint Demetrios was not simply a figure of the past, but a living intercessor for his city. This connection between faith and history reflects the Orthodox conviction that God remains present in the struggles, sorrows, sacrifices, victories, and hopes of His people.

Only two days later comes October 28, a date of enormous significance for Greeks worldwide. The historic "OHI" (NO) of 1940 has become a symbol of courage, sacrifice, national dignity, and refusal to surrender in the face of overwhelming force. In the early morning hours of October 28, 1940, the Italian government demanded access to Greek territory, effectively requiring the nation to submit. Greece refused, and that refusal brought the country directly into the Second World War. Greece entered the struggle without the resources of a great military power. Soldiers faced harsh mountain conditions and limited supplies, while families endured fear and hardship. Yet the Greek army resisted with extraordinary courage and initially pushed the invading forces back into Albania.

28 ΟΚΤΩΒΡΙΟΥ 1940

ΕΠΕΤΕΙΟΣ ΤΟΥ ΟΧΙ



OHI DAY

OCTOBER 28, 1940

The story does not belong only to the battlefield. Behind the soldiers stood an entire nation. Parents prayed for their sons, families waited anxiously for news, and women carried supplies through difficult terrain. Churches filled with people seeking strength. Priests and monastics prayed for the nation, icons of the Panagia accompanied soldiers into the mountains, and countless people turned to the Mother of God with confidence. The German occupation that followed brought hunger, destruction, executions, displacement, and tremendous loss. Entire communities suffered, yet faith remained a source of strength. That generation knew human courage alone was not enough; they prayed, endured, and entrusted themselves to God.

In this history, the feast of the Holy Protection of the Theotokos became inseparable from October 28 in Greek Orthodox tradition. The feast has ancient roots in Constantinople and the Church of Blachernae. According to Church tradition, during an all-night vigil, Saint Andrew the Fool for Christ saw the Most Holy Theotokos surrounded by angels and saints, praying for the faithful and extending her veil over them as a sign of protection and maternal care. This became a beloved expression of devotion to Panagia. She never takes Christ's place; everything in her life leads us to her Son. As the Mother of God and Mother of the Church, she intercedes for the faithful, who seek comfort beneath her protecting veil.



For the Greek people, this image carried particular meaning. Soldiers and their families repeatedly called upon Panagia for help, strength, and protection. Her presence was felt so deeply that the Church of Greece joined the celebration of the Holy Protection with October 28, uniting national memory with spiritual thanksgiving. The courage, faith, and sacrifices of the people were remembered together with their dependence upon God and the conviction that freedom, dignity, faith, and human life are sacred gifts. October 28 therefore became more than a patriotic anniversary. **It became a reminder that the strongest generations are those who know where to turn when human strength reaches its limits.**

This October also marks an important moment in our Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey as we prayerfully await the election of our new Metropolitan. The hierarch chosen will become the spiritual father and chief shepherd of our Metropolis, guiding our clergy, parishes, and faithful.

I ask each of you to keep this process in your prayers and ask the Holy Spirit to guide the Church. May the new Metropolitan be granted wisdom, strength, good health, humility, and a loving pastoral heart as he begins his ministry among us. Once the election takes place, we will share the announcement with our Cathedral family and look forward to welcoming our new spiritual father with love, respect, joy, and unity.

These observances and this moment in our Metropolis should lead us to consider our responsibility today. Our circumstances differ greatly from Saint Demetrios, Thessaloniki in 1912, or the generation of 1940, yet the spiritual questions remain similar. **What do we truly value? Where do we turn when we are afraid? How deeply does our faith shape our lives? What are we handing to those who will come after us?** For us as Greek Orthodox Christians in America, these questions are especially important. We have inherited a precious spiritual and cultural legacy, but it does not survive on its own. Every generation must decide whether it will preserve what it has received, deepen it, and pass it forward, or slowly allow it to disappear.

Our connection to the Greek Orthodox tradition is a tremendous blessing. Through the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople, the Mother Church has preserved the Orthodox faith through centuries of persecution, change, hardship, and uncertainty. Empires have risen and fallen, borders and societies have changed, yet the Church has continued to celebrate the Divine Liturgy, proclaim the Gospel, preserve the Sacraments, and produce saints. The faith we practice is not an invention of our generation. It has been handed to us through centuries of prayer, sacrifice, martyrdom, theological wisdom, and faithful witness. This should fill us with gratitude and remind us that something sacred has been entrusted to us.

Someone kept this faith alive and taught our parents and grandparents. Someone built the churches in which we worship. Someone came to this country with little and still established a parish. Someone taught Greek School and Sunday School after working all week. Someone cooked for festivals, served on parish councils, worked in Philoptochos, sang in the choir, baked prosphora, cleaned the church, organized youth ministries, supported the priest, and quietly served without seeking recognition. Someone sacrificed so we could worship here today and know that we belong. We honor those generations by continuing what they began. That responsibility has passed to us, and nowhere is it more urgent than in the lives of our children and young people.



For this reason, I speak with particular love to parents and grandparents. **Please bring your children to Church, and bring them consistently.** Let Sunday become more than another day filled with activities, games, errands, and obligations. Let it remain the day of the Lord. Our children are growing up surrounded by powerful influences and constant messages about identity, success, happiness, morality, relationships, and the meaning of life. A strong spiritual foundation will not appear on its own. Faith must be lived before it can truly be inherited.

Our children need to experience the Church with their entire lives. They need to hear the hymns, smell the incense, stand before the icons, learn the prayers, listen to the Gospel, make the sign of the Cross, receive a blessing, know their priest, participate in Sunday School, and form friendships with other Orthodox young people. They need to see that the Church gives meaning to everyday life. Most importantly, they need to approach the Holy Chalice and receive the Body and Blood of our Lord Jesus Christ. There is no greater gift we can give them. We can provide education, opportunities, experiences, and material advantages, yet none can replace a living relationship with Christ or nourish the soul as the Holy Eucharist does.

I am deeply grateful for the people in our Cathedral who dedicate themselves to our young people. Our Sunday & Greek School teachers, youth advisors, volunteers, parents, and ministry leaders give generously because they love our children and understand this sacred work. Their service is precious, but the Church can never replace the home's spiritual responsibility. **The strongest lesson a child receives is often the one seen at home.** When children see their parents make worship a priority, they learn that God is a priority. When they see their parents prepare for Holy Communion, they learn reverence. When they hear prayer at home, they understand that God belongs in daily life. When they witness forgiveness, patience, generosity, humility, and repentance, they begin to understand what Christianity truly looks like.

Whenever I stand before the Holy Altar and see every generation worshipping together, I am reminded of what the Church is meant to be. We are not separate generations occupying the same building. **We are one family, one Body, gathered around Christ.** Our elderly carry memory, our parents the responsibility of the present, our young adults energy and hope, and our children the future. Each generation needs the others, and all of us need Christ.

As we move through October, may these examples speak to our hearts. Saint Demetrios teaches us that faith requires courage and consistency. October 28 reminds us that freedom and dignity were preserved through sacrifice. The Holy Protection of the Theotokos reminds us that we are never abandoned in life's struggles and that the Mother of God continues to intercede for those who seek her prayers. Our anticipation of a new Metropolitan reminds us that the life of the Church continues from generation to generation through spiritual fatherhood, unity, prayer, and pastoral care. All of these things point us toward the same truth: our faith cannot simply be admired or remembered. It must be lived.

Many concerns weigh upon families today, including children, health, education, relationships, and the future. Many carry burdens silently: illness, loneliness, financial anxiety, grief, or pain known only to God. **The Church must always remain the place where every person can come and find prayer, compassion, healing, forgiveness, and hope.** We do not come to Church because our lives are perfect. We come because we need Christ, because we need His mercy, and because there are moments when nothing else can give the soul what only He can give.

I especially want our young people to know that the Church is their home. They do not need to have everything figured out before coming close to God. Their questions do not make them unwelcome, their struggles do not make them unworthy, and faith does not belong only to another generation. Christ knows them, loves them, and calls them personally. The Church needs their voices, presence, questions, talents, and faith. When they come forward to receive Holy Communion, they are not simply continuing a family custom. They encounter the living Christ and receive something that can sustain them long after childhood has passed, and many other things in life have changed.

My beloved brothers and sisters, as your priest, I deeply hope every family will feel that this Cathedral is truly their spiritual home. I want our children to know that these doors are theirs, this Holy Altar is at the heart of their community, and wherever life takes them, they have a place to return to. I want our young people to remember not only festivals, dances, classrooms, and activities, but standing with their families before God. I want them to remember receiving Holy Communion, hearing the hymns of our Church, seeing their parents and grandparents pray, and knowing that faith was not simply discussed, but lived. Years from now, many childhood details will fade, but these sacred memories can remain rooted in the heart and give strength when needed most.

Our greatest responsibility is not simply to maintain buildings, preserve customs, or organize successful programs, important though these things are. It is to help one another remain close to Christ and make certain that the next generation knows where home is. Long after today's concerns are forgotten, faith can remain in our children's hearts. Careers, possessions, circumstances, and the world around them will change. But if our children know how to pray, how to return to the Church, the comfort of the Theotokos, the joy of receiving Christ in Holy Communion, and the certainty that God has never abandoned them, then we will have given them something no one can take away.

This October, let us make a renewed beginning together. Let us be more faithful in worship, sincere in prayer, willing to forgive, compassionate toward one another, and attentive to our families' spiritual needs. Let us prepare ourselves with greater care to receive Holy Communion. Let us support our Cathedral ministries, which keep souls connected to the Church, and reach out to those we have not seen, reminding them that they are missed. Let us pray fervently for our Sacred Metropolis during this important period and for the hierarch who will soon be called to become our new spiritual father and chief shepherd. Above all, let us make room in our lives for Christ again and again, especially when everything else competes for our attention.

I pray from my heart that the Lord blesses each of you and your families this month. May He strengthen those who are tired, comfort those who are grieving, heal those who are sick, encourage those who are discouraged, and bring peace to those who are troubled. May He protect our children and young people, guide our parents, and bless our elderly with health and strength. May the Holy Spirit guide the Church in the election of our new Metropolitan of New Jersey and prepare all of us to receive him with love, respect, and unity. May the Most Holy Theotokos cover our Cathedral, Metropolis, homes, and families beneath her protection, and may Saint Demetrios inspire us to live with courage and devotion.

Above all, may we never lose sight of what is truly worth passing on. Our children may inherit our names, traditions, customs, memories, language, and love for our history, and all are precious. **But the greatest inheritance we can leave them is a heart that knows Christ, a soul that knows where to turn in times of sorrow, and a faith strong enough to carry them through the uncertainties of life.** If we give them that, then we have given them something eternal. May this faith remain alive in our homes, strong in our children, and firmly rooted in our beloved Holy Trinity Cathedral. May our Cathedral remain a place of prayer, unity, love, and spiritual growth under our new Metropolitan, our spiritual father and chief shepherd. And may Christ keep all of us close to Him, today and always, so that what we have received with gratitude we may one day hand to the next generation with faith, hope, and love.

**With love in the Lord,
Fr. Christoforos**

Αγαπητοί μου ενορίτες και φίλοι του Καθεδρικού Ναού της Αγίας Τριάδος,

Ο Οκτώβριος έρχεται κάθε χρόνο με μια ήρεμη ομορφιά... Η ζέστη υποχωρεί, οι ημέρες γίνονται πιο δροσερές και η καθημερινότητα μας ξαναβρίσκει τον ρυθμό της. Στον Καθεδρικό μας, η εποχή αυτή σηματοδοτεί την πλήρη επιστροφή στην ενοριακή ζωή. Οι δραστηριότητές μας επαναλειτούργούν, οι αίθουσες γεμίζουν, οι οργανώσεις συναντώνται και τα παιδιά επιστρέφουν στα προγράμματά τους. Μια ενορία όμως είναι πραγματικά ζωντανή όταν οι άνθρωποί της προσεύχονται, κοινωνούν, αγαπούν, στηρίζουν ο ένας τον άλλον και τοποθετούν τον Χριστό στο κέντρο της ζωής τους.

Ο μήνας αυτός ενώνει πίστη, ιστορία, θάρρος και θυσία. Στις 26 Οκτωβρίου τιμούμε τον Μεγαλομάρτυρα και Μυροβλήτη Άγιο Δημήτριο. Έζησε στις αρχές του 4ου αιώνα, σε εποχή διωγμών, και ήταν ένας νέος αξιωματούχος με θέση και κύρος. Όμως τίποτε δεν είχε μεγαλύτερη αξία γι' αυτόν από την πίστη του στον Χριστό. Όταν κλήθηκε να διώξει Χριστιανούς, εκείνος αρνήθηκε, ομολόγησε ανοιχτά τον Χριστό και ενίσχυσε άλλους να παραμείνουν πιστοί. Η ομολογία του τον οδήγησε στη φυλάκιση και στο μαρτύριο.

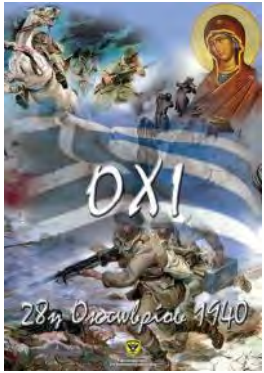


Η Θεσσαλονίκη τιμά επί αιώνες τον Άγιο Δημήτριο ως προστάτη και μεσίτη της. Ο Ναός του παραμένει τόπος παγκοσμίου ορθόδοξου προσκυνήματος, ενώ η εορτή του συνδέεται και με τη νεότερη ιστορία της πόλης. Στις 26 Οκτωβρίου 1912 η Θεσσαλονίκη απελευθερώθηκε ύστερα από αιώνες οθωμανικής κυριαρχίας. Για τον λαό της, η απελευθέρωση την ημέρα του πολιούχου είχε βαθύ πνευματικό νόημα. Η σχέση αυτή πίστης και ιστορίας εκφράζει την ορθόδοξη πεποίθηση και βεβαιότητα ότι ο Θεός παραμένει παρών στους αγώνες, στις θυσίες, στις νίκες και στις ελπίδες του λαού Του.



Δύο ημέρες αργότερα φθάνουμε στην 28η Οκτωβρίου, ημερομηνία ιδιαίτερης σημασίας για τον απανταχού Ελληνισμό. Το ιστορικό «ΟΧΙ» του 1940 έγινε σύμβολο θάρρους, ελευθερίας και εθνικής αξιοπρέπειας. Η Ιταλία απαίτησε ουσιαστικά την είσοδο στρατευμάτων στην ελληνική επικράτεια. Η Ελλάδα αρνήθηκε και μπήκε στον Δεύτερο Παγκόσμιο Πόλεμο. Οι στρατιώτες πολέμησαν σε σκληρές συνθήκες με περιορισμένα εφόδια, ενώ οι οικογένειες ζούσαν με φόβο, πείνα και στερήσεις. Κι όμως, ο Ελληνικός Στρατός αντιστάθηκε με αξιοθαύμαστο θάρρος και αρχικά απώθησε τις ιταλικές δυνάμεις προς την Αλβανία.

Η ιστορία εκείνης της εποχής δεν γράφτηκε μόνο στα πεδία των μαχών. Πίσω από τους στρατιώτες στεκόταν ένας ολόκληρος λαός. Γονείς προσεύχονταν, οικογένειες περίμεναν νέα και γυναίκες μετέφεραν εφόδια μέσα σε μεγάλες δυσκολίες. Οι εκκλησίες γέμιζαν, ιερείς και μοναχοί προσεύχονταν, ενώ εικόνες της Παναγίας συνόδευσαν τους στρατιώτες στα βουνά. Η γερμανική κατοχή έφερε πείνα, καταστροφή και τεράστιο πόνο. Παρά τις δοκιμασίες, η πίστη παρέμεινε πηγή δύναμης. Εκείνη η γενιά γνώριζε ότι το ανθρώπινο κουράγιο μόνο του δεν αρκεί. Προσευχήθηκε, άντεξε και εμπιστεύθηκε τον εαυτό της στον Θεό.



Μέσα σε αυτή την ιστορία, η Αγία Σκέπη της Θεοτόκου συνδέθηκε άρρηκτα με την 28η Οκτωβρίου. Η εορτή έχει βαθιές ρίζες στην Κωνσταντινούπολη και στον ναό των Βλαχερνών. Σύμφωνα με την παράδοση, ο Άγιος Ανδρέας ο διά Χριστόν σαλός είδε σε αγρυπνία την Υπεραγία Θεοτόκο να προσεύχεται για τον λαό και να απλώνει το ιερό της ωμοφόριο ως σημείο προστασίας. Η Παναγία δεν αντικαθιστά ποτέ τον Χριστό· ολόκληρη η ζωή της όμως οδηγεί προς τον Υιό της. Ως Μητέρα του Θεού πρεσβεύει για όσους προστρέχουν στην προστασία της.

Για τον ελληνικό λαό αυτή η εικόνα απέκτησε ιδιαίτερη σημασία στα χρόνια του πολέμου. Οι στρατιώτες και οι οικογένειές τους επικαλούνταν την Παναγία για βοήθεια και σκέπη. Η παρουσία της ήταν τόσο έντονη στη συνείδηση του λαού, ώστε η Εκκλησία της Ελλάδος συνέδεσε την Αγία Σκέπη με την 28η Οκτωβρίου, ενώνοντας την εθνική μνήμη με την πνευματική ευχαριστία. Έτσι η επέτειος έγινε

κάτι περισσότερο από εθνικός εορτασμός: μια υπενθύμιση ότι οι πιο δυνατές γενιές είναι εκείνες που γνωρίζουν πού να στραφούν όταν οι ανθρώπινες δυνάμεις φθάνουν στα όριά τους.

Ο φετινός Οκτώβριος έχει ιδιαίτερη σημασία και για την Ιερά Μητρόπολή μας Νέας Ιερσέης, καθώς αναμένουμε προσευχητικά την εκλογή του νέου Μητροπολίτη μας. Ο Ιεράρχης που θα εκλεγεί θα γίνει ο πνευματικός πατέρας και Ποιμενάρχης της Μητροπόλεώς μας, καθοδηγώντας τον κλήρο, τις ενορίες και το πιστό ποίμνιο. Σας ζητώ να κρατήσουμε αυτή τη διαδικασία στις προσευχές μας και να παρακαλέσουμε το Άγιο Πνεύμα να φωτίσει την Εκκλησία.

Μετά την εκλογή θα ενημερώσουμε επίσημα την οικογένεια του Καθεδρικού μας και θα αναμένουμε με χαρά να υποδεχούμε τον νέο πνευματικό μας πατέρα με αγάπη, σεβασμό και ενότητα. Η στιγμή αυτή μάς καλεί επίσης να αναλογιστούμε τη δική μας ευθύνη. Οι σημερινές συνθήκες διαφέρουν από εκείνες της εποχής του Αγίου Δημητρίου, της Θεσσαλονίκης του 1912 ή της γενιάς του 1940, όμως τα πνευματικά ερωτήματα παραμένουν ίδια. Τι έχει αληθινή αξία; Πού στρεφόμαστε όταν φοβόμαστε; Πόσο καθορίζει η πίστη τη ζωή μας; Τι παραδίδουμε στις επόμενες γενιές;

Για εμάς τους Ελληνορθόδοξους της Αμερικής, τα ερωτήματα αυτά έχουν ιδιαίτερη βαρύτητα. Παραλάβαμε μια πολύτιμη πνευματική και πολιτιστική κληρονομιά, αλλά τίποτε δεν διατηρείται μόνο του. Μέσα από το Οικουμενικό Πατριαρχείο Κωνσταντινουπόλεως, η Μητέρα Εκκλησία διαφύλαξε την ορθόδοξη πίστη μέσα από αιώνες διωγμών, αλλαγών και δυσκολιών. Αυτοκρατορίες χάθηκαν και κοινωνίες άλλαξαν, όμως η Εκκλησία συνέχισε να τελεί τη Θεία Λειτουργία, να κηρύττει το Ευαγγέλιο, να προσφέρει τα Ιερά Μυστήρια και να γεννά Αγίους. Η πίστη αυτή μας παραδόθηκε μέσα από προσευχή, θυσία, μαρτύριο και πιστή ομολογία.

Κάποιοι κράτησαν αυτή την πίστη ζωντανή και τη δίδαξαν στους γονείς και στους παππούδες μας. Κάποιοι έχτισαν τις εκκλησίες μας, δίδαξαν Ελληνικό Σχολείο και Κατηχητικό, υπηρέτησαν στα συμβούλια και στη Φιλόπτωχο, έψαλαν, ζύμωσαν πρόσφορα, οργάνωσαν νεανικά προγράμματα και εργάστηκαν αθόρυβα. Κάποιοι θυσιάστηκαν ώστε εμείς σήμερα να μπορούμε να ερχόμαστε εδώ και να νιώθουμε ότι ανήκουμε. Τιμούμε αυτές τις γενιές συνεχίζοντας εκείνο που άρχισαν. Αυτή η ευθύνη γίνεται ακόμη πιο επείγουσα όταν μιλάμε για τα παιδιά και τους νέους μας.



Γι' αυτό απευθύνομαι με αγάπη στους γονείς και στους παππούδες: να φέρντε τα παιδιά σας στην Εκκλησία σταθερά. Η Κυριακή πρέπει να παραμένει η ημέρα του Κυρίου, όχι ημέρα υποχρεώσεων. Τα παιδιά μας μεγαλώνουν μέσα σε επιρροές και αρνητικά μηνύματα για την ταυτότητα, την επιτυχία και το νόημα της ζωής. Μια δυνατή πνευματική βάση δεν δημιουργείται μόνη της. Η πίστη πρέπει να βιωθεί για να κληρονομηθεί. Τα παιδιά μας χρειάζονται να βιώνουν την Εκκλησία. Να ακούν τους ύμνους, να μυρίζουν το θυμίαμα, να στέκονται μπροστά στις ιερές εικόνες, να μαθαίνουν τις προσευχές και να συμμετέχουν στο Κατηχητικό. Πάνω απ' όλα, χρειάζεται να πλησιάζουν το Άγιο Ποτήριο και να μεταλαμβάνουν το Σώμα και το Αίμα του Χριστού. Καμία σπουδή ή υλικό αγαθό δεν μπορεί να αντικαταστήσει μια σχέση με Εκείνον ούτε να θρέψει την ψυχή όπως η Θεία Ευχαριστία.

Είμαι ευγνώμων σε όλους όσους διακονούν τα παιδιά μας. Οι δάσκαλοι του Κατηχητικού και του Ελληνικού Σχολείου, οι υπεύθυνοι των νεανικών προγραμμάτων, οι εθελοντές και οι γονείς προσφέρουν. Όμως η Εκκλησία δεν μπορεί να αντικαταστήσει την πνευματική ευθύνη του σπιτιού. **Το ισχυρότερο μάθημα είναι αυτό που βλέπει ένα παιδί στην οικογένειά του.** Όταν βλέπει προσευχή, εκκλησιασμό, Θεία Κοινωνία, συγχώρηση και μετάνοια, καταλαβαίνει ότι η πίστη είναι τρόπος ζωής.

Όταν στέκομαι μπροστά στο Ιερό Θυσιαστήριο και βλέπω όλες τις γενιές να λατρεύουν τον Θεό μαζί, θυμάμαι τι σημαίνει Εκκλησία. Δεν είμαστε απλά ομάδες στο ίδιο κτίριο. Είμαστε μία οικογένεια, ένα Σώμα, συγκεντρωμένο γύρω από τον Χριστό. Οι μεγαλύτεροι φέρουν τη μνήμη, οι γονείς την ευθύνη, οι νέοι την ελπίδα, και τα παιδιά το μέλλον. Κάθε γενιά χρειάζεται την άλλη και όλοι χρειαζόμαστε τον Χριστό.

Καθώς προχωρούμε, ας αφήσουμε όλα αυτά να μιλήσουν στις καρδιές μας. Ο Άγιος Δημήτριος διδάσκει θάρρος και συνέπεια. Η 28η Οκτωβρίου θυμίζει ότι η ελευθερία διαφυλάχθηκε με θυσίες. Η Αγία Σκέπη βεβαιώνει ότι δεν είμαστε μόνοι στις δυσκολίες. Η προσμονή του νέου Μητροπολίτη θυμίζει την πνευματική πατρότητα, την ενότητα και την προσευχή. **Όλα οδηγούν στην ίδια αλήθεια: η πίστη μας δεν είναι απλώς παράδοση. Πρέπει να γίνεται βίωμα.**

Πολλές ανησυχίες βαραίνουν τις οικογένειες σήμερα, ιδιαίτερα για το μέλλον. Πολλοί κουβαλούν ασθένεια, μοναξιά, οικονομική αγωνία, πένθος ή πόνο που γνωρίζει μόνο ο Θεός. Η Εκκλησία παραμένει τόπος όπου κάθε άνθρωπος βρίσκει προσευχή, συμπόνια, θεραπεία, συγχώρηση και ελπίδα. Δεν ερχόμαστε στην Εκκλησία επειδή η ζωή μας είναι τέλεια. Ερχόμαστε επειδή χρειαζόμαστε τον Χριστό και το έλεός Του, γιατί μόνο Εκείνος μπορεί να δώσει στην ψυχή όσα χρειάζεται.

Θέλω οι νέοι μας να γνωρίζουν ότι η Εκκλησία είναι το σπίτι τους. Οι ερωτήσεις τους δεν τους κάνουν ανεπιθύμητους, οι αγώνες τους δεν τους κάνουν ανάξιους και η πίστη δεν ανήκει μόνο σε μια παλαιότερη γενιά. Ο Χριστός τους γνωρίζει, τους αγαπά και τους καλεί. Όταν πλησιάζουν να κοινωνήσουν, δεν συνεχίζουν απλώς ένα έθιμο. Συναντούν τον ζωντανό Χριστό και λαμβάνουν δύναμη για τη ζωή τους.

Ως ιερέας σας επιθυμώ κάθε οικογένεια να αισθάνεται αυτόν τον Καθεδρικό ως πνευματικό της σπίτι. Θέλω τα παιδιά μας να γνωρίζουν ότι αυτές οι πόρτες είναι δικές τους και, όπου κι αν τα οδηγήσει η ζωή, έχουν τόπο επιστροφής. Να θυμούνται ότι στάθηκαν με την οικογένειά τους ενώπιον του Θεού, κοινωνήσαν, άκουσαν τους ύμνους και είδαν τους γονείς και τους παππούδες τους να προσεύχονται. Αυτές οι εμπειρίες γίνονται δύναμη στις δύσκολες στιγμές.

Η μεγαλύτερη ευθύνη μας δεν είναι να συντηρούμε κτίρια, να διαφυλάσσουμε έθιμα ή να οργανώνουμε εκδηλώσεις. Είναι να παραμένουμε κοντά στον Χριστό και να βοηθούμε την επόμενη γενιά να γνωρίζει το πνευματικό της σπίτι. Οι συνθήκες αλλάζουν. Αν όμως τα παιδιά μας γνωρίζουν να προσεύχονται, να επιστρέφουν στην Εκκλησία, να ζητούν τη σκέπη της Θεοτόκου και να πλησιάζουν τη Θεία Κοινωνία, τότε θα τους έχουμε δώσει κάτι που κανείς δεν μπορεί να αφαιρέσει.



Αυτόν τον Οκτώβριο ας κάνουμε μια νέα αρχή. Ας γίνουμε πιο συνεπείς στη Θεία Λατρεία, πιο ειλικρινείς στην προσευχή και πιο πρόθυμοι να συγχωρούμε. Ας προετοιμαζόμαστε για τη Θεία Κοινωνία, ας στηρίζουμε τις διακονίες του Καθεδρικού μας και ας θυμόμαστε όσους έχουμε καιρό να δούμε. Ας προσευχόμαστε για την Ιερά Μητρόπολή μας και για τον νέο Ποιμέναρχη μας. Πάνω απ' όλα, ας δίνουμε χώρο στον Χριστό στη ζωή μας.

Προσεύχομαι ο Κύριος να ευλογεί όλους εσάς. Να δυναμώνει τους κουρασμένους, να παρηγορεί τους πενθούντες, να θεραπεύει τους ασθενείς και να χαρίζει ειρήνη στις καρδιές μας. Να προστατεύει τα παιδιά μας και να φωτίζει τους γονείς. Είθε το Άγιο Πνεύμα να καθοδηγήσει την Εκκλησία στην εκλογή του Μητροπολίτη Νέας Ιερσής και να μας προετοιμάσει να τον υποδεχθούμε με αγάπη, σεβασμό και ενότητα. Είθε η Παναγία να σκεπάζει τον Καθεδρικό μας, τη Μητρόπολή μας και τα σπίτια μας.

Πάνω απ' όλα, ας μην ξεχάσουμε τι πρέπει να παραδώσουμε στην επόμενη γενιά. Τα παιδιά μας μπορεί να κληρονομήσουν τις παραδόσεις, τη γλώσσα και την ιστορία. Όλα αυτά είναι πολύτιμα. Όμως η μεγαλύτερη κληρονομιά είναι μια καρδιά που γνωρίζει τον Χριστό, μια ψυχή που ξέρει πού να στραφεί στη θλίψη και μια πίστη δυνατή ώστε να τα παραμείνει ζωντανή στις αβεβαιότητες της ζωής. Αν τους δώσουμε αυτό, τότε τους έχουμε δώσει κάτι αιώνιο. Είθε αυτή η πίστη να μείνει ζωντανή στα σπίτια μας, δυνατή στα παιδιά μας και βαθιά ριζωμένη στον αγαπημένο μας Καθεδρικό Ναό της Αγίας Τριάδος. Και είθε όσα παραλάβαμε με ευγνωμοσύνη να τα παραδώσουμε στην επόμενη γενιά με πίστη, ελπίδα και αγάπη.

**Με αγάπη Χριστού,
π. Χριστοφόρος**

October's message for Our Children from Fr. Christoforos

My dear children,

October is a beautiful month in the life of our Church and our Cathedral. Our Sunday School classes have begun again, and I am so happy to see you each Sunday coming to church, praying with your families, learning about our faith, and spending time together. Always remember that Sunday School does not begin when you walk into your classroom. It begins in the Divine Liturgy. Everything you learn in class helps you understand Jesus Christ more deeply, whom we worship and receive in Holy Communion.

This month we also celebrate **Saint Demetrios the Great Martyr**, one of the most beloved saints of our Church. Saint Demetrios was courageous because he loved Christ above all else. Courage does not always mean doing something big or dramatic. For you, courage can mean telling the truth, being kind when others are not, standing up for someone who is being treated badly, forgiving a friend, saying your prayers, and not being embarrassed to show that you love God and your Church.

I want each of you to remember something very important: **you are not simply the future of our Church. You are part of the Church right now.** Your presence matters. Your prayers matter. Your voices singing the hymns matter. Every Sunday that you come to church, every time you make the sign of the Cross, every time you receive Holy Communion, and every act of kindness you offer brings you closer to Christ. I am very proud of you, and I look forward to seeing you every Sunday at our Holy Trinity Cathedral.

With much love and prayers,
Father Christoforos



Metropolis of New Jersey Clergy Gathering at Holy Trinity Cathedral with His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America

On Wednesday, September 9, 2026, our Parish was blessed to host a significant gathering in the life of the Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey, welcoming His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America together with more than 50 active and retired priests from New Jersey, Maryland, Virginia, and the greater Philadelphia area.



The clergy first assembled inside our beautiful Cathedral, where the gathering began in prayer, placing the day's work and fellowship under God's blessing and guidance. During this sacred moment, His Eminence also signed the Holy Gospel Book resting upon the Holy Altar Table, leaving a lasting commemoration of this historic visit to our Cathedral.



Following the prayer, the clergy gathered for luncheon and fellowship before beginning their meeting with His Eminence. During this important transitional period in the life of our Metropolis, the gathering provided an opportunity for brotherhood, open discussion, pastoral guidance, and encouragement.



We extend our sincere gratitude to Mr. Gus and Dr. Maria Caras for their generous sponsorship of the luncheon and for their continued love and support of our Cathedral and the Church.

It was a great honor and joy for our Cathedral community to welcome His Eminence and so many brother clergy to Wilmington. We also thank our Parish Council, Philoptochos, and volunteers who helped prepare for the gathering and extended such warm hospitality to all. For all of us at Holy Trinity, this was a day of deep joy and gratitude. Our Cathedral was filled not only with clergy, but with the spirit of brotherhood, prayer, and unity that has always been at the heart of the Church.



We are proud that our Holy Trinity Cathedral could serve as the gathering place for such an important occasion in the life of our Metropolis, and we are deeply grateful to His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros for his presence, paternal encouragement, and continued care for the clergy and faithful of our Church. This historic visit will remain a cherished moment in the life and history of our Cathedral.



Archbishop Elpidophoros of America visited Wilmington and blessed Odyssey Charter School!



Our Wilmington community had the special blessing of welcoming His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America on September 9, 2026, during his visit to Odyssey Charter School. His Eminence presided over the Agiasmos Service for the school's new K–5 Immersion Building as part of the Όραμα Celebration: An Evening of Legacy, offering prayers for the students, educators, families, and all those who will be part of this new chapter in Odyssey's history.



We warmly congratulate Odyssey Charter School CEO Elias Pappas and Dr. Ioanna Lekkakou, Vice President of Hellenic Education and Global Outreach, for their years of dedication and leadership, together with the teachers, staff, students, parents, alumni, and supporters who continue to advance Odyssey's mission. This beautiful new facility stands as a meaningful investment in the future of Greek language, Hellenic culture, and education for generations to come.



THE FEAST OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS AT OUR CATHEDRAL SEPTEMBER 14, 2026



An Artoclasia Service was offered for the health of Stavroula & George Pittaris and their family



Celebrating Nektarios' Stavroforia



With great pride and joy, we congratulate our own Nektarios (Ludo) Wiechecki on the occasion of his Stavroforia, the Giving of the Cross, which took place on September 13 at Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Boston.

The Stavroforia is a beautiful and meaningful tradition during which second-year seminarians receive their school crosses, marking an important step in their spiritual formation and preparation for ministry in the Church.



As his Holy Trinity Cathedral family, we are especially proud to see Nektarios continue this beautiful journey of faith and service. We rejoice with him and pray that our Lord will strengthen him, guide his steps, and bless him throughout his studies and his preparation to serve Christ and His Holy Church.

We also extend our heartfelt congratulations to his beloved parents, Jessica and Frank, who share in the joy and pride of this very special moment. May God bless them for the love, faith, and support they have given Nektarios throughout his journey.

Nektarios, we are proud of you! Congratulations and Axios!

Fr. Christoforos







ARCHBISHOP ELPIDOPHOROS OF AMERICA

NAMEDAY GALA

Benefiting the Archdiocesan Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund

Join Us

Monday, November 2, 2026 | 6:00 PM
Pier Sixty, Chelsea Piers, New York, NY

Honoring

The Life and Ministry of
His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios

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The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America is pleased to announce that the 2026 Archbishop Elpidophoros Nameday Gala will take place on Monday, November 2, 2026, at 6:00 p.m. at Pier 60 in Manhattan.

This year, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros has dedicated the celebration to honoring the life and ministry of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, inviting the faithful of the Archdiocese to come together in gratitude for a life devoted to Christ, His Church, and the people of God.

Reflecting on the decision to dedicate this year's Nameday Gala to his predecessor, Archbishop Elpidophoros said: *"Archbishop Demetrios has given his entire life to the service of Christ and His Church. His nearly twenty years as Archbishop of America represent only one chapter in a remarkable ministry that has touched the lives of countless people, in Greece, here in America, and throughout the world. His service as Archbishop, his scholarship and teaching, his pastoral care, and his witness on behalf of the Church have left an enduring mark on our Archdiocese. I believe it is important for our entire Archdiocese to come together to honor him, to express our gratitude for his service, and to celebrate the legacy of faith, wisdom, and love that he has given to our Church. I am honored that this year's Nameday celebration will provide an opportunity for all of us to express our love and gratitude to His Eminence."*

The Archbishop's Nameday Gala will also continue its important charitable mission. Proceeds from the 2026 celebration will benefit the Archdiocesan Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund, helping children from across the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America attend summer camp regardless of their family's financial circumstances.

The scholarship fund has become an important and growing part of the Archdiocese's ministry to young people. In 2024, 275 young people received scholarship assistance to attend Greek Orthodox summer camps. In 2025, that number increased to 310 scholarships, with an even greater number of the Archdiocese's Metropolises participating in the grant program. This continued year-over-year growth shows both the need for this ministry and the tangible difference the faithful's generosity is making in the lives of young Orthodox Christians.

As the Archdiocese gathers to honor Archbishop Demetrios, it will also look toward the future by investing in the next generation of the Church.

Join us on November 2 at Pier 60 in Manhattan as we celebrate the Nameday of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros, honor the life and ministry of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, and help make the transformative experience of Orthodox summer camp available to even more children throughout the Archdiocese.

Single Tickets, tables and sponsorship opportunities are currently available online. For more information or to make a contribution to the Archdiocesan Youth Summer Camp Scholarship Fund, please visit www.goarch.org/nameday.

A MESSAGE FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT

October 2026

Dear Beloved Parishioners,

As we welcome the month of October, I extend my warmest greetings to you and your families.

Our Mini Greek **Festival, October 22-24** offers a wonderful opportunity to welcome friends and neighbors back this fall. We need your support, whether through volunteering, assisting with preparations, or attending and supporting the festival.

We also congratulate our sister parish, **Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Elkins Park**, on its **125th Anniversary Gala on October 10**. If you would like to attend this special celebration, please contact our church office for additional information.

Looking ahead, the **Philoptochos Bid 'N Buy on November 20** will support Philoptochos' important work serving those in need. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend and support this meaningful ministry.

Our church ministries have also begun, offering opportunities to grow in faith, serve others, and strengthen our parish community. We encourage you to participate by volunteering, attending meetings, and supporting their activities. Regular attendance at Divine Liturgy and involvement in parish life make a meaningful difference.

On behalf of the Parish Council, thank you for your continued support and commitment. **Our parish is strongest when we all work together**, and we look forward to seeing you at church and at our upcoming events.

In Christ's Service

Georgia Halakos



Sound System Pledge Drive

We need to raise: \$30,000



As part of our ongoing efforts to enhance our Cathedral, we are proceeding with the installation of a new sound system. Our current system has become outdated, and this upgrade will greatly improve the clarity of our Divine Services, sermons, and parish events for the benefit of our entire community. The total cost of the project is nearly \$30,000, and we prayerfully ask for your support in completing this important improvement. If you would like to make a donation, please contact Fr. Christoforos or Susie at the Church Office.

Every gift, no matter the amount, brings us closer to our goal.

Thank you in advance!

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___ \$10,000	___ \$5,000	___ \$2,500
___ \$1,000	___ \$500	___ Other

Print Name:

A Blessed Beginning to Our Orthodox Faith Sunday School Year

On Sunday, September 20, our Orthodox Faith Sunday School officially began a new year at Holy Trinity Cathedral. It was truly a wonderful day to welcome our children back, see them return to their classrooms, and watch our dedicated teachers begin another year of ministry and service to the Church.

Before Holy Communion, we gathered for the Agiasmos Service of Blessing and Sanctification, asking God to bless our students, teachers, classrooms, families, and the entire year ahead. We are blessed with wonderful teachers who give their time and love to help our children grow not only in knowledge, but especially in their relationship with Christ and His Church.

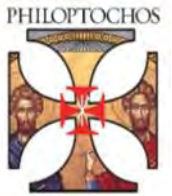
To all of our parents, **thank you for entrusting your children to the Church.** We work hard to give our children every opportunity in life, but we must never forget their souls. Bring them to Church. Bring them every Sunday. Let them see through your own example that worship, prayer, Holy Communion, and our Orthodox Faith are an essential part of life. Our children hear countless voices from the world every day. They need the voice of Christ, and they need to see that their faith matters to their parents.

We look forward to a beautiful year of learning and spiritual growth together. If you have not yet registered your children, there is still time! Please see Amalea Rassias, Maroula Haralambidis, or any of our Sunday School teachers, or contact Amalea at amalea.rassias@gmail.com.





Philoptochos Sisterhood of Holy Trinity St. Agape Chapter



Dear Father Christoforos, Philoptochos Sisters and Parishioners:

Welcome, fall! Our Artoklasia was a beautiful service, with prayers for the health and strength of our Philoptochos chapter and our families. I especially appreciate Father Christoforos including our families, whose sacrifices support us as we carry out the Philoptochos mission.

Our first meeting was held on September 27 and discussed a busy calendar for 2026/2027.

Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday will be held on October 11, dedicating this day honoring those who have fought, are fighting, or have lost their life to breast cancer. We encourage the ladies to wear something pink, and the gentlemen to wear a pink tie.

Our Bid N Buy Committee has been busy purchasing and making plans for our annual **Bid N Buy to be held on Friday, November 20 at 6:00pm**. We have already booked several tables and encourage everyone to book your tables early. Please contact Angie Karakasidis with any questions at 610-864-4621 or Dena Verikakis at 484-433-3896.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, October 18, 2026, following coffee hour. We look forward to seeing you all there.

In Christ's Service,
Dena Verikakis

St. Agape Philoptochos Name Day

On Sunday, September 13, an Artoklasia Service (Blessing of five loaves) was offered in honor of St. Agape the Martyr, for the health and well-being of the members of our St. Agape Philoptochos Society and their families. Our Philoptochos President, Mrs. Dena Verikakis, received from Fr. Christoforos the blessed bread on behalf of the members of our Philoptochos. May St. Agape continue to intercede for all our members and their families, and may God grant them health, strength, and every blessing.



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40-DAY BLESSINGS OF MOTHER & CHILD

The Rite of Churching

Together with being baptized and chrismated, the new-born child is also "churched." The **rite of churching** imitates the offering of male children to the temple according to the law of the Old Testament, particularly the offering of Christ on the fortieth day after his birth (*Luke 2:22*). Because of this fact, baptism in the Orthodox tradition came to be prescribed for the fortieth day or thereabouts. In the New Testament Church both male and female children are formally presented to God in the Church with special prayers at this time.

Also at this time, once more in imitation of Old Testament practice, the mother of the new-born child is also "churched." Here we have the specific example of the purification ritual of Jesus' mother Mary (*Luke 2:22*). In the Orthodox tradition the churching of the mother is her re-entry into the Assembly of God's people after her participation with God in the holy act of birth and after her separation from the Liturgy during her confinement. Thus, the mother is blessed to enter once more into communion with the mystery of Christ's Body and Blood in the Divine Liturgy of the Church from which she has been necessarily absent.



Photos of the 40 day blessing of baby Konstantinos
by his parents Yianna & Vasilios Bouikidis,
September 13



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As of September 25, 2026
311 Families

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- We currently have 400 families as stewards, but the actual number of families and potential parishioners is much higher.
- If all our stewards gave \$40 per week, our operational needs would be met.
- Based on our 2026 Budget, we need the amount of \$2,000 a day to operate and keep our doors open.

We give parishioners the opportunity to "Sponsor a Day" @ \$2,000 per day. Anyone who sponsors one or more days will be listed in the bulletin as a Cathedral Day Sponsor. All other stewards are listed as Cathedral Stewards. We are grateful for any manner of giving.

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You can:

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 - 2) Send a check in the mail or stop by the office any time during the week (**M - F 9a-4p**)
 - 3) Give on line via our website
(www.holytrintywilmington.org - hit the donate button and follow the prompts)
- 1) Use the QR Code below and it will take you directly to the website donation page.

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God loves a cheerful giver"**
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☐ Please increase my pledge by 10% to: _____

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Signature _____ Date _____

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Our operating budget for 2026 will be \$792,000.

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\$25,000	\$10	\$24	\$48
\$35,000	\$13	\$34	\$68
\$45,000	\$17	\$43	\$86
\$65,000	\$25	\$64	\$128
\$100,000	\$38	\$96	\$192

ALTAR GUILD

The Altar Guild would like to thank the following families for their donations in honor of the feast day of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14th.

John and Christina Lazapoulos:

In memory of John M. Sitaras, Past Parish Council President and Ahepa District Governor.

George and Stavroula Pettaris:

Happy Name Day to my wife, Stavroula and continued good health for our family.

If you wish to donate towards the upcoming feast days, or have a special request, contact either Joanne or Evie and use the form below. The cost for an icon wreath is \$60.00

November 21st ~ Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple

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FRIDAY, OCTOBER 30, 2026

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OCTOBER 17**



10:00 AM – 1:30 PM



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Farewell Banquet Honoring His Eminence Archbishop Apostolos of Canada September 8, 2026



Fr. Christoforos and Fr. Tikhon, along with Archons and members of our Holy Trinity Cathedral, attended the farewell banquet on September 8 honoring His Eminence Archbishop-elect Apostolos of Canada. It was a meaningful and emotional evening, offering an opportunity to express gratitude for His Eminence's dedicated ministry as Metropolitan of New Jersey and to wish him every blessing as he begins this new chapter of service to the Church in Canada.





OCTOBER GOYA NEWS



We kicked off the new church year on September 13th with our Executive Board getting sworn in at Divine Liturgy. Excited for what this year has in store!

Upcoming Events:

- First Dance Practice: Thursday, October 1st at 7:00 PM
- Basketball Practice on Mondays
 - 6:30 PM Girls
 - 7:30 PM Boys
- GOYA Meeting + meal prep for the homeless: Tuesday, October 13th at 6 PM
- Food delivery to the shelter: Wednesday, October 14th at 6 PM
- Sunday School is now starting weekly
- Still picking through ideas for our Fall Outing
- Save the date: GOYA Fall Camp Retreat, Nov. 13th–15th

Our first GOYA meeting had a great turnout! We went over what to expect this year, walked through the calendar, and got to meet a few new faces joining the group.



A Wonderful Beginning for Our GOYA Year

On Sunday, September 13, our GOYA began a new year with joy and enthusiasm at Holy Trinity Cathedral. During Divine Liturgy, our new GOYA Executive Board was officially sworn in: **President Symeon Kranidiotis, Vice President Katerina Marcantonis, Treasurer Yianni Karakasidis, and Secretary Ellen Kirifides.** We congratulate them and wish them a blessed and productive year of service.

Following Divine Liturgy, our GOYAns gathered for their first meeting of the year, where they discussed upcoming activities, shared ideas, and looked ahead to another year filled with faith, fellowship, service, and friendship. We are grateful to all of our young people who participated and look forward to the many wonderful GOYA events and experiences ahead!



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FALL RETREAT

THE DVYC GOYA FALL RETREAT

NOVEMBER 13-15, 2026



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HOLY TRINITY REGISTRY September 2026

40 Day Blessings:

Konstantinos Bouikidis, son of Yianna & Vasilios Bouikidis, received his 40 day Church blessing on September 13, 2026. We congratulate the family and pray the Lord will bless them as they prepare for baptism.

Weddings:

Brent duPont & Vivian Giannakakis were united in marriage on September 19, 2026. The sponsor was Alexia Moutsatsos. We congratulate the newly united in Christ and pray our Lord will bless them always.

Artoclasia's:

On Sunday, September 13, the Philoptochos offered an Artoclasia in honor of their chapter's Name Day and for the health and salvation of their members.

On Monday, September 14, an Artoclasia was offered by George & Stavroula Pettaris in honor of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and for the health and salvation of their family.

HOPE & JOY Welcome Back Family Night

On Friday, September 18, our HOPE & JOY families gathered for a wonderful Welcome Back Family Night to begin a new year of faith, friendship, and fun together. Fr. Tikhon offered the opening prayer and shared a few words with the children, encouraging them as they begin another year of growing in their Orthodox faith and in their friendships with one another.

We are grateful to all of our families who joined us and to our HOPE & JOY leaders for preparing such a warm and joyful evening. We look forward to a beautiful year ahead!





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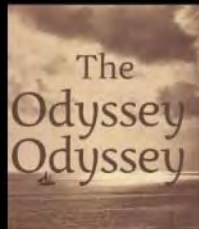


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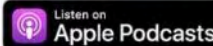
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The Podcast



The Odyssey Odyssey



November 8, 2026 1:00 PM

Come take a deep dive into Greek mythology and the story of Odysseus as professional storyteller and podcaster Tom Lee performs his version of The Odyssey that is both true to the original and relevant to audiences of today.

Tom is a frequent guest artist at The Metropolitan Museum of Art, a performing arts partner with The Yale Center for British Art and the Metropolitan Opera Education Conference. He has appeared on BBC TV and at the National Storytelling Center in Tennessee as featured festival artist and teller-in-residence. He is married and resides in Connecticut.

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Δρ. Κωνσταντίνος Γ. Φούντζουλας

15 Αυγούστου του 1940. Ενώ οι Έλληνες εόρταζαν την ημέρα της Κοιμήσεως της Θεοτόκου ένα Ιταλικό υποβρύχιο εβύθισε τό αντιτορπιλικό Έλλη στο λιμάνι της νήσου Τήνου χωρίς καμμία προειδοποίηση. Αυτό ήταν τό προεόρτιο της επιθέσεως της φασιστικής τότε Ιταλίας, συμμάχου της ναζιστικής Γερμανίας, εναντίον της Ελλάδος. Η υπόλοιπη Δυτική Ευρώπη, πλήν της Σουηδίας και Φιλανδίας, ουσιαστικών συμμάχων της Γερμανίας, της Μ. Βρετανίας, της Ισπανίας και της Ελβετίας, ευρίσκεται ήδη κάτω από τόν Γερμανικό ζυγό. **Η Τουρκία εκράτησε ουδέτερη στάση μέχρι 10 ημέρες πριν τό τέλος τού Δευτέρου Παγκοσμίου Πολέμου οπότε επήγε μέ τούς συμμάχους.**

Στίς 3 τό πρωί της 28ης Οκτώβριου του 1940. ο πρεσβευτής της Ιταλίας στην Αθήνα έδωσε τελεσίγραφο της κυβερνήσεώς του στον πρωθυπουργό της Ελλάδος Ιωάννη Μεταξά νά αφήση τά Ιταλικά στρατεύματα νά περάσουν από την Ελλάδα, μέ προορισμό την Μέση Ανατολή. Τά πετρέλαια της Μέσης Ανατολής ήταν απαραίτητα για την Γερμανία και την Ιταλία πού δέν διέθεταν πηγές ενεργείας. Ο πρωθυπουργός της Ελλάδος απάντησε στό τελεσίγραφο μέ ένα **“ΟΧΙ”**. Ο δικτάτορας της Ιταλίας Μουσολίνι είχε απειλήσει ότι θά καταλάβη την Ελλάδα στέλνοντας 8 εκατομύρια ξιφολόγχες, όσος και ο πληθυσμός της Ελλάδος. Στίς 5 τό πρωί της 28ης Οκτώβριου, δύο μόλις ώρες μετά τό τελεσίγραφο, τά Ιταλικά στρατεύματα άρχισαν την επιθεσή τους κατά της Ελλάδος στά Ελληνοαλβανικά σύνορα. Τά πρώτα ανακοινωθέντα τού ραδιοφωνικού σταθμού Αθηνών από τό μέτωπο έλεγαν απλά και λιτά ότι τά Ελληνικά στρατεύματα υπερασπίζονται τό άτριο έδαφος. Ο Ελληνικός λαός σύσσωμος, μέ ενθουσιασμό αντάξιο τών προγόνων του ανταποκρίθηκε στό κάλεσμα στά όπλα. Μέ κάθε μέσον προωθήθηκαν οι στρατιώτες στά σύνορα. Οί Ελληνίδες γυναίκες, σάν άλλες Σπαρτιάτισες, κατευώδωναν τούς συζύγους, υίους και αδελφούς τους, μέ την ευχή νά επιστρέψουν νικητές.

Η Ιταλία διέθετε στρατιωτική υπεροπλία σέ όλους τούς τομείς. Η Ελλάδα σέ αντίθεση είχε μέν πολύ λιγότερο στρατό και πολεμικά υλικά αλλά ένα λαό αποφασισμένο νά πεθάνη για την ελευθερία και ανεξαρτησία του. Όταν ένας λαός έχει αποφασίσει νά πεθάνη για την ελευθερία του τότε κερδίζει. Οί Έλληνες κατώρθωσαν μέσα σέ λίγες μόνο ημέρες νά περάσουν στην αντεπίθεση. Ονόματα πόλεων όπως Σαραντάπορο, Τεπελένι, Αργυρόκαστρο και Άγιοι Σαράντα είναι συνυφασμένα μέ τό έπος τών Ελλήνων στον Ελληνοϊταλικό πόλεμο του 1940. Τά βουνά της Ηπείρου και της Βορείου Ηπείρου έγιναν ο τάφος τών Ιταλών. Ο ηρωϊσμός τών Ελλήνων ξεπέρασε κάθε όριο. Μέσα σέ έξη μήνες, παρ' όλες τις προσπάθειες τών Ιταλών και τού ίδιου τού Μουσολίνι προσωπικά, οί Έλληνες είχαν απωθήσει τού Ιταλούς μέσα στην Αλβανία. Παρ' ολίγο νά τούς πετάξουν στην Αδριατική θάλασσα.

Η **νίκη τών Ελλήνων** ήταν η **πρώτη συμμαχική νίκη** τού Δευτέρου Παγκοσμίου Πολέμου. Ο Winston Churchill, ο μετέπειτα ονομαστής Πατέρας της Νίκης, είχε ειπεί θαυμάζοντας τούς Έλληνες για τις νίκες τους ότι **“από τώρα και εμπρός δέν θά λέμε ότι οί Έλληνες πολεμούν σάν ήρωες αλλά ότι οί ήρωες πολεμούν σάν Έλληνες”**.

Στόν ηρωϊκό αυτόν αγώνα η συνεισφορά τών γυναικών ήταν μεγαλειώδης. Έστελναν δέματα μέ τρόφιμα και ρούχα πού έπλεκαν οί ίδιες στους Έλληνες στρατιώτες. Και όχι μόνο αυτό. Οί ηρωϊκές Ηπειρώτισες, άξιες απόγονοι τών Σουλιωτισών, κουβαλούσανε στην πλάτη τους, πάνω στά χιονισμένα βουνά της Ηπείρου, μέσα στην λασπη και στό κρύο, πολεμοφόδια και τρόφιμα στους στρατιώτες πού πολεμούσαν στό μέτωπο.

Η νίκη τών Ελλήνων κατά τών Ιταλών το 1940 καθυστέρησε την επίθεση τού Χίτλερ κατά της Ρωσίας κατά έξη μήνες. Αποτέλεσμα αυτής της καθυστερήσεως ήταν ότι οι Γερμανοί αντιμετώπησαν τούς Ρώσους μέσα στον βαρύ Ρωσικό χειμώνα μέ καταστροφικά αποτελέσματα για αυτούς. Το κόστος όμως τού Ελληνοϊταλικού πολέμου, της Γερμανικής κατοχής και τού εμφυλίου πολέμου πού ακολούθησαν ήταν δυσανάλογα βαρύ για την Ελλάδα. Μέσα σέ δέκα χρόνια υπήρξαν, σέ συνολικό πληθυσμό οκτώ εκατομμυρίων, ένα εκατομμύριο νεκροί Έλληνες, πολύ ανάπηροι και μία χώρα τελείως κατεστραμμένη. Τό τίμημά πού επλήρωσε η Ελλάδα για την ελευθερία της ήταν πολύ βαρύ. **‘Ας είναι αιωνία η μνήμη τών νεκρών αδελφών μας.**

Παρ' όλες τις καταστροφές που υπέστη η χώρα στην δεκαετία 1940-1950, η Ελλάδα μετά από μόνο 21 χρόνια, χάρις στην εργατικότητα των Ελλήνων και Ελληνίδων, και την συνεχή συνεισφορά της Διάσποράς της στην οικονομία της, συγκαταλέγεται σήμερα ανάμεσα στις 40 πλουσιότερες χώρες του κόσμου.



Various 28th October, 1940

Dr. Constantine (Costas) G. Fountzoulas

15th August 1940. While the Hellenes were observing the Dormition of Virgin Mary, an Italian submarine, without any warning sank the Greek torpedo destroyer Elli, which was docked in the harbor of the island of Tenos. This was the prelude of the attack against Greece of the fascistic Italy, ally of the nazi Germany. The rest of the Western Europe, except for Sweden and Finland, who were allies of Germans, and Great Britain, Spain and Switzerland, was under the German yoke. ***Turkey was and remained neutral until 10 days before the end of the Second World War at which time it joined the allied forces.***

At 3 o'clock in the morning of 28th October 1940, the ambassador of Italy in Athens gave an ultimatum to the prime minister of Greece, Ioannis Metaxas, demanding permission for the Italian army to go through Greece on its way to Middle East. The Middle East oil was necessary for both Italy and Germany because they did not have sufficient energy resources. Greece's prime minister answer was **"NO" ("OXI")**. Italy's dictator Mussolini threatened to send 8 million bayonets, one for each Hellene, to occupy Hellas. Only two hours after the ultimatum to the prime minister, the Italian troops attacked Hellas: from its borders with Albania at 5 o'clock in the morning of 28th October, 1940. The state radio of Athens announced in a laconic way that the Hellenic troops are defending the motherland. The Greek people, worthy of their glorious ancestors, responded enthusiastically to the mobilization to defend their country. They went to the front with all possible means. The Greek women, like the ancient Spartans mothers, were saying good-bye to their beloved husbands, sons and brothers and urging them to return home victorious.

Italy was militarily superior to Greece. It had a much bigger army, superior air force and advanced weapons. In contrast, Greece's main weapon was the decisiveness of its people to die for their freedom and independence. The prerequisite for winning a war is people not to hesitate to die for their freedom. The Hellenes, in a few days after the sudden attack, counterattacked successfully. Names of towns like Sarantaporo, Tepeleni, Argyrokastro and Hagioi Saranta always remind us of the heroism and triumph of the Hellenes in the Greco-Italian war of 1940. The mountains of Epiros and of Northern Epiros became the grave for the attacking Italians. Within six months, despite the efforts of the Italians and Mussolini's personal efforts, the Hellenes had pushed the Italians well within Albania. They almost threw them in the Adriatic Sea.

The **victory of Hellenes** was the **first victory of the allies** of the Second World War. Winston Churchill, who afterwards was called the Father of The Victory, said in admiring the Hellenes for their victories, that **"from now on we will not say that the Hellenes fight like heroes but the heroes fight like the Hellenes"**.

The contribution of the Greek women in the war was tremendous. They were sending packages with food and clothes which they had themselves knitted for the fighting soldiers. In addition, the heroic women of Epiros, worthy descendants of the women of Souli, walking in the mud of the snowed mountains of Epiros, were carrying ammunition and food for the soldiers on their shoulders.

The victory of the Hellenes against the Italians delayed the Hitler's attack to Russia for six months. This delay forced the Germans to fight the Russians during the heavy Russian winter of 1942 with disastrous for them results. However, the cost of the Greco-Italian war, the German occupation that followed and the civil war were disproportionally heavy for Greece. From 1940-1950, out of 8 million Greeks there were one million dead, many wounded handicapped people, a completely destroyed country, and created seven hundred thousand refugees. The price Hellas paid for its independence was very heavy. Let their example inspire us to always raise our voice and our sword in defense of liberty and justice. Let the memory of the fallen brothers of ours stay with us eternally.

Despite all the destruction Greece suffered during the decade 1940-1950, after only 21 years, thanks to the industriousness of Greek men and Greek women, and the continuous contribution of Diaspora in her economy, Greece ranks today among the 40 richest countries of the world.



Holy Trinity Food Pantry

St Stephen's Food Pantry

August total visits - 3083

July total visits - 3437



Now that school has started children are blessed with free breakfast and lunch.

In just a couple of weeks we were able to deliver 10 bags of groceries to St. Stephen's Food Pantry! Many thanks to all of you who consider the less fortunate when you shop. As volunteers we see many grateful and happy faces. God bless you!

We are making a difference!

Cut out the list below and take it with you and your children to the grocery store each time you shop and pick up one item for the pantry. We will be rotating to the three centers listed above.

Canned soups, tuna, fruits and vegetables
Oatmeal and cereal
Pancake mix and syrup
Shelf stable apple juice and orange juice
Rice, whole wheat pasta, and pasta sauce

Toothbrush and toothpaste
Dish Soap
Deodorant
Shampoo
Body Wash or Bath-soap

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Anyone wishing to volunteer please email Johanna at Jlas40752@gmail.com

September at the Emmanuel Dining Room

A very big *thank you* to **Paulette Alexandridis** for sponsoring the meal in September, as she has for *many* years now, given in loving memory of **Mary Manolakos**.

The **Tarabicos family** will sponsor and host the meal once again in October, given in loving memory of **James Tarabicos**.

All are welcome to help serve the dining room on the 12th of each month or at any time!
Please call **Tina** at 302-367-6758 with any questions.

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

**All meals are being served at the 2nd and Jackson St. dining room from
11:30 - 1:30.**

Various groups and individuals from our church donate the food to sponsor the luncheon meal on the 12th of every month.

*If you, your family or organization would like to provide a meal, contact
Tina Ganiaris at 302-367-6758 for more information. Thank you!*

Serving in October

Coffee Hours:

October 4 ~ AHEPA

October 11 ~ Philoptochos

October 18 ~ Parish Council

October 25 ~ Sunday/Greek School (OXI Day Program)



Narthex Duty:

October 4 ~ Group 2

October 11 ~ Group 1

October 18 ~ Group 2

October 25 ~ 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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October 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 7pm GOYA Dance Practice	2	3
4 <u>2nd Sunday of Luke</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School	5 6:30pm Vespers of St Thomas, Cherry Hill Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys	6 St Thomas @ Cherry Hill, NJ 7pm AHEPA Executive Meeting	7 12pm Bible Study 5:30pm Greek School	8 12pm Young @ Heart Gathering 7pm GOYA Dance Practice	9	10 Elkins Park 125th Gala
11 <u>Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School SS Canned Food Drive Begins Philoptochos to pass a tray for Breast Cancer Awareness Sunday Sunday School Teacher Meeting	12 12pm Serving at Emmanuel Dining Room Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys	13 GOYA Meeting & Meal Prep 6:30pm Parish Council Meeting 7pm AHFEA Meeting	14 12pm Bible Study 5:30pm Greek School GOYA Focus Feeding the Homeless	15 7pm GOYA Dance Practice	16 5pm Wedding Rehearsal 5:30pm HOPE JOY Dance Practice & Kid Mission Prep	17 KID MISSION @ St. Demetrios, Upper Darby 6pm Vespers St. Luke, Broomall, PA
18 <u>St Luke</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School 12pm Philoptochos Meeting 1:30pm Wedding	19 Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys	20 7pm DVYC Meeting, Cherry Hill	21 12pm Bible Study 5:30pm Greek School	22 TAKE OUT FESTIVAL 7pm GOYA Dance Practice	23 TAKE OUT FESTIVAL	24 TAKE OUT FESTIVAL
25 <u>6th Sunday of Luke</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Sunday School FOOD DRIVE BEGINS OXI DAY Greek School Program in the Church Hall HOPE JOY Fund Raiser 5pm IOCC Dinner @ Adelphia's 7pm Vespers St Demetrios, Upper Darby, PA	26 <u>St Demetrios</u> 9:00am Orthros /Divine Liturgy Basketball Practice 6:30pm Girls 7:30pm Boys	27 6pm Daughters of Penelope Meeting	28 OXI DAY 12pm Bible Study 5:30pm Greek School	29 7pm GOYA Dance Practice & Meeting	30 12pm Philoptochos Serving at Emmanuel Dining Room 5:30pm HOPE JOY Hayride & Campfire	31

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