

THE ARCHANGEL'S CALL

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THE MEANING OF FORGIVENESS-REPENTANCE IN OUR ORTHODOX FAITH: INSIGHTS FROM THE HOLY FATHERS

Fr. Athanasios Nenes

In Orthodox Christianity, the concepts of forgiveness and repentance hold profound significance. Rooted in the teachings of the Holy Fathers, these spiritual insights provide a deep understanding of the transformative power of forgiveness and the process of genuine repentance. This article will explore the rich wisdom of the Holy Fathers, incorporating quotes that shed light on the meaning of forgiveness-repentance in our Orthodox faith.

Forgiveness as a Divine Commandment

"Forgive, and you will be forgiven. Give, and it will be given to you." - St. John Chrysostom

This quote from St. John Chrysostom emphasizes the divine commandment to forgive others. Just as God forgives us, we are called to extend forgiveness to those who have wronged us. It is an essential act of obedience and a reflection of the love and mercy of God.

Recognition of Our Own Sinfulness

"Recognize your own iniquity, that you may forgive your brother. For without this recognition, you are not really forgiving but indulging in false pretense."

St. Maximus the Confessor

St. Maximus urges us to humbly acknowledge our own sinfulness before attempting to forgive others. Through self-awareness and humility, we approach forgiveness with a genuine heart, recognizing our own need for God's mercy and forgiveness.

Repentance as a Returning to God

"Repentance is the renewal of baptism and is a contract with God for a fresh start in life." -

St. John Climacus

St. John Climacus describes repentance as a transformative process, renewing our relationship with God. It involves a change of heart, thoughts, and actions, leading to a renewed commitment to live a life of righteousness. Repentance is our path back to God.

The teachings of the Holy Fathers provide profound insights into the meaning of forgiveness-repentance in the Orthodox faith. We are called to recognize our own sinfulness, obey the divine commandment of forgiveness, and actively pursue repentance as a returning to God. Through confession, spiritual guidance, and the cultivation of forgiveness and love, we can experience the transformational power of forgiveness and find true healing in union with God's mercy and grace.

Confession and Spiritual Guidance

"When you perform the sacrament of confession, recall everything you have done."

St. Macarius of Egypt

St. Macarius highlights the importance of confession as a means of seeking forgiveness and spiritual guidance. Through confession, we verbalize our sins, receive guidance from a spiritual father, and experience the healing power of God's forgiveness.

Cultivating Forgiveness and Love

"Forgiveness is the renewal of love."

St. John of Kronstadt

St. John reminds us that forgiveness is not just an act but a continuous virtue to be cultivated. It is intimately connected to the renewal of love within our hearts. By practicing forgiveness and cultivating love, we imitate Christ's sacrificial love for humanity.

The Transformational Power of Forgiveness

"Do not grieve when someone does wrong to you, for the Lord allows it so that you may learn humility."

Blessed Theophylact of Bulgaria

Blessed Theophylact emphasizes that forgiveness brings about inner healing and spiritual growth. It frees us from the burden of anger and resentment, leading us to humility and greater spiritual maturity.



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The Mission of the Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church is to proclaim the Gospel of Salvation through the Orthodox Christian Faith for the glory of our Triune God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We are a community of believers who journey towards our Lord Jesus Christ and one another through our WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, SPIRITUAL GROWTH, WITNESS, and SERVICE. We invite all people to join us on this journey toward the Kingdom of Heaven.

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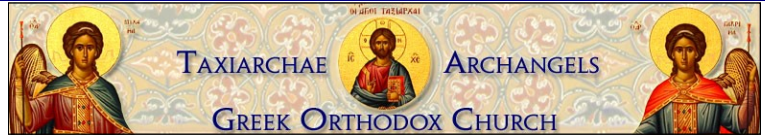
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www.goarchangels.com

Our site is updated every week!



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Dear Parish Family,

As we approach the beginning of the Triodion Period and Lent, we look forward to seeing all the members of our church family attending the Lenten services and activities for children and adults. Our Bible study group continues on Monday evenings, the three Saturdays of

Souls begin this month, there will be Presanctified Liturgies with pot-luck Lenten suppers following, Heretismoi services on Fridays, as well as our usual Sunday and weekday Liturgies and Paraklesis services. Our children will take part in the procession of Icons on the Sunday of Orthodoxy, and their lessons this month will begin focusing on the Lenten and Paschal season. The Philoptochos will be preparing their Palm Sunday pastry sale and we ask that you support them in any way you can. We, the members of the Parish Council, will begin preparations for our Annual Palm Sunday Luncheon and our Holy Week activities, culminating in our Anastasi Service followed by a fabulous reception for all.

This is a beautiful time of the year for us, as we come closer to our church in so many ways. Next month's bulletin will have finalized information on these and other upcoming activities of the season. We look forward to seeing all of our families in the coming weeks.

*God Bless You,
George Faggas*



«Δόξα τω Θεώ Πάντων Ἐνεκεν»
GLORY TO GOD FOR ALL



Αδέλφια μου!

Μέσα στον Μάρτιο θα μπούμε στην μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή. Είναι η περίοδος όπου η Εκκλησία μας καλεί να ξεκινήσουμε τον αγώνα μας, προσωπικά αλλά και όλοι μαζί σαν μια οικογένεια, όπου καλούμαστε να προετοιμαστούμε σωματικά, ψυχικά και πνευματικά, μέσα από την εφαρμογή της νηστείας, περισσότερης προσευχής, συγχώρεσης και ταπείνωσης μέσα από περισσότερα έργα αγάπης και ελεημοσύνης για να ζήσουμε και να αισθανθούμε το μέγα Πάθος αλλά και την Ανάσταση του Κυρίου μας Ιησού Χριστού και φέτος. Η περίοδος αυτή είναι μια μικρογραφία της ζωής μας. Όπως στην ζωή μας προσπαθούμε να πορευτούμε με προσευχή, συγχώρεση, ταπείνωση και αγάπη για να ενωθούμε μέσα από τον Χριστό με τον συνάνθρωπό μας, έτσι και τώρα μέσα από αυτήν την πορεία μας αυτήν την περίοδο της Τεσσαρακοστής, αφού καλλιεργήσουμε τις αρετές μέσα από έργα αγάπης, έχοντας σαν γνώμονα την ευλογημένη νηστεία, θα φτάσουμε στο τέλος αυτής, ο καθένας μας προσωπικά και όλοι μαζί, να βιώσουμε και ενωθούμε με τον Αναστημένο μας Κύριο το μεγάλο Σάββατο αργά το βράδυ στην Αναστάσιμη Θεία Λειτουργία! Καλή μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή!

**Ο εφημέριος σας
π. Αθανάσιος Νένης**

My beloved!

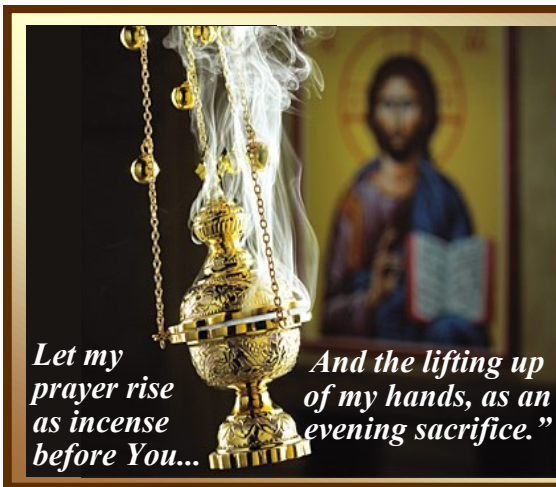
Once again, the journey of Great Lent begins this year in the middle of March. It is a time where we are asked to begin the journey by preparing ourselves, both as individuals and as a family, by fasting, more prayer, humbling ourselves through repentance and actions of love through more almsgiving. In this way we come closer to each other, thereby having a feeling of unity as a family. Having this experience of unity, we will truly experience, at the end of this blessed journey of Great Lent, the Passion and Resurrection of our God and Lord Jesus Christ. This time of great Lent is a miniature of our lives. As in our lives, we try to follow our Lord by practicing His commandments of Love, and at the end of our lives we will address and see our Lord. So it is also in this journey of Great Lent. If we prepare ourselves by fasting, more prayer and humbling ourselves through repentance and actions of love, then at the very end of this journey, at the midnight Resurrectional Divine Liturgy, we will experience, taste and unite ourselves with our Lord Jesus Christ! Have a blessed great Lent!

**Your parish priest
Fr. Athanasios Nenes**



All are warmly invited to join the Bible Study Group which meets via zoom every week on **Monday evening at 8 PM**. With the participation of Father Nenes, and facilitated by Dr. Nicholas S. Racheotes, we engage in lively, thoughtful, and uplifting discussions of Holy Scripture in what always proves to be a fast-moving hour. The topics are selected by the group so as to be of general curiosity. Our current focus is the seldom explored New Testament Book of Jude. With the approach of Great Lent, we shall be deepening our devotion with subjects appropriate to the season.

To become part of our welcoming group, you need only contact Frank Catrickes at fdcatrickes@gmail.com.

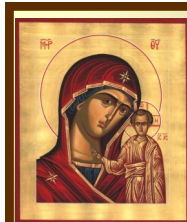


Let my prayer rise as incense before You...

And the lifting up of my hands, as an evening sacrifice."

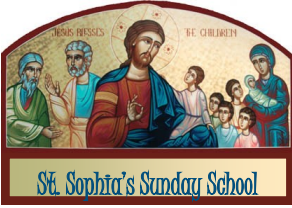
Presanctified Liturgies

For the months of March and April will take place on Wednesdays, March 20 and 27 April 3, 10 and 17 from 6-7:30 PM Followed by family pot-luck dinner and discussion



Heretismoi Salutations to the Theotokos
Friday evenings during Lent at 7 PM

March 22 and 29, April 5 and 12
The Akathist Hymn on April 19



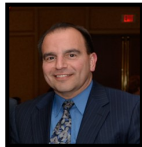
Many thanks to all who supported Godparent Sunday. Our guests accompanied their Godchildren to class to learn more about our beautiful Orthodox faith and traditions, the role of a Godparent and the sacrament of Baptism.

Our Oratorical Festival will be coming up on April 21st. Please see the information on the attached flier and encourage you children to participate. Anyone interested in participating should contact Fr. Thanasi or Costas Karageorgis at ckarageorgis@goarchangels.com

Great and Holy Lent begins on March 18th. We ask all children to bring their favorite Icon to Church so they can participate in the Icon Procession on March 24th. Please see important dates listed below for Lent and Holy Week. Our Holy Friday retreat will be on May 3rd. All children are invited to attend. If anyone needs a note for missing school, please let the Church office know. See the information below. Thank you for your help and God Bless you!

- Upcoming Important Dates through May 2024
- March 24th: [Sunday of Orthodoxy Icon Procession](#)
 - April 21st: [Oratorical Festival](#)
 - April 27th: [Lazarus Saturday, Breakfast, Palm Crosses](#)
 - April 28th: [Palm Sunday – Palm Procession](#)
 - May 3rd: [Holy Friday Retreat](#)
 - May 5th: [Great and Holy Pascha](#)

*Costas Karageorgis,
Sunday School Director*



JOIN THOUSANDS OF YOUTH ACROSS THE NATION AND SHARE YOUR FAITH!

2024 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

Junior Division (Grades 7-9) | Senior Division (Grades 10-12)

Elementary Division (Grades 4-6) Local Parish Level only

AWARDS

National finalists are eligible to receive the following
 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Scholarship: \$500 to \$2000
 FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism: to be announced

SCHOLARSHIPS

Finalists at any level are eligible to receive the following
 Chrysostom Scholarship to Hellenic College: \$2,500 up to \$30,000 per year

LOCAL INFORMATION

Parish Festival Date & Time: April 21, 2024 at the end of Liturgy

Parish Chairperson: Costas Karageorgis

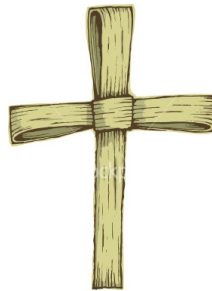
Contact Information: ckarageorgis@goarchangels.com

Find topics, tips, manual, & award info at www.religioused.goarch.org

Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
 Department of Religious Education (DRE)



Sunday School and Greek School Students, JOY, GOYA, Young Adults, and the entire Taxiarchae Family are invited to join us on these days.



**SATURDAY OF LAZARUS
 April 27
 for the entire family**

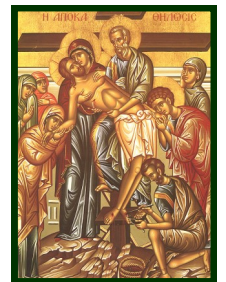
8:30 AM Orthros and Divine Liturgy followed by:

- *Light Refreshments*
- *Weaving Palm Crosses*
- *Preparing the Church*
- *Confession*

**HOLY FRIDAY YOUTH RETREAT
 May 3
 For Grades 1—High School**

- 9:00 AM *Service of the Royal Hours*
- 10:00 AM *Registration*
- 10:30 AM *Retreat Program (includes lunch)*
- 3—4:30 PM *Apokathelosis Service*
 (The Pre-School/Kindergarten program will begin at 1 PM)

All students should be excused from school on Holy Friday to take part in the retreat for the day! For more information or if you need a letter for your school, please contact the church office at 617-924-8182.



Ο Μάρτιος είναι ο μήνας που εορτάζουμε διπλή εορτή τον Ευαγγελισμό της Θεοτόκου και τη 25^η Μαρτίου 1821 ημέρα της Ελληνικής Επανάστασης. Τα παιδιά του Ελληνικού Σχολείου ετοιμάζουν μια ωραία εορτή με τραγούδια και ποιήματα που θα παρουσιάσουν την Κυριακή 24ν Μαρτίου μετά την Λειτουργία στην αίθουσα Μεταξά. Σας προσκαλούμε όλους να παραβρεθείτε.

Greek School

In March we celebrate a double feast: the Annunciation of the Theotokos and the 25th of March 1821, Greek Independence Day. Our children are preparing to present songs and poems for this celebration. We invite you to join us on Sunday, March 24 after the Liturgy in the Metaxas Hall to support them with your presence.

Πως ήταν η παιδεία όταν η Ελλάδα ήταν υπό τον ζυγό των Οθωμανών για 400 χρόνια; Στην Ελλάδα τον Σεπτέμβριο του 2023 άνοιξε μια σημαντική έκθεση « Πώς μάθαιναν οι Έλληνες γράμματα από την Άλωση μέχρι την Επανάσταση (1453-1821)» με εκθέματα που θα αποπειραθούν να δώσουν απαντήσεις σ' αυτό το θέμα της παιδείας.



How was education in Greece under the 400 years of Ottoman rule? A significant exhibit opened in Greece last September under the title "How the Greeks learned from the Fall until the Revolution (1453-1821)" that will attempt to give answers to this question.

Educating the new generation of Greeks was of foremost importance to the revolutionary state, the central governance as well as local societies, rich private people and the foreign Greek companies who contributed to the Agona (Fight). After the Fall of Constantinople, the church used some of its privileged freedoms granted by the Ottomans and took over educating the Greeks. The so called "schools of sacred literacies" used Liturgical books for reading. Gradually education and the "common school" were formed offering basic knowledge: reading, writing and arithmetic was formed. The first manuals were termed "mathimataria." At the exhibit it is shown that the Greeks learned reading by spelling out well-known prayers.



Η μόρφωση της νέας γενιάς είχε προτεραιότητα, τόσο της επαναστατικής πολιτείας και της κεντρικής διοίκησης, όσο και της τοπικής κοινωνίας, πλουσίων ιδιωτών, αλλά και ελληνικών ξένων εταιρειών, που συνέβαλαν για την επιτυχία του Αγώνα. Είναι η Εκκλησία που μετά από την Άλωση της Κωνσταντινούπολης αξιοποίησε ορισμένες ελευθέριες που της είχαν παραχώρηση οι Οθωμανικές αρχές και ανέλαβε το έργο της εκπαίδευσης των Ελλήνων. Τα λεγόμενα «σχολεία των ιερών γραμμάτων» χρησιμοποιούσαν κυρίως λειτουργικά βιβλία σαν Αναγνωστικά. Σταδιακά διαμορφώθηκε η εκπαίδευση και το «κοινό σχολείο» που πρόσφερε βασικές γνώσεις: ανάγνωση γραφή και αριθμητική. Το πρώτα εγχειρίδια ονομάζονταν «μαθηματάρια.» Στην Έκθεση αναφέρεται ότι οι Έλληνες μαθαίναν ανάγνωση συλλαβίζοντας γνώστες προσευχές.

Although, in a way, the Turks tolerated the educational practices of the "rayiades" they resisted it. To allow a school to be established they demanded the necessary bribes. When there was political unrest, the Turkish wrath was aimed at the schools. Those schools which we know as "Kryfa Sxolia" (Secret Schools) were near monasteries or churches and away from the "eye" of the conqueror.

Αν και οι Τούρκοι ανέχονταν κατά κάποιο τρόπο τις εκπαιδευτικές πρακτικές των «ραγιάδων» της καταπολεμούσαν ασταμάτητα. Για να ιδρυθεί ένα σχολείο, απαραίτητη διαδικασία ήταν η δωροδοκία. Όταν υπήρχαν πολιτικές ταραχές η τούρκικη οργή ξεσπούσε πάνω στα σχολεία. Αυτά τα σχολεία που τα γνωρίζουμε ως «Κρυφά Σχολεία» βρισκονταν κοντά σε μοναστήρια και εκκλησίες μακριά από το «μάτι» του κατακτητή.

During the Turkish occupation Greek education had many challenges and persecutions, but the Greek people prevailed.

Η ελληνική παιδεία αντιμετώπισε πολλές δυσκολίες και διώξεις στην τουρκοκρατούμενη Ελλάδα και όμως ο ελληνικός λαός τις αντεπεξήλθε.



Από την Εορτή των Τριών Ιεραρχών που μας παρουσίασαν τόσο ωραία τα παιδιά του Ελληνικού Σχολείου Ταξιάρχων.

The Feast of The Three Hierarchs—the children of our Greek School gave a beautiful presentation on February 4, 2024.



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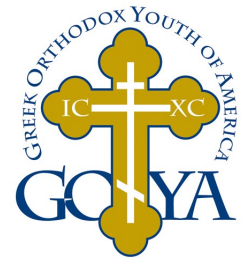
Dear Parish family,

With the coming of Spring, our journey through Lent begins on Monday, March 18. Let us have our faith guide us through this beautiful time, as we prepare to celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ.

We will be having a Pre-order Palm Sunday Bake Sale again this year for pick up on Palm Sunday, April 28. Please mark your calendar. We will begin accepting orders later this month, please check our website and the weekly bulletin. Your support was overwhelming last year and we hope that you will again take the opportunity to order and assist the Philoptochos to help our community, at the same time enjoying the delectable pastry baked with love by our Philoptochos ladies.

We need you! It is never too early to think about our Church Festival which is scheduled for June 21st through June 23rd. Our parish needs all of us to help with our Festival. Please make every effort this year to volunteer. Kindly ask a parish council member or a Philoptochos member to add your name to the volunteer list. There is so much to do before and during the festival.

Our membership drive continues; please send in your membership dues. If you are not a member kindly consider becoming one. As a group, we can accomplish so much. Let us know what kind of events you would be interested in attending. As always, I thank you for your support and love for our beloved Church. *With sisterly love,*
Fotoula Kopellas



Join us at our next GOYA gathering

Wednesday, March 13
at 6:30 PM



See you then!

Demetri Dogias,
GOYA Advisor

Choir Notes



Come join the Choir!

Our Choir is one of the most active choirs in the Metropolis, and our members are dedicated and faithful. We always welcome new members, especially if you have had choral experience, play a musical instrument or have any kind of musical experience, we would love to have you be part of our choir. Even if you do not have formal experience, if you are willing to learn, then we promise to help you along!

Feel free to attend one of our rehearsals or “sit in” with us on Sunday morning, to get a feel of what it is like to actively participate in the Divine Liturgy.

Young people are encouraged to join us as well. Sunday School students who would like to sing are welcome to sit with us until they go to their classes after Holy Communion. At the children’s Christmas Pageant in December, I was very proud that my granddaughter, Aphrodite Alexopoulos, sang the opening carol as a soloist. We would love to encourage more of our children to realize the joy of singing, especially in the beautiful setting of our church. Please contact me and let’s work together and encourage our children to take an active part in the Liturgical aspects of our faith.

Please contact me for rehearsal dates and times, or if you have any questions about our choir.

Cynthia Mitaras Alex, Choir Director

E-mail: cindialex1@gmail.com

Sunday morning Call Time: 9:15 AM



PHILOPTIMO CHAT GROUP

Men and women are welcome!
Get creative, make connections!

3rd Thursday of the month
Thursday, March 21
10 AM to Noon



Linger over coffee and Linda’s donuts

Join a friendly group!

TOPIC:
SHARE YOUR LIFE-TIME STORIES

Please join us—men and women.
Bring a friend!
Our group is growing!
We hope to see you!



American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association
 "HARRIS J BOORAS" CHAPTER #406, ORDER OF AHEPA

AHEPA DAY SAVE THE DATE!

Our annual AHEPA Day Celebration will take place on Sunday, May 19, after the Divine Liturgy. All AHEPANS and members of the Taxiarchae Community are invited to participate and enjoy our great food, music, Greek dancing and giveaways!



Please let us know if a brother is sick or in need.	
President: John Abate	617.797.9499/617.484.5946
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Treasurer: Demetri Tsekrekas	617.257.7474

3 Days
of Fun

Save the dates!

June 21, 22, 23



Costa Magimbi, our chanter, is available to assist and guide parishioners who are having problems navigating the Massachusetts Social Services system. You can meet with Costa on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy to set up an appointment.

2023-2024 Capital Improvement Campaign Fund

— \$150,000

— \$75,000

— \$0

Church Capital Improvement Campaign update. To date we have raised \$38,000 of the \$150,000 we need to raise for much needed improvements to our Church. We used approved monies from the operations account for the parking lot improvement but need to repay the operations account once we have raised the money. Thank you to those that have donated! If you would like to donate please visit the Church website, click on Donate, then Capital Improvement Campaign.



The HELPING HANDS MINISTRY'S sole purpose is to make the lives of our Parishioners easier in view of the restrictions many are facing today. The services we offer are: **RX pickup/drug store, Postal needs, Grocery shopping.** If you know someone from our church who may need these services, please contact Georgia (Jody) Bitsikas by email gbitsikas@aol.com or by calling 617-653-2461.

Remember in your prayers our brother and sisters who passed from this life...

...on January 31, John Dinopoulos
 ...on February 7, Victoria (Papadopoulos) Michaelidis
 ...on February 7, Steven Kourepenis
 ...on February 19, Tsvetan Mandinov

Blessed is the way wherein you walk today;
 for there is prepared for you a place of rest.

May their memory be eternal.
 Αιώνια η μνήμη.

Our Children... Our JOY!

Making Valentines



Family Ministries Slime Party



PLEASE SUPPORT TAXIARCHAE GREEK SCHOOL

50/50 RAFFLE

FUNDRAISER

TICKETS CAN BE PURCHASED DURING FELLOWSHIP FROM 2/17 TO 3/24 OR VIA VENMO FOR **5 for \$5**

Contact ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org with any questions

Family Fun in March

Join us for **March Joy**
Junior Orthodox Youth
Ages 5 to 12

T-shirt Decorating

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH
5-7 PM
PIZZA AND A TREAT WILL BE PROVIDED

You must RSVP to ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org by March 1st to ensure availability and participation

Family Ministries
A Family Friendly Event

PAINTING PARTY

FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH
5-7 PM

This Spring we will be participating in Watertown Yard Art
Please bring a good sized rock to paint

Pizza and a treat will be provided

You must R.S.V.P by 3/8 to ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org to ensure availability and participation

The Taxiarchae Church, Watertown and St. Sava Cathedral, Cambridge

invite you to an evening of music, dance, food & fun

March 9, 2024 7 PM to 11 PM

Greek music by The Makredes Ensemble
Serbian music by DJ

Enjoy Greek and Serbian Cuisine

Admission: \$60
Kids 12 and under - FREE

MUST RSVP by February 24, 2024

Tickets can be purchased at the following link: [Greek - Serbian Dance Party — Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church \(goarchangels.org\)](https://www.greek-serbian-dance-party.com)

For more info: Taxiarchae Church 617-924-8182

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SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024
1:00 PM

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CELEBRATION WITH GREEK MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD AT THE BOSTON COMMON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE

Saturday, April 6th Dinner Gala: Reception 6:30 pm | Dinner 7:30 pm
Ithaki Restaurant/Holiday Inn, 1A Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960



Welcome to the newest member of our church family!



February 10—Maximus Nicholas Mershon
Parents: John & Krystal (Babalas)
Godparents: Katia & Emmanouil Koletsis

Blessings



Outreach Ministries

Thank you all for your continued support of our Outreach programs. If you have questions about donating please contact me at ckourkoulis@goarchangels.org

The needs of the Watertown Food Pantry continue. We are grateful for your generosity with the non-perishable food donations! Shown below is a Wish List for the food pantry and for FINEX House. This Wish List is just a guide. The Pantry will take all food, but **please be sure to check the expiration date.**

The Health Dept. will not allow the food pantry to accept any expired items.

Youth Ministries are helping in the collecting of gently used prom dresses for Belle of the Ball. Please hang the Prom Dresses on the coat rack located in the lobby.

Belle of the Ball

Donate Prom Dresses To Local Students in Need

Now through March 28th

Please hang the Prom Dresses on the Coat Rack located in the Lobby. Thank you!

Anton's Cleaners, Enterprise Bank, Jordan's Furniture

Collected dresses are professionally cleaned by Anton's and displayed at an invitation-only event in Boston for qualifying students.

Watertown Food Pantry

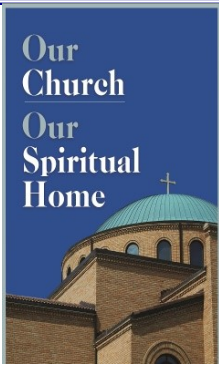
This month, the Food Pantry is especially in need of **CAKE MIXES, DESSERT MIXES AND CANNED FROSTING!** Please try to help!

Flour • Sugar • Brown Sugar	Peanut Butter • Jam/Jelly
Condiments • Cooking Oil	Coffee • Tea • Hot Chocolate Mix
Vanilla Extract	Desserts: Pie crusts (not the refrigerated kind) • Pie fillings
Pasta • Rice • Instant Mashed Potato	Pudding mixes • Marshmallows
Box Mac & Cheese	Ensure Nutrition Drinks
Cereal/Cold cereal • Oatmeal	Cleaning Products
Kids' School Snacks	Personal Hygiene Products
Canned Goods: Vegetables • Fruits	Shampoo and conditioner
Tuna • Chickpeas • Beans • Soups • Spam	
Tomato Sauce • Paste • Whole tomatoes	

FINEX HOUSE DONATIONS Items requested are:

• Sanitary napkins	• Cocoa butter	• Deodorant
• Shampoo	• Baby shampoo	• Tooth brushes
• Vaseline	• Baby lotion	• Tooth paste

THANK YOU



We ask you to share your talents with our parish. Please contact Father Athanasios Nenes (anenes@goarchangels.com) or any other members of the Parish Council. If you have already paid or committed this year's Stewardship, we sincerely appreciate your generosity. If you have not yet made your contribution or commitment, we humbly ask for your Stewardship gift this year. For your convenience you can make your donation via the link to PayPal found on the parish's website, or by mailing a regular check. May the grace of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit bless you and your loved ones.

Thank you!

Rev. Fr. Athanasios Nenes, Parish Priest
Evelyn Haralampu, Stewardship Chair

2024 STEWARDSHIP (as of February 21) 127 Stewards

If any names have been mistakenly omitted from this list, please notify the church office and we will make corrections in our next bulletin.

Εάν έχει γίνει παράλειψις ονομάτων, παρακαλούμε αμέσως όπως αποτανθήτε στο γραφείο της εκκλησίας να κάνουμε διορθώσεις στο επόμενο τεύχος.

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Name _____		In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church		
Name of Spouse (if married) _____		\$ _____ each week/month/annually		
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City/State/Zip _____		<input type="checkbox"/> I wish to speak with someone about how to remember the church in my will, trust, or estate plan.		
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		COMMUNICATIONS		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> YES <input type="checkbox"/> NO		
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		<input type="checkbox"/> Email <input type="checkbox"/> hard copy/postal mail		



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Our beautiful function rooms are now updated and ready for any and all of your event needs, up to 500 people. For information and assistance in planning your future events, please call Irene Apostolou Cobb at the Church Office at 617-924-8182 or email: functionmanager@goarchangels.com



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3 Sunday of the Prodigal Son I Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2 Matthew 25:31-46	4 Bible Study 8 PM via zoom p.3	5	6	7 Greek School Paraklesis 6 PM	8 JOY T-Shirt Decorating 5 PM p.8	9 Saturday of Souls Orthros & Divine Liturgy, Memorials 8.30 am Greek School Greek/Serbian	
10 Judgment (Meatfare) Sunday I Corinthians 8:8-13; 9:1-2 Matthew 25:31-46	11 Bible Study p.3 8 PM via zoom	12	13 GOYA Gathering 6:30 PM p.6	14 Greek School Paraklesis 6 PM	15 Family Ministries Painting Party 5-7 PM p.8	16 Saturday of Souls Orthros & Divine Liturgy, Memorials 8.30 am Greek School	
17 Forgiveness Sunday Romans: 13:11-14; 14:1-4 Matthew 6:14-21	18 Clean Monday First day of Lent Bible Study p.3 8 PM via zoom	19	20 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy With pot-luck Lenten dinner 6 PM p.3	21 Philotimo Chat 10 AM p.6 Greek School Paraklesis	22 1st Stanza Heretismoi Salutations to the Theotokos 7 PM p.3	23 Saturday of Souls Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8.30 am Greek School	
24 Sunday of Orthodoxy Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-40 John 1:43-51 Procession of Icons Greek Independence Day Program p.5	25 Annunciation of the Theotokos Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8.30 am Bible Study p.3 8 PM via zoom	26 	27 Pre-Sanctified Liturgy Followed by pot-luck Lenten dinner 6 PM p.3	28 Greek School Paraklesis 6 PM	29 2nd Stanza Hertismoi Salutations to the Theotokos 7 PM p.3	30 Greek School	
31 Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas Hebrews 1:10-14; 2:1-3 Mark 2:1-12	Sunday Schedule: Orthros: 8:30, Doxology, Divine Liturgy: 9:30 AM Weekday Liturgies: 8:30 AM Paraklesis to the Theotokos Gorgoepikoos: Thursdays at 6 PM Adult Bible Study: Mondays, 8 PM via Zoom Greek School: Thu 4:30-6:30 PM; Sat 10 AM-12 PM Presanctified Liturgies: Wednesdays, 6 PM Heretismoi/Salutations: Fridays 7 PM						