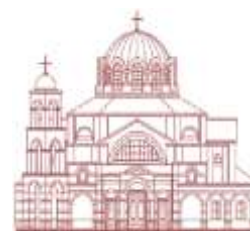




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## NEWSLETTER INFORMATION

We welcome your contribution of community news and materials to the Church of the Assumption, Port Jefferson, NY. 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](mailto:goc.assumption@gmail.com) or to Marisa Raptis at [mrcollegeadvising@gmail.com](mailto: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.

## November 2023

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1 GOYA Volleyball 7pm  AHEPA 8pm	2  Badminton 7pm	3	4 Nisiotiko Glendi 6:30pm
5 Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am Sunday School 10am Little Angels 10am	6  Adult Basketball 8pm	7 Greek School 5pm Paraklesis 5pm	8  GOYA 7pm	9 St. Nektarios Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am Golden Age Group 12pm Badminton 7pm	10	11  Philoptochos Paint & Sip 12pm
12 Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am Sunday School 10am Little Angels 10am Blood Drive 9am Baptism 3:30pm	13  Adult Basketball 8pm	14 Greek School 5pm Paraklesis 5pm PTO 5:30pm PC Meeting 7:30pm	15 Friendsgiving 7pm	16  Philoptochos Turkey Drive 12pm	17	18
19 Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am Sunday School 10am Little Angels 10am Baptism 1pm	20  Adult Basketball 8pm	21 Theotokos Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am Greek School 5pm Paraklesis 5pm	22  GOYA Volleyball 7pm	23	24  Wedding 2pm	25 St. Catherine Orthros 9am Divine Liturgy 10am
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# CHURCH CALENDAR



VISIT [WWW.KIMISIS.ORG](http://WWW.KIMISIS.ORG) TO VIEW THE CHURCH CALENDAR



*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 dispensa-*

*tion (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: 1s 52.11).*

May the Panaghia be with you all.

Blessings,

Fr. Lou



## MESSAGE FROM THE FESTIVAL CHAIRPERSON - GEORGE VOULGARAKIS

Dear fellow parishioners,

On behalf of Fr. Lou, the Parish Council, our festival co-chair, Stavros Karakatsanis, and the entire Festival Committee, I would like to thank all of you who participated in our annual Greek Festival.

Whether you were part of the many months of preparations, or you assisted in the festival in any way, it helped make this year's festival a huge success.

I also would like to thank all of you who sold and purchased over 3,400 tickets this year. Congratulations to all of our winners.

I can truly say that the Assumption Church of Port Jefferson has the best festival and raffle anywhere. The reason for this is the incredible effort and contributions of our parishioners.

I have been involved with this festival for decades and I have the pleasure to chair the festival several times.

Again I would like to express how grateful I am to God for this amazing community. I look forward to another great festival and raffle next summer.

Respectfully,

George Voulgourakis



The poster for Camp Saint Paul Winter Camp features a light blue background with white snowflake graphics. At the top left, the text "camp saint paul" is in a bold, sans-serif font, with "Winter Camp" in a cursive script below it. The dates "JANUARY 12TH - 15TH 2024" and the location "ST. METHODIOS FAITH AND HERITAGE CENTER CONTOCOOK, NH" are listed. On the right, a photo shows two young men in orange shirts and winter hats. At the bottom left, a group photo of campers in pink hats is shown. On the bottom right, text for the "GOYA RETREAT AGES 13 - 18" with a tuition of \$425 is provided, along with registration information and contact details.

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## CHOIR CORNER

Thank you Fr. Lou and all of you who welcomed us back.

On October 1st we celebrated Church Musician Sunday. We thank everyone who contributed to the collection basket that was passed in Church. All donations assist the National Forum of Church Musicians who are so very generous with their resources, reference writings of liturgical music, and samples for our liturgy books.

This year we will celebrate the 15th anniversary of my appointment as Director to this Church by the District Federation President at the time.

It is with deep gratitude to this Community that I say Kali Arhi!

Peggy Stilianos

## DISTRICT CHOIR

Hotel reservations are in place and area rehearsals are underway for the historic District Church Musicians Conference and Liturgy taking place November 3rd, 4th and 5th this year. Archbishop Elpidoforos is scheduled to preside over the Divine Liturgy assisted by Fr. George Kazoulis. Hillary Baboukis will be guest conducting the liturgy written by Dawn Helene. Ms. Helene is the current Artist in Residence at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, New York, NY. The host parish is the Greek Orthodox Church of the Panagia, on Newport Road, Island Park.

At the conference, business meetings will be held Friday evening where we expect that President, Costas Tsourakis, Vice President, Michael Cofield, Secretary, Fay Pavlidis, Youth Liaison, Alyson Spina, Chanter Liaison, Eleftherios Chasanidis, Webmaster, Joanna Bogardus, and Area Representative, Barbara Karis Downey will be re-elected. Peggy Stilianos is on the slate to replace Dawn Helene as Treasurer. Ms. Helene has been appointed by His Eminence to coordinate the District wide music component which is being added to the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical competition.

Fr. John Vlahos is slated to be the key note speaker for this Conference speaking on our theme, "Spiritual Food". Dawn Helene will be hosting a workshop, "The

Art of Composing and Arranging." Dr. Alex Lingas of Capella Romana fame will be hosting another workshop on, "Performance and Practice of Liturgical Music in the Church."

The Church Music Institute will be led by Fotini Downey Robinson, on the subject of females chanting in the church.

July 14 to 16, I attended the National Forum of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians Annual Conference held at the St. Nicholas Parish, St. Louis, Missouri. One of the first orders of business was that we all went to see the Great Arch which is a state landmark. Back at Church, President Costas, Vice President Michael and I had a very educational time as the conference was held in conjunction with the first ever Liturgical Music Composers Forum. Byzantine music experts were on premises to critique the submissions of over 14 composers. Tone and Mode were topics of great concern and a number of pieces were not approved for presentation in church. While beautiful, they were deemed performance pieces, not suitable for liturgy. After a full day of work, we were treated to a performance of West Side Story at The Muny (which is an outdoor theatre).

Liturgy was hosted by Fr. Michael Arbanas and attended by The Very Reverend Fr. Chrysostomos Gilbert, Archdeacon Vasilios Smith, Fr. Jon Magoulas (in town while on his retirement tour), His Eminence Metropolitan Savas of Pittsburgh, and His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago. The combined choir was conducted by National President Nicholas Chimitris. The luncheon after was a lovely event. AXIOS to the entire parish.

Peggy Stilianos.



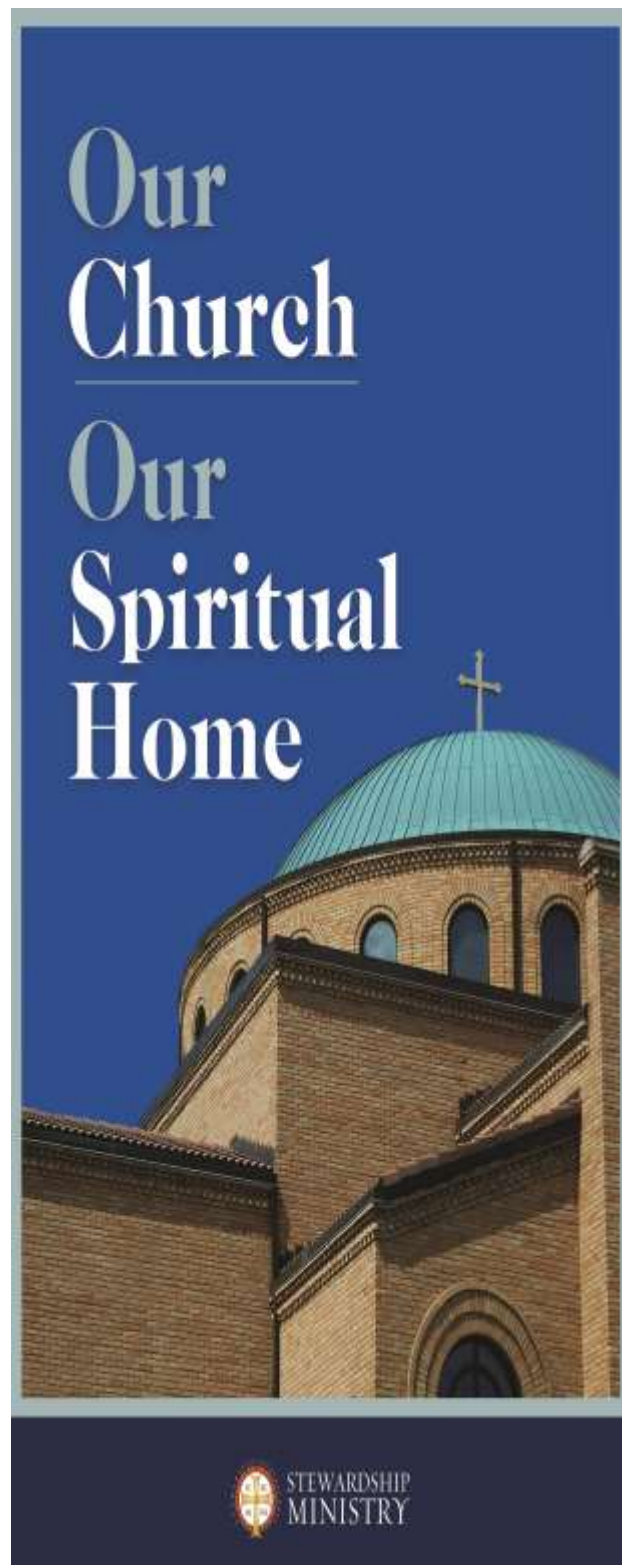


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226 Stewards  
 \$39.88/Month - Average  
 Collected- \$106,962

#### Stewardship October, 2023

204 Stewards  
 \$40.58 Month - Average  
 Pledged- \$979,340

#### 2023 Stewardship Goal

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



# SUNDAY SCHOOL



## Our Mission

*The Sunday School of the Assumption is dedicated toward teaching our children their Orthodox faith, as well as the Orthodox Christian way of life.*

Sunday Catechism School accepts children  
from ages 4 -14.  
Grades Pre-Kindergarten – 8<sup>th</sup> Grade

Our students will learn Prayers, Hymns, study Holy Days and Feast Days as well as develop a better understanding of the Divine Liturgy, its meaning and its symbols. Our students will learn compassion, charity by collecting donations for the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Missions & other philanthropic works.

Sunday Catechism School hours are from  
10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Children will then attend the Divine Liturgy with their class and Fr. Lou will give his “Children’s Sermonette.” The Children will receive Holy Communion and then be released to their parents to enjoy the remainder of the Divine Liturgy together.

Our “Koliva Making Workshop” & “Prosphoron Making Workshop” are a fun, hands on interactive way of teaching the children the importance of these offerings, while they learn & prepare them with their own hands.

(Registration will continue on Sundays till the end of October)

## Some of our Activities Include

Thanksgiving Day Craft, Christmas Craft, Christmas Show/Program & Holiday Breakfast Fundraiser (if we have enough participants), God Parent Sunday, Icon or Cross Project, Sunday of Orthodoxy children’s Icon Procession, Saturday of Lazarus Breakfast & Easter Egg Hunt, Mother’s Day Craft, Prosphoron Workshop, Koliva Workshop, and Graduation and Moving Up Ceremony

We look forward to teaching your children their Orthodox Faith

## 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.

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## SUNDAY SCHOOL CALENDAR

Sunday, November 12th and 19th:  
Lesson and Thanksgiving Craft

Sunday, November 26th – No Sunday School Classes  
Thanksgiving Weekend. Family Church Day

Sunday, December 3rd - Lesson  
Christmas Craft & Christmas Program Rehearsal

Sunday, December 10th  
Lesson and Christmas Program Rehearsal

Friday, December 15th - Mandatory Christmas Program:  
Rehearsal 5:00-8:00pm. In the Community Center.  
(Holiday breakfast prep, pizza and salad will be served)

Sunday, December 17th  
Christmas Breakfast, Program, & Fundraiser.

Sunday, December 24th - No Sunday School Classes.  
Christmas Break & Family Church Day.

Sunday, January 31st - No Sunday School Classes.  
Christmas Break & Family Church Day.

Sunday, February 4th - Godparent Sunday  
Spring Raffle Sales

Sunday, March 10 & 17th  
Lesson & Sunday of Orthodoxy craft.

Sunday, March 24th – Sunday of Orthodoxy Procession

Sunday, April 20th – Lesson and Easter Craft

Saturday, April 27th  
Saturday of Lazarus Communion Breakfast and Easter  
Egg Hunt.  
Spring Raffle Drawing.

Sunday May 5 – Easter Sunday – No SS Classes  
Family Church Day

Sunday, May 21st  
Sunday School Graduation and Moving up Ceremony



## GREEK REGENTS CLASS

Our Greek School regents class had 100% success in the Comprehensive Examination in Modern Greek - Checkpoint B - LOTE exam.

Congratulations to our 2022-2023 regents' class for their outstanding achievement!



Student Names : (from left to right) - Athena Lioudakis, George Venieris, Nikoleta Lucas, Katerina Botonakis, Evangelos Vroulos, Alexandros Manolis







1ST DAY OF CLASSES  
AND REGISTRATION  
SEPTEMBER 12

GREEK SCHOOL OF THE ASSUMPTION  
PORT JEFFERSON, NY

TUESDAYS 5-8PM

LEVELS: 4YRS -6TH GRADE  
GREEK REGENTS PREP



[Greekschoolassumption@gmail.com](mailto:Greekschoolassumption@gmail.com)



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# Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption

## Greek School Academic Calendar

2023-2024

Sep 2023						
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Sep 12 First Day of Classes  
Agiasmos

Oct 2023						
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Oct 24 OXI DAY

Oct 10 PTO Meeting

Oct 31 NO CLASSES

Nov 2023						
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Nov 14 (EARLY DISMISSAL)

5:00-6:30pm Class

6:30-8pm Professional Development

Nov 14 PTO Meeting

Nov 21 Progress Reports

Dec 2023						
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Dec 12 PTO Meeting

Dec 19 Christmas Celebration

Dec 26 Winter Recess  
NO CLASSES

Jan 2024						
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Jan 2 Vasilopita

Jan 9 PTO Meeting

Jan 23 Three Hierarchs & Greek Letters  
Report Cards

Jan 30 (EARLY DISMISSAL)

5:00-6:30pm Class

6:30-8pm Professional Development

Feb 2024						
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Feb 13 PTO Meeting

Feb 20 Mid-Winter Recess

NO CLASSES

Mar 2024						
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Mar 12 PTO Meeting

Mar 19 Greek Independence Day  
Program

Apr 2024						
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Apr 9 PTO Meeting

Apr 23 Spring Recess  
NO CLASSES

Apr 30 Holy Tuesday

5:00-6:30 Class

6:30-7:30pm Church

May 2024						
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May 14 PTO Meeting

May 21 Last Day of Classes  
Final Report Cards

May 28 Graduation & Awards  
Ceremony

REGULAR CLASSES IN LIGHT BLUE

SPECIAL EVENTS IN DARK BLUE

NO CLASSES IN RED

PTO MEETINGS IN GREEN



# Meet your Greek School PTO

Anastasia Rondo - Rosenberberg - President

Evangelos Fishon - Vice President

Sophia Brandon - Treasurer

Andrea Spaniolas - Secretary

SUPPORTING OUR STUDENTS EDUCATION

ΕΝΩΣΙΣ



## MEETING DATES

**October 10th**

**November 14th**

**December 10th**

**January 9th**

**February 13th**

**March 12th**

**April 9th**

**May 14th**

**Proverbs 22:6 "Train a child in the way he should go; even when he is old he will not depart from it" (ESV)**





# Little Angels

Children Ages 6 Months- 4 Years Old

Enrolling Now for 2023-2024 School Year  
Tuition: \$15

\*Our little Angels will learn the routine of Sunday School & going to church.

\*Meet New Friends.

\*Read Books, Play Games, Crafts & MORE!

Meets during Sunday School from 10AM-11AM  
Upstairs in Community Center

Advisors:

Lisa Theofilia DelBorrello, Jessica Athanasiou, Maria Rodolico



# GOCOA PLAYSCHOOL/PRESCHOOL LITTLE ANGELS REGISTRATION FORM

430 Sheep Pasture Road, Port Jefferson, NY 11777

Telephone: 631 473 0894

Fax: 631 928 5131

Email: [goc.assumption@gmail.com](mailto:goc.assumption@gmail.com)



For Children Ages 6 Month to Four Years Old

Tuition: \$15 Cash

Advisors/Teacher: Lisa Theofilia DelBorrello and Jessica Athanasiou

Open to members in good standing of the Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption

**CONVENES ON SUNDAY WHEN SUNDAY SCHOOL IS IN SESSION**

**2<sup>nd</sup> FLOOR OF THE COMMUNITY CENTER.**

10:15 am to 11:00 am followed by Communion during Liturgy services

Child's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Nickname: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City/State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mother's Cell \_\_\_\_\_ Father's Cell \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_ Male/Female: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Baptism if known: \_\_\_\_\_ Name Day Date if known: \_\_\_\_\_

Pediatrician's Name & Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Persons (Other than Parent) to be contacted in case of Emergency:

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Relationship to child: \_\_\_\_\_

Medical conditions, allergies, disabilities or any special needs:

Parents may drop off older children, but are encouraged to attend and participate in activities with their children due to their young ages. Parents of babies must stay and enjoy the camaraderie.

CONSENT: I, (Print Name) \_\_\_\_\_, HEREBY CERTIFY MY CHILD IS IN GOOD HEALTH AND PHYSICAL CONDITION, AND WILL NOT HOLD LIABLE THE CHURCH OR ITS REPRESENTATIVES IN ANY WAY FOR MY CHILD'S WELL-BEING.

I give permission for my child to be photographed for the purposes of use on the Church Website, classroom memorabilia/crafts and private Church Facebook groups. I permit the school to administer minimal first aid if necessary or call 911 in the event of an emergency. I also consent to allowing my child to be photographed for use but not limited to the private social media pages and written media of our church.

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**All Covid safety & cleaning precautions and protocols are in place; Sanitizing stations are place in each classroom, the loft & Library**





# HOPE & JOY

Please join us for our first activity

**Wednesday October 18<sup>th</sup> 6pm-7pm**

**AGES 5 -11**

**Bring a pumpkin to carve and decorate**

**All materials will be provided but the pumpkin**

For questions, please contact Sophia Kimboursis by email or phone

[pjhopeandjoy@gmail.com](mailto:pjhopeandjoy@gmail.com) or 508-667-2998







# HOPE & JOY REGISTRATION FORM

Parent or Guardian's Names: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ N.Y. \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

\*E-mail addresses (required): \_\_\_\_\_

*\* Please write clearly*

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Child's Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: (    ) \_\_\_\_\_

Does your child have any medical conditions or special needs that we should be made aware of? If so, please explain: \_\_\_\_\_

*Medical Release:*

*In the event of sudden illness, injury or emergency, I authorize the HOPE/JOY board/advisors to administer first aid/or secure medical care if necessary, during a HOPE/JOY function. This includes medical care and treatment by a first aid station, physician or hospital.*

Parent/Guardian Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

**Please check one or more of the following areas that you can help:**

Asst. at Meetings (    ) Mailings, Phone Calls/e-mails ( ) Crafts ( )

**FORM OF COMMUNICATION WILL BE EMAIL & CELL**

[pjhopeandjoy@gmail.com](mailto:pjhopeandjoy@gmail.com) Or Sophia Kimbouris 508-667-2998

REGISTRATION FEE: \$20 per child

Paid: \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Check Number \_\_\_\_\_

Please make checks payable to Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption.

Reference HOPE/JOY in memo

If you want to Register by mail, send Form to: HOPE/JOY of Assumption Church.  
430 Sheep Pasture Rd. Port Jefferson, NY 11777



Our BONFIRE and SMORES Registration event was held on Wed, Sept 13<sup>th</sup>. Registration (grades 7-12<sup>th</sup>) will be ongoing

For more info please email:

[portjeffgoya@gmail.com](mailto:portjeffgoya@gmail.com)

New members and new ideas are always WELCOME!

COME JOIN US!!

Some of our **GOYA events** this year ....



**Friday, 10/27/23** Dinner and  
DEEPWELL HAUNTED MANSION



**Friday, 11/10/23**  
STONYBROOK vs ST JOSEPH'S



**Fri 1/12-Mon 1/15/24**  
CAMP ST PAUL WINTER CAMP in CONTOCOOK, NH



**February 2024-INTERGOYA Ski Trip**



**Sat 4/13/24-NYC TRIP to 9/11 Memorial  
and St Nicholas Shrine**

And some of other events/activities:

InterGoya Events, Outings, Fundraisers and Community Outreach,  
Oratorical Festival, Retreats, Volleyball, Greek Archdiocesan Olympics  
and much more...



# GOYA ELECTIONS



## 2023/2024 GOYA OFFICERS

New GOYA Officers Left to Right: John Prakas, Advisor, Elpida Botonakis, President, Tia Lucas, Vice President, Nicholas Cadieux, Advisor, Jeffrey Smith, Secretary, Arys Spanos, Treasurer, Niko Gasparis, Advisor, Elizabeth Cadieux, Advisor.



The season to

# GIVE

## BLOOD DRIVE

Greek Orthodox  
Church of the Assumption

Organized by GOYA

Sunday, November 12<sup>th</sup>

9:00am – 3:00pm

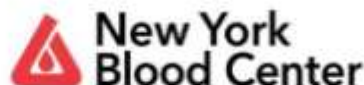
430 Sheep Pasture Road

Port Jefferson

Appointments preferred – Please scan the QR code above  
or call 1-800-933-2566 or visit [www.nybc.org](http://www.nybc.org)



Appointments are preferred however walk-ins will be welcomed if space permits. Please remember to eat, drink, and bring your ID with your name and photo. Visit [nybc.org/coronavirus](http://nybc.org/coronavirus) for complete COVID-19 safety protocols.



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**COMMUNITY  
OUTREACH**

**SPORTS and  
GREEK OLYMPICS**

# GOYA

**TRIPS AND  
SOCIAL EVENTS**

**RETREATS**

**& MORE!**

**come have fun and make new friends !**

**WE INVITE ALL YOUTH GRADES  
7-12TH TO JOIN US!**

**REGULAR MEETINGS 2ND AND 4TH WEDNESDAYS 7-8:30PM**

**VOLLEYBALL 1ST AND 3RD WEDNESDAYS 7-9PM**

**Registration and volleyball signups  
CONTINUE FOR THE MONTH OF OCTOBER!**

**For more info please email: [portjeffgoya@gmail.com](mailto:portjeffgoya@gmail.com)  
or text 631-816-1604**

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# **Greek Orthodox Youth Association**

**Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption, Port Jefferson, NY**

## **MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

MEMBERSHIP DUES ARE **\$30 PER CHILD**, PER YEAR AND MUST ACCOMPANY THIS APPLICATION. Make checks payable to: **PORT JEFF GOYA** or by VENMO: **@PortJeff-GOYA**. \*Also please submit copy of baptismal certificate\*

### **PLEASE PRINT AND FILL OUT ALL INFORMATION**

NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
LAST FIRST

STREET \_\_\_\_\_

CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE # (HOME) \_\_\_\_\_ (CELL) \_\_\_\_\_

GOYAN'S EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTH DATE \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ PRESENT AGE \_\_\_\_\_ PRESENT GRADE \_\_\_\_\_

SCHOOL ATTENDING (NAME/CITY) \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK# (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

FATHER'S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER/GUARDIAN'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ WORK# (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

MOTHER'S EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_ CELL PHONE (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

I, \_\_\_\_\_ consent and allow the GOCA GOYA program to use, publish and copyright my image, picture, portrait or likeness and voice recorded in any format at Greek Orthodox Youth Association (GOYA) functions. I understand the use of my image or voice will be used in the context in which it was taken without alterations, modifications, derivations. I understand that my image MAY be used for a GOYA video, and/or for use in publications, The Orthodox Observer, the Hellenic Times, the GOCA GOYA facebook page, for advertising and similar such promotions and renditions throughout the world. I have received no consideration for this release.

YOUTH SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_



# GOLDEN AGE GROUP

Welcome Back!

We had such a wonderful time at the end of the year luncheon sponsored by a golden friend of the group, John Tsunis.

Over twenty five of us attended the Holiday Inn Express in Stony Brook for a buffet lunch with a two tiered cake donated by Helen Constas.

We had the chance to thank and celebrate our valuable members, Nikolaos Ladeas and his wife, Georgia whose dedicated service for the last two years helped the group continue after Covid.

We also commend Gus Kapasakis and his wife, Chrissy, for the excellent cooking and salads which sustained the membership for many years.

God bless Helen Klissas, who, year after year, tirelessly helped sustain the group by assisting members with transportation, as well as shopping for the luncheon and donating many supplies.

Our first meeting will be September 28th, where we will schedule elections for the second October meeting.

If you are interested in helping, or if you would like to keep minutes as a Secretary, please see Helen or Peggy before the meeting.

Peggy Stilianos



# PHILOPTOCHOS

Ladies Philoptochos wants 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 goal.

Since this is a new ecclesiastical year, we do have some exciting events coming up. A fun filled “Welcome Back Movie Night” for our children was rescheduled to October...stay tuned for more detailed information.

We are having a “ONE WARM COAT DRIVE,” that is running until mid-October. A box was placed in the community center. We also have planned an informative seminar on Alzheimer’s Awareness on Thursday, October 19, 2023, at 7pm in our community center. We have planned an exciting “Paint and Sip” afternoon fundraiser on Saturday, November 11, 2023, 1:00pm to 4:00pm in our community center. Come and create your own personal masterpiece!

We are hoping to see you at our planned events from 2023 to 2024, and we are always looking for new faces to join our chapter to promote charitable and humanitarian causes.

With Much Gratitude,  
Ladies Philoptochos Chapter #066



October 19, 2023 = Community Center = Guest Speaker (Alzheimer’s Awareness)

November/2023 = Church Tray = Ecumenical Patriarchate Fund

November 11, 2023 = Community Center = Little Paint Brush Strokes Event 1:00Pm- 4:00PM  
\*(Prepare on November 10, 2023 for event)

November 16, 2023 = Kitchen = Turkey Drive

November 26, 2023 = NO COFFEE HOUR

December 24, 2023 – December 31, 2023 = Breezeway = Vasilopita Sale (question: since we thought it best not to have coffee hour on holiday Sunday’s, e.g., “Christmas Eve” and New Years Eve” when to deliver orders? Coffee Hour??)

January 7, 2024 = Epiphany Luncheon = Community Center = have to check with Fr. Lou about this date!  
\*(Prepare on January 6th for Luncheon)

February/ 2024

March 24, 2024 = Community Center = Loukoumades Sunday = (have to check the date on this, could be in February)

April/2024 = Community Center = Tsourekia Sales Delivery Date/ Palm Sunday April 24, 2024

April 28, 2024 = Community Center = Palm Sunday Luncheon  
\*(Prepare on April 23 for Luncheon)

April/2024 = Church = Tray for Easter Flowers for Epitafio

May 5, 2024 = Easter NO COFFEE HOUR

May 26, 2024 = NO COFFEE HOUR

June 30, 2024 = Community Center = Last Coffee Hour



A Halloween-themed movie night poster. The background is dark blue with silhouettes of bare trees and a full moon. A decorative black frame with ornate scrollwork surrounds the text. Piles of popcorn are at the top and bottom corners. A ghost and a jack-o'-lantern are on the left and right sides respectively. The text is centered and reads: "YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT", "Indoor movie night Hosted by:", "GOC of The Assumption Ladies Philoptochos", "NO FEE", "ALL YOUTH WELCOMED", "DC League of Super-Pets", "Friday, October 27, 2023", "5pm-9pm", "Popcorn, pizza, and drinks will be served", "Please dress as your FAVORITE super hero", "and bring a blanket", "Any questions please contact us at:", "philoptochospjny@gmail.com".

# YOUTH MOVIE NIGHT

Indoor movie night Hosted by:  
GOC of The Assumption Ladies Philoptochos

NO FEE

ALL YOUTH WELCOMED

DC League of Super-Pets

Friday, October 27, 2023

5pm-9pm

Popcorn, pizza, and drinks will be served  
Please dress as your FAVORITE super hero  
and bring a blanket

Any questions please contact us at:  
[philoptochospjny@gmail.com](mailto:philoptochospjny@gmail.com)



# The Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption Ladies Philoptochos

Invites you to a Paint and Sip

November 11, 2023

1pm-4pm

at

430 Sheep Pasture Road

Port Jefferson, NY 11777

\$55.00 person

Due to limited seating, prepayment is required by October 28th, 2023.

Payments can be made by cash, check or by Venmo@GOCALADIESPHILOPTOCHOS-SOCIETY

First come, first serve.

Raffles and 50/50.

Included is a light lunch of wraps, salads, assorted desserts, and choice of beverage.

**Event instructed by Happy Little Brush Strokes**

**Proceeds to benefit Ronald McDonald House Greek Division.**

Any questions please contact us at:

philoptochospjny@gmail.com

or text

Cynthia: 1(516)-578-8337

Evangelia 1(631)-974-3333



Welcome back everyone!

We will soon be ordering supplies for the DICKENS FESTIVAL sale of sweets, cheese and spinach pies at the Ice Center in Port Jefferson.

Please feel free to approach Elaine DelGigante (bookstore), or myself to volunteer for this important public service in the Community of Port Jefferson.

Sales take place Saturday from 9am to 6pm and Sunday from 9am to 4pm.

Peggy Stilianos

October 10, 2023

Dear Parishioners,

On Sunday, October 22, 2023 at 12:00 pm, the General Assembly of our Parish will take place in our Community Center. All of our members are welcome to attend this meeting. However, you must be a member in good standing to vote.

### Agenda

- 1 – Opening Prayer
- 2 – Election of Assembly Secretary and Chairperson
- 3 – Reading and Approval of Minutes  
(General Assembly of June 4, 2023)
- 4 – Pastor's Report
- 5 – President's Report
- 6 – Treasurer's Report
- 7 - Greek Festival 2023 Update
- 8 – Ministry & Committees Reports
- 9 - Nomination of Elections Committee Chairperson
- 10 - Nominations for Auditing Committee
- 11 - Nominations for Parish Council Members
- 12 – Old Business
- 13 – New Business
- 14 – Closing Prayer

We look forward to seeing you all at this meeting. The bright future of our Church depends upon the participation and support of all its members.

## VISIT OUR CHURCH BOOKSTORE

Open on Sundays & Special Events



### 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.*



Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption  
Ladies Philoptochos Society



## NISIOTIKO GLENTI SPONSORSHIPS



### HEADLINE SPONSOR- \$1200 (~~2 available~~) 1 available

8 tickets- Private Table, **reserved seating** front main stage; Meet and greet with Nikos Fakaros; "Premium Booze Bucket" with bottle & all the fixing; Raffle tickets; Company/Business recognition by emcee at the event; Company/Business Logo printed recognition

### MEDIA SPONSOR — \$800 (2 available)

4 tickets reserved seating front main stage; Meet and greet with Nikos Fakaros; "Premium Booze Bucket" & all the fixing; Raffle tickets; Company/Business recognition by emcee at the event; Company/Business Logo printed recognition

### FEATURE ACT SPONSOR — \$500 (~~4 available~~) 3 available

2 ticket reserved seating front main stage; Meet and greet with Nikos Fakaros; "Premium Booze Bucket" & all the fixing; Raffle tickets; Company/Business recognition by emcee at the event; Company/Business Logo printed recognition.

- \* *Sponsor donations are tax deductible* \* *All checks are to be made out to: GOCOAL*
- \* *RSVP to Event Co-Chair Marisa Raptis 516-398-9017 By October 27<sup>th</sup> to take care of your party!*





# Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption Iconography Project Phase III



## The Dome

### *The Life of Jesus and Mary (Η Ζωή του Χριστού και της Μαριάς)*

The final phase of the dome iconography will depict eight (8) scenes from the life of Jesus Christ where the Virgin Mary is present. Additionally, medallions of the twelve apostles will be placed on the dome in the shape of a cross. 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.

Donation - \$20,000.00/Each Scene

Donation - \$5,000.00/Each Apostle

*All net proceeds of the Phase 3 Iconography Project will support the building fund of the Assumption Church of Port Jefferson, NY*



## Rear of the church

### The Archangels (Οι Άγιοι Αρχάγγελοι)

This addition to phase 3 of our iconography project places six Archangels at the entrance of our temple guarding this Holy space. Also, the Philoxenia of Abraham will be placed above the entrance doors.

Donation - \$7,000.00/Each Archangel

Donation - \$12,000.00 Philoxenia of Abraham



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

St. Nicholas &  
St. Alexandra  
Donation  
\$15,000.00

St. Sophia &  
Three Daughters  
Donation  
\$15,000.00

St. Eustathios &  
His Family  
Donation  
\$17,000.00

St. Julitta &  
St. Kyrikos  
Donation  
\$10,000.00

St. Terentios  
St. Neonilla  
Donation  
\$15,000.00

*The Saints above will be placed on the northeast wall outside and above the bride room windows.*

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



# Greek Orthodox Church of the Assumption Iconography Project Phase II

## Iconography Currently Available



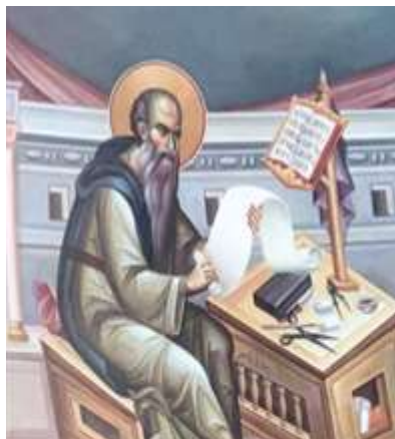
St. Mark the Evangelist  
Northeast Quadrant-Left  
\$1,250.00



St. Kosmas the Poet  
Northeast Quadrant-Right  
\$1,250.00



St. John of Damascus  
Southeast Quadrant-Left  
\$1,250.00



St. Theophanes  
Northwest Quadrant-Left  
\$1,250.00



St. Luke the Evangelist  
Northwest Quadrant-Right  
\$1,250.00





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*Honoring the lives and memories  
of our beloved family and friends.*

## WALL OF HONOR

FOUNDER: \$250,000 & OVER  
GRAND BENEFACTOR: \$100,000 & OVER  
BENEFACTOR: \$50,000 & OVER  
PATRON: \$25,000 & OVER  
BUILDER: \$10,000 & OVER

THE WALL OF HONOR RECOGNIZES GENEROUS DONORS WITH CONTRIBUTIONS OF \$5,000 OR MORE.

THE CONTRIBUTIONS WILL BE PERMANENTLY ACKNOWLEDGED ON THE WALL OF HONOR PLAQUE WITH EACH DONOR'S NAME. THE WALL OF HONOR IS LOCATED IN OUR BEAUTIFUL BREEZEWAY.

## TREE OF LIFE

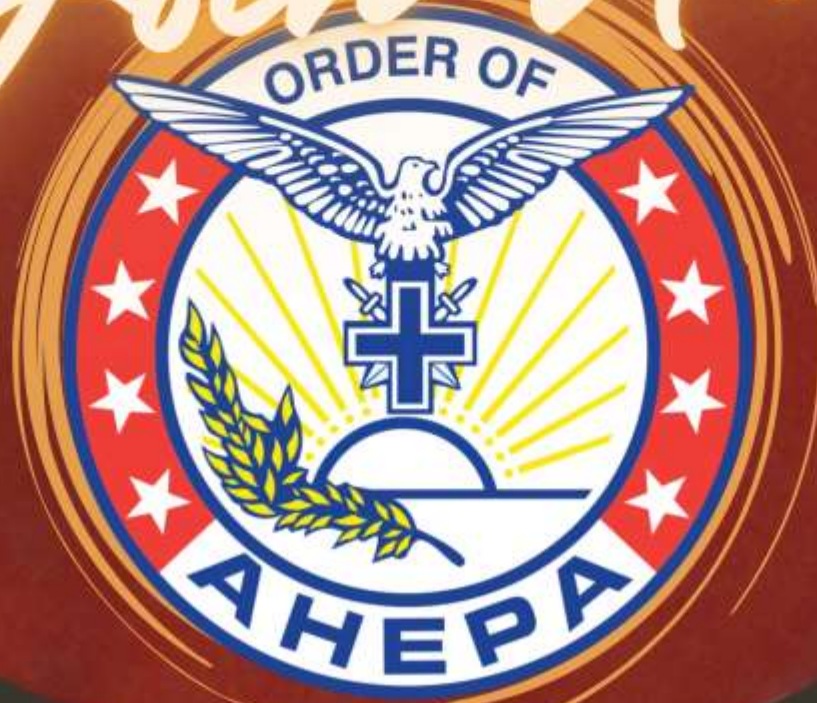
GOLD LEAF \$2,000  
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