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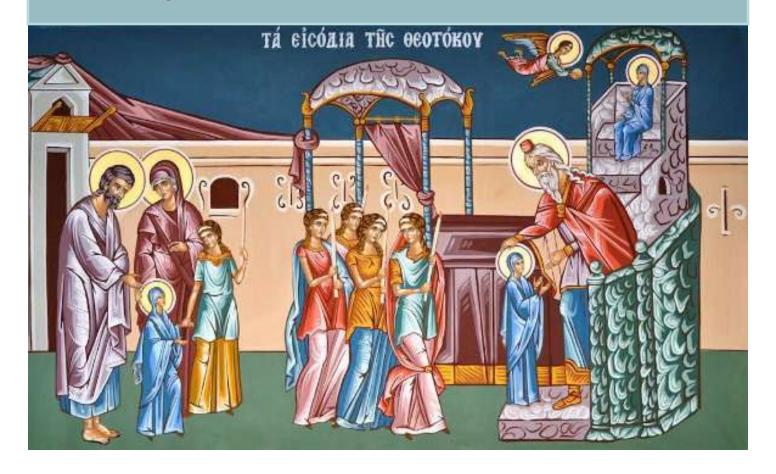
Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption

INVITES YOU TO

The Great Vespers of

The Entrance of the Theotokos

Sunday, November 20, 2022 - 7pm



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE ASSUMPTION

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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 Marisa Raptis at mrcollegeadvising@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.

> "A rich man is not one who has much, but one who gives much. For what he gives away remains his forever." -St. John Chrysostom

CHURCH CALENDAR

November 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	2	3 Badminton 7pm-9pm	4	5 Wedding 3pm-4pm
6 7th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am General Assembly 12pm-1pm Wedding 1pm-2pm	7 Basketball 8pm-10pm	8 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm-9:30pm	9 St. Nektarios Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:00am	10 Badminton 7pm-9pm	11 Youth Movie Night 6pm	12 Baptism 11am-12pm
13 8th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am Wedding 3pm-4pm	14 Basketball 8pm-10pm	15 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	16	17 Badminton 7pm-9pm	18	19 Wedding 10am-11am
20 9th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am Godparent Sunday Great Vespers 7pm	21 Theotokos/Entrance Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:00am Basketball 8pm-10pm	22 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	23	24 Badminton 7pm-9pm	25	26
27 13th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am	28 Basketball 8pm-10pm	29 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	30 Eucheleon 7pm-8pm			

December 2022

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1 Badminton 7pm-9pm	2 Wedding 2pm-3pm	3 Baptism 10am-11am
4 10th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am	5 Basketball 8pm-10pm	6 St. Nicholas Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:00am Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	7 Christmas Tree Lighting 6pm-8pm	8 Badminton 7pm-9pm	9	10
11 11th Sunday of Luke Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am	12 Basketball 8pm-10pm	13 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm Parish Council Meeting 7:30pm-9:30pm	14	15 Badminton 7pm-9pm	16	17
18 Sunday before Nativity Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am SS Christmas Pageant	19 Basketball 8pm-10pm	20 Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	21	22 Badminton 7pm-9pm	23	24
25 Christmas Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:30am	26 Basketball 8pm-10pm	27 St. Stephen Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am-11:00am Greek School 5pm-8pm Paraklesis 6pm-7pm	28	29 Badminton 7pm-9pm	30	31 Christmas Eve 6pm-8pm

Pastoral Message - Rev. Economos Louis Nicholas, Proestamenos

Today is the prelude of God's good pleasure, and the proclamation of humanity's salvation. In the temple of God, the Virgin is presented openly, and in herself she announces Christ to all. Let us, then, with a great voice cry aloud to her: "Rejoice, you are the fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation." - Apolytikion of the Feast

Greetings,

I pray you are well. As we exit the sunny days of the Summer season, we enter into the breathtaking views of Autumn, and as we get closer to the holiday season, we experience another entrance—the entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple.

This entrance is a precursor to the entrance of Christ into the world. As reflected in the Church services for the feast, the Panaghia is the bridge that connects the Old Testament with the New Testament. The main theme of the feast of Mary's entrance to the Temple, repeated many times in the liturgical services, is the fact that she enters the Temple to become, herself, the living temple of God, thus inaugurating the New Testament in which are fulfilled the prophecies of old that "the dwelling of God is with man" and that the human person is the sole proper dwelling place of the Divine Presence.

Today is the preview of the good will of God, of the preaching of the salvation of mankind. The Virgin appears in the temple of God, in anticipation proclaiming Christ to all. Let us rejoice and sing to her: Rejoice, O Divine Fulfillment of the Creator's dispensation (Troparion).

Once again on this feast, the Old Testament readings are interpreted as symbols of the Mother of God. This "glory of the Lord" is referred to the Mother of Christ and it "fills" her and all people after her who "hear the word of God and keep it" as the Gospel of the festal liturgy proclaims.

Thus, the feast of the Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple is the feast which celebrates the end of the physical temple in Jerusalem as the dwelling place of God. When the child Mary enters the temple, the time of the temple comes to an end and the "preview of the goodwill of God" is shown forth. On this feast we celebrate—in the person of Christ's mother—that we too are the house and tabernacle of the Lord.

"... We are the temple of the living God, as God said, 'I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people," (2 Cor 6.16; Is 52.11).

May the Panaghia be with you all.

Blessings,

Fr. Lou

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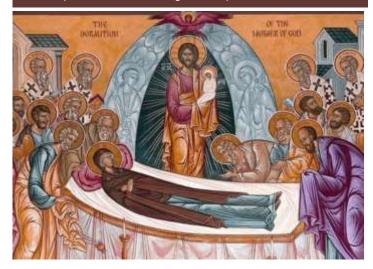
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Message from the Parish Council President - Emmanuel Lilimpakis

I would like to begin by thanking all of the volunteers who came out to help us during the festival this year, including all of the organizations, Parish Council organizing members, parishioners and supporters. We had a large turnout of volunteers, and that is success!! Our 2022 festival was one of the best and the great weather helped!!! Also, I want to thank all of the individuals and businesses that sold and purchased our raffles tickets a with good results. Again, we see the positive results of the community uniting and working together for the benefit of our Church. Our efforts indicate that when we all work together, the result will only be positive!

We are so thankful to God for all of you.

Also, our Church still needs everyone's support, even after the festival is over. As followers of the Greek Orthodox faith, attending liturgy each week is a spiritual and uplifting event for us. I am hoping to see everyone in Church as often as possible.

Moreover, I would like to remind you of Phase 3 of our Iconography Project. Inside this issue of Limani, you will find all of the details for you to commission one of these beautiful icons to beautify our church.

Finally, I would like to welcome our new and returning students to Greek School. I wish them all a successful school year!

I hope you have a beautiful Thanksgiving, a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Respectfully,

Emmanuel Lilimpakis, GOCA Parish Council President Θα ήθελα να ξεκινήσω ευχαριστώντας όλους τους εθελοντές που ήρθαν να βοηθήσουν την εκκλησία μας κατά τη διάρκεια του φεστιβάλ φέτος, μαζί με όλες τις οργανώσεις, οργανωτικά μέλη του ενοριακού συμβουλίου, ενορίτες και υποστηρικτές. Είχαμε αρκετά μεγάλη προσέλευση εθελοντών κι αυτό σημαίνει επιτυχία!! Αυτή ήταν μια από τις καλύτερες χρονιές και η καλοκαιρία μας βοήθησε πάρα πολύ. Επίσης, θέλω να ευχαριστήσω όλα τα άτομα και τις επιχειρήσεις που προωθήσανε τις αγορές και πωλήσεις των λαχνών μας και φέτος. Σαν αποτέλεσμα, η οι προσπάθειές μας θεωρούνται επιτυγείς. Και πάλι βλέπουμε τα θετικά αποτελέσματα της ένωσης και της συνεργασίας της κοινότητας προς το όφελος της Εκκλησίας μας. Ήταν μια καλή ένδειξη ότι όταν δουλεύουμε όλοι μαζί το αποτέλεσμα είναι μόνο θετικό! Είμαστε τόσο ευγνώμονες στον Θεό για όλους εσάς.

Επίσης, η Εκκλησία μας εξακολουθεί να χρειάζεται τη στήριξη όλων ακόμη και μετά το τέλος του φεστιβάλ. Ως ακόλουθοι της Ελληνικής Ορθόδοξης πίστης, η παρακολούθηση της λειτουργίας εβδομαδιαίως μας είναι ένα πνευματικό και εμψυχωτικό γεγονός. Εύχομαι να βλέπω όλα τα μέλη μας στην Εκκλησία όσο πιο συχνά γίνεται.

Επιπλέον, θα ήθελα να υπενθυμίσω σε σας την Τρίτη Φάση του Εικονογραφικού Έργου μας. Μέσα σε αυτό το τεύχος του Limani, θα βρείτε όλες τις λεπτομέρειες για να διαλέξετε την εικόνα της επιθυμίας σας.

Τέλος θα ήθελα να καλωσορίσω τους καινούργιους και τρέχοντες μαθητές στο Ελληνικό Σχολείο. Τους εύχομαι όλους μία πετυχημένη σχολική χρονιά!

Ελπίζω να έχετε μια όμορφη Ημέρα των Ευχαριστιών. χαρούμενα Χριστούγεννα και ευτυχισμένο το νέο έτος.

Με σεβασμό,

Εμμανουήλ Λιλιμπάκης, Πρόεδρος Ενοριακού Συμβουλίου

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Stewardship as of December 31, 2021

238 Stewards

\$36.37/Month - Average Collected - \$103.875 Stewardship as of October 16th 2022

217 Stewards \$39.70/Month - Average Pledged - \$103,312 2022 Stewardship Goal

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

PHILOPTOCHOS

Dear Ladies of the Assumption Church,

The Greek Orthodox community of the Assumption Ladies Philoptochos Society is the dynamic philanthropic arm of our parish helping the poor, sick elderly, disabled, veterans and others in our community, country, and across the world. We respond in a timely, effective way when disaster strikes, whether in our city, state, the United States, Greece, or a remote part of the world.

The Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption Ladies Philoptochos is blessed that many of the ladies in our parish are due-paying adults. We count on the contributions of our loyal members, who devote their time, talents, and resources to enable our chapter to help those in need. In addition to fundraising events, such as the annual Loukoumades Sale, the Vasilopita and Tsoureki Bread Sales, the Epiphany, and Palm Sunday Luncheons, we do hands-on charitable work, such as the One Warm Coat Drive and the Turkey Drive for the Harry Chapin Food Foundation. Over the past years, our chapter donated funds to families in need, supported local charities, responded to national and international organizations that the National and District Philoptochos mandate. A list of charities our chapter has supported in 2019-2021 can be requested at any time and will be posted on the bulletin board.

To be effective, we need the active support and participation of all ladies of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption parish. Please join us as we continue to put our faith into action through our community. We welcome your participation in Philoptochos, no matter how much time you can commit. Members can bake goods at home, serve coffee after church during our scheduled Sundays, work on the day of a fundraising event, give a monetary gift, or help with the collection of items needed for fundraisers.

September 2022 is the beginning for the Philoptochos year until June 2023. Please join us as an existing member or join as a new member. We look forward to an active year. Your ideas and participation are valued and always welcomed. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 631 905 9989 or email me at philoptochospjny@gmail.com.

Yours in Christ,

Janet Trohalaki, President

Go to <u>www.philoptochos.org</u> to view the National Philoptochos Society.

CULTURAL COMMITTEE

Welcome back!

We have such a wonderful calendar of events to look forward to.

First, the Dickens Festival, held the first weekend of every December, will require volunteers to assist with packaging and sales of cookies, pastries, cheese and spinach pies for sale at the Port Skating Center. The bonus is that you'll have an opportunity to tour the two floors where numerous displays of differently decorated Christmas trees are. Additionally, you will be front and center for performances by various musical and vocal groups within the center. We are hoping to have our traditional place at the entrance doors. Please come by and purchase some goodies to take home.

We then anticipate the St. John Oratorical Festival for our youth. Besides supporting the individuals, we award icons to the students who give testimony to their own understandings of the teachings of the Church.

We look forward to seeing you and having the love and joy of your support for all activities in our community.

Respectfully, Peggy Stilianos (Frampton)



Coffee Hour News
To Our Fellow GOC Assumption Parishioners

Would you like to sponsor a Coffee Hour for a loved one's special occasion?

Please see one of the Philoptochos Ladies for details.

Name: _		 	 	
Date:		 	 	
Occasion	1:			



Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption Ladies
Philoptochos Society



Church of the Assumption Port Jefferson, New York Ladies Philoptochos

One Warm Coat Drive Charitable Event

Donations may be dropped off in the One Warm Coat Drive box located in the Church Memorial Hallway

Ladies Philoptochos Society Turkey Drive



Turkey Collection ONLY on November 17th from 8am-1:00pm

Money donations accepted: Sunday Coffee Hours from
October 16 until November 13 2022
At the church office during regular hours until November 15 2022.
For more information please call Janet at 631 905 9989.
All turkey donation will be given to Long Island Cares Chaplin Food Bank

HOPE/JOY MINISTRY



Coming Soon: September Registration

For 5–12 year-olds!

Date: Wednesdays Time: 6pm-7pm Come join the fun! We can't wait to see you! Call the office to register.

LITTLE ANGELS



For Children: Ages 6 Months to 4 Years Old Tuition: \$15

Advisors/Teachers: Lisa Theofilia DelBorrello, Maria Rodolico, Anastasia Rondo

Meets every Sunday on the 2nd floor of the Community Center.

10:15 am to 11:00 am followed by Communion during the Divine Liturgy.

GOLDEN AGE



The Golden Age Group meets twice every month on Thursdays.

There is always a delicious meal, amazing friends, good conversation, singing and a fun time for everyone.

Tell all of your friends.

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James Foy

CHOIR

"Sing and make music from your heart to the Lord." We pray for the continued health of all of our group, including Paraskevi Rontiris, Elaine DelGigante, Dr. Dennis Galanakis, and Dr. Demetrius Moutsiakis.

We welcome new members and have rehearsal time on scheduled Saturdays to help with new music.

Many of you have noticed the new Cherubic Hymn and have received it favorably. Thank you. We will continue to introduce new pieces to enhance the liturgical worship experience.

We would like to continue the celebrations of the faith with the participation of voices from our congregation. Please feel free to join in as you become familiar with the hymns.

We invite you to join and experience the District Level of music from other composers and to take opportunities to sing at other churches with National Level Greek Orthodox Church musicians.

Thank you for your support,

Peggy Stilianos



Archdiocesan District Federation of Greek Orthodox Musicians

Our name has changed from the Direct Archdiocesan District. Our federation logo is being changed to reflect a "symphony" with the other districts of North America. The interior of the circle will reflect the federation itself and the exterior will reflect the name of the various districts.

This summer, New York had the awesome responsibility of hosting the National Forum Annual Meeting at the same time that the country celebrated 100 years of the Archdiocese of America and the Consecration of the St. Nicholas National Shrine.

The Clergy Laity Conference was held at the Marriott Marquis Hotel in New York City. The July 3rd Hierarchical Divine Liturgy was celebrated with numerous bishops and archbishops from around the world. The Centennial History Exhibit at the Marriott listed every church in the United States from the time of its cornerstone dedication as well as every archbishop that has shepherded us to these days.

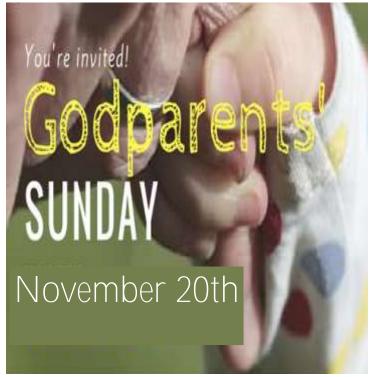
The Centennial Concert: From Byzantium to America took place at the Metropolitan Museum of Art. Representatives of every district across America participated. The Byzantine Chant Choir also performed. We were praised by His Eminence and our conductor, Costas Tsourakis, received a beautiful icon that evening.

Our District Conference is scheduled for October 28th to the 30th. Holy Trinity Cathedral NYC will host our rehearsals and workshops and site the liturgy. We will be singing the liturgy music written by Dr. Theodore Bogdanos. Our present Spiritual Advisor, Fr. John Vlahos, will be joining our former Spiritual Advisor, Very Reverend Archimandrite Chrysostomos Gilbert, newly named Dean of the Cathedral.

Our parish of the Assumption Port Jefferson is a charter member of the Archdiocesan District of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians. Our conferences give us the opportunity to learn and perform the music of our great liturgical composers. We thank you for your great support throughout the year.

Peggy Stilianos

Sunday School





10 REASONS to bring your child to Sunday School

While sleeping late can be nice, have you considered the benefits of Sunday School attendance for your child? Here are 10 reasons to make it a priority in your family:

- **1. Age-Targeted Teaching**: Where else can your kids get Biblical instruction that is focused toward their developmental abilities?
- **2. Friends:** Your child will build positive friendships with their peers by discovering God's Word together.
- **3. It's Fun**: We may not be Disneyland, but our teachers do work hard to teach the Bible in ways that are relevant and fun for kids.
- **4. Spiritual Mentors**: A dedicated teacher can be a Christian role model who supports you and helps inspire faith in your child.
- **5. Systematic Bible Learning:** Our curriculum is designed to give a broad foundation, so children will understand how all the parts of Scripture point to Christ.
- **6. Praying Teachers**: Our teachers consistently pray for your child's faith to grow. Coming to Sunday School gives another occasion for God to answer those requests.
- **7. Big Reward for a Small Investment**: If you're already coming to church, just come a little earlier. That one change will equal over 800 hours of additional Christian teaching before your child graduates.
- **8. Send the Right Message**: Making Sunday School a priority shows your kids that God's Word really does matter more than pillow-time.
- **9. Adult Bible Fellowship**: While the children enjoy their class, you can fellowship with other adults in your own Bible study group.
- **10. You'll Be On Time**: Families who come to Sunday School always get to worship on time. It's the easiest way to avoid being late.

Contact:

Dimitra Dimeck <u>dimitradimeck@optonline.net</u> or Jean Xikis <u>exikis@gmail.com</u>

GOYA YOUTH

THANK YOU to all of our GOYAns and GOYA graduates who volunteered at our festival this year. We could not have done it without you.

On September 14th, Fr. Lou kicked off our year with a bonfire discussion about the Holy Cross and everyone enjoyed some Chick-Fil-A.

On October 22nd, we had an amazing comedy night with Gus Constantellis. It was a huge success! Thank you to all of you who supported this event.

We look forward to an exciting year filled with amazing events for our GOYAns. We look forward to seeing you all there.

SOME UPCOMING EVENTS:

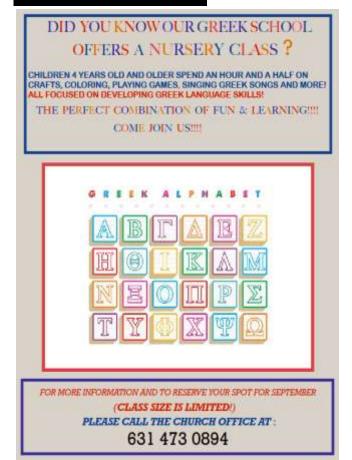
Sunday, November 6th - GOYA Sunday
Saturday, November 12th - Visit All Saints Monastery
Wednesday, November 16th - Friendsgiving
Wednesday, November 30th - Decorate Christmas Tree
Sunday, December 4th - GOYA Sunday
Wednesday, December 7th - Church Tree Lighting
Wednesday, December 14th - GOYA Christmas Event
Saturday, January 21st - Midnight Run

NEW MEMBERS and NEW IDEAS are always welcome!





GREEK SCHOOL



GREEK SCHOOL PTO



Greek School PTO Meal Plan Fundraiser

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Altar Boy Retreat







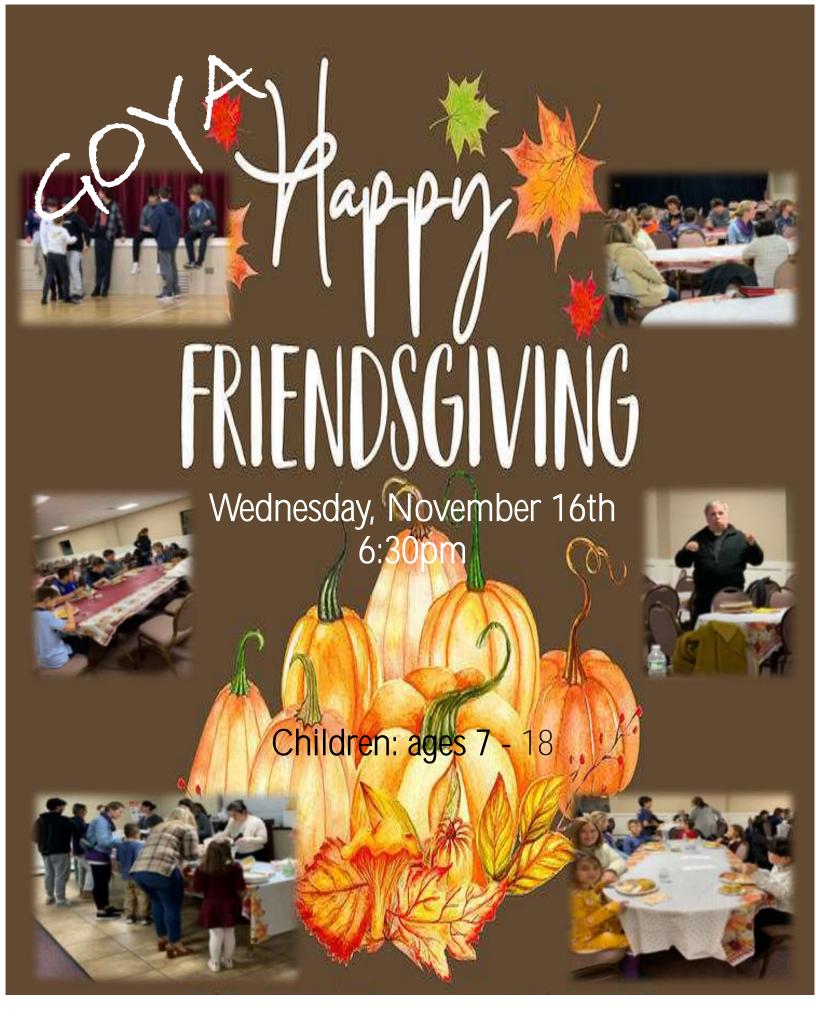


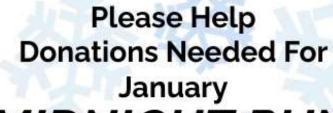


On Friday, October 28th until Sunday, October 30th, three of our altar boys, Jeffrey Smith, Christopher Boulier, and Emmanuel Katsamanis, attended a weekend retreat in Boston. On Friday evening, after checking into the hotel, they had dinner at Bertucci's just outside of Boston. After dinner, the boys introduced themselves and told their funniest altar story.

The next day the boys woke up early and had breakfast at the Friendly Toast Restaurant near the hotel. After breakfast, they went to the city of Boston and toured the area around Faneuil Hall. After their tour of Boston, they arrived at Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology (the seminary) where they were greeted by the school's chaplain, professors, and seminarians. They participated in several discussions regarding the church and more specifically, their role as altar boys. They ended the evening with Vespers and dinner at the school. Sunday morning they served the Divine Liturgy, had breakfast, and headed home.

All of our boys learned a lot and had a great time. I look forward to next year's trip.





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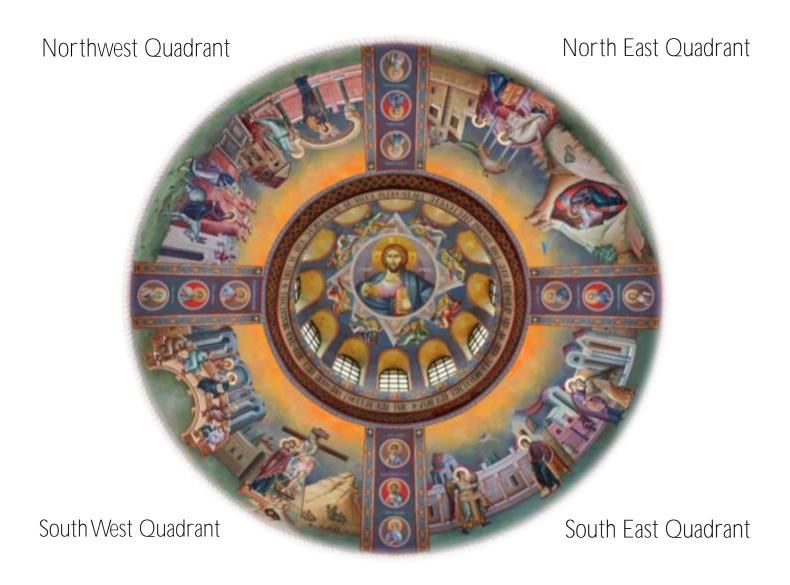
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Iconography Project Phase III



Front of the Church

The Dome

The Life of Jesus and Mary (Η Ζωή του Χρίστου και της Μαρίας)

The final phase of the dome iconography will depict several scenes from the life of Jesus Christ where the Virgin Mary is present. As we worship in this space, everything in our beautifully-adorned temple brings all of our senses to Heaven. With this theme, which completes the dome, we will be able to visually participate in the life of Christ and His relationship with His mother.

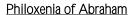
As a community dedicated to the Panaghia, it is absolutely befitting to have these scenes of Christ's life be a part of our magnificent dome. This final phase of the dome iconography project will stand as a testament to this community's dedication and commitment to a life in Christ, and our love for His mother, the Panaghia.

All net proceeds of the Phase 3 Iconography Project will support the Building Fund of the Assumption Church of Port Jefferson, NY

The Archangels (Η Άγιοι Αρχάγγελοι)

This addition to phase 3 of our iconography project places six Archangels at the entrance of our temple guarding this Holy space. As we worship we can be confident that, through His angels, God is always protecting us. As we exit the Church we are reminded that we are also protected in the world.

Donation for each Archangel is \$7,000.00



This icon, which will be placed above the main entrance of the church, reminds us that all people are welcome, and that we have a responsibility as Orthodox Christians to always offer hospitality to friends and strangers alike.

Donation for this Icon has been committed





Family Martyrs (Οικογένειες Μάρτυρες)

On the rear walls of the church, directly above the choir room and bride room, will be depicted several family martyr Saints. These family martyr Saints will be an example to this spiritual family of the dedication, sacrifice, and love we must have for God.



Sts. Nicholas, Rafael, & Irene Donation \$15,000.00



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If you would like to donate one of these icons for the beautification of our church, please contact the church office or Fr. Lou.

The iconographer has begun working in his studio in Greece. We plan to have the icons installed in the winter and early spring of 2023.

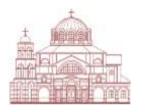
We look forward to seeing our church adorned with this new iconography.



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General Assembly - Sunday November 6th, 12pm

October 15, 2022

Dear Parishioners.

On Sunday, November 6, 2022 at 12:00 pm the General Assembly of our Parish will take place in our Community Center. We invite all stewards in good standing to be present at this very important assembly. Only stewards in good standing* may vote at the General Assembly.

<u>Agenda</u>

- 1 Opening Prayer
- 2 Election of Assembly Secretary and Chairperson
- 3 Reading and Approval of Minutes (General Assembly of May 15, 2022)
- 4 Priest's Report
- 5 President's Report
- 6 Treasurer's Report Presentation of Budget.
- 7 Festival 2022 Report
- 8 Organizations & Committee Reports
- 9 Nomination of an Elections Committee Chairperson
- 10 Nominations for Auditing Committee
- 11 Maintenance Report
- 12 Nominations for Parish Council Members
- 13 Old Business
- 14 New Business
- 15 Closing Prayer

Please make every effort to attend this assembly. Sign-in with the parish council when you enter the Community Center. We thank you in advance for all of your support.

- *A member in good standing is a person, eighteen years of age or older, who was baptized according to the rites of the Eastern Orthodox Church, or was received into the Orthodox Church through the sacrament of Chrismation, ... and fulfills his or her financial obligations or Stewardship defined by the "Fair Share Stewardship Program" of the Church of the Assumption in Port Jefferson."
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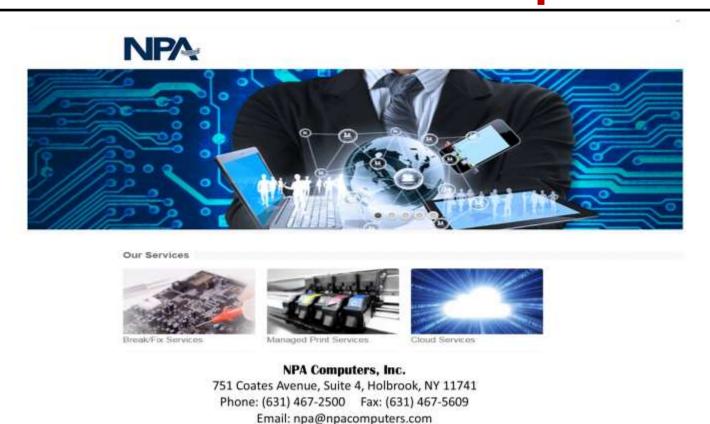
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