



from Fr. George

Entering the Baptistry

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In my last few Mosaic articles, I have explored and explained many of the biblical verses found around our church building.

We come now to the fifth and final inscription we have. This one is not from the Bible and is located over the entrance into the baptistry:



This is a fun one because it is a palindrome; it reads the same forwards and backwards (in the original Greek), and here it is:

ΝΙΨΟΝΑΝΟΜΗΜΑΤΑΜΗΜΟΝΑΝΟΨΙΝ

What does it mean? "Wash your sins, not only your face."

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The One Thing We Want for Our Children *by Toni Milak*

What's the one thing you want for your children as they become adults?

I feel like the most common answer I hear is "For them to be happy."

What would you say? Perhaps to be successful? Earn a good living? Get married and have a family?

But if it could only be ONE thing, what would it be?

Perhaps, the answer then should be "to be faithful": to have a deep love for God and live a Christian life. If your child has a solid foundation of faith, then so many other things fall into place: they work hard, they make wise decisions, they add value to their community, and they will have God's strength within them to weather any storm that comes their way.

We at Holy Apostles desire this for every child – actually, every person –

who is part of our parish family. A glance at the calendar reveals both frequent opportunities to worship together, as well as a wide range of ministry activities seeking to serve a variety of ages and needs.

However, we can also look around on any given Sunday and realize that many of our friends or family members are no longer active in the Church.

Studies across America are indicating that an alarming 40-70% of young adults will walk away from their Christian faith after graduating High School, and the Orthodox Church is not faring any better than other denominations.

Why is that? Are there things we can do differently in our ministry work to improve these outcomes?

In an effort to better understand how we can be more effective in this mission, last year more than a dozen parishioners

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Feast Day of St. Demetrios - October 26

Saint Demetrios suffered in Thessalonica during the reign of Galerius Maximian (c. 306). He belonged to one of the most distinguished families of the province of Macedonia and was widely admired not only because of his noble ancestry and grace of bearing, but also for virtue, wisdom and goodness of heart surpassing that of his elders.

The military expertise of Saint Demetrios led Galerius, as Caesar of the Eastern Empire, to appoint him commander of the Roman forces in Thessaly and Proconsul for Hellas.

But for all this, Demetrios remained ever aware of the underlying realities of life. Since faith in Christ had touched his heart, all the glory of this world meant nothing to him, and there was nothing he preferred to teaching and preaching the word of God.

Despite the persecution directed against Christians by the Emperor, Saint Demetrios brought a large number of pagans to the faith. His words convinced them because they saw in the righteousness, peace and brotherly love that marked his life an illustration of the truth of which he spoke.

The Emperor Maximian had just won a series of brilliant victories over the Scythians and was on his way back to Rome when he halted at Thessalonica to receive the acclamations of the populace and to offer sacrifices in thanksgiving to the idols.

A number of pagans, envious of the success of the Saint, took advantage of the Emperor's presence in the city to denounce Demetrios as a Christian. Maximian's astonishment gave way to violent indignation when he was told that Demetrios was making use of his official position to spread the faith. Demetrios was summoned and confined in a cell, located in the basement of nearby baths.

Maximian arranged for games and gladiatorial combats to take place in the amphitheater of the city. He had brought with him a man of gigantic stature and Herculean strength called Lyaios, a Vandal by origin.

Such was this man's strength and skill in single combat that no one could withstand him.

There was in the city a young Christian called Nestor, who observing the empty pride of the Emperor in the victories of his champion, made up his mind to show him that real power belongs to Christ alone.

He ran to the baths where Demetrios was imprisoned and asked for the protection of his prayer in going to confront the giant.

The Martyr made the sign of the Cross on the brow and the heart of the boy, and sent him like David before Goliath.

He reached the amphitheater just as the heralds were crying out on all sides for any who would stand against Lyaios.

Advancing towards the Emperor, Nestor threw his tunic to the ground and shouted, "God of Demetrios, help me!"

In the first encounter, at the very moment the giant rushed upon him, Nestor slipped aside and stabbed him to the heart with his dagger.

There was uproar and amazement at the marvel, and people asked themselves how a mere child, relying neither on strength nor weapons, could so suddenly have brought down the barbarian.

Rather than yield to the sign of the sovereign power of God, the Emperor flew into a rage and ordered the immediate arrest of Nestor and his beheading outside the city.

He had heard Nestor calling upon the God of Demetrios and, supposing the Saint had used some kind of witchcraft, Maximian ordered his soldiers to go and thrust Demetrios through with their lances, without trial, in the depths of his prison cell.

There were some Christians, including Demetrios' servant Lupus, present at his martyrdom, and when the soldiers had gone, they reverently buried the Saint's body.

It was God's will that the grace with which He filled Saint Demetrios should remain active even after his death. This is why He caused to flow from his body a myron with a delightful scent, which had the property of healing all who took it as an unction, with faith in the intercession of the Saint.

Time and again, during sixteen hundred years, Saint Demetrios has given proof of his benevolent care for the city of Thessalonica and its inhabitants.

He has defended them from the attacks of barbarians, preserved them from plague and famine, healed the sick and comforted the afflicted.

Adapted from The Synaxarion: The Lives of the Saints of the Orthodox Church, Vol. 1, compiled by Hieromonk Makarios of Simonos Petra and translated from the French by Christopher Hookway (Chalkidike, Greece: Holy Convent of the Annunciation of Our Lady, 1998) pp. 481-483.



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Before explaining the saying, historically this phrase has been found on a holy water font outside of the Great Church of Hagia Sophia in Constantinople:



Originally, however, it comes from one of the poetic writings of St. Gregory the Theologian, who lived from 320-390 AD, and was Patriarch of Constantinople from 381-382 AD.

So, we have this inscription over the entrance to our baptistry for obvious reasons: **the one to be baptized is going to be washed, not only physically, but more importantly, spiritually in the waters of baptism.**

It is not just the outer man that is cleansed of dirt and impurities, but the inner man is purified of all sin. As the priest blesses the water, he prays to God: "But do You, O Master of All, declare this water to be water of redemption, water of sanctification, a cleansing of flesh and spirit, a loosing of bonds, a forgiveness of sins, an illumination of soul, a laver of regeneration, a renewal of the spirit, a gift of sonship, a garment of incorruption, a fountain of life." How great is the gift of holy baptism!

The inscription also points us to a very important teaching of Jesus. In one of His confrontations with the scribes and Pharisees, Jesus said to them: "Woe to you, scribes and Pharisees, hypocrites! For you cleanse the outside of the cup and of the plate, but inside they are full of extortion and greed. You blind Pharisee! First cleanse the inside of the cup and of the plate, that the outside also may be clean... You are like white-washed tombs, which outwardly appear beautiful, but within they are full of dead men's bones and all uncleanness. So you also outwardly appear righteous to men, but within you are full of hypocrisy and sin." (Matthew 23:25-28).

As we read this, we must apply it to ourselves. **Our Lord is telling us to pay attention to what is going on within us, in our mind and in our heart.**

We often only care about the externals: how we look, how we behave and appear outwardly to others, how we can please men rather than God, how wealthy and sophisticated and intelligent we appear, and so on.

But what is within us? What is happening in our inner world? That is what needs to be cleansed and put in order, **"for the Lord sees not as man sees; man looks on the outward appearance, but the Lord looks on the heart"** (1 Kingdoms [1Samuel] 16:7).

"Wash your sins, not only your face," beloved. Come to the second baptism of holy confession and be cleansed. Let God purify your heart by His forgiving grace; let Him wash away your guilt by His precious blood; let your conscience be unburdened by His boundless love.

With love in Christ,

+ Fr. George

What We Want for Our Children *(continued)*



and ministry leaders worked through a course called Effective Christian Ministry, taught by Steven Christophorou (of Be-The-Bee fame). We spent hours talking together about "the problem," the culture of our times, and what we can do about it.

We noticed that our parish is doing a lot of great things suggested in the course, including, for example, hosting activities that bring the generations together, doing acts of service together, providing opportunities for children

to experience prayer and sharing faith testimonies in youth groups, and much more. There was a lot we felt proud of!

The course really got us thinking, though, and we wanted to dive deeper and see what else we could do to help our children – and all parish members – really form and deepen their faith.

So, Fr. George, Youth Director Alexa Kakis, Sunday School Director Toni Milak, and GOYA advisor Lia Chiganos have formed a team and are participating in a cohort program called Effective Christian Ministry.

We will be working with a coach and interacting with other parish teams across the country to better understand what are the best-practices for assisting families – and parishioners in general – in fostering an authentic and active faith.

We are so lucky to also have Peter Savas on hand to help us, as he is a trained ECM coach (working with a few other parishes).

We plan to keep the parish updated on what we are learning and what projects we are working on.

If you have any ideas or questions, please reach out to any of us – we would love to hear from you!

An Enchanted Afternoon

HOLY APOSTLES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY ANNUAL FASHION SHOW & LUNCHEON

Saturday, October 19, 2024

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ONLINE BIDDING STARTS 10/7
WINNER NEED NOT BE PRESENT AT LUNCHEON TO WIN

Blackhawks Night: VIP Tickets, VIP Parking, Club Parking

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Theater Night: Tickets for Drury Lane Theater; Zazu Gift Basket, Luxury Haircut & Treatment

Golf: Ruth Lake threesome includes carts and Fore caddie

Baseball: Ticket packages for both White Sox and Cubs

Lake Michigan Sailing: Day of Sailing on Lake Michigan for four includes lunch and refreshments

Yoga: Personal Home Yoga Session, mat, blocks and strap.

Blackhawks Jersey: #98 Connor Bedard autographed & framed jersey

Chicago Bears #13 Caleb Williams: Autographed football and case

Soccer: Four tickets to Chicago Fire game, autographed ball & jersey, training session with head coach Frank Klopas



Share the Warmth

Month of October - Multi-Purpose Room



Philoptochos will collect gently used, clean coats for men, women, and children throughout the month of October.

Please leave the coats on hangers on the racks in the multi-purpose room (opposite the kitchen). The coats will be donated to two worthy organizations.

The youth coats will be donated to Warm Coats for Cool Kids, located in Elmhurst, Illinois and will serve families in the western suburbs of Chicago.

Adult coats will be donated to Repeat Boutique, a Christian, non-denominational, all-volunteer service ministry providing clothing and practical household goods to those in need. For further questions, please contact Debbie Chiganos at debbchig@att.net or Laura Pepke at laurapepke@gmail.com.

Holy Apostles Christmas Pageant

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15

We are pleased to announce that the children of Holy Apostles will be presenting the annual Christmas Pageant on December 17.

Kindergartners through third graders will play the silent roles of the characters in the Nativity scene.

Fourth through eighth grade students will sing traditional Christmas Carols for the program, some serving as narrators.

High school students are encouraged to sign up to be assistants.

High school vocalists and instrumentalists who are interested in joining the musical ensemble please call or text Zoe Tomaras (630-476-0223) or email christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com.

Information will be mailed to all Sunday

School students in mid-October with complete details of rehearsals and forms to register to participate.

Non-registered youth are welcome to perform. These forms will also be available at church. The first rehearsal will take place on Sunday, November 10.

An informational table will be set up in the multipurpose room on October 27 and November 3 for registration as well. Please feel free to contact Sandy Pihos, Pageant Director, for more information at:

christmaspageant@holypostleschurch.com or call/text 630-640-5811.





PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE AUGUST 8 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

PC SECRETARY: VAL DRANIAS

Norm Pomrening called the meeting to order at 7:31 pm. Father Dokos led us in the Opening Prayer. Norm Pomrening recited the Mission Statement. Val Dranias moved to approve the minutes of the 7/18/24 PC minutes; Sandy Pihos seconded. Unanimously approved. Val Dranias presented the correspondence. A thank you was received from the Crossroads Team for our hospitality. Nick Kirkeles moved that we purchase a full page ad for the Choir Conference and Jim Maragos seconded it. Unanimously approved.

Ecclesiastical Report: Father George presented information on *The Transfiguration of Our Savior from The Prologue from Ochrid* by St. Nikolai and also *The Transfiguration from The Orthodox Study Bible*. We discussed how several elements of The Transfiguration show that Christ is Messiah and God.

Ministries:

Finance: Steve Milak reported that the Capital Account has \$567,516.31 as of 7/31/24. Operating Account has \$760,975.90 as of 7/31/24. Total cash as of 7/31/24 is \$1,328,492.21.

Stewardship & Welcoming: Sandy Pihos – Stewardship

Metric	July 2023 TYD	July 2024 YTD	% Change
Number of Pledges	590	628	6%
Total Pledged	\$750,514	\$773,410	3%
Amount Collected	\$625,431	\$677,006	8%
Median Pledge	\$700	\$600	-14%
Average Pledge	\$1,272	\$1,232	-3%

Sandy reported that the Ministry Fair will be on Sunday, September 8th. Ministries will be organized by category and will have a sign-up and volunteer sheet at each table. The fellowship hour will be organized by Sandy Pihos. Blood and bone marrow drive ideas brought forward by Patty Pappas from the Clergy Laity Conference will be passed along to the Missions Ministry.

Upcoming Dates:

Saturday, 8/3 at 5 pm Vespers Potluck

Tuesday, 8/13 at 7 pm Outreach Project

Monday, 8/19 at 3:30 pm Backpack Distribution

Saturday, 8/31 at 10 am Fifth Saturday Serve

Saturday, 9/21 at 10 am Parish beautification and fall planting

Saturday, 11/9 at 7 pm BINGO

Building & Grounds: Norm Pomrening – Chris Pepke will return from Europe in a week. McBrady to do the annual roof inspection.

Ushering: George Chechopoulos – 4 dates need to be covered.

Greek School: Lena Theotikos – 70 currently enrolled for the 24-25 year; probably will have 92 students; hiring a new teacher; the PTO Dinner Dance will be 2/16/25. Contracts are being updated to conform to changes in labor law. Through grant money \$4,000 can cover part of the \$6,000 cost for 20 desks and chairs with an additional \$1,000 from the PTO. Lena moved that if needed the PC would pay up to \$1,000 toward the desks and chairs. Peter Bell seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Missions: Peter Bell – Peter Bell moved that the PC pay a \$200 donation for the preparation of the Birthday food bags. Sandy Pihos seconded the motion. Unanimously approved.

Old Business:

Donation to Metropolis: Norm Pomrening – the Metropolis is asking us for an additional donation of \$10,183.96. Jim Maragos moved that we send \$5,000 and Lena Theotikos seconded the motion. Motion passed Yes-5; opposed-4.

Picnic Review: Norm Pomrening – over 400 attended. Need to order more food in the future. A big success thanks to Elaine Katziaris and her committee of 66 volunteers. Attendees want us to bring back the egg toss.

Foundation Update: Jim Maragos reported that they met as a committee and that their main task is to come up with a Selection Committee. Calls were made and the Foundation should be up and running by Jan. 1, 2025. The Foundation Committee recommends the following:

- i. Selection Committee – Alicia Magas, Freida Varlas, and Christos Linardakis
- ii. Jim Maragos moved that we approve the 3 members of the Selection Committee; Emilia Linardakis seconded the motion with Paul Kuchuris and John Andrews as alternates. Motion approved with 1 abstention.

Altar Boy Robes: Father Georgiou – finalizing the package to be presented to the Metropolis for approval.

Anniversary Luncheon: Sandy Pihos – next meeting is 8/27.

Office Reorganization: Jim Maragos – the committee has met twice. The second meeting included Lou Kafkes. We're looking to hire part-time secretarial help. Lou is to come up with a list of tasks. Part-time help is needed.

Parish Administrator to attend PC meetings. Bill Leider moved that the Parish Administrator be allowed to attend PC meetings; Sandy Pihos seconded the motion. Unanimous approval.

The Parish Council instructed the Parish Administrator and Alicia Magas to investigate new contracts on office equipment.

New Business:

Elections Report: Sandy Pihos – Sandy presented documents which have been used in past elections. The documents contain a lot of contradictions that need to be aligned. It was noted that absentee voting is available. Parish Assembly will vote for the Election Committee. Sandy provided packets to the PC members for review.

Next Meeting: 9/19

Key Dates:

- Parish Assembly -10/6

- Elections -12/8

Father Georgiou led us in the closing prayer. Norm Pomrening adjourned the meeting at 8:57 pm.

SENIOR GROUP OUTINGS FUNDED BY HELLENIC FOUNDATION'S GOLDEN CIRCLE PROGRAM



The Hellenic Foundation's Golden Circle Program reimburses up to \$2,500 per year per parish for bus travel expenses of Senior Group outings for participating Chicago-area parishes.

In July and August, our parish leveraged this wonderful program for two field trips, the first to St. John Chrysostomos Greek Orthodox Monastery, an Orthodox Christian convent for women, in Pleasant Prairie, WI and the second to Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Chicago for its Great Vespers for Dormition of the Theotokos.

Holy Apostles Church thanks the Hellenic Foundation for the opportunities provided by its Golden Circle Program. Please contact the office if you have a recommendation for a future field trip.



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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29, 2024

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We hope that you will join us.

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The Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church newly created Holy Apostles Foundation is conducting a search for Greek Orthodox Christians (Orthodox Christians in good standing in a Greek Orthodox Church) interested in serving on its Board of Directors.

As a director, you will be working with other respective Board members in managing the Foundation's operations, which includes fundraising, investment oversight, legal, financial and accounting reporting.

Experience in any of the above areas and/or having served on other non-profit boards is preferred.

The deadline for application submissions is **November 4, 2024**. Applications, as well as background information, can be accessed via the URL or QR Code:

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Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church
OCTOBER 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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6 Feast Day of St Thomas the Apostle 8:15 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Fellowship Hr 11:45 am GOYA Board 12:00 pm Parish Assembly	7 8 Greek School PTO Ice Cream Social 1:00 pm Caregivers Support Meeting 4:30 pm Greek School 7:00 pm GOYA 7:00 pm Neighborhood Bible Study - LaGrange	8 Greek School PTO Ice Cream Social 1:00 pm Caregivers Support Meeting 4:30 pm Greek School 7:00 pm GOYA 7:00 pm Neighborhood Bible Study - LaGrange	9 Feast Day of St James the Apostle, Son of Alphaeus 10:00 am TOTS 6:00 pm Evening Divine Liturgy 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	10 1:00 pm Bible Study 4:30 pm Greek School 6:15 pm Neolea Dance Troupe	11	12 5:00 pm Vespers
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27 Jr. GOYA & GOYA Retreat 8:15 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Fellowship Hour 5:00 pm Brotherhood of St. Peter the Apostle Social	28 Feast Day of Holy Protection of the Theotokos 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	29 4:30 pm Greek School 6:30 pm Metropolis of Chicago - Vision for Growth Dinner	30 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal 7:00 pm Stewardship Ministry	31 1:00 pm Bible Study		

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Michael Pihos

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Peter & Sofia Roumbos

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October 3 & 24 and November 7 | 7:15 pm | Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church