

# ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL METROPOLIS OF DETROIT FINALS

ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH - TROY, MI

MAY 17-18, 2019



FRIDAY, MAY 17: Welcome Dinner and Fellowship

SATURDAY, MAY 18: Metropolis Festival, Luncheon, Awards Ceremony

**SPEAKERS MUST REGISTER ONLINE BY MAY 4, 2019.**

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER, VISIT:  
[WWW.DETROIT.GOARCH.ORG/METROPOLISSJCOF](http://WWW.DETROIT.GOARCH.ORG/METROPOLISSJCOF)



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Dear St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Metropolis Finalist,

On behalf of the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and the Metropolis Festival Planning Committee, I want to congratulate you for progressing to the Metropolis Finals of the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. The St. Nicholas parish is looking forward to hosting this event and meeting all of you on May 17-18, 2019 in Troy, MI

By now, you should have received an email with a link to the Metropolis Festival Online Speaker Registration. Once you receive the link, please make sure to complete this no later than May 4, 2019. If you have not, please visit [www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolisSJCOF](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolisSJCOF).

The enclosed packet contains important information to help you prepare for the Metropolis Festival. Please carefully review all of the information, paying special attention to any deadlines. This packet contains the following:

- Metropolis Festival Schedule
- What-to-Bring Checklist
- Hotel/Travel Information

We pray that you have safe travels and look forward to seeing you in Michigan. Please contact the Metropolis Youth Office ([youth@detroit.goarch.org](mailto:youth@detroit.goarch.org)) with any questions.

In His Service,

*Eva Konstantakos*

Eva Konstantakos, Director of Youth and Young Adult Ministries &  
the St. John Chrysostom Metropolis Oratorical Festival Host Committee



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## TENTATIVE SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

### FRIDAY, MAY 17, 2019

- 6:00PM Arrive at Drury Inn and Suites/Troy
- 7:00PM Fellowship Dinner and Activity (Location TBA)

### SATURDAY, MAY 18, 2019

- 8:30AM - 9:00AM Speaker Registration at Church
- 9:00AM - 9:45AM Speaker Orientation/Judge Orientation
- 9:55AM - 10:15AM Opening Prayer and Welcome
- 10:15AM - 11:15AM JUNIOR DIVISION SPEAKERS
- 11:15AM - 11:25AM Break
- 11:30AM - 12:30PM SENIOR DIVISION SPEAKERS
- 12:45PM - 1:30PM Lunch
- 1:30PM - 2:30PM Presentation of Awards and Closing Prayer

**If booking flights, please plan to for the following arrivals and departures to ensure time to/from airport and sufficient time to check in:**

**ARRIVAL: Friday, May 17, 2019 BY 6:00pm (EST)**

**DEPARTURE: Saturday, May 18, 2019 AFTER 5:00pm (EST)**

**Please use the online registration to notify us about any food allergies.**

**As we approach the event, more details will be sent out. Please check your emails for communications from the Festival co-chairs or the Metropolis Youth Office.**



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## SPEAKER CHECKLIST

### ONLINE REGISTRATION

Speakers must complete the Online Registration no later than May 4, 2019. Make sure you check your email for the link to register or visit [www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolissjcof](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolissjcof).

### HOTEL ARRANGEMENTS

If you require hotel accommodations, make those reservations by May 4, 2019. Room availability and the special rate will not be guaranteed after this date.

This packet has hotel information, which can also be downloaded if you visit [www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolissjcof](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/metropolissjcof).

### WHAT TO BRING

- 1) TWO COPIES OF YOUR SPEECH (Refer to the Festival Manual for guidelines)
- 2) ATTIRE FOR YOUR SPEECH (Refer to the Festival Manual for guidelines)
- 3) CASUAL ATTIRE FOR OTHER EVENTS
- 4) PERSONAL ITEMS (Toiletries and medications)
- 5) A GREAT ATTITUDE - Get to know someone new!

### FOOD ALLERGIES/DIETARY NEEDS

If you have a food allergy or medical dietary need, please make sure to include this information when registering the speaker online. If you have any specific questions regarding food, please contact one of the chairpersons for more information. See the last page of this packet for contact information.



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## HOTEL INFORMATION

Rooms have been set aside at the following hotel for a special rate. The rate and availability can only be guaranteed up until the reservation deadline.

### **DRURY INN & SUITES - DETROIT/TROY**

575 WEST BIG BEAVER ROAD - TROY, MI 48084 PHONE: (248) 528-3330

**Room Rate:** \$95/night (tax not included) for two (2) Queen Beds

**Room Block:** SJCOF

*Free hot breakfast, afternoon "kick-back," and wifi included in price*

**CALL TO RESERVE BY NO LATER THAN MAY 4, 2019**

Distance to/from Church: 3 miles (7 minutes without traffic)

## TRAVEL INFORMATION

### **AIRPORTS**

#### **DETROIT METROPOLITAN AIRPORT (DTW)**

Approx. 37 miles (45mins-1hr) southwest from Hotel/Church

#### **BISHOP INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT - FLINT (FNT)**

Approx. 47 miles (45mins - 1hr) northwest from Hotel/Church

Please arrive on Friday, May 17, 2019 by 6:00pm.

Please plan to depart on Saturday, May 18, 2019 no earlier than 5:00pm.

\*Construction in Michigan changes traffic issues regularly. Tune in to AM 950 for traffic news. We will do our best to advise you via email regarding any traffic or travel advice.



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## CONTACT INFORMATION

### PARISH PRIEST(S)

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Rev. Fr. Michael Manos

### METROPOLIS FESTIVAL CHAIR

Laurel Kalkanis

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### METROPOLIS YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES DIRECTOR AND ORATORICAL FESTIVAL COORDINATOR

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### FESTIVAL LOCATION

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

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### HOTEL INFORMATION

Drury Inn & Suites Detroit/Troy

575 West Big Beaver Road

Phone: 248.528.3330

[www.druryinn.com](http://www.druryinn.com)

### OFFICIAL METROPOLIS ORATORICAL FESTIVAL WEBSITE

[www.detroit.goarch.org/MetropolisSJCOF](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/MetropolisSJCOF)