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Today is: Sunday, May 29, 2022

SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN

BLESSED MEMORIAL WEEKEND!

Theodosia the Virgin and Martyr from Constantinople

Θεοδοσία τῆς παρθένου καί μάρτυρος ἀπό τήν Κωνσταντινούπολη

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TODAY	SUNDAY OF THE BLIND MAN 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Thur., June 2	THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD 8:30am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sun., June 5	SUNDAY OF THE FATHERS OF THE FIRST ECUMENICAL COUNCIL 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sat., June 11	Saturday of the Souls 8:30am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sun., June 12	HOLY PENTECOST 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., June 19	SUNDAY OF ALL THE SAINTS 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Frid., June 24	The Nativity of St. John the Baptist 8:30am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sun., June 26	2nd SUNDAY OF MATTHEW 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Jul. 3	3rd SUNDAY OF MATTHEW 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Jul. 10	4th SUNDAY OF MATTHEW 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy

ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΚΟ ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ

- ΣΗΜΕΡΟΝ** **ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΤΥΦΛΟΥ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Πέμπ., 2 Ἰουν.** **ΤΗΣ ΑΝΑΛΗΨΕΩΣ**
8:30π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 9:30π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 5 Ἰουν.** **ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΠΑΤΕΡΩΝ ΤΗΣ ΠΡΩΤΗΣ**
ΟΙΚΟΥΜΕΝΙΚΗΣ ΣΥΝΟΔΟΥ
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Σαβ., 11 Ἰουν.** **Σάββατο τῶν ψυχῶν**
8:30π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 9:30π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 12 Ἰουν.** **Η ΑΓΙΑ ΠΕΝΤΗΚΟΣΤΗ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 19 Ἰουν.** **ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΠΑΝΤΩΝ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Παρ., 24 Ἰουν.** **Το γενέθλιον τοῦ Ἰωάννου τοῦ Βαπτιστοῦ**
8:30π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 9:30π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 26 Ἰουν.** **ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΜΑΤΘΑΙΟΥ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 3 Ἰουλ.** **ΤΡΙΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΜΑΤΘΑΙΟΥ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
- Κυρ., 10 Ἰουλ.** **ΤΕΤΑΡΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΜΑΤΘΑΙΟΥ**
8:45π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

- Sun., May 22** **100th Anniversary Committee Meeting**
@ the Cathedral Office @ 6:00pm.
- Sunday, June 5** **Philoptochos General Meeting for the end of the year**
@ the Philoptochos hall, @ the end of the Divine Liturgy
- Tuesday, June 7** **Parish Council Meeting**
@ the Cathedral Office @ 6:30pm.
- Sun.- Thur., July 3-7** **National Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress**
@ the Marriott Marque, New York City
- Mon., June 4** **Consecration of St. Nicholas National Shrine in Manhattan, NY, by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America**
Divine Liturgy starts @ 9:00 am.
- Tuesday, July 19** **Parish Council Meeting**
@ the Cathedral Office @ 6:30pm

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS

June 4 BAPTISM, Jamie Beldekos Cloak family @ 11:30pm

June 11 WEDDING, Zachary P. Lountzis & Kathryn E. Guerra @ 4:00pm

June 19 BAPTISM, Newborn of Barbalios family @ 12:30pm.

July 2 WEDDING, Demetrios Nasioudis & Ariel Haan @ 3:00pm

July 3 WEDDING, Andrew Tiffany & Lisa Belisonzi @ 3:00pm

July 23 WEDDING, Demetrios Albertini & Christina Karapalides @ 4:00pm

August 28 WEDDING, Eleftherios Gkouletsas & Constantina Pappas @ 3:00pm

Sept. 17 WEDDING, Constantine Fournaris & Kristen Spiridon @ 3:30pm

THE EPISTLE READING

The reading is from the Acts of the Apostles

16:16-34

In those days, as we apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the marketplace before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews, and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened, and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

Πράξεων τῶν Ἀποστόλων τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

16.16-34

Ἐν ταῖς ἡμεραῖς ἐκείναις, ἐγένετο δὲ πορευομένων ἡμῶν εἰς προσευχὴν παιδίσκην τινὰ ἔχουσαν πνεῦμα πύθωνος ἀπαντῆσαι ἡμῖν, ἥτις ἐργασίαν πολλὴν παρεῖχε τοῖς κυρίοις αὐτῆς μαντευομένη. αὕτη κατακολουθήσασα τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλῳ ἔκραζε λέγουσα· οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι δοῦλοι τοῦ Θεοῦ τοῦ ὑψίστου εἰσίν, οἵτινες καταγγέλλουσιν ἡμῖν ὁδὸν σωτηρίας. τοῦτο δὲ ἐποίει ἐπὶ πολλὰς ἡμέρας. διαπονηθεὶς δὲ ὁ Παῦλος καὶ ἐπιστρέψας τῷ πνεύματι εἶπε· παραγγέλλω σοι ἐν τῷ ὀνόματι Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ ἐξελθεῖν ἀπ' αὐτῆς. καὶ ἐξῆλθεν αὐτῇ τῇ ὥρᾳ. Ἰδόντες δὲ οἱ κύριοι αὐτῆς ὅτι ἐξῆλθεν ἡ ἐλπίς τῆς ἐργασίας αὐτῶν, ἐπιλαβόμενοι τὸν Παῦλον καὶ τὸν Σίλαν εἵλκυσαν εἰς τὴν ἀγορὰν ἐπὶ τοὺς ἄρχοντας, καὶ προσαγαγόντες αὐτοὺς τοῖς στρατηγοῖς εἶπον· οὗτοι οἱ ἄνθρωποι ἐκταράσσουσιν ἡμῶν τὴν πόλιν Ἰουδαῖοι ὑπάρχοντες, καὶ καταγγέλλουσιν ἔθνη ἃ οὐκ ἔξεστιν ἡμῖν παραδέχεσθαι οὐδὲ ποιεῖν Ῥωμαίοις οὔσι. καὶ συνεπέστη ὁ ὄχλος κατ' αὐτῶν. καὶ οἱ στρατηγοὶ περιρρήξαντες αὐτῶν τὰ ἱμάτια ἐκέλευον ῥαβδίζειν, πολλὰς τε ἐπιθέντες αὐτοῖς πληγὰς ἔβαλον εἰς φυλακὴν, παραγγείλαντες τῷ δεσμοφύλακι ἀσφαλῶς τηρεῖν αὐτούς· ὃς παραγγελίαν τοιαύτην εἰληφὼς ἔβαλεν αὐτοὺς εἰς τὴν ἐσωτέραν φυλακὴν καὶ τοὺς πόδας αὐτῶν ἠσφαλίσατο εἰς τὸ ξύλον. Κατὰ δὲ τὸ μεσονύκτιον Παῦλος καὶ Σίλας προσευχόμενοι ὑμνοῦν τὸν Θεόν· ἐπηκροῶντο δὲ αὐτῶν οἱ δέσμιοι. ἄφνω δὲ σεισμὸς ἐγένετο μέγας, ὥστε σαλευθῆναι τὰ θεμέλια τοῦ δεσμοτηρίου, ἀνεώχθησάν τε παραχρῆμα αἱ θύραι πᾶσαι καὶ πάντων τὰ δεσμὰ ἀνέθη. ἔξυπνος δὲ γενόμενος ὁ δεσμοφύλαξ καὶ ἰδὼν ἀνεωγμένας τὰς θύρας τῆς φυλακῆς, σπασάμενος μάχαιραν ἔμελλεν ἑαυτὸν ἀναιρεῖν, νομίζων ἐκπεφευγέναι τοὺς δεσμίους. ἐφώνησε δὲ φωνῇ μεγάλη ὁ Παῦλος λέγων· μηδὲν πράξης σεαυτῷ κακόν· ἅπαντες γὰρ ἐσμεν ἐνθάδε. αἰτήσας δὲ φῶτα εἰσεπήδησε, καὶ ἔντρομος γενόμενος προσέπεσε τῷ Παύλῳ καὶ τῷ Σίλῳ, καὶ προαγαγὼν αὐτοὺς ἔξω ἔφη· κύριοι, τί με δεῖ ποιεῖν ἵνα σωθῶ; οἱ δὲ εἶπον· πιστεύσον ἐπὶ τὸν Κύριον Ἰησοῦν Χριστόν, καὶ σωθήσῃ σὺ καὶ ὁ οἶκός σου. καὶ ἐλάλησαν αὐτῷ τὸν λόγον τοῦ Κυρίου καὶ πᾶσι τοῖς ἐν τῇ οἰκίᾳ αὐτοῦ. καὶ παραλαβὼν αὐτοὺς ἐν ἐκείνῃ τῇ ὥρᾳ τῆς νυκτὸς ἔλουσεν ἀπὸ τῶν πληγῶν, καὶ ἐβαπτίσθη αὐτὸς καὶ οἱ αὐτοῦ πάντες παραχρῆμα, ἀναγαγὼν τε αὐτοὺς εἰς τὸν οἶκον αὐτοῦ παρέθηκε τράπεζαν, καὶ ἠγαλλιάσατο πανοικί πεπιστευκῶς τῷ Θεῷ.

THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading is according to John

9:1-38

At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work. As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So, he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so, I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes, and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?" He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had

been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age; he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore, his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So, for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe"; and he worshiped him.

ΤΟ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

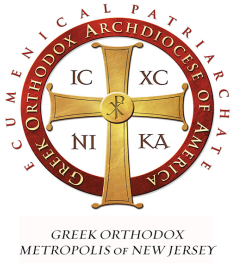
Ἐκ τοῦ κατὰ Ἰωάννην ἀγίου Εὐαγγελίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

9.1-38

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, παράγων εἶδεν ἄνθρωπον τυφλὸν ἐκ γενετῆς. Καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτὸν οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ λέγοντες· ῥαββί, τίς ἡμαρτεν, οὗτος ἢ οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ἵνα τυφλὸς γεννηθῆι; ἀπεκρίθη Ἰησοῦς· οὔτε οὗτος ἡμαρτεν οὔτε οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ἀλλ' ἵνα φανερωθῆι τὰ ἔργα τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐν αὐτῷ. ἐμὲ δεῖ ἐργάζεσθαι τὰ ἔργα τοῦ πέμψαντός με ἕως ἡμέρας ἐστίν· ἔρχεται νύξ ὅτε οὐδεὶς δύναται ἐργάζεσθαι. ὅταν ἐν τῷ κόσμῳ ᾧ, φῶς εἰμι τοῦ κόσμου. ταῦτα εἰπὼν ἔπτυσε χαμαὶ καὶ ἐποίησε πηλὸν ἐκ τοῦ πτύσματος, καὶ ἐπέχρισε τὸν πηλὸν ἐπὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς τοῦ τυφλοῦ καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ὕπαγε νίψαι εἰς τὴν κολυμβήθραν τοῦ Σιλωάμ, ὃ ἐρμηνεύεται ἀπεσταλμένος. ἀπῆλθεν οὖν καὶ ἐνίψατο, καὶ ἤλθε βλέπων. Οἱ οὖν γείτονες καὶ οἱ θεωροῦντες αὐτὸν τὸ πρότερον ὅτι τυφλὸς ἦν, ἔλεγον· οὐχ οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ καθήμενος καὶ προσαιτῶν; ἄλλοι ἔλεγον ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν· ἄλλοι δὲ ὅτι ὁμοῖος αὐτῷ ἐστιν. ἐκεῖνος ἔλεγεν ὅτι ἐγὼ εἰμι. ἔλεγον οὖν αὐτῷ· πῶς ἀνεώχθησάν σου οἱ ὀφθαλμοί; ἀπεκρίθη ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπεν· ἄνθρωπος λεγόμενος Ἰησοῦς πηλὸν ἐποίησε καὶ ἐπέχρισέ μου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς καὶ εἶπέ μοι· ὕπαγε εἰς τὴν κολυμβήθραν τοῦ Σιλωάμ καὶ νίψαι· ἀπελθὼν δὲ καὶ νιψάμενος ἀνέβλεψα. εἶπον οὖν αὐτῷ· ποῦ ἐστιν ἐκεῖνος; λέγει· οὐκ οἶδα. Ἄγουσιν αὐτὸν πρὸς τοὺς Φαρισαίους, τὸν ποτε τυφλόν. ἦν δὲ σάββατον ὅτε τὸν πηλὸν ἐποίησεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς καὶ ἀνέωξεν αὐτοῦ τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς. πάλιν οὖν ἠρώτων αὐτὸν καὶ οἱ Φαρισαῖοι πῶς ἀνέβλεψεν. ὁ δὲ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· πηλὸν ἐπέθηκέ μου ἐπὶ τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς, καὶ ἐνιψάμην, καὶ βλέπω. ἔλεγον οὖν ἐκ τῶν Φαρισαίων τινές· οὗτος ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὐκ ἔστι παρὰ τοῦ Θεοῦ, ὅτι τὸ σάββατον οὐ τηρεῖ. ἄλλοι ἔλεγον· πῶς δύναται ἄνθρωπος ἀμαρτωλὸς τοιαῦτα σημεῖα ποιεῖν; καὶ σχίσμα ἦν ἐν αὐτοῖς. λέγουσι τῷ τυφλῷ πάλιν· σὺ τί λέγεις περὶ αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ἠνοιξέ σου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς; ὁ δὲ εἶπεν ὅτι προφήτης ἐστίν. οὐκ ἐπίστευσαν οὖν οἱ

Ἰουδαῖοι περὶ αὐτοῦ ὅτι τυφλὸς ἦν καὶ ἀνέβλεψεν, ἕως ὅτου ἐφώνησαν τοὺς γονεῖς αὐτοῦ τοῦ ἀναβλέψαντος καὶ ἠρώτησαν αὐτοὺς λέγοντες· οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς ὑμῶν, ὃν ὑμεῖς λέγετε ὅτι τυφλὸς ἐγεννήθη; πῶς οὖν ἄρτι βλέπει; ἀπεκρίθησαν δὲ αὐτοῖς οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ καὶ εἶπον· οἶδαμεν ὅτι οὗτός ἐστιν ὁ υἱὸς ἡμῶν καὶ ὅτι τυφλὸς ἐγεννήθη· πῶς δὲ νῦν βλέπει οὐκ οἶδαμεν, ἢ τίς ἤνοιξεν αὐτοῦ τοὺς ὀφθαλμοὺς ἡμεῖς οὐκ οἶδαμεν· αὐτὸς ἡλικίαν ἔχει, αὐτὸν ἐρωτήσατε, αὐτὸς περὶ ἑαυτοῦ λαλήσει. ταῦτα εἶπον οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ, ὅτι ἐφοβοῦντο τοὺς Ἰουδαίους· ἤδη γὰρ συνετέθειντο οἱ Ἰουδαῖοι ἵνα, ἐάν τις αὐτὸν ὁμολογήσῃ Χριστόν, ἀποσυνάγωγος γένηται. διὰ τοῦτο οἱ γονεῖς αὐτοῦ εἶπον ὅτι ἡλικίαν ἔχει, αὐτὸν ἐρωτήσατε. ἐφώνησαν οὖν ἐκ δευτέρου τὸν ἄνθρωπον ὃς ἦν τυφλός, καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· δὸς δόξαν τῷ Θεῷ· ἡμεῖς οἶδαμεν ὅτι ὁ ἄνθρωπος οὗτος ἀμαρτωλὸς ἐστιν. ἀπεκρίθη οὖν ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπεν· εἰ ἀμαρτωλὸς ἐστιν οὐκ οἶδα· ἐν οἶδα, ὅτι τυφλὸς ὢν ἄρτι βλέπω. εἶπον δὲ αὐτῷ πάλιν· τί ἐποίησέ σοι; πῶς ἠνοιξέ σου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς; ἀπεκρίθη αὐτοῖς· εἶπον ὑμῖν ἤδη, καὶ οὐκ ἠκούσατε· τί πάλιν θέλετε ἀκούειν; μὴ καὶ ὑμεῖς θέλετε αὐτοῦ μαθηταὶ γενέσθαι; ἐλοιδόρησαν αὐτὸν καὶ εἶπον· σὺ εἰ μαθητῆς ἐκείνου· ἡμεῖς δὲ τοῦ Μωϋσέως ἐσμὲν μαθηταί. ἡμεῖς οἶδαμεν ὅτι Μωϋσεὶ λελάληκεν ὁ Θεός· τοῦτον δὲ οὐκ οἶδαμεν πόθεν ἐστίν. ἀπεκρίθη ὁ ἄνθρωπος καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· ἐν γὰρ τούτῳ θαυμαστόν ἐστιν, ὅτι ὑμεῖς οὐκ οἶδατε πόθεν ἐστί, καὶ ἀνέωξέ μου τοὺς ὀφθαλμούς. οἶδαμεν δὲ ὅτι ἀμαρτωλῶν ὁ Θεὸς οὐκ ἀκούει, ἀλλ' ἐάν τις θεοσεβῆς ᾗ καὶ τὸ θέλημα αὐτοῦ ποιῇ, τούτου ἀκούει. ἐκ τοῦ αἰῶνος οὐκ ἠκούσθη ὅτι ἠνοιξέ τις ὀφθαλμοὺς τυφλοῦ γεγεννημένου. εἰ μὴ ἦν οὗτος παρὰ Θεοῦ, οὐκ ἠδύνατο ποιεῖν οὐδέν. ἀπεκρίθησαν καὶ εἶπον αὐτῷ· ἐν ἀμαρτίαις σὺ ἐγεννήθης ὅλος, καὶ σὺ διδάσκεις ἡμᾶς; καὶ ἐξέβαλον αὐτὸν ἔξω. Ἦκουσεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἐξέβαλον αὐτὸν ἔξω, καὶ εὐρῶν αὐτὸν εἶπεν αὐτῷ· σὺ πιστεύεις εἰς τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ Θεοῦ; ἀπεκρίθη ἐκεῖνος καὶ εἶπε· καὶ τίς ἐστι, Κύριε, ἵνα πιστεύσω εἰς αὐτόν; εἶπε δὲ αὐτῷ ὁ Ἰησοῦς· καὶ ἐώρακας αὐτόν καὶ ὁ λαλῶν μετὰ σοῦ ἐκεῖνός ἐστιν. ὁ δὲ ἔφη· πιστεύω, Κύριε· καὶ προσεκύνησεν αὐτῷ.





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January 2, 2022

Dear friends and Parishioners of St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral,

It is with much enthusiasm and joy that we write this letter to you as we are entering 2022, the year which marks the historic occasion and the beginning of the 100th Anniversary celebration of our Cathedral. This year is very significant for us Orthodox Christians; this Greek Orthodox Community is a witness to Orthodoxy for 100 years in the City of Philadelphia and the Greater Delaware Valley region. We also celebrate you, the faithful and dedicated members of our Cathedral, for your unwavering stewardship and generous support of our beloved Orthodox Christian faith and community for 100 years. You are the chosen people of God whom he entrusted the care of this most fertile Orthodox Christian seed, our Cathedral. You are “*born anew [in this Divine Institution] not of perishable seed, but imperishable, through the living and abiding word of God.*” (1 Peter 1:23). You have planted the seeds of our ministries and watered and nurtured these ministries for 100 years. But to God belongs all glory for it is He “*Who gives the growth.*”

There are many events and opportunities planned throughout the year and we hope you will join us as we honor our Orthodox Cathedral and the historic accomplishments of our community. Please see the attached Calendar of Events.

In addition, as we commemorate the history, faith, and events of our Cathedral over the past 100 years, we invite you also to become advocates of our efforts. Please see the attached form. There will be a section dedicated to the stewards of our Parish known as the ***Advocates of Saint George Cathedral***. There are several levels of sponsorship available and we would like each of you with your families to tell us your story. Through your acknowledgment and commitment, we will use these funds entirely to support the **Cathedral Restoration Fund**.

We ask you to make a commitment and pledge of support for the restoration efforts of our Cathedral so that she may continue to provide us with a Spiritual Temple of worship and an opportunity to serve and witness our Orthodox Christian faith and Hellenic Tradition. Please forward your contributions to the Cathedral Office: Saint George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Anniversary, 256 South 8th St., Philadelphia, PA 19107, or call the Cathedral office @: 215-627-4389 for more information.

May our loving God “*...who gives us richly all things to enjoy,*” (1 Timothy 6:17) bless and multiply your generosity with all the good things from above.

In His Grace,

Very Reverend Archimandrite
Ambrose Bitziadis-Bowers
Presiding Priest of the Cathedral

Archon John Sarkioglu
100th Anniversary Committee
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2 Ιανουαρίου, 2022

Αγαπητοί φίλοι και Ενορίτες του Ελληνικού Ορθοδόξου Καθεδρικού Ναού Αγίου Γεωργίου,

Με ενθουσιώδη χαρά απευθυνόμαστε σε όλους σας μ' αυτή την επιστολή καθώς εισερχόμαστε στο έτος 2022, ένα έτος που σηματοδοτεί την έναρξη της ιστορικής επετείου των εορτασμών της εκατονταετηρίδος της ελληνορθόξου κοινότητας του Ιερού Καθεδρικού Ναού του Αγίου Γεωργίου της πόλεως Φιλαδελφείας. Αυτό το έτος εορτάζουμε επίσης και τα πιστά και αφοσιωμένα μέλη του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού, που για τα τελευταία εκατό χρόνια προσφέρατε, και συνεχίζεται να προσφέρεται την ακλόνητη πίστη και γενναιόδωρη προσφορά σας στην αγαπημένη σας Εκκλησία Ιερού Καθεδρικού Ναού. Είστε οι εκλεκτοί πιστοί του Θεού στους οποίους ο Χριστός μέσω της Εκκλησίας του ανέθεσε την φροντίδα και διατήρηση αυτού του εύφορου Ορθοδόξου Χριστιανικού σπέρματος, τον Καθεδρικό Ναό του Αγίου Γεωργίου, και όπως αναφέρει ο απόστολος Πέτρος: «*ἀναγεγεννημένοι οὐκ ἐκ σπορᾶς φθαρτῆς, ἀλλὰ ἀφθάρτου, διὰ λόγου ζῶντος Θεοῦ καὶ μένοντος εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα*» (Α' Πέτρον 1.23). Εσείς φυτέψατε τους σπόρους των διαφόρων προγραμμάτων του Καθεδρικού Ναού· εσείς τους ποτίσατε και τους φροντίσατε τα τελευταία εκατό χρόνια με πίστη και αφοσίωση, για εσάς και τα παιδιά σας. Αλλά μη ξεχνάτε, ότι στον Θεό ανήκει όλη η δόξα, διότι «*οὔτε ὁ φυτεύων ἐστί τι οὔτε ὁ ποτίζων, ἀλλ' ὁ αὐξάνων Θεός*» (Α' Κορ. 3.7)

Κατά τη διάρκεια αυτού του έτους έχουν προγραμματιστεί πολλές εορταστικές εκδηλώσεις για να τιμήσουμε τα εκατό χρόνια Ορθοδόξου προσφοράς και παρουσίας του Καθεδρικού Ναού στην πόλη της Φιλαδελφείας, και της ευρύτερας Κοιλάδος του Delaware. Δείτε προς γνώσιν σας παρακαλώ το συνημμένο πρόγραμμα των εορταστικών εκδηλώσεων του εορτασμού.

Επιπλέον, καθώς εορτάζουμε την ιστορική παρουσία του Καθεδρικού Ναού τα τελευταία 200 χρόνια, σας προσκαλούμε θερμώς όπως γίνεται χορηγοί των προσπαθειών μας για την επιτυχή αποπεράτωση των εργασιών της ανακατασκευής του Καθεδρικού Ναού, μια προσπάθεια η οποία έχει είδη αρχίσει και θα ολοκληρωθεί εντός των επομένων δύο ετών. **Το κόστος της συντηρήσεως ανέρχεται στο ποσό των δύο εκατομμυρίων δολαρίων (\$2,000,000).** Δείτε παρακαλώ την συνημμένη φόρμα συμμετοχής της χορηγίας σας. Υπάρχουν διάφορα επίπεδα συμμετοχής. **Σας παρακαλούμε όπως γενναιόδωρα υποστηρίξετε τις προσπάθειες συντηρήσεως του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού, ώστε μέσω αυτού να συνεχιστεί η παρουσία της Ελληνορθόξου πίστεως και παραδόσεως στην πόλη της Φιλαδελφείας.**

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες, καλέστε το γραφείο του Καθεδρικού Ναού στο: 215-627-4389, ή αποστείλετε την προσφορά σας στην διεύθυνση του Καθεδρικού μας Ναού: **256 South 8th St., Philadelphia, PA 19107**, με την υποσημείωση στην επιταγή σας: **St. George Cathedral 100th Anniversary Celebration.**

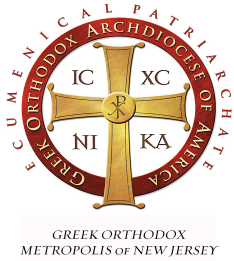
Είθε ο Θεός της αγάπης που «*τῶ παρέχοντι ἡμῖν πάντα πλουσίως εἰς ἀπόλαυσιν*» (1 Τιμ. 6.17) να ευλογεί και να πολλαπλασιάζει τη γενναιόδωρη προσφορά σας με κάθε τι καλό και ευλογημένο. Χρόνια πολλά, υγιεινά και ευλογημένα.

Μετά πολλής εν Χριστώ αγάπης,

Αρχιμ. Αμβρόσιος Μπιτζιάδης
Ιερατικός Προϊστάμενος

Άρχων Ιωάννης Σαρκιόγλου
Μέλος Επιτροπής εκατονταετηρίδος

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Χρυσός (GOLD) χορηγός με τη συμμετοχή 5.000 δολαρίων

Καταχώρηση του ονόματος στο αναμνηστικό λεύκωμα

Διαφήμιση σε ολόκληρη σελίδα στο πρόγραμμα της συναυλίας.

Συμμετοχή δέκα (10) ατόμων στο τραπέζι στο επίσημο δείπνο το οποίο θα γίνει στις 15 Οκτωβρίου, 2022 στο Ballroom at the Ben.

Ένα δωρεάν αντίγραφο του αναμνηστικού λευκώματος.

Ένα αναμνηστικό δώρο με την επιγραφή του εορτασμού των 100 ετών του Καθεδρικού Ναού.

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Τέσσερα (4) εισιτήρια για επίσημο δείπνο το οποίο θα γίνει στις 15 Οκτωβρίου, 2022 στο Ballroom at the Ben.

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Καταχώρηση του ονόματος στο αναμνηστικό λεύκωμα

Δύο (2) εισιτήρια για το επίσημο δείπνο το οποίο θα γίνει στις 15 Οκτωβρίου, 2022 στο Ballroom at the Ben.

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Καταχώρηση του ονόματος στο αναμνηστικό λεύκωμα

Ένα δωρεάν αντίγραφο του αναμνηστικού λευκώματος.

Ένα αναμνηστικό δώρο με την επιγραφή του εορτασμού των 100 ετών του Καθεδρικού Ναού.

Μέλη του Αγίου Γεωργίου (STEWARDS) με τη συμμετοχή 250 Δολαρίων

Καταχώρηση του ονόματος στο αναμνηστικό λεύκωμα

Φίλος (FRIEND) του Αγίου Γεωργίου με τη συμμετοχή 100 δολαρίων

Καταχώρηση του ονόματος στο αναμνηστικό λεύκωμα

Σας παρακαλούμε να συμπληρώσετε την κατωτέρω φόρμα και να την στείλετε στο γραφείο της Κοινότητας στη διεύθυνση: 256 South 8th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107. Η προσφορά σας υποπίπτει της ΦΟΡΟΛΟΓΙΚΗΣ ΣΑΣ ΔΗΛΩΣΕΩΣ και υποστηρίζει εξ'ολοκλήρου το RESTORATION FUND (ΛΟΓΑΡΙΑΣΜΟΣ ΣΥΝΤΗΡΙΣΗΣ) του Καθεδρικού Ναού!

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PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

The Philoptochos Bid & Buy event on April 29th was a great success! Everybody had a wonderful time! The members of the Philoptochos would like to thank everyone who participated in this event, and who offer their time, talent and their donations for the success of this event.

On Sunday, May 8, 2022, Mother's Day, at the end of the Divine Liturgy, we hosted a luncheon for the Centennial Anniversary of our Cathedral. The Philoptochos honored all the past presidents, alive and deceased, with the icon of St. George and with bouquet of flowers. We want to thank the Philoptochos Centennial Committee for the success of this historic event.

On **Sunday, June 5, 2022**, we will have our last meeting before the summer break. Please mark your calendars to attend this meeting after liturgy in the Philoptochos Hall.



Anastasia K. Michaels

Memorial Philoptochos Scholarship

Mrs. Anastasia K. Michals, past Metropolis of New Jersey Philoptochos President, was a devoted Philoptochos sister in her local chapter, the Metropolis Board, and the National Philoptochos Board. Anne served with dignity and grace. She was a fervent believer in the power of philanthropy.

This is a merit-based application being offered to provide financial assistance to qualifying high school seniors entering an approved and accredited college, university, or trade school. All information herein is strictly confidential. Your identity will not be disclosed to the selection committee.

The 2022 scholarships will be awarded on the number of qualifying applications received. There will be five (5) scholarships in the amount of \$1,000/each, available to be awarded.

2022 Application Timeline:

- Applications available March 1, 2022
- Applications due June 15, 2022
- Scholarship Announcement & Distribution by August 1, 2022

For more information call the Metropolis of New Jersey Philoptochos Scholarship Committee:

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