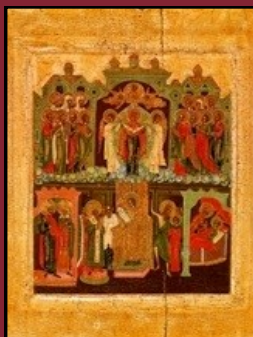


*Love your enemies,
do good to those who hate you,
bless those who curse you, pray for
those who abuse you. To him who
strikes you on the cheek, offer the
other also; and from him who
takes away your coat do not
withhold even your shirt. Give to
every one who begs from you; and
of him who takes away your goods
do not ask them again.*

(Luke 6: 27 - 30)



*The Holy Protection
of the Theotokos
October 1*

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METROPOLITAN NICHOLAS' MESSAGE

*B*eloved in the Lord,

If we were to consider the actual number of choices we are called to make in a day, I think that the answer would surprise us. While we may only consider it to be a few "important" choices that we make in a day, in truth it must be thousands of choices that we are programmed to make.

Every morning we awake to find before us a myriad of decisions that need to be made. Sometimes the choices are so automatic we don't pay attention to them: this is the tie that matches this suit; these are the shoes that match this dress; this is my morning coffee stop. But in reality, every action and idea is followed by some kind of choice.

And just as we make thousands of decisions every day about the mundane things of life, we are also making thousands of

decisions every day regarding our faith and our relationship with God.

We can make a decision to start our day with a



prayer or the sign of the cross; to dress according to standards of Christian comportment; to interact with other people according to the grace that God has so richly poured out upon us; to share, give,

teach, and live the Orthodox Christian faith which we profess in an outward fashion.

My friends, I have long been amused by the signs which I see on car bumpers asking us to consider doing "random" acts of kindness. This seems odd to me because it implies that there is not a regular and driving intention to be kind—it is only by happenstance that we should extend our hands and our hearts to help others.

Surely the foundational choice which we have made to live an Orthodox Christian lifestyle that reflects our commitment to God and His Kingdom must be foundational in how we decide about what we think, do, and say. Now as always, let us strive to do what is "true, honorable, just, pure, pleasing, and commendable." (cf Phil. 4:8). Make the choice for Christ!

+ Metropolitan Nicholas

BISHOP'S SCHEDULE HIGHLIGHTS

For calendar updates, please visit our website at: www.detroit.goarch.org/news/calendar

OCTOBER

5 - 10	<i>Visit to His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah</i>	Metropolis of Denver—Denver, CO
13	<i>Basilica of St. Mary 40th Anniversary</i>	Basilica of St. Mary (Antiochian Orthodox)—Livonia, MI
14	<i>Father Athanas George's Retirement Banquet</i>	Atheneum Hotel—Detroit, MI
15 - 18	<i>Holy Eparchial Synod Meeting</i>	Archdiocesan Center—New-York, NY
19	<i>Archdiocesan Council Meeting</i>	Archdiocesan Center—New-York, NY
20 - 21	<i>Parish Visitation</i>	Annunciation Church—Memphis, TN
25	<i>Great Vespers for the Feast of St. Demetrios</i>	St. Demetrios Church—Saginaw, MI
27 - 28	<i>St. Demetrios Church 75th Anniversary</i>	St. Demetrios Church—Saginaw, MI

NOVEMBER

3	<i>Festival of Tables</i>	St. Nicholas Church—Troy, MI
4	<i>Parish Visitation</i>	St. George Church—Bloomfield Hills, MI
6 - 9	<i>American Bible Society Meeting</i>	New-York, NY
11	<i>Parish Visitation</i>	Holy Trinity Church—Lansing, MI
14 - 16	<i>Synaxis of the Bishops</i>	Holy Cross School of Theology—Boston, MA
17	<i>Metropolis of Detroit Summer Camp Fundraiser</i>	Assumption Church—St. Clair Shores, MI
18	<i>Parish Visitation</i>	St. Nicholas Church—Ann Arbor, MI
22 - 23	<i>THANKSGIVING—Metropolis Offices Closed</i>	

MEFGOX NEWS

By Ted Niforos

President

Greetings from the Mid-Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians. We concluded our 65th Convention. An important aspect was the Church Music Institute (CMI), workshops conducted by the Federation, financed by the National Forum of Greek Ortho-

dox Church Musicians. We learned more about the Megalitaria (Hymns of Praise to the Theotokos) from Fr. Dean Dimon of Annunciation Cathedral in Cleveland, and from Ms. Pana Mastro, Steubenville, about Byzantine chant from the Very Reverend Archimandrite Nicholas Hughes, Annunciation, Columbus, and vocal techniques from Gabriella Martinez, St. Demetrios, Rocky River, Ohio.

The CMI included an always well received session, "A Conversation with Our Metropolitans". His Eminence, Metropolitan Nicholas answered questions about Church Music with His customary directness and warmth. His Eminence, Metropolitan Savas, prelate of the Pittsburgh Metropolis, continued in the same manner.

Singing registrants from approximately 30 Federation parishes in

MEFGOX NEWS *continued...*

both Metropolises spent several hours rehearsing the music of Frank Desby for the Sunday Divine Liturgy, under the leadership of son Neal Desby. Metropolitan Savas was the chief celebrant of the Liturgy.

We had approximately 30 young people attend. They sang at a Doxology Service on Friday morning of the Convention, at the Annunciation Parish. The Friday evening Talent show highlighted many of these talented young people.

The Federation's memorial scholarships went to three young church

musicians: Nicholas Wardner, of St. Nicholas Parish, Ann Arbor, Michigan; and, to Anna Lichtenstein and Otto Wallenmeyer, both of Holy Trinity Parish, Camp Hill, Pennsylvania.

Other officers for 2012-2013 are: Vice-President Dan Packis, of St. Demetrios, Rocky River; Secretary Dr. Vicki Pappas, Holy Trinity, Carmel, Indiana; and, Treasurer Peter Vatsures, Annunciation, Columbus, Ohio.

At our Saturday evening Banquet, Dr. Pappas was given a special honor in view of her 30 years of service as Chairman of the National

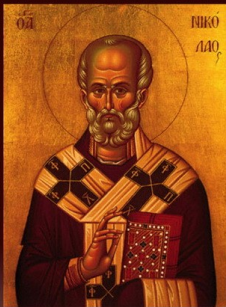
Forum. Under her exceptional leadership, the Forum and its member Church Music Federations, such as MEFGOX, contributed a voice for all church musicians to our Archdiocese.

Another special honor at the Banquet went to former President Irene Georgantas, the Patriarch Athénagoras Medal, given by the National Forum, for her exceptional service to church music.

Our next Convention, July 18-21, 2013, will be held in Cincinnati, Ohio, hosted by the Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Parish ■

UPCOMING EVENTS

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit Council and Metropolis Philoptochos invite you to attend the...



Open House and Reception for the Feast of Saint Nicholas

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012
Time: 1:00 - 5:00pm

2560 Crooks Road — Troy, MI
(Between Big Beaver Road and Kirts Boulevard)

Phone: 248.823.2400

Please stop by the Metropolis Center on the occasion of Metropolitan Nicholas' name day.



The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit Council and Metropolis Philoptochos invite you to join us in celebrating the...

Feast of St. Spyridon

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2012

Great Vespers for the Feast of St. Spyridon 6:30pm
Reception to Follow

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 12, 2012

Hierarchical Divine Liturgy for the Feast of St. Spyridon 10:00am
Reception to Follow

Metropolis Center - 2560 Crooks Road - Troy, MI 48084

Phone: (248) 823-2400

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

By Margaret Yates
President

As mentioned in the last issue of The Shepherd's Staff, those in attendance at the Clergy-Laity Philoptochos Conference were energized and looking forward to implementing new ideas as they returned to their home chapters. Most chapters have already set their calendars for the 2012-2013 ecclesiastical year, planning activities that will not only meet their National and Metropolis obligations, but achieve goals of reaching out to those in need.

As we celebrate 80 years of philanthropy, we are very close to achieving our goal of having a permanent home for Philoptochos. On September 13th, National President Aphrodite Skeadas signed a contract to purchase a building in New York City to be known as the Philoptochos Center of Philanthropy (PCOP). It has been an arduous journey made possible by the hard-working and dedicated members of Philoptochos. Two trees of giving will greet those visiting the PCOP, one of which is dedicated to Philoptochos chapters throughout the country.

If at all possible, the National Board would like to have all chapters represented by purchasing a gold leaf for the tree. At a cost of \$1,000 each, this is a lofty goal for some of the smaller chapters.



L-R): Diane Kevin, President; Loy Jonson; Julie Smith Morrow, **Dress for Success Cincinnati**; Eleni Zaferes and Father William Cassis, Parish Priest.

The leaf is not just a decoration but intended to help pay down the mortgage. The Board would like to encourage

At the gala on Saturday evening, past Philoptochos presidents in attendance received a beautiful icon of Christ

DONATIONS

- ⇒ Holy Trinity/St. Nicholas in Cincinnati: \$2,000 and over fifty suits and other items to Dress for Success.
- ⇒ Annunciation in Buffalo: \$1,000 to the Philoptochos Center of Philanthropy, \$500 to the Friends of the Metropolis.
- ⇒ St. Nicholas in Ann Arbor; \$1,000 to the Philoptochos Center of Philanthropy, \$1,000 plus to IOCC.

age all chapters to formulate a plan to achieve this goal, but not at the expense of philanthropy. If you or your chapter made a pledge at the conference, please submit your payment as soon as possible.

A centennial celebration was held the weekend of September 7-9 at the Annunciation Church in Buffalo, NY, highlighted by a visit from Archbishop Demetrios and Metropolitan Nicholas.

washing the feet of the disciples to commemorate their service to others. The chapter made several significant donations in honor of the centennial including; A new gospel book with cover and a new cross and new processional fans; a \$1,000 gift to the National Philoptochos Center of Philanthropy, given in honor of Archbishop Demetrios; A \$500 gift to Friends of the Metropolis (given to His Eminence Met-

ropolitan Nicholas). The Philoptochos chapter, under the leadership of president Barbara Kuvshinoff, also distributed commemorative coffee mugs with the centennial logo and the theme Service, Faith, Tradition to approximately 100 clergy, dignitaries and committee volunteers.

This very active Philoptochos chapter is sponsoring a special luncheon on November 11 with guest speaker Mother Barbara from Monastery off the Holy Transfiguration in Ellwood City PA. Mother Barbara will speak on the topic of women's role in the church. As this is not a fundraiser, the cost of the luncheon is minimal, and all veterans will be guests of the Philoptochos in appreciation of their service to our country. Attendees from surrounding parishes are welcome.

"Fashion Across the Decades" is a charity event benefiting the Children's Hospital of Michigan Foundation. Co-sponsored by the Assumption (St. Clair Shores) and St. John's (Sterling Heights) Ladies Philoptochos Societies, the event will be held at 6:00p.m. Thursday, October 25, 2012 at The International Center at the Atheneum Suites Hotel in Detroit. Tickets are \$65 and may be purchased by calling 248-613-7819.

In closing, please remember your donations to the Friends of the Metropolis! ■

YOUTH NEWS by Eva Kokinos

DO YOU HAVE AN ATTITUDE OF GRATITUDE?

"Oh, give thanks to the LORD, for He is good! For His mercy endures forever!" (Psalm 107:1)

Next month is November. You know what that means...Thanksgiving is right around the corner! What is the first think you think about when you think of Thanksgiving... turkey, football, family gatherings, Black Friday shopping, etc.?

With all of this going on, we quickly forget the meaning behind this specific holiday. It is important for Orthodox Christians to take a moment and give thanks for the blessings that have been bestowed upon us. During this time of year, we can challenge ourselves to remember the true meaning of this Thanksgiving holiday... Do we have an attitude of gratitude?

1) Attitude of Gratitude ... through words. *"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal."* (1 Corinthians 13:1) We say a lot! We are texting, we are chatting, we are on the phone. Most of the time, we just chat away and wasting our words on gossip, chit-chat, and negativity. People are kind to us every day, in big and small ways. But are we really taking the time to say the two words that show appreciation for the things that others do for us?

Spiritual "Attitude Adjustment" Challenge: Make a specific effort to actually SAY thank you when people do things for you. If someone opens a door for you, say "thank you." Take time to say "thanks" to your parents/guardians for being there for you. You can even say thank you to a friend for just being a friend! The point is... SAY it!

2) Attitude of Gratitude ... through actions. *"For as the body without the spirit is dead, so faith without works is dead also."* (James 2:26) As the saying goes, "Actions speak louder than words." We do not doubt for one second that words have a strong impact on how we react and how we relate. But, our words are given a definition and dimension through "walking the walk" when we are "talking the talk".

Spiritual "Attitude Adjustment" Challenge: Show your attitude of gratitude by "returning the favor." What does that mean? Challenge yourself to appreciate the gifts that you are given by giving to others. For example, young people can give their gently used toys to Toys-for-Tots or another charitable organization. Give canned goods to the local food bank. You can also offer your time to volunteer at your Church and various local philanthropic organizations.

3) Attitude of Gratitude ... through worship. *"Sing to the LORD with thanksgiving; Sing praises on the harp to our God..."* (Psalm 147:7) Ultimately, we are here because God gave us life. God created man and we are blessed to partake in what He has created for us. Why not give thanks to the One who made it possible and continues to give us a new day?

Spiritual "Attitude Adjustment" Challenge: As you spend time in the Divine Liturgy, make sure to offer a prayer of thanksgiving for different things in your life. You can also prepare or offer items that are used in the Divine Liturgy. For example, prepare the Prosforo or "blessed bread" to be used for the Holy Eucharist ■



MDSC 60TH ANNIVERSARY DINNER AND REVERSE RAFFLE

Saturday,
NOVEMBER 17, 2012

6:30 pm — Cocktails
7:00pm — Dinner
8:30pm — Raffle

1st Prize \$5,000
2nd Prize \$2,000
3rd Prize \$1,000
\$2,500 in additional cash prizes

ONLY
250 tickets to be sold!

\$200.00 per ticket
(ticket includes drawing and two dinners)

Assumption Cultural Center
21800 Marter Road
St. Clair Shores, MI 48080

For more information:
Olga Cardasis (586.242.7940)
Alexis Malis (313.824.4535)
Bobby Evans (248.672.1667)

The St. Photios Foundation Announces the 2012 Seventh Annual Essay Contest

The contest is open to all **high school students**. It is **FREE** to participate. Participants must write an 1,000 word essay responding to this year's essay theme. First prize is an **iPad 2**. The Deadline is **November 9, 2012**. Please visit <http://www.stphotios.com/Essay%20Contest.html> for more details.

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JOSHUA RECEIVES HELP

*By Fr. William Barty
Metropolis Chancellor*



In Exodus 17, Joshua leads Israel's army in victory over the Amalekites. While Joshua and the army are in battle, Moses climbs a nearby hill with Aaron and Hur. In verse 11, it reads "as so it was, when Moses held up his hand, that Israel prevailed; and when he let down his hand, Amalek prevailed. But Moses' hands be-

came heavy; so they took a stone and put it under him, and he sat on it. And Aaron and Hur supported his hands, one on one side, and the other on the other side; and his hands were steady until the going down of the sun. So Joshua defeated Amalek and his people with the edge of the sword." (NKJV)

While Joshua is seen as the conquering leader, the victory is fueled on the hill by the intercessory prayer of Moses along with Aaron and Hur. Joshua prays before going into battle, but the intercessory prayers of Moses, Aaron, and Hur give Israel the advantage.

Prayers of intercession can

be offered by all who are in the Church. Our Church includes the Church Triumphant, those who have fallen asleep in the Lord, and the Church Militant, those who are still living on earth. The Orthodox Church teaches that interaction exists between the Church Triumphant and the Church Militant. We Christians who are living on earth can seek the prayers of those who are in the Triumphant Church, first and foremost with our most holy Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary. This is intercessory prayer.

As these prayers of intercession make a difference in the battle between Israel and Am-

alekites, intercessory prayer can also impact our life today. When we call upon a saint on behalf of a loved one, we are fueling that person to be victorious in his/her personal battle. The prayers of intercession by a saint empower our loved one to meet the challenges in life. And our intercessory prayers can give a boost to our loved one who may be weary in a struggle.

Bring a positive impact to a loved one! Seek the prayers of a saint! Offer a prayer! Fuel a loved one "from a nearby hill with uplifted arms" of prayer, making a real difference in his or her life and helping him/her to be victorious ■

SOPHIE BURBULIS—CHURCH LEADER AT 90

By Joan DeRonne

Sophie has been a member of the Assumption Church in St. Clair Shores since childhood. And to this day, Sophie will exclaim that if she cannot be found at home, she can be found at Church!

Her father and Mother, Agoritsa and Vasilios Karouzias, came to America from the Thessali region of Greece in 1915 to Manchester, New Hampshire where Sophie was born. They moved to Detroit in 1922, when she was eleven months old. Church played an important part in their lives. Mr Caruso helped support the Hillger, Lycaste and Beniteau locations. Sophie, in fact, was one of the first students of the Assumption



Sophie Burbulis and Metropolitan Nicholas at the Greek Festival

Greek School. While attending Foch and Eastern High Schools, she worked in her father's eastside grocery store.

Sophie married her beloved Gus Burbulis and together they opened Pembroke Diner in Detroit for 20 years.

They had two children and Jim (Vicki) and Rita and four grandchildren. Gus became active in Assumption Church as well and served on Parish Council and many other organizations. Although Sophie is widowed now, she finds comfort in the support of her

loving family and church.

Sophie is truly the "Church Historian", serving since childhood in many capacities including Ladies Philoptochos Society, Senior Citizens Organization as President and member, Parish Council member for years and founding member of the Senior Expo now in its 19th year where she helped develop a Resource Guide for older adults and their families. She never misses her Senior Exercise classes Tuesdays and Thursdays.

A "pillar" of the Assumption Family, Sophie greets every parishioner each Sunday as she personally distributes the church bulletin. For her entire life, Sophie has truly been an extraordinary example of living the principals of our Greek Orthodox Faith daily ■

FRIENDS OF THE METROPOLIS *(as of September 30, 2012)*

+ His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas

Ann Arbor, MI St. Nicholas

Kotsis, Fr. Nicolaos and
Presbytera Sandra
Paul, Presbytera Eva
Baldwin, James and
Mary Suzanne
Bekiares, Penelope Ann
Daniels, Tony and Cleve
Fry, Jack D.
Garris, Steven and Stamatia
Gutierrez, Jarvis
Hall, Diane
Katsikas, Chris and Pandora
Kleanthous, Costas and Sylvia
Pardon, Carl
Pliakas, Vasilios and Kyriakoula
Tziahanas, Tom and Doreen

Bloomfield Hills, MI

St. George

Allen, Kaleope
Iakovides, Dimitri
Pamel, Esther
Sislock, Stella

Buffalo, NY

Annunciation

Annunciation Parish
Annunciation Philoptochos
Christakis, Fr. Christos and
Presbytera Lisa
Kallis, Fr. Perikles and
Presbytera Cassandra
Bison Painting and Decorating
Corp.
Blakeslee, Ronald and Maria
Cervi, Brian and Vassilia
Couvtsakis, Paul and Linda
Danakas, George
Gioulekas, Goldie
Katsinis, Alex
Krestos, Thomas
Kuvshinoff, Boris and Barbara
Mastoras, Spiros and Mary
Rossiter, Michael and Ann
Tassy, Gust and Marian
Veanes, Angelo

Carmel, IN - Holy Trinity

Belous, Alexandra
Eaton, Joseph and Florie
Karas, Gus and Maritsa
Kazmierski, Maria Hristova
Pappas, Vicki
Turner, Glenn

Chattanooga, TN

Annunciation

Ballas, Fr. Stavros and
Presbytera Thea
Campa, Pedro
Cornea, Paul and Ana
Dimopoulos, Dennis and
Barbara
Fotiadis, Nicky
Gulas, Marion
Hopper, Richard and Chri
Kouris, George
Moore, James and Fannie
Mousourakis, John and Donna
Petros, Voula
Ramsey, Karen
Tigiros, Elias and Sharon
Zotos, Alexander and Jennifer

Cincinnati, OH

Holy Trinity/St. Nicholas

HTSN Parish
HTSN Philoptochos
Andreadis, Sophie
Apostolides, Vasso
Assaley, Lewis and Patricia
Beltsos, Sam
Brown, William R.
Caneris, Anthony and
Antoinette
Carumpalos, Constantine
Christoforidis, Alexander
Galanes, George
Kapourales, Louis
Landers, Lauren
Misali, Akila
Polychroniou, Constantine
Raptis, James and Maria
Spanorigas, Nicholas and
Becky
Stringas, Emanuel
Zaferes, Patricia

Dayton, OH

Annunciation

Emroll, Fr. Mark and
Presbytera Ginny
Castleman, Maria
Danopoulos, Damian
Derksen, James and Leah
Heisey, Jeffery and Chrisanne
Moraites, John and Barbara
Pangos, William and Irene
Retzios, Thomas and Angela

Detroit, MI

Annunciation Cathedral

Annunciation Cathedral
Philoptochos
Gaggos, Jim and Mary
Glikas, Marie
Lianos, Ethel
Papas, John G.
Tapazoglou, Nicolaos and
Christine

Elmira, NY – St. Athanasios

Vardakis, Paul

Farmington Hills, MI

Holy Cross

Hountalas, Fr. Dean and
Presbytera Olga
Andris, Theodore and Elaine
Boudouris, Constantino and
Joanne
Culley, George and Katherine
Fekaris, Steve and Bettie
Ganas, James S.
Liadis, Kathleen
Pesaros, Panayotis and Sonia
Rambus, Michael
Shukla, Margarita
Stassinopoulos, Peter and
Esther

Fort Wayne, IN

Holy Trinity

Doublas, Gregory
Koulianos, Dionysios and Maria
Maggos, Eleftherios and Voula
Spirou, Arthur and Mary
Turner, Christian M.

Grand Blanc, MI

Assumption

Chinonis, Elias and Katie
Chinonis, Nancy and Jeff
Lauster
Kallis, Agape and Family –
In Memory of Harold Kallis
Kaloydis, John and Karen
Politis, George and Rita

Grand Rapids, MI

Holy Trinity

Bogdan, Fr. James and
Presbytera Joan
Cassis, Deacon George and
Diaconissa Vicki
Afendoulis, Chris and Phyllis
Afendoulis, Clark and
Katherine
Anonymous
Bird, Jason and Christa
Georgeson, Menas and
Fronsene
Gray, Mark and Alexis
In Memory of Demetra
Georgacopoulos
Lange, Ginger
Monoyios, Terry and Akrivi
Neil, Chad
Nicholas, Jim and Georgia
Slott, Leonard and Emili
Spero, Stamatia
Triant, Linda
VanderSchel, Connie

Hot Springs, AR

Zoodochos Peghee

McCrary, Robert and Stella

Indianapolis, IN

Holy Apostles

Holy Apostles Parish
Crabtree, Georgia

Ithaca, NY - St. Catherine

Parthenakis, Fr. Athanasios and
Presbytera Cathy
Bantuvanias, Ann
Bezirgianian, John
Stoenescu, Caterina

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FRIENDS OF THE METROPOLIS *(as of September 30, 2012)*

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Tselekis, George

Jamestown, NY **St. Nicholas**

Zervos, Fr. George and
Presbytera Anne
Pappas, Elizabeth
Tsitso, Spiro

Kalamazoo, MI **Annunciation**

Cavas, Anastasia
Quinn, Patrick and Sophia
Stamos, Peter

Lansing, MI **Holy Trinity**

Holy Trinity Parish
Holy Trinity Philoptochos
Farran, Richard and Pamela
Hillary, Charles and Nadean
Kaliyanakis, Helen
Kavalaris, Gus and Connie
Munk, Jerry and Jan
Pascalenos, Olga
Perentesis, Stephanie
Rahib, Margaret
Sine, Daniel and Spiridoula
Skorich, Dan

Lexington, KY

Panagia Pantovasilissa

Panagia Pantovasilissa
Philoptochos
Kiriacopoulos, Ken and Kate
Thompson, John and Christina

Little Rock, AR

Annunciation

Verdaris, Fr. Nicholas and
Presbytera Maria
Alley, Sam and Janet
McDowell, Lynn and Susan
Tyer, Gordon and Martha
Verdaris, John and Marlene
Vratsinas, Gus and Irene

Louisville, KY

Assumption

Wingenbach, Fr. Gregory C.

Adams, Sam and Thelma

Memphis, TN

Annunciation

Cook, Fr. Anthony and
Presbytera Elizabeth
Bagatelas, Todd and Cyndi
Buring, Jacob and Michele
Capadalis, Peggy
Cotros, Charles and Connie
Grayes, Theodore
Kay, John and Nancy
Koplin, Ron and Pauline
Meng, James and Susan
Moore, Michael and Maria
Ogbasion, Asmelash and
Asmeret
Poplos, Theodore and
Stephanie Storgion
Semos, Evangeline
Semos, Vasili and Luane
Sousoulas, James
Tobias, Richard and Angela

Middletown, OH

Sts. Constantine and Helen

Anagnostou, Elias
Canada, William
Comminos, Steve and Beth
Ford, Matthew
Formakes, George
Formakes, John
Gordon, Kiki Demetriou
Hasselbusch, Aaron
Mathews, Mike
McNeely, Ed
McNeely, Nestor and Niki
Revelos, George
Revelos, Mike
Ververis, Chris
Ververis, Nicholas

Muskegon, MI

Annunciation

Annunciation Philoptochos
Yankopoulos, Presbytera Ann
Afendoulis, Alexander
Afendulis, James
Afendulis, Phyllis
Afendulis, Theodore
Anton, Ted and Francine

Baker, Georgia

Burnett, Jim and Diane

Clark, Kenneth and Nicci

Danigelis, George

Danigelis, Gust and Mary

Davros, Nicholas

Dreleozis, George and Pota

Encelewski, Christine

Hanichen, Andrew and Karen

Karis, Othon and Kristi

Katsiouras, Sakis and Katerina

Kotos, Kimon

Ladas, Paul M. and Patricia

Maniates, George and

Margaret

McNutt, Angela

Micheil, Richard and Teresa

Niotis, Peter and Stephanie

Oravitan, Andre and Philip

Peliotes, Ethel

Richardson, Patricia L.

Roldan, Martha

Russell, Joseph and Ismene

Sayen, Chad and Sophia

Soimar, Michael and Corina

Stathas, Nicholas and Rita

Nashville, TN

Holy Trinity

Hohnholt, Fr. Gregory and
Presbytera Sofia
Billo, John and Kassiani
Botsaris, Chris
Brown, Michael and Laurie
Kerhoulas
Coutras, Chris
Davis, Stephanie
Gore, Jim and Stacy
Harman, Todd and Dawn
Hayes, Litsa
Labrec, Robert and Ithaca
Lamberson, Lambert and
Helen
Rogers, Helen and Lawrence
Kamm
Vaughn, James

Nashville, TN

St. John Chrysostom Mission

Turner, Fr. Parthenios and
Presbytera Marion

Barber, Jill

Calvert, Patrick

Courington, Christopher and

Shelley

Derryberry, Paul

Dozier, Matthew

Duke, Naomi

Dunn, Robert and Laura

Gharavi, Parissa

Knox, David

Stein, Matt and Dana

Thomas, Gordon

Tickle, Jackie

Wagner, Charles and Edith

Williams, Nina

Winter, Lindsey

New Buffalo, MI

Annunciation/St.Paraskevi

Martin, Fr. Paul and

Presbytera Nikki

Anton, Gust J.

Casten, Lillian

Garrison, Richard

Hahn, Elizabeth

Kerhoulas, Mike and Louisa

Lepeniotes, Christos and

Anastasia

Litznerski, Robert and Mariann

Poulos, Louis

Plymouth, MI – Nativity of the Virgin Mary

Govostes, Fr. Sean and

Presbytera Pamela

Sarelis, Fr. Charles and

Presbytera Angela

Bazakis, James and Marisa

Peluras, Nick

Randall, Michael and Anne

Szlinis, John and Thekla

Zervos, George and Lisa

Rochester, NY

Annunciation

Gines, George and Maria

Sarganis, Lefteris

Stathopoulos, Demetrios and

Doris

Stefanou, Gus and Florence

Vangellow, Eric

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Vangellow, Theodore

Rochester, NY

Holy Spirit

Georgantas, Irene
Gesell, Melody
Palis, James and Elizabeth
Pink, Kenneth and Anastasia

Saginaw, MI

St. Demetrios

St. Demetrios Philoptochos
Cox, Fr. Irenaeus and
Presbytera Alexandra
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Caldwell, Larry and Peggy
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Metropoulos, Katherine
Ostler, Dennis and Soula
Rouman, George and Frances

Sault Ste. Marie, MI

St. George

Gianakura, Peter and Georgia

Southgate, MI - St. George

Anonymous
Athens, William and Angie
Cranford, Joanne
Kircos, Angelo and Sophia
Kircos, John and Violet
Kircos, Lou and Paula
Kontos, Chris and Frances
Kontos, John and Marika
Minton, Barbara
Minton, Charles
Minton, Nicholas
Tassis, James

Springfield, OH

Assumption

Haby, Fr. John and
Presbytera Kandice
Lagos, Thomas and Matina

St. Clair Shores, MI

Assumption

Carson, Charles and Maria
Dallas, John and Elizabeth

Gaggos, George and Anna
Genematas, Toula
Gianoplos, Sam and Georgia
Gust, Georgiana
Hatzichronoglou, Lena
Niforos, Theodore and Anna
Pangalos, Despo
Phillips, Peter and Toula –
In Honor of Daispena Raptis
Samaras, Robert and Marietta
Voumvakis, John
Yanoulaki, Katherine

Sterling Heights, MI

St. John

St. John Choir
Anton, John and Evdoxia
George, Bessie
Karamanos, Peter and Mary
Kotsis, Harry and Katherine
Lionas, Jim and Helene
Patouhas, Spyros and Katina
Raphitis, Mike and Betty
Salonikas, Georgios and
Nicoleta
Vekos, Gloria

Syracuse, NY – St. Sophia

Boucounis, Andrew
Ganotis, John
Kazakis, Elaine
Stark, Michael
Sterio, Dimitrio and Krystyna
Theodore, Dorothea
Theodore, Eleanor

Toledo, OH

Holy Trinity Cathedral

Holy Trinity Cathedral
Philoptochos
Damaskos, Fr. Aristotle and
Presbytera Debbie
Biernacki, Gerald and Pauline
Gangas, Angelo
Kanios, Nicholas and Maria
Manton, Thomas and Sandra
Papadimos, Peter
Papadimos, Steven J.
Photos, Thomas M.
Proestou, Maria

Tzanakis, Maria
Zervos, Chris G. and Kalliope

Traverse City, MI

Archangel Gabriel

Archangel Gabriel Philoptochos
Streza, Fr. Ciprian and
Presbytera Sinziana
Kaly, Anthony and Barbara
Knapp, Helen Contos
Psaros, John and Donna
Sobkowski, Nikoletta
Weston, Judith

Troy, MI - St. Nicholas

Arsman, Steve and Anita
Athans, John and Aristeia
Bollas, Jobel
Chalker, Jess and Patricia
Corombos, Mark and Molly
Deligianis, Leonidas
Deligianis, William
Demery, Beck
Feles, Andrea
Feles, Paul
Gangadharan, Vellappillil and
Constance
Geottes, Soteria
Kalkanis, Steven and Laurel
Karmanos, Peter and Danialle
Karras, Betty
Korstanje, Ingmar and Marlo
Lavrakas, John
Papp, Gregory and Martha
Simon, Basil and Evey
Smith, William
Strumbos, Peter W.
Zographos, Athan and Mary
Zotos, Gregory

Vestal, NY – Annunciation

Annunciation Parish
Abdo, Moufid and Anita
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Gianakouros, Harry D.
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Tzivanis, Thomas and Florence
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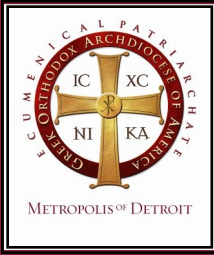
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Sts. Constantine and Helen

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Presbytera Roxana
Avdoulas, John and Yiota
Balaskas, Dorthe
Bogdanos, Constance
Calagias, Strat and Leah
Chuey, Mark and Jean
Dougekos, P. Becky
Frango, Lou and Cindy
Kasotakis, Paul and Nanette
Katsarelas, Sophie
Keker, Joan
Simakas, Pete
Vasiliades, Lynne
Zannis, Angello and A. Sylvia

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Bartz, Presbytera Zafera
Canada, William and
Diane Cross
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Danas Family and
Hanos Family
Demetris, Olga (Dolly)
In Memory of Iakovos (Jack)
Demetris
In Memory of Tess Gakis
In Memory of Sophia
Karipides
Koumarelos, Bill
Pappas, Peter A. – Pappas
Properties
Radulescu, Alexandru
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God has called us to do mighty deeds for the glory of His name and for the love of His people.

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