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FROM THE PASTOR



A SPIRITUAL DISCIPLINE FROM GREAT LENT ST. GREGORY PALAMAS AND HESYCHASM

Hesychasm is an Eastern Orthodox form of spirituality in search of Christian perfection in union with God through prayer, fasting and meditation. Hesychia (ησυχία) is a Greek term meaning "inner stillness, quietness, tranquility". Hesychast Monks from Mount Athos devoted themselves to unceasing mental prayer to achieve union with God.

The most popular prayer was the prayer of the heart, also known as the Jesus Prayer: "**Lord Jesus Christ have mercy on me a sinner.**" For the Hesychastic fathers the silent meditation over the name of Jesus Christ and the state of peace that this produces are not the primary goal. The primary goal is the feeling of grace and the direct contemplation of the glory of God through the uncreated divine energies.

Hesychasm is a spiritual purification, which is a necessary precondition for theosis or deification. As such, hesychasm is a way of life and a fundamental method of healing the soul. The word hesychia designates the state of calm, peace, rest, of silence, and an absence of the inner agitation of the soul. The practice of Hesychasm leads to gaining inner health. The Hesychia must be accompanied by αμεριμνία (lack of worries), νεπισς (watchfulness or guarding of the mind), and unceasing prayer to gain the true union with God.

St. John of the Ladder (who is celebrated on the 4th Sunday of Great Lent) tells us, "The good precursor of tranquility is the lack of all worries necessary or unnecessary, because he who opens the doors to the first will fall immediately in the second." A hair bothers the eye; a small worry chastens the tranquility, because the

tranquility is the detachment of all the thoughts and the renunciation of all worries, even justified."

Evagrius of Pontos wrote, "You will not be able to pray purely as far as you are entangled with the material things and disturbed with unceasing worries."

Abba Philemon states, "Thoughts about vain things are sickness of an idle and sluggish soul." We must, then as the Bible commands, guard our intellect diligently (Proverbs 4:23 "Keep thy heart with all diligence; for out of it are the issues of life"), chanting undistracted and with understanding, and praying with a pure intellect. God wants us to show our zeal for Him, first by our outward asceticism, and then by our love and unceasing prayer, and He provides the path of salvation. The only path leading to Heaven is that of complete stillness, the avoidance of all evil, the acquisition of grace and blessings, perfect love towards God and communion with Him in holiness, and righteousness. If a man has attained these things he will soon ascend to a divine realm."

On the 2nd Sunday of Great Lent, when we celebrate St. Gregory Palamas, one of the greatest teachers of this spiritual discipline, let us all look inward and turn our spiritual efforts towards reciting the Prayer of the Heart as often as possible so that we can come ever closer to the goal of eternal life in Christ.

May God Bless Our Lenten Journey,



Τι Συμβολίζει Η Ελληνική Σημαία

Η Ελληνική Σημαία αποτελείται από 5
λουριδες μπλε και 4 ασπρες,
και τον Σταυρο στην κορυφη.

Οι 5 μπλε λουριδες αντιστοιχουν στις 5
συλλαβες της λεξης:

Ε – ΛΕΥ – ΘΕ – ΡΙ – Α

και οι 4 λευκες λουριδες αντιστοιχουν στις
4 συλλαβες των λωξεων:

η – ΘΑ – ΝΑ – ΤΟΣ.

Ελευθερια, λοιπον, η Θανατος!

Ο Σταυρος που ειναι στη κορυφη,
συμβολιζει τον Σταυρον που ειδε
στον Ουρανο ο Μεγας Κωνσταντινος και
εγραφε

ΕΝ ΤΟΥΤΟ ΝΙΚΑ!

Επανω λοιπον στη Σημαια μας ειναι
ενωμενες

ΠΙΣΤΗ και ΠΑΤΡΙΔΑ!

Το μπλε χρωμα ειναι παρμενο απο το χρωμα
της βρακας του Νησιωτη
(τοτε οι Νησιωτες φορουσαν βρακες) και το
ασπρο χρωμα ειναι
παρμενο απο το λευκο χρωμα της
φουστανελας του Τσολια.

Η Ελλαδα εχει και την επισημη σημαια, που
ειναι στολοσμενη γυρω
γυρω με κροσια. Τα κροσια συμβολιζουν τις
ψυχες των νεκρων

ηρωων που επεσαν για την Πατριδα.

Αυτα λοιπον τα ιερεα και αγιασμενα
συμβολιζει η Σημαια μας,
η καρδια και η ψυχη και το πνευμα και το
ονειρο των

Ελληνων, σε ολα τα μερη της Οικουμενης!

SAINTS OF MARCH

March 4	St. Gerasimos of Jordan
March 10	St. Anastasia the Patrician
March 12	St. Symeon the New Theologian
March 17	St. Patrick, Enlightener of Ireland
March 18	St. Cyril of Jerusalem
March 22	St. Euthymios the Martyr
March 24	St. Zacharias the Righteous
March 27	Prophet Ananias
March 30	St. John Climacus

Αγιοι του Μαρτιου

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4η Μαρτιου Άγιος Γερασιμος ο Ιορδανιτης
10η Μαρτιου Αγια Αναστασια η Πατρικια
12η Μαρτιου Άγιος Συμεων ο Νεο-Θεολογος
17η Μαρτιου Άγιος Πατρικιος ο Φωτιστης
της Ιρλαντιας

18η Μαρτιου Άγιος Κυριλλος ο
Ιερουσαλημιτης

22α Μαρτιου Άγιος Ευθυμιος ο Μαρτυς

24η Μαρτιου Άγιος Ζαχαριας ο Οσιος

27η Μαρτιου Προφητης Ανανιας

30η Μαρτιου Άγιος Ιωαννης της Κλημακος

THREE SAINTS OF MARCH

St. Eudocia the Samaritan – March 1st

Eudocia, who was from Heliopolis of Phoenicia (Baalbek in present-day Lebanon), was an idolater and led a licentious life. Being beautiful beyond telling, she had many lovers, and had acquired great riches. Brought to repentance by a monk named Germanus, and baptized by Bishop Theodotus, she distributed to the poor all her ill-gotten gains, and entered a convent, giving herself up completely to the life of asceticism. Her former lovers, enraged at her conversion, her refusal to return to her old ways, and the withering away of her beauty through the severe mortifications she practiced, betrayed her as a Christian to Vincent the Governor, and she was beheaded, according to some, under Trajan, who reigned from 98 to 117, according to others, under Hadrian, who reigned from 117 to 138.



**Αγια Ευδοκια Οσιομαρτυς- 1η Μαρτιου
Απολυτικιον**

Εν σοί Μήτερ ακριβώς διεσώθη τό κατ' εικόνα,
λαβών γάρ τόν σταυρόν, ηκολούθησας τώ
Χριστώ, καί πράττων εδίδασκες, υπεροράν μέν
σαρκός, παρέρχεται γάρ επιμελείσθαι δέ ψυχής,
πράγματος αθανάτου, διό καί μετά Αγγέλων
συναγάλλεται, οσία Ευδοκία τό πνεύμά σου.

Κοντακιον

Ὁ εὐδοκήσας ἐκ βυθοῦ ἀπωλείας, πρὸς
εὐσεβείας τὸν ἀκρότατον ὄρον, ἀναγαγεῖν σε
ἔνδοξε, ὡς λίθον ἐκλεκτόν, οὗτος καὶ τὸν
βίον σου, τῇ ἀθλήσει λαμπρύνας, χάριν
ἰαμάτων σοι, Εὐδοκία παρέχει, ὄν
ἐκδυσώπει σῶζεσθαι ἡμᾶς. Ὁσιομάρτυς

Ἀγγέλων ἐφάμιλλε.

**St. Sophronius, Patriarch of Jerusalem –
March 11th**

Sophronios was born in Damascus. As a young man he became a monk at the Monastery of Saint Theodosius the Cenobiarch in Palestine, where he met John Moschus and became his close friend. Having a common desire to search out ascetics from whom they could receive further spiritual instruction, they journeyed together through Palestine, Syria, Asia Minor, and Egypt, where they met the Patriarch of Alexandria, Saint John the Almsgiver, with whom they remained until 614, when Persians captured Jerusalem. Sophronius and John Moschus departed Alexandria for Rome, where they remained until 619, the year of John Moschus' death. Sophronius returned to the Monastery of Saint Theodosius the Cenobiarch, and there buried the body of his friend. He laboured much in defence of the Holy Fourth Council of Chalcedon, and traveled to Constantinople to remonstrate with Patriarch Sergius and the Emperor Heraclius for changing the Orthodox Faith with their Monothelite teachings. After the death of Patriarch Modestus in December of 634, Sophronius was elected Patriarch of Jerusalem. Although no longer in the hands of the Persians, the Holy Land was now besieged by the armies of the newly-appeared religion of Mohammed, which had already taken Bethlehem; in the Saint's sermon for the Nativity of our Lord in 634, he laments that he could not celebrate the feast in Bethlehem. In 637, for the sins of the people, to the uttermost grief of Sophronius, the Caliph Omar captured Jerusalem. Having tended the flock of his Master for three years and three months, Sophronius departed in peace unto Him Whom he loved on March 11, 638. Sophronius has left to the Church many writings, including the life of Saint Mary of Egypt. The hymn "O Joyous Light," which is wrongly ascribed to him, is more ancient than Saint Basil the Great, as the Saint himself confirms in his work "On the Holy Spirit". However, it seems that this hymn, which was chanted at the lighting of the lamps and was formerly called "The Triadic Hymn," was later supplemented somewhat by Sophronius, bringing it into the form in which we now have it. Hence, some have ascribed it to him.

**Ἅγιος Σοφρόνιος Πατ. Ἱεροσολύμων –
11η Μαρτίου**

Ἀπολυτικιον

Κανόνα πίστεως καί εικόνα πραότητος,
εγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ανέδειξέ σε τή
ποίμνη σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια, διά
τούτο εκτήσω τή ταπεινώσει τά υψηλά, τή
πτωχεία τά πλοῦσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα

Σωφρόνιε, πρέσβευε Χριστώ τῷ Θεῷ,
σωθῆναι τάς ψυχάς ἡμῶν.

St. James the Confessor – March 21st

James took up the monastic life from his youth in the Monastery of Studium, where he became a disciple of Saint Theodore the Studite. Later he became bishop and suffered many afflictions and torments at the hands of the Iconoclasts. St. Theodore composed a homily in honour of this Saint James.

**Ἅγιος Ἰακώβος ὁ Ὁμολογιτῆς –
21η Μαρτίου**

Ἀπολυτικιον

Ὁ Θεὸς τῶν Πατέρων ἡμῶν, ὁ ποιῶν ἀεὶ
μεθ' ἡμῶν, κατὰ τὴν σὴν ἐπιείκειαν, μὴ
ἀποστήσῃς τὸ ἔλεός σου ἀφ' ἡμῶν. Ἄλλὰ
ταῖς αὐτῶν ἰκεσίαις, ἐν εἰρήνῃ κυβέρνησον
τὴν ζωὴν ἡμῶν.



PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY

Wednesdays, March 8th & 22nd at 9:00 a.m.

LENTEN DONATIONS

Throughout the Great Lenten season there are items and decorations needed for the various services. Below you will find a list of some of these. If you would like to donate one or more please contact the church office as soon as possible.

Icon Decoration for 1 st Salutations	March 3 rd	\$60
Icon Decoration for 2 nd Salutations	March 10 th	\$60
Icon Decoration for 3 rd Salutations	March 17 th	\$60
Holy Cross Tray	March 19 th	\$50
Holy Cross Flowers for Distribution	March 19 th	\$100
Icon Decoration for 4 th Salutations	March 24 th	\$60
Icon Decoration for Annunciation	March 25 th	\$60
Icon Decoration Akathist Hymn	March 31 st	\$75

Δωρεες Εις Την

Μεγαλην Τεσσαρακοστην

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Καθ ολην την διαρκειαν της Μεγαλης Τεσσαρακοστης χρειαζοντε διαφορα πραγματα και στολισματα για την Εκκλησια μας. Κατωθι θα βρητε ενα καταλαγο. Εαν θελετε να δωρισετε απο τον καταλογον τηλεφωνιστε το γραφειο της Εκκλησιας.

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Στολισμος της Εικονας – 1ος Χαιρετισμος
3η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Στολισμος της Εικονας – 2α Χαιρετισμος
10η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Στολισμος της Εικονας – 3ος Χαιρετισμος
17η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Δισκος Σταυροπροσκυνησεως
19η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Ανθη Κυριακη Σταυροπροσκυνησεως
19η Μαρτιου 100 δολλαρια
Στολισμος της Εικονας – 4ος Χαιρετισμος
24η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Στολισμος της Εικονας Ευαγγελισμου
25η Μαρτιου 60 δολλαρια
Στολισμος της Εικονας – Ακαθιστου Υμνου
31η Μαρτιου 75 δολλαρια

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PROGRAM

On Saturday, March 25th immediately following the Divine Liturgy for the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary, the students of our Greek Language School will present our Annual Program in honor of Greek Independence Day. Everyone is welcome to attend.



GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

Sunday, March 26th

We would like all organizations of our Parish to participate in this year's Parade. Transportation to the Parade will be provided for those who sign up in advance. Seats are limited. Buses will depart from the Church at 12:30 p.m. and return after the Parade. Transportation cost is \$5 per person/\$10 per family. Sign up after Liturgy on Sundays, or call George Karidis at 718-979-0940.

Παρελασι Εορτης της Επαναστασεως **Κυριακη, 26η Μαρτιου**

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Ολες οι οργανωσεις της Κοινοτητος παρακαλουντε να λαβουν μερος στην Παρελασι. Ολοι παρακαλουντε να κλεισουν θεσεις στα λεωφορεια. Τα λεωφορεια θα φυγουν απο την Εκκλησια εις τις 12.30 μμ και θα γυρισουν μετα απο την Παρελασι. Κοστος για το λεωφορειον ειναι \$5 το ατομο η \$10 για καθε οικογενεια. Εγγραφειτε για θεσεις μετα απο την Λειτουργια. Για πληροφοριες μιλησετε με τον Γ. Καριδη.

PARISH MINISTRIES

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP

March 5	GOYA/Dancers
March 12	Soccer
March 19	Kritiki Philoxenia
March 26	Parish Council

ALTAR BOYS

March 5	Team #2
March 12	Team #1
March 19	Team #2
March 26	Team #1

ALTAR BOYS

Any young men of the Parish, 6th through 12th grades, who are interested in becoming Altar Boys should contact Fr. Nick as soon as possible. Parents are urged to encourage their sons to serve in the Altar. This is a privilege, and must be taken very seriously.

ALL Altar Boys are to be registered for Sunday School and attend classes each Sunday that they are not assigned to Altar service.

ONLY 10th, 11th and 12th graders are allowed to serve in the Altar **EVERY** Sunday.

It is an honor to serve at the Altar of our Lord and to help Father Nick with the worship services of our Orthodox Church.

PRAYER SERVICE AND ANOINTING

Our monthly Prayer Service and Anointing is usually held on the first Wednesday of the month at 9:00 a.m. All are invited and encouraged to attend. For the month of March, the Prayer Service and Anointing will take place on March 1st.

ΠΑΡΑΚΛΗΣΙΣ ΚΑΙ ΜΥΡΩΜΑ

Η μηνιατική τελετή προσευχής και μυρώμα θα γίνει την πρώτη Τετάρτη κάθε μήνα εις τις 9.00 πμ μέσα εις την Εκκλησία. Όλοι προκαλούντε να λάβουν μέρος. Η τελετή του Μαρτίου θα γίνει τη 1η.

ELEOS

The ELEOS meeting will be held this month on Thursday, March 9th at 7:30 p.m. at the home of Fr. Nick & Presvytera Pat, 110 Boulder St., 718-966-9476. Everyone is welcome.

ΕΛΕΟΣ

Παρακαλείσθε να παρουσιασθήτε στη συγκέντρωσι τη Πέμπτη, 9η Μαρτίου, εις τις 7.30 μμ εις το σπίτι του Πατηρ Νικολαου και Πρεσβυτερας Παναγιωτας, 110 Boulder St., 718-966-9476.

CHOIR



The Church's liturgical life includes our choir that assists in the sacred services throughout the year. Members give a very special gift to our community. They offer their talents and gifts to God and help lead us in worship. In addition to singing during the Divine Liturgy, our members participate in our Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Choirs with workshops, conferences, concerts and various events.

If you are interested, age 14 and older, we encourage you to become part of this ministry. We look forward to new, young and old members. Please join us in singing our beautiful hymns of our faith and continue to strive to enhance the beauty of our worship, in Glory to God.

Our Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Choir Recording "Let us Offer Unto You" is available for purchase in the Narthex.

For choir information call Cathy Kalazis 718-948-7995 or e-mail at katinaki@aol.com

THARROS

Our support ministry for separated and divorced individuals meets once a month. The scope of the Ministry is Spirituality, Education, Sharing and Support. This month's meeting will be held on Sunday, March 19th immediately following Liturgy. Please feel free to join us.

EDUCATION MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School begins at 10:00 a.m. each Sunday. Please make sure your children are registered and on time.



ADULT EDUCATION MORNING BIBLE AND ORTHODOXY STUDY

The Morning Bible and Orthodoxy Study for the month of March is cancelled. Instead, please come to the Prayer Service and Anointing on Wednesday, March 1st, and the Presanctified Liturgies on Wednesdays, March 8th & 22nd.

QUESTION AND ANSWER SUNDAY

Each second Sunday of the month we have a religious question and answer session instead of the Sunday sermon. Don't be shy! Ask your questions so that everyone can learn about our Orthodox Faith.

ORTHODOX STUDY

On every 2nd Sunday of the month, Father Nick offers an education series on our Orthodox Faith. This education takes place during Coffee Fellowship and lasts one hour. Orthodox Study will be held on March 12th.

ORGANIZATIONS

GIRL SCOUTS

Daisies - Kindergarten & Grade 1
Fridays, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
March 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

Brownies - Grades 2 & 3
Fridays, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
March 3rd, 10th, 17th & 24th

Juniors - Grades 4 & 5
Tuesdays, 4:00 - 5:30 p.m.
March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

Cadettes, Seniors & Ambassadors
Tuesdays, 5:30 - 6:30 p.m.
March 7th, 14th, 21st & 28th

March 31st - Chinese Auction, 6:00 p.m. at Zion Lutheran Church.

Girl Scouts has been meeting here at Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas for 46 years. Give your daughters the chance to experience an outstanding program.

Contact Mrs. C. at 718-987-4235 for more

information.

PHILOPTOCHOS



Our Annual Mother's Day Dinner Fashion Show will be on Wednesday, May 24 this year and is being held at the Li Greci's Staaten. This year's theme is Country Western, so break out your denim and those western boots and try your hand at country line dancing! We will have a husband and wife team providing the music and teaching us the steps, as well. Bring your family and friends and have fun together!

Philoptochos is always looking for woman willing to share their talents. **No one can do everything, but everyone can do something!** If you have a talent, we can use your help- from typing, computers, graphic design - Philoptochos can use you. If you have a gift you would like to donate, or want more information, please contact Panagiota Karidis at 718-979-0940 or our Dinner Fashion Show Chairlady, Dee Sidiropoulos, 917-669-0586.



Have you won a raffle prize and have no use of the **basket** it came in? Philoptochos can use that basket for its Annual Dinner. Just drop it off at church labeled "Philoptochos".

Are you interested in our programs that feed the needy? Philoptochos **cooks and serves** meals at Trinity Lutheran Church on the 1st Saturday or each month and Project Hospitality on the 3rd Friday of each month. If you would like to take part in this outreach program, please contact Christine Charitis at 917-915-8398

The National Board of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc. announces that because of the hard work of every Philoptochos chapter across the nation and with the support and cooperation of their entire parish families, funds totaling \$2,057,990 were disbursed from January 1 - December 31, 2016. Thank you to all who have helped and continue to help Philoptochos.



Wanted: People who knit or crochet or would like to earn how! These talented women meet the third Thursday of each month in our Community Center. Join them and be part of the team who makes the blankets that are given to new babies, as well as other items!

We would like to wish everyone Kali Sarakosti -

Καλή Σαρακοστή! MARCH CALENDAR

March 4	Cook for Trinity Lutheran Soup Kitchen
March 5	Sunday, following Divine Liturgy Philoptochos meeting
March 16	Knit/Crochet Afternoon Group 1:00 - 3:00 PM
March 24	Cook for Project Hospitality

Philoptochos National Ministries for the Month of March

Hellenic College Holy Cross

Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology Archbishop Athenagoras established the Holy Cross School of Theology in June 1937, in Pomfret, Connecticut. The Archbishop addressed a special appeal to the Philoptochos to devote themselves to the School, "where your sons will be educated as priests and teachers." Over seventy-five years later, Philoptochos continues its strong commitment to and financial support of Hellenic College/Holy Cross through the following programs:

- **Scholarships:** Scholarships are awarded to worthy and dedicated students, both men and women at Hellenic College and seminarians at Holy Cross to assist with tuition expenses. (September Commitment)

- **Lenten Event:** On the Third Sunday of Lent, observing the Veneration of the Holy Cross, Philoptochos chapters sponsor a Lenten Event, following the Divine Liturgy, with proceeds dedicated to operating expenses of the School.

Orthodox Christian Mission Center and Support a Mission Priest (OCMC-SAMP)

The Society offers financial assistance to the OCMC missionary teams, strengthening their ability to carry the message of the Orthodox Church throughout the world. In addition, this ministry enables Orthodox bishops and priests in mission areas to build and restore churches, community centers, schools and medical facilities, and to participate in training, teaching and field management.

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

We would like to thank all of our members and especially the many friends who supported the annual Valentine's Dinner at Angelina's. May we enjoy many more years of good fellowship and cheer.

Many thanks to all our donors for the Apokreatiko Glendi. Once again we had the opportunity to support our community with the Chinese auction at the Glendi.

Our March meeting will be on Thursday March 30, 2017 at 8 pm, with refreshments at 7:30pm.

Note, we are returning to our regular meeting schedule.

Don't forget to set your clocks ahead for Daylight savings time this month!!

GOLDEN SENIORS Spring is in the Air



Seniors will
Excitedly
Notice that
It's
Okay to
Relax and
Step outside
after staying indoors to avoid winter's wrath.

Our group is not restricted to people from our church. In fact, **MOST** of our members are **NOT** from our church, although many of them call it "**The Greek Club.**" This is how they differentiate our group from the other senior groups they attend. This caused one of our "Greek" members, Mr. _____, to ask "Where are the Greeks?". . . good question . . . Where are you?

If you get this monthly bulletin, you are part of our Church community. So why not join **The Golden Years Seniors** on Tuesdays at our Community Center?

Our schedule is:

11:30 Morning sweets "danish pastries",
coffee and tea

12:00 Prayer followed by a short meeting
(10 minutes)

12:15 Lunch which is either Pizza or Sandwiches
plus salads (alternate weeks)

We have a small 50/50 every week and
BINGO after lunch.

Speakers attend occasionally with information
every senior needs to know.

March specials:

March 14th - celebrate St. Patrick's Day and St.
Joseph's Day

March 21st - celebrate Greek Independence Day

Upcoming Trips:

April 19th - "**ANASTASIA the
MUSICAL**"

Tickets available - \$115 members

\$125 non members
May 17th - "**SUNSET BOULEVARD
the MUSICAL**"

starring Glenn Close, Tony Award winner
with music by Andrew Lloyd Webber.

Tickets available - \$150 members

\$160 non members.

July 5th - "**A BRONX TALE the
MUSICAL**"

Tickets available - \$115 members

\$125 non members

Note: All of these trips are for Wednesday matinee performances and include the bus and show. Tickets go fast, so call Christine Charitis at 718-356-8377 to reserve your seat and see these wonderful Broadway performances.

Jr. GOYA - Grades 6, 7 & 8

Business meeting on Sunday, March 5th

Joint Activity Night with GOYA on Tuesday,
March 21st

GOYA - Grades 9, 10, 11 & 12

Business meeting on Tuesday, March 7th

Joint Activity Night with Jr. GOYA on Tuesday,
March 21st

JOY

JOY is a youth ministry for children in 3rd - 6th grade. We meet every other week in the church Community Center. We will have religious lessons, art & crafts, a small outing and of course a different, organized activity in the gym every meeting.

Meetings in the month of March will be each Thursday from 5:00-7:00 pm in preparation for the Olympics.

We hope to see you all then. Please email us with any questions.

Maria Angelides

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Aliki Pefanis

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SOCCER

For questions please call Yiannis Ikononou, yianman56@aol.com. Please also check us out on Facebook, Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Soccer Club (<https://www.facebook.com/HolyTrinitySoccer/>)

AHEPA

AHEPA chapter #349 meets the last Friday of every month, from 8:00 PM - 9:00 PM in the Church Community Center.

**HOLY TRINITY-ST. NICHOLAS
HELLENIC DANCERS & JR. HELLENIC
DANCERS**

Practices are held on Sundays in our Community Center with Director Nissa Perry.

12:30 - 1:00 ages 7-11

1:00 - 2:00 ages 12-18



**2017 12th Annual Holy Trinity
Golf Outing**

Hang on - Spring is coming! Mark your calendars for Friday, June 9th at the South Shore Golf Course for this year's Golf Outing. Several mailings and e-mail notices to the entire community, and all of last year's participants, to follow.

As a reminder, the Golf Outing Committee is bringing together parishioners, friends, family, golf lovers, philanthropists, business owners and community leaders to have a good time and celebrate the life of Dr. Demetrios Karelas, a long time supporter of the Church and the community's youth programs. The tournament in his honor and the proceeds for the event will once again go to benefit the philanthropic and youth activities of the Community Center that were so dear to Dr. Karelas.

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The ABC's of The Bible
by David Padfield

A is for **Abraham**, the father of the faithful.

B is for **Baptism**, the way believers get into Christ.

C is for **Christ** who died on the Cross.

D is for the **Deacons** who serve in the Lord's church.

E is for the **Elders** who oversee the work of the church.

F is for **Faith** which comes from hearing the word of God.

G is for **God** who created this world.

H is for the **Holy Spirit** who revealed God's word.

I is for the **Israelites** who were God's chosen people.

J is for **Jerusalem**, where the church was established.

K is for the three great **Kings** of Israel: Saul, David & Solomon.

L is for the **Love** God showed when He gave His only Son.

M is for **Moses** who led God's people out of Egypt.

N is for the **Narrow** road which leads to heaven.

O is for our **Obedience** which pleases God.

P is for **Peter** and **Paul** who preached God's word.

Q is for the **Quaking** of the mountains when God gave the Law.

R is for the **Rainbow** God gave Noah after the Flood.

S is for Satan, the enemy of God's people.

T is for the **Ten Commandments** given to Moses at Mt. Sinai.

U is for the **Unity** of God's people.

V is for the **Victory** that will be ours.

W is for the **Word** of God revealed in the Bible.

X is for the **Exodus** of God's people from Egypt to Canaan.

Y is for the **Young** who must always remember God.

Z is for the **Zeal** shown by Christians.

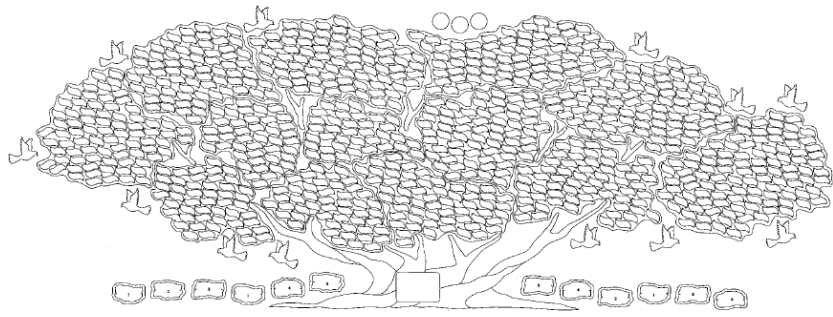


MARCH LITURGICAL CALENDAR

Friday	March 3	1st Salutations	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	March 4	3rd Saturday of the Souls	
		Orthros 9:30 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Sunday	March 5	1st Sunday of Great Lent	
		Sunday of Orthodoxy	
		Orthros 9:00 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	March 8	Presanctified Liturgy	9:00 a.m.
Friday	March 10	2nd Salutations	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	March 12	2nd Sunday of Great Lent	
		St. Gregory Palamas	
		Orthros 9:00 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Friday	March 17	3rd Salutations	7:00 p.m.
Sunday	March 19	3rd Sunday of Great Lent	
		Holy Cross	
		Orthros 9:00 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Wednesday	March 22	Presanctified Liturgy	9:00 a.m.
Friday	March 24	4th Salutations	7:00 p.m.
Saturday	March 25	Annunciation of the Virgin Mary	
		Orthros 9:30 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Sunday	March 26	4th Sunday of Lent	
		St. John Climacus	
		Orthros 9:00 a.m.	Liturgy 10:00 a.m.
Friday	March 31	Akathist Hymn	7:00 p.m.

Λειτουργικό Προγραμμα – Μαρτίου

Παρασκευή	3η Μαρτίου	1ος Χαιρετισμός	7.00 μμ
Σάββατο	4η Μαρτίου	3ο Ψυχοσαββατο	
		Ορθρος 9.30 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Κυριακή	5η Μαρτίου	1η Κυριακή της Νηστείας	
		Της Ορθοδοξίας	
		Ορθρος 9.00 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Τετάρτη	8η Μαρτίου	Λειτουργία Προηγιασμένων	9.00 πμ
Παρασκευή	10η Μαρτίου	2ος Χαιρετισμός	7.00 μμ
Κυριακή	12η Μαρτίου	2α Κυριακή της Νηστείας	
		Άγιος Γρηγόριος ο Παλαμας	
		Ορθρος 9.00 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Παρασκευή	17η Μαρτίου	3ος Χαιρετισμός	7.00 μμ
Κυριακή	19η Μαρτίου	3η Κυριακή της Νηστείας	
		Τίμιος Σταυρός	
		Ορθρος 9.00 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Τετάρτη	22α Μαρτίου	Λειτουργία Προηγιασμένων	9.00 πμ
Παρασκευή	24η Μαρτίου	4ος Χαιρετισμός	7.00 μμ
Σάββατο	25η Μαρτίου	Ευαγγελισμός της Θεοτόκου	
		Ορθρος 9.30 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Κυριακή	26η Μαρτίου	4η Κυριακή της Νηστείας	
		Άγιος Ιωάννης της Κλημακώς	
		Ορθρος 9.00 πμ	Λειτουργία 10.00 πμ
Παρασκευή	31η Μαρτίου	Ακαθιστος Ύμνος	7.00 μμ



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