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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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Office Hours Monday-Friday 9:00 am - 3:00 p.m.

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

Weekday Divine Liturgy Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.

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

Paraklesis every third Friday 7:00 p.m. – See Echo Calendar or Weekly Bulletin for changes.

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Conversational Greek: Basil Apostolou
AHEPA President: Dimitrios Rongakis
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Bookstore: Marlene Thomas
Liturgical Reader (Greek): Basil Apostolou
Cookbook - Olives Feta Phyllo & More:
Pam Martin

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"Christianity has been the proclamation of joy, of the only possible joy on earth."

(Father Alexander Schmemmann)

Dear Parish Family and Friends,

Christ is Risen!

One of my favorite hymns comes from the Katavasias of Pascha. It is the first ode and every time I hear it there is one word that comes to mind and that is joy. It is fitting that joy is what comes to my mind and heart because this is what our faith is all about.

The hymn says the following: "Resurrection Day! O peoples, let us brilliantly shine! Pascha, the Lord's Pascha! For Christ our God has out of death passed us over into life, and likewise from earth to heaven, as we now sing unto Him a triumphal hymn." Every part of this hymn expresses joy. It is joy in the resurrection. It is joy in the fact that Christ has passed from death to life. It is joy because as we proclaimed on Pascha, death can no longer harm us. This is what was preached throughout the world. This what all of our ministries here at the Cathedral must be full of, this same joy.

Father Alexander Schmemmann once wrote that "Christianity has been the proclamation of joy, of the only possible joy on earth." The world may not always bring us happiness but Christians have joy because of what we just celebrated. Father again says that before we can do things with our "programs and missions, projects and techniques," we "must recover the meaning of this great joy." The work we do is not forced on us but it is done because we want others to know Christ. We want others to know that they are loved. We want others to know that in the world they may problems but Christ has overcome the world. We want others to receive the joy that we have.

My family in Christ, thank you for the joy you bring me. Thank you for proclaiming the joy of our faith through the work that you do. Let us continue the work that God has given us and invite others to receive the same joy that we have.

In Christ,

Father Larry Legakis


HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CALENDAR

May 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
Apr 30	1 6:00 PM Parish Council	2	3 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	4 Daughters meeting and elections Holy Trinity 7:00 PM Ahepa meeting 7pm	5 6:00 PM Dinner & Discussion (Adults)	6 GS Youth Classes
7 Titer memorial	8 6:30 PM Philoptochos Board meeting 7:00 PM Philoptochos General meeting	9	10 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	11 6:00 PM Men's Ministry	12	13 GS Youth Classes Mother's Day Dinner Daughters and Philoptochos
14 Graduate Sunday /GS Certificates Last Day of Sunday School Mother's Day	15	16	17 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	18 6:00 PM Young at Heart	19 7:00 PM Parakesis	20 GS Youth Classes
21 AHEPA Sunday	22	23	24 Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm 12:30 PM Forest Cemetery 1:30 PM Woodland Cemetery	25 9:00 AM Holy Ascension 12:15 PM Willow Cemetery 12:30 PM St. Ignatius 1:30 PM Lake Township 2:30 PM Restlawn	26 Young Adult Taverna Talk 2:00 PM Ottawa Hills	27 GS Youth Classes Parents of Young Children Ministry 10:00 AM Toledo Memorial
28 YAH Memorial + Coffee 4:00 PM GOYA Coffee Talk-Sip	29	30 1:00 PM Warm Hands to Warm Hearts mtg	31 Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	Jun 1	2	3
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HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CALENDAR

June 2023

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28	29	30	May 31	1	2	3
				7:00 PM Ahepa meeting 7pm	6:00 PM Dinner & Discussion (Adults)	9:00 AM Saturday of the Souls - Divine Liturgy
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Tiropita workshop Holy Pentecost	6:00 PM Parish Council 6:30 PM Summer of the Arts		Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	6:00 PM Men's Ministry		GS Youth Classes
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Spanakopita Workshop C. Theodorou - 5 yr Mem. +Coffee	Apostles Fast Begins 6:30 PM Summer of the Arts 6:30 PM Philoptochos Board meeting 7:00 PM Philoptochos		Adult GS Class Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	6:00 PM Young at Heart Picnic	7:00 PM Parakesis	GS Youth Classes
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Dolmathes Workshop Father's Day	6:30 PM Summer of the Arts		Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm		Young Adult Taverna Talk	Parents of Young Children Ministry
25	26	27	28	29	30	Jul 1
Baklava Workshop 4:00 PM GOYA Coffee Talk-Sip	6:30 PM Summer of the Arts	1:00 PM Warm Hands to Warm Hearts mtg	Bible Study 10 am & 6:30 pm	9:00 AM SS. Peter and Paul Orthros 9 am Divine Liturgy 10 am		
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CHURCH REGISTRY

HOSPITALIZED

Tom Ross, Ann Mulopulos, Gust Elmer,
David Mynihan and Jean Kakmis

BAPTISM

Nikolas Michael Yakumithis

April 30, 2023

Parents: Scott Geiger & Anna Maria
Yakumithis Geiger

MAY ANNIVERSARIES

Congratulations to:

Gust & Liberty Elmer – 65 years
Michael & Cynthia Peslikis – 61 years
George & Dina Bekos – 50 years
Kyp & Yiota Proestos – 50 years
Michael & Joanne Zink – 36 years
Brian & Tina MacVay – 33 years
Rich & Venetia Wurst – 31 years
Christos & Aleca Kamilaris – 26 years
Todd Miller & Dr. Anne Marie Wolfe – 22 years
Pete & Elizabeth Theodorou – 22 years
Michael & Christina Temple – 24 years
George & Christine Veronie – 28 years
Spiros & Jaime Theodorou – 17 years
Jason & Alexia Hickman – 13 years
John & Nicole Ohler – 11 years
Anthony & Christna Harwood – 9 years
Robert & Allyson Zink – 7 years
Jamie & Christine Swartz – 6 years

FUNERAL

Andrew George Sares – April 17, 2023
May His Memory Be Eternal

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Richard & Barbara Hartford – 1 year
Elizabeth Papps – 1 year
Pauline Photos Kambour – 3 years
John Veronie – 3 years
Konstantinos Tsapranis – 3 years
May Their Memory Be Eternal

MEMORIAL GIFTS

IN MEMORY OF PHYLLIS BUNDROS

Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos
Dr. & Mrs. Wallace DePue
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel Ibele
The Howard & Shirley Wainer Family

IN MEMORY OF WILLIAM TZANAKIS

Mr. & Mrs. John Deku
Mrs. Irene Kaufman

IN MEMORY OF THEODORA KOKOLAKIS

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

IN MEMORY OF JOHN VERONIE

Mr. & Mrs. David Slaughterbeck

IN MEMORY OF ROBERT PAYEFF

Mrs. Ioanna Payeff
Mr. & Mrs. John Payeff
Ms. Sandra Peters
Ms. Sherri Sherock

IN MEMORY OF NICHOLAS MANCY

Mr. & Mrs. Simon Ray

IN MEMORY OF DEBBIE KOUNTOURIS

Mr. & Mrs. John Spillson

IN MEMORY OF EVANGELIA KARABOGIAS

Mr. Nick Karabogias
Mr. & Mrs. Hristos Rongakis
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Simko

IN MEMORY OF MICHELLE HOFFMAN

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Ross & Dan

IN MEMORY OF PETE, JOHN, GREG & GEORGE MORRIS

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Ross & Dan

IN MEMORY OF MANOLIS & BESSIE PAPUCHIKE

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Ross & Dan

IN MEMORY OF JOHN & ANASTASIA SPILLSON

Mr. & Mrs. John Spillson

IN MEMORY OF PETER & ANNA PETROS

Mr. & Mrs. John Spillson

IN MEMORY OF ALEXANDRA

KOUSTOUMBARDIS

Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

IN MEMORY OF PARASKEVI

ANAGNOSTOPOULOU

Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

IN MEMORY OF NIKOLAOS ADAMS

Mr. & Mrs. George Anagnos

Ms. Joyce Anagnos

IN MEMORY OF JANE VERGETIS

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Bernstein

DEATHS ELSEWHERE

Kalliroi (Theodorou) Elias of Quebec, Canada
Angeliki Demeza, of Greece (Evgenia Matthews'
sister)

May Their Memory Be Eternal

President's Message by Kathy Chaka

Christ Is Risen! Truly He Has Risen! Let me begin by thanking Father Larry for his tireless leadership as he guided us all through our Lenten journey. Your voice and beautiful sermons leading up to, and throughout Holy Week, were a true inspiration! Many thanks and blessings as well to David, our Choir, Altar Boys, Chantors, Tom Photos, Gene Haberman, Drew Cleaver, and of course, Carole and Terry, who all worked together daily and through each service to bring our Lord's Passion to life. A big thank you to our Parish Council for manning the many weekly services leading up to Easter and keeping everything running smoothly. Thank you to our Philoptochos for dyeing 40 dozen eggs and Julie Yakumithis for the beautiful and artistic way she decorates the Kouvouklion every year. Thank you to the Yakumithis and Proestos families for preparing the Sunrise Meal that everyone looks forward to after midnight services. There are so many other people who did their part during Lent and we want you to know how much we appreciate all your efforts. As you can see, it truly takes a village!

I'd also like to thank everyone in our Parish for welcoming our new ministry coordinator, Zach Heller, so warmly to our Parish during Holy Week. Zach's parents told me they were overwhelmed with what a loving and kind Parish we have and how happy they were that their son would be coming here. We look forward to Zach's return where he can really dive into his new position.

Plans are moving forward to begin the process of creating an archival room where we can house the history and memorabilia of our beloved Holy Trinity. Reach out to Chris Zervos if you have any questions about items that you would want to donate to the Church that are historic and would belong in a room such as this. This room will remain locked and protected as it is being designed. Be assured that care and consideration will be given to every item that you donate.

Finally, please join us as we celebrate our youth and the end of another school year! It's amazing to see these young people growing up and beginning their life journeys. Let's show them that their Holy Trinity family will always be here for them no matter where they travel. We will always be home for them... and speaking of home, may God bless all the mothers this coming Mother's Day. Whether

your mom is near or far, or a heavenly mom, let us remember to thank them and say a prayer for all that they have given us.

A Few Parish Highlights...

- **Mother's Day Luncheon:** Members of Philoptochos and Daughters of Penelope will be honoring all the special mothers in all our lives at their annual Mother's Day Luncheon at Georgios on Saturday, May 13th. Come and join in the fun!
- **Graduate Sunday:** Join us in Church on Sunday, May 14th in celebrating our Graduating Seniors and our Sunday School Students as they complete another year of discovering our Orthodox faith.
- **AHEPA Sunday:** AHEPANS will be throwing a delicious luncheon after Church on Sunday May 21st. Watch for tickets to go on sale.

Daughters of Penelope News by Stacia Dimit

Greetings from Dodona Chapter #24 Daughters of Penelope!

The April monthly dinner meeting scheduled for April 6th was not held to enable our members to set up for the Spring Bake Sale. The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 4, 2023 at the Veronie Community Hall. Elections for new officers will be conducted. An email will be sent with the details.

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Good Friday Luminary fundraiser. The luminaries are a beautiful and meaningful way to honor the memory of our deceased loved ones and to honor our living families as well. Thank you to Sisters JoAnn Cook, Marina Cooper, Lori Kamilaris, Connie Mynihan, Despina Pelphrey, and Marlene Thomas and special thanks to community members John Kwiakowski, Peter Mulopolus and Sue Murt for their help on this project. A group effort well done!

Thank you to all of the Daughters of Penelope and Holy Trinity's community members who helped make our Spring Bake Sale a success. Thank you to everyone who supported the bake sale by either buying pastries, attending the baking workshops or by packaging or distributing the

pastries or in any other way helped out. We would not have made it without all your generous support. And especially we would like to thank Sister Connie Mynihan for chairing this project. Her leadership, dedication, and hard work were essential once again this year.

The first Chili Cook Off organized by the Daughters was held on Sunday, April 23rd. More on this event will be reported in next month's Echo.

The Mother's Day luncheon will be held at Georgio's on Saturday, May 13, 2023 from noon to 3 pm. Lunch choices are: Beef Stroganoff, Pastry Wrapped Chicken, and Poached Salmon. Salad, bread, dessert, and coffee/tea are included. Mark your calendars and invite all your lady friends and family! Tickets can still be purchased after church during the coffee hour on May 7th or by May 8th by contacting Nancy Rodgers at 419-460-0965 or Rodgers.nancy4@gmail.com

This year's NAMI (National Alliance for Mental Illness) walk is scheduled for Saturday, May 20th. The event will start at the NAMI Greater Toledo's parking area at 4334 Secor Road, Toledo Ohio 43623. Please go on line at Namiwalks.org to register for the walk or make a donation to this important cause. Our team name is Daughters of Penelope 24 Holy Trinity. Once again, Sister Alexia Hickman is the Chairperson of this event.

AHEPA Day will take place on Sunday, May 21, 2023. The Daughters will join the Ahepans on that day to offer Artoclosia, the blessing of the bread.

Scholarship Sunday will also take place on Sunday, May 21st. Scholarship recipients will be announced and honored.

Membership dues for the current year are \$50 and can be sent to Treasurer Sophie Stathopoulos at 6535 Cornwall Court, Sylvania Ohio 43560.

Ahepa News by Tony Capranica

Our next meeting will be Thursday May 4. Time and location will be sent via email and post card. We will be electing officers at this meeting as well as anyone interested in attending the District Convention as a delegate.

At this year's AHEPA District Convention there is a Sons & Maids Reunion planned for Friday night June 23 starting at 7:00 PM. This year's convention is being held in Warren, OH on June 23-25 and the

function will take place at the St. Demetrios Community Center in Warren. Go to www.buckeyedistrict11.org for complete details. If anyone is interested in representing Ypsilanti 118 as a delegate, please be at our next meeting on May 4 to express your interest.

AHEPA Sunday will take place on May 21. This is a special day given to AHEPA by the Archdiocese of America to express their gratitude to AHEPA for all the good works and support of Greek Orthodox churches throughout the country. We will celebrate with an artoclasia at church and a coffee hour with sandwiches and pastries in the Veronie Community Hall. Please plan to attend church for the Divine Liturgy in support of Ypsilanti 118 and the Order of AHEPA.

The Ann Arbor chapter is having their annual golf outing on Monday May 22 at Eagle Crest Golf Club in Ypsilanti, MI. Format is a four-man scramble. Registration is at 8:00 am with a shotgun start at 9:00 am. The cost is \$125 which includes golf, lunch and dinner. If anyone is interested in attending, please contact Tony Capranica at 419-540-1150.

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.

Greek School News by Dawn Anagnos, Director

On Sunday, March 26, 2023 our Greek School celebrated two important holidays. One is the religious solemnity of The Annunciation when Archangel Gabriel announced to the Virgin Mary that she was God's chosen one to bring into the world His Son, Jesus Christ, the Savior of mankind. The other is a National one, when the Greeks, who had been enslaved by the Turks for 400 years, on March 25, 1821 revolted with whatever means they had, and after a lengthy struggle with the dream of Freedom or Death, they won their Independence. We should all pay our respect and gratitude to the Heroes who fought for the Freedom of Greece and glorified the Greek Nation. The 1821 Greek Revolution is a milestone for Hellenism and one of the most admired achievements of the Greeks.

The Greek Revolution may be over, but constant Vigilance is the price of Freedom. We pray today for our country and for Freedom-Loving People all over the World, and for a just and peaceful solution to the Cyprus Problem, which continues although the Republic of Cyprus in 2023 celebrated its 63rd year since its founding in 1960.

Two years ago, Greece celebrated the Bicentennial of Greek Independence Day. On March 24, 2023 we were honored with the presence of our Honorable Toledo Mayor Wade Kapszukiewicz and Toledo Councilman George Sarantou at the raising of the Greek National Flag at 1 Government Center with many Greeks and Philhellenes present, including AHEPA Ypsilanti 118 and DOP Dodona 24 members.

Our Greek School program began with the choir singing the Doxology and the parade of the Greek, American, and Cypriot Flags and Exapteriga held by Andrew Ellis, Daniel Ellis, Costa Matthews, Liam McCullough, and Jackson Simko, followed by the presenters. The choir led the singing of the Greek and American National Anthems. Thank you to Fr. Larry for then leading us in a prayer for the celebration.

Our warmest congratulations to Adult Greek School student Don Isenhath for informative speeches, in both Greek and English, about the Annunciation and the struggle for Greek Independence. We also thank Presvytera Jenny Legakis for identifying the many American Philhellenes who inspired those who made the Greek Revolution of 1821 possible. God Bless the United States of America! Ζήτω το 1821! Ζήτω η Ελλάδα!

We thank our students who recited National poems in Greek: Vasilia and Lukia Legakis with «Το Κρυφό Σχολειό» and «Το Φεγγαράκι μου Λαμπρό» about the resilience of Greek Schools and of children during the years of Turkish oppression; and Jessica Williams with «Ο Θούριος του Πήγα Φεραίου» and «Λίγα λόγια για την Μπουμπουλίνα» about the inspiring, patriotic words of Rigas Feraeus and of the heroism and sacrifice of Laskarina Bouboulina, the wealthy widow of a sea captain and patriot.

Thank you to George and Joyce Anagnos for their ongoing support to make Greek School remote learning through Zoom possible, to Gene Haberman

for recording the program for the church YouTube channel, to Kristin Zink and Maria Tzanakis for taking photos, to the choir for their beautiful singing, and to everyone who made this program possible. Thank you to Fr. Larry, Parish Council, and the parish for their continued support for Holy Trinity Toledo Greek School.

Happy Easter to all! Καλό Πάσχα και Χρόνια Πολλά!

*Warm Hands to Warm Hearts by
Dorothy Yakumithis*

Christos Anesti from Warm Hands to Warm Hearts (WHWH). As you may have heard, we donated **75** lap blankets to residents of Divine Rehabilitation of Sylvania in March. What a blessing!

That means **1,875 rectangles (7x9 inches each)** were crocheted or knitted and sewn together by members of WHWH. In addition, **14 baby blankets** were presented to Fr. Larry. He distributes these to our youngest church members at the 40 Days Blessing or at their Baptism. We want these precious ones to feel they are wrapped in love **from their Holy Trinity family.**

In addition, we are pleased to share that our last several meetings have been attended by some new faces. We are thrilled and welcome all warm hands and hearts to join us. We also want to **thank and recognize** those of you who participate behind the scenes by sending in completed rectangles, donating yarn, and/or sewing pieces together into lap blankets. **We are a team** whether we are together or apart. When we come together in whatever ways we can to share our time and talents, **we can achieve great things to honor and glorify God.** Our everyday lives become acts of worship to God as we honor Him by helping others. Many warm hands working together make more lap blankets for those in need!

The season of garage, rummage, and estate sales is upon us. Please be on the lookout for any yarn that you may find while you are shopping for treasures. **We would certainly appreciate any and all donations.** Mark your calendars; **we meet on the last Tuesday of every month** in the Ahepa Room of the Veronie Community Hall **from 1:00 to 3:00.** Remember, you do not need to know how to crochet or knit to make a contribution. We have

jobs for all skill levels. Consider joining us. Doing so will warm your heart!

For Questions contact Dorothy Yakumithis 419-867-0734, Maria Petros 419-473-2387, or Elena Perry 419-265-6275.

Holy Trinity Greek Kitchen by Connie Mynihan

Christos Anesti

I would like to thank all the hard work our ladies and gentlemen have done. Especially when I was hospitalized. Thank you so much.

Order now and have your baking needs ready for graduation parties, bridal showers, baby showers, weddings, or any type of get together.

Twenty-four pieces of delicious

Baklava - \$30.00

Chocolate Baklava - \$30.00

Spanakopita - \$20.00

Tiropita - \$20.00

Twelve pieces of Galatobouriko – \$15.00

Orders can be prepared quickly so please contact Connie Mynihan at 419-250-4899 or email: cmynihan5@gmail.com

Remember all proceeds go to Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral.

Parents of Young Children (POYC)
by Leah Simko

For the month of April, our parents hosted the annual pancake breakfast on Holy Saturday for children, parents and grandparents. It was a wonderful gathering and I'm so grateful for those who help make this a success year after year.

Our May gathering will be taking place on Saturday, May 13 at 6:00 pm. Please save the date. More details to come on our Facebook page "Holy Trinity Toledo POYC" or you can email rongakis@gmail.com for additional information.

Men's Ministry by Matt Simko

A reminder that Men's Ministry will be meeting Thursday, May 11 at 6:30 p.m. as we continue to discuss our ongoing topic of Masculinity. Weather permitting, we try to meet at a member's home for at least the discussion portion of the meeting. Spring has given us some beautiful evenings, so we will watch the weather map to see if we can be outdoors again.

I will email a few days before to set the location of dinner and discussion. An RSVP is not required, it does give us a count on a dinner reservation. If you would like to be added to the group email or know someone who would be interested in joining, please contact me at matthewsimko@gmail.com.

Stewardship Report by Matt Simko

Currently we are in the middle of the second quarter of our stewardship campaign and we continue to be similarly situated to overall giving compared to last year. For this, we are blessed and grateful.

However, while current giving is similar by comparison, the number of pledged stewards and the amount pledged is significantly less than the total number of pledges and amount collected by the end of last year. That means that many people who normally pledge have not done so.

It is incumbent upon each member of the church to make a pledge and making your pledge early is critical to the health and functioning of the church and its ministries. Consequently, by the end of the second quarter, the Stewardship Committee will reach out to thank those who have pledged, contact those who have historically pledged, but have not done so, and to reach out to non-pledging members. If you have any questions about this, please do not hesitate to ask.

2023 Stewardship Update through April 20, 2023 - Our Stewardship goal for 2023 is \$275,000

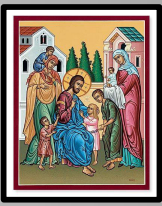
So far 173 Stewards have pledged for a total of \$213,181

**Please prayerfully consider the needs of our Parish and do your best to give in 2023
at least the same in Stewardship as last year.**

Mr & Mrs George Anagnos
Ms Joyce Anagnos
Ms Kathy Andros
Mr & Mrs John Andujar
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HTGCC Monthly Youth Update



May 2023

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Summer of the Arts 2023!



June 5, 2023

Important Dates:

GOYA

28th: Coffee Talk and BBQ
and the Legakis home 4 pm

HOPE/JOY

21st: Fellowship Meeting

Hellenic Dance Company

May 7th Hellenic Dancers
dance at Greek
Independence Day Parade.

Sunday School

May 14th: Sunday School
Graduation



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Dinner and Discussion

Our next meeting will be on May 12th

6 pm at Spicy Tuna

Contact Maria Tzanakis at metzanakis@hotmail.com to RSVP



All Classes will meet on Tuesday and Wednesday

The morning class will meet Tuesday at 10 am

The evening study will meet Wednesday at 7 pm

We will continue with Saint Paul's Letter to the Romans

Holy Trinity Happenings April 2023

Greek School Independence Day Program



Aurora House Cooking Class

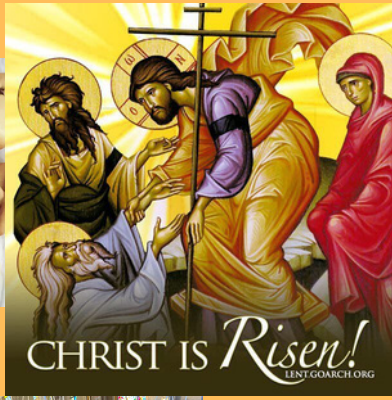


Warm Hands to Warm Hearts



Holy Trinity Pascha 2023

Saturday of Lazarus



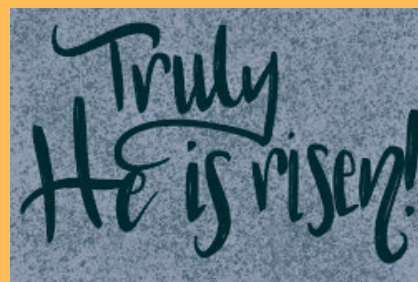
Holy Friday Retreat



Holy Friday Night



Holy Saturday Morning





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JORDAN: 4 Nights

Visit Christ's baptismal site and celebrate the Epiphany on the Jordan River and our awe-inspiring church and monastery and enjoy a private audience with H.E. Metropolitan Benedict (subject to confirmation). Also, visit the town of Madaba and the Greek Orthodox Church there with the ancient Byzantine mosaic of the Holy Land. No visit to Jordan would be complete without Petra, one of the great wonders of the world. Additional sites included are: Kerak with its labyrinth Crusader castle that dominates this walled city and Mt. Nebo. Take a jeep ride through the spectacular landscapes in Wadi Rum and observe the lunar-like rock formations. Watch the sun set in the desert and overnight in a desert camp! Enjoy a day in Aqaba and see the Red Sea.



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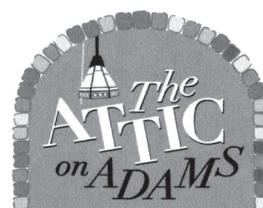
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