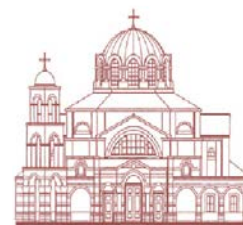




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GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
OF THE ASSUMPTION

Sapphire Dinner Dance

CELEBRATING 65 YEARS OF OUR PARISH

SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2024

HONORING THE PAST,
PRESENT & FUTURE OF OUR
COMMUNITY

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NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

We welcome your contribution of community news and materials to the Church of the Assumption, Port Jefferson, NY, a Greek Orthodox Church Community. Appropriate materials include: 1) texts pertaining to worship and the liturgical year; 2) announcements and schedules of Church ministries and organizations; 3) Greek cultural events; 4) poems, stories, games, essays of a spiritual, faith-based or life-enriching nature; 5) personal congratulatory news of parishioners.

Please forward your materials to the Church Office at goc.assumption@gmail.com or to Effie Marx at fedesignsolutions@gmail.com. All new submissions need to be submitted by the posted due date. Anything submitted past the due date will be printed in the following month's newsletter, if still relevant. Last minute changes, if at all possible, are at the discretion of the editor.

FEBRUARY 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
4 • 15 th Mathew Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am	5 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	6 • Paraklesis 5 pm • Greek School 5 pm	7 • GOYA Vollyball 6 pm	8 • Golden Age Group 12 pm • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	9	10 • St Haralambos Orthros 9 pm • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Wedding 4 pm
11 • 16 th Mathew Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am	12 • Stewardship Meeting 8 pm • Adult Basketball 8 pm	13 • Paraklesis 5 pm • Greek School 5 pm • Parish Council Meeting 7:30 pm	14 • GOYA Vollyball 6 pm	15 • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	16	17
18 • Canaanite Woman Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am	19 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	20	21 • GOYA Vollyball 6 pm	22 • Golden Age Group 12 pm • Badminton 7 pm	23	24 • Baptism 10 am
25 • Publican & Pharisee Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am	26 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	27 • Paraklesis 5 pm • Greek School 5 pm	28 • GOYA 7 pm	29 • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm		

MARCH 2024

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
3 • Prodigal Son Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am • Baptism 1 pm • Basile 6 pm	4 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	5 • Paraklesis 5 pm • Greek School 5 pm	6 • GOYA Vollyball 6 pm	7 • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	8	9 • Saturday of the Souls Orthros 9 pm • Divine Liturgy 10 am
10 • Judgment Sunday Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am • Oratorical Festival 12 pm	11 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	12 • Paraklesis 5 pm • Greek School 5 pm • Parish Council Meeting 7:30 pm	13 • GOYA 7 pm	14 • Golden Age Group 12 pm • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	15	16 • Saturday of the Souls Orthros 9 pm • Divine Liturgy 10 am
17 • Forgiveness Sunday Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am	18 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	19 • Greek School 5 pm	20 • Pre-Sanctified 6 pm • GOYA Vollyball 6 pm	21 • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	22 • Salutations 6 pm • Oratorical 7 pm	23 • Saturday of the Souls Orthros 9 pm • Divine Liturgy 10 am
24 • Sunday of Orthodoxy Orthros 9 am • Divine Liturgy 10 am • Sunday School 10 am • Little Angels 10 am • Loukoumades Sunday	25 • Adult Basketball 8 pm	26 • Greek School 5 pm	27 • Pre-Sanctified 6 pm • GOYA 7 pm	28 • Golden Age Group 12 pm • Bible Study 7 pm • Badminton 7 pm	29 • Salutations 6 pm • Lenten Lecture 7 pm	30

MY BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN CHRIST,

As we have entered a new year, many of us decide that we will change something in our life that will make us a better person. In the life that is dedicated to Jesus Christ, this change is a daily occurrence. It is called “Repentance.” The word in Greek is “Metania” (Μετάνοια). The word literally translates to the act of getting up and turning around. In the Christian sense it means to get up from our sins and turn towards God.

St. John Chrysostom sets out five paths of Repentance that can be very helpful on our journey towards Salvation.

FIRST PATH OF REPENTANCE:

A first path of repentance is the condemnation of your own sins: Be the first to admit your sins and you will be justified. For this reason, too, the prophet wrote: “I said: I will accuse myself of my sins to the Lord, and you forgave the wickedness of my heart.” (Psalm 32) Therefore, you too should condemn your own sins; that will be enough reason for the Lord to forgive you, for a man who condemns his own sins is slower to commit them again. Rouse your conscience to accuse you within your own house, lest it become your accuser before the judgment seat of the Lord.

SECOND PATH: FORGIVENESS

That, then, is one very good path of repentance. Another and no less valuable one is to put out of our minds the harm done us by our enemies, in order to master our anger, and to forgive our fellow servants’ sins against us. Then our own sins against the Lord will be forgiven us. Thus you have another way to atone for sin: For if you forgive your debtors, your heavenly Father will forgive you.

PRAYER & ALMSGIVING

Do you want to know of a third path? It consists of prayer that is fervent, careful and comes from the heart.

If you want to hear of a fourth, I will mention almsgiving, whose power is great and far-reaching.

HUMILITY

If, moreover, a man lives a modest, humble life, that, no less than the other things I have mentioned, takes sin away. Proof of this is the tax-collector who had no good deeds to mention, but offered his humility instead and was relieved of a heavy burden of sins.

Thus I have shown you five paths of repentance; condemnation of your own sins, forgiveness of our neighbor’s sins against us, prayer, almsgiving and humility.

DAILY WALK

Do not be idle, then, but walk daily in all these paths; they are easy, and you cannot plead your poverty. For, though you live out your life amid great need, you can always set aside your wrath, be humble, pray diligently and condemn your own sins; poverty is no hindrance. Poverty is not an obstacle to our carrying out the Lord’s bidding, even when it comes to that path of repentance which involves giving money (almsgiving, I mean). The widow proved that when she put her two mites into the box!

SPIRITUAL HEALTH

Now that we have learned how to heal these wounds of ours, let us apply the cures. Then, when we have regained genuine health, we can approach the holy table with confidence, go gloriously to meet Christ, the king of glory, and attain the eternal blessings through the grace, mercy and kindness of Jesus Christ, our Lord.

St. John Chrysostom’s outline of the five paths of repentance comes from one of his homilies (Hom. De diabolo tentatore 2, 6: PG 49, 263-264).

“St. John Chrysostom sets out five paths of Repentance that can be very helpful on our journey towards Salvation.”

PARISH COUNCIL PRESIDENT MESSAGE

DEAR PARISHIONERS & FRIENDS,

I am happy and honored to be writing to you as your new Parish Council President. Many thanks to the Parish Council for giving me the opportunity to serve as the Parish Council President for the 2024 year. First, I would like to thank our past President, Emmanuel Lilimpakis, for his hard work, dedication and loyalty serving our community.

I would like to welcome all the new families to our Assumption family. We have several ministries, programs and committees, and we would love for you to become an active stakeholder in our parish. Whether it's helping on the altar, signing up for a committee/ministry or even joining our choir!

I am excited to announce that our Beautification Committee has been working toward doing some updating in our Community Center with the installation of new carpet and chairs this winter. Projects take time and money, but we are moving along. We are also aware of the concerns surrounding the dome of the church. We will keep you informed as we continue with this maintenance project and several others in the works.

On Saturday, May 18th our church will be hosting a Sapphire Dinner Banquet celebrating 65 years of parish life. Joining us for the evening celebration, as well as Divine Liturgy on Sunday will be His Grace, Bishop Athenagoras. A formal

invitation will be sent out in March as well as information in our commemorative journal. Gather your friends and family and come celebrate with us! The proceeds of this event will go toward Community Center beautification projects.

The dates for our annual festival will be August 22-25. The Parish Council will be starting the preparations for our festival soon. My hope is to see all of you participate and volunteer in any capacity that you can as we all wish to have another successful festival!

Phase 3 Iconography will hopefully be installed this year once the repairs to the dome are completed and we are able to schedule the Iconographer. Please contact the church office for more information on our Iconography Program as we still have some sponsorship opportunities available.

Finally, I just want you to know that if there is anything that I, Father Lou, and the Parish Council can do to improve our Parish, please do not hesitate to reach out to us. We are here to serve you.

Yours in Christ,

Marisa K. Raptis
Parish Council President

“Many thanks to the Parish Council for giving me the opportunity to serve as the Parish Council President for the 2024 year.”



Great Lent Services
Ακολουθίες των Νηστειών

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
			March 20th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 20 Μαρτίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ		March 22nd Salutations 6pm 22 Μαρτίου Χαιρετισμοί 6μμ	March 23rd Saturday of Souls Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am 23 Μαρτίου Ψυχοσάββατο Όρθρος 9πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ
March 24th Sunday of Orthodoxy Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 10am 24 Μαρτίου Κυριακή της Ορθοδοξίας Όρθρος 8.30πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ	March 25th Annunciation Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am 25 Μαρτίου Ευαγγελισμός Όρθρος 9πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ		March 27th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 27 Μαρτίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ		March 29th Salutations 6pm 29 Μαρτίου Χαιρετισμοί 6μμ	
March 31st St. Gregory Palamas Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 10am 31 Μαρτίου Του Αγίου Παλαμά Όρθρος 8.30πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ			April 3rd Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 3 Απριλίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ		April 5th Salutations 6pm 5 Απριλίου Χαιρετισμοί 6μμ	
April 7th Holy Cross Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 10am 7 Απριλίου Του Τιμίου Σταυρού Όρθρος 8.30πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ			April 10th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 10 Απριλίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ		April 12th Salutations 6pm 12 Απριλίου Χαιρετισμοί 6μμ	
April 14th St. John Climacus Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 10am 14 Απριλίου Του Αγίου Ιωάννου της Κλίμακος Όρθρος 8.30πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ			April 17th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 17 Απριλίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ		April 19th Akathyst Hymn 6pm 19 Απριλίου Ακάθιστος Ύμνος 6μμ	
April 21st Mary of Egypt Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 10am 21 Απριλίου Μαρία της Αιγύπτου Όρθρος 8.30πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ			April 24th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy 6pm 24 Απριλίου Προηγιασμένη δμμ			April 27th Lazarus Saturday Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am 27 Απριλίου Του Αγίου Λαζάρου Όρθρος 9πμ Θεία Λειτουργία 10πμ

HOLY WEEK SERVICES
Ακολουθίες της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT	SUN
28 Palm Sunday Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-12pm Nymphios Service 7pm	29 Nymphios Service 7pm	30 Nymphios Service 7pm	May 1st Holy Unction 3pm Nymphios Service 7pm	May 2nd St. Basil Liturgy Divine Liturgy 6:30am 12 Gospels 7pm	May 3rd Apokathelosis 3pm Epitaphios Service 7pm	May 4th Proti Anastasi Divine Liturgy 10am Resurrection Service 11pm	5 Paschal Liturgy 12am Agape Vespers 11am



PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024

Please Join Fellow Parishioners for a luncheon after
The Divine Liturgy in the community Center.

Menu includes delicious appetizers, salad, fish and rice, and vegetables.
Children's Menu: Gluten Free Pasta

Adults: \$25.00

Children: 6+ up – \$10.00

Children: 5 & under are Free

Please RSVP/ Reserve seating by
Friday, April 19, 2024

Please Contact:

Cynthia Lilimpakis at 516-578-8337 or Email: philoptochospjny@gmail.com

FAITHFUL STEWARDSHIP

FAITHFUL STEWARDS - FEBRUARY 2024

Ms. Eleni Augoustiniatos
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Mr. & Mrs. Salvatore & Elaine DelGigante
Mr. & Mrs. Socrates & Marina Demertzis
Mrs. Violet Dimeck
Mr. & Mrs. Dean & Asimina Fournaris
Mrs. Joanna Galanos
Mr. Yiorgos Hatzispirou
Mr. & Mrs. George Kallas and Candi Rienzie
Mr. & Mrs. Stavros & Evangelia Karakatsanis
Mr. & Mrs. Alexandros & Christy Konstantinidis
Mr. George Kontovrakis
Mrs. Cynthia Lilimpakis
Mr. & Mrs. Christos & Mary Manolakis
Mr. Nick Marcantonatos
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore & Athena Mattas
Mr. Clarence Morris
Mr. Michael Mouschouris
Mr. & Mrs. Richard & Sylvia Mouzakes
Fr. & Pres. Louis & Tammy Nicholas
Mrs. Eugenia Pagonis
Mr. & Mrs. Christos & Marisa Raptis
Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Ioanna Serlis
Mr. & Mrs. Michael & Maria Stampelos-Zanakis
Mr. & Mrs. George & Theophania Stathakos
Mr. Louis Tsunis
Mr. John Thomas Vasiliades
Ms. Kyriaki Volakis
Mr. & Mrs. Konstantinos & Effene Xikis
Mrs. Stella Zachary
Mr. & Mrs. Paul & Aria Zaferiou
Mr. & Mrs. Charalampos & Polikseni Zervos
Mr. & Mrs. William & Stamatia Zoumas



IF YOU PLEDGE NOW

- ◆ You can fulfill your pledge over the next 12 months.
- ◆ A monthly payment will be easier to manage.
- ◆ You can pledge on the Church website: www.kimisis.org
- ◆ You can make recurring payments with a credit card or via online banking.

Stewardship Dec. 31, 2023

226 Stewards
\$39.88/Month - Average
Collected- \$106,962

Stewardship January 18, 2024

32 Stewards
\$40.59 Month - Average
Pledged- \$15,585

2024 Stewardship Goal

300 Stewards
\$50/Month - Average
Total Pledged - \$150,000



Well done
good & faithful
servant

Matthew 25:23



STEWARDSHIP
MINISTRY

ASSUMPTION CHURCH

Presents

ΤΣΙΚΝΟΠΕΜΠΤΗ
(All Meat Thursday)

THURSDAY, MARCH 7TH
6:00 PM





FROM THE GOCA LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS DESK

Ladies Philoptochos would like to give a much needed

“Thank You”

to our community for always supporting our philanthropic endeavors, we are most appreciative that our community is always there to help us fulfill our goals...

WE ARE HOPING TO SEE YOU AT OUR PLANNED EVENTS IN 2024:

Membership Drive

with guest speaker in February or March with Dr. Monica Apostol.

Loukoumades Sunday

March 24, 2024

Tsoureki Sale

details to follow

Palm Sunday Luncheon

April 28, 2024 – details to follow

We are always looking for new faces to join our chapter to promote charitable and humanitarian causes.

With much gratitude, Ladies Philoptochos Chapter #066

**WE ARE TAKING
PRE-ORDERS**



LOUKOUMADES SUNDAY MARCH 24, 2024

Following Church Services

WE ARE TAKING PRE-ORDERS

For more information and how to order, please contact:

Cynthia Lilimpakis (516-578-8337) or by our email philoptochospjny@gmail.com

We will be accepting cash and checks.

You can also pay through [@GOCALADIESPHILOTOCHOS-SOCIETY](http://www.venmo.com)

Small container: \$6.00 • Large container: \$12.00



EASTER TSOUREKI

WE ARE TAKING PRE-ORDERS

The Ladies Philoptochos Society will have Easter Tsoureki available to purchase.

You will be able to pick up your Tsoureki during our Palm Sunday Luncheon on April 28, 2024, in the church community center.

DETAILS TO FOLLOW: HOW TO ORDER SIZES AND PRICES HOW TO PAY

For further information, please contact **Cynthia Lilimpakis 516-578-8337**

THE SUNDAY SCHOOL OF THE ASSUMPTION

INVITES ALL THE CHILDREN OF
THE ASSUMPTION COMMUNITY TO ATTEND:

THE ANNUAL SATURDAY OF LAZARUS BREAKFAST & EASTER EGG HUNT

DATE: SATURDAY, APRIL 27, 2024

TIME: IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

PLACE: COMMUNITY CENTER

Breakfast, Games, Raffles & Lantern Sales

Donations appreciated:

Orange Juice, Cranberry Juice, Apple Juice, Non-Dairy Creamer, Water, Milk,
3 Large Trays of Fresh Fruit Salad, Jell-O, Oreos, any Non-Dairy Treats.

(Please let us know what you can offer)

Please assist us in planning accordingly & R.S.V.P. to:

Dimitra Dimeck @ 451-0570

Email: dimitradimeck@optonline.net

or Jean Xikis @ 732-7976

Email: exikis@gmail.com

Please indicate the number of children & the number of adults that will be attending.

DON'T FORGET YOUR BASKETS!



NATIONAL LITURGICAL MUSIC COMMITTEE

HELLO FROM THE CHOIR CORNER.

I wanted to let you know what is being done on the National level of Church Musicians as we continue in cooperation with the musical institutes at Holy Cross College, the Patriarchate and around the world.

We entertained a lecture by Benedict Sheehan the Music Director of St. Tikhon Seminary and Monastery in Pennsylvania. He is also the guest Conductor of Capela Romana who are principally a professional vocal chant group of Christian traditions of Eastern and Western sacred music.

My role with this group is with archiving as we are urgently working to preserve the music of our founding musicians such as Presvytera Anna Gallos, and many works recovered around the world.

Our living legend Tikey Zes spoke at the National Conference held last July in St. Louis, MO.

We, as a group, sang in the Arch of St. Louis, marking another spectacular venue that we have sung in. We have previously sung at the Grand Old Opry in Nashville, TN, Madison Square Garden, Central Park, Lincoln Center and the Metropolitan Museum of Art which was in connection with the Clergy Liaity Conference held in NYC, 2022.

While entry to this group is chosen from by the national level of our leadership, know that a little local folk, like myself, is working to preserve the works of our forefathers in music.

Thank you for your love and support throughout the year.

Peggy Stilianos

GOLDEN AGE GROUP

HELLO TO ALL. GOLDEN AGE GROUP IS OPEN TO ANYONE 55 AND YOUNGER AT HEART.

Your senior's group has been meeting faithfully two (2) Thursdays per month. This is a social group. We show up for each other in strength of almost thirty (30) people. We meet for Lunch at noon until 2:00pm in the Community Center.

We started in September with me as acting President. The membership ratified my position at our Christmas meeting which was held at the Heritage Diner, in Mount Sinai.

We would like to announce, and congratulate, the extremely talented Cynthia Lilimpakis as our new treasurer.

Our membership usually brings various desserts. The group provides lunch for a small fee. The second Thursday of every month is our birthday celebration, and we have cake for everyone to celebrate the birthdays of the month.

Please feel free to join us. We would love to see you.

Peggy Stilianos

OUR SCHEDULE FOR THE UPCOMING MONTHS IS AS FOLLOWS:

February 8th and 22nd.

March 14th and 28th, which will be a special luncheon featuring the cooking skills of Sophia Theologitis.

April 11th and 25th, which will feature the cooking skills of our wonderful Church Secretary Amy Venieris.

May 9th and 23rd. June 13th, our final meeting.



OUR GOYA MEETS EVERY WEDNESDAY

7:00 pm – 9:00 pm
in social, religious, philanthropic and athletic activities.

We also participate in INTER-GOYA activities which promote fellowship between the youth of neighboring Greek Orthodox communities.

PLEASE JOIN US FOR A
SUPERBOWL SQUARES FUNDRAISER
TO RAISE MONEY AND SUPPORT
PORT JEFF GOYA

Purchase until Feb 10 @ 9pm
for your chance to win!

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[HTTPS://SUPERBOWLPOOLSITE.COM/CONTEST/517799](https://superbowlpoolsite.com/contest/517799)



\$20
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2ND-\$250
3RD-\$250
FINAL SCORE-\$250

Pay by venmo: @portJeff-GOYA, cash or check

Questions? Please email: portjeffgoya@gmail.com



PT JEFF GOYA

Ice Skating

@Rinx Harborfront park, Port Jefferson

WED, FEB 14

6:30-8pm



OPEN TO ALL YOUTH GRADES 7-12TH

Group Admission (10 or more): \$11

Skates Rental: \$7

PAID AT THE DOOR

but MUST RSVP for your spot

by SUN, 2/11

Please text 631-816-1604

HOT COCOA AND COOKIES WILL BE PROVIDED

NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!



JANUARY 24-FEBRUARY 11

♥
Collected items will be distributed by AGAPE MEALS FOR KIDS to school children with food insecurities in the surrounding schools and before their February school break

Requested items:
28oz or 40oz PLASTIC jars of PEANUT BUTTER and 30oz PLASTIC jars of JELLY/SQUEEZEBALL
*PLEASE NO GLASS AND CHECK EXPIRATION DATES

DROP OFF BOX IN CHURCH BREEZEWAY

Monetary Donations for the purchase of these items can be made by cash, check to Port Jeff GOYA or by Venmo @portjeff-GOYA

Good Friday Luminary Fundraiser

Honor the memory of those lost with a LUMINARY to be displayed outside our church on GOOD FRIDAY



ORDER FROM 4/1/24-4/28/24 (PALM SUNDAY)

SUGGESTED DONATION: \$10 for first Luminary and \$5 for each additional one

COPIES OF ORDER FORM can be found in Narthex, in Community Center and on church website www.kimisis.org

PAYMENT: Cash, Check to "Port Jeff GOYA" OR Venmo @PortJeff-GOYA

SUBMIT FOLLOWING ORDER FORM W/ PAYMENT: Place order form with payment in a clearly marked envelope and drop it off in church office OR submit to a Parish Council member by candles or GOYA Advisor after services. Thank you.

-----PLEASE FILL OUT ALL INFO BELOW-----

Name: _____ Phone #: _____

Please list one name per Luminary please.

LUMINARY #1: _____ (\$10)

LUMINARY #2: _____ (\$5)

LUMINARY #3: _____ (\$5)

LUMINARY #4: _____ (\$5)

LUMINARY #5: _____ (\$5)

TOTAL PAID _____
CASH _____
CHECK _____
VENMO _____

QUESTIONS? PLEASE EMAIL
PORTJEFFGOYA@GMAIL.COM

GET READY, GET SET, GO!!!!

**WE ARE PLANNING FOR THE 43RD
OLYMPIC WEEKEND IN MAY AT SUFFOLK
COMMUNITY COLLEGE IN BRENTWOOD,
NEW YORK.**

Please sign up as many athletes as possible.

Please note that this will be the last year for many of the Executive Committee who will be retiring.

The Committee has met and fees have only been increased by five dollars.

Registration will be online and will open February 15, 2024, or as soon as individual Church memberships are received.

The first Vasilopita meeting for Church representatives was January 8, 2024, at 7pm, at Sts. Catherine & George Church, in Astoria, N.Y. Over 22 representatives attended, and the new Committee was well received.

The second meeting will be announced shortly and is expected to take place at the end of February. Church raffles will be available to cover the Church entrance fee.

Hold onto your dollars, as we may be having the lottery tickets again. Tickets are limited. They are five dollars each and are pre-sales only. First come, first served.

We have been watching our GOYA athletes practice, and we encourage our JOY athletes to form teams and get practicing. For those who excel at individual sports, swimming is a tremendous competition and happens Friday nights of the Oympic Weekend.

This year will be very exciting! We hope to see you there.

Sincerely
Kimberly Winton

“I will sing to the Lord all my life”

– PSALM 104:33

OPEN CALL – for singers. We have rehearsals and will be refreshing the upcoming Lenten season and Easter music. We invite you to sing from your pews. We hear some amazing voices in our church. Please don’t be shy because you are the body of the community, and your lovely voices are a blessing to the Heaven, as well as our ears.

We wish our organist Demetrios Moutsiakis a speedy recovery from surgery to correct his spinal curvature. We celebrate Demetrios more importantly, as he was chosen as Choir Member of the Year. He was chosen among 21 other Choir members at our District Choir Conference. Over this winter, we visited Demetrios at St. Charles Rehabilitation in Port Jefferson, and decorated his room. Streamers and Christmas Cards, signed by members of the Community, covered his two walls in the shared room. Demetrios was very grateful for the distraction as he was in the rehab facility for Christmas and New Years.

To all of our snow birds, we wish you safe travels and look forward to your return before Holy Week. We are also doing training for the Aspile and Ke thos Imin for the Friday night Salutations. If you are interested, please see me so that you can participate more spiritually in the preparation for the Resurrection.

See you on Sunday!

Peggy Stilianos

Director



ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT CHOIR

During the weekend of November third, fourth, and fifth of 2023, choir members from Port Jefferson, joined participating choir members from across the Archdiocesan District in a conference held at Kimisis in Island Park.

During the conference we had numerous workshops with instruction on breathing for vocal support, proper care of the aging voice, and keys to sight reading. We also learned the Byzantine Liturgy written by Dawn Helene, who is the Dino Anagnost Artist in Residence at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in New York City. This liturgy was conducted by Hillary Baboukis who is, herself, a very accomplished Soprano vocalist.

During the weekend, we enjoyed a Cabaret Evening where we literally launched the career of Elaina Poulos, who released the song on You Tube on November 9th, which she sang at the Cabaret. Please support this singer of Greek Folk Music, who is a lovely person inside and out! She is also the niece of one of this community's members. Axia Elaina! She now has steady singing gigs at a few restaurants in Astoria. Road trip?

Our Vasilopita meeting had a change of venue from St. Michael's Home for the Aged in Yonkers, to The Hiotis Hall of Holy Trinity Cathedral, New York City, NY. This will be held on Saturday January 27, 2024. We will be voting on the grant that we are offering for choirs. We also will be voting to change the weekend of the conference. Travel to the sponsoring community has become difficult because the New York City marathon is the same weekend.

New officers will be sworn in, who includes yours truly as the new Treasurer. I leave the public relations position in the capable hands of Dawn Helene. Our President remains Costas Tsourakis, Director of the Holy Trinity Cathedral Choir. Our Vice President remains Michael Cofield, Director of the Choir at Assumption Church, New York City. Our Recording Secretary is Fay Pavlides of the St. Paraskevi Shrine Church, Greenlawn, NY. Joanna Bogardus of the Holy Trinity Church, Bridgeport, Connecticut continues as our Webmaster.

Everyone is welcome to come and observe. Any member of the choir is welcome to be a delegate to the conferences and attend the two (2) General Assembly meetings every January and June.

If you are interested, please come and see me. We want to hear you!

In Love of Song.

Peggy Stilianos

RELIGIOUS, EDUCATION, AND CULTURAL MINISTRY

Thank you to Syridoula Kontis from Sunday School who braved the frigid temperatures to help sell pastries at the Dickens Festival weekend 2023.

We sold Kourambiedes and Finikia, along with sweet treats of Baklava, Galaktoboureko, and Ravani. Individually wrapped Spanakopita and Tiropita were also sold. Thank you to those who purchased on the Dickens Weekend.

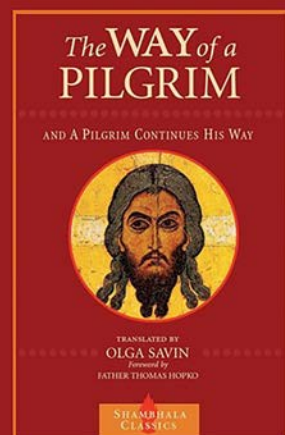
Special thanks to Premier Bakery for their assistance in this fund-raising event for our Ministry.

The next event will be in cooperation with Fr. Lou who is launching the Lenten Book Club series. Watch for the flyer announcing this beautiful spiritual and educational event. It will be held Friday nights after Services throughout Lent.

We look forward to supporting our participants in the upcoming St John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. Please look for the flyer to this event. It is very inspiring to hear our young people express their faith. If you have a teen child or grandchild, please encourage them to write on the topics available for this year.

Thanks for your support.

Peggy Stilianos



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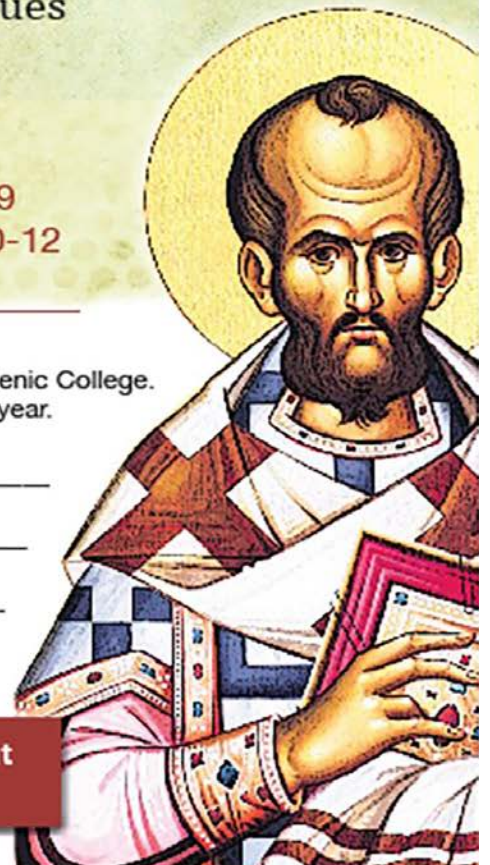
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Parish Chairperson Sophia Kimbouris & Nancy Varthalamis

Contact Information GOC.Assumption@Gmail.com

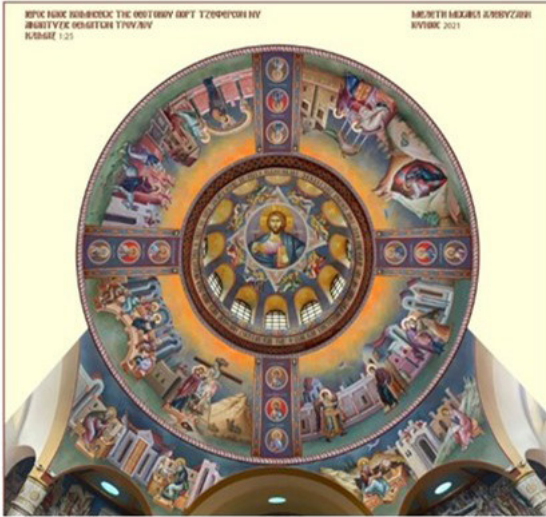
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Find the topics, rules, guidelines, and prize information at www.goarch.org/oratorical



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The Saints above will be placed on the northwest wall outside and above the choir room.

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- Contact: Ray Iasilli @ 516-885-7445 or rayias@icloud.com
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- Show Cars: \$20 Donation Each

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- Registration: \$35 Donation Includes the following:
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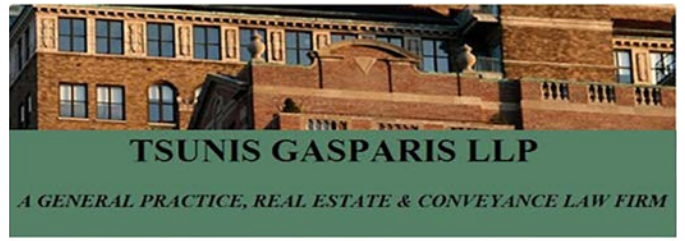


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