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Very Reverend Archimandrite Ambrose Bitziadis-Bowers Presiding Priest



Today is: Sunday, September 25, 2022

FIRST SUNDAY OF LUKE

Euphrosyne of Alexandria / Paphnoutios and his Companions Εύφροσύνη ἡ ἀπό Ἀλεξανδρείας / Παφνουτίου τοῦ ἱερομονάχου

Thank you for worshiping at St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Philadelphia.

The work of the Cathedral in service to the Eastern Orthodox faithful and predominately the Greek Orthodox faithful to the city of Philadelphia is made possible entirely through private support. The gifts of people from across the country are behind every worship service, public ministry and the work of maintaining this historic landmark. It is only through your generosity that the Cathedral can fully live into its priorities of welcoming, deepening, convening, and serving.

We invite you to support the mission and ministry of the Cathedral. Visit: www.stgeorgecathedral.org to sign up for our weekly newsletter. You can also make a gift to help keep the Cathedral strong -- either as the plate is passed or by using our online giving program.

Thank you in advance for your generosity. Please know that your presence with us today has been a blessing.



SAINT GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL PHILADELPHIA, PA CENTENNIAL CELEBRATION 1922-2022



My beloved parishioners and friends of St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral,

Whether you are returning Greek Orthodox to our legendary St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, or a newcomer to Philadelphia, or the Greater Delaware Valley, or someone with an emerging interest in the Orthodox Faith, I, the Parish Council and the parishioners and families of St. George Cathedral welcome you to our home where we have been serving for close to 100 years. Since the days of the first Divine Liturgy back in 1912 in the original church and continuing through ther current St. George Cathedral, the people of Orthodox faith have gathered together for prayer, faith foundation, worship, service to the poor and fellowship. As a parish community, some of our proudest moments come through the children served through our Religious Education and Greek school programs creating the next generation of Orthodox to serve here locally and to share the message of Christ throughout the world.

Our schools commit to teach as Jesus did; instilling a love of our Orthodox faith and love of neighbor. St. George Cathedral Religious and Greek Schools create a caring, respectful environment which promote the learning of language, history and tradition and religion, and develop faithful Christians and responsible citizens. The schools strive to reach each child through an engaging environment filled with hands on teaching and a true compassion for sacred life. Instilling a love for God, the teachings of Jesus and a true passion for learning are the most important lessons we can share with our children.

I ask that you go to the website of the Cathedral at: https://www.saintgeorgecathedral.org/language.html for the Greek School and: https://www.saintgeorgecathedral.org/education.html for the Religious Education School for an opportunity to learn more about our Cathedral Schools. Please contact the Principals of the Religious Education School, Eleni Belisonzi at: ebelisonzi@gmail.com and Agnes Zidros, the Directors of the Greek School at: Saintgeorgeagnes@verizon.net or for both the office of the Cathedral at: 215-627-4389 for more information, or to arrange a tour. They look forward to hearing from you!

I certainly hope you will acquaint yourself with what our schools have to offer by exploring our website and find something that interests you as well as encourage you to become an active member of St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral. If I can ever be of assistance, please do not hesitate to contact me, or any other member of the parish staff, by calling the Parish Office at (215-627-4389) or office@stgeorgecathedral.org.

God Bless you all,

Very Reverend Archimandrite Ambrose Bitziadis Bowers Dean of the Cathedral

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

TODAY	 1st SUNDAY OF LUKE 8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy 40-Days Memorial Service Aikaterini Thomazos. May her memory be eternal!
Mon., Sept. 26	St. John the Theologian
	8:30am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Oct.2	2 nd SUNDAY OF LUKE
	8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Oct.9	3^d SUNDAY OF LUKE
	8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Oct.16	SUNDAY OF THE HOLY FATHERS OF THE SEVEN
	ECUMENICAL COUNCIL
	8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Oct. 23	6 th SUNDAY OF LUKE
	8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy
Wed., Oct. 26	St. Demetrius the Myrrh-Streamer
	8:30am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy
Sun., Oct. 30	5 th SUNDAY OF LUKE (OHI DAY CELEBRATION)
	8:45am Orthros, 10:00am Divine Liturgy

ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΚΟ ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ

ΣΗΜΕΡΟΝ	ΠΡΩΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΛΟΥΚΑ 8:45π.μ. δ΄ Όρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία - Τεσσαρακονθήμερον Ἱερό Μνημόσυνον Αίκατερίνης Θωμάζου. Εΐθε ἡ μνήμη αὐτῆς νὰ εἶναι αίωνία!
Δευτ., 26 Σεπτ.	Τοῦ ἀγίου Ἰωάννου τοῦ Θεολόγου 8:30π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 9:30π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
Κυρ., 2 Όκτ.	ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΛΟΥΚΑ 8:45π.μ. δ΄ Όρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
Κυρ., 9 Όκτ.	ΤΡΙΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΛΟΥΚΑ 8:45π.μ. δ΄ Όρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
Κυρ., 16 Όκτ.	ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΑΓΙΩΝ ΠΑΤΕΡΩΝ ΤΗΣ 7^{ΗΣ} ΟΙΚΟΥΜΕΝΙΚΗΣ ΣΥΝΟΔΟΥ 8:45π.μ. δ "Ορθρος, 10:00π.μ. ή Θεία Λειτουργία
Κυρ., 23 Όκτ.	ΕΚΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΛΟΥΚΑ 8:45π.μ. δ "Ορθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
Τετ., 26 Όκτ.	Τοῦ ἁγίου Δημητρίου τοῦ Μυροβλύτου 8:30π.μ. ὁ Ὅρθρος, 9:30π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία
Κυρ., 30 Όκτ.	ΠΕΜΠΤΗ ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΛΟΥΚΑ (ΕΟΡΤΗ ΤΗΣ ΗΜΕΡΑΣ ΤΟΥ ΟΧΙ) 8:45π.μ. δ΄ Όρθρος, 10:00π.μ. ἡ Θεία Λειτουργία

UPCOMING MEETINGS & EVENTS

Tues., Oct. 4	100th Anniversary Golf Outing @ Bluestone Country Club 711 Boehms Church Road, Blue Bell, PA @ 11:00am.
Sat., Oct. 15	100th Anniversary Gala @ Ballroom at the Ben 834 Chestnut Street, Philadelphia, PA @ 6:00pm.
Sun., Oct. 16	100 th Anniversary Celebration Hierarchal Divine Liturgy with the presence of HIS EMINENCE ARCHBISHOP ELPIDOPHOROS OF AMERICA and special dignitaries from the United States and Greece. @ St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Philadelphia. Orthros starts @ 8:30am, Divine Liturgy starts @ 10am
Sun., Oct. 30	11th Banquet to benefit IOCC (International Orthodox Christian Charities) @ the ADELPHIA RESTAURANT, the Pan-Athenian Ballroom, Clements Bridge Road, Deptford, NJ, @ 3:30pm.
Sun., Nov. 13	FALL PARISH ASSEMBLY @ the Cathedral Social Hall @ the end of the Divine Liturgy.
Sat., Nov. 19	Order of the Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate SYMPOSIUM @ St. Thomas Greek Orthodox Church, Cherry Hill, NJ, @ 8:30am.
Sun., Dec. 4	PARISH ELECTIONS @ the Cathedral Office @ the end of the Divine Liturgy up to 3pm.
Sun., Dec. 18	CHRISTMAS PAEGENT AND PARTY @ the Cathedral and Social Hall @ the end of the Divine Liturgy.
	DELAWARE VALLEY AMBASSADORS BANQUET @the ADELPHIA Restaurant, 1750 Clements Bridge Road, Woodbury, NJ, @5pm.

UPCOMING SACRAMENTS

Oct. 23 WEDDING Evana Mortzavi & Yiannis Degermentzidis @ 3:00pm Nov. 20 WEDDING Nikonia Fanourgakis & Anthony Defrancesco @ 2:00pm Dec. 18 WEDDING Anastasia Galanos & Peter Protogiannis @ 1:30pm

THE EPISTLE READING

The reading is from the Second Letter to the Corinthians 4:6-15

Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believe, and so we speak, knowing that he who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into his presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God.

Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

Πρὸς Κορινθίους Δευτέρας Ἐπιστολῆς Παῦλου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα 4.6-15

Άδελφοί, δ θεός δ είπων έκ σκότους φῶς λάμψαι, δς έλαμψεν έν ταῖς καρδίαις ἡμῶν πρὸς φωτισμὸν τῆς γνώσεως τῆς δόξης τοῦ θεοῦ ἐν προσώπω Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ. Ἔχομεν δὲ τὸν θησαυρὸν τοῦτον έν όστρακίνοις σκεύεσιν, ίνα ή ύπερβολή τῆς δυνάμεως ἦ τοῦ θεοῦ, καὶ μὴ έξ ἡμῶν· έν παντὶ θλιβόμενοι, άλλ' ού στενοχωρούμενοι· άπορούμενοι, άλλ' ούκ έξαπορούμενοι· διωκόμενοι, άλλ' ούκ έγκαταλειπόμενοι· καταβαλλόμενοι, άλλ' ούκ άπολλύμενοι· πάντοτε την νέκρωσιν τοῦ κυρίου Ἰησοῦ έν τῷ σώματι περιφέροντες, ἵνα καὶ ἡ ζωἡ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματι ἡμῶν φανερωθῆ. Ἀεὶ γὰρ ήμεῖς οἱ ζῶντες είς θάνατον παραδιδόμεθα διὰ Ἰησοῦν, ἵνα καὶ ἡ ζωἡ τοῦ Ἰησοῦ φανερωθῆ ἐν τῆ θνητῆ σαρκὶ ἡμῶν. ώστε ὁ μὲν θάνατος έν ἡμῖν ένεργεῖται, ἡ δὲ ζωἡ έν ὑμῖν. Έχοντες δὲ τὸ αύτὸ πνεῦμα τῆς πίστεως, κατὰ τὸ γεγραμμένον, Έπίστευσα, διὸ έλάλησα, καὶ ἡμεῖς πιστεύομεν, διὸ καὶ λαλοῦμεν· είδότες ὅτι ὁ ἐγείρας τὸν κύριον Ἰησοῦν καὶ ήμᾶς διὰ Ίησοῦ έγερεῖ, καὶ παραστήσει σὺν ὑμῖν. Τὰ γὰρ πάντα δι' ὑμᾶς, ἵνα ἡ χάρις πλεονάσασα διὰ τῶν πλειόνων τὴν εύχαριστίαν περισσεύση είς την δόξαν τοῦ θεοῦ.

THE GOSPEL READING

The Gospel reading is according to Luke

5:1-11

At that time, as Jesus was standing by the lake of Gennesaret, he saw two boats by the lake; but the fishermen had gone out of them and were washing their nets. Getting into one of the boats, which was Simon's, he asked him to put out a little from the land. And he sat down and taught the people from the boat. And when he had ceased speaking, he said to Simon, "Put out into the deep and let down your nets for a catch." And Simon answered, "Master, we toiled all night and took nothing! But at your word I will let down the nets." And when they had done this, they enclosed a great shoal of fish; and as their nets were breaking, they beckoned to their partners in the other boat to come and help them. And they came and filled both the boats, so that they began to sink. But when Simon Peter saw it, he fell down at Jesus' knees, saying, "Depart from me, for I am a sinful man, O Lord." For he was astonished, and all who were with him, at the catch of fish which they had taken; and so also were James and John, sons of Zebedee, who were partners with Simon. And Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; henceforth you will be catching men." And when they had brought their boats to land, they left everything and followed him.

ΤΟ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

Έκ τοῦ κατὰ Λουκάν ὰγίου Εύαγγελίου τὸ ἀνάγνωσμα

5.1-11

Τῷ καιρῷ έκείνω, ἑστὼς ὁ Ἰησοῦς παρὰ τὴν λίμνην Γεννησαρέτ, καὶ εἶδε δύο πλοῖα ἑστῶτα παρὰ τὴν λίμνην' οἱ δὲ άλιεῖς ἀποβάντες ἀπ' αὐτῶν ἀπέπλυναν τὰ δίκτυα. ἑμβὰς δὲ είς έν τῶν πλοίων, ὃ ἦν τοῦ Σίμωνος, ήρώτησεν αύτὸν ἀπὸ τῆς γῆς έπαναγαγεῖν όλίγον' καὶ καθίσας έδίδασκεν έκ τοῦ πλοίου τοὺς όχλους. ώς δε έπαύσατο λαλῶν, εἶπε πρὸς τὸν Σίμωνα έπανάγαγε είς τὸ βάθος καὶ χαλάσατε τὰ δίκτυα ὑμῶν είς ἄγραν. καὶ ἀποκριθεὶς ὁ Σίμων εἶπεν αὐτῶ ἑπιστάτα, δι' ὅλης τῆς νυκτὸς κοπιάσαντες ούδὲν έλάβομεν' έπὶ δὲ τῷ ῥήματί σου χαλάσω τὸ δίκτυον. καὶ τοῦτο ποιήσαντες συνέκλεισαν πλῆθος ίχθύων πολύ' διερρήγνυτο δὲ τὸ δίκτυον αύτῶν. καὶ κατένευσαν τοῖς μετόχοις τοῖς έν τῷ ἑτέρῳ πλοίῳ τοῦ έλθόντας συλλαβέσθαι αύτοῖς καὶ ἦλθον καὶ ἕπλησαν ἀμφότερα τὰ πλοῖα, ὥστε βυθίζεσθαι αύτά. ίδὼν δὲ Σίμων Πέτρος προσέπεσε τοῖς γόνασιν Ίησοῦ λέγων' ἕξελθε ἀπ΄ έμοῦ, ὅτι ἀνὴρ ἁμαρτωλός είμι, Κύριε' θάμβος γὰρ περιέσχεν αύτὸν καὶ πάντας τοὺς σὺν αὐτῷ έπὶ τῃ άγρα τῶν ίχθύων ἦ συνέλαβον, ὁμοίως δὲ καὶ Ἰάκωβον καὶ Ίωάννην, υἱοὺς Ζεβεδαίου, οἳ ἦσαν κοινωνοὶ τῷ Σίμωνι. καὶ εἶπε πρός τὸν Σίμωνα ὁ Ἰησοῦς' μὴ φοβοῦ' ἀπὸ τοῦ νῦν ἀνθρώπους έση ζωγρῶν. καὶ καταγαγόντες τὰ πλοῖα έπὶ τὴν γῆν, ἀφέντες άπαντα ήκολούθησαν αύτῷ.



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Sunday School Resumes September 18th

All Children Are Welcome

For more information or to register please contact

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St. George Cathedral Greek School

Director/Instructor: Agnes Zidros

Under the auspices of the Very Reverend Archimandrite Ambrose Bitziadis Bowers Dean, St. George Cathedral

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"Learning the Greek Language is like discovering the roots of education."



Greek School Info

Registration:

Registration for the Greek Language School for 2022-2023 school year is now open. Please call the cathedral office: 215-627-4389 or email

office@saintgeorgecathedral.org

Location: 256 S. 8th Street, Philadelphia, PA 19107

Located in historic Center City Philadelphia, a block from Washington Square and two blocks from Independence Hall and the Liberty Bell.

Tuition for Cathedral School Students 1st Child: \$350 2nd Child: \$300 3_{rd}Child: \$300

Tuition for Non-Cathedral Students 1stChild: \$650 2nd Child: \$600 3rd Child: \$600

Hours: Saturdays 10:00 am to 1:00 pm

Saint George Cathedral

Greek School strives to instill a deep love and appreciation of the Greek language, religion, culture and arts. The program supports learning within an environment of high moral values and with a deeply rooted commitment to Hellenic ideals and tradition. It is structured to offer a well-rounded Greek education which places a strong emphasis on conversational skills, while offering instruction in grammar, reading, writing, history, mythology and culture. Children are also taught traditional Greek dances.

Our Goals: To engage and nurture the students through Greek language instruction to develop confidence, instill pride and promote faith and fellowship. **Our Tools:** We incorporate educational supplements such as songs, prayers, poems and crafts to integrate Language Arts with Greek History, culture and faith. **Character Building:** Through various participation events at both the local and tristate area level, our children learn public speaking through poem and speech presentations. They also develop leadership skills and friendships for a lifetime.

Materials: Students are provided textbooks, workbooks, supplementary materials and necessary supplies needed for their class.

Annual Events

Children participate in various events over the school year such as:

School Blessing: Agiasmos, September October: OXI Day, October 28th December: Christmas Fellowship January: Three Hierarchs Day

March: Greek Independence Day Poems March: Parade Lazarus Saturday Palm Making May: Closing Ceremonies



SAINT GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL CELEBRATING 100 YEARS OF ORTHODOXY IN PHILADELPHIA, PA

100th Anniversary Gala

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2022 6 O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

Location

BALLROOM AT THE BEN 834 CHESTNUT STREET PHILADELPHIA, PA 19107

Details

\$150.00 PER PERSON VALET PARKING

Music by YANNI PAPASTEFANOU & ORCHESTRA



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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."*

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

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 <u>Cathedral Restoration Fund</u>.

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 yoyr 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 from 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 Co-Chairman Dr. Kostis Kourelis 100th Anniversary Committee Co-Chairman



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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 ελληνορθοδόζου κοινότητος 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 Ορθοδόζου 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΄ Πέτρου 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 «οὕτε ὁ φυτεύων ἐστί τι οὕτε ὁ ποτίζων, ἀλλ' ὁ αὐζάνων 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 ευρυτέρας Κοιλάδος του Delaware. Δείτε προς γνώσιν σας παρακαλώ το συνημμένο πρόγραμμα των εορταστικών εκδηλώσεων του εορτασμού.

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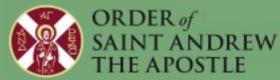
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9:15-9:30AM

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9:30–10:30AM The Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople Under the Ottomans

10:30–10:45AM Q & A Coffee Break

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