



from Fr. George

A Tax Collector's Heart

"I tell you, this tax collector went down to his house justified rather than the Pharisee; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted." ~ Luke 18:14

The journey to Pascha begins with what is called the Triodion, the liturgical period from the Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee (February 9 this year) through Holy Week.

And there are four Sundays included in the pre-Lenten period, each with a distinctive theme:

- Publican and Pharisee
- Prodigal Son
- Final Judgment
- Forgiveness

I believe it is important to note why the Church has chosen to inaugurate this very special time of year with the reading from Luke 18:10-14, the parable that Jesus tells about a Publican (tax collector) and a Pharisee (religious leader).

What justifies the tax collector, that is, puts him in a right relationship with God and with his fellow man, is humility and repentance.

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65th Anniversary Luncheon

Our Holy Apostles 65th Anniversary Luncheon at the Oakbrook Hills Resort was a great success. After celebrating a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy with Metropolitan Nathanael and an Artoclasia for the health of our parish, the congregation joined together in celebration for the celebratory luncheon.

Parishioners, old and new, had a wonderful time visiting with each other and then sitting down to a sumptuous lunch.

Attendees were entertained by dancers from our Neo Lea Hellenic Dancers and our adorable Sunday School Junior Choir.

Congratulations to Dean Futris and his committee for a wonderful afternoon.

A profit of over \$63,000 was made for our church.





Epiphany

Vasilopita



The 2025 Holy Apostles Parish family Vasilopita cutting was held on Sunday, January 12th.

All ministries were invited to celebrate the New Year by Father George and receiving a piece of the Vasilopita immediately following the Divine Liturgy.

Emily Rehn (Welcome Committee) was the lucky winner of the coin.

Kali Chronia!

A Tax Collector's Heart *(continued)*

His prayer is simple, humble, pure, and deeply felt: "O God, have mercy on me, a sinner."

With these sincere words he beats his breast, expressing his repentance by word and deed. By lowering himself beneath all, God lifts him up, and Jesus praises him.

In The Lenten Triodion, Kallistos Ware has this to say:

"Repentance is the door through which we enter Lent, the starting-point of our journey to Pascha. And to repent signifies far more than self-pity or futile regret over things done in the past.

"The Greek term metanoia means 'change of mind': to repent is to be renewed, to be transformed in our inward viewpoint, to attain a fresh way of looking at our relationship to God and to others.

"The fault of the Pharisee is that he has no desire to change his outlook; he is complacent, self-satisfied, and so he allows no place for God to act within him. The Publican, on the other hand, truly longs for a 'change of mind': he is self-dissatisfied, 'poor in spirit', and where there is this saving self-dissatisfaction there is room for God to act."

And so, brothers and sisters, let us keep these things in mind as our Lenten pilgrimage embarks on the voyage of the Great Fast. **May the poor spirit and humble heart of the tax collector become our own in order to make room for God and for His divine grace to act within us.**

With love in Christ,
+Fr. George



OUR NEW PARISH COUNCIL

The 2025-2026 Parish Council was sworn in on January 12, 2025. The new officers are: President – Jim Maragos; Vice-President – Sandy Pihos; Treasurer – George Antonopoulos; Secretary – Patty Pappas. Wishes for a successful tenure. May our Lord guide you on this journey.

IN MEMORIAM

Marilyn Athas fell asleep in the Lord on January 1, 2025. Marilyn was a wife, mother, grandmother and aunt. She will be missed by her loving family and also her Holy Apostles family.

For the Mosaic staff, she was a mentor and inspiration. Marilyn was one of the founders of the Mosaic. She served as its editor until her retirement in 2023.

Marilyn could be found on Sunday mornings reading the Epistle to the congregation during the Divine Liturgy. She was a constant in her blue robe declaring the words of the apostles.

Her service to our parish was priceless. She gave generously of her time and talents to her beloved parish. Marilyn's dedication included being a founding member of HARC, a parish council member and an active member of the Philoptochos.

The Mosaic staff is proud to continue her legacy. May her memory be eternal.





CAREGIVERS SUPPORT GROUP

A Holy Apostles Ministry

PLEASE JOIN US FOR
DISCUSSION & COFFEE!

Tuesday, February 11
1 PM - Philoptochos Room

TO CARE FOR THOSE WHO ONCE CARED FOR US
IS ONE OF LIFE'S HIGHEST HONORS.

Please contact Kathy Steffenson at gksteff@gmail.com or Val Dranias at valdranias@aol.com with any questions.
We hope that you will join us.

SAVE THE DATE!

MACARONATHA LUNCHEON

Sunday, March 2
following Divine Liturgy

Reservations
Required

On behalf of the Holy Apostles Parish Council, please join us after Divine Liturgy on Sunday, March 2nd for our 66th Annual Macaronatha Luncheon. As we begin Great Lent, let us nourish our souls and begin our efforts together as a church community with love and camaraderie. As always, your generous free will contribution will be donated to one of our Mission Projects.

RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.

IN-PERSON: In the Multi-Purpose Room after the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, February 2nd, February 9th, February 16th or February 23rd.

PHONE, TEXT, EMAIL: Contact Sandy Pihos, either by phone/text at (630) 640-5811 or at greeks1@gmail.com stating your name, contact phone number, email address, the total number of people in your party and the names of any family you would like to be seated with.

VIA WEEKLY E-NEWSLETTER: Use the registration form provided in the Holy Apostles Weekly Newsletter and submit ALL the required information, including the specific names of families you want to sit with. Make sure to fill in all the spaces, especially names and contact information.

ONLINE: Visit <https://form.jotform.com/holy.apostles.westchester.il/2025-macaronatha-luncheon-reservati>

RESERVATION DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26

scan to register



Please join us for our
Philoptochos
General Meeting

Tuesday, February 18th @ 6:30 pm
Holy Apostles - Multi-purpose Room
Refreshments & Appetizers will be served

Special Guest Speaker – Maria Karalis, RDN

Maria is a Registered Dietitian Nutritionist (RDN) which means she is a Food and Nutrition Expert, translating the science of nutrition into practical solutions for healthy living. Maria will be speaking on food, nutrition and fasting in the Orthodox Church

Please RSVP by 2/14 to Aleka Ernst
alekaernst@aol.com or (630) 561-1660

Please join our Philoptochos Chapter to continue its mission – Online Membership registration link/QR code below

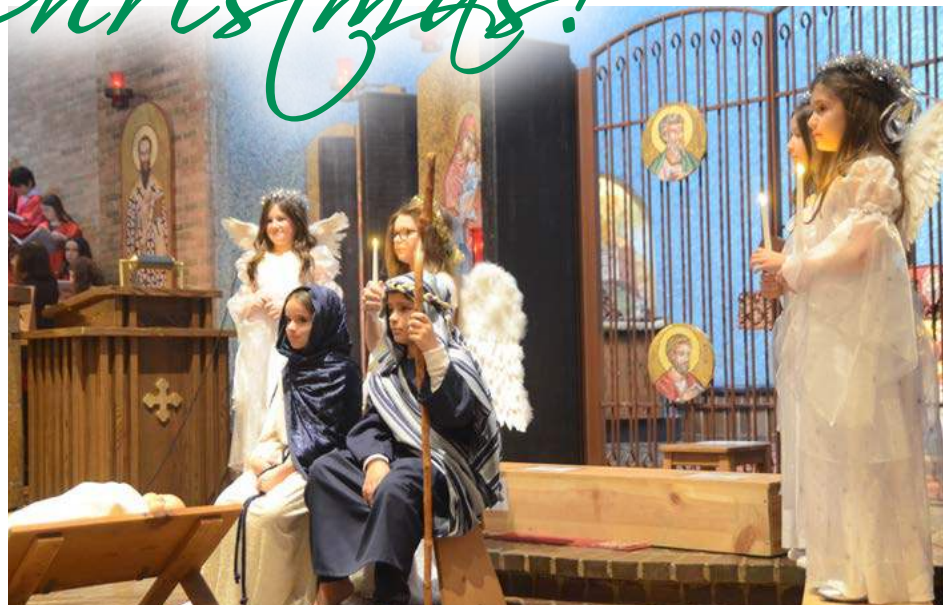
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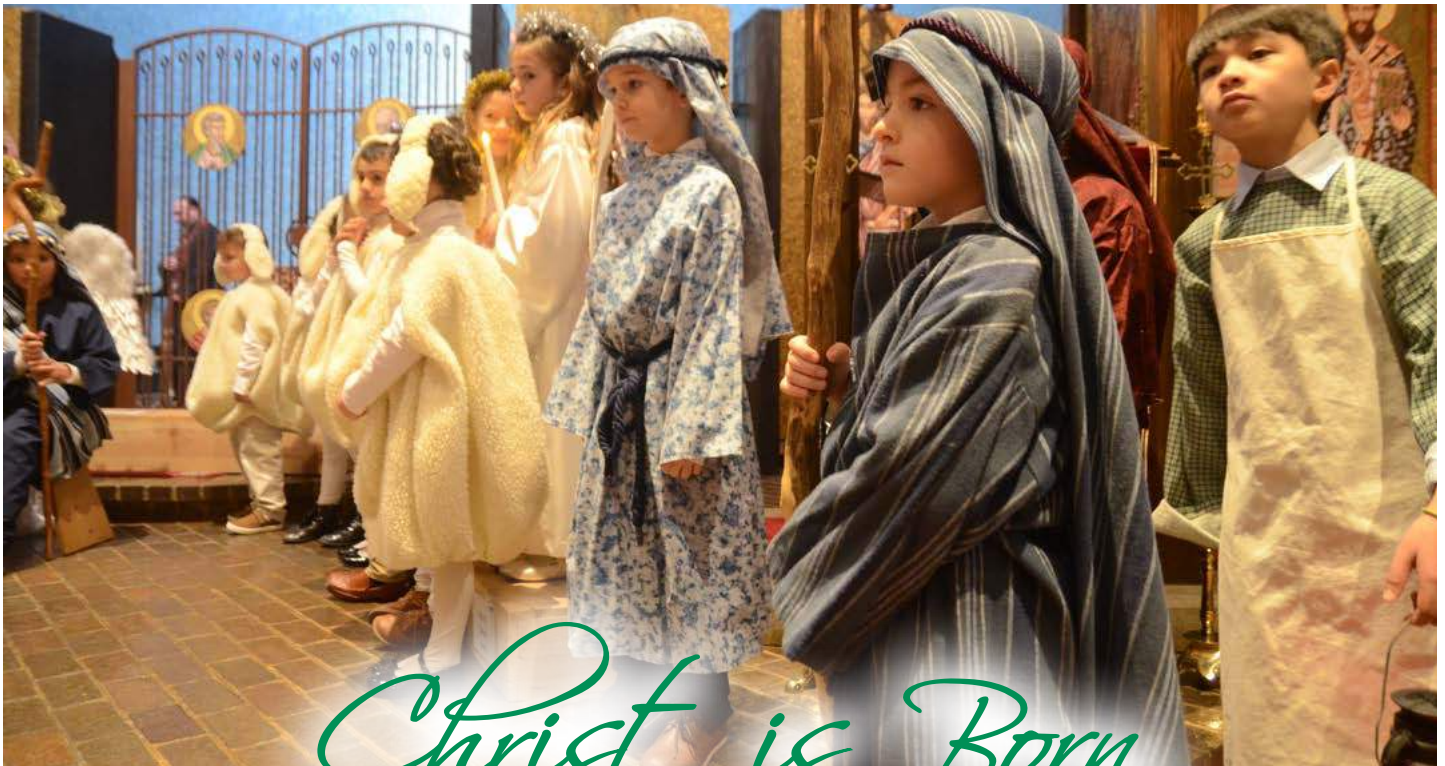
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Christmas!





Christ is Born





PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HIGHLIGHTS

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE DECEMBER 2024 PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: 12/19/24

PC SECRETARY: VAL DRANIAS

Call to Order by Norm Pomrening at 7:39 pm. Father Dokos led the Parish Council in the opening prayer. Norm Pomrening recited the Mission Statement.

Val Dranias presented the updated minutes of the November meeting. Nick Kirkeles moved that the PC approve the original version of the November minutes; Sandy Pihos seconded the motion. Unanimously approved. The Archdiocese sent a letter concerning prepaying our benefits payment for a 2% discount. Bill Leider moved that we do not prepay; Peter Bell seconded. Unanimously approved. Father Dokos presented a reading, "Expecting the Messiah: The Time of Advent," for discussion.

Ministries

Finance: Norm Pomrening reported that as of November 30, 2024 the Capital Accounts total \$541,427; the Operating Accounts total \$700,286; Total of both \$1,241,713.

Stewardship & Welcoming: Sandy Pihos

New Purpose of Ministry - Ministry is considering a new title because they are concentrating more on service projects and social events.

Building & Grounds: Chris Pepke showed another frayed and dangerous wire that was discovered by the electricians. Once again a fire was averted. Duplex Electric is putting together a map of our circuits and boxes. The sidewalk and ADA section have been completed.

Ushering: George Chechopoulos has created the schedule thru 1/5/2025. Need a replacement for Andrew Kraulus on 12/24. George was asked to create a schedule of days and times for the new PC to complete. George also reported complaints by parishioners of Bill standing in the center of the door to the nave and making it difficult for them to enter. Bill stated that he only did that when parishioners should not be entering the nave.

Missions:

Missions YTD Spending: Peter Bell and Norm Pomrening did a report on the 2024 Missions Ministry Expenses (actual and projected). We have many pass-through of income and expenses; budgeted missionary support and discretionary expenses. As of 12/18/2024 we have overspent by \$1969.

Feed6 Update: Norm reported that we are flush on cash. It will be a 150,000 meal event. 50% of current volunteers are from outside of HA.

Greek School: Norm Pomrening reported that the new desks will be delivered on 1/2/2025. The first round of teacher evaluations have been completed. There will be a meeting with possible new teachers. Greek dance meets after Greek School classes

Old Business:

Metropolis Donation: Norm Pomrening presented the issue of the additional amount requested by the Metropolis. Nick Kirkeles moved that we make a \$5000 donation to SIRC, Chris Pepke seconded. Motion passed. 3 Nays

Employee Handbook: Sandy Pihos reported that the Employee Handbook must be updated every year. Vanessa Clohessy has reviewed our current handbook and it is in compliance. Sandy Pihos moved that we approve the updated handbook, Val Dranias seconded. Unanimously approved. The handbook will be given to all employees and they will sign for receipt.

Foundation: Patty Pappas presented a memorandum from the Foundation Selection Committee. They had 14 applicants. The following were selected as Foundation Board of Directors: The Foundation is looking to a Vasilopita Meet 'n Greet.

Tim Stojka – Holy Apostles Director
 Joanne Volakakis - Holy Apostles Director
 Kristi Athas Landorf - Holy Apostles Director
 Ernest Davis - Holy Apostles Director
 Tom Loukas – Independent Director
 Ernest Karras – Independent Director

Cemetery Plots: Patty Pappas presented a memorandum regarding the Chapel Hill Plot Exchange. Once the plot exchange is formalized, Holy Apostles will proceed to market and sell the remaining plots to the HA parishioners.

Office Reorganization: Sandy Pihos reported that we will advertise for the ½ time office position with a summary of the job. A link will take those interested to the complete job description.

Youth Worker Registration: Patty Pappas reported that Lou Kafkes is our PYSA. We have 19 non-compliant – 13 from Sunday School: 6 regular teachers and 7 subs. They are on probation. They must complete the program by 1/5/2025 or will not be allowed to teach. Alexa has talked to her people. It is a constantly changing list. We will start looking at compliance in August to be ready for the new school year,

Altar Boy Robes Update: Father Georgiou showed the new robes. They are here and are beautiful!

2024 Performance Review Update: Father Dokos reported that Alexa's and Lou's performance reviews are complete.

New Business:

Bylaw Procedures for Succession vs Merit Based Officer Selection: Emilia Linardakis reported that it has been tradition that the PC officers follow a track to the presidency. That has gone by the wayside in the last few years. There is nothing in the By-Laws about this. The suggestion is that officer positions should be merit based.

1/12/25 will be the swearing in of the new Parish Council. They will meet immediately after the liturgy. Norm will nominate Jim Maragos for president and ask if there are any other nominations. If necessary, a secret ballot will be used. The new president will take over the meeting and proceed with the election of vice-president, treasurer, secretary.

Metropolitan Athenagoras will be visiting on Christmas Day.

65th Luncheon – as of today 356 reservations, \$63,000 in sponsorships.

Thank You: Norm Pomrening – Parish Council members thanked Norm for his two terms as President. Norm thanked the Parish Council for their work, dedication and service.

Next Regular Meeting: 1/16

Key Dates: Anniversary Luncheon – 12/29; Feed6 – 1/11; Oath of Office for New Parish Council & Selection of Officers – 1/12; Metropolis Special Assembly – 2/6;

Adjourned to Executive Session at 9:26 pm



AXIOS!

Alex Magdalinos was tonsured by His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael on December 29th as a Reader, preceeding our 65th Anniversary Luncheon celebration.

The office of the Reader is the first rank of the priesthood. There are two types of clergy: minor clergy, and major clergy.

Readers are tonsured, which means that rather than being ordained in the Altar, they are set apart by having some of their hair cut in the form of the Cross (as also happens at baptism, chrismation, and when someone is made a monastic) and ordained in the Nave of the Church, as are Subdeacons, who are also minor clergy.

The major clergy are Bishops, Priest, and Deacons.



Polycarp the Holy Martyr & Bishop of Smyrna - February 23

This apostolic and prophetic man, and model of faith and truth, was a disciple of John the Evangelist, successor of Bucolus (Feb. 6), and teacher of Irenaeus (Aug. 23).

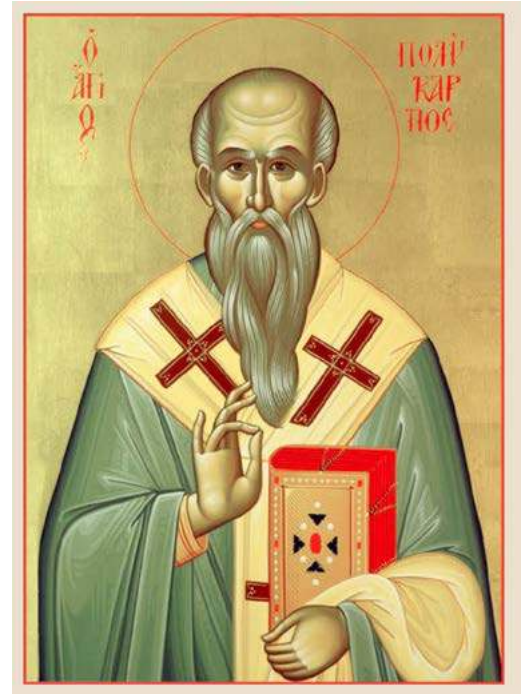
He was an old man and full of days when the fifth persecution was raised against the Christians under Marcus Aurelius. When his pursuers, sent by the ruler, found Polycarp, he commanded that they be given something to eat and drink, then asked them to give him an hour to pray; he stood and prayed, full of grace, for two hours, so that his captors repented that they had come against so venerable a man.

He was brought by the Proconsul of Smyrna into the stadium and was commanded, "Swear by the fortune of Caesar; repent, and say, 'Away with the atheists.'" By atheists, the Proconsul meant the Christians.

But Polycarp, gazing at the heathen in the stadium, waved his hand towards them and said, "Away with the atheists."

When the Proconsul urged him to blaspheme against Christ, he said: "I have been serving Christ for eighty-six years, and He has wronged me in nothing; how can I blaspheme my King Who has saved me?"

But the tyrant became enraged at these words and commanded that he be cast into the fire, and thus he gloriously expired about the year 163. As Eusebius says, "Polycarp everywhere taught what he had also learned from the Apostles, which also the Church has handed down; and this alone is true" (Eccl. Hist., Book IV, ch. 14,15).



SUPPORT OUR GREEK SCHOOL!

ALL ARE INVITED!

ΑΠΟΚΡΙΑΤΙΚΟ
GLENDE

Hosted by the Holy Apostles Greek School

FEBRUARY 16, 2025

6:00 pm

Empress Banquet Hall
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Proceeds to Benefit the Holy Apostles Greek School
Sponsorship & Presentation Inquiries Email:
holyapostlespto@gmail.com

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Pastoral Guidelines - Weddings

The Sacrament of Matrimony must be celebrated by an Orthodox Priest of a canonical Orthodox jurisdiction, according to the liturgical tradition of the Orthodox Church, in a canonical Orthodox Church, & with the authorization of the Archbishop or Metropolitan.

Before requesting permission from the Archbishop or his Metropolitan to perform the marriage, a Priest must verify that:

- a) neither of the parties in question is already married to another person, either in this country or elsewhere;
- b) the parties in question are not related to each other to a degree that would constitute an impediment;
- c) if either or both parties are widowed, they have presented the death certificate(s) of the deceased spouse(s);
- d) if either or both of the parties have been previously married in the Orthodox Church, they have obtained ecclesiastical as well as civil divorce(s);
- e) the party or parties who are members of a parish other than the one in which the marriage is to be performed have provided a certificate declaring them to be members in good standing with that parish for the current year; and
- f) a civil marriage license has been obtained from civil authorities.

- The Synod decided that the letter for "Freedom to Marry" is necessary in cases where the wedding sacrament takes place in another Metropolis besides the one where the candidates reside. It is also necessary in cases where the priest performing the ceremony does not know the candidates.
- No person may marry more than three times in the Church, with permission for a third marriage granted only with extreme oikonomia.
- In cases involving the marriage of Orthodox and non-Orthodox Christians, the latter must have been baptized, in water, in the Name of the Father and the Son and the Holy Spirit. The Church cannot bless the marriage of an Orthodox Christian to a non-Christian.
- The Sponsor (koumbaros or koumbara) must provide a current certificate of membership proving him or her to be an Orthodox Christian in good standing with the Church. A person who does not belong to a parish, or who belongs to a parish under the jurisdiction of a bishop who is not in communion with the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, or who, if married, has not had his or her marriage blessed by the Orthodox Church, or, if divorced, has not received an ecclesiastical divorce, cannot be a sponsor. Non-Orthodox persons may be members of the wedding party, but may not exchange the rings or crowns.

When Marriages Can Not Be Performed

Marriages are not performed on fast days specifically:

September 14 (Exaltation of the Holy Cross)

December 13-24 (Nativity)

January 5 (Eve of Theophany)

Great Lent and Holy Week

August 1-14 (Dormition Fast)

and August 29 (Beheading of St. John the Baptist).

Exceptions can only be made with the permission of the respective hierarch. * The Holy Synod decided that the restriction of weddings taking place on Major Feastdays is no longer valid based on canonical grounds. It is believed that the restriction might have been placed in the past for pastoral considerations.



International Missions *by Eleni Karamatskos*

Since 2015, I have written several articles for the Mosaic about the missions my husband Ted and I have participated in Guatemala and Kenya.

January 2025 presents itself with another calling by being requested to assemble crucifixes and icons in Guatemala and Columbia. **There are 160 churches in need of crucifixes and icons. In Guatemala and Columbia.**

This amounts to 160, 5.5' foot crosses, 160 bodies of Christ, 960 icons for the iconostasi. **This is the largest project that we have been challenged with.**

Orthodoxy has blossomed in these two countries. In Guatemala, there was a huge movement to Orthodoxy under the guidance of Fr. Andres Giron.

Fr. Giron, a convert from Catholicism, brought many people throughout the Mayan villages to Orthodoxy. Fr. John Chakos, a Greek Orthodox priest in Pennsylvania, who also served in the Peace Corps, worked with Fr. Giron to transition the Mayan people to Orthodoxy.

Recently His All-holiness, Patriarch Bartholomew saw the growth so great that He gave His blessing to ordain Fr. Evangelos, a Guatemalan Orthodox priest, as Bishop Osios of Guatemala to serve the new Orthodox population.

Many of the churches were converted from other religions, leaving them with minimal supplies for the priests to perform the Orthodox services properly, and to provide the parishioners with the true essence of the Orthodox Faith. **The priests are in desperate need of ecclesiastical items.**

This past year in Kenya, Ted and his team assembled 340 Icons for the iconostasi of 45 new Orthodox Churches. His team also created 50 crucifixes for churches that never had a crucifix for Holy Thursday and Good Friday services.

In addition, twenty-one children in 1 1/2 days wrote their own Icon of St George, discussed his story, and learned five new Christian songs from unused materials from our own Vacation Bible School. Children that never had an icon in their home were able to take St. George home with them, and were then able to have hope and protection with them every day. Many spiritual seeds were planted.

Over the past few years, Ted & I have founded "Missions of Love and Hope", (Molah) a 501c3 organization (EIN 92-1230217) to fundraise for international missions.

We have supported churches in Guatemala, Kenya, Democratic Republic of Congo, Kinshasa, Indonesia, and Turkey.

"Guatemala 2025" will be the third mission to Guatemala, our eighth travel mission in total. **There will be a small team of missionaries going to Guatemala in January. Ted, Elayne**



View over Antigua, Guatemala from Cerro de la Cruz

Goldman, and I will be part of the team participating in this mission. "Guatemala 2025" will support the assembly of the icons and crucifixes for the 160 churches, as well as the Theological School of Huehuetenango, Guatemala.

By teaching agriculture and ways to create production. All materials are provided through fundraising; printing of the icons, wood for the base, canvas, adhesive, varnish, and work materials and in some cases, the transportation of the printed icons.

This is where all of you can play a part. We hope that you will join our team in one way or another, and participate in the "Missions of Love and Hope, Guatemala 2025", first and most importantly through your prayers, secondly, by choosing to join us on this, and future missions, and finally by any financial support you may want to provide.

What became very clear to me was with every mission project in which we participated, many churches, many communities, many children and many parents have found love, hope and joy wherever these projects took place.

Relationships were formed, and continued long after the mission projects were completed. Our missions, I believe, bring Christ alive in the lives of our Orthodox brothers and sisters in Christ. That's the world we envision!

Sharing the love and hope of Jesus Christ our Lord and Savior,

Ted Karamatskos - 847-630-9055 (text)

Eleni Karamatskos - 847-630-9077

Elayne Goldman - molah5013c@gmail.com

HOPE: New Year - New Collection Guidelines

The Metropolis Project HOPE Team has made some adjustments to the Project HOPE collection bag guidelines.

We hope these changes will make it easier for parishioners to donate. We anticipate that the bags will be lighter to carry and will allow donors to purchase multiple items that may be discounted or on sale.

Non-perishable items are now divided into 3 categories and parishioners are asked to donate 4-5 items from each category for a total of 12-15 items.

The collection process will be the same. The Holy Apostles Project HOPE Team will stock the current crate with bags that have the new checklist attached beginning January 1st.

Parishioners can take one of these bags, fill it with the items of their choosing, and then return the filled bag to the Project HOPE counter.



These bags are picked up once or twice per month and delivered to those in need. We will continue to send the donated food to the Hillside Food Pantry, which operates out of Immanuel Lutheran Church one block to the north of us.

Immanuel Lutheran has been overwhelmed by our support and is truly grateful for our assistance. They operate a once per month drive-thru food pantry that serves many, many families - until they run out of food. With our help, they have been able to significantly increase the number of families they support.

Thank you for your generosity and support!

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact Philoptochos or the Missions Ministries.

Pilgrimage of Discovery, Funded by the Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate

Marina Dimas was one of the select young adults to attend Pilgrimage of Discovery and shared her experiences with us.

The Pilgrimage of Discovery is a transformational program dedicated to sending Orthodox Christian young adults to Constantinople each year to learn about Orthodoxy, our Patriarchate, the history of the Church, the challenges facing the Ecumenical Patriarchate, the experience of the remaining Orthodox people living in Asia Minor and other important priorities.

The Pilgrimage of Discovery includes an audience with His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew and visits to historic sites around Constantinople.

It is the opportunity of a lifetime for up to sixteen young adult leaders, women and men, from the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to be awarded the gift of a transformative and immersive experience in Constantinople, the Queen of Cities.



▲ Watch Video: <https://youtu.be/Ora8RjmYfBg>



FEED 6



387 VOLUNTEERS!

On January 11, 2025 Holy Apostles bustled with the enthusiasm of 387 volunteers packing 154,078 meals for neighbors in need to be distributed by Project Hope.

The meals are a blessing to local families, kids, veterans and seniors in need. Combined with our production during nine previous collaborations at Holy Apostles, our cumulative total from this community service oriented parish is now 960,888 meals – a truly remarkable gift to neighbors in need.

Let's break the 1,000,000 mark next time!



154,078 MEALS!



9 COLLABORATIONS = 960,888 MEALS!



Holy Apostles Greek Orthodox Church

FEBRUARY 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
2 Presentation of Our Lord 8:15 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Godparents Luncheon 11:45 am GOYA Board	3	4 6:45 am Brotherhood of St Peter the Apostle 4:30 pm Greek School 6:15 pm JOY 7:00 pm Philoptochos Board Meeting 7:15 pm ECM Webinar	5 7:00 pm Jr. GOYA	6 Feast Day of St Photios the Great 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Bible Study 4:30 pm Greek School 5:30 pm Greek Schl PTO Mtg 6:15 pm Neolea Dance Trpe 7:15 pm Discoveries-Orthodoxy: Orthdx Spirituality/Bldg on Baptism	7 7:00 pm Small Paraklesis	1 12:00 pm Godparents Luncheon Setup 5:00 pm Vespers 6:00 pm Vespers Potluck Dinner
9 8:15 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Fellowship Hour	10 Feast Day of St Haralambos 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 6:30 pm Basketball Banquet	11 10:00 am Clergy Syndesmos Meeting 1:00 pm Caregivers Support Meeting 4:30 pm Greek School 7:00 pm GOYA	12 10:00 am TOTS 3:30 pm ECM Church Meeting	13 1:00 pm Bible Study 4:30 pm Greek School 7:15 pm Discoveries in Orthodoxy: Orthodox Spirituality/Building on Our Baptism	14	15 9:00 am Peace of Mind Mental Health Training 5:00 pm Vespers
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23 Meatfare Sunday 8:15 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 11:30 am Fellowship Hour	24	25 4:30 pm Greek School 7:00 pm GOYA	26 10:00 am TOTS 7:00 pm Parish Family Ministry	27 1:00 pm Bible Study 4:30 pm Greek School 6:15 pm Greek School Staff Meeting 7:00 pm Women's Book Club	28	

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Stella, daughter of George & Victoria Burdeaux
Sponsor: Christina & Rob Welbourn

Stefanos, son of Prokopios & Jacklyn Verros
Sponsor: George & Amy Fotopoulos

WE'RE HIRING! PART-TIME OFFICE ASSOCIATE

The Parish Council has begun a search for a part-time associate to work in the office and perform administrative functions in alignment with the needs of the parish and assist with delegated, day-to-day church responsibilities under the supervision and oversight of the Director of Parish Operations.

An outline of these responsibilities, along with the qualifications, knowledge, skills and abilities for the ideal candidate can be viewed in the full job description, which is available by scanning the QR code below, or in the office.

If you are interested in being considered for this opportunity, please submit a cover letter and resume to office@holypostleschurch.com, with ASSOCIATE RESUME in the subject line of the email, or drop it off to the office, by **Friday, February 14**. You can also help us by forwarding this email to interested and qualified persons that you know.

