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FATHER ANDREW'S MESSAGE

THE SEASONS OF OUR LIFE

We have now entered the Fall season. It gives us a moment to reflect on the seasons of our lives.

Here at Saint George Cathedral, many of us have passed through many seasons of our lives. I thought I would share some reflections on the seasons of our lives.

How ironic life can be! When we are young, we can't wait to grow up and enjoy what we perceive to be the privileges of adulthood. When we grow older, we look back with longing nostalgia to the days of our youth. It is my impression, however, that God intends for us to joyfully embrace each of the seasons of our life. We can do this when we live with the assurance that God offers what we need so that we can realize our fullest potential, no matter what our age might be. If this is to happen in our lives, however, it requires our commitment to faith, as well as our acceptance of what God allows of struggle and what He provides of strength.

Like all of us, I too have often wondered why God allows us to get old and weak. In struggling with this issue, I have concluded that the wise author of Ecclesiastes was right when he wrote, "Everything that happens in this world happens at the time God chooses." (3:1). It is a part of the divine plan that the strength and beauty of youth is primarily physical, while the strength and beauty of advancing years is mostly spiritual. As life advances, God has ordained that we lose the strength and beauty that is physical and temporary, so that we can acquire the strength and beauty that is spiritual and eternal. As the years advance, we find that they confer their gifts of maturity, wisdom, and perspective. At the same time, our physical nature declines, making us less eager to go on at all cost, and preparing us to enter our eternal home. That is exactly why older people are so much at peace, and find it so easy to let go, when their time arrives. If we were forever young, strong, and beautiful, we might never want to leave.

Are you in the spring time of your life? Trust that God will offer you every opportunity to realize your dreams. Are you in life's summer or autumn? Face your many challenges in the assurance of God's sustaining graces. And if you are in the winter of your life, cultivate your relationship with God, so that together with the psalmist you too will be able to say, "I have relied on you all my life; you have protected me since the day I was born. I will always praise you." (71:6)

Father Andrew

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

My heart is bursting with joy and pride at the great job ALL of YOU did over Glendi weekend and in the months leading up to our 34th GLENDI! You have proven once more that we can do anything if we set our minds to it! Bravo sas!

God answered our prayers for good weather in a big way. The weather was perfect—sunny, warm and at times breezy. So I will begin my thanks with thanks to Him for blessing us not only with good weather but also with good health so that we were able to complete our tasks.

I would like to extend heartfelt thanks to all of the volunteers who turned out to help on this huge endeavor. It was wonderful to see so many new faces working with us this year. You can be certain that we will be calling on all of you again next year.

As I watched men and women working throughout the summer I was amazed at their fortitude and commitment. As the days wore on it would have been very easy to say "That's it. I'm tired. I'm done." Instead, they dug in their heels and persevered. It was like watching a finely rehearsed musical. Everyone knew what they had to do and did it. Newcomers were eagerly trained by the experienced. We showed each other what it is to work together as a Christian community—helping, nurturing, and loving. We went home tired (o.k. very tired) but happy.

We welcomed everyone who came through our gates and amazed them with our good food, good times and outright joy at working together. I hope that we will continue to build on this positive experience.

After checking the extended weather forecast—the prediction is for sunny and cool not a blizzard—we have scheduled the Glendi Appreciation Night for Monday, October 28 at 6:30 p.m. in the Community Center. I hope that all of our helpers will be able to attend so that we can celebrate the end of this glorious Glendi Season.

We are back in the swing of things once more with the regularity of our fall schedules. All of our Youth Programs are up and running. Sunday School began on September 29 under the direction of Athena Bevan.

Little Lambs will meet in the Annex on Fridays from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. This is for children from infancy to age 4. This is the feeder group for all of our other youth programs. Children have a chance to play together and parents/grandparents have a chance to socialize, too. They do crafts, have story time and share snacks.

Sia Cote is overseeing our HOPE/JOY program which is for children aged 4-11. By the time you receive this notice they will have had their first meeting. They will meet the last Friday of the month in the Annex. Their time together includes a lesson, a craft and dinner.

Jason Cote is our contact person for our Scouting Program which will include not only Cub Scouts but Boy Scouts and Girl Scouts this year. They have already begun their program. I'm certain that you saw them at Glendi.

Kathy Koutroubas and Ginny Tsirimokos are the advisors of GOYA which is for youth from 12-18 years old. Among other activities they are planning to attend the Pumpkin Festival in Keene.

We are blessed to have volunteers who are ready, willing, and able to work with our youth. They provide meaningful activities for all of our children and keep them involved in the church. On behalf of the entire community, I would like to thank ALL of our volunteers who work with our youth for their continued devotion to teaching the youth of our community about our faith. I was delighted to see so many of our youth helping at Glendi! The older group was off to help wherever they were needed—serving beverages, carting food to the tent, washing floors—and some without even being asked to perform those tasks. They saw a need and stepped right in to take care of business. God bless their parents for bringing them to church.

The implementation of a Stewardship Program to address the needs of our community using the time, talents and treasures of our parishioners needs to be finalized before 2014. Such a program will set us on the path to success not only financially but as a healthy operating Christian Community. I hope that many of you will volunteer to serve on the Stewardship Committee. We need your time and talents to put the program in place.

We will be having the Second General Assembly of 2013 on Sunday, October 27. I hope that many of you will attend as we have very important issues to discuss and decisions to make regarding the future of our Cathedral. Together we can meet any challenge. YOU already proved that! Sincerely,

Nikki Moutsioulis
President, Board of Directors

GLENDI

Dear Fellow Parishioners,
THANK YOU ! THANK YOU ! THANK YOU !

Thank you for your time, your commitment, your energy, and your total dedication to GLENDI 2013 and this community we all love. Although we don't have complete financial numbers yet, we can assure you all that the effort you put forth over the summer cooking and the long three-day weekend in which you volunteered your time and energy, will be rewarded once the final GLENDI numbers are realized. As you all know we have a significant number of bills associated with GLENDI and some of these bills have not been received as of this date. The turnout for this year's GLENDI was outstanding and all of our media sponsors, including WMUR, Union Leader, HIPPO Press, WGIR, and WZID gave us tremendous coverage before, and during the three-day weekend. Thanks to all our media sponsors. Thanks also to the generous contributions received from our paid sponsors including Manchester Harley, AutoFair, Anagnost Companies, Bedford Ambulatory, Apple Therapy, Spectrum Marketing, Cross Insurance, New Hampshire Motor Speedway, and Phaneuf Funeral Home. Thanks also to all those that purchased full page, half page, quarter page, and patron ads. All of these donations helped to make this year's 116 page ad book one of the most successful of all time. This year we will be having a GLENDI Appreciation Dinner which will be held in the Community Center on Monday October 28th at 6:30 pm. Please join us that evening so we can salute all you have done this year in making GLENDI the premier event in our great city. At that time we will also be celebrating and sharing the financial success that we achieved at GLENDI 2013 ! Again our deepest thanks and sleep well, get some rest so we can all celebrate on the evening of October 28th !

Sincerely yours,
George N. Copadis
Dick Anagnost
GLENDI 2013 Co-Chairs

Nikki Moutsioulis
President, Board of Directors

Cathy Moufarge
President, Anagenesis Ladies

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Dear Fellow Parishioners,
Summer is officially over...sigh....many of us are getting back into a routine with work, school and activities. I hope your children will include Sunday School in their weekly routine. As I mentioned before, we need to set a good example for our children and come to church as much as we can. Sunday School is an opportunity for our children to learn about Jesus Christ and the Orthodox Church. If you are interested in volunteering in Sunday School, please let me know. I want to thank Kelly McKnight for volunteering to take over the second grade class! Now we are looking for a new teacher(s) for the fifth grade. If you are interested, please let me know. In addition, we could always use more substitute teachers and co-teachers. The teachers and I are working hard to create a great Sunday School program for our children. I want to mention a few things the children will be working on this year. As in the past, the weekly classroom collections will be donated to the Hogar Rafael Ayiu-Guatemala Orphanage. Next, we are bringing it back...the Outstanding Attendance Award for Sunday School! All Sunday School children are eligible for this award. Details and criteria are included in a separate Sunday School mailing. We hope bringing this award back will be an extra incentive for the children to actively participate in our Sunday School program. Finally, I am excited to announce our Warm Hearts, Heads & Hands philanthropy project. Starting in October and running through Christmas, the Sunday School children will be collecting hats, gloves and mittens for the Salvation Army. Details for the Warm Hearts, Heads & Hands philanthropy project will be included in a separate Sunday School mailing. The children will be busy learning and participating in many special projects! I hope you will join us!

Sincerely,
Athena Moutsoulis Bevan

Sunday School Save the Dates!

| Date | Event |
|-------------|---|
| October 6 | Warm Hearts, Heads & Hands philanthropy project begins! |
| December 8 | Christmas pageant rehearsal during coffee hour |
| December 15 | Christmas pageant and party |

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GOYA NEWS

BY NICK SPANOS

Old News:

In old news, GOYA went on a bowling outing to Spare Time Lanes with some new members. Unfortunately, the Assumption GOYA could not attend, but it was fun all-around.

Future Plans:

When Sunday School begins, GOYA will continue having meetings after church again, and will be holding an election for our officers for this upcoming year.

Glendi:

GOYA worked in its annual snack tent at this year's Glendi and some of our members helped at other stations as well. We had a lot of volunteers and it was great to see you all there!

COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Blood Pressure Screening

The Blood Pressure Screening will be the second Wednesday of the month. It will be October 9th from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

Funerals

Mary Massahos

Ethel George

Vissaltos Pavlidis

Vasilike Isaak

May their memories be eternal.

Baptisms

Child of Mr. & Mrs. Bojan Grgic

Congratulations!

Weddings

Congratulations!

Alexander Agoritsas and Agoritsa Gekas

Stanislava Borisova and John Lazos

ADULT GREEK SCHOOL

Adult Greek School Starts Monday October 7th from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in a classroom in the Community Center. Anyone interested in attending please give George Kitsis an call at 669-9041.

2ND GENERAL ASSEMBLY

will be held Sunday, October 27th after Coffee Hour in the Community Center. Everyone is invited to attend.

DONATIONS FOR WINE

Anyone interested in donating toward the cost of wine should make a check out to St. George Cathedral or call the Cathedral office to charge by credit card. We accept Mastercard, Visa, and Discover for donations.

SENIOR EXERCISE GROUP

There will be Senior Exercise on Wednesdays in October beginning October 9th from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center. Come enjoy a fun time of exercising.

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.

LAUGHTER-THE BEST MEDICINE

Big Trouble

In a certain neighborhood, there were two brothers, 8 and 10 years old, who were very mischievous. Whatever went wrong in the neighborhood, it turned out they had a hand in it. Their parents were at wit's end trying to control them.

Hearing about a priest nearby who worked with delinquent boys, the mother suggested to the father that they ask the priest to talk with the boys. The father replied, "Sure, do that before I kill them."

The mother went to the priest with her request. He agreed, but said he wanted to see the younger boy first AND alone. SO the mother sent him to the priest.

The priest sat the boy down across a huge, impressive desk that he sat behind. For about five minutes they just stared at each other. Finally, the priest pointed his finger at the boy and asked, "Where is God?"

The boy looked under the desk, in the corners or the room, all around, but said nothing.

Again, louder, the priest pointed at the boy and asked, "Where is God?"

Again the boy looked all around, but said nothing. A third time, in a louder, firmer voice, the priest leaned far across the desk and put his finger almost to the boy's nose and asked, "Where is God?"

The boy panicked and ran all the way home. Finding his older brother, he dragged him upstairs to their room and into the closet, where they usually plotted their mischief. He said, "We are in BIG trouble!" The older boy asked, "What do you mean, we are in BIG trouble?"

His brother replied, "God is missing and they think WE did it."

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & SACRAMENTS

October

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| 6th Sunday | Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy & Sunday School, 10am Memorials: 40 day for Ethel George; 3 year for Angie Florou Baptism at 1pm of the son of Seth and Dana Theokas |
| 9th Wednesday | Bible Study Group in the Annex from 11:30am – 12:30pm |
| 12th Saturday | Wedding at 3:30pm of Ashley Moufarge and Jamie Bardwell |
| 13th Sunday | Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am; NO SUNDAY SCHOOL |
| 16th Wednesday | Bible Study Group in Annex from 11:30am – 12:30pm |
| 20th Sunday | Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy & Sunday School, 10am Memorials: Nicholas, Athena, James & Janice Tsoupas |
| 23 Wednesday | Bible Study Group in the Annex from 11:30am – 12:30pm |
| 26th Saturday | SAINT DEMETRIOS Divine Liturgy, 10am |
| 27th Sunday | Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy & Sunday School, 10am General Assembly after Coffee Hour |
| 30th Wednesday | Bible Study Group in the Annex from 11:30am – 12:30pm |

HOPE/JOY NEWS

Hello St. George Community,

Now that school is back in session, it's time to think about participating in the youth programs for the 2013-2014 school year. I will be running HOPE/JOY this year and I would like to invite all children ages 4-11 to join us the last Friday of every month for dinner, a brief lesson, and a relevant religious craft. Our first meeting was September 27th and we had a great turnout! If you haven't already signed up, we'd love for you to join us. Please send me your contact information and I will get you the registration form. Our next meeting is scheduled for October 18th beginning at 6pm in the church annex. I hope to see you all there!

Sia Cote

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*Thank
You*

Thank you to all the volunteers for their time and efforts
in helping to make Glendi 2013 another fantastic year!!



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Chryssi Apostopoulos Setas \$590.00

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Ethel George \$100.00
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COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Mrs. Betty Kacavas generously donated \$35.00 to the
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Wine Fund
in loving memory of Vissaltos Pavlidis.

Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Hartofelis generously
donated \$100.00 to the
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Wine Fund

A donation was made to Glendi of \$1000
In loving memory of our beloved parents George and
Zoitsa Moutsoulis. With love from your beloved family,
Elias Moutsoulis, Poppy, Alexandra, and George Tsoutsas

WINE TASTING AND AUCTION

The Manchester Choral Society presents their annual wine
tasting and auction; "Wine Enchanted Evening" which will
be held on Thursday November 14th from 6-9pm at the
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral community center.
Tickets are \$35 in advance and \$40 at the door. Please
contact Helen Pervanas at 603-472-2249 for more infor-
mation or to purchase tickets..



CATHEDRAL CHRISTMAS DECORATIONS

*Please join us with a contribution
as we decorate our beautiful Cathedral
for the Christmas season.*

We appreciate any donation that you are able to make.

*Please make checks payable to the:
Anagennesis Ladies Society
650 Hanover Street
Manchester, NH 03104
Attn: Electra Voulgaris Joaquin*

*Should you have any questions:
please call Electra at 603-623-3928 or
Katherine Labanaris at 603-669-2655*

*This project cannot be accomplished
without your assistance.*



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Nov. 3, 17
Dec. 1, 8, 15
Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26
Feb. 9, 16

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For more information, contact Irene Savas (508) 393-3563
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| | | 1. | 2. Senior Exercise 10-11 a.m. Den Mtg. 6-7 p.m. in CC | 3. | 4. Little Lambs Mtg. 11 a.m.—1 p.m. at Annex. | 5. |
| 6. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. School 10 a.m. 40-Day Mem for Ethel George, 3-yr Mem for Angie Florou, and 25-yr Mem for Arthur L. George. The Florou family will sponsor Coffee hr. in CC. Baptism of Sebastian, son of Seth and Dana Theokas 1 p.m. | 7. Adult Greek School Starts 6-8 p.m. CC | 8. | 9. Blood Pressure Screening 9:30-11am CC Senior Exercise 10-11 a.m. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at Annex. DOP Mtg. 6:30 annex Den Mtg. 6-7 p.m. CC. | 10. AHEPA 7 p.m. in Annex | 11. Scout Committee Mtg. 6-8 p.m. in Annex. Little Lambs Mtg. 11 a.m.—1 p.m. at Annex. | 12. Wedding of Ashley Moufarge & Jamie Bardwell 3:30 p.m. |
| 13. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. 40-Day Mem for Mary Massahos. NO Sun. School. | 14. BOD Mtg. 7 p.m. at Annex. | 15. | 16. Senior Exercise 10-11 a.m. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.—12:30m p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout Den Mtg. 6-7 p.m. in CC. | 17. | 18. Little Lambs Mtg. 11 a.m.—1 p.m. at Annex. | 19. Cub Scout Bean and Frank dinner 5:30-9p.m. in CC. |
| 20. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. School 10a.m. 10-yr Mem for Janice Tsoupas & 5-yr Mem for James Tsoupas. The WU family will sponsor Coffee hr. in CC. Fourka Society Mtg. Annex | 21. Cub Scout Leader's Mtg. 6-8p.m. Annex | 22. | 23. Senior Exercise 10-11 a.m. CC. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout Pack Mtg. 6-7:30 p.m. in CC. | 24. | 25. Little Lambs Mtg. 11 a.m.—1 p.m. at Annex. | 26. Saint Demetrios Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Teen Challenge event in CC all day. |
| 27. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. School 10 a.m. General Assembly after coffee hr. in CC. Adult Greek Dance 6-8p.m. | 28. Glendi Apreca-tion Dinner 6:30 p.m in CC. | 29. | 30. Senior Exercise 10-11a.m. in CC. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.—12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout Den Mtg. 6-7p.m. CC | 31. | | |