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Great Lent calls out to us to Open Our Hearts to God



In the Gospel lesson of Meatfare Sunday (Mt. 25:31-46), which will be read on Sunday February 15th, the Lord tells the multitude gathered to hear Him a surprising story about a group of people very similar to themselves

He tells them of the whole race of humanity gathered before Him on the final Day of Judgment. The Lord tells them of the surprised reactions of many of those gathered there, when they are finally assigned either to the right or left hand of God; either to eternal salvation or to eternal damnation.

They are judged either for their willingness or unwillingness to help our Lord in a variety of needy situations: in times of hunger, thirst, nakedness, imprisonment, etc. We hear that neither group is able to comprehend when they had ever encountered and either helped or refused to help the Lord.

And it really matters little that they find it hard to comprehend this message, because God is able to discern a good and dedicated heart even if they themselves cannot. Before our Lord came, those righteous people may have performed their works of mercy out of a sort of second sense, a kind of innate feeling that they were doing what was pleasing to God. It's possible their sacrifices may have been even more meaningful because they had never heard the counsels of Jesus, the Son of God.

Consider the awesome responsibility that we bear to provide a suitable dwelling place for Him. Christ makes His home in us, and we must be certain that just as the ideal home today is one where peace, love and devotion to one another reign, the spiritual home we provide for the Lord is the same.

What should we do? We must listen to the words of the Lord. We must struggle to follow His perfect example. He was compassionate to the sick, crippled, the poor and the sinner. So, too, if we wish to have a suitable home for the Lord, we must open it to admit all those other children of His with whom He is concerned.

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Great Lent calls out to us to Open Our Hearts to God

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If Christ comes to our hearts and sees that we hold them exclusively for Him and cannot bring ourselves to admit His needy children, He will know that He could not dwell in peace there. He came to serve and if we provide Him with a dwelling place that stifles His activity, He will pass by our spiritual homes.

What Christ wishes to see are spiritual hospitals, old age homes, orphanages, etc., within us, where he knows that He can dwell and dispense His love to all in need of it. If we close the doors of our hearts to our sisters and brothers in Christ, He will pass by our door and our splendor will fall into decay. Remember that is not poverty, disease or any other earthly human infirmity that will prevent our Lord from dwelling in a person, but rather sin. But, even in the case of sin, our Lord continues to knock and hope that we will expel the sin and accept Him back.

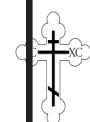
All of humankind was created in the image and likeness of God, and all share in Christ's humanity. Therefore, it is not possible for us to call ourselves His followers and not recognize Him in our neighbor. And for this reason our Lord tells us, *in as much as you did it to one of these, the least of my brethren, you did it to me.*

I pray that you all have a beautiful Lenten Journey and that we are together to celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord.

+Father Chris

FUNERALS

The following members of St. Vasilios has fallen asleep into the hands of our Lord over the past months.



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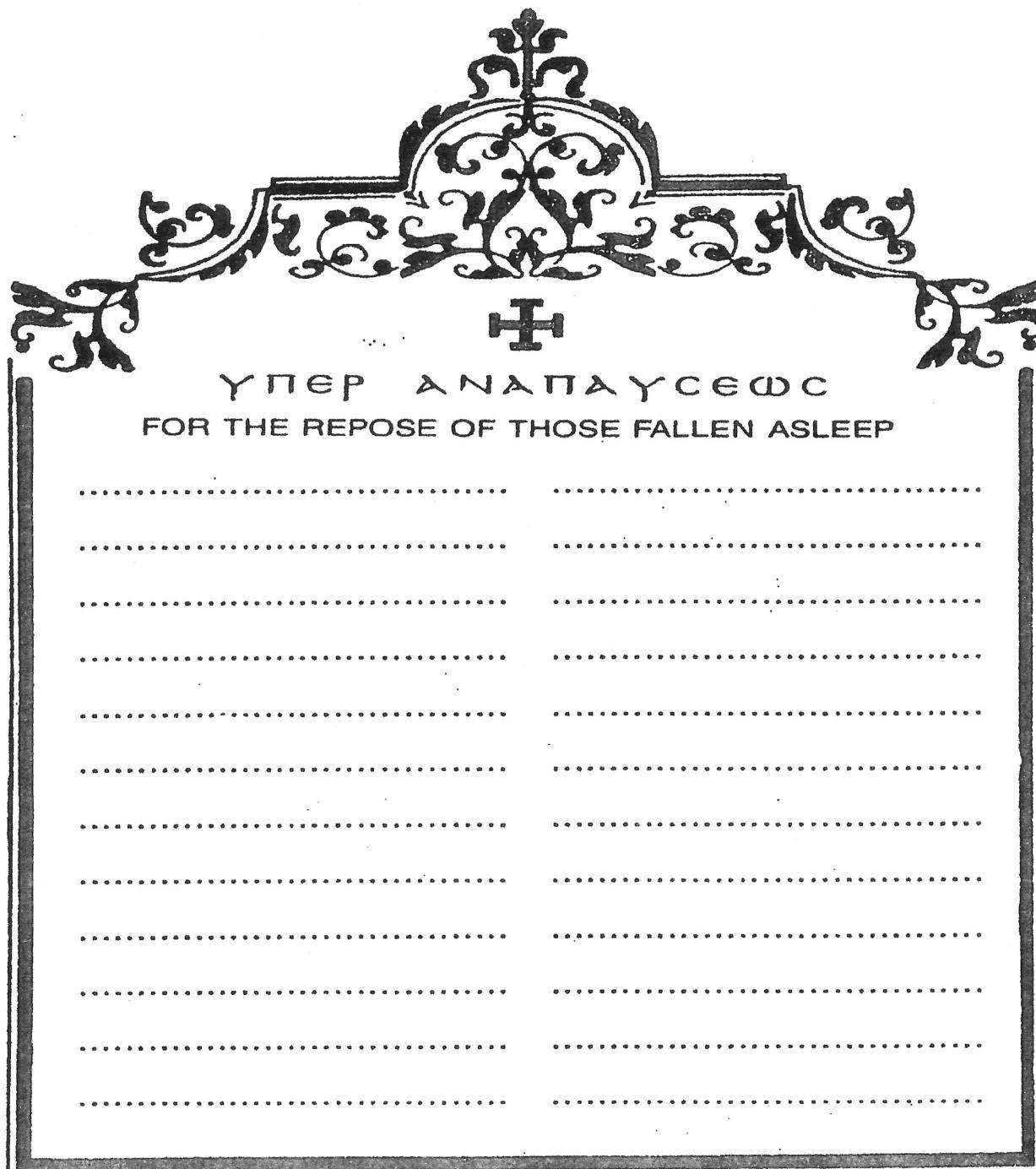
\$50 Helen & Konstantinos Himaras in memory of brother; George Kanellis

THE SATURDAY OF SOULS

The Saturday of Souls, on which our departed loved ones are commemorated in the prayers of the church, will be celebrated this year on February 14, February 21, and February 28. Orthros & Divine Liturgy will be celebrated at 8 and 9 a.m. respectively.

Ψυχοσάββατα:

Φέρομεν εις γνώσιν υμών ότι εφέτος τα Ψυχοσάββατα θα είναι στις 14 Φεβρουαρίου, 21 Φεβρουαρίου, και 28 Φεβρουαρίου. Στο κάθε Ψυχοσάββατο θα τελέσωμε Ὁρθρον στας 8 π.μ. και Θεία Λειτουργία στας 9:00 π.μ.



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

John Maihos, President

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

We have started 2026 with a lot on our plate.

We had a successful Feasts of St. Vasilios on January 1. It was encouraging to see so many people there. While it is the day after a busy night, it's good to know that people still keep life in perspective. Many people stepped up to make the day enjoyable.

I don't want to overlook the wonderful concert put on by our talented choir director, Tony Vatousios. He had talented musicians and of course our beautiful family choir who entertained us on December 13. Adding in the St. Vasilios Dance Group, the food, and the decorations... This was a command performance.

And if you missed our Christmas Pageant this year, you missed seeing one of the finest performances by some of the youngest members of our church. Kudos to all!

There were other events, and there will be many more. These events do not happen on their own. A few people usually come together with a good idea, or the recipe from last year, and make it happen. Without volunteers, we would have none of these events.

I would ask you to consider what you can do for the church in 2026. We have projects, and you undoubtable have skills that will help us complete our mission.

The new Realm software is being quietly built behind the scenes, and even though I thought we would be further along, we are still growing into it. The office staff got some much-needed training, and now we have to clean up our database and open it up to all parishioners. If you have database experience or accounting experience, we need you.

Our scholarship program is alive, and we have young members of our church who deserve recognition. Some changes to the program have been well received, generally. The goal is to grow a more active and engaged youth leadership - one that will be ready to take the reins of our parish in the future. If you can help with any aspect of the scholarship program, please send me an email. We are in the planning stages for the awards' brunch.

Our big lift is our annual festival. This year it will be Memorial Day weekend again, and I anticipate seeing a lot of activity on that really soon. This is an all-hands-on-deck event. No kidding... this needs your help. It also needs you to attend and support it by buying the food, setting things up, serving, taking things down... everything. If you see our budget, you know we still rely on festival income to provide programs of the church.

Finally, we need you to help in the leadership of the Parish. We have seats on the board available, and your active involvement will be appreciated. Even if you've served before, don't feel that you can't jump on the board again. It's like riding a bicycle (even if it sometimes feels like 10th gear up a hill.) Sure, it's not always easy, but at the end of the day, it's a rewarding experience and extremely important to the operation of the church.

Here is one last thing to consider. Look at the success of Coffee Hour. Brendan Simpson helped us up our game, and George Papadopoulos (and many others) have made it what it is today. Come and help. Sponsor a day. Enjoy each other's company. We are a congregation, and we have many wonderful and talented people in our mist.

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St. Vasilios is blessed to have such a robust scholarship program, which has been made possible through the generosity of individuals, families, and organizations who recognize the value of education.

As a steward of these funds, St. Vasilios must assure that the scholarship aligns with Church practice and the wishes of the donors. Therefore, those young adults receiving benefits through our parish should be knowledgeable of the Orthodox Faith and involved in the life of the Church. These criteria have always been clear, since applicants have always been required to be of the Greek Orthodox faith, actively involved in their faith, and at least one parent in good standing for a minimum of the previous five consecutive years.

Recently, parishioners asked the Parish Council to better explain what “actively involved” meant, and last year, a committee was formed to undertake that project. After consultation with church members ranging from ministry heads to our parish priests, we have clarified some of the scholarship application criteria and added new ones. The changes were presented to the Parish Council and approved. The new points will be phased in over the coming years, and it is the expectation that this will help families, especially students, engage more fully in the Orthodox Faith.

We will now require that all scholarship applicants meet with one of the parish priests. They can schedule this on their own with either Fr. Chris or Fr. Yanni. This will be an opportunity for our young adults to have a more personal relationship with our clergy.

Second, all scholarship applicants must have volunteer hours that directly serve our parish. For high school students, this will be 20 hours per year of volunteering in church activities like assisting with festivals, coffee hours, or our community dinner programs, and other approved programs. For college students, 15 hours per year will be expected. This can be with any community or church program where they are attending school, in addition to here at St Vasilios

To receive multiple scholarships there will be added requirements.

To receive more than one scholarship from the church, an applicant will be expected to meet the same requirements as noted above. Additionally, the applicant, during their High School years must be an Acolyte (altar boy), Myrofora, Choir member, or a graduate of Church School.

We anticipate that our scholarship program will continue to be strong, and that our scholarship recipients will have a better experience in the life of our church.

2026 ST. VASILIOS SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

2026 St. Vasilios Scholarship applications are now available on line .

Please Note: Applications must be submitted and postmarked no later than APRIL 1, 2026.

If applications will be hand delivered, they must be dropped off at the church office by 4pm on APRIL 1, 2026

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Sunday Schedule: Orthros: 8am
Liturgy: 9am

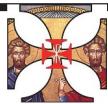
MARCH 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 St Basil's Kitchen 8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 3pm - MYBL Banquet	2 7pm - Great Compline-Mega	3 6:30pm - Men's Club Eboard 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	4 9:30am - St. Makrina's Study Group 6pm - Pre-Sanctified	5 5:30pm - Hoops	6 7pm - 2nd Salutations	7 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:
8 Daylight Saving Time starts Oratorical Festival (gym) 8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 11am - Philoptochos Meeting	9 7pm - Great Compline-Mega	10 10am - Knitting Group 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	11 9:30am - St. Makrina's Study Group 6pm - Pre-Sanctified	12 5:30pm - Hoops	13 7pm - 3rd Salutations	14 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4: 5pm - Parish Night: 5PM Vespers,
15 8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy	16 7pm - Great Compline-Mega	17 St. Patrick's Day 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	18 9:30am - St. Makrina's Study Group 6pm - Pre-Sanctified	19 5:30pm - Hoops	20 7pm - 4th Salutations	21 Greek School Celebration 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:
22 8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 11am - Greek Independence Day	23 7pm - Great Compline-Mega	24 10am - Knitting Group 6pm - Vespelar Liturgy	25 Annunciation 4pm - Flag Raising City Hall	26	27 7pm - Akathistos	28 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4: 6pm - St Val's Hoops Banquet
29 8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 9:30am - St Basil's Kitchen	30 7pm - Great Compline / Mega	31 6:30pm - Men's Club Dinner 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	1 6pm - Pre-Sanctified	2	3 Saturday of Lazarus 8am - Orthros 9am - Liturgy 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:	4

**Sunday Schedule: Orthros: 8am
Liturgy: 9am**

APRIL 2026

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	29	30	31	1	2	3
8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 9:30am - St Basil's Kitchen	7pm - Great Compline / Mega	6:30pm - Men's Club Dinner 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	6pm - Pre-Sanctified			Saturday of Lazarus 8am - Orthros 9am - Liturgy 4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:
	5	6	7	8	9	10
Orthodox Palm Sunday	Holy Monday	Holy Tuesday	Holy Wednesday	Holy Thursday	Good Friday	Holy Saturday 9am - Royal Hours 8am - Liturgy of St. Basil @ St. 3pm - Apokathelosis (Descent 11:15pm - Panychis-Service before
8am - Orthros & Divine Liturgy 7pm - Nymphios (Bridegroom)	7pm - Nymphios (Bridegroom)	6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM 7pm - Nymphios (Bridegroom)	3pm - Holy Unction @ St. Vasilios 7pm - Holy Unction @ St. Vasilios	7am - Liturgy of St Basil @ St. 7pm - Twelve Gospels Service - 7pm - Lamentations Service -		
	12	13	14	15	16	17
Orthodox Easter Panychis-Service before the 12:15am - Liturgy of St. John 11am - Great Vespers of Agape @	Renewal Monday - Office Closed @	6:30am - April Men's Club Eboard 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM	Tax Day			4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:
	19	20	21	22	23	24
8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 11am - Philoptochos Meeting 7:15pm - Ministry Leaders Meeting		10am - Knitting Group 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM			6:30pm - GAME NIGHT St Val's	4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:
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8am - Orthros 9am - Divine Liturgy 10:30am - Loukoumades Sale-		6:30pm - Men's Club Dinner 6:30pm - Music Session @ ZOOM				4:30pm - Dance Group Practice 4:



ST. VASILIOS PHILOPTOCHOS ATHENA

Dear Reverend Fathers, Sisters and Friends,

Here we are into February already with winter having its grip on us and showing no mercy!! Please be careful and keep an eye out for our elderly friends when you can.

February is Women's Hearth Health Awareness month. On February 1, Philoptochos passed out red heart pins as well as red pens to help promote a healthy heart. We hope that they are a reminder for you to practice safety health habits that will aid in keeping a healthy heart.

Our Blanket Drive which was run by Bonnie was a huge success. Forty-two blankets were collected and delivered to the Citizen's Inn.

Also, the Veteran's Collection which was run by Maria Collins was very successful again this year! Several boxes of goods were collected by the Veteran's Administration to be distributed where needed.

Thank you all for the very generous donations made!!

Our membership drive for 2026 is well under way and runs through April. If you would like to become a new member or renew your membership please let us know and we can assist you in this. We welcome any woman 18 years and older. We work hard in our fundraising efforts to support our ministry but we also have a lot of fun. Come see what we're all about at our next meeting which will be Sunday, February 8 at 11:00 in the parlor room. Grab a cup of coffee and a pastry and come join us.

Our Greek Independence Day Luncheon planning is in the works. The date this year is Sunday, March 22 with the fish luncheon being served directly after the liturgy. Reservations and take home order forms are available with all the information needed.

Our member Alexis Kereakoglow has started a knitting group. We have been asked to knit little baby blankets that are given to the new babies of our community when they are brought to church with their moms for their 40 day blessing. Alexis has taken on this task and is doing an amazing job but could use some help. Please connect with her for more information at abaliotis@gmail.com

FUTURE MEETINGS AND EVENTS FOR YOUR CALENDAR:

Sunday-February 8 and March 8 at 11:00—Meeting in the parlor room

Sunday-February 22—Philoptochos serving at coffee hour and loukoumades sale

Sunday-March 22—Greek Independence Day Fish Luncheon

Please reach out to me with any questions that you may have.

God Bless. With love to all,

Zwitsa Joyce Kachinski, President St. Vasilios Philoptochos Athena zjoycekachinski@comcast.net



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SUNDAY, MARCH 22, 2026



St. Vasilius Philoptochos "Athena" invites you to attend the Independence Day Luncheon on Sunday, March 22, 2026 in the Rev. Andrew J. Demotses Educational Center. Lunch will be served after the liturgy. The 25th of March represents two very important holidays – The Annunciation of the Theotokos and Greek Independence Day.

The menu will be baked haddock, gigante beans, coleslaw, dessert and coffee. Children's menu will be pasta/juice.

Haddock - \$30.00 **Children – \$5.00**

We are happy to take reservations for both sit in as well as take out. Tables of 10 may be reserved. Any questions may be directed to Bessie Silva or Sandy Ruggeri. Please send this reservation form along with your check/cash to the Church Office in an envelope marked "Independence Day Luncheon". Please include payment with your reservation. Thank you for your continued support of the St. Vasilius Philoptochos Athena.

Bessie Silva – email: bessiesilva@gmail.com (978)771-2119

Sandy Ruggeri – email: san2352@aol.com (978)697-9001

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY LUNCHEON RESERVATION FORM

Name _____ **Tel** _____

Reserve a table in the names listed below:

Enclosed is my check/cash for: \$_____ for _____ Adults #Fish_____
\$_____ for _____ Children #Pasta_____

WEEKDAY SERVICES/ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

1st Saturday of Souls
 Saturday, February 14
 8:00 am Orthros
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

2nd Saturday of Souls
 Saturday, February 21
 8:00 am Orthros
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Monday, February 23
 7 pm. Compline

Wednesday, February 25
 Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, February 27
 1st Salutations to the Theotokos
 7 pm

3rd Saturday of Souls
 Saturday, February 28
 8:00 am Orthros
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Monday, March 2
 7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 4
 Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, March 6
 2nd Salutations to the Theotokos
 7 pm

Monday, March 9
 7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 11
 Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, March 13
 3rd Salutations to the Theotokos
 7pm

Monday, March 16
 7 pm Compline

Wednesday, March 18
 Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Friday, March 20
 4th Salutations to the Theotokos
 7 pm

Monday, March 23
 7 pm Compline

 Wednesday, March 25
 Annunciation of The Theotokos
 8:00 am Orthros
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Friday, March 27
 Akathist 7 pm

Monday, March 30
 7 pm Compline

Wednesday, April 1
 Pre-sanctified Liturgy 6 pm

Saturday, April 4
Saturday of Lazarus
 8:00 am Orthros
 9:00 am Divine Liturgy

Sunday, April 5
 Nymphios 7pm

Monday, April 6
Holy Monday
 Nymphios 7pm

Tuesday, April 7
Holy Tuesday
 Nymphios 7pm

Wednesday, April 8
Holy Wednesday
 Unction 3 pm
 Unction 7 pm

Thursday, April 9
Holy Thursday
 St. Basil's Liturgy 7 am
 12 Gospels 7 pm

Friday, April 10
Good Friday
Royal Hours 9am
 Apokathelosis 3 pm
 Lamentations 7 p

Saturday, April 11
Holy Saturday
 Vesperal Liturgy 8 am in Church
 Panychis 11:15 pm gym

Sunday, April 12
Easter Sunday
 11 am Agape Vespers

- PALM SUNDAY will be held, as is our custom, in the Auditorium of the Educational Center. Orthros will begin at 8:00 a.m. by Divine Liturgy at 9:00 a.m.
- The faithful of our parish who cannot attend regular morning services to receive Holy Communion during Holy Week because of their work schedules, may receive at two early Divine Liturgies. These liturgies are on Holy Thursday at 7:00 a.m. and on Holy Saturday at 8:00 a.m.

A special envelope is enclosed for your Paschal offering

WEEKDAY SERVICES/ΚΑΘΗΜΕΡΙΝΕΣ ΙΕΡΕΣ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ

Ιον Ψυχοσάββατον
Σάββατον, 14 Φεβρουαρίου
8·00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

Ζον Ψυχοσάββατον
Σάββατον, 21 φεβρουαρίου
8·00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 23 Φεβρουαρίου 7·00
μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 25 Φεβρουαρίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 27 Φεβρουαρίου
7μ.μ.

Ζον Ψυχοσάββατον
Σάββατον, 28 Φεβρουαρίου
8·00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 2 Μαρτίου 7·00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 4 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 6 Μαρτίου 7 μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 9 Μαρτίου 7·00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 11 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 13 Ναρτίου 7μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 16 Μαρτίου 7·00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 18 Μαρτίου 6 μ.μ.

Χαιρετισμοί
Παρασκευή, 20 Μαρτίου 7 μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 23 Μαρτίου 7·00 μ.μ.

Ευαγγελισμός της Θεοτοκου
Τεταρτη 25 Μαρτιου
8·00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

Ο Ακάθιστος Υμνος
Παρασκευή, 27 Μαρτιου 7 μ.μ.

Απόδειπνον το Μέγα
Δευτέρα, 30 Μαρτιου 7·00 μ.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Λειτουργία
Τετάρτη, 1 Απριλιου 6 μ.μ.

Η Ἔγερσις του Λαζάρου
Σάββατον, 4 Απριλίου
8·00 π.μ. Ὁρθρος
9·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία

Νύμφιος
Κυριακή, 5 Απριλίου 7 μ.μ.

Δευτέρα, 6 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Δευτέρα
Νύμφιος 7 μ.μ.

Τρίτη, 7 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Τρίτη
Νύμφιος 7 μ.μ

Τετάρτη, 8 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Τετάρτη
Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον 3 μ.μ.
Ιερόν Ευχέλαιον 7 μ.μ.

Πέμπτη 9 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Πέμπτη
7·00 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία
Ακολουθία των Παθών 7 μ.μ.

Παρασκευή, 10 Απριλίου
Μεγάλη Παρασκευή
Βασιλικες Ωρες 9πμ
Αποκαθήλωσις 3 μ.μ.
Επιτάφιος Θρήνος 7 μ.μ.

Σάββατο, 11 Απριλίου
Μεγάλο Σάββατο
8 π.μ. Θεία Λειτουργία
Η Πανηγυρίς 11·15 μ.μ.
Ακολουθεία της Αναστάσεως
Μεσάνυχτα

Κυριακή, 12 Απριλίου
Ἄγιον Πασχα
Ακολουθεία της Αγάπης 11 π.μ.

- **Η ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΪΩΝ**
θα τελεστεί, κατά το έθιμο μας, στο Αμφιθέατρο του Εκπαιδευτικού Κέντρου. Ο Ήρθρος θα αρχίσει στις 8:00 π.μ. με Θεία Λειτουργία στις 9:00 π.μ.
- Οι πιστοί της ενορίας μας που δεν μπορούν να παρακολουθήσουν τακτικές πρωινές ακολουθίες για να λάβουν τη Θεία Κοινωνία κατά τη διάρκεια της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας λόγω του ωραρίου εργασίας τους, μπορούν να λάβουν Θεία Κοινωνία σε δύο πρωινές Θείες Λειτουργίες. Οι λειτουργίες αυτές γίνονται τη Μεγάλη Πέμπτη στις 7:00 π.μ. και το Μεγάλο Σάββατο στις 8:00 π.μ.

Ένας ειδικός φάκελος εσωκλείεται για την προσφορά για το Πασχα

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We welcomed the New Year with Agiasmo and Vasilopita. Special thanks to Donna & Jimmy Veshaj of Brothers Restaurant and Deli for donating the delicious vasilopites!



Our Lucky Flouri Winners!

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION



ST. VASILIOS GREEK SCHOOL ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ ΑΓΙΟΣ ΒΑΣΙΛΕΙΟΣ

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St. Vasilius Greek School

ANNUAL GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY
FLAG RAISING CEREMONY



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Wednesday, March 25th

🕒 4:00 PM

*In honor of Greek Independence Day,
Mayor Ted Bettencourt along with the students of St. Vasilius
Greek School will proudly raise the Greek Flag at City Hall.*

This event is open to family, friends, and fellow parishioners.

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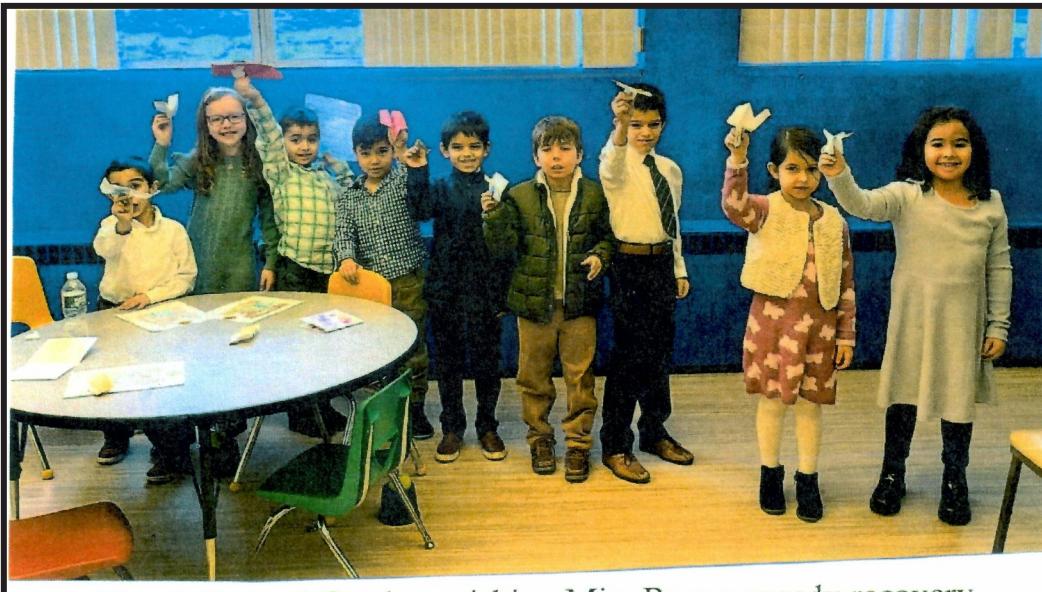
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It is never too late to join Sunday Church School. Through engaging lessons, supportive relationships, and meaningful experiences, Church School inspires children to cultivate a deeper understanding of their faith, embody its values and teachings, and contribute positively to their communities and to the world at large.

As we enter the Lenten Season, there will be many opportunities for our students to participate in the life of the Church. Please attend as many services as possible as a family. Upcoming events include the Icon Procession held during the Divine Liturgy on the Sunday of Orthodoxy (March 1st), and the Oratorical Festival held in the Educational Center on March 8th. Notices will be posted and given to each student. There are no Church School classes on Feb. 15th, President's Day weekend.

More information will follow regarding a St. Lazarus Retreat and palm making on April 4th, request for Myrrophores during Holy Week, Goya events, and Church School High School graduation.

Wishing you all a Blessed Lenten Journey!



First & Second Graders wishing Miss Pam a speedy recovery



The 10 Commandment Tablets made by Grade 2

DONATIONS FOR LENT AND HOLY WEEK

It is our custom to decorate the icon of Theotokos for the Akathist Services on Friday evenings during Great Lent. There are five opportunities to decorate the icon of the Theotokos and the cost of each is \$135. If you wish to decorate the icon in memory of or for the good health of a loved one, please call the church office at 978-531-0777.

Daffodils for the Veneration of the Cross (3rd Sunday of Lent).....	\$175
Decorate the Lazarus icon.....	\$150
Palms for Palm Sunday.....	\$450
6 Palm Trees.....	\$35 each
Decorate the Palm Sunday icon.....	\$150
Decorate the Nymphios icon.....	\$175
Decorate the Crucifixion icon.....	\$150
Red rose wreath for the Cross.....	\$110
White rose wreath for the Cross.....	\$110
12 beeswax candles for the cross.....	\$10 each
12 candles for the 12 Gospels.....	\$10 each
Decorate Myrrh Bearing Women icon.....	\$150
Decorate Lavaron of the Resurrection.....	\$200
2 cases of Bay Laurel.....	\$300 each
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Sincerely,

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Icon Procession March 1st**Sunday of Orthodoxy**

The Sunday of Orthodoxy is the first Sunday of Great Lent. **All the children of the parish are invited to participate in the Icon Procession in Church during the Liturgy on March 1st**

Children should bring to Church an Icon of their own or we will provide an Icon for use during the procession. The first 3 pews will be reserved so children may sit with their classmates and teachers.

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