



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA

## GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF DETROIT

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April 1, 2019

Re: 2019 Metropolis of Detroit  
Clergy-Laity and Philoptochos Conference  
September 25–September 28, 2019

Dear Father and Esteemed Members of the Parish Council:

### *We Have Seen and Testify ... 1 John 4:14*

Enclosed you will find the Delegate Registration Form for the 2019 Metropolis of Detroit Clergy-Laity and Philoptochos Conference. The registration fee is \$295 per delegate, which should be sent to the Metropolis Office by August 20, 2019. For registrations received after August 20, 2019, the fee will be \$345 per delegate. **All registration forms must be received by no later than Monday, September 16, 2019.**

The Clergy will meet on Wednesday, September 25, 2019 for their Clergy Syndesmos meeting. Information about Clergy events will come directly from His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas. The Metropolis of Detroit Council and Metropolis Philoptochos board meetings are scheduled for the evening of Wednesday, September 25, 2019. The Conference will officially begin on Thursday, September 26, 2019 and conclude on Saturday, September 28, 2019. The Divine Liturgy and all meetings/events for Thursday, September 26<sup>th</sup> will be at the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church in Troy, MI. The meetings and events for Friday, September 27<sup>th</sup> and Saturday, September 28<sup>th</sup> will be held at the Somerset Inn in Troy, MI.

Hotel arrangements have been made at the Somerset Inn in Troy, MI at a rate of \$129 per night. **We urge you to reserve your rooms ASAP.** Conference information, including hotel reservation information and a tentative schedule, is also include with this letter.

This conference will be highlighted by the Grand Banquet on Friday evening, September 27, 2019 at the Somerset Inn. During the Grand Banquet, we will be celebrating the 20-Year Enthronement Anniversary of His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas.

Please email or call the Metropolis Office at 248-823-2400 with any questions.

We look forward to your visit.

In His Service,  
John and Mary Tangalos  
Conference Chairpersons



**METROPOLIS OF DETROIT CLERGY- LAITY CONFERENCE**  
**September 26 -28, 2019**  
**SOMERSET INN – TROY, MICHIGAN**

**DELEGATE REGISTRATION FORM**

PARISH: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_

#1. Delegate (Priest) Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Council Officer Position: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#2. Delegate Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Parish Council Officer Position: Yes \_\_\_ No \_\_\_

Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_ Cell: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Use additional forms for additional registrants.

The above names individuals are authorized delegates of our Parish.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parish Priest Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parish Council Officer Signature

**The registration fee per delegate is \$295. This Delegate Registration Form and a check made payable to Metropolis of Detroit should be received by August 20, 2019. A late fee of \$345 will apply after August 20, 2019. All registration forms must be received by no later than September 16, 2019. Please mail to: Metropolis of Detroit, 2560 Crooks Rd, Troy, MI 48084 Attn: Clergy Laity Registration**

Online registration is available at our website: [www.detroit.goarch.org/CL2019](http://www.detroit.goarch.org/CL2019)

**For Archdiocesan Council and Metropolis of Detroit Council Members**

**Note:** If you are an Archdiocesan Council or Metropolis of Detroit Council member, you are automatically a delegate to the Conference and Parish Priest and Council officer signatures are not required.

I am registering as a member of the Archdiocesan Council \_\_\_\_\_ Metropolis Council \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: Please keep a copy of this form for your records.**



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## CLERGY-LAITY CONFERENCE

SEPTEMBER 26–28, 2019

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### INFORMATION FOR DELEGATES

**Hotel Reservations:** The Somerset Inn at 2601 West Big Beaver Road, Troy, MI 48084 will be the hotel for the 2019 Clergy Laity and Philoptochos Conferences. Please call the Somerset Inn at 248.643.7800 or 800.228.8769 to make reservations. A block of rooms have been held at the rate of \$129 (Tower) or \$149 (Executive Wing) per night and mention that you are with the Greek Orthodox Metropolis Conference.

**You must make your room reservation by September 4, 2019.** After this date, rooms may not be available and the rate will increase to the regular rate.

**Meals & Expenses:** All scheduled meals are included with the cost of registration with the exception of Thursday evening which will be a free evening for the delegates.

The Somerset Collection (Mall) is located adjacent to the Somerset Inn. The Crumpets restaurant is located inside the hotel and many other restaurants in the general area.

**Arriving by Air:** The Detroit Metropolitan Airport is approximately 45 minutes from hotel. The hotel does not have an airport shuttle. The hotel offers a local shuttle service for travel within a three mile radius.

**Guests & Other Non-Delegates:** Conference plenary sessions and committee meetings are reserved for Delegates only. Guests and other non-delegates are invited to attend learning sessions, presentations, workshops and meals. See the Non-delegate Ticket form for information.

**Before you arrive:** Please read the Uniform Metropolis Regulations, pages 15-20 of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. These are very important and will be helpful to you in carrying out your duties as a Delegate.

**Agenda Items to be considered at the Conference:** The Regulations provide that only items approved by a Parish's general assembly may be brought before the Local (Metropolis) Clergy Laity Assembly. See GOA Regulations- Article 11, Section 9 below).

**Section 9:** Any Parish having items it wishes considered at the Congress or Local Assembly shall:

- A. First submit them to the Parish Assembly for approval, and if approved
- B. Send a copy of the approved items together with the necessary documentation to the Metropolis, following which it
- C. May present them on the floor of the Local Assembly for consideration and, if approved by the Local Assembly, they shall be included in the items submitted to the Archdiocese.

Please remember that you are a representative of your Parish and you are to be presenting your Parish's position on topics, not your personal views. Meeting Chairpersons will have the discretion to determine if a Delegate seems to be presenting a Parish view or a personal view.



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## CLERGY-LAITY AND PHILOPTOCHOS CONFERENCE

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### TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

#### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 2019

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3:00pm–9:00pm Registration (Hotel)

#### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 26, 2019 (All events at St. Nicholas Church – Troy)

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10:00am – 12:00pm Registration (St. Nicholas)

8:00am – 8:30am Orthros

8:30am – 10:00am Divine Liturgy and Anointing of Delegates

10:00am - 10:45am Continental Breakfast

10:45am - 11:30pm Opening of Assembly and Keynote Address

11:45pm – 1:00pm Common Sessions – All delegates

1:00pm – 2:00pm Lunch

2:00pm - 5:00pm Committee Meetings, Presentations, Workshops

2:00pm - 5:00pm Opening Session – Philoptochos Conference

5:00pm – 6:00pm Afternoon Reception

Free Evening

#### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2019 (All events at Somerset Inn)

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8:00am Orthros (Chapel at hotel)

9:00am - 11:45am Delegate Breakfast, Committee Meetings, Presentations, Workshops

9:00am - 11:45 am Philoptochos Breakfast and General Assembly

12:00pm - 1:00pm Lunch

1:15pm - 5:00pm Committee Meetings, Presentations, Workshops

1:15pm - 5:00pm Philoptochos General Assembly – Discussion Groups and Reports

6:00pm Banquet – (Honoring His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas)

#### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2019 (All events at Somerset Inn)

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8:00am Orthros (Chapel at hotel)

9:00am-1:00pm Plenary Session and Elections

9:00am-1:00pm Philoptochos General Assembly and Election of Metropolis Board



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**NON – DELEGATE TICKET FORM**

*Tickets may be purchased for Non-Delegates and Guests wishing to attend the following events. Please purchase your tickets by September 6, 2019. Tickets purchased will be available at the registration desk.*

**#Tickets - Total**

**Friday, September 26, 2019 (Somerset Inn)**

Breakfast (9:00am) x \$25 # \_\_\_\_\_ - \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Lunch (12:00pm) x \$30 # \_\_\_\_\_ - \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Grand Banquet x \$75 # \_\_\_\_\_ - \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
(Reception 6:00pm - Dinner 7:00pm)

**TOTAL \$ \_\_\_\_\_**

**Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone# \_\_\_\_\_**

**Email \_\_\_\_\_**

Non-Delegates wishing to attend workshops & presentations must register at the registration desk upon arrival at the conference.

**Make check payable to: Metropolis of Detroit – include Clergy Laity on the memo line.**





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### COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM

*Honoring His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas  
20<sup>th</sup> Year Enthronement Anniversary*

#### ADVERTISEMENT INFORMATION (Ad with Graphic or Patron Listing)

##### AD WITH GRAPHIC - *Check One*

<input type="checkbox"/>	BACK COVER	\$1,000
<input type="checkbox"/>	INSIDE BACK COVER	\$750
<input type="checkbox"/>	FULL PAGE AD	\$400
<input type="checkbox"/>	HALF PAGE AD	\$225
<input type="checkbox"/>	QUARTER PAGE AD	\$125
<input type="checkbox"/>	BUSINESS CARD AD	\$100

##### PATRON LISTING (Name Only) - *Check One*

<input type="checkbox"/>	GOLD Patron Listing	\$100
<input type="checkbox"/>	SILVER Patron Listing	\$75
<input type="checkbox"/>	BRONZE Patron Listing	\$50

NAME	
ADDRESS	
PHONE	
EMAIL	
BUSINESS NAME	

PATRON LISTING (please print listing below as you would like it to appear):

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**ADVERTISING DEADLINE: AUGUST 16, 2019**

MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: *Metropolis of Detroit-Clergy Laity in memo line*

Mail payment, ad form, and artwork\* to:

Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Detroit | 2560 Crooks Road | Troy, MI 48084

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*\*Your artwork will not be returned to you. If you would like to send your ad artwork digitally, please email it to [office@detroit.goarch.org](mailto:office@detroit.goarch.org) in one of the following formats (hi-resolution please): Microsoft Word, JPEG, or PDF. Please email us with any questions.*



# ELECTION PROCEDURES FOR METROPOLIS AND ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERS

## **Introduction:**

The following procedures have been developed to ensure that Parishioners in good standing in their Parish are identified as candidates for election to the Metropolis and/or Archdiocesan Councils. The Council members make significant sacrifices of their time, treasure and talent and these procedures are designed to give prospective members information about what is expected of them. Thus, each nominee can make a reasoned decision about their qualifications and whether they are willing and able to make the necessary commitment to serve on the Metropolis and/or Archdiocesan Council.

## **Nominations for Election to the Metropolis and/or Archdiocesan Council(s)**

Nominations must be made on the attached forms. **Note:** Clergy nominations are prepared by the Clergy Syndesmos.

The Nominee must be certified by the local priest as being a Parishioner in good standing.

The nomination information must be *received* by the Metropolis Nominations Committee at least two weeks prior to the start of the Local (Metropolis) Clergy-Laity Assembly ("Assembly"). Since nominees need not attend the Assembly to be a candidate, this advance submission is necessary to ensure:

1. That the Nominees have sufficient time to consider the responsibilities they would be assuming;
2. That Nominees consent to assume the position and responsibilities involved;
3. That the Nominations Committee will have enough time to review the information about the Nominee for preparation & distribution at the Assembly.

If a proposed Nominee does not meet the qualifications, the Nominations Committee will notify him/her prior to the Assembly. The decisions of the Nominations Committee are reviewed and approved by the Metropolitan and are considered final.

## **Clergy nominations will be prepared by the Clergy Syndesmos**

## **Election Procedure**

Information about the Nominees will be distributed to all Representatives attending the Assembly. Any Nominee may ask to be removed from the ballot at any time prior to the commencement of voting.

Voting will be by secret ballot with each Representative entitled to one (1) ballot.

The Metropolitan will appoint the Chairperson of the Elections Committee. The Conference Host Parish will designate two volunteers to serve on the Committee. No member of the Nominations or Elections Committees can themselves be nominees or an immediate family member of a nominee (spouse, parent, child, or sibling of nominee). The Elections Committee will ensure that only registered delegates vote and that each casts no more than one ballot. The Committee will also count the votes and report the results back to the Assembly prior to its adjournment.





# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL MEMBERS

## **Introduction**

The Archdiocesan Council is the advisory and consultative body to the Archbishop and the Synod and it is concerned with the life, growth and unity of the Archdiocese. Appointed members to the Council (51) serve at the pleasure of the Archbishop. In addition, there are elected members of the Council (1 Clergy & 2 Lay persons) from each Metropolis as well as ex officio members.

## **Duties, Responsibilities and Expectations**

All Nominees shall read Article 5 of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America prior to accepting the proposed Nomination.

Each member of the Archdiocesan Council is expected:

1. to live their life in accordance with the Faith and Canons of the Church;
2. to assist the Archbishop and Synod in carrying out their goals and programs for the Archdiocese.
3. to give of their time, treasure and talents to the Archdiocese.
4. to make all reasonable efforts to attend every meeting of the Archdiocesan Council and be available for each conference call meeting that may be scheduled.
5. to contribute and provide advice and counsel based on the best interests of the Archdiocese. In addition, each Member also has the duty to present the view of the Detroit Metropolis. The personal views of the Council Member should not be presented if they have not been confirmed to be the views of the Metropolis.
6. to disclose any potential situation which may be a conflict of interest, or which may appear to be a conflict of interest and sign a Disclosure Statement as may be requested. If there is any question about a particular set of circumstances, it must always be resolved in favor of disclosure.
7. to communicate the activities of the Council to their home Metropolis and to actively support the programs of the Archdiocesan council.

## **It is understood that:**

- A. the Archdiocese does not reimburse any expenses related to attendance at meetings. His Eminence understands that this is a burden and very much appreciates the sacrifices made.
- B. information discussed at Council meetings may be confidential under certain circumstances. Council members are expected to keep such information confidential.



# DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF METROPOLIS COUNCIL MEMBERS

## **Introduction**

The Metropolis Council is the advisory and consultative body to the Metropolitan and is concerned with the life and growth of the Metropolis, its ministries, institutions and financial condition. Appointed members to the Council serve at the pleasure of the Metropolitan and may be removed by him as provided in Article 12, Sec. 3 of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America ("Regulations"). The elected members of the Council may be removed for any of the reasons specified in Article 5, Sec. 2 I.

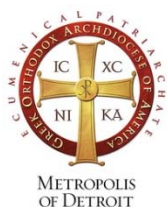
## **Duties, Responsibilities and Expectations**

Each member of the Metropolis Council is expected:

1. to live their life in accordance with the Faith and Canons of the Church;
2. to assist the Metropolitan in carrying out his goals and programs for the Metropolis.
3. to give of their time, treasure and talents to the Metropolis.
4. to make all reasonable efforts to attend every meeting of the Metropolis Council and be available for each conference call meeting that may be scheduled.
5. to contribute and provide advice and counsel based on the best interests of the Metropolis as a whole, even if it seems that the advice could be in conflict with what may seem to be the best interests of their home Parish.
6. to disclose any potential situation which may be a conflict of interest, or which may appear to be a conflict of interest and sign a Disclosure Statement as may be requested. If there is any question about a particular set of circumstances, it must always be resolved in favor of the disclosure.
7. to communicate the activities of the Council to their home Parish and to actively support the programs of the Metropolis Council.

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## NOMINATION FORM

### METROPOLIS COUNCIL / ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL

**Note: This form is used to nominate lay people. Priest nominations are done by the Clergy Syndesmos.**

#### Nomination

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name) Parishioner in good standing of the Parish of \_\_\_\_\_ located in \_\_\_\_\_ hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name of Nominee) for election to the (check one or both):

- ☐ Metropolis Council for the Metropolis of Detroit
- ☐ Archdiocesan Council of the Archdiocese of America.

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_

#### Acceptance of Nomination

I \_\_\_\_\_ (Print Name of Nominee) do hereby accept the nomination and confirm that:

1. I am a Parishioner in good standing of the above described Parish within the Detroit Metropolis;
2. I have read the attached Duties and Responsibilities of Council Members and, if elected, I agree to abide by them. In addition, (for Metropolis Council nominees) I have read Part Two of the Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, or (For Archdiocesan Council nominees) I have read Article 5 of the Regulations and I agree to abide by these Regulations to the best of my ability;
3. I have completed the attached background information form and it is complete and accurate to the best of my knowledge and belief. Also, I consent to the disclosure of information on the form to the Assembly to assist voters in the election of Council members.
4. I understand that, if elected, I will serve for approximately two years beginning upon the conclusion of the Clergy-Laity Congress to be held in 2020.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Nominee

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

#### Priest Certification

I \_\_\_\_\_ [Please print] (Nominee's Parish Priest)  
Certify that \_\_\_\_\_ (Name of Nominee) is a Parishioner in good standing of our Parish.  
Also, I have read the background information as shown on the attached schedule and believe it to be correct.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parish Priest

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

***Mail or fax the completed Nomination Form and Background Information to the Metropolis of Detroit Office:  
2560 Crooks Road, Troy, MI 48084 Attn: Clergy Laity Nominations – Fax: 248.823.2401 at least 2 weeks before the  
start of the Clergy-Laity Conference.***



# METROPOLIS / ARCHDIOCESAN COUNCIL NOMINEE BACKGROUND INFORMATION

Name of Nominee (please print) \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide the following information that may be disclosed to participants at the Clergy-Laity Assembly for assistance in voting for Metropolis and Archdiocesan Council members.

Home Parish \_\_\_\_\_ How Long \_\_\_\_\_

Local parish activities (Parish Council member/officer, positions held and how long):

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Metropolis activities (indicate if you are a current or past member of this or any other Metropolis Council, positions held and how long):

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Other Church organizations (Indicate any current or past member positions held & how long):

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Occupation, education and/or business background:

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Any other information you believe relevant:

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## For Contact Purposes:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Tel: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

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