

PHILOPTOCHOS TIROPITES WORKSHOPS

Philoptochos Tiropites Holiday Sales and Workshops:

Saturday 11/1/25 - Tiropites Workshop 9a.m. to 2p.m.

Saturday 11/8/25 - Tiropites Workshop 9a.m. to 2p.m.

Join in the fun, gather in the fellowship, enjoy friendships old and new in the Rev. Demotses Educational Center!

JUNIOR GOYA ST. VASILIOS



PANGARI SCHEDULE

Costa Partaledis	Victor Fanikos	John Maihos
Arthur Tsionis	Steve Anezis	Chuck Antoniou
George Papadopoulos	Brandon Simpson	Alexander Ruggeri
Christine H. Martins	Tina Manolacos	Pamela Hutchison
10/19/2025	10/26/2025	11/2/2025

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HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN METHODIOS

**3RD SUNDAY OF LUKE
OCTOBER 19, 2025**

Hymns Following the Gospel (Small Entrance)

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Second Mode

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεῶτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκραύγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστὲ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

St. Vasilios 1st Mode

Your message was carried throughout the world . As it received your mighty word, By which you divinely made manifest And clarified the nature of existing things You set in order the customs of men, You who are royal priesthood! Holy Father, intercede with Christ our God To grant us His great mercy.

Εἰς πάσαν τὴν γῆν ἐξήλθεν ὁ φθόγγος σου, ὡς δεξαμένην τοῦ λόγον σου, Δι' οὐ θεοπρεπῶς ἐδογματίσας, Τὴν φύσιν τῶν ὄντων ἐτράνωσας. Τὰ τῶν ἀνθρώπων ἦθη κατεκόσμησας, Βασιλεῖον ιεράτευμα Πάτερ ὅσιε Χριστόν τόν Θεόν ἰκέτευε δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τό Μέγα ἔλεος

Seasonal Kontakion in the Second Mode

O Protection of Christians that cannot be put to shame, mediation unto the creator most constant: O despise not the voices of those who have sinned; but be quick, O good one, to come unto our aid, who in faith cry unto thee: Hasten to intercession and speed thou to make supplication, O thou who dost ever protect, O Theotokos, them that honor thee .

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδης ἁμαρτωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθὴ, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι· Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἰκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεὶ, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε.



TEACHING LITURGY—SUNDAY, OCTOBER 26



Students along with their families are invited to attend the Divine Liturgy. The first few pews will be reserved for students and their teachers, or students may sit with their parents. Instead of being in their classrooms, their lesson will be taught in Church. Fr. Yanni will celebrate the Liturgy while the altar faces the congregation, giving the students (and adults) the opportunity to learn about this important service.

Following the Liturgy, students, and their families, as well as the whole parish are invited to the Coffee Hour held in the Educational Center.

ST. VASILIOS PHILOPTOCHOS

St. Vasilios Philoptochos Athena Society Fundraiser

Tiropites – Greek Cheese Pies



Enjoy your holiday celebrations with delicious homemade Tiropites!

\$25 for 30 triangles

They are frozen and ready for baking!

Orders will only be accepted through December 1, 2025

Pickup Sunday, December 14, 2025 from 11:00am-12:00pm

In the Rev. Andrew J. Demotses Educational Center

Please contact Joyce Kachinski to place your order.

Phone 978-852-4730, Email zjoycekachinski@comcast.net

or send order form below to 12 Martinack Ave, Peabody, MA 01960

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Order Form

Name: _____ Phone Number: _____

Email: _____

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NOTICE OF PARISH ASSEMBLY

The Autumn Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, November 16, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. (or 15 minutes after the conclusion of our Divine Liturgy) in the Rev. Andrew Demotses Educational Center. All members in good standing are invited to attend and vote. The agenda will be as follows:

- I. Call to Order
- II. Prayer
- III. Election of Chairperson of the Parish Assembly
- IV. Approval of the minutes of May 4, 2025, General Assembly
- V. President's Report
- VI. Priest's Report
- VII. Stewardship Update
- VIII. Financial Report
- IX. Continuing Business
 - a. Parish Advancement Project
 - b. Thriving Congregations
- X. New Business
 - a. Ratification of Election Slate – Parish Elections
 - b. Audit Committee report on 2024 financials
 - c. Appointment Audit Committee for review of 2024 financials
 - d. Approval of 2026 Budget
- XI. Adjournment

For the Minutes of the May 4, 2025, meeting, or any other handouts, please contact the Church Office. We do not post confidential information on our church website.

Quorum is required to conduct business. Per *Article II, Section 4* of Parish Bylaws, "The quorum for the parish Assembly will be twenty-five (25) Parish Members in good standing. If a quorum cannot be achieved, no vote may be taken, except to adjourn. If a quorum is not present the parish Assembly shall be called a second time with 21 days."

Respectfully Submitted,

Alexander Ruggeri
Secretary

John J. Maihos
Parish President

Rev. Christopher P. Foustoukos
Proistamenos

EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Second Mode. Psalm 117.14,18.

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The reading is from St. Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians 11:31-33; 12:1-9.

Brethren, the God and Father of the Lord Jesus, he who is blessed for ever, knows that I do not lie. At Damascus, the governor under King Aretas guarded the city of Damascus in order to seize me, but I was let down in a basket through a window in the wall, and escaped his hands.

I must boast; there is nothing to be gained by it, but I will go on to visions and revelations of the Lord. I know a man in Christ who fourteen years ago was caught up to the third heaven -- whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows. And I know that this man was caught up into Paradise --whether in the body or out of the body I do not know, God knows -- and he heard things that cannot be told, which man may not utter. On behalf of this man I will boast, but on my own behalf I will not boast, except of my weaknesses. Though if I wish to boast, I shall not be a fool, for I shall be speaking the truth. But I refrain from it, so that no one may think more of me than he sees in me or hears from me. And to keep me from being too elated by the abundance of revelations, a thorn was given me in the flesh, a messenger of Satan, to harass me, to keep me from being too elated. Three times I besought the Lord about this, that it should leave me; but he said to me, "My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness." I will all the more gladly boast of my weaknesses, that the power of Christ may rest upon me.

Προκείμενον. Second Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.14,18.

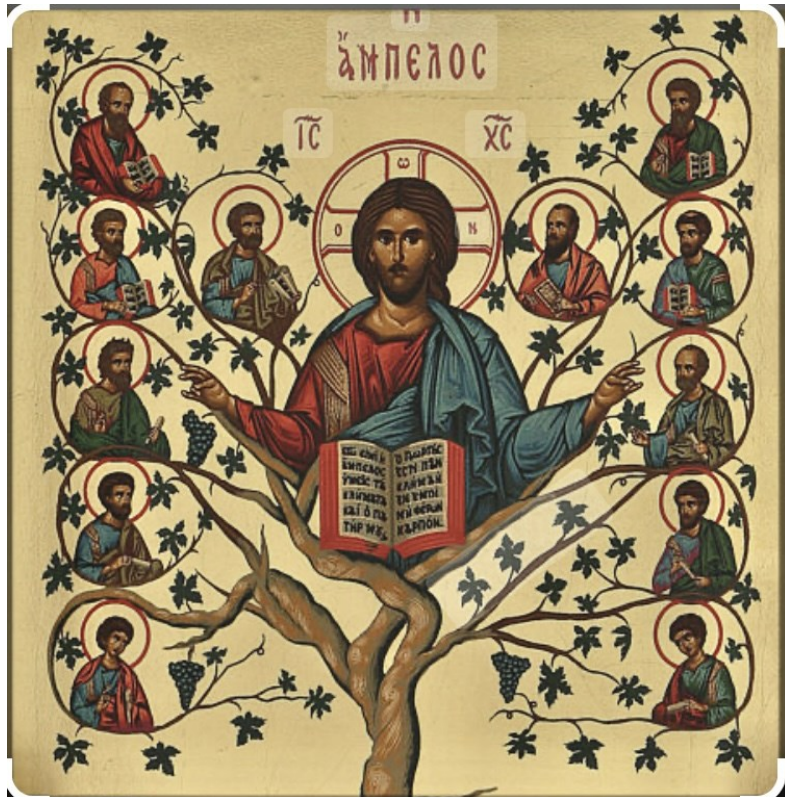
Ἰσχύς μου καὶ ὑμνησίς μου ὁ Κύριος.

Στίχ. Παιδεύων ἐπαίδενσέ με ὁ Κύριος.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Κορινθίους β' 11:31-33, 12:1-9.

Ἀδελφοί, ὁ θεὸς καὶ πατὴρ τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ οἶδεν, ὁ ὢν εὐλογητὸς εἰς τοὺς αἰῶνας, ὅτι οὐ ψεύδομαι. Ἐν Δαμασκῷ ὁ ἐθνάρχης Ἀρέτα τοῦ βασιλέως ἐφρούρει τὴν Δαμασκηνῶν πόλιν, πιάσαι με θέλων· καὶ διὰ θυρίδος ἐν σαργάνῃ ἐχαλάσθην διὰ τοῦ τείχους καὶ ἐξέφυγον τὰς χεῖρας αὐτοῦ. Καυχᾶσθαι δὴ οὐ συμφέρεται μοι· ἐλεύσομαι γὰρ εἰς ὀπτασίας καὶ ἀποκαλύψεις κυρίου. Οἶδα ἄνθρωπον ἐν Χριστῷ πρὸ ἐτῶν δεκατεσσάρων - εἴτε ἐν σώματι οὐκ οἶδα· εἴτε ἐκτὸς τοῦ σώματος οὐκ οἶδα· ὁ θεὸς οἶδεν - ἄρπαγέντα τὸν τοιοῦτον ἕως τρίτου οὐρανοῦ. Καὶ οἶδα τὸν τοιοῦτον ἄνθρωπον - εἴτε ἐν σώματι, εἴτε ἐκτὸς τοῦ σώματος, οὐκ οἶδα· ὁ θεὸς οἶδεν - ὅτι ἡρπάγη εἰς τὸν παράδεισον, καὶ ἤκουσεν

ἄρρητα ῥήματα, ἃ οὐκ ἐξὸν ἀνθρώπῳ λαλῆσαι. Ὑπὲρ τοῦ τοιούτου καυχῆσομαι· ὑπὲρ δὲ ἑμαυτοῦ οὐ καυχῆσομαι, εἰ μὴ ἐν ταῖς ἀσθενείαις μου· ἐὰν γὰρ θελήσω καυχῆσασθαι, οὐκ ἔσομαι ἄφρων· ἀλήθειαν γὰρ ἔρῳ· φείδομαι δέ, μή τις εἰς ἐμὲ λογίσηται ὑπὲρ ὃ βλέπει με, ἢ ἀκούει τι ἐξ ἐμοῦ. Καὶ τῇ ὑπερβολῇ τῶν ἀποκαλύψεων ἵνα μὴ ὑπεραίρωμαι, ἐδόθη μοι σκόλοψ τῇ σαρκί, ἄγγελος Σατᾶν, ἵνα με κολαφίζῃ, ἵνα μὴ ὑπεραίρωμαι. Ὑπὲρ τούτου τρις τὸν κύριον παρεκάλεσα ἵνα ἀποστῇ ἀπ' ἐμοῦ. Καὶ εἰρηκέν μοι, Ἀρκεῖ σοι ἡ χάρις μου· ἡ γὰρ δύναμίς μου ἐν ἀσθενείᾳ τελειοῦται. Ὅδιστα οὖν μᾶλλον καυχῆσομαι ἐν ταῖς ἀσθενείαις μου, ἵνα ἐπισκηνώσῃ ἐπ' ἐμὲ ἡ δύναμις τοῦ Χριστοῦ.



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WINTER DANCE

Saturday, January 31, 2026

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THE NIGHT AWAY!

**St. Vasilios Greek Orthodox Church
5 Paleologos St. Peabody, MA**

A CALL FOR PARISH COUNCIL MEMBERS

Saint Vasilios Church needs dedicated men and women who place their love for Christ and needs of the Parish as key priorities in their lives. Members of the Parish Council, who are official representatives of Saint Vasilios, assume a position that demands fidelity and dedication to the Holy Orthodox Church and will make every effort to exemplify its sacred character and spirit.

If you share these priorities, it is the Church's hope that you will submit your name as a candidate for the Parish Council ***no later than Friday, November 14, 2025. Elections will be held in December.***

All candidates for the election to the Parish Council must attend a **Parish Council Candidate Seminar**, to be held at Saint Vasilios at a time convenient for the candidates. For more information regarding the Parish Council, please contact Fr. Chris or Parish Council President John Maihos at 978-531-0777.

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Saint Vasilios Church Parish Council Nomination Form
I would like to volunteer to serve as a member of the St Vasilios Parish Council:

Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

I certify that I have been a member in good standing for more than one year and am eligible to serve on the Parish Council

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail or drop off this completed form to the address below or give to a member of the Parish Council no later than November 14, 2025:

St. Vasilios Church
5 Paleologos Street
Peabody, MA 01960

GOSPEL READING

3rd Sunday of Luke

The Reading is from Luke 7:11-16

At that time, Jesus went to a city called Nain, and his disciples and a great crowd went with him. As he drew near to the gate of the city, behold, a man who had died was being carried out, the only son of his mother, and she was a widow; and a large crowd from the city was with her. And when the Lord saw her, he had compassion on her and said to her, "Do not weep." And he came and touched the bier, and the bearers stood still. And he said, "Young man, I say to you, arise." And the dead man sat up, and began to speak. And he gave him to his mother. Fear seized them all; and they glorified God, saying, "A great prophet has arisen among us!" and "God has visited his people!"

Κατὰ Λουκᾶν 7:11-16

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἐπορεύετο εἰς πόλιν καλουμένην Ναΐν· καὶ συνεπορεύοντο αὐτῷ οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἱκανοὶ καὶ ὄχλος πολὺς. ὥς δὲ ἤγγισε τῇ πόλει τῆς πόλεως, καὶ ἰδοὺ ἐξεκομίζετο τεθνηκὼς υἱὸς μονογενὴς τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ, καὶ αὕτη ἦν χήρα, καὶ ὄχλος τῆς πόλεως ἱκανὸς ἦν σὺν αὐτῇ. καὶ ἰδὼν αὐτὴν ὁ Κύριος ἐσπλαγχνίσθη ἐπ' αὐτὴν καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῇ· μὴ κλαῖε· καὶ προσελθὼν ἤψατο τῆς σοροῦ, οἱ δὲ βασταζόντες ἔστησαν, καὶ εἶπε· νεανίσκε, σοὶ λέγω, ἐγέρθητι. καὶ ἀνεκάθισεν ὁ νεκρὸς καὶ ἤρξατο λαλεῖν, καὶ ἔδωκεν αὐτὸν τῇ μητρὶ αὐτοῦ. ἔλαβε δὲ φόβος πάντας καὶ ἐδόξαζον τὸν Θεόν, λέγοντες ὅτι προφήτης μέγας ἐγήγερται ἐν ἡμῖν, καὶ ὅτι ἐπεσκέψατο ὁ Θεὸς τὸν λαὸν αὐτοῦ.



ALTAR DONATIONS

LITURGY LIGHTS

In loving memory of Michael C. Lignos.

VIGIL LIGHTS

In loving memory of James & Dora Maravelias.



In the Book of Isaiah, the prophet hears the voice of the Lord asking, "Whom shall I send, and who will go for us?" Without hesitation, Isaiah responds, "Here am I; send me!" (Isaiah 6:8). This powerful moment reflects a heart ready to serve—eager, faithful, and fully committed to God's calling.

In that same spirit, we are deeply blessed and profoundly grateful that two of our own parishioners—**Christine Hasiotis-Martins** and **Speros C. Venios**—answered the call to lead our **Parish Advancement Campaign**. Like Isaiah, they did not wait to be asked

twice. They stepped forward with courage, humility, and a deep love for our Church, taking on this important responsibility with grace and dedication.

As chairpersons, Christine and Spero—along with their very capable committee of volunteers—worked tirelessly, day in and day out, for many months. A central goal of this campaign was to ensure that our parish campus would be **fully accessible to all**, allowing every member of our community—young and old, strong and frail—to participate fully in the life of our Church.

The invaluable **construction and trades expertise** of **Michael S. Zolotas**, **Chris Vlahos**, and **Dionisios Pissios** whose hands-on knowledge, skill, and commitment helped transform that vision into a beautiful and lasting reality, strengthened their efforts.

They all served without hesitation, without wavering, and always with the good of our parish in mind.

Their example reminds us of the importance of responding to God's call with faith, perseverance, and joy—even when the work is challenging. Their leadership and commitment are an inspiration to us all and a testament to what is possible when we serve God and His Church with open hearts.

Let us give thanks for their efforts and continue to support this mission as one united parish family.



FR YANNI'S BIBLE STUDY

Fr. Yanni's Bible study—Book of Genesis
Wednesdays @ 7pm in the Board Room
Thursdays @ 2pm in the Board Room

COMMUNION

Communion in the Orthodox Church is for Baptized and Chrismated Orthodox Christians in good sacramental standing.

We ask that you allow families with young children and kids to come receive before the adults enter the communion line.

Please exit into the side aisles and enter the Communion line from the central aisle at the back of the church.

ANTIDORON

Antidoron— We want to encourage parishioners to continue asking for Antidoron to take home for people who are sick or could not make it to the Divine Liturgy. We kindly ask that you wait until all those present receive their Antidoron before receiving Antidoron for those who are absent. Thank you for your patience and understanding.

KOLYVA FOR MERCY MEAL

The office has been asked many times by parishioners who would like to have Kolyva for the Mercy Meal after the funeral. If you would like to order Kolyva a parishioner has stepped forward and is willing to accommodate parishioners. If you are interested call Niki at 978-578-7292.



COFFEE HOUR -Will Coffee Hour continue as we know it ?

That depends on you. In order to keep the coffee pouring with a variety of desserts as well as savory options, we need several volunteers or volunteer teams to commit to running our coffee hours for the season which begins on Sunday, September 14th, coinciding with the start of Sunday School. Coffee hour sponsorships are available for most Sundays through the season for a fee of \$200. Please contact George Papadopoulos at george65pap@aol.com to inquire.