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### *Holy Trinity's Mission Statement*

*To Worship and glorify God; by promoting the teachings of the Greek Orthodox Faith, to encourage all members' participation through our Greek culture, educational programs, community outreach and fundraising activities while serving God, our community and humanity with love.*



# Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral

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*Office Hours* Monday-Friday 9:00 am- 5:00 p.m.

*Sunday Services* Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. Church School Following Holy Communion

*Week Day Divine Liturgy* Orthros 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:15 a.m.

*Evening Vespersal Divine Liturgy* 6:00 p.m. Consult Echo Calendar or Weekly Bulletin for times.

## *Clergy*

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*Office Manager* - Carole Faoiz *Grounds and Maintenance* - Terry Timmons

*Chanter* - Elaine Lillios

*Choir Director* - JoAnne Chrysochoos *Organist* – Chris J. Zervos

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**Prosfora:** Connie Mynihan  
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**AHEPA President:** Chadd Schwartz  
**Daughters of Penelope President:** Marina Cooper  
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**Website:** Gene Haberman

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Dear Parish Family and Friends,

It is amazing to think that as I write this letter to you we are about to enter into another Lenten season. The idiom "Time flies when you're having fun" seems to be true. Time does seem to fly. It goes by fast because of how busy we are. The truth is that as individuals and as a community we are busy. Within our busyness though things can get lost. Relationships can suffer. We can distance ourselves from our Lord, one another, and the Church. Lent is a time that we as individual Christians and as a community have an opportunity to be renewed. Our renewal comes when we remember to look at all of those relationships and try and come back.

The icon that we see on this letter is that of the Prodigal Son. This parable is used by the Church to introduce a major theme of Lent, that of coming back. The icon illustrates the great love God the Father has for His children. It shows that our Lord receives us with open arms and without question. Lent is a time to look inward and to see where we are in our spiritual journey. It is a time to ask how far away am I? No matter if we go often to Church or if we have not been for a while this question is central to growing during Lent. The icon and the parable are a reminder that when you are ready to return, when you are ready to take the next step in growing closer to Christ, our Lord is waiting. He is not only waiting but running to embrace and receive you.

My family in Christ, as we enter into another Lent season my prayer is that we look inward and consider what our busy lives have done to our relationships. Our relationships with God and each other. I pray that we begin the process of prayerfully considering where we are and prepare ourselves to come home.

In Christ,

Father Larry

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# CHURCH REGISTRY

## HOSPITALIZED

Katherine & Jim Mitsopoulos, John  
Veronie, Deedy Stodas, Terry & Mary  
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## BIRTHS

George Thomas & Ella Grace born December 1,  
2016 to parents John & Lindsay Manton

## FEBRUARY WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

### *Congratulations to:*

George & Lisa Arvanitis – 31 years  
Nick & Kay Chirgott – 25 years  
Phillip & Miranda Batianis – 13 years  
Bill & Janis Plomaritis – 8 years

## FUNERALS

Julie Ellen – January 2, 2017  
Georgia Pappas – January 19, 2017  
*May Their Memory Be Eternal*

## MEMORIAL & TRISAGION SERVICES

Sam A. Dedes – 40 days  
George Dimit – 40 days  
Frieda Sevastakis – 40 days  
Fr. Chris W. Hadgigeorge – 1 year  
Fostira Pappas – 7 years  
Angela Stylianides – 8 years  
Frances Manton – 10 years  
Peter Manton – 10 ½ years  
*May Their Memory Be Eternal*

## MEMORIAL GIFTS

### IN MEMORY OF GEORGE DIMIT

Mr. & Mrs. Jack Adams  
Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos  
Ms. Kathy Andros  
Mr. & Mrs. Basil Apostolou  
Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki  
Daughters of Penelope  
Ms. Eugenia & Ms. Katerina Demetracopoulos  
Dr. & Mrs. Wallace DePue  
Mr. Chris Grevis  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hartford  
Mr. & Mrs. William Kakmis  
Mrs. Mary Kanios  
Mr. Pete Kanios  
Mr. & Mrs. Sam Karageorge  
Mrs. Irene Kaufman  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kountouris  
Col. & Mrs. Dennis Lawrence  
Mr. John Mancy

Ms. Sophie Stathopoulos  
Mrs. Rancee Mancy Wood  
Mrs. Roula Manton & Phyllis  
Mr. & Mrs. George Mulopulos  
Mrs. Sophie Paterakis & Debbie  
Mrs. Despina Pelphrey  
Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros  
Mr. & Mrs. Warner Plahs, Mike Plahs,  
Bettie Ralston & Lori Plahs  
Mr. Don Slachta & Sally Zahnow  
Mrs. Chrysoula Stathopoulos  
Mrs. Yanula Stathulis  
Ms. Alison Straub  
Ms. Maria Tzanakis  
Mr. William Tzanakis  
Mr. & Mrs. George Veronie  
Mr. & Mrs. Jim Veronie  
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Wade  
Young at Heart members

### IN MEMORY OF JULIE ELLEN

Mrs. Sophie Paterakis & Debbie  
Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros

### IN MEMORY OF FR. CHRIS HADGIGEORGE

Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki  
Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Bohland  
Presvytera Ann Hadgigeorge  
Ms. Kristi Hadgigeorge  
Mr. & Mrs. William Hadgigeorge  
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hartford  
Ms. Pattie Senerius  
Drs. Michael & Elaine Thompson

### IN MEMORY OF FRIEDA SEVASTAKIS

Mrs. Stavroula Bekos  
Mrs. Irene Kaufman  
Mrs. Rancee Mancy Wood  
Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros  
Mrs. Antonia Tom  
Ms. Maria Tzanakis

### IN MEMORY OF CLEO ZERVOS

Mrs. Thalia Bundros  
Mr. & Mrs. William Kakmis  
Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kountouris  
Ms. Maria Tzanakis  
Mr. & Mrs. George Veronie



IN MEMORY OF CHRIS G. & CLEO  
ZERVOS

Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki  
Mr. & Mrs. Greg Cook

IN MEMORY OF PETE & FRANCES  
MANTON

Mr. & Mrs. Greg Cook

IN MEMORY OF ANDREAS, SOTIRIS, &  
ELENI KAMILARIS

Christos S. Kamlaris Family

IN MEMORY OF SAMUEL A. DEDES

Mrs. Mildred Andrews  
Mrs. Despina Pelphrey  
Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros  
Mr. & Mrs. Charles Resch

IN MEMORY OF DR. JOHN  
CHRYSOCHOOS

Ms. Maria Tzanakis  
Mr. & Mrs. Isidoros Vlattas

IN MEMORY OF EDWIN L. HARWOOD

Mr. & Mrs. Chris Diaz  
Mr. & Mrs. Greg Cook

IN MEMORY OF HARRY HARTFORD

Mrs. Evangelia Mihos

IN MEMORY OF MARY KOROGIANOS

Ms. Maria Tzanakis  
Mr. & Mrs. John Veronie

IN MEMORY OF IRENE HIMEBAUGH

Mrs. Mary Brandburg

IN MEMORY OF JOHN VOUDOURIS

Dr. & Mrs. Nikolaos Petousis & family  
Mrs. Elizabeth Voudouris & Ted

IN MEMORY OF MARY ANN DIONYSSIOU

Harry Dionyssiou Family

IN MEMORY OF MARTHA TELLO  
MARITSAS

Mrs. Evangelia Mihos  
Mr. & Mrs. Steve Pastrikos  
Mrs. Antonia Tom  
Ms. Maria Tzanakis

IN MEMORY OF GEORGE & SOPHIA  
HULLES

Mrs. Antonia Tom

IN MEMORY OF TOMMY TOM & TINA  
BARRON

Mrs. Antonia Tom

IN MEMORY OF ZAHARO ANDROS  
MATCHUNY

Mrs. Antonia Tom

IN MEMORY OF MADORA ANN POWLESS

Mr. Soterios Petros

**DEATHS ELSEWHERE:**

-Georgia Pappas, New York City, NY  
-Harry Peterson of Oregon, Ohio  
*May Their Memory Be Eternal*

***SPECIAL OCCASION DONATIONS:***

TO GREEK SCHOOL FUND WITH  
THANKS TO DAWN & JOYCE ANAGNOS  
Marsha Vandercook & Anthony Kordopatis

*The Chris Hadgigeorge Family thanks Father Larry and the Holy Trinity parishioners for their kind words, love, and prayers throughout this difficult year. Father was a humble loving priest and the Memorial Plaque unveiled on Vasilopita Sunday, truly honored his memory and his devotion to Holy Trinity and the Orthodox religion. Father loved Holy Trinity and considered the parishioners as a part of his extended family. We will forever see his smile in the narthex of our cathedral reminding us of his love and kindness. Please continue to keep him and us in your prayers.  
May His Memory Be Eternal*

*The President's Message*  
*by Emmanuel T. Yakumithis*

I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Parish Council members for electing me President this year. I am humbled for the honor and hope to finish the year with a unified parish and continued progress in the right direction.

I have two very basic goals that I want to focus on this year:

1. To ensure transparency in the actions of the parish council and
2. To increase the number of active stewards.

The purpose in the existence of the Parish Council is to represent the Church whom we serve and to inform you, the parishioners, of our actions. As we move forward, I will do my best to keep communication flowing to our parishioners via email and post.

We must also figure out how to engage those stewards who pay their commitment, but do not regularly participate in community activities and also to reach out to those who are not stewards in an effort to grow our community. Although dollars are important, we need to focus on the people. Once we engage, the rest will follow.

This is not a "one man job". This can only be accomplished if we all engage and work together. I have reached out to several members of our community and have received valuable advice and guidance. I welcome all of you to feel free to call or email me with suggestions, advice or comments. (419) 205-0853 or email: [toledogreek@gmail.com](mailto:toledogreek@gmail.com). The only way to move in the right direction is for all of us to be a part of it.

**100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Album**

**Deadline has been extended to Feb. 17<sup>th</sup>**

Please review your submissions and return to Chris and Persilla Zervos by the deadline date. All outstanding balances must also be paid by the deadline. Don't miss this opportunity to chronicle your family's role in the history of Holy Trinity. New to the parish or here from the beginning, your contribution to our history matters.

*Philoptochos News by Susie Doukides*

We started off our New Year 2017 with our annual Vasilopita Luncheon to benefit St. Basil's Academy. Philoptochos would sincerely like to thank Andreas Dionyssiou and his faithful crew Andreas Proestos, Kip Proestos, Harry Dean Proestos, Nick Bekos, George Bekos, Frixos Stylianides and Randy Lizcano for their special chicken dinner. We would also like to thank Steve Jenkins and Phillip Dionyssiou for the generous donations and set-up for the refreshment bar. We are grateful to everyone for all their hard work. Thank you for all the bakers of the delicious Vasilopitas, especially Dawn Anagnos for the large community Vasilopita. Pam Martin was remarkable along with this hard-working and devoted committee of Pauline Biernacki, Faye Grevis, Yanula Stathulis, Ann Mulopulos, Pattie Senerius, Angie Bohland, Jeannette Stambolis, Kathy Chaka, Presvytera Ann Hadgigeorge, Paula Dionyssiou, Chris Grevis, Dorothy and Manuel Yakumithis, Olympia Ntakos, and Maria Melas. We are grateful for the community's support and generosity.

One of our National Projects is "Wear Red for Women"; February is Women's Heart Health Awareness Month. Philoptochos will host a Heart Health Seminar after our Divine Liturgy on February 12<sup>th</sup>. Lori Kamilaris and her committee will be organizing and an informative and educational program for our parishioners. We are asking you to "Wear Red for Women's Heart Health Awareness" Philoptochos will be hosting our Loukoumathes Sale for Valentine's Day during coffee.

Our Philoptochos will host a Pan-Orthodox Lenten Retreat at Holy Trinity on Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>. A great day is in the planning for a rewarding event. We hope to see many of you there.

Please remember your Philoptochos Stewardship is due at this time. Please see Pattie Senerius. We are planning some exciting events. We would love to see you get involved.

**UPCOMING PHILOPTOCHOS EVENTS**

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| Sun. Feb. 12 <sup>th</sup>  | Philoptochos Family Heart Health Awareness Day "GO RED" for Women Louk. Sale |
| Mon. Feb. 20 <sup>th</sup>  | General Meeting  |
| Mon. March 13 <sup>th</sup> | Board Meeting  |
| Sat. March 18 <sup>th</sup> | Philoptochos Hosting Pan-Orthodox Retreat                                    |
| Mon. March 20 <sup>th</sup> | General Meeting  |
| Sun. April 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Lenten Plaki Luncheon  |
| Mon. April 17 <sup>th</sup> | Board Meeting  |
| Mon. April 24 <sup>th</sup> | General Meeting  |
| Mon. May 8 <sup>th</sup>    | Board Meeting  |
| Tues. May 16 <sup>th</sup>  | Philoptochos and Daughters of Penelope Mother's Day Dinner Georgio's         |
| Mon. May 22 <sup>nd</sup>   | Philoptochos General Meeting and Elections                                   |



***Kroger Community Rewards Update***  
***by Mary Dedes***

***A Painless, Profitable and Perpetual Fundraiser.***

Our Holy Trinity Cathedral parish consists of approximately 300 families and individuals. The number of participants in the Kroger Community Rewards Fundraising program for the most recent quarter was 125. (We had the most participants in April 2004, with 132.)

To participate, first one needs a Kroger Plus Card and secondly one must go online and open an account with Kroger. (If you do not have a computer, please contact the church office or Mary Dedes to do that for you.) Thirdly, you follow the prompts to Community Rewards, designate a charity, and re-enroll in April annually. Please see box.

A quarterly cycle ended January 31, 2017 and we will be notified of our earnings in about 4 weeks. In the previous quarter, ending October 31, 2016, we had 125 participants and earned \$902.76.

This fundraiser is there for us to utilize. We are not asking for a donation! We only ask that you register your Kroger Plus Card and designate Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Philoptochos as your charity.

Philoptochos thanks all the participants for their support and encourages those who have not yet enrolled to please do so.

**The web site to join or re-enroll is [www.krogercommunityrewards.com](http://www.krogercommunityrewards.com). Follow the prompts. Our name is Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Philoptochos and our ID# is 81429. Make a note of your Kroger password and also put a reminder on your computer to re-enroll in April.**

***Holy Trinity Cookbook by Pam Martin***

Happy New Year to all at Holy Trinity!

We are starting the New Year out with the delivery of our cookbook "Olives, Feta, Phyllo, and More!" The books and aprons are available in our newly renovated bookstore. Some have been gift wrapped for your convenience.

The committee has been working hard to assure a successful fourth printing. We owe special thanks to Gene Haberman, Irene Kaufman, Sophia Stathopoulos, Yanula Stathulis, and Marlene Thomas. Once again, this wouldn't be possible without Carole Faoiz and Terry Timmons. Everyone's extra effort is sincerely appreciated.

Remember, our books and aprons make nice gifts and support our Church.

Please have a healthy and prosperous new year!

***Daughters of Penelope News***  
***by Connie Mynihan***

The Daughters of Penelope would like to wish everyone a **Happy Valentine's Day**

Our January Meeting started with a delicious meal prepared by our fellow Ahepans. Thank you for the lovely and delicious dinner.

A beautiful and bountiful coffee hour occurred on January 15<sup>th</sup> in honor of our fallen sister, Martha Tello-Martisas which was chaired by Faye Grevis.

Daughters of Penelope, Dodona Chapter #24 and AHEPA Ypsilanti #118 are **inviting the Toledo Community** to the Buckeye District 11 Governor's Testimonial Luncheon in honor of Joyce Anagnos, District Governor, Daughters of Penelope, Erika Pantelakos, District Governor, Maids of Athena, and Dr. John Urse, District Governor AHEPA. The luncheon will be on March 11<sup>th</sup>, 2017, at 12:30 pm. The location is Georgio's, Café International 426 N. Superior Street, Toledo, Ohio. Cost is \$35.00 per person. Contact Marian Capranica at 419-540-1160 for reservations. Seating is limited; please make your reservation promptly.

The Maids of Athena are having a Testimonial Dinner for Grand President Tria Charnas on April 29, 2017, in Cleveland, Ohio. Details will be forthcoming.

AHEPA Buckeye District Foundation Scholarship form is available on <http://www.bsf.buckeyedistrict11.org/> until March 31, 2017. Applicants must be

- Entering college or in undergraduate school
- Members in good standing of AHEPA, Daughters of Penelope, Sons of Pericles or Maids of Athena in District 11
- Children of members in good standing of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope in District 11

AHEPA National Scholarships are available on <http://www.ahepa.org/Education-Scholarships.htm> and must be postmarked by March 31, 2017.

Don't miss out on 2017 DOP Dodona #24 Chapter Scholarship. Deadline is April 21, 2017. Just google Daughters of Penelope Dodona #24 and our site will appear. National Scholarship information for 2017 is available on Daughters of Penelope website. Deadline for National Scholarship is May 1, 2017.

Plans are already underway for our Spring Bake Sale and Coffee Hour on Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017. The ladies will be baking their delicious specialties. Order forms will be forthcoming.

Dues are now being accepted for 2017, the amount is \$45.00. Please bring your dues to the February meeting or mail them to Sophie Stathopoulos, Treasurer, 6535 Cornwall Court, Sylvania, OH 43560. Please make your checks payable to Daughters of Penelope.

Our next meeting and dinner will be February 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2017 at Beirut Restaurant, 4082 Monroe St., Toledo, Ohio. We will be ordering off the menu.

*"Away in a meadow all covered with snow  
the little old groundhog looks for his shadow  
the clouds in the sky determine our fate  
if winter will leave us all early or late."*

- Don Halley

### **AHEPA News by Tony Capranica**

Happy New Year from the officers and members of AHEPA Ypsilanti Chapter #118. We wish everyone a safe, healthy and prosperous 2017.

Sunday, May 21 we'll celebrate AHEPA Sunday and Scholarship Sunday. On this day AHEPA and the Daughters will recognize their members and award their annual scholarships. Mark your calendars for this special day.

Plans will soon be underway for our annual golf outing. Stay tuned for more on this in future newsletters.

Anyone interested in becoming a member or re-instating into Ypsilanti #118 can call Tony Capranica at 419-540-1150.

Applications are now available for the Ypsilanti Chapter #118 scholarship. All applicants must meet the following criteria.

1. Applicant or applicant's parents must be a member in good standing of one or more of the following organizations:
  - a. Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral of Toledo, Ohio.
  - b. Order of AHEPA Ypsilanti Chapter #118
  - c. Daughters of Penelope Dodona Chapter #24
  - d. Maids of Athena
2. The criteria to be considered in awarding scholarships will be based on:
  - a. Scholastic achievement: The student must have a minimum grade point average of 3.0 out of a 4.0 GPA
  - b. Leadership,

- c. Extracurricular activities and,
  - d. Community involvement.
3. Applicant must have been accepted by an accredited college of university.
  4. Scholarship funds will be sent in the applicants name directly to the office of admissions.
  5. Scholarship funds may be used for tuition, books or fees.
  6. All scholarship funds must be returned if the applicant does not successfully complete the first academic year.
  7. Your scholarship application will not be processed unless all required information is provided.

### **AHEPA and Daughters to Host District Testimonial – ALL ARE WELCOME!**

The Toledo Chapters of AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope will host a District Testimonial Luncheon to honor one of our members, Joyce Anagnos, currently serving as Daughters of Penelope District 11 Governor. This event will be held on Saturday, March 11, starting at 12:30 pm at Georgio's Café International. Along with Joyce, the Testimonial will also honor Dr. John Urse, AHEPA District Governor from Dayton and Erika Pantelakos, Maids of Athena District Governor. This event is open to the entire Toledo Community as well and anyone from the Buckeye and Automotive AHEPA Districts. Seating at Georgio's Café is limited so you are encouraged to make your reservations promptly and no later than March 1<sup>st</sup>. Cost of event is \$35 (checks payable to DOP Dodona #24). Please Contact Marian Capranica at 419-540-1160 to make reservations. Paypal can also be used to make reservations. Google 'Dodona #24' and look for Testimonial Luncheon in the left margin. Also, there is a flyer with a registration form toward the back of this issue of the Hellenic Orthodox Echo.

## *Young at Heart News by Tina Papalekas*

This New Year 2017 we would like to have you consider becoming a member of Young at Heart. We are a social club for mature adults of at least 50 years young. We meet the third Thursday of each month with a delicious dinner and a short meeting. We sometimes have guest speakers and sometimes we play games. We also take day trips to various places. We have visited the crime investigation unit in Bowling Green, Sauder Village, Frankenmuth, MI. and visited the Holy Trinity Monastery near Port Huron, Michigan plus a few dinner dates at Hollywood Casino. Once a year we take a longer trip, and this past year, 43 of us went to New York City for one week. This year in March, we will travel to New Orleans for a week, and everyone is invited to join us.

Our meetings for January and February will be luncheon meetings at noon. The rest of the year we meet at 6:00 p.m. the third Thursday of each month. It is a joyful time for socializing and getting to know each other better, so please join us.

Yearly dues of \$10.00 will be taken after church or before the meeting.

## *Byzantine Music Fellowship by Elaine Lillios*

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY to the Byzantine Music Fellowship!



Holy Trinity's Byzantine Music Fellowship celebrates its first anniversary on February 9, 2017. In one year, our dedicated group learned two services to the Theotokos

(Salutations and Paraklesis) consisting of approximately 107 hymns in Greek and English. As we move toward Great Lent, we invite all original members to "re-join" as we return to singing Friday evening Salutations. If you've been on "sabbatical", now is a great time to return! If you're curious about the group, now is a great time to join us for a rehearsal or service. The group continues to meet on Tuesday evenings, 7-8pm in the community center. We have big plans for our second year so join us for chanting and fellowship as we continue learning non-liturgical services. All voices are welcome!

## *Stewardship Update by Kathy Chaka*

*As the Father has sent me, so I send you."*

John 20:21

Thank You and Congratulations!!!  
What a difference a year can make...

Now that 2016 is officially a memory, the Stewardship Committee can now look back and reflect upon the results of the 2016 Stewardship campaign. But in order to truly give you an accurate picture of the strides this community has made in regards to Stewardship, we need to take you back to 2015.

At the close of the 2015 Stewardship Campaign total offerings brought in by that Stewardship campaign was \$221,560. Fast-forward to the end of our 2016 Stewardship Campaign... we ended 2016 with total offerings of \$237,000. **That is a \$16,000 increase in giving to our Church!!!**

It goes without saying, but we should say it, **every day**, that all of this would NOT be possible without the generosity and hard work of this community. We would also like to express our sincere thanks to Carole Faoiz for all her hard work in keeping all of our offerings organized and recorded correctly! What would we do without her!!! When we all work together, we make GREAT things happen! Our theme for 2017 is "**Be a Part of the Holy Trinity Team!**" We believe that everyone is starting to hear the message that we will measure our success this year based on our ability to increase the number of stewards who make a commitment of time and talent to this Church.

As we stated on Sunday, January 22<sup>nd</sup>, we have already completed the first quarter of Stewardship for 2017. We currently have 131 stewards pledging \$126,752. We know have a long way to go to achieve our **goal of \$250,000**, but your Stewardship Committee is very optimistic and believes that we will once again "move the ball forward!" We can do this by challenging everyone to spread the word about the good works happening here at Holy Trinity and encourage everyone to make a commitment in some way to our beloved Holy Trinity Cathedral! Thank you again and God Bless Holy Trinity!

**2017 Stewardship Update through January 23<sup>rd</sup> - Our Stewardship goal for 2017 is \$250,000**

**So far 131 Stewards have turned in a pledge cards totaling \$126,752**

**Stewardship contributions are \$12,585**

**Please prayerfully consider the needs of our Parish and do your best to give in 2017  
at least the same amount in Stewardship as last year!**

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## Cathedral Winter and Spring Adult Education Opportunities



### Pan-Orthodox Lenten Retreat

Saturday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Sponsored by the Holy Trinity Ladies Philoptochos  
This year's speakers will be the local Orthodox Clergy



Book Club with Father Larry and Pres. Jenny

The book club is for both men and women.

The meetings will take place in Father and Presbytera's home

Our next meeting will be February 26<sup>th</sup> at 6pm

Our next book is "Words for our Time" The Spiritual words of Matthew the Poor

Books are available in the bookstore

### Bible Study

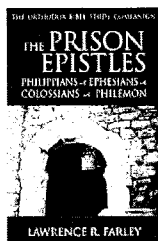
Theme: "The Prison Epistles" By Father Lawrence Farley

Taught by Father Larry every Wednesday

Classes are every Wednesday beginning at 10 am and 6:30 pm

The Study begins February 1, 2017

Books are available in the bookstore



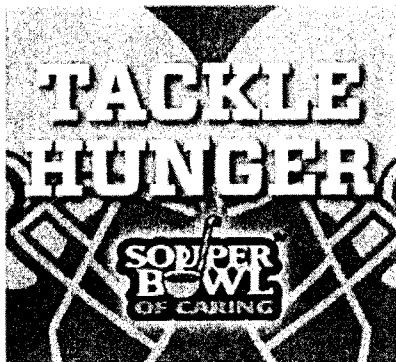
### "Conversational Greek" class starts on March 2, 2017

This Greek Language class to be offered in the spring of 2017 is now full and closed. Thirty adults (Yes, 30!) have registered for this mini course. We are overwhelmed by the response and are appreciative of your commitment. "Conversational Greek" will be a 10-week course focusing on conversational skills about everyday life activities such as "Greetings & Introductions", "At a restaurant", "Going shopping", etc. The focus will be on speaking to communicate with others (interpersonal) with themes relevant to visiting Greece. Grammar will not be taught explicitly, but instead as appropriate to communicate accurately. No prior knowledge of Greek is required but is welcomed if previously acquired. The class will be taught by Basil Apostolou. Such class will be free to any Holy Trinity current steward over 21 years of age and their teen-age children; for all others a \$50 fee payable to our church will be charged. Our first class will meet on Thursday March 2, 2017 at 6:30 pm in the AHEPA room. Booklets with all the lessons, along with appendices on various topics will be provided to all students at no cost. So, come prepared to learn a few new things, reserve your energy and have some FUN while at it!

Καλώς Ωρίσατε Μαθητές! ka-LOS o-RI-sa-te ma-thi-TES!

HOPE and JOY

Our HOPE and JOY kids had a great January gathering! We started with making our own individual pizzas which were super yummy. Then we learned about how people around the world celebrate Epiphany – Christ's baptism. Father Larry's slide show taught us that in different countries there are amazing traditions from cutting crosses in ice to horse racing to cross throwing to dancing in the water. Finally, we made 5 fleece tie blankets for the kids at the Ronald McDonald house. Of course, there was a lot of running around and having fun! All kids K-6th grade are invited to join us for our next month's gathering on Sunday February 12th from 5:30-7pm.

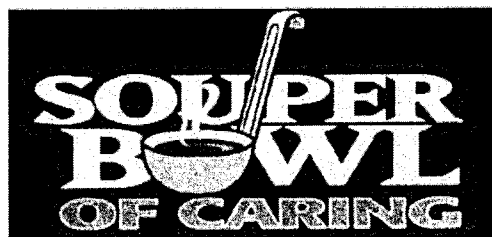


Help the Youth of our parish become Souper Bowl Champions and Tackle Hunger!

The Souper Bowl of Caring will be on February 5<sup>th</sup>

The GOYANS and HOPE and JOY group will be selling soup. The cost is \$5 for a bottomless bowl of soup and \$2 for a single bowl.

All proceeds will go to IOCC\*.

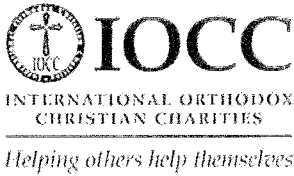


\* IOCC is the International Order of the Cross, a Catholic organization that provides support and resources for the poor and needy. It is a non-profit organization that has been operating since 1954. IOCC is a member of the National Council of Catholic Bishops and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. IOCC is a member of the National Council of Catholic Bishops and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. IOCC is a member of the National Council of Catholic Bishops and the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops.

## Youth and Young Adult Ministry News

### GOYA

By Maria Cook



Over this past month the Goyans had a movie night at the Kamilaris house. We had a great time with fellowship and the amazing dinner.

Thank you to the Kamilaris' for hosting and to everyone who brought food. We watched the original Karate Kid and had our meeting. We also took down the decorations after church. Thank you to all who participated.

Coming up is Super Bowl Sunday and at coffee hour the Goyans are selling soup to raise money for IOCC. There will be lots of different kinds of soups so make sure you're there!

Our annual Valentine's Day GOYA Bake Sale will be held on February 26th during coffee hour. There will be lots of treats for everyone to enjoy!



### REAL

The REAL Group is happy to announce that we had a wonderful meeting last month. Last month we met at Nick and Jimmy's for lunch and fellowship. While at the meeting we were able to discuss ideas for continued outreach and fellowship.

The next event will be in February. We will meet at Sunset House for fellowship with the residents. We hope to bring them some Valentine's Day treats and time to visit.

### Sunday School

BY DR. SUSAN SIEBEN

Happy New Year!

Vasilopita Sunday was a wonderful way to start the New Year. The Divine Liturgy was well attended by our parishioners who came to also celebrate the one year memorial of our beloved Father Chris.

Our students learned about Saint Basil and his philanthropic programs that we continue today. The Baptism of Our Lord Jesus Christ was celebrated January 6 and we bless our homes with the holy water.

Triodion begins February 5 and it is also Godparent's Sunday. Our students will receive communion with their God Parents or a suitable substitute.

Great and Holy Lent begins Monday February 27. The students will Journey through Lent learning how to become better Orthodox Christians, caring for our fellow man and our environment. Love trumps Hate!

March 12 is our local Oratorical Festival and ALL grades will participate. Only the junior division which are grades 6,7,8 and the senior division grades 9,10,11,12 will be judged. Check your emails for the details.

Let's keep our attendance up by bringing your children to the Liturgy at 10:00 am so you do not miss Father Larry's instructional Divine Liturgies. Let's enjoy the Journey toward Pascha.

This year we are communicating with our students and their families via e mails. If you are not receiving them please call Carole at the Church Office (419-243-9189) and give her an updated email.





## God-Parents God-Child Sunday



Sunday, February 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017

All God-parents and God children are encouraged to be present in Church and prepare to receive Holy Communion together.

May we allow this day to be a time to strengthen our relationship with each other.



*Dodona Chapter #24 and Upsilon #118, Toledo Ohio  
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Joyce Anagnos, District Governor, Daughters of Penelope  
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*Saturday, March 11, 2017*

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*12:30 pm Light Appetizers*

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*Cash Bar*

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*Please send this portion as your reservation by March 1<sup>st</sup> to:*

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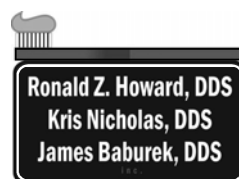
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