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Photo: Metropolitan Nicholas with Fr. Nicolaos Kotsis and Themis Petrou's team of iconographers at St. Nicholas Church in Ann Arbor, MI (February 13, 2014)

REFLECTION

"When you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by others but by your Father who is in secret. And your Father who sees in secret will reward you."

Matthew 6:17-18

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Metropolitan's Message

Beloved Clergy and Faithful,

It's been a long and cold winter for the faithful of the Metropolis of Detroit. This has been the third highest recorded snowfall in Detroit — and many other areas in the Metropolis have broken their local weather records.

Based on all the emergency weather news reports, the school closings, the airport shut downs, and the water main pipe breaks, it almost begs the question of us: What makes this 'change' in the weather so special? But every time these unusual weather patterns happen, we are forced to think about the reality of the society and cities we have created: Is there insulation? Do we have food for the blizzard? Do we have heat? Can we get to work, or school, or the doctor's office?

Could it be that sometimes we are so used to the regular patterns of our lives that any change to the normal rhythm makes us take a second look?

Our Orthodox Church understands this reality of change. Our Church calendar has a regular rhythm — but just as we are getting comfortable, the Church liturgical cycle changes so that we can take a second look at what is happening in our spiritual lives.

Having entered the period of Triodion and now preparing for Great Lent, I invite us all to take a look at our hearts and souls. Are we on the journey to truly reflect the Image of our Creator? Are we endeavoring to fulfill our calling to be children of the Most High God? Have we emptied our selves of our human failings so that we can fill our hearts and souls with His presence and His love? May we all be blessed by the journey to Pascha.

With paternal prayers,

†NICHOLAS

Metropolitan of Detroit

Metropolitan's Schedule

For calendar updates, please visit our website at:

www.detroit.goarch.org/news/calendar

February

- 2 Parish Visitation
- 6 Funeral of Archon Tom Zaferes
- 9 Divine Liturgy
- 10—13 Leadership 100 Conference & Synaxis of Hierarchs
- 13 Iconography Visitation
- 22 1st Saturday of Souls Divine Liturgy
- 23 Parish Visitation
- 25—27 Metropolis Clergy Retreat

Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church—Plymouth, MI
 Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Church—Cincinnati, OH
 Sts. Constantine & Helen Church—Westland, MI
 Naples, FL
 St. Nicholas Church—Ann Arbor, MI
 TBD
 Holy Trinity Church—Lansing, MI
 Sts. Constantine & Helen Church—Westland, MI

March

- 1 2nd Saturday of Souls Divine Liturgy
Sacred Scenes Exhibit by iconographer Vlas Tsotsonis
- 2 Forgiveness Sunday Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
Ordination to Holy Diaconate of Alex Radulescu
- 3 Clean Monday Service & Koulouma Luncheon
- 5 Presanctified Liturgy
- 7 1st Salutations Service
- 8 3rd Saturday of Souls Divine Liturgy
- 9 Sunday of Orthodoxy Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- 14 2nd Salutations Service
- 16 Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- 17—19 Holy Eparchial Synod Meeting
- 21 3rd Salutations Service
- 23 Sunday of the Holy Cross Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- 24 Annunciation of the Theotokos Great Vespers
- 25 Feast of the Annunciation Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
- 28 4th Salutations Service
- 30 Sunday of St. John Climacus Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

TBD
 Arab American National Museum—Dearborn, MI
 Sts. Constantine & Helen Church—Westland, MI
 Sts. Constantine & Helen Church—Westland, MI
 Sts. Constantine & Helen Church—Westland, MI
 TBD
 St. George Church—Bloomfield Hills, MI
 TBD
 St. Demetrios Church—Saginaw, MI
 St. Nicholas Church—Troy, MI
 Assumption Church—St. Clair Shores, MI
 Archdiocesan Center—New York, NY
 Nativity of the Virgin Mary Church—Plymouth, MI
 Holy Cross Church—Farmington Hills, MI
 Annunciation Cathedral—Detroit, MI
 Annunciation Cathedral—Detroit, MI
 Assumption Church—Grand Blanc, MI
 TBD

Metropolis Greek Schools

The Metropolis of Detroit has 25 parishes that offer Greek School classes for the youth as well as adult classes. The Greek School program has approximately 85 teachers and 700 students. The Metropolis Greek Schools are under the Greek Language and Cultural Committee – Chairperson Fr. Nicholas Kyritses. The Co-Chairpersons for the Greek Language program are Dr. Gus Demas, Dr. Kathryn Kittides and Mr. George Reganis.

The Archdiocese has offered a series of books, “Ta Ellinika Mou” from Greece and distributed to our schools. The books

are offered at no cost to the Greek School students from “FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism”.

Dr. Gus Demas and Dr. Kathryn Kittides have organized various teaching development seminars for our Greek School Teachers over the past ten years. The most recent seminar was offered on Saturday, September 21, 2013 titled “Modern Greek Education in the Digital Age – How to use Technology in the Greek Language Classroom” presented by Ioanna Tolios. The seminar was attended by 25 teachers held at the Macomb Community College Computer Lab in Clinton Township, MI.

Mr. George Reganis oversees the Ellinomatheia Exam Program. More details on this program in the next Shepard's Staff issue.

Youth News

By Eva Kokinos—Konstantakos
Metropolis Youth Director

Destination: Salvation

In my travels throughout our Metropolis and Archdiocese, I've learned a few things about making my journeys smooth and efficient. Even though the route might seem pretty clear, I never know what I might encounter on my journey. In fact, my trips do not always end up as I anticipated.

Because of these unexpected issues that can happen, many of us make our best effort to be prepared. First, we always make sure to know exactly where we are headed! Even the most adventurous traveler will have *some* type of goal in mind for the end point of their travels. We arm ourselves with the best navigational tools we can find, such as GPS, maps, etc. We make sure we have supplies (emergency kit, jumper cables, snacks, etc.) in case we encounter unexpected hazards or delays. We might even choose to bring along a travel companion who knows the path to the destination or they simply offer us company and support on our journey.

We are quickly approaching Great Lent. For every Christian, this is our annual journey toward the same destination... Pascha. In fact, this important journey is really a prepara-

tion for the much larger journey we are making toward salvation. We should put even more energy into planning our Christian journey than we would planning a road trip or our family vacations.

1) Know where you are going: As a Christian, it is important to understand what we are trying to achieve. If we do not have a clear vision of our destination, it will be very easy to change paths or change focus. The goal of our Christian journey is to seek holiness and unite with our heavenly Father. So when planning your daily spiritual journey, make sure to always keep your compass pointed toward God.

2) Always have an "emergency" plan: You cannot always anticipate the spiritual "emergencies" you will encounter on your Christian journey. That is why it is important to make sure you have the necessary tools to deal with these issues. Make sure you have built a relationship with your priest/spiritual father. Develop and actively participate in your prayer life. Actively participate in the Holy Sacraments for spiritual nourishment. Own a Bible, actually reading and learning from the Scriptures. Don't be one of those people who have a perfectly good "map" and never use it OR not know how to read it properly!

3) Pay attention to the road/Avoid distractions: It is easy to get caught up in different distractions along the road... gossip, materialism, jealousy, anger, etc. Through prayers, fasting, almsgiving and other spir-

itual disciplines, you can stay focused on the road and not get delayed by "hazards" or distracting messages. Don't forget... If you get lost, you can always "turn around" through the Sacrament of Confession.

4) Make Sure to Bring "G.P.S." on your journey: No, no... we aren't talking about a global positioning system. Instead, we need to enlist the help of the saints and other Orthodox Christian role models as our "Guides on the Path to Salvation." The Saints are "seasoned travelers" who have been down the same road toward salvation. Through their own lives, they can offer us guidance for our own journey. Orthodox Christian role models, like our priests, parents, grandparents, godparents, and youth workers, are our travel companions. They, too, are on the journey toward eternal life. So, they can keep us company when the road is lonely or overwhelming. They can also help us navigate back to Christ's path when we get lost or confused.

Wishing you all good strength on your journey through Great Lent and beyond.

"Do not limit the benefits of fasting merely to abstinence from food, for a true fast means refraining from evil."

St. Basil the Great

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 14-16	Dayton GOYA Basketball Tournament	Annunciation Church—Dayton, OH
March 15	Upstate NY GOYA Lenten Retreat	Annunciation Church—Rochester, NY
March 22	Michigan Area GOYA Lenten Retreat	St. Nicholas Church—Troy, MI
March 28-30	Fall Creek Falls GOYA Lenten Retreat	Hosted by Holy Trinity Church—Nashville, TN
April 26	St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival— Central District Finals	Holy Trinity Church—Carmel, IN
April 26	St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival— Michigan District Finals	St. George Church—Bloomfield Hills, MI
May 3	St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival— Southern District Finals	Annunciation Church—Memphis, TN
May 4	St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival— Upstate NY District Finals	Holy Spirit Church—Rochester, NY
May 16-17	St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival— Metropolis Finals	Holy Trinity Cathedral—Toledo, OH

2014 HC/HC CrossRoad Institute

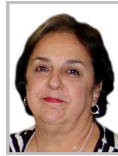
Calling all high school juniors and seniors!! Applications are now being accepted for the 2014 CrossRoad season. CrossRoad is a ten-day academic summer institute that prepares high school juniors and seniors to make big life decisions and connect with the Orthodox Christian theological and spiritual tradition. Hosted on the scenic Hellenic College Holy Cross campus, overlooking the beautiful Boston skyline, participants experience daily worship, visit local parishes, tour Boston, and spend a day at the beach. Sessions for 2014 will be held on the following dates: **June Session:** June 21 – July 1, **July Session:** July 5 – July 15

Application Priority Deadline: March 1

Visit www.crossroadinstitute.org to apply or for more information!

Philoptochos News

By Margaret Yates—President



Just as we were recovering from all the Christmas activity, it was time to prepare for the various Vasilopita celebrations.. This National commitment, with money going to St. Basil Academy, is the first activity of the New Year and celebrated by all chapters in the Metropolis. Trays were passed, lunches and Vasilopita auctions held, and breads were cut on the solea with different church organizations offering financial assistance to the Academy. Thank you to all who participated and made the events so special.

Although the Ecclesiastical year begins in September, our budget year begins in January with the passing of the budget. We hope that each chapter added the Friends of the Metropolis to their budgets as a line item. This year an added Metropolis commitment was established for the Partners in Philanthropy Fund which assists those in our Metropolis who need some financial assistance. Monies in this fund are used solely to help our brothers and sisters through difficult times. This money does NOT leave the Metropolis; the Emergency Fund is used to aid those affected by disaster throughout the country and the world.

The majority of our Philoptochos chapters are on track to be recognized at the Philoptochos conference in Philadelphia in July by having paid all National Commitments for 2012 and 2013. Congratulations! A handful of chapters have not been ratified by National and we are trying very hard to assist them in the process. Unless a chapter has been ratified, they will

not be able to participate in the conference.

All Philoptochos chapters have been asked by the National Philoptochos Society to promote awareness of heart disease in women by designating February 9 as Go Red for Women Sunday. Members and non-members alike are asked to wear red on the 9th to bring attention to this disease.

We've been busy planning our biennial luncheon to be held in Toledo on April 26. Themed "A Celebration of Caring", past Philoptochos Presidents will be recognized and honored for their many contributions to the mission of Philoptochos. We hope that all chapters in the Metropolis will support the luncheon, as it is the only fundraiser we have to support out philanthropy. Sponsor forms have been sent to chapter presidents and are available to their parishioners who wish to support this event. All donors will be recognized in our program.

The Philoptochos National Board will hold their next meeting the end of February in New York. On Saturday, March 1, the Philoptochos Center of Philanthropy will open its doors with a Thyranixia service. The Tree of Giving will be on display, each leaf designating a Philoptochos chapter who participated in the project. We are proud of the fact that 100% of the active chapters in our Metropolis will have a leaf on the tree. Thank you to all for making the dream of having our own home a reality.

Philoptochos Donations

- ◆ TOLEDO - \$1345
- ◆ ANN ARBOR - \$1630

MEFGOX News

By Theodore Niforos—President



BLESSED AND HAPPY NEW YEAR to all.

The Mefgox elected officers have been busy creating a new edition of the Greek and English Second Liturgies of one of our Archdiocese's most accomplished and prestigious musicians, Presvytera Anna Gallos. This music will be used for the Sunday Liturgies at our next two annual conventions, with the first at Annunciation Cathedral in Columbus, Ohio, July 24-27, 2014. For our

MEFGOX and other Church Musicians, ordering information will be on our web site, Mefgox.com, by early February.

Although it is somewhat early in the year, it is time for our Greek Orthodox student Church Musicians from parishes in good standing as stewards of Mefgox to start thinking of scholarships. This is particularly true for our high school seniors and college students. Mefgox offers Memorial Scholarships to music students and has granted many over the years. As I advised in last fall's Shepherd's Staff, at our most recent convention, we

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He Knows What He's Doing

By Father Perikles Kallis

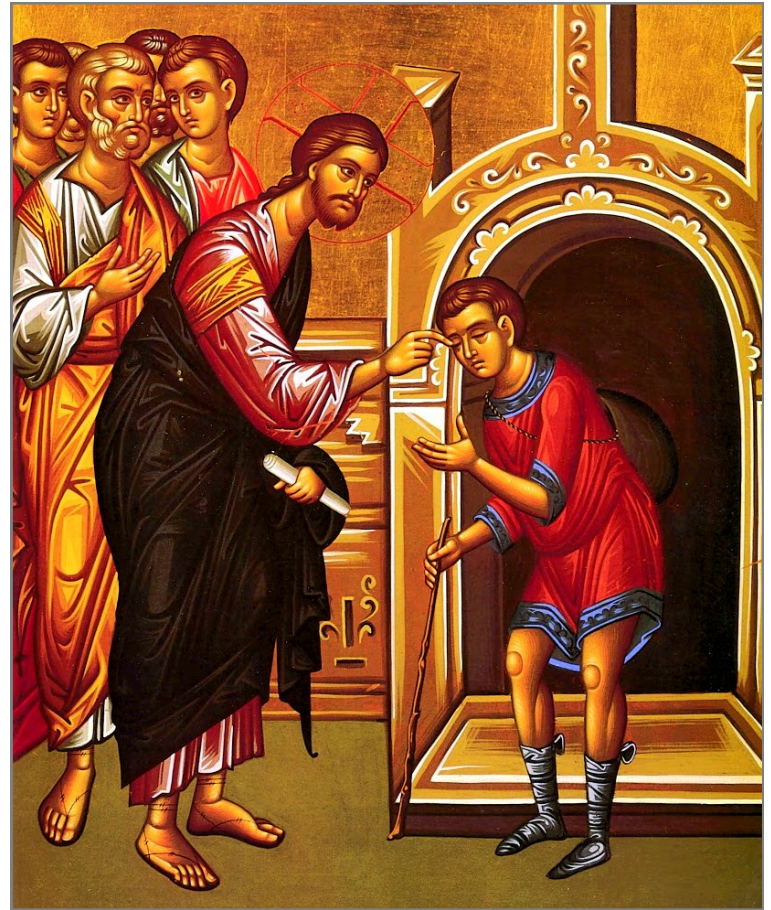


Father Perikles Kallis is the Assistant Priest at the Annunciation Church in Buffalo, New York.

When I was in elementary school, I fell down during recess and cut my chin. I had to go to the ER for stitches. There was a band-aid on my chin keeping the wound closed. When I saw the doctor, he explained that he was going to have to take off the bandage and scrub out the wound before he could stitch it up. Considering the inevitable pain and reopening of the wound, I wasn't too thrilled about this. I remember begging the doctor to just stitch my chin without cleaning it. The doctor looked me in the eyes, smiled and said, "Don't be afraid, pal, I know exactly what I'm doing. It's going to hurt a little, but it's for your own good." He proceeded to take off the band-aid and scrub the dirt out of the wound as I cringed in pain. At the time, I didn't understand the seriousness that an infection could cause if the wound weren't cleaned properly.

I don't tell this story to gross anyone out, but rather to make an analogy to certain times when God allows pain and suffering in our lives. Sometimes the Lord has to scrub away iniquity from our lives. Although bearing the burdens we each have may seem difficult or even painful, we cannot despair, for God always has our salvation in mind. This is affirmed in the Gospel of John 3:17 which states, "For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world might be saved through Him."

Saint Ambrose once said, "Christ alone takes away the sins of the people, provided they do not refuse to submit to healing." In other words, sometimes the cure we need might be difficult to endure or may not make sense to us. Sometimes things may seem to only be getting worse before they get better. The fact is that God desires that all people be *fully* healed and saved. Weeks after this episode, my body was healthy and free of infection. Things could have been much worse if it weren't for the thorough, albeit



Saint Ambrose:

"Christ alone takes away the sins of the people, provided they do not refuse to submit to healing."

painful, cleaning that I received. With this in mind, let us trust in Christ and His plan for us. Even though sometimes it might hurt a bit, *He knows exactly what He is doing.*

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gave out five scholarships. Information and an application can be found on our web site, above, under the Forms and Files tab.

On the subject of our young musicians, and for their families reading the Shepherd's Staff, we urge them to consider seriously joining their church choirs, to

ask their priests or chanters about learning to chant, or otherwise assisting in their respective parish music programs. As with all of our Holy Church endeavors, we need our young people to train them and prepare them to sustain our church in the future. For us at MEFGOX, we focus on musical aspects of our worship, but all efforts on behalf of our faith are important.

Friends of the Metropolis 2013

Donors list

+ His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas

Ann Arbor, MI - St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas Parish
St. Nicholas Philoptochos
St. Nicholas GOYA
Kotsis, Fr. Nicolaos and
Presbyteria Sandra
Paul, Presbyteria Eva
Baldwin, James
Daniels, Tony and Cleve
Fry, Jack D.
Garris, Steven and Stamatia
Hadden, Donnelly and Helen
Kales, Anthony and Joyce
Kussurelis, Peter and Zorene
Melzian, Stevan and Joy
Mitropoulos-Rundus, David and
Demetra
Phan, Sem and Katherine
Pliakas, Vasilis and Kyriaki
Radwanski, Kurt and Sophia
Grias
Steers, Gordon and Thelma
Tziahanas, Tom and Doreen
Vlahadamis, Kosta
Yates, Bill and Margaret

Binghamton, NY – Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity Parish

Bloomfield Hills, MI – St. George

Pathenos, Fr. Nicholas
Bouchar, Barsoum and Joanna
Challis, Sylvia
Iakovides, Dimitri
Livieratos, Spyros and
Chrisanthi
Nicholas, Gust and Kay
Pamel, Esther
Pappas, John and Stella
Sislock, Stella
Tate, Jay and Angelina
Yaksich, Moshoula

Buffalo, NY – Annunciation

Annunciation Parish
Annunciation Philoptochos
Christakis, Fr. Christos and
Presbyteria Lisa
Kallis, Fr. Perikles and
Presbyteria Cassandra
Blakeslee, Ronald and Maria
Candiliotis, Nicholas and
Priscilla
Cervi, Brian and Vassilia
Couvtsakis, Paul and Linda
Gioulekas, Goldie

Hiczewski, Peter and Michele
Krestos, Thomas and Mary
Kuvshinoff, Boris and Barbara
Manos, Margaret
Mellas, Constantine and Beth
Pavlakis, Peter and Elizabeth
Phufas, Ellene
Rossiter, Michael and Ann
Scouras, Paul and Chrisoula
Spanos, Francis
Tassy, E. Dean
Veanes, Angelo A.

Carmel, IN - Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity Parish
Holy Trinity Philoptochos
Holy Trinity Choir
Bartz, Fr. William and
Presbyteria Emily
Mamalis, Presbyteria Janet
Andros, Cheryl
Antonopoulos, Dean
Bakas, James and Tamilyn
Boutselis, Alex
Brochhagen, Curt and Renee
Brown, Jerome and Beverly
Carlson, David
Christy, Nancy -

In Memory of Chris Christy

Churchill, William and Patricia
Cortese, Thomas and Nia
Dickos, Conrad Greg
Dickos, Dennis
Dickos, Theone
Dimos, Jim and Kathy
Doney, Tom and Irene
Drukas, Doreen
Eaton, Joseph and Florie
Eleftheri, Lawrence and Beth
Filis, Anthony and Marian
Freudenberg, Cynthia
Genetos, Philip
Houseman, Helen
Howland, Greg and Nan
Johnson, Ronald E. and
Sunday K.
Kokinos, Pete and Argie
Kollias, Stephen
Kourmoulis, Mario and Karen
Lisch, Michael and Jean
Maltby, Ray and Bessie
Mangas-Florea, Jacqueline
Metzger, William and Anita
Moe, Jeffrey and Panayiota
Mowery, Christopher
Mudis, Wendy
Nicodemus, Wayne
Oberlies, Toulia
Pantzer, Holly
Pappaioanou, George

Pappas, Nicholas and Tracy
Pappas, Victoria
Pasyanos, Liberty
Payne, Martha J.
Pease, John and Maria
Siamas, Georgia
Siamas, John
Smyrnis, Nick
Stevens, Georgia
Theohares, Nick and Anne
Torney, Harry and Helen
Tournier, Johanna
Turner, Glenn
Vitsas, Constantine and Sondra
Vitsas, J.
Woodruff, Jim and Cindy
Young, Michael and Helen

Chattanooga, TN –

Annunciation

Annunciation Parish
Annunciation Philoptochos
Annunciation Choir
Ballas, Fr. Stavros and
Presbyteria Thea
Andros, George and Maria
Awala, Berih and Akberet Hadgu
Ballas, Aspasia
Bougdanos, Maria
Bouloukos, Dino and Maria
Cornea, Paul and Ana
Dimopoulos, Dennis and
Barbara
Dimopoulos, George L. and
Brigitte
Etherton, Wayne and Yolanda
Fairbanks, Bobby and Voula
Fotiadis, Nicky
Fox, Ann F.
Gaitanoglou, Ignatios and Jenny
Gulas, Marion –

In Memory of Vicky Mena

Gulas, Venetia
Hopper, Richard and Chrsi
Hopper, Richard and Chrsi –
In Memory of Vicky Mena
Kalanzis, Angela
Kosmidis, Alex and Cheryl
Kouris, George
Lee, Ronald and Constance
McNamara, Ryan and Connie
Mena, Michael
Moore, James and Fannie
Mousourakis, John and Donna
Pagnani, Irene
Petros, John and Voula
Petros, Kathy Maria
Petros, Tommy
Ramsey, Karen
Tigros, Elias and Sharon

Tolbert, John and Janice
Trohanis, J. A.
Zotos, Alexander and Jennifer

Cincinnati, OH –

Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas

Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Parish
Holy Trinity—St. Nicholas
Philoptochos
Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas GOYA
Cox, Fr. Irenaeus and
Presbyteria Alexandra
Andreadis, Sophie
Apostolides, Vasso
Assaley, Lewis and Patricia
Brown, William R.
Caneris, Anthony and Antoinette
Carey, Efstratia
Carumpalos, Constantine G.
Galanes, George
Georgescu, Dan and Cristiana
Kapourales, Louis
Klug, Maria
McKay, Betty Jo
Moraites, John and Barbara
Moulas, Dean
Perdikakis, Gus
Polychroniou, Constantine
Raptis, James J.
Zaferes, Patricia J.
Zaferes, Patricia P.
Zaferes, Thomas and Eleni

Dayton, OH – Annunciation

Annunciation Parish
Annunciation Philoptochos
Anonymous
Emroll, Fr. Mark and
Presbyteria Ginny
Bambakidis, Gust and Elli
Castleman, Maria
Heisey, Jeffrey
Keilholz, Mark and Cynthia
Luke, David and Paula
Stamas, Elizabeth
Zonars, Demetrius C.

Detroit, MI –

Annunciation Cathedral

Annunciation Philoptochos
Annunciation Pioneers
Bennert, Constance
Cook, Pelayia
Gaggos, Harry and Irene
Gaggos, James and Mary
Gaggos, Mary
Glikis, Maria
Inempolidis, Evelyn
Lianos, Ethel
Lianos, Will and Kim
Panson, Anthony S.
Pervanis, Koula
Politis, Dean L.
Tapazoglou, Nicolaos and
Christine

Elmira, NY – St. Athanasios

Scott, Fr. Richard

Farmington Hills, MI –**Holy Cross**

Holy Cross Parish

Holy Cross Philoptochos

Holy Cross GOYA

Hountalas, Fr. Dean and Presbyteria Olga

Andris, Theodore and Elaine

Blough, Michael and Catherine

Boudouris, Constantino and Joanne

Brock, Angel

Casoglos, Thomas and Mary

Fekaris, Steve and Bettie

George, John and Eleni

Krear, Tad and Elizabeth

Liadis, John

Liadis, Kathleen

Nuechterlein, Lanny and Andrica

Pesaros, Panayotis and Sonia

Power, Edward and Maria

Shukla, Margarita

Stassinopoulos, Peter and Esther

Voutsinas, Konstantinos and Diana

Fort Wayne, IN - Holy Trinity

Gogos, George and Eleftheria

Koulianos, Dionysios and Maria

Maggos, Eleftherios and Paraskevi

Nakos, Nikos

Rongos, Christopher and Katherine

Spirou, Arthur and Mary

Grand Blanc, MI - Assumption

Assumption Parish

Maggos, Fr. Angelo and Presbyteria Teri

Chinonis, Elias and Katie

Chinonis, John and Linda

Hountalas, John

Kalatzis, Athena

Kallis, Agape

Kaloydis, John and Karen

Politis, George and Rita

Yeotis, Catherine G.

Yeotis, Thomas and Magdalene

Grand Rapids, MI - Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity Parish

Holy Trinity Philoptochos

Marcus, Fr. Nicholas and Presbyteria Liza

Bogdan, Fr. James and Presbyteria Joan

Cassis, Deacon George and Diaconissa

Vicki

Afendoulis, Angelynn

Afendoulis, Chris and Phyllis

Afendoulis, Clark and Katherine

Ahnen, Pearl

Anton, Gust

Bageris, John T. and Leisa

Christopoulos, Peter and Maria

Couretas, John

Dimitriou, Angelo and Pat

Everse, Douglas and Georgia

Farran, Richard and Pamela

Gray, Mark and Alexis

Gregory, Paul and Joanne

Karatsinides, Spiro and Paulette

Keil, Michael and Susan

Kelber, Robert and Mary

Lakos, Marina

Lange, Ginger

Limber, Andrew and Alice

Missler, Stephen and Maria

Monoyios, Terry and Akrivi

Nicholas, James and Georgia

Petricevic, Mark and Ljiljana

Sellas, Chrisa

Sweeney, Evelyn

Theodore, Johnny and Mary

Indianapolis, IN – Holy Apostles

Holy Apostles Parish

Karozos, Gus A.

Ithaca, NY - St. Catherine

Parthenakis, Fr. Athanasios and

Presbyteria Cathy

In Memory of Harriet Giannelis

Bantuvanias, Ann A.

Bezirgianian, John

Lambrou, Nick

Jamestown, NY – St. Nicholas

St. Nicholas Parish

Zervos, Fr. George and Presbyteria Anne

Cheronis, James G.

Duro, Christian

Kalamazoo, MI – Annunciation

Annunciation Parish

Annunciation Philoptochos

Theoharis, Fr. Theoharis

Cavas, Anastasia

Ingalls, Robert and Andriana

Quinn, Patrick and Sophia

Stamos, Peter

Lansing, MI – Holy Trinity

Holy Trinity Parish

Holy Trinity Philoptochos

Sietsema, Fr. Mark and Presbyteria Kathy

Brown, B. Alex and Mary

Evanoff-Joseph, Yvonne

Gavrilides, Nick and Dana

Gavrilis, Dimitrios and Jane Arnold

In Memory of their Parents

Heos, Pamela

Hillary, Charles and Nadean

Karagoulis, Michael and Lynne

Munk, Jerry and Jan

Pascalenos, Olga

Perentesis, Stephanie

Pogoncheff, Carl

Priggooris, Peter

Rahib, Margaret

Skorich, Dan and Cathy Harris

Vlahakis, Louis and Mary

Lexington, KY – Panagia Pantovasilissa

Panagia Pantovasilissa Parish

Panagia Pantovasilissa Philoptochos

Wilson, Fr. George and Presbyteria Harriet

Dallas, Dora

Douglas, Nicholas

Karounos, Dennis and Chrisi

Kiriacopoulos, Ken and Kate

Pepps, Mary

Sawaya, Peter and Kallie

Thompson, John and Christina

Little Rock, AR – Annunciation

Annunciation GOYA

Verdaris, Fr. Nicholas and Presbyteria Maria

Delfos, Fr. Pierre and Presbyteria Harriet

Clift, Steven and Anna

Diggins, Patricia

Fotioo, Peter

Harb, Ron and Joyce

Huckabay, Christopher

McCrary, Robert and Stella

Misic, Dragi

Pappas, James and Eva

Siganos, James and Carla

Tyer, Gordon and Martha

Verdaris, John

Vratsinas, Gus and Irene

Louisville, KY – Assumption

Legakis, Fr. Larry and Presbyteria Jennifer

Wingenbach, Fr. Gregory

Adams, Sam and Thelma

Caneris, Thomas and Joanna

Digenis, Emily

Geromes, Marcus and Nancy

Leathers, Ryan

Simatacolos, Jim and Christine

Speliotis, Evanthis

Vassiliades, Constance

Zady, Madelon - *In Memory of Mona Zady*

Marquette, MI – Assumption

Butler, Michele

Memphis, TN – Annunciation

Annunciation Parish

Annunciation Philoptochos

Berends, Fr. James and Presbyteria Anne

Ahepa, Order of – Memphis, TN

Anonymous

Austin, Larry

Bagatelas, Todd and Cyndi

Caldwell, Richard

Farrell, Richard and Linda

Gallagher, Evangelia

Graves, William and Renee

Graves, Theodore

Kay, John and Nancy

Koplin, Ron and Pauline

Looney, Charles and Maria

Matika, Yolanta

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