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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.



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Week Day Divine Liturgy Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

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#### "He wanted to see who Jesus was"

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

As I write to you, we are entering into the second month of the new year. A year that has so much hope. A hope that is found in how wonderfully we ended last year. As you will see in this month's Echo, last year was one of our most successful years with regards to your generosity through stewardship. Your generosity is a sign of your desire to serve the Church. It is a sign of your desire to serve one another and Christ. This desire is exactly what Christ wants from all of us.

I remember an ordination that I was blessed to participate in. The Deacon who was being ordained to the priesthood was talking about how nervous he was to serve. He recalled a moment in which his Bishop leaned over to him and said the following, "I do not want perfection, I want desire." We see in the scripture that this is exactly what Christ wants from us as well. In the story of Zacchaeus we see a very imperfect man's desire to see Christ. The reading says that, "He wanted to see who Jesus was." As we remember, the problem was Zacchaeus was short, so he climbed a tree to see him. His effort and his desire to see Christ was rewarded when Christ entered his home to dine with him.

In last month's Echo, as well as this month, you will read about things we want to do. You will read about the milestones we have reached. You have read about some things that are coming up like our 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary for the festival. We must remember that none of it has to be perfect. What we have to do is desire Christ first. We must, as a community, desire to serve him and one another. We must desire to love Him and one another. If we keep doing that, he will make our efforts succeed.

In Christ,

Father Larry Legakis

# HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL February

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#### **CHURCH REGISTRY**

HOSPITALIZED

**Basil Apostolou and Jim Mitsopoulos** 

**CHRISMATION** 

Nancy Ann Liponoga – January 5, 2020

Sponsor: Dr. Susan K. Sieben

**ENGAGEMENT** 

Andrea Kamilaris and Drew Stanley

FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to:

George & Lisa Arvanitis – 33 years

Nick & Kay Chirgott – 27 years

Phillip & Miranda Batianis – 15 years

Bill & Janis Plomaritis – 10 years

**MEMORIAL SERVICES** 

Patricia Bellner – 40 Days

Matina Nicholas – 1 year

Demetra Theodorou - 1 year

May Their Memory Be Eternal

**MEMORIAL GIFTS** 

IN MEMORY OF PATRICIA BELLNER

Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hartford

Ms. Theodossia Hatzinikolis

Mrs. Despina Pelphrey

Mr. & Mrs. Charles Resch

Mr. & Mrs. George Scarvelis

IN MEMORY OF COSTAS CHRISTIDES

Mr. & Mrs. Kypros Proestos

IN MEMORY OF ILIAS BEKOS

Mr. & Mrs. Dean M. Yakumithis

IN MEMORY OF PETE MORRIS

Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kountouris

IN MEMORY OF SOPOHIA KAKISSIS

Mr. & Mrs. Gustavo Costanzo

Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros

IN MEMORY OF FR. CHRIS W.

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Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki

Mr. & Mrs. William Hadgigeorge

IN MEMORY OF ANDREAS, SOTIRIS & ELENI

**KAMILARIS** 

Christos S. & Janet Kamilaris

IN MEMORY OF GEORGE PANOS

Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros

IN MEMORY OF HARRY HARTFORD

Dr. & Mrs. G. J. Biernacki

Mr. & Mrs. Richard Hartford

IN MEMORY OF GOLDIE STRATOS

Ms. Theodossia Hatzinikolis

IN MEMORY OF THELMA PETAS

Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Petros

IN MEMORY OF STERGIOS & FRANCES

**PETAS** 

Mr. & Mrs. Bruce Lung

IN MEMORY OF IRENE HIMEBAUGH

Mrs. Mary Brandburg

IN MEMORY OF EMMANUEL & OURANIA

KOUNTOURIS

Mr. & Mrs. Gregory Brown

Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kountouris

**IN MEMORY OF FRANCES MANTON** 

Mr. & Mrs. Greg Cook

IN MEMORY JENNIFER ATHERINE

Mrs. Despina Pelphrey

IN MEMORY OF DON LINDSEY

Mrs. Despina Pelphrey

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM C. REINBERGER

Mr. & Mrs. Louis Kountouris

## President's Message by Emmanuel T. Yakumithis

WE DID IT!!! Congratulations to all of us for exceeding our stewardship goal of \$250,000! This is the second year that we have surpassed our goal. It is a source of pride for our community because it shows the commitment that we have to Holy Trinity and to one another. Our volunteering is also on the increase in our ministries. Overall, we are a united community.

The Vasilopita Luncheon, sponsored by Philoptochos was a wonderful event. The kitchen crew (as always) did an amazing job and it was a great afternoon of fellowship.

As we now settle in to 2020, we are moving forward with plans for the 50<sup>th</sup> Annual Greek American Festival. Updates will be coming out regularly, but don't wait to get involved. George Sares, Terry Irmen and the rest of the committee look forward to suggestions, support and feedback to make this year the best festival yet.

Just a reminder that online giving is an option. As our community evolves, so do our options in supporting the ministries of Holy Trinity. It's as easy as a few clicks.

Finally, I would like to thank my fellow parish council members for re-electing me and our officers for another year. It is my privilege to serve all of you. As always, call, email text or pull me aside with any questions or concerns.

## Philoptochos News by Pattie Senerius

#### PHILANTHROPY FOR GENERATIONS

January is about starting with a clean slate. We consider the year's past endeavors, celebrate the past accomplishments and look forward to growth, change and doing good deeds for those in need.

We have started collecting stewardship for 2020. If you are not a member, please consider joining Philoptochos. We know many of you work, have families and are involved in many activities and cannot attend meetings. By being a steward, you are helping Philoptochos continue its ministries and various charities. Please give your stewardship to

Presvytera Ann or Pattie Senerius. We have many events ahead of us and we would love to see you be a part of Philoptochos.

The Madonna Home Christmas Dinner held on December 17, 2019 was a huge success. One hundred forty five dinners were served.

Malnutrition is the single greatest threat to the world's public health. Every meal that we can serve helps to improve lives. Feeding the hungry is one of our ministries that make a difference. "We strive to live with purpose; when you live with purpose you feel good inside."

The 2020 Vasilopita Celebration was held on January 12, 2020. We all look forward to celebrating the feast of St. Basil, an advocate and supporter of the poor. We replicate the tradition of St. Basil by baking a vasilopita with a coin inside. As the bread is cut, the person who receives the piece with the coin is promised a good year. Thank you for celebrating the New Year with us and enjoying the delicious dinner prepared by Kyp, Andreas and Harry Dean Proestos, as well as their faithful crew. We are grateful and thankful that Andreas Dionyssiou's Legacy continues through the work and dedication of his extended family. May God continue to bless all of you.

The Vasilopita Celebration is a huge undertaking and many volunteers are involved in making it a success. Philoptochos thanks all the volunteers, cooks and bakers for sharing their time and talent. It's the volunteers who make life easier and brighter.

The Philoptochos vision began in the Past, is with us in the Present and will continue in the Future. We are the heart of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese and one of the largest philanthropic organizations in the U.S. Philoptochos not only supports charities, it also enriches the members through philanthropic endeavors. We pay tribute to our early Presidents and members for their leadership, foresight, wisdom and strength in guiding Philoptochos. All of the past presidents have worked hard and helped our chapter to grow and change. We continue being PhiloStrong because of them! Bless you for all that you did and do.

Philoptochos continues to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards fundraiser program.

Thank you very much for your participation. The money provides help for those in need in our community. Thank you, Faye Haberman, for chairing this fundraiser.

"Wear Red for Women" is one of our National Philoptochos projects. February is Women's Heart Health Awareness Month. "Go Red Sunday" is February 9, 2020. Please show your support by wearing Red. Heart disease is the number one cause of death for women.

"May you find peace and contentment in the new year. We wish all of you good health, love and happiness."

## **Upcoming Events**

February 9th - Heart Health Awareness Sunday - Wear Red

February 10th - Philoptochos Board Meeting, 7:00 P.M. February 17th - Philoptochos General Meeting, 7:00 P.M.

March 2nd - Lent begins

March 8th - Pan Orthodox Lenten Vespers and Pot Luck, 6:00 P.M.

## Kroger Community Rewards Update by Faye Haberman

Philoptochos continues to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards fundraiser program.

Kroger does offer Same-day grocery Pickup at your store. They do the shopping and bring it to your car. Your first 3 orders of grocery Pickup are always FREE. Perishable items are stored at the right temperature until you arrive. Use your Shopper's Card to earn fuel points on every purchase and help Philoptochos at the same time.

Thank you to everyone who already participates in this wonderful program. If you currently participate in another Kroger Rewards program, please, consider switching to Philoptochos. We do so much for our community including our lovely Cathedral!

Please, make sure your phone number is listed under the **ALT ID** section. Also, make sure your account information is updated and "Philoptochos" appears at the bottom of your Kroger receipt.

If you need my assistance to enroll or have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me. I can be reached at 419-865-4344 or at <a href="fotini@bex.net">fotini@bex.net</a>. Philoptochos thanks all of you for participating in this *Profitable, Painless, and Perpetual* fundraiser.

## Daughters of Penelope News by Stacia Dimit

Greetings from Dodona Chapter #24 Daughters of Penelope!

Our January meeting was held at Byblos Restaurant. The food and service were excellent as always. A good group attended. It was decided that members will continue to donate non-perishable food items, household paper products, and personal items to the new food pantry maintained at Holy Trinity. Father Larry often receives requests from people needing assistance. Food pantry items will be available for Father Larry to distribute as needed. We will have donations bins set up in the lobby of the Community Center. All donations are very much appreciated and much needed.

Largely due to the efforts of Sister Kathy Lawrence, the national Daughters of Penelope organization designated Sjogren's (SHOW-grins) Disease as a national project in 2015. The reason Kathy Lawrence has worked so hard in support of this cause is to honor the memory of her beloved sister, Demetra Petros, who was diagnosed with Sjogren's in 1988 and died of complications of this disease in 2013.

Sjogren's Disease is a systemic autoimmune disease that affects the entire body. Sjogren's Foundation, the primary educational and support organization for this disease, explains that along with symptoms of extensive dryness most notably in the eyes and mouth, other serious complications include profound fatigue, chonic pain, major organ involvement, neuropathies and lymphomas.

Raising awareness of this little known but potentially serious disease is an important mission for our organization. Although it afflicts more than 4 million people in the United States, many people have not heard of this disease. Sjogren's Disease often goes undiagnosed or is misdiagnosed with the average time from onset of symptoms to diagnosis being 3 years. That's a lot of time to suffer unnecessarily! One of the reasons for the delay in diagnosis is the lack of a definitive diagnostic tool. No single blood test or scan can identify Sjogren's. Also, the disease manifests in different patients in different ways. In other words, no two people have exactly the same symptoms. About half of Sjogren's patients also have a second autoimmune disease such as rheumatoid arthritis or lupus.

Our organization is especially committed to raising awareness of Sjogren's because 9 of 10 patients are women. Also, because of the difficulty in diagnosis, many people suffering with this disease are dismissed as "crazy" or their pain is thought to be "all in their heads". For more information regarding Sjogren's Disease go to <a href="https://www.sjogrens.org">www.sjogrens.org</a>. You may also contact Kathy

Lawrence. U Tube videos provided by the Sjogren's Foundation are especially helpful.

Mark your calendars for Sunday, February 23, 2020. The Daughters and the Ahepans will once again co-host the Apokreatiko luncheon following the church service. Proceeds will support our scholarship program.

The February meeting will be held on Thursday, February 6, 2020 at 6 pm at the Community Center with the Ahepans.

Dues for 2020 and any past dues may be paid to our Treasurer, Sophie Stathopoulos.

## Young at Heart by Becky Skiadas

YAH wishes everyone a Happy and Healthy New Year!

YAH held its first meeting of 2020, on Thursday, January 16 at noon. A delicious lunch was served by Andy and Maria Petros. Thank you to them and Sonia Ross for all your help in the kitchen.

We welcomed a new member, Irene Kaufman, at our noon meeting. Welcome!! so happy to have you with us.

YAH has decided to eliminate the noon meetings starting this February. We will continue our meetings at 6:00 p.m. from now on. This is because many of our members are working and missing out of the fun and fellowship. At this meeting we played Bingo which many of us enjoy and the winners received scratch offs and we had many members that won money.

Jennifer Becker is our Historian and she will be putting photo albums together of our meetings, trips and events that we hold.

She is making an email account so anyone that has pics to give her can put them right through in the account.

It is unfortunate that we had to cancel our Las Vegas trip. YAH will plan another trip soon.

We always enjoy Eat and Play night at Hollywood Casino. We went January 21<sup>st</sup>. After a delicious meal we received \$5.00 voucher to play. Everyone had a good time. Win or lose....

Our next meeting will be held on Thursday February 20 at 6:00 p.m.

Anyone interested in fun and fellowship, please join us. Just join us at our next meeting and sign up. We would love to have you and you will be very happy you did.

Dues are \$10.00 a year. Meals are \$8.00 and worth it!!

## AHEPA News by Tony Capranica

Our regular meetings are held September thru June on the first Thursday of each month. Several meetings will be held jointly with the Daughters chapter. The February meeting will be a joint meeting with the Daughters on February 6, 2020 at 6:00 P.M. at the Holy Trinity Education Building.

Notice to all high school seniors and college undergraduates... The local, District and National scholarships are now available for submission. The local scholarship can be accessed at <a href="https://www.toledo.buckeyedistrict11.org">www.toledo.buckeyedistrict11.org</a> and has a due date of April 19. The District scholarship application is available at <a href="https://www.bsf.buckeyedistrict11.org">www.bsf.buckeyedistrict11.org</a> and is due April 15. As a reminder, the District scholarship DOES NOT have a minimum GPA requirement. Please refer to <a href="https://www.ahepa.org">www.ahepa.org</a> for details on the National scholarship.

Once again this year the AHEPA and Daughters are hosting an Apokriatiko luncheon on Sunday, February 23 following Divine Liturgy at the Holy Trinity Education Building. Tickets for the event will be available after church each Sunday before the event. Tickets will also be available the day of the event. Ticket prices are \$15 for adults and children under 12 are \$7. Also, there will be Greek music to enjoy and dance to.

This year's Ypsilanti #118 Golf Memorial will be honoring Fr. Chris Hadgigeorge, with the proceeds going to Hellenic College Holy Cross in Boston, MA. We have secured Brandywine Country Club on Saturday June 27. Registration will begin at 12:00 noon with a shotgun start at 2:00 PM and a dinner following the golf at 7:00 PM. The format is a 4-person scramble. Not a golfer, no problem. You are welcome to support the event by attending the dinner. Complete details will soon be available online. The website will be published in January. From the website you will be able to register for golf and/or take advantage of the many different ways to sponsor the event. See you on the course!

As always, Ypsilanti #118 is looking for new members and encouraging former brothers to re-join. For more information, checkout www.buckeyedistrict11.org or www.ahepa.org.

## AHEPA SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE

Applications are now available for the Ypsilanti Chapter #118 and Dodona Chapter #24 scholarship. All applicants must meet the following criteria. Application is due April 19, 2019. Application can be found at www.toledo.buckeyedistrict11.org → Scholarship and Awards

- 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 NO. 118.

- c. Daughters of Penelope Dodona Chapter NO. 24.
- d. Maid of Athena
- e. Sons of Pericles
- 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 be a graduating High School Senior and must have been accepted by an accredited college of university.
- Scholarship funds will be sent in the applicant's 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.

## Other AHEPA Scholarships:

For members of the Buckeye District 11, please visit www.bsf.buckeyedistrict11.org to submit your application online. There is no minimum GPA and applicants or one of their parents (minimum 3-year member) must be members of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope. Due date is March 31. For national AHEPA scholarships, please visit

- Visit AHEPA.org/education to submit your application for various scholarships available nationally. Due date is March 31.
- Visit Daughtersofpenelope.org → Forms → Resources and Applications

## **Lenten Psalter Reading Group**

Anyone who is interested in reading daily psalms during Lent please let Pres. Jenny know by Friday February 28th. We will need 20 participants to create this reading group.

Lenten Recipes and Words of Wisdom

Anyone who has a vegan recipe to share in our weekly posting please let Pres. Jenny know!

## Stewardship Update by Kathy Chaka

## Every Good and Perfect Gift Comes from Above

Happy New Year to everyone! The following, is the announcement I made to the congregation on Sunday, January 5<sup>th</sup>. If you weren't in Church that day or haven't heard the AMAZING news yet, let me be the first to tell you...

"One year ago, I stood before this congregation to joyfully announce that we had hit our 2018 Stewardship goal of \$250,000 for the very first time. It was such an exciting milestone because this community had come together, like we always do, and embraced the importance of a strong Stewardship program for the future financial stability of this Cathedral. Then, as we started our 2019 campaign, our mindset was now that we had finally achieved our goal, our new motto became, Now Watch Us Soar! And Soar we most surely did!!! Bolstered by one of the most successful festivals ever, our community could have sat back in comfort and said, "This Church is doing just fine financially now." But our Parishioners did not do that. We understand and accept that a Church cannot count each year on a festival like this past one. We know that our Stewardship program is the one true way to preserve this beloved Holy Trinity Cathedral for our children and generations to come.

So, I once again stand before you to announce that the 2019 Stewardship Campaign has truly soared beyond our wildest expectations. As of today, with 295 Stewards participating, we not only met our goal of \$250,000 but surpassed it by \$12,000 dollars for a grand total of \$262,000! (feel free to applaud yourselves) I'd like to thank every Steward in this community who gave so generously from their heart, many of whom clearly increased their giving this year to achieve this new total, thank you to the Parish Council for leading this community by example, thank you for the tireless efforts of the Stewardship committee, and Carole, our Church secretary who keeps track of all our Stewardship, and last but not least, a very sincere thank you to Father Larry, who leads this Parish with a humbleness and joy that creates the perfect environment for a successful Stewardship Program. Because when people are happy and inspired and loved, they give freely from all of the blessings that God has given them. Thank you to everyone!"

## 2020 Stewardship Update through January 17<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - Our Stewardship goal for 2019 is \$250,000 So far 136 Stewards have pledged \$167,021

Please prayerfully consider the needs of our Parish and do your best to give in 2020 at least the same in Stewardship as last year!

Mr & Mrs Jack Adams					
Mr & Mrs George Anagnos					
Ms Joyce Anagnos					

Mr & Mrs George Arvanitis

Mrs Irene Bacalis

Ms Kathy Andros

Mr & Mrs Charles Bailey Mr Constantine Ballas Mr. & Mrs. Harry Barlos

Mr & Mrs Evan Batsakes
Mr & Mrs Anthony Berardinelli

Dr & Mrs Gerald J. Biernacki

Mr & Mrs Thomas Bohland
Mr & Mrs Randall Bollin

Mrs Mary Brandburg

Mr & Mrs Carl Brubaker Ms. Stephanie Cape

Mr & Mrs Tony Capranica

Mr & Mrs Bryan Chaka Ms Catherine H. Chengges

Mr & Mrs Nick Chirgott

Mrs. Alexandra Chrysochoos

Ms Irene Chrysochoos Mr. Andrew Cleaver

Mrs Maria Cole

Mr & Mrs Andreas Constantinou

Mr & Mrs Greg Cook Ms Marina Cooper Mr & Mrs Erich Deason Mr & Mrs George A. Dedes

Mr. & Mrs. John Deku Dr & Mrs Wallace DePue

Ms Stacia Dimit

Mr & Mrs Phillip Dionyssiou

Mr & Mrs Peter Diver

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Fotoples Mr & Mrs Sam Frantzis

Mr Angelo Gangas

Ms. Daisy Garcia

Mr & Mrs Gus Georgakopoulos

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Mr Steve Hartford Mrs. Pamela Harwood Ms Theodossia Hatzinikolis

Mr & Mrs Jason Hickman
Ms Soteria Houlles
Mr. & Mrs. Terry Irmen

Mr Michael & Dr Natalie Jackson

Mr & Mrs Steven Jenkins Mr & Mrs George Kamilaris Mr Athanasios Karagiannakis

Mrs Marion Karas

Mr & Mrs Emmanuel Karniotis

Mr Cary Kaufman Mrs. Irene Kaufman Dr & Mrs Dean Kopan Mr & Mrs George Krinas

Colonel & Mrs Dennis Lawrence

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Mrs Ranee Mancy Wood

Mr John Mancy
Mr & Mrs Tom Manton
Mrs Mary Markham
Mr & Mrs James Martin
Mr Gregory J. Matthews
Mrs Helen Matthews
Ms Maureen McJilton

Mr. Emmanuel Melas

Mrs Maria Melas

Dr & Mrs Anthony Melonakos

Mrs Evangelia Mihos
Mr & Mrs Anthony Morris
Mr & Mrs George Mulopulos
Mr & Mrs Robert Mynihan
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# "Let the Children Come to Me"

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## February 2020

Dear Parents.

Recently, I had the blessing to go to a retreat in Texas. One of the presenters was talking about the kingdom of God. In her description she said that we can understand the Kingdom like a nation. The Church, she said, is like an embassy. Embassies are found all over the nation. They represent the nation in different areas. Then she said that our homes are like outposts of the nation. Like the Embassy, the outpost is still part of the nation and does the work of the nation. I found this to be a nice way of understanding the importance of our homes with regards to the work of the Church.

It is in our home that we and our children continue to grow closer to Christ. It is in our home that we equip our children to take Christ with them each day they go to school. It is in homes where we teach them how to implement what the Church teaches.

As we enter into the month of February we are getting ever closer to Lent. I would like offer a two things that we can do to build up the Church in our homes. The first thing is to pray together and the second is to read the scripture. Someone once said, "You became like the people you hang out with". Let us give our kids the chance to become like Christ, the people in the bible, and the saints by reading together the scripture.

## **Important Dates**

## **Hope and Joy**

2/1-Pan Orthodox Vespers & Fellowship- Holy Trinity 2/2-Souper Bowl of Caring 2/9-Hope and Joy Meeting

#### **GOYA**

2/1 Pan Orthodox Vespers & Fellowship- Holy Trinity 2/2-Souper Bowl of Caring 2/2 Super Bowl Party @ Maria TZ's house 2/23 GOYA Bake Sale 2/23 Coffee Talk

## **Greek School**

Thank you to all of Students who participated in Greek Letters!

## Souper Bowl of Caring 2020!







# HELP THE YOUTH OF OUR PARISH BECOME SOUPER BOWL CHAMPIONS AND TACKLE HUNGER!

The Souper Bowl of Caring will be on February 3rd
The GOYANS and HOPE and JOY group will be selling soup.
The cost is \$5 for a bottomless bowl of soup and \$2 for
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All proceeds will go to IOCC\*.

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3/1 Hope and Joy

3/14 Metropolis GOYA Lenten Retreat

3/15 Oratorical Festival

3/22 GOYA Coffee Talk



Join us February 2nd

## GOD-PARENT GOD-CHILD SUNDAY



All God-parents and God-children are encouraged to be present in Church and prepare to receive Holy Communion together. There will be a short prayer service as well to bless our Godparents and children

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

# HOLY TRINITY PRESENTS





# The Speakers Bureau Will meet every Wednesday at 6:30 pm in the AHEPA room For more information please call the church office

## **Presenters**

Father Alex Radulescu February 5th Wisdom Literature

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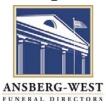
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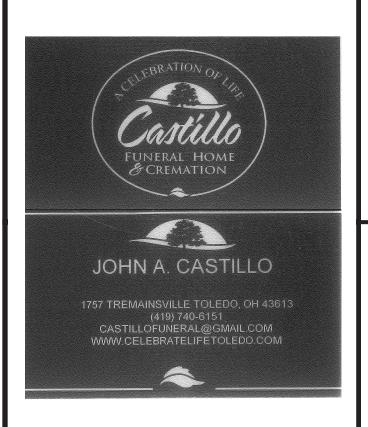
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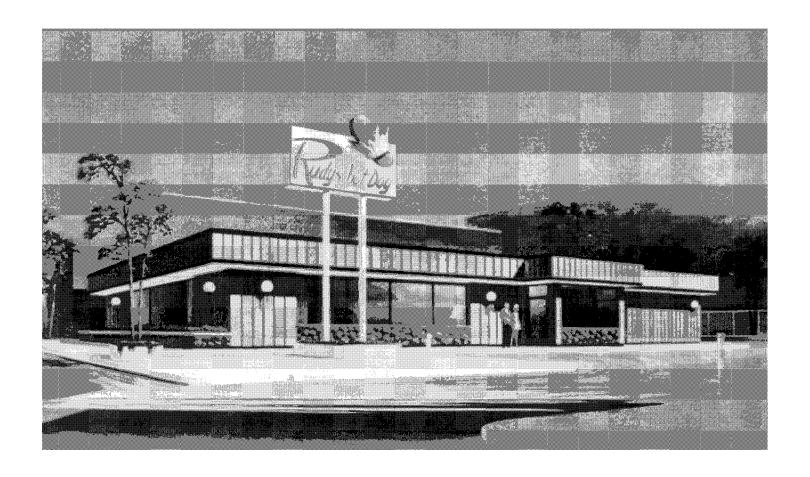
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