Beloved 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 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!
## Bishop’s Schedule Highlights

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

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## 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 Orthodox Church Musicians. We learned more about the Megalinaria (Hymns of Praise to the Theotokos) from Fr. Dean Dimon of Annunciation Cathedral in Cleveland, and from Ms. Pana Mastros, 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...
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 MEGFOX, contributed a voice for all church musicians to our Archdiocese.

Another special honor at the Banquet went to former President Irene Georgantas, the Patriarch Athenagoras 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.

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**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, M1
(Between Big Beaver Road and Kerbs Boulevard)
Phone: 248.823.2400

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

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**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
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.

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

At the gala on Saturday evening, past Philoptochos presidents in attendance received a beautiful icon of Christ 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 Friends of the Metropolis (given to His Eminence Metropolitan 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 Athenaeum 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.
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 thing 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 —

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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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 became 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 Amalekites, 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

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 Karouzas, 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 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.
+ 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 Clevie Fry, Jack D.
Garris, Steven and Stamatis Gutierrez, Jarvis
Hall, Diane
Katsikas, Chris and Pandora
Kleanthous, Costas and Sylvia
Baldwin, James and Mary Suzanne
Pardon, Carl
Plakas, Vasilios and Kyriakoula
Tzianahas, Tom and Dorra

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
Couvatxakis, Paul and Linda
Danakas, George
Gioilekas, 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 Chris Kouris, George
Moore, James and Fannie
Mousourakis, John and Donna
Petros, Voula
Ramsey, Karen
Tigios, 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
Beltos, Sam
Brown, William R.
Caneris, Anthony and Antoinette
Carupolos, Constantine
Christoforidis, Alexander
Galanes, George
Kapourelas, Louis
Landers, Lauren
Misali, Akila
Polychroniou, Constantine
Raptis, James and Maria
Spanoricas, 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
Retzius, Thomas and Angela

Detroit, MI
Annunciation Cathedral
Annunciation Cathedral Philoptochos
Gaggos, Jim and Mary
Glikas, Marie
Lianos, Ethel
Papas, John G.
Tapazoglou, Nikolaos 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 Betty
Ganas, James S.
Liadis, Kathleen
Pesaros, Panayotis and Sonia
Rambus, Michael
Shukla, Margarita
Stassinopoulos, Peter and Esther

Fort Wayne, IN
Holy Trinity
Doublas, Gregory
Koulivanos, Dionysios and Maria
Maggos, Eleftherios and Voula
Spyrou, Arthur and Mary
Turner, Christian M.

Grand Blanc, MI
Assumption
Chininis, Elias and Katie
Chininis, 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 Dionissi 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
VandcrSchel, Connie

Hot Springs, AR
Zoodochos Pgeeh
McCrary, Robert and Stella

Indianapolis, IN
Holy Apostles
Holy Apostles Parish
Crabtree, Georgia

Ithaca, NY - St. Catherine
Parthenakis, Fr. Athanasios and Presbytera Cathy
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Cavas, Anastasia
Quinn, Patrick and Sophia
Stamos, Peter

Lansing, MI
Holy Trinity
Holy Trinity Parish
Farar, Richard and Pamela
Hillary, Charles and Nadean
Kaliyanakis, Helen
Kavalaris, Gus and Connie
Munk, Jerry and Jan
Pascaleno, Olga
Perentesis, Stephanie
Rhaid, 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.

Memphis, TN
Annunciation
Cook, Fr. Anthony and
Presbytera Elizabeth
Baguelas, Todd and Cyndi
Buring, Jacon 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 Storizon
Semos, Evangeline
Semos, Vasilii and Luane
Sousoulias, James
Tobias, Richard and Angela

Middletown, OH
Sts. Constantine and Helen
Anagnostou, Elias
Canada, William
Commins, Steve and Beth
Ford, Matthew
Formakes, George
Formakes, John
Gordon, Kiki Demetriou
Haselbusch, 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
Drecozis, George and Poti
Enclewska, Christine
Hanichen, Andrew and Karen
Karls, Othon and Kristi
Katsiouras, Sakis and Karolina
Kotos, Kimon
Lasas, Paul M. and Patricia
Maniates, George and
Margaret
McNutt, Angela
Michel, Richard and Teresa
Niotis, Peter and Stephanie
Oravitin, Andre and Philip
Poliotes, Ethel
Richardson, Patricia L.
Roldan, Martha
Russell, Joseph and Ismenio
Sayan, 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
Kamin
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 Angelina
Bazakis, James and Marisa
Peluras, Nick
Randall, Michael and Anne
Szlinis, John and Thekla
Zervos, George and Lisa

Rochester, NY
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Sarganis, Lefters
Stathopoulos, Demetrios and
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Stefanou, Gus and Florence
Vangellow, Eric
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  - Bazakis, Andrew and Ann
  - Bristley, Mark and Anastasia
  - Caldwell, Larry and Peggy
  - Kookootsedes, Gust and Mary

- **Southgate, MI - St. George**
  - Gianakura, Peter and Georgia

- **Sault Ste. Marie, MI**
  - **St. George**
  - Anonymous
  - Athens, William and Angie
  - Cranford, Joanne
  - Kircos, Angelo and Sophia
  - Kircos, John and Maria
  - 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

- **Styrtz Heights, MI**
  - **St. John**
  - St. John Choir
  - Anton, John and Evdoxia
  - George, Bessie
  - Karamanos, Peter and Mary
  - Kotsis, Harry and Katherine
  - Lions, Jim and Helene
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  - Raphitis, Mike and Betty
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