



# Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption

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We are blessed by God that you have chosen to worship with us today. Whether you are a member of our spiritual family, or just visiting, it is our hope that your time here will bring you many blessings from God.

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Είμαστε ευλογημένοι από τον Θεό που επιλέξατε να προσκυνήσετε μαζί μας σήμερα. Είτε είστε μέλος της πνευματικής μας οικογένειας είτε απλά επισκέπτεστε, ελπίζουμε ότι ο χρόνος σας εδώ θα σας φέρει πολλές ευλογίες από τον Θεό.

**CHURCH IS NOT  
SOMETHING YOU GO TO,  
IT'S A FAMILY  
YOU BELONG TO.**



December 15, 2024  
11th Sunday of Luke

## Church Bulletin

*\*The deadline to submit an item for the Church bulletin is each Thursday at 3pm. Only Parish-related items please.\**

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Saints of the Day

The Holy Forefathers. St. Eleftherios the Hieronymartyr.  
St. Anthias mother of Eleftherios.

Άγιοι της Ημέρας

Τῶν Ἁγίων Προπατόρων.

Τοῦ Ἁγίου Ἱερομάρτυρος Ἐλευθερίου καί τῆς μητρός αὐτοῦ Ἀνθίας.

# Assumption Church



Next Meeting - January 9th

**12:00pm**

Pangari Duty - 12/15

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Επίτροποι - 12/15

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Σωτήριος Ντελ Γκιργάντε  
Λούι Τσουνης

Memorials

Kaneli Kostakos - 40 days  
John (Ioannis) Parides - 5 years

Μνημόσυνα

Κανέλη Κωστάκος - 40 ημέρες  
Γιάννης Παριδης - 5 χρόνια

## Εισοδικά

### Ἀπολυτίκιον Ἀναστάσιμον

Ἐξ ὕψους κατήλθες ὁ Εὐσπλαγχνος, ταφήν κατεδέξω τριήμερον, ἵνα ἡμᾶς ἐλευθερώσης τῶν παθῶν. Ἡ ζωὴ καὶ ἡ ἀνάστασις ἡμῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

### Τῶν Προπατόρων

Ἰερῶν ποδήρει κατακοσμούμενος, καὶ αἱμάτων τοῖς ρείθροις ἐπισταζόμενος, τῷ Δεσπότη σου Χριστῷ μάκαρ ἀνέδραμες, Ἐλευθέριε σοφέ, καθαιρέτα τοῦ Σατᾶν. Διὸ μὴ πάυση πρεσβεύων, ὑπὲρ τῶν πίστει τιμώντων, τὴν μακαρίαν σου ἄθλησιν.

### Τοῦ Ἀγίου

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### Για Τὰ Μνημόσυνα

Μνήσθητι Κύριε ως αγαθός των δούλων σου καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῳ ἡμαρτων συγχώρησον, οὐδεις γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος εἰ μὴ Σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος καὶ τοὺς μεταστάσει δούναὶ τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

### Τοῦ Ναοῦ

Ἐν τῇ Γεννήσει, τὴν παρθενίαν ἐφύλαξας. Ἐν τῇ Κοιμῆσει, τὸν κόσμον οὐ κατέλιπες Θεοτόκε. Μετέστης πρὸς τὴν ζωὴν, Μήτηρ ὑπάρχουσα τῆς ζωῆς, καὶ ταῖς πρεσβεΐαις ταῖς σαῖς λυτρομένη, ἐκ θανάτου τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν

### Κοντάκιον

Ἡ Παρθένος σήμερον, τὸν προαιώνιον Λόγον, ἐν Σπηλαίῳ ἔρχεται, ἀποτεκεῖν ἀπορρήτως. Χόρευε ἡ οἰκουμένη ἀκουτισθεῖσα, δόξασον μετὰ Ἀγγέλων καὶ τῶν Ποιμένων, βουληθέντα ἐποφθῆναι, Παιδίον νέον, τὸν πρὸ αἰώνων Θεόν.

## Entrance Hymns

### Resurrectional Apolytikion

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and consented to a three-day burial, to free us from the passions. O Lord, our life and resurrection, glory to You!

### For the Forefathers

By faith You justified the Forefathers, having through them betrothed to yourself the Church that came out of the nations. The saints are boasting in glory; for the glorious fruit, the Virgin who without seed gave birth to You, is from their progeny. At their entreaties, O Christ our God, save our souls.

### For the Saint

You were fully adorned with the sacred priestly robes. \* You were dripping with streams of your own martyric blood. \* In this state, you ran to Christ your Master, O blessed Saint \* Eleftherius, destroyer of Satan; you are wise. \* Therefore cease not interceding \* for us who loyally honor \* your blessed contest of martyrdom.

### For The Memorials

Keep Thy servant in remembrance, O Lord, since Thou art good; and do Thou forgive every sin in this life; for no man is without sin, except for Thee Who art able to grant rest even unto those who have departed hence.

### Apolytikion of the Parish

In birth, you preserved your virginity; in death, you did not abandon the world, O Theotokos. As mother of life, you departed to the source of life, delivering our souls from death by your intercessions.

### Kontakion

On this day the Virgin Maid \* goes to the grotto to give birth \* to the pre-eternal Word \* in an ineffable manner. \* Dance for joy, all the inhabited earth, on hearing. \* Glorify along with Angels and with the shepherds \* Him who willed that He appear as \* a newborn Child, \* the pre-eternal God.

## Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

### Β' Τιμ 1:8 – 18

Τέκνον Τιμόθεε, μὴ ἐπαισχυνθῆς τὸ μαρτύριον τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν μηδὲ ἐμὲ τὸν δέσμιον αὐτοῦ, ἀλλὰ συγκακοπάθησον τῷ εὐαγγελίῳ κατὰ δύναμιν Θεοῦ, τοῦ σώσαντος ἡμᾶς καὶ καλέσαντος κλήσει ἁγία, οὐ κατὰ τὰ ἔργα ἡμῶν, ἀλλὰ κατ' ἰδίαν πρόθεσιν καὶ χάριν, τὴν δοθεῖσαν ἡμῖν ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ πρὸ χρόνων αἰωνίων, φανερωθεῖσαν δὲ νῦν διὰ τῆς ἐπιφανείας τοῦ σωτῆρος ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καταργήσαντος μὲν τὸν θάνατον, φωτίσαντος δὲ ζωὴν καὶ ἀφθαρσίαν διὰ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, εἰς ὃ ἐτέθη ἐγὼ κήρυξ καὶ ἀπόστολος καὶ διδάσκαλος ἐθνῶν. δι' ἣν αἰτίαν καὶ ταῦτα πάσχω, ἀλλ' οὐκ ἐπαισχύνομαι· οἶδα γὰρ ὃ πεπίστευκα, καὶ πέπεισμαι ὅτι δυνατός ἐστι τὴν παραθήκη μου φυλάξαι εἰς ἐκείνην τὴν ἡμέραν. ὑποτύπωσιν ἔχε ὑγιαινόντων λόγων ὧν παρ' ἐμοῦ ἦκουσας, ἐν πίστει καὶ ἀγάπῃ τῇ ἐν Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ· τὴν καλὴν παραθήκη φύλαξον διὰ Πνεύματος Ἁγίου τοῦ ἐνοικοῦντος ἐν ἡμῖν. Οἶδας τοῦτο, ὅτι ἀπεστράφησάν με πάντες οἱ ἐν τῇ Ἀσίᾳ, ὧν ἐστι Φύγελλος καὶ Ἑρμογένης. δῶν ἔλεος ὁ Κύριος τῷ Ὀνησιφόρου οἴκῳ, ὅτι πολλάκις με ἀνέψυξε καὶ τὴν ἄλυσίν μου οὐκ ἐπαισχύνθη, ἀλλὰ γενόμενος ἐν Ῥώμῃ σπουδαιότερον ἐζήτησέ με καὶ εὔρε· δῶν αὐτῷ ὁ Κύριος εὔρεῖν ἔλεος παρὰ Κυρίου ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ἡμέρᾳ· καὶ ὅσα ἐν Ἐφέσῳ διηκόνησε, βέλτιον σὺ γινώσκεις.

## THE EPISTLE

### 2 Tim. 1:8 – 18

Timothy, my son, do not be ashamed of testifying to our Lord, nor of me his prisoner, but share in suffering for the gospel in the power of God, who saved us and called us with a holy calling, not in virtue of our works but in virtue of his own purpose and the grace which he gave us in Christ Jesus ages ago, and now has manifested through the appearing of our Savior Christ Jesus, who abolished death and brought life and immortality to light through the gospel. For this gospel I was appointed a preacher and apostle and teacher, and therefore I suffer as I do. But I am not ashamed, for I know whom I have believed, and I am sure that he is able to guard until that Day what has been entrusted to me. Follow the pattern of the sound words which you have heard from me, in the faith and love which are in Christ Jesus; guard the truth that has been entrusted to you by the Holy Spirit who dwells within us. You are aware that all who are in Asia turned away from me, and among them Phygelus and Hermogenes. May the Lord grant mercy to the household of Onesiphorus, for he often refreshed me; he was not ashamed of my chains, but when he arrived in Rome he searched for me eagerly and found me — may the Lord grant him to find mercy from the Lord on that Day — and you well know all the service he rendered at Ephesus.

## ΤΟ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

Λκ 14:16 – 24

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος τὴν παραβολὴν ταύτην· Ἄνθρωπός τις ἐποίησε δεῖπνον μέγα καὶ ἐκάλεσε πολλούς· καὶ ἀπέστειλε τὸν δοῦλον αὐτοῦ τῇ ὥρᾳ τοῦ δείπνου εἰπεῖν τοῖς κεκλημένοις· Ἔρχεσθε, ὅτι ἤδη ἔτοιμά ἐστι πάντα. καὶ ἤρξαντο ἀπὸ μιᾶς παραιτεῖσθαι πάντες. ὁ πρῶτος εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀγρὸν ἠγόρασα, καὶ ἔχω ἀνάγκην ἐξελθεῖν καὶ ἰδεῖν αὐτόν· ἐρωτῶ σε, ἔχε με παρητημένον. καὶ ἕτερος εἶπε· ζεύγη βοῶν ἠγόρασα πέντε, καὶ πορεύομαι δοκιμάσαι αὐτά· ἐρωτῶ σε, ἔχε με παρητημένον. καὶ ἕτερος εἶπε· γυναῖκα ἔγημα, καὶ διὰ τοῦτο οὐ δύναμαι ἐλθεῖν. καὶ παραγενόμενος ὁ δοῦλος ἐκεῖνος ἀπήγγειλε τῷ κυρίῳ αὐτοῦ ταῦτα. τότε ὀργισθεὶς ὁ οἰκοδεσπότης εἶπε τῷ δούλῳ αὐτοῦ· Ἐξελθε ταχέως εἰς τὰς πλατείας καὶ ῥύμας τῆς πόλεως, καὶ τοὺς πτωχοὺς καὶ ἀναπήρους καὶ χωλοὺς καὶ τυφλοὺς εἰσάγαγε ὧδε. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ δοῦλος· κύριε, γέγονεν ὡς ἐπέταξας, καὶ ἔτι τόπος ἐστί. καὶ εἶπεν ὁ κύριος πρὸς τὸν δοῦλον· Ἐξελθε εἰς τὰς ὁδοὺς καὶ φραγμοὺς καὶ ἀνάγκασσον εἰσελθεῖν, ἵνα γεμισθῇ ὁ οἶκος μου. λέγω γὰρ ὑμῖν ὅτι οὐδεὶς τῶν ἀνδρῶν ἐκεῖνων τῶν κεκλημένων γεύσεται μου τοῦ δείπνου. Πολλοὶ γὰρ εἰσι κλητοί, ὀλίγοι δὲ ἐκλεκτοί.

## THE GOSPEL

Lk. 14:16 – 24

The Lord said this parable: “A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; and at the time of the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, ‘Come; for all is now ready.’ But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, ‘I have bought a field, and I go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I must go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.’ And another said, ‘I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.’ So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, ‘Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed and blind and lame.’ And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and there is still room.’ And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet. For many are called, but few are chosen.”

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226 Stewards	202 Stewards	300 Stewards
\$39.88/Month - Average	\$37.93 Month - Average	\$50/Month - Average
Collected- \$106,962	Pledged- \$91,593	Total Pledged - \$150,000



*"How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" Psalm 133:1*

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**MARCH 1ST 2025**



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**INVITATIONS AND DETAILS TO  
FOLLOW!**

**Save the Date**

Parish Division Date: Wednesday, March 5, 2025

Presentations 7:00pm

Participant Registration Begins January 2025

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**2025**

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[gocath.org/oratorical](http://gocath.org/oratorical)



The Oratorical Festival provides a platform where Greek Orthodox youth from grades 7-12 present speeches discussing the Faith and the Church. Finalists from parish level will continue to district level and then national level.

Skin Care Lecture  
With  
Dr. Monica Apostol



Save the Date  
March 16, 2025

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Father Demetrios**

**Calogredes**

**Anniversary Jubilee**

Celebrating 50 Years of his ordination  
into the Priesthood

**November 22, 2025**

Join the Sunday

School for our

# Nativity Program on December 22

After The divine liturgy  
Everyone is welcome!



Pancake  
breakfast will  
be served after  
the program





*The Ladies Philoptochos Society of the Church of the Assumption*

*Will hold its' annual Vasilopita Bread Sale.*

*Vasilopita Bread with a "Good Fortune Coin"*

*For the New Year of 2025*

*Sale Price is 30.00*

*We will be taking orders until Sunday, December 20, 2024, and the*

*Vasilopita orders can be picked up on Sunday, December 29, 2024*

*in the breezeway of the Church.*

**THERE IS NO COFFEE HOUR THAT SUNDAY - PICK UP YOUR ORDER ONLY!!**

*To place an order, please contact Ladies Philoptochos*

*Email at: [philoptochospjny@gmail.com](mailto:philoptochospjny@gmail.com) or contact*

*Cynthia Lilimpakis @ 516-578-8337.*

*We accept cash, check and VENMO*

*If you would like to place an order and pay through VENMO, please go to our  
VENMO account; @GOCALADIESPHILOPTOCHOS-SOCIETY*





ARCHDIOCESAN DISTRICT PHILOPTOCHOS

# Diaper & Blanket



Drive to benefit *The Floating Hospital*  
Nov. 15, 2024 - Jan. 15, 2025



REPORT the number of  
Diapers & Blankets to:  
Christine Balidis  
914.602.8900  
christine.balidis@gmail.com  
OR  
Despina Kartson  
C: 917-603-7854  
E: dkartson@gmail.com  
by Jan.15.2025



We will NOT be able to know which members and chapters donated UNLESS YOU REPORT it to us.

All items purchased from the AMAZON WISHLIST will be shipped directly to The Floating Hospital.

[https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2FO75FB7A92Y7?ref\\_=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/2FO75FB7A92Y7?ref_=wl_share)





On behalf of the officers of AHEPA  
Port Jefferson Chapter 319,  
we wish you a

*Merry  
Christmas!*

Best Wishes,

*George Kallas, President, Paul Zaferiou, Vice President,  
Cristian Apostol, Secretary, Michael Kontonicolas, Treasurer*

**Our Mission:**

To promote the ancient Hellenic ideals of education, philanthropy,  
civic responsibility, family and individual excellence through  
community service and volunteerism.

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# Order of AHEPA District 6 New York 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Hellenic History Tournament



**Saturday March 15<sup>th</sup>, 2025** Registration at 10AM, Competition begins at 11AM

**Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church**  
196-10 Northern Blvd., Flushing, NY 11358

Jeopardy-like competition for teams of three students *from* grades 8-12  
Questions from the book *"Hellenika: Heritage and History"* by Peter Limber

**Win \$4,500 in cash prizes**

First and Second place teams invited to compete for \$10,500 at the International Hellenic History  
Tournament on **July 24, 2025** at Walt Disney World Coronado Springs Resort.

**REGISTRATION DEADLINE 2/15/2025**

**Enter TODAY at [AHEPAD6.COM/HHT](http://AHEPAD6.COM/HHT)**

**GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE  
ASSUMPTION - PORT JEFFERSON**

Presents



**DOORS OPEN AT 8:00PM**

ADULTS \$100 SENIORS \$75  
STUDENTS (13-20YRS. OLD) \$50  
CHILDREN 12 & UNDER FREE

HORS D'OEUVRES, BUFFET DINNER, DESSERTS, DJ,  
PHOTO BOOTH, VASILOPITA & CHAMPAGNE TOAST

Assumption Community Center  
430 Sheep Pasture Road, Port Jefferson, NY 11777  
631-473-0894 - [GOC.Assumption@Gmail.com](mailto:GOC.Assumption@Gmail.com)

# December

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15 11th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 10am Little Angels 10am Book Store 12pm-1pm Volleyball 1pm	16 Men's Basketball 8pm	17 Paraklesis 5pm Greek School 5pm	18 GOYA 7pm	19 Badminton 7pm	20	21
22 Sunday Before Nativity Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Sunday School 10am Little Angels 10am Sunday School Christmas Pageant 11:30am Book Store 12pm-1pm Volleyball 1pm	23 Men's Basketball 8pm	24 Christmas Eve Service 6pm	25	26 Badminton 7pm	27	28 YAL Volleyball 2pm
29 Sunday After Nativity Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Book Store 12pm-1pm Volleyball 1pm	30 Men's Basketball 8pm	31 New Years Eve Gala 8pm	1 St. Basil Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am	2 Badminton 7pm	3	4
5 Sunday Before Epiphany Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 10:00am Book Store 12pm-1pm Volleyball 1pm	6 Epiphany Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am  Men's Basketball 8pm	7 St. John Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am	8	9 Golden Age Group 12pm  Badminton 7pm	10	11

### Memorials, Artoclasies, etc.

Please call the Church office to schedule a memorial service, Artoclasia service, or a Fanouropita blessing.

### Memorial Coffee Hours

To reserve a coffee hour, please contact our Philoptochos President, Cynthia Lilimpakis, at 516-578-8337.

### Church Appointments

If you need to plan an event (Baptism, Wedding, etc.), please call the Church office at 631-473-0894.

### Baby Blessings

If you wish to schedule an 8-day baby naming blessing in your home or a 40-day blessing, please contact the Church office.