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PRESIDENTS LETTER

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Where has the first half of 2012 gone? Time continues to sail by. It seems like yesterday we were watching the ball in Times Square come down for the beginning of 2012. I know we all say where have the years gone and this year doesn't seem any different. Time stands still for no one.

I wanted to update you on our largest fundraiser of the year: Our GLENDI. Once again, we had a very productive meeting in the community center on the evening of June 18th. The GLENDI Ad Book is rolling along and we have 10 paid sponsors for this year's festival. This is an all time high. Our sponsors include: Manchester Harley-Davidson, Auto Fair, Spectrum Monthly, Anagnost Companies, Bedford Ambulatory, Apple Therapy, Cross Insurance, NH Motor Speedway, Phaneuf Funeral Home, and the Radisson Hotel. Also our paid media sponsors include WMUR, WGIR, WZID, Union Leader, and HIPPO PRESS. It is not too late to purchase an ad and the deadline has been extended to July 18, 2012. The cooking has been going well and on behalf of the church community, I want to extend a big thanks to all the parishioners that have assisted with the cooking and will be assisting with the cooking over the summer months. We are always looking for additional volunteers for GLENDI so if you would like to volunteer even for a three hour shift, you would greatly assist with the success of our festival. I hope you will consider my request.

As you know, our summer vacation camp will take place from August 6th-August 10th from 9am-12:30pm for youth between the ages of 4-12 years old. The cost is \$30.00 and includes lunch and a camp tee shirt. I want to extend my deepest thanks to Kelly McKnight and the staff for all their hard work on this year's youth camp.

I also wanted to address the Outreach Program. One of the most important aspects of church life is tending to our church members who have supported the church financially and through their volunteer efforts and are now in their senior years and are in need of our help. The church should be there for them as they stood by the church throughout their lives. If you would like to volunteer in our effort to reach out to shut-ins, those members who have been hospitalized, or those who are in need of services, please contact Father Andrew, myself, or the church office and let us know. I will address this further in upcoming newsletters.

In closing I want to once again offer my sincerest thanks to

all of you for all your support throughout the first half of the year. I know working together collectively and cooperatively there is no limit as to what we can accomplish together on behalf of our beloved church community.

Sincerely yours,

George Copadis

George N. Copadis

President, Board of Directors

FATHER ANDREW'S MESSAGE

"Behold, how good and pleasant it is for brothers (and sisters) to dwell together in unity." (Psalm 132:1)

I remember this Psalm from the Presanctified Liturgy we serve ONLY during Great Lent. For Eastern Orthodox Christians (**for us**) it is a time of reflection and repentance. It is a time to review where we are and where we are going. It is a very important time to focus our attention on our praxis, our goal. For Eastern Orthodox Christians (**for us**) that goal is the Kingdom of God, which is NOW.

In Old Testament times it was a hymn that was sung by the faithful, in unison, as they traveled from great distances up to Jerusalem for the Feast of Passover, Pentecost and Tabernacles. Eastern Orthodox Christians use these psalms and hymns as we travel through Great Lent toward Paschal, the New Passover.

It almost seems as though this is being prepared for the beginning of Great Lent, but that is not the case. I am on some much needed vacation time, visiting with my daughters in Oregon. This time away from the epicenter of parish activity has given me some time to reflect on the controversy that has been disrupting and dividing the Body of Christ at Saint George Cathedral. The Body of Christ here is made up of all the members of our parish community.

I am not only **the priest** of the parish. I am also a **member** of Saint George Cathedral. And as such I could take a stand on what I might think is right or wrong, correct or incorrect about the various positions that have been taken. I, however, choose not to go there or do that. My primary concern

is what all of this dissension is doing to the unity of the Body of Christ, our parish family, here at Saint George Cathedral.

I begin my eighth year here at Saint George Cathedral on August 20th of this year. When I came here it was my understanding that I was being assigned as the priest of Saint George Cathedral family. It was NOT my understanding that I was being assigned to a Hellenic Association that had a church as one of its philanthropic arms. I was aware of the long term history of controversy over the many, many differing perspectives of the "separation of church and Church" philosophy. I was not, however, aware that after over one hundred years and successive generations of public and religious education, I would find very little indication of an enlightened membership.

The purpose of the Eastern Orthodox Christian Church is the spiritual edification of the faithful and the appropriate ways we might employ to travel this life on the way to the Kingdom of God.

I realize that we all have differing philosophies about so many things. We cannot, however, have extremely divergent opinions about our Eastern Orthodox way of life and interpretation of Scripture and the Tradition of the Church. We really need to be pretty much on the same chapter, if not the same page regarding the Church and the local congregation (parish community).

We once had over one thousand families. Today we have just over just over five hundred family units. Then and now many of these families were and are not very active. And that is bound to happen, regardless of local circumstances. We have, however, added to the reasons many use for not participating by continuously stirring up controversy about things that have nothing to do with our daily struggles on the difficult road to God's heavenly, peaceful Kingdom.

When we allow ourselves to be dragged into unprofitable debates, petition directed controversies and unchristian attitudes toward each other and the Church (and the church); we provide fuel to the evil one. We keep him, not God, happy with the distraction he requires so that we cannot and do not focus on the purpose of our relationship with each other and the entire Christian family. Our purpose, as Eastern Orthodox Christians, is to journey TOGETHER towards the Kingdom of God.

I am asking you, as your priest, to **"avoid foolish disputes... contentions, and strivings about the law. For they are unprofitable and useless."** (Titus 3:9) It only continues to frag-

ment the local body of Christ, the local parish, and divides us as a family. Instead, I ask you to focus on God's Word, the teachings of the Fathers of the Church, the sacramental life, which includes the Divine Liturgy and participation in the Eucharist (Holy Communion). These are the things that will help us live at peace with ourselves, with God and each other.

If we do not and have not learned from history, we are bound to repeat it. That is what is happening to us at this time. Do not allow yourselves to get "sucked into" the unhappy, unchristian and destructive vortex of those whose purpose is not to serve the Church or the church, but only their own petty agendas and personal philosophies.

"Reject a divisive person after the first and second admonition..." (Titus 3:10)

Brothers and sisters in Christ, let God's love be your guide AND learn to live at peace with one another.

+May the Grace of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, the love of God the Father and the Communion of the Holy Spirit, be with all of you. (Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom)

Father Andrew

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Donations were made in memory of:

The Gregory Pappas Memorial Scholarship Fund:

James Pleat \$25.00

Demosthenes T and Sophia Anagnostos Rantis and family generously donated \$35.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund

in loving memory of Linda Kotrotsios Manning.

Albanian American Society generously donated \$100.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund.

Mr. Teddy and Mr. Daniel Demos generously donated \$50.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund.

EASTER FLOWER DONATION

From Mary and Menelaos Lianos in memory of Christos, Anna and James



The Glorious Prophet Elias (Elijah)

July 2012 Services

- 1st Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am
 8th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am
 15th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am
 20th Friday, ELIAS THE PROPHET, Divine Liturgy, 10am
 22nd Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am
 29th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am

Elias of great fame was from Thisbe or Thesbe, a town of Galaad (Gilead), beyond the Jordan. He was of priestly lineage, a man of a solitary and ascetical character, clothed in a mantle of sheep skin, and girded about his loins with a leathern belt. His name is interpreted as "Yah is my God." His zeal for the glory of God was compared to fire, and his speech for teaching and rebuke was likened unto a burning lamp. From this too he received the name Zealot. Therefore, set aflame with such zeal, he sternly reproved the impiety and lawlessness of Ahab and his wife Jezebel. He shut up heaven by means of prayer, and it did not rain for three years and six months. Ravens brought him food for his need when, at God's command, he was hiding by the torrent of Horrath. He multiplied the little flour and oil of the poor widow of Sarephtha of Sidon, who had given him hospitality in her home, and when her son died, he raised him up. He brought down fire from Heaven upon Mount Carmel, and it burned up the sacrifice offered to God before all the people of Israel, that they might know the truth. At the torrent of Kisson, he slew 450 false prophets and priests who worshipped idols and led the people astray. He received food wondrously at the hand of an Angel, and being strengthened by this food he walked for forty days and forty nights. He beheld God on Mount Horeb, as far as this is possible for human nature. He foretold the destruction of the house of Ahab, and the death of his son Ohozias; and as for the two captains of fifty that were sent by the king, he burned them for their punishment, bringing fire down from Heaven. He divided the flow of the Jordan, and he and his disciple Elisseus passed through as it were on dry land; and finally, while speaking with him, Elias was suddenly snatched away by a fiery chariot in the year 895 B.C., and he ascended as though into heaven, whither God most certainly translated him alive, as He did Enoch (Gen. 5:24; IV Kings 2: 11). But from thence also, after seven years, by means of an epistle he reproached Joram, the son of Josaphat, as it is written: "And there came a message in writing to him from Elias the Prophet, saying, Thus saith the Lord God of David thy father, Because thou hast not walked in the way," and so forth (II Chron. 21:12). According to the opinion of the majority of the interpreters, this came to pass either through his disciple Elisseus, or through another Prophet when Elias appeared to them, even as he appeared on Mount Tabor to the disciples of Christ (see Aug. 6).

Apolytikion in the Fourth Tone

The incarnate Angel, the Cornerstone of the Prophets, the second Forerunner of the Coming of Christ, the glorious Elias (Elijah), who from above, sent down to Elisha the grace to dispel sickness and cleanse lepers, abounds therefore in healing for those who honor him.

Kontakion in the Second Tone

O Prophet and foreseer of the great works of God, O greatly renowned Elias (Elijah), who by your word held back the clouds of rain, intercede for us to the only Loving One.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Blood Pressure Screening

Every 2nd Wednesday of the month....bring a friend.

She will be here on July 11th
from 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.,
in the Community Center.

Baptism

Dylan James,
son of Tim and Kristine Gagne.

Funeral

Helen Vaillancourt, and Helen T. Tsiotas.
May their memory be external!

Weddings

Stratos Argiras and Courtney Moran.
Congratulations!!

ATTENTION ALL JUNIOR GOYA MEMBERS FROM 1970-1980

Remember all those good times we had? Wouldn't it be fun to get together and catch up with everyone? Mark your calendars! We are organizing an informal GOYA reunion, to be held on Saturday, August 4, 2012. Details will follow with location, time, etc. Please contact Sophie Kamveris at skamveris@aol.com or Lesley Ebol Barnette at Jazz@JazzPersonalManagement.com for more information. Sign-up is encouraged, as we have limited space. You can also find us on Facebook at the "Manchester, NH Goyan's Group."

GLENDI HOLIDAY BOOTH

Help is needed for the Holiday Booth, making holiday decorations. Anyone interested in working on crafts please call Joyce at the Church office, Olga Sysyn at 645-6236 or Bessie Zekopoulos at 623-8131, Thank You

GLENDI VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers. Glendi is Sept 14th from 11 a.m. – 10 p.m., September 15th from 11 a.m. – 10 p.m. and Sunday, Noon – 4 p.m. Please fill out the attached form and return it to the St. George Cathedral office.

SAVE THE DATE!

Saturday, October 20th, 2012

*4th Annual
St. George Community
& Friends Fall Dance*

"The Sports Ball"

OLD GREEK 78 RPM RECORD DRIVE

Donate your old 78rpm Greek records to the Church and help us reduce our expenses. DJ Meleti will offer the Church a credit in return for old Greek 78rpm records. The records must be in good condition, without and chips or cracks. The credit we receive will help reduce our expenses for upcoming dances and for our festival. You may bring the records by the office anytime during the day.

URGENT NEED FOR FOOD

The demand for food assistance is at an all time high and food bank supplies are at a record low. Help is needed to fill their shelves and ensure that some of the poorest residents of our community receive food. The greatest needs are: peanut butter, jelly, tuna fish, canned vegetables, canned fruit, cereal, pasta, and sauce. Please drop your items off at the Community Center and we will deliver them to the soup kitchen. New Horizons and the recipients of the food are very grateful for your generous donations.

BINGO VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are in need of volunteers. If anyone is interested in volunteering to help with Bingo one Saturday a month. Please give St. George Cathedral office a call at 622-9113.

SENIOR EXERCISE GROUP

GET IN Shape!!!! Exercise every part of your body while sitting down. One hour of fun every Wednesday starting at 10:00 a.m. in our Community Center. ***Please join us & bring a friend!***

St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral
2012 Vacation Church Camp

Ages 4-12 • Week of August 6th – 10th
 9:00am drop-off to 12:30pm pick-up
 Cost: \$30.00 per child

(includes daily lunch and camp T-shirt)
(Financial assistance is available, see Kelly McKnight)

Late fee, after July 15th, (\$5.00)

****Please try to register on time since orders must be placed for materials.**

Come for a wonderful week of crafts, cooking, outdoor games, singing and learning about God and our church in fantastic fun way!

REGISTRATION FORM FOR CAMP

Complete the following form by July 15th, 2012 to avoid late fee to register your child for Vacation Church Camp.

Name of child(ren) with ages

Address _____

Ph. # (inc. cell phones) _____

Parent Names _____

Allergies _____

Any medical conditions we should know about?

Are you able to volunteer? _____

If yes, which days (Mon-Fri)

Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. Fri. ALL

What times? _____

(counselors get here by 8:30am and leave at 12:30pm)

We may be taking a field trip one full day on a bus to Con-toocook, NH to visit the Metropolis of Boston Camp. Field trip forms will be distributed next month if this works out.

Would you be interested in joining your child on the bus to tour the camp? We can only do this with enough parental chaperones. _____

Please print out and drop off or send form to church office (with registration fee(s) or give form to Kelly McKnight

ANAGENNESIS NEWS
FOR JULY 2012

Thank You:

The board would like to thank the ladies who help with fellowship each week. Also, thank you to the volunteers who helped make stuffed peppers, meatballs and dolmades during the month of June. We look forward to see you in August. Dates to be announced.

Glendi 2012: Cooking/Baking Schedule

Date	Item	Chairs	Phone #
August TBA	Finikia	Maria Damalas Georgia Sousa	627.1618 622.1840
August 13,14	Koulourakia	Cindy Klinefelter Diane LaRoche	315-1573 669.9269
August 21,22	Kourambiedes	Angela Dion	424.3557
Sept. 6,7	Pastichio	Poppy Tsoutas	668-4308
Sept. 10,11	Pita	Angela Dion Carol Dinois	424.3557 434.8527

We look forward to cooking with you, please feel free to join us anytime. We need YOUR help, and it is not just for ladies, the men are welcome as well. Please come for a couple of hours or stay for the whole day, which ever you decide just know you are a vital part of our Glendi celebration. Cooking begins at 9:00 a.m. Morning coffee and lunch will be provided.

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GLENDI 2012 PROGRAM AD RATES

Patron (Name) - \$25.00
(Write your name or your family's name on the line below)

Quarter Page \$ 75.00 (ad enclosed)
Half Page \$ 150.00 (ad enclosed)
Full Page \$ 300.00 (ad enclosed)

**Ads can be emailed (preferred method) to
saintgeorge@comcast.net or
mailed to the church office at the address below**

***FINAL DEADLINE FOR ADS IS JULY 18TH ***

Please make checks payable to:
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The Chris Pappas Memorial Golf Tournament

Candia Woods Golf Links - Candia, NH

Sunday - August 26, 2012

Continental Breakfast

Shot Gun Start - 10:00 - Four Man Scramble - 18 Holes - \$95

Dinner and Entertainment immediately following the tournament -

After Party Greek Dancing with DJ Meleti

Candia Woods @ The Evergreen Pavilion

Prizes awarded - Closest to the Pin - Long Drive - Winning Teams

Contact Information: Martha Folopoulos - 603-540-0085 (martimflop@comcast.net)

James Folopoulos - 603-540-5424 Folopoulos Residence - 603-668-2232

All proceeds will benefit The Chris Pappas Scholarship Fund (Awarded at dinner)

Thank you to all our sponsors - without you - this event would not be possible

Yiasas -

James, Martha, Mark and Elizabeth Folopoulos

It is our honor to keep his memory alive.....♥

Please make your check \$95 payable to: The Chris Pappas Scholarship Fund

RSVP by August 18, 2012

Name: _____ Address: _____

City: State: Zip: _____ Phone or Cell Phone # _____

Email: _____

Please list your foursome - otherwise we will match you with a team:

Player 1 _____ Player 2 _____

Player 3 _____ Player 4 _____

Golfers attending the dinner _____

Golfers not attending the dinner _____

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Sunday School Canobie Lake Trip

June 9, 2012
Thank you to all of the Students,
Parents & Teachers
who made our program
successful this year!



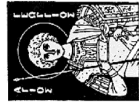
GOYA HAPPENINGS

GOYA wrapped up the 2011-2012 year with a Bowling Party which was a lot of fun!

Congratulations to the 2012-2013 Officers:

President - Christina Spanos
Vice President - Katina Smith
Secretary - Marena Koutroubas
Treasurer - George Tsirimokos


Over the Summer we will be helping out at the camp and before you know it we will be serving Lemonade at the GLENDI!
See you there!



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	2	3	4 Holiday Office closed. 	5	6	7
8 Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	9 Board of Director Mtg. 7 p.m. at Annex.	10	11 Senior Exercise 10 a.m.—11 a.m. in CC. BP Screening	12	13	14
15 Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	16	17	18 Senior Exercise 10 a.m.—11 a.m. in CC.	19	20 Elias the Prophet Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	21
22 Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	23	24	25 Senior Exercise 10 a.m.—11 a.m. in CC.	26	27	28
29 Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m.	30	31 Red Cross Blood Drive 11 a.m.—6 p.m. at Red Cross Center in Manches- ter.				

GLENDI VOLUNTEER

September 14,15, 16, 2012

Chairmen for this year's Glendi have been selected and are currently seeking enthusiastic volunteers to contribute their talents and skills. This is the major fundraising event of our community and in order to succeed we must have each member of our community contribute. If we all give a few hours of our time over the weekend, it will truly be a community event. Maybe you can have the whole family volunteer and work together at a booth. Complete the form and you 're on your way to doing your part.

Thank you,
George N. Copadis

Name _____ Phone _____

I am interested in working on:

- | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> The Century Raffle | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbecue Pit |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverage Under the Tent | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Games |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ice Cream | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making Salads | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Up Under the Tent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lemonade and Hot Dogs | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Tours |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making/Selling Pastry | <input type="checkbox"/> Religious Booth |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising | <input type="checkbox"/> Helping to Bake/Cook |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen/Runners | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Tree-Recruit Workers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist Lifting Trays While Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Money Room |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tent Serving Food | <input type="checkbox"/> Holiday Crafts |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loucoumades | <input type="checkbox"/> Aegean Market/ (formerly Jewelry/Import Booth) |

Thank you in advance for your assistance.

George N. Copadis
Dick Anagnost
Cathy Moufarge Boisvert
Chairs, Glendi 2012

