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## THE ORATORICAL FESTIVAL - METROPOLIS FINALS

Holy Trinity Cathedral - Toledo, OH (May 17, 2014)

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### REFLECTION

*"But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My Name, He will teach you all things, and bring to your remembrance all that I have said to you. Peace I leave with you..."*

*John 14:26-27*

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### Metropolitan's Message

Beloved in the Lord,

Often in the New Testament we see that after people have come into the presence of Jesus they leave and tell others of the "wonderful things that God has done." (cf. Mark 5:18-19)

This important part of our Christian witness is not something which stopped with the ascension of Jesus. Rather, it is an ongoing reality of our Christian life and experience, and a natural outpouring of the blessing of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

We recently saw this Pentecostal reality of our Christian witness when the young people of our Metropolis gathered for their local Oratorical Festivals which eventually brought participants from throughout the Metropolis to the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Toledo, OH where our Metropolis finals were held.

The speakers in Toledo represented the best of the best. They had already gone through their parish and local area tryouts vying to have an opportunity to speak their message before the families, friends, supporters,

and clergy who were in Toledo to support this national program.

I must tell you that all of the speakers glowed with an inner sense of Christian pride as they delivered their message of faith and witness.

Their participation in this event highlighted their journey of faith and Christian learning. They are able to do something which many people find difficult: they shared their Orthodox faith in a public manner. Yes, they dared to speak the message of the Gospel!

To the participants at all levels — and to the parents, brothers, sisters, aunts, uncles, grandparents, teachers, and Sunday School advisors — we say thank you for a job well done! Congratulations!

With every paternal blessing,

†NICHOLAS

Metropolitan of Detroit

# Metropolitan's Schedule

For calendar updates, please visit our website at:  
[www.detroit.goarch.org/news/calendar](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/news/calendar)

## June

- 1 The Divine Liturgy
- 7 Wedding of Scott O'Rourke & Jessica Pindle
- 8 Holy Pentecost Divine Liturgy
- 15 Hierarchical Divine Liturgy & "Yasou Greek Fest"
- 21 Baptism of Scott Lionas
- 22 Hierarchical Divine Liturgy & Greek Festival  
Greek Festival
- 29 Pastoral Visit

- St. Nicholas Church—Ann Arbor, MI
- Transfiguration Church—Austin, TX
- Transfiguration Church—Austin, TX
- St. Demetrios Church—Saginaw, MI
- St. John Church—Sterling Heights, MI
- Assumption Church—Grand Blanc, MI
- St. Nicholas Church—Troy, MI
- Metropolis of Detroit

## July

- 6—10 42nd Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress
- 11—13 Archangel Gabriel Parish Visitation
- 19 Wedding of James Petrolla & Nomiki Frangopoulos
- 20 Pastoral Visit
- 23—24 American Bible Society Meeting
- 24—25 MEFGOX Convention
- 26—29 Archdiocesan Finance Committee Meeting

- Philadelphia, PA
- Traverse City, MI
- Archangel Michael Church—Campbell, OH
- Metropolis of Detroit
- Metropolis Office—Troy, MI
- Annunciation Cathedral—Columbus, OH
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# Youth News

By Eva Kokinos—Konstantakos  
Metropolis Youth Director

## St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Metropolis Finals

Young people from throughout the Metropolis of Detroit gathered again for the annual St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival—Metropolis finals.

The St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival provides our youth with the opportunity to truly witness their Orthodox Christian faith. In addition, the Oratorical Festival cultivates their skills in oratory and homiletics which was a significant tool used to spread Orthodoxy.

This year's Metropolis Festival was on Saturday, May 17, 2014 at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Toledo, OH. His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas was present at this year's Festival, calling all of our speakers to continue to share the message of the Gospel in this special way.

We thank Mr. Paul Sieben, Festival Chairperson, as well as all of the parish

donors and volunteers who gave their time and resources to make the event so successful.

Thanks to the generosity of the *Friends of the Metropolis* and parishes in our Metropolis, a \$500 award was given to the 1st Place speaker of the Junior Division and Senior Division. In addition, a Certificate of Participation and small gift were given to each one of the speakers that day.

The Junior and Senior Division Speaker Finalists advanced to Archdiocese Finals which were held June 13-15, 2014 in Cleveland, OH.

We congratulate our two Finalists, Carrie and John, for advancing to the Archdiocese Finals and representing our Metropolis. We also congratulate **all** of the speakers on their exemplary presentations.

Pictures are available on  
[detroit.goarch.org/youth/gallery](http://detroit.goarch.org/youth/gallery)



## ST. TIMOTHY SUMMER CAMP—REGISTRATION OPEN!

**Registration is now open** for the St. Timothy Camp at Oswegatchie Education al Center in Upstate NY. St. Timothy Camp has been serving the youth of the Metropolis for over 25 years.

St. Timothy Summer Camp will be held August 9—15, 2014. Campers ages 8-18 are welcome to register for camp TODAY!

Camp is a transformative experience for youth and the staff, too! So do not miss this opportunity for a week of faith, fun, and friendship!

Register and send your camp tuition BEFORE 7/15/2014 to take advantage of the \$30 Early Bird Discount!

To register, visit  
[www.sttimothycamp.org/register](http://www.sttimothycamp.org/register)

Don't forget... there is still space at our two other Metropolis Camps in Michigan and Tennessee. Contact them for more information.

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### JUNIOR DIVISION FINALIST

**CARRIE LANGEDORF**

Annunciation Church—Dayton, OH

### HONORABLE MENTION

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Nathaniel Martine  
Holy Trinity Church—Carmel, IN  
Matthew Sietserna  
Holy Trinity Church—Lansing, MI

### SENIOR DIVISION FINALIST

**JOHN TSATALIS**

Annunciation Church—Dayton, OH

### HONORABLE MENTION

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Holy Spirit Church—Rochester, NY  
Jordan George  
St. Nicholas Church—Troy, MI  
Alexis Harman  
Holy Trinity Church—Nashville, TN  
Ellen Lapointe  
Holy Spirit Church—Rochester, NY  
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Holy Trinity Church—Nashville, TN  
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We want to thank the "Friends of the Metropolis" and the following parishes for donating to the St. John Chrysostom Metropolis Oratorical Festival Scholarship Fund:

## Philoptochos News

By Margaret Yates—President



"A Celebration of Caring", the biennial fundraising luncheon offered by the Metropolis Philoptochos Board, was held on April 26 at the Holy Trinity Cathedral in Toledo, OH. Upon entering the fellowship hall building, we were greeted with a display of colorful sheets, comforters, adult and children's hand-made fleece blankets and a few baby blankets that were to be donated to the Beach House family shelter by the Holy Trinity Philoptochos.

Punch and hors d'oeuvres were served in the beautifully decorated fellowship hall where members had an opportunity to visit with one another before the program was begun and lunch was served. During the fellowship hour we enjoyed the music of The Vutones musical group. We were honored that Metropolitan Nicholas was able to attend and present a yellow rose to each of the forty-nine past presidents from our Metropolis who were in attendance. Five past presidents who were planning on attending had to cancel because of last minute unexpected commitments.

Thank you to all the Metropolis Board who worked to make the luncheon a success, to Metropolitan Nicholas and Board members for donating the beautiful raffle prizes, to our sponsors and to our hosts, The Holy Trinity Philoptochos, for their hospitality. A special thank you to our co-chairs, Pauline Biernacki of Toledo and Evanthis Valassiades of Dayton. It was truly a joyous occasion as we celebrated those who worked so hard in past years to carry out the mission of Philoptochos.

The Dayton Philoptochos is collecting monetary donations and "wish list" items for the Fisher House, which helps house military families of service men and women requiring hospitalization and medical attention.

The members of the Philoptochos in Buffalo held a farewell reception for Fr. Perikles Kallis, their assistant priest, and his family. He is now the Proistamenos at Holy Trinity in Waterbury, CT. They also coordinated a church team to walk in a fundraiser for Autism awareness. As mentioned previously, the members collected IOCC baby kits in honor of the Kallis family and presented the new baby with a baby quilt that was signed by 100 of the parishioners.

Several chapters throughout the Metropolis held spiritual retreats during the Lenten season, also attended by members from other

chapters. The majority of the chapters held Palm Sunday luncheons, dyed red Easter eggs and helped to decorate the Epitaphion.

As we prepare for the Clergy/Laity Philoptochos conference, our goal has been to have all 36 active chapters ratified. We are now at 95% and hope to reach 100% soon. The majority of our chapters will be receiving awards for paying all National Commitments for 2012 and 2013. Congratulations!



## Philoptochos Donations

- ◆ HOLY SPIRIT, ROCHESTER NY \$200 TO ALBANIA AND \$120 TO GUATEMALA THRU IOCC
- ◆ HOLY SPIRIT, ROCHESTER NY \$2900 TO NATIONAL COMMITMENTS IN 2013
- ◆ METROPOLIS BOARD - \$500 TO THE BEACH HOUSE
- ◆ ANNUNCIATION IN BUFFALO - \$750 FOR AUTISM AWARENESS

## MEFGOX News

By Theodore Niforos—President



When you come to our sacred Liturgy, do you take one important aspect of your worship for granted? I refer to the beauty of our traditional Byzantine-style music, whether it is one voice chanting or with a choir singing the traditional hymns in four-part harmonies.

Do you also take for granted the contribution of your Greek Orthodox Church Musicians?

If one took the time to consider the many kinds of musicians we have who take part in the Liturgy, you would

be surprised at the levels of training and commitment your musicians display.

Our Metropolitans, Priests and Deacons have been trained at a seminary in the chants of the Liturgy, which lead you to your prayers. A large number of our chanters have trained for many years, in Greece or in the United States, to learn the eight modes of our music and how each hymn they provide fits into them. Think of all the special hymns they chant during Holy Week. Most of our choir directors are trained musicians who lead our singers in their responses to the Clergy on behalf of the "laos", the people. The choir members, almost all of whom are volunteers, not only sing every Sunday, but attend regular rehearsals to become proficient under the director's leadership. Organists, also skilled musicians, accompany

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# He Has Revealed Himself To Us

By Father Nicholas Marcus

During Orthros, after the reading of the Psalms as well as in other services such as *Paraklesis*, we hear a special and a very short hymn “God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us...”. I say these words in my daily prayers knowing that they are ancient in origin and that they are speaking about mystery revealed. God the Lord has revealed Himself to us! Our Holy Church exists through the belief that God has revealed Himself to us. This idea of God appearing is a source of strength to all who have faith in the person of Jesus Christ.

The God who appeared to us appeared in our physical history. It is through His plan of salvation for each and every one of us that on the day of Pentecost, fifty days after Pascha, He reveals to us the Holy Spirit, the Comforter, the One who brings wisdom, strength, and courage to our lives. It is through the Holy Spirit that our Lord shows us His love and, very importantly, His purpose for each of us in this world. Many people try to show or prove that God exists. Faith is not about proof of God’s existence; faith is about individual acceptance that God is!

The Church began its mission of Christianity on the day of Pentecost. One could argue that the Church has always existed, but it is on this day that a few fishermen are sent out to change the world forever. On this day our Lord’s holy disciples received the Holy Spirit upon them as flaming tongues and established through the Holy Spirit a Faith in a God who revealed Himself to us! As Orthodox Christians, we cannot separate the Church from Faith. We cannot know Christ, or the Holy Spirit, or God the Father—the Holy Trinity, outside of His Holy Church that He has established. This has been proclaimed by the Saints from the beginning of Christianity. In the Church we proclaim His faith, and we help to maintain that faith through the Sacramental life, starting with our baptism.

Recently, we had the graduation of the high school seniors from Sunday School. Those in the ministry of teaching the faith, such as our dedicated Sunday School teachers, do their best to show a God who has been revealed. These teachers try to impart their love for God and His Church. But no one can really teach you how to have faith, or what

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the choirs. Lastly, in many of our churches, there are the youth music teachers or directors who work with our future musicians.

Rather than taking them for granted, join our choirs, or, at the least, show your appreciation with a few kind words.



Father Nicholas Marcus is the Presiding Priest at the Holy Trinity Church in Grand Rapids, MI.



## Sunday Orthros (Psalm 118)

*“God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us...”*

God feels like. The only way is to seek Him in your heart and in His Holy Church. To have the Lord in our life is the greatest treasure that we can have—a treasure that no one can take from us!

“God is the Lord and has revealed Himself to us...” may these sweet words guide you and comfort you.

On July 24-27, 2014, the Church Musicians of MEFGOX, from both the Detroit and Pittsburgh Metropolises, will attend our annual Convention, this year at the Annunciation Cathedral in Columbus, Ohio, to learn more about our faith and its music and to rehearse to sing the beautiful music of Presvytera Anna Gallos’ Second Greek and English Liturgies at our Sunday Service.

# Friends of the Metropolis

*Donors List as of May 31, 2014*



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## **Ann Arbor, MI - St. Nicholas**

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Holy Apostles Parish

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St. Nicholas Parish  
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## **Lansing, MI – Holy Trinity**

Holy Trinity Philoptochos  
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Annunciation Parish  
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Presbyteria Maria  
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Annunciation Philoptochos  
Berends, Fr. James and  
Presbyteria Anne  
Vieron, Fr. Nicholas and  
Presbyteria Bess

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 Daughters of Penelope – Memphis  
 Chapter #180  
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 Boosalis, Inga  
 Buchanan, Angela  
 Bullard, Tim  
 Bunn, Jan  
 Couloubaritsis, Jerry and Julia  
 Caldwell, Richard  
 David, Brent and Suzan  
 Demos, Chris and Shawn  
 Dense, Brian and Lisa  
 Detty, Jackson  
 Dietz, George and Kristine  
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 Graves, Alan and Renee  
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 Kish, Sarkis and Jenny  
 Koplin, Jonathan and Pauline  
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 McKee, Scott and Weilin  
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 Melonas, Peter and Kathryn  
 Meng, James and Susan  
 Moore, Michael and Maria  
 Morrison, Robert and Kathy  
 Nicholas, Nick and Linda  
 Obradovic, Mitch and Linda  
 Otto, Greg and Elaine  
 Paris, Dorothy, Evangeline, Anna  
 Peters, Manuel and Susanna  
 Poplos, Ted and Stephanie  
 Ruby, Pete and Katerina  
 Semos, Vasili and Luane  
 Smith, Jimmy and Georgia  
 Taras, Dimitri and Mary Katherine  
 Taras, Kosta and Loretta  
 Tashie, David and Christine  
 Tashie, George and Cecile  
 Tashie, Jimmy and Nancy  
 Tashie, John  
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 Terranova, Anastasia  
 Tobias, Richard and Angela

Touliatos, Joy  
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 Vergos, John and Ellen  
 Vergos, Tasia  
 Wassef, Magdi and Amira  
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**Muskegon, MI – Annunciation**

Yankopoulos, Presbyteria Ann  
 Keat, Peppy  
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**Nashville, TN - Holy Trinity**

Holy Trinity Parish  
 Hohnholt, Fr. Gregory and  
 Presbyteria Sofia  
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**New Buffalo, MI –**

**Annunciation-Agia Paraskevi**

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**Nashville, TN – Holy Trinity**

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**Nashville, TN -**

**St. John Chrysostom Mission**

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 Presbyteria Marion

**Plymouth, MI –**

**Nativity of the Virgin Mary**

Randall, Michael and Anne

**Rochester, NY – Annunciation**

Annunciation Philoptochos  
 Mot, Fr. Catalin and  
 Presbyteria Felicia  
 Gines, George and Maria  
 Stefanou, Constantine and Florence

**Rochester, NY – Holy Spirit**

Gesell, Melody

**Saginaw, MI – St. Demetrios**

Bazakis, Andrew and Ann

**Southgate, MI - St. George**

St. George Parish  
 St. George Philoptochos  
 Kircos, Louis and Paula  
 Kontos, John and Marika  
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**St. John**

St. John Choir  
 Lionas, James and Helene  
 Kotsis, Harry and Katherine  
 Raphtis, Mike and Betty  
 Salonikas, George and Niki

**Toledo, OH – Holy Trinity Cathedral**

Damaskos, Fr. Aristotle and  
 Presbyteria Debbie  
 Biernacki, Gerald and Pauline  
 Mulopulos, George and Ann

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## Friends of the Metropolis



Dear Friends of the Metropolis:

God has called us to do mighty deeds for the glory of His name and for the love of His people.

You are called upon to join in this reality of "faith working through love" as we continue to manifest the love of God for His Church and His people.

When you support the Friends of the Metropolis campaign, you are part of a greater outreach that proclaims with one universal voice that God is truly our hope and our rock of salvation.

Because of your devotion and help to the Friends program, ministries and programs are implemented on a Metropolis-wide basis which strengthen and enhance our faith and our joint ministry of service.

If you have not yet become part of the Metropolis-wide effort, I would like to invite you to join forces with the faithful throughout our Metropolis in support of the ministries which are part of the Office of the Metropolitan.

Thanking you for your kind and generous response, I remain, with paternal blessing and prayers,

**+NICHOLAS**

Metropolitan of Detroit



I am pleased to support the work of Metropolitan Nicholas and the Metropolis through the Annual Metropolis Stewardship "Friends" Program

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**General:** Fully fund the expenses of the Metropolis offices, programs and travels.

**Education:** Enhance scholarships and adult education programs, as well as support the Metropolis students at Hellenic College/Holy Cross.

**Support:** Develop and provide educational and instructional seminars and services to clergy and parishes.

**Youth:** Maintain and support the youth office and activities of a full-time Youth and Young Adult Ministries Director.

**Outreach/Missions:** Create opportunities to introduce our faith to society, participate in inter-Christian and inter-faith activities as well as provide quick responses to national disasters.

**Hellenism:** Develop programs for Hellenic Cultural Outreach, including language, history and arts.

**Leadership:** Organize Metropolis Clergy-Laity Conferences, Oratorical Festivals, Christmas Pageants and Adult Education Programs.

**Special Programs:** Website development, hospitality to visiting dignitaries and guests, Charity and Philanthropy.