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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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#### Dear Parish Family and Friends,

As I write this message to you my mind is flooded with many different thoughts. I think about the current situation that we find ourselves in. I think about the challenges that we have faced. I think about what ministry will look like as we prepare for September. My mind is also drawn to the bright spots that were witnessed during these days. I am reminded about the fact that you, as a community, did a lot of meaningful ministry during this difficult time.

You as a community were able to worship. You were able to worship in your homes because of, as Monny wrote, our unsung hero Gene Haberman. You as a community had sound leadership through the efforts of Emmanuel Yakumithis and the entire Parish Council. The Philoptochos continued to do its wonderful outreach to those in need. The parish food pantry, run by both the Daughters of Penelope and Philoptochos, was able to help our neighbors with food during these difficult times. Our Holy Friday and Easter worship experience was enhanced by the wonderful tea lights the Daughters of Penelope offered again this year. This year they not only symbolized our departed loved ones, but were lit again on Holy Pascha as a reminder of your presence at this year's Anastasis service. Parishioners were making and donating masks, of which, we were able to give over 50 away to those who needed them. Our youth kept meeting weekly and monthly through Zoom. You, the members of our wonderful Cathedral, never forgot to give. Everyone continued to offer what they could so we could continue to do God's work in Toledo.

I think everyone can see there is a theme in my words, all of this is because of you working together. In order for us to keep moving forward we must keep working together. Our unity must not only be with each other but with Christ as well. This month we celebrate another feast of the Virgin Mary. She is our greatest saint because she worked with God to do His will. We call this synergy. This is our call as well. Here is what St John Chrysostom says, "A man's readiness and commitment are not enough if he does not enjoy help from above as well; equally help from above is no benefit to us unless there is also commitment and readiness on our part." We must continue to commit to work with our Lord as we keep moving forward.

My parish family in Christ, I want to end by saying thank you. Thank you for all your love and all the hard work you have offered. In this month's ECHO You will see what we have done the last few months through word and some pictures. You will read what we hope to do as well. It only happens if we remember to keep cooperating with each other and most importantly our Lord and Savior.

In Christ,

Father Larry Legakis

## HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CALENDAR

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#### **BIRTHS**

Babies Payton Ann & Brooklyn Paige born April 12, 2020 to parents Jamie & Christine Swartz

Baby Georgia Rose born May 24, 2020 to parents Robert & Ali Zink

Baby Despina born May 2, 2020 to parents Jacob & Alexis (Kountouris) Weaks

#### **BAPTISM**

Antonis Harwood – May 30, 20202 Parents: Anthony & Christina Harwood Sponsors: Jaime & Spiros Theodorou

#### APRIL ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to: Hristos & Georgia Rongakis – 39 years Michael & Linda Cleveland – 21 years

#### **MAY ANNIVERSARIES**

Congratulations to: Gust & Liberty Elmer – 61 years Michael & Cynthia Peslikis - 57 years Kyp & Yiota Proestos – 48 years George & Dina Bekos – 46 years Tom & Angie Bohland – 37 years Michael & Joanne Zink - 32 years Steve & Penny Jenkins – 27 years Rich & Venetia Wurst - 27 years Michael & Karen George - 26 years George & Christine Veronie – 24 years Christos & Aleca Kamilaris – 22 years Michael & Christina Temple - 20 years Todd Miller & Dr. Anne Marie Wolfe - 18 yrs Pete & Elizabeth Theodorou - 18 years Spiros & Jaime Theodorou – 13 years Jason & Alexia Hickman - 9 years John & Nicole Ohler - 7 years Anthony & Christina Harwood - 5 years Robert & Aly Zink - 3 years Jamie & Christine Swartz – 2 years

#### JUNE ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to:

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Congratulations to:

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Christina Charalambidou – 40 days Pauline T. Photos Kambour - 40 days Savvas Moraitis – 40 days Konstantinos (Gus) Tsapranis - 40 days John Veronie – 40 days George Mulopulos - 40 days Argero (Irene) Kitrenos - 40 days Marika Lefas – 7 months Ilias Bekos - 1 year Costas Christides - 1 year Mary Tokles - 1 year Julie Ellen − 3 ½ years John Voudouris - 5 years

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Mr. Frixos Stylianides & Nancy

#### IN MEMORY OF IRENE KITRENOS

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

Ms. Kathy Andros

#### IN MEMORY OF FR. JOHN MOUTAFIS

Mrs. Despina Pelphrey

#### **DEATHS ELSEWHERE:**

Ka'lynn Deason of Toledo

George Kentris of Columbus, Ohio

#### Maria Stylianou of Greece

(Frixos Stylianides' mother)

May Their Memory Be Eternal

DITTE A SUPERD ODE LEON CHRISTON APPLANTA

Philoptochos News by Pattie Senerius

It is so good to start getting back to some level of normalcy. When we started on this journey, we had so many unknowns and the information was changing daily. We moved quickly to work within the confines of the law and the church. Our parish was very proactive and was a model for other parishes in the Metropolis and Archdiocese. This is only because we, as a community, worked together, accepted the situation and continued to try and stay true to our mission.

I would be remiss if I didn't thank Father Larry for his spiritual leadership during this pandemic. Father and I spoke as often as 8-10 times a day during the early stages of the situation. He was asking a lot of questions but accepted the realities and worked to be as accessible as possible.

Our real unsung hero (and the word hero is not strong enough) was Gene Haberman. Through Gene's efforts we all stayed connected to our beloved Holy Trinity through the internet. Gene never complained. He never missed a service, was always available for calls or technical issues and set an example of what an exemplary steward is. Words cannot express our gratitude for all of his efforts.

Due to the situation, we made the decision to postpone our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Greek American Festival. We are moving forward with plans for a scaled down, drive through event that we are calling "A Taste of Greece". This event is to keep the weekend tied to our community and to raise funds without the high overhead that is required for the festival. We determined that the risk outweighed the benefits of a full blown festival because of social distancing, possible shut downs in the fall, and a number of other factors. We will provide a limited, set menu that we believe the public will enjoy. We will provide more details as they become available.

On behalf of the Parish Council, I would like to thank you all for your generosity during these tough times. We have been blessed with generous parishioners who give of their time, talents and treasures. Talking with other council presidents and priests from within our Metropolis, many are struggling because they have not focused on Stewardship up to now. They focused on other sources of income such as hall rentals, catering or even schools. With the shut downs that occurred, some parishes lost over 70% of their income and are in dire straits.

As we incrementally open things back up, I look forward to seeing you all very soon.

#### PHILANTHROPY FOR GENERATIONS

Our lives have really changed since March due to the Covid 19 Pandemic. Little did we know how much our lives would change! Social events, philanthropic projects and all other planned events came to a halt. Face to face activities are not possible. Masks, quarantine, social distancing and updates became the new normal. Social media, phone calls, FaceTime, Zoom and emails became our lifeline. Virtual hugs, help, love, hope and faith give us courage and help us get through the long days. We hope your families have adjusted and endured the Pandemic without illness. We all have to make sure that we continue social distancing, wearing our masks and making sure we are staying safe. There is nothing we can't get through together!

In spite of all the changes, Philoptochos has continued with its philanthropic projects. Food Pantry donations were delivered to the Madonna Homes. Personal hygiene items were delivered to H.O.O.V.E.S (Healing of our Veterans Equine Service). A \$2000 donation was given to the Cathedral's Needy Family Fund. Four scholarships (\$1000 each) were given to Demetrius Rousos, George Spillson, Logan Theodorou and Alex Yakumithis. Congratulations and many successes in your future endeavors. We have kept in touch with our home bound parishioners with a card and note. The Metropolis No Show Event Celebrating Women fundraiser was a success. Those of you who made a donation to this project will find the names displayed on the Metropolis Facebook page. Philoptochos sponsored a Pandemic Drive collecting food, personal hygiene items, cleaning supplies and school supplies to benefit The United Way and Lucas County Children's Services. Ham and cheese sandwiches and chips were delivered to the Madonna Homes (144) and to St. Paul's Mission (40). This was underwritten by Jerry and Pauline Biernacki. Thank you to Olympia Ntakos and Ann Mulopulos for all their help. Also, a \$100 donation was sent in support of Officer Anthony Dia, a Toledo police officer murdered in the line of duty. Today and every day there is always some good.

Mother's Day and Father's Day couldn't be celebrated but we honor our fathers and mothers for their courage, dedication and determination. We wish all of you joy and love. Our parents created so many loving memories that will forever be in our hearts. We extend our condolences to the Georgia Karahalios family. May her memory be eternal!

"Give thanks and count your blessings. There are so many ahead."

#### KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS by Faye Haberman

You may have heard that Kroger discontinued their Community Rewards program, but they are merely rumors! Kroger has eliminated the Rewards information at the bottom of your receipt, because of COVID-19. Philoptochos continues to participate in the Kroger Community Rewards fundraiser program.

Recently, a quarterly cycle ended April 30, 2020. The total earnings for that cycle were \$524.60.

If you wish to enroll in Kroger Rewards, please, visit our Church website and look for the Kroger Rewards link under 'Church News'. This page will guide you and provide the opportunity of going directly to the Kroger Rewards link.

Click on "Create an Account" and follow the prompts. Our name is Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Philoptochos and our ID# is CM658.

Please, make sure your phone number is listed under the **ALT ID** section. Also, a reminder that you do not need to re-enroll every year. You are automatically reenrolled and do not need to do anything. Just keep your account information updated.

Philoptochos thanks all of you for participating in this *Profitable, Painless, and Perpetual* fundraiser.

#### Holy Trinity Pantry Ministry

Hello Holy Trinity Parishioners! We are so excited that the Pantry Ministry has continued to serve people who are in need during this unprecedented pandemic. Multiple donations of food and hygiene items have been made in the past few months, and the Pantry is currently restocking its shelves. At this time, the following items are most needed: shampoo, body soap, cereal, pre-made meals in a can, and boxed meals like mac 'n' cheese and Hamburger Helper. As needs change, the list will be updated in the Weekly Bulletin.

Please continue to drop your donated hygiene and nonperishable food items in the Church Community Hall. Please label donations for the Pantry and call the church office prior to dropping your items off. Monetary donations are always welcome, and checks can be made out to Daughters of Penelope with "Pantry" written in the notation. We thank you for making our Holy Trinity Pantry Ministry a success!

Youth Greek School and Adult Language Class, end of the year Report for 2019-2020, by Dawn-Avgi Anagnos, Instructor and Director.

It was another enjoyable year in Youth Greek School and Greek Language Adult Class. May 17<sup>th</sup> was our Graduation Day for our School Year 2019-2020 but due to the Coronavirus Pandemic we moved to June 14<sup>th</sup> and we e-mailed the end of the year certificates to the students. Our Classes offer the opportunity to obtain

endless knowledge about the Greek Language. We study reading, writing and conversation. We really enjoy discussing about all aspects of Civilization, Greek History, Mythology, Customs and Cooking. We also like to talk about planning trips to Greece and Cyprus and share memories of past adventures in Greece and Cyprus. Due to the Coronavirus Pandemic nobody is traveling to Greece and Cyprus at this time. Two of our Adult Class Students passed the Ellinomathea test #2 with Arista. Our warmest congratulations to Gary Varney and Don Isenhath. Let's hope in the future we will have more students participate.

An essay will follow below from the Greek Language Adult Class, During the school year, the Greek School Students celebrated the OXI DAY of October 28th 1940 and the Greek Letters and Three Hierarchs Day January 30<sup>th</sup>. We did not celebrate anything else due to the Coronavirus Pandemic. Many thanks and warmest congratulations to the students who participated: Gary Varney; Don Isenhath; Jessica Williams; Marianna Temple; Alexandra, Mariam and Andreana Xenofontos; Electra Hickman; Vasilia and Loukia Legakis; Evvie and Gus Jackson; Nikkos Theodorou; Olivia and Sophia Harrigan; Amalia and Zoe Bollin; Kalli McCullough; Savvas Moraitis; student speaker of the Adult Class Polyvios (Paul) Belazis; our Kindergarten and First Grade Assistant Teacher Mrs. Elena Xenofontos; and the flag bearers. Many thanks to those who helped take photos - Maria Tzanakis, Joyce and George Anagnos, and to all those who helped with the coffee hours. We wish all of you a pleasant summer and a good upcoming year 2020-2021. You may call our church office for any questions at (419) 243-9189 or myself (419) 476-0522 about our Greek School. We would like to thank also our Priest Fr. Larry Legakis, our President Council President Emmanuel T. Yakumithis, our parishioners, the parents, and students for supporting our beloved Greek School. We accept students 5+ years of age. Classes are held in the Community Center every Wednesday 4:00-6:00pm for the Youth, 6:00-9:00pm for the Adults, and Sundays for the Youth 12:15-1:15pm after Sunday School. We pray the new school year will start in September, and a letter will be sent out with the registration. The classes are free to our church members and only \$100 for the full year for the nonmembers. When you attend as a family, a discount is offered. Have a healthy, pleasant summer.

#### Ahepa Chapter #118 News by Tony Capranica

Our regular meetings are held September thru June on the first Thursday of each month. Unfortunately, because of the current restrictions on larger groups meeting, the rest of our year will look very different.

Ypsilanti had a great loss this past month. Our sitting president George Arvanitis passed away.

George has been a very important part of our chapter in so many ways. He was responsible for the chapter along with the Daughters to organize the Apokriatiko that we have celebrated the last two years. George was involved in every function sponsored by the chapter. When we had a membership drive dinner George donated the lamb shanks. He also donated a portion of his winnings from this past Super Bowl block raffle. He will be missed.

We were not able to have our AHEPA service for George as we usually do, but the family is planning a celebration of life for George later and we will celebrate George's AHEPA life at that point. May George's memory be eternal.

As mentioned, our year will look different this year. We cancelled our annual Memorial Golf Outing because of the pandemic. We tentatively have scheduled Brandywine for the end of September. The committee is considering a smaller outing with no sponsors. We'll plan on honoring Fr. Chris at next year's outing planning it for June 2021. Watch for more information on the outing.

Both the District and National conventions were cancelled this year and the Buckeye Scholarship Foundation decided not to award scholarships this year.

As far as when we begin having meetings again, the officers will base that on state and local authorities' recommendations for group gatherings. We will continue to monitor the situation and notify all the brothers when meetings are safe to hold. Congratulations to the following students who were honored on Scholarship Sunday...

Logan Theodorou

AHEPA 118 Scholarship \$2,000

George Spillson

Ypsilanti 118 Chapter Scholarship \$1,000

Alexander Yakumithis

Ypsilanti 118 Service Award \$500

Gus County Athletic Award \$100 Dick's gift card

As always, Ypsilanti #118 is looking for new members and encouraging former brothers to rejoin. For more information, checkout

www.buckeyedistrict11.org or www.ahepa.org.

BYZANTINE MUSIC FELLOWSHIP remains on "hiatus" but we invite everyone to sing along from home, or join in-person services as able. Stay well!

#### Daughters of Penelope News - by Stacia Dimit

Greetings from Dodona Chapter #24 Daughters of Penelope!

The May meeting was held on-line via Zoom on May 14, 2020. The meeting went very well and the necessary work was accomplished. However, meetings are more fun when we can get together in person to socialize and we look forward to the time when our regular dinner meetings are possible.

The Daughters presented two scholarships to graduating high school seniors this year: George Spillson won the \$1000 Academic Achievement Award and Alex Yakumithis won the \$500 Service Award. Congratulations to both award recipients. We wish you much success and happiness in your future education and career plans. Thank you to the members of the scholarship committee for your efforts: Sisters Marian Capranica, Connie Mynihan, Janis Plomaritis and JoAnn Cook.

This year's annual NAMI Walk was held as a virtual walk on May 30, 2020. Our Team was chaired by Sister Alexia Hickman and our Team name was Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Community. We raised \$310 for the organization. The National Alliance on Mental Illness (NAMI) is a national organization that promotes care and research for mental illness. Thank you Alexia for all your efforts and also thank you to everyone who donated and participated.

Due to Covid-19, the March Madness basketball tournament was cancelled. A 50/50 Raffle chaired by Sister Marina Cooper was held in place of our usual March Madness Fundraiser. Congratulations to the winner of the raffle, Sister Sophie Stathopoulos. Thank you Sister Marina for your hard work and dedication to make this a successful fundraiser again this year even without the tournament.

Although the Spring Bake Sale was cancelled due to Covid-19, we are offering: phyllo dough (2 packages for \$5) and koulourakia (6 for \$3.00). To place an order, please contact either Connie Mynihan at 419-250-4899 or Marina Cooper at 419-343-2203. Please do not call the church office to order. Checks should be made payable to Daughters of Penelope. Exact cash will also be accepted (we are sorry that no change is available).

With great sadness we extend our most sincere sympathy to the family of George Arvanitis for the loss of our Ahepan brother and esteemed Ahepan President.

The priority for each of us is to stay safe and to help keep our loved ones and community members safe too! Again, we look forward to getting together in person when we are able to do so.

#### Young at Heart News by Becky Skiadas

Hello to everyone. I miss seeing all of you and I'm sure all of you feel the same.

Even though we could not attend church on May 28th YAH honored our deceased members with a Trisagion and it was on live stream.

It is with a very heavy heart that we lost another beautiful soul from YAH, my sweet cousin George Arvanitis. He passed away at work of a massive heart attack. We will miss his humor, his kindness, doing Karaoke at our picnics, and choir will also miss him. He loved coming to YAH and he enjoyed all of you. To my sweet cuz - Memory Eternal.

There are many Birthdays in July and August so I want to wish everyone celebrating to enjoy your day with love and happiness.

Those celebrating Anniversaries I wish you many more years of love and happiness!

Please stay safe and always wear your mask. Your President me, and your Vice President Nitsa are both had back surgeries – mine was July 20 and Nitsa's was July 23.

Till we meet again I send you hugs and love!!

#### Holy Trinity Cookbook by Phyllis Manton

Greetings and happy summer. This has been a challenging time for all of us in different ways. Managing ourselves, children, parents, pets can get difficult. The separation we have faced has been heart wrenching at times. I hope that everyone is healthy as that is our greatest gift.

Summertime gives us an abundance we don't have in the winter and certainly there are green things growing in our yards that we may have overlooked. I am talking about weeds. Dandelions, Purslane and Amaranth are edible and delicious. Greeks know them as *radikia*, *glystrides*, *and vlita*. With most greens they have vitamin A, C, and K. Purslane is packed with beta-carotene, Vitamin E and Omega 3 fatty acids. Purslane is great is salads or by itself. My cousin Philie makes them with yogurt. With many Greek recipes, amounts are not measured. A handful of trimmed washed purslane, well drained, finely chopped garlic, plain yogurt, vinegar, and salt to taste. One caveat... pick these wild greens from places that are not sprayed with herbicides or pesticides. Good health to everyone and enjoy the sunshine.

#### Stewardship Update by Kathy Chaka

#### A Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven

As August arrives, and being a teacher by profession, I always feel like the summer is quickly slipping away. I usually try to get in as much fun and memorable moments as I can before the school year starts. But this

summer of course has been different...Vacation plans and parties were changed, and the most important thing to everyone that I've talked to has been to reconnect safely with loved ones, friends, and our beloved Holy Trinity.

To that end, it is good to see that Phase II of our reopening of the Cathedral has been going well and a blessing for all who yearn for a return to normalcy. You will also be excited to hear that our 2020 Stewardship Campaign is holding its own. As I stated in the letter that I sent to everyone earlier this summer, despite the inevitable drop in candle and tray donations, and other "in Church" contributions, Stewardship numbers continue to grow. Currently there are 240 Stewards pledging/giving \$219,131 and amount paid to date is 153,478. This puts us on track towards achieving our 2020 Stewardship Campaign goal of \$250,000 and hopefully surpassing it for the third year in a row!

It must also be said however, that with no festival this year, we find ourselves in unchartered waters. We have traditionally relied on our festival to supplement our Stewardship program. Clearly, a more proactive way to run a Church is to have the Stewardship program bring in the majority of the operating funds, while the proceeds from the festival should be used to "repair, renovate, and grow", the Church so that it can continue to be an outreach ministry for the community. It is a blessing that last year's festival was very successful. Couple that with the hopeful success of our upcoming drive-through event, *Taste of Greece*, and we are cautiously optimistic that we can ride this storm to its end.

In closing, it is a very comforting feeling, through all this uncertainty, to know that our beloved Holy Trinity has been right here waiting for our return. In fact, it's always been 'right here' for over 100 years because of all of its Parishioners who love and support it. It is said that, "Optimism is the faith that leads to achievement." Now, more than ever, we must try and be optimistic and keep our faith strong. Please continue to support the Church by completing your 2020 Stewardship pledge. For those many Stewards who are still prayerfully considering how and when to fill out their 2020 Stewardship Commitment Card, the time is now. We encourage you to consider God's many bountiful blessings to your family; and we challenge every Steward, new and old, to increase their financial commitment to Holy Trinity Cathedral.

"The Stewardship committee would like to extend our condolences to the family of George Arvanitis. Our dear friend George was a member of the Stewardship committee for many years and his hard work and service to Holy Trinity will be greatly missed. He was truly an example of what real Stewardship means. May his memory be eternal."

# 2020 Stewardship Update through July 15<sup>th</sup>, 2020 - Our Stewardship goal for 2020 is \$250,000 So far 240 Stewards have pledged/giving \$219,131. Amount Paid is \$153,478 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!

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Mr & Mrs Michael Zink



# "Let the Children Come to Me" HTGGC Monthly Gouth Opdate



#### August 2020

#### Hello Everyone,

I want to start off by thanking Father Larry and the entire Youth Ministry team for their continued efforts to bring our youth together during the COVID shutdown. Knowing that our little ones had and will continue to have a faith connection is so amazing and reassuring.

While in shutdown, our kiddos did some pretty amazing things. Hope and Joy continued to meet monthly, via Zoom. Lessons covered a range of topics from the annual Lenten Retreat, the Feast of the Ascension, and Pentecost. Elena Xenofontos and her team did an amazing job organizing interactive lessons that truly brought the information alive.

GOYA was just as busy. Every Saturday in March, April and May, GOYANS "met "for coffee via Zoom with Father Larry. These virtual meet-ups provided the opportunity to touch base and check-in with our teens. Congrats to all our 2020 Graduates. We wish you the best in your next adventures

Plans for the fall are still unknown as we await guidance from the Metropolitan. But please know, the ministry team will continue to adapt to the situation and provide regular opportunities for meetings.

If you have any ideas or suggestions for virtual meetings, please reach out to the ministry team!

Kelly Proestos & the Ministry Team





#### **Important Dates**

#### GOYA 8/2nd-Pan Orthodox Teen night 8pm. Saint George Woodley







# Cathedral Adult Education Opportunities All education opportunities will be via zoom

#### Cathedral Book Club is Back!!!!

Offered by Father Larry and Presbytera Jenny!

We will finish the study about the "Women in Purple: Rulers of Medieval Byzantium"

by Judith Herrin

Thursday, August 27th at 7 pm

We are also looking ahead to our September Book!!!

For September we will read

"Time and Despondency"

By Nicole M. Roccas

The book is available on Amazon, Ancient Faith Bookstore, Audible, and it will be at our Bookstore.



The Cathedral Bible Study begins August 5<sup>th</sup> morning only and August 19<sup>th</sup> for the evening Study. There will be no study on the 26<sup>th</sup>

Bible Study meets every Wednesday Morning at 10 am and Wednesday evening at 6:30 pm.

We continue with our study of the Books of Acts (Morning) and the Gospel of Saint John (Evening)

#### Men's Group!

Our Men's group will continue to meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of each month. This month please tune into the presentation on Hagia Sophia. September's meeting is September 10<sup>th</sup> 7 pm

#### **Dinner and Discussion with Father Larry**

We continue to meet on the Frist Friday of the Month. This is Friday, August 7th

#### Young Adult Taverna talks

Young Adult meetings are on the Fourth Friday of the month. This month we will meet August 28th

# We are pleased to announce a presentation on Hagia Sophia



### "Reflections on Hagia Sophia: From the past to the present"

This session is offered by Dr. Tom Papademetriou. Dr. Tom is a professor History at Stockton University in New Jersey. Tom is married to our own Dorrie Mulopulos

### Holy Trinity Happenings



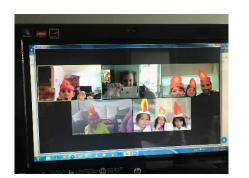






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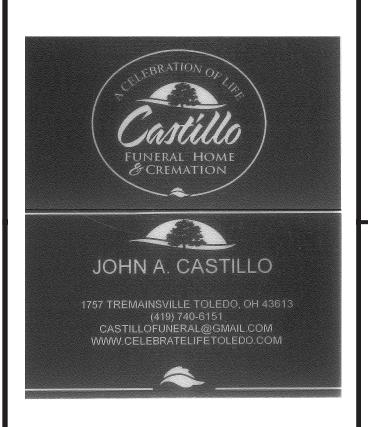
















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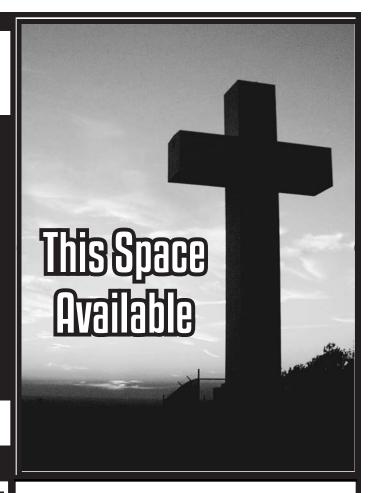
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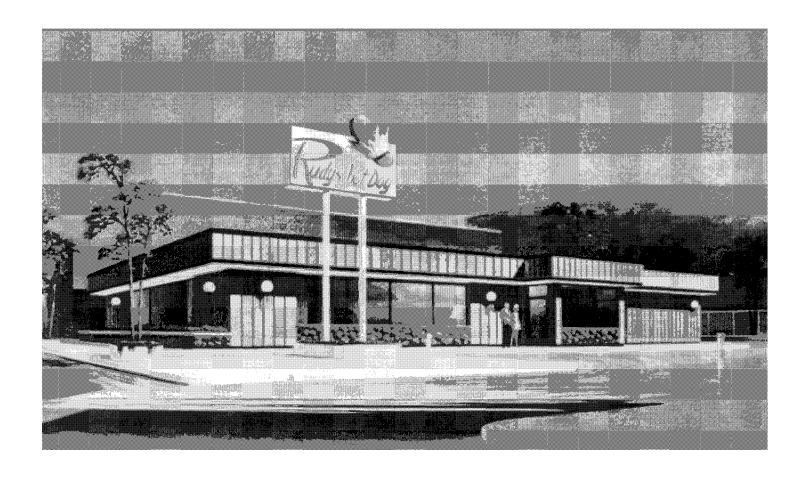
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