GIVING THANKS:
YESTERDAY, TODAY & TOMORROW

Thank You, Lord, for Yesterday

In Psalms 66:5-6, the psalmist recalls the mighty acts of God in the past; “Come and see what God as done, how awesome are his works on man’s behalf! He turned the sea into dry land, they passed through the waters on foot; let us rejoice in him.”

Israel was grateful for its heritage; the patriarchs who took God at His word and stepped out on faith, the prophets who courageously spoke the Word of God, the psalmists who sang songs of praise on dark days.

Every Christian can thank God for the great events that have brought us hope for this life and for eternity: the coming of Christ, the cross, the resurrection, the great convictions and affirmations penned by Saint Paul, such as “God was reconciling the world to himself in Christ, not counting men’s sins against them” (2Corinthians 5:10).

And we can thank God for our Christian heritage which has permitted us ready access to the faith. Think of some of the elements of that heritage:

- those who labored to faithfully transmit the text of the Bible.
- the founders of our churches
- grandparents and parents who were models of what Christians should be
- faithful parish volunteers in all aspects of parish life including, but not limited to those who serve our youth programs, those who teach in the Sunday School, who sing in the choir, etc.
- maybe a friend who told us about Christ and the faith.
- and many more

Thank you, Lord, for today

The psalmist says in Psalm 66:8-9, “Praise our God, O peoples, let the sound of his praise be heard; he has preserved out lives and kept our feet from slipping.”

Let us thank God for life, as did a little girl who was overheard praying, “Thank You, Lord, for Mommy and Daddy, for Grandma and Grandpa, thank You for John and Joel, and thank You, Lord, for me.”

We have a tendency to talk about the “good old days”. There never really were any “good old days”. The great leaders of the Christian Church despaired over the conditions in their times. However, they believed that God was alive, and their actions and writings have blessed the Church for centuries.

Tremendous opportunities challenge the church today. Large parts of the world, including Eastern Europe, Africa, and Latin America are open to the gospel message of love and thanksgiving as never before:

- we have technology and the volunteers to reach the people groups that have never had a Christian mission church planted in their midst
- we have more people of all ages and walks of life volunteering for short terms of overseas Orthodox Mission service;
- God is alive, and He is using His people to do good things.

There is a place in Europe (I wish I could remember exactly where, as I write this) where there are some bells strung across a mountain range. There is no rope suspended from the bells; no human ever rings them. Their sound is heard when the wind blows. In the autumn there may be a few tingles as gentle winds move the bells, but during the gales...
of winter, they ring forth their most majestic music.

God brings out the best in us under the pressure of tough times. Let us thank Him that we are alive today.

Thank You, Lord, for Tomorrow

Elsewhere in Scripture is a phrase we use in our funeral service. “The earth is the Lord’s and the fullness thereof; the whole world and everything in it.”

In Psalms 66:4, the writer looks forward to the day ahead: “All the earth bows down to you; they sing praise to you, they sing praise to your name.” The psalmist saw the day when God will reign and the world will respond to Him in worship.

Though we may not be sure of all the details, we do know the end of the story. God’s promises we be fulfilled and His purposes completed. God is working in history to bring about His ultimate victory.

We continue to work for the Lord because we are confident that He is in control.

November is a time when we give some thought to thanksgiving but neglect to truly reflect on the many blessings that God showers upon us each and every day of our lives.

So….Let us give thanks to our Lord and let us bless and praise His holy name for ever and ever.

HAPPY THANKSGIVING TO ONE AND ALL AND MAY WE ALL BE TRULY THANKFUL FOR GOD’S ABUNDANT BLESSINGS IN OUR LIVES.

Father Andrew

PRESIDENT’S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I would like to thank all of you who took time out of your busy schedules to attend the second General Assembly for 2013. We have a lot of work to do to ensure the future success of our parish and it is imperative that we work together. Your willingness to engage in the important decisions facing us is a testament to your faith in our community.

Greg Timbas has prepared informational presentations concerning Stewardship that he will share with the community during Coffee Hours during November. How each of us answers the questions of how we individually can help

our parish will determine the success or failure of our Stewardship Program. How much time, which talents and what portion of our treasurers will each of us bring to the table to help our community? Each of us must search our souls to find the answers to those questions. I hope that each of us will be as generous as possible with all three components—time, talents and treasures—in the coming years.

If you are waiting for the end of the calendar year to pay your church obligations the time is quickly approaching! I hope you will send in your check or make your payment via credit card very soon.

The definite change in the weather has taken us from the carefree days of summer to the serious days of fall and impending winter. We have prepared our homes, wardrobes, and cars for the change in the weather. Have we taken time to work for our souls? Thanksgiving Day will be here before we know it and Christmas will arrive in the blink of an eye. Let’s take time each day to be thankful for our many gifts. Perhaps this will be the year we share what we are thankful for with our families not only on Thanksgiving Day but throughout the coming year.

November will find our parish busy. The Prutsalis Plaque will be unveiled on November 10 in the Community Center during Coffee Hour. Join us as we honor our latest major benefactors. The Sunday School will be having a Pancake Breakfast on November 17. I hope to see all of you there in support of this very important program. On November 23, the Anagennesis Ladies’ Society will be having their Craft Fair. Stop by and begin your holiday shopping. The Manchester AHEPA Family will be holding their annual Ahepa Ball on November 30. Attendance has been growing over the past few years. Come enjoy an evening out and support their efforts. The Sunday School children will be collecting new and gently used hats, gloves and mittens for the Salvation Army. Their Warm Hearts, Heads and Hands Philanthropy Project is one we can all help make a success. On behalf of the Board of Directors I wish you and your families a Happy Thanksgiving! May God continue to bless you and yours with good health and happiness.

Sincerely,

Nikki Moutsounis
President, Board of Directors
Dear St. George Community,

I have a lot to be thankful for when it comes to my new role as Sunday School supervisor. I am thankful for a successful kickoff to Sunday School! We have been averaging 53 students each Sunday! I am thankful for the parents, families and children who are participating in our program. I love seeing all the faces in church and in the classrooms! I am thankful for the teachers and staff who volunteer their time to prepare lessons, crafts and teach our children. I am thankful for the support of Father Andrew, the board and the St. George community. I am thankful for my family. They have supported me as I took on this new endeavor. Many were wondering how I would be able to manage this new position, especially with an already busy schedule and not to mention two young children and one on the way! The answer was simple. I have the amazing support of a loving husband and parents! I want to wish you and your family a Happy Thanksgiving!

Athena Moutsioulis Bevan

GOYA NEWS

BY NICK SPANOS

Goya has kicked off the new year! Please join us for any of the meetings to share your ideas and participate in upcoming events!

All meetings take place following Sunday School. Everyone usually grabs a snack from coffee hour and goes upstairs to the 10th grade classroom and they wrap up around 1pm.

Planned meeting dates – mark your calendars:
November Meeting: Sunday, November 10th
December Meeting: Sunday, December 8th
January Meeting: Sunday, January 12th
February Meeting: Sunday, February 2nd
March Meeting: Sunday, March 2nd
April Meeting: Sunday, April 6th
May Meeting: Sunday, May 4th
June Meeting: Sunday, June 1st

Ideas in the works for Upcoming Activities:
November: Donations for coffee hour
December: Assisting with the Sunday School Pageant
January: Attend Monarchs Hockey Game
February: Annual Valentines Bake Sale will be Sunday, February 9th

GOYA is a volunteer organization for youth ages 12-18. Join us for the fun!

FREE HEARING SCREENING

Free Hearing Screening
By: Norman Fournier, BC-HIS

St George Cathedral
650 Hanover St, Manchester NH

Date: Thursday November 13th, 2013
Time: 10:00-11:30AM Register: 603-663-8004

HOPE/JOY NEWS

Our October meeting was lots of fun! The children played a cooperative game to learn how to work together and they thought that was a blast! We had a brief lesson, made a craft, and enjoyed a home cooked meal. I would like to invite all children ages 4-11 to join us if you haven’t already signed up. If there are siblings who are older or younger, feel free to bring them along. The younger ones can play, and the older ones are welcome as helpers! Our next meeting is scheduled for November 22 beginning at 6pm in the church annex. Just send me an e-mail at grecodb7@gmail.com and I’ll put you on the mailing list. Spread the word, this wonderful program for our children is back!! I hope to see you all there!

Sia Cote

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School Save the Dates!

Date Event
November 10 Class 8/9/10 will remain in church for full service
November 17 Pancake breakfast to benefit Sunday School
December 8 Christmas pageant rehearsal
December 15 Christmas pageant and party
December 22 Class 8/9/10 will remain in church for full service

Ongoing until Christmas! Warm Hearts, Heads & Hands Philanthropy Project
COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Blood Pressure Screening
The Blood Pressure Screening will be the second Wednesday of the month. It will be November 13th from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

Funerals
Nicholas Hatzos
Helen Karatzas
Bessie Kontomaris
May their memories be eternal.

Baptisms
Sebastian, son of Seth and Dana Theokos
Congratulations!

Weddings
Congratulations
to Ashley Mouflarge and Jamie Bardwell!

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.

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 every Wednesday from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center. Come enjoy a fun time of exercising.

ADULT GREEK SCHOOL
is from 6:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in a classroom in the Community Center. Anyone interested in attending please give George Kitsis a call at 669-9041.

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. Auction items include vacation getaways, sports tickets, jewelry and several restaurant gift certificates. Tickets are $35 in advance,$40 at the door or you can reserve a table for 10 for $300. Please contact Helen Pervanas at 603-472-2249 for more information or to purchase tickets.

FLEA MARKET, CRAFT AND GREEK PASTRY SALE
The Anagennesis Ladies Society is having a craft fair on November 23, 2013. Our ladies group donates to our Church, to those in need in our communities and to various national charities.

Just in time for Thanksgiving and the holidays we will be selling crafts and Greek pastries for holiday gift giving and gatherings. We would love you to participate if you’re available on November 23rd. We would also appreciate a donation of a small sampling of your craft for a raffle table.

Please let Cindy Gatzoulis know if you are interested at your earliest convenience. RSVP and questions to cgatzou@yahoo.com or call her at 603-315-1573. She would like to get a head count of who will participate before the deadline of November 1st.

Attached are application forms. Please feel free to distribute them to anyone you think might be interested. Please mail your check of $30.00 payable to Anagennesis to:

St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral
C/O Anagennesis Society
650 Hanover St., Manchester, NH 03104

Set up time starts at 6:00 AM. Coffee and pastries will be served during set up. Hope to see you there!

Thank you for your support!
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & SACRAMENTS

November

3rd Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am; NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
Memorials: Chekos, Dakoulas, Koukos, Lambrou & Lindh
1pm Baptism of the son of Curtis & Erika Jaskolka Barnes

6th Wednesday, Bible Study in Annex, 11:30am-12:30pm

8th Friday, Archangels Michael and Gabriel, Divine Liturgy, 10am

9th Saturday, 12 noon Baptism of the daughter of Brad & Sarah Belin
4pm 40-day Memorial for Vasiliki (Bessie) Isaak

10th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Sunday School & Divine Liturgy, 10am
40-Day Memorial for Helen Karatzas, and 40-Day Memorial for Nicholas Hatzos

13th Wednesday Bible Study in Annex, 11:30am – 12:30pm

16th Saturday, 11am Baptism of the son of Daniel & Amanda (Gatsas) Casey

17th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Sunday School & Divine Liturgy, 10am

20th Wednesday Bible Study in Annex, 11:30am-12:30pm

21st Thursday, Entrance of the Theotokos Divine Liturgy, 10am

24th Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Sunday School and Divine Liturgy, 10am, 1-yr Memorial for Kally Millios, and 2-yr Memorial for George Millios

December

1st Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am; NO SUNDAY SCHOOL

SCOUTING UPDATE

Cub Scouts:
Thank you to the St. George Community for supporting us at our Frank and Bean dinner. The food was good, attendance was good, and everyone had a great time! Our scouting groups are growing in leaps and bounds, we are up to 36 registered boys. The great thing is, each and every one is committed to the success of our Community! We look forward to doing projects that are going to improve the church and OUR Community! We are always accepting new boys (especially the youth from our church) and we can use all of the help we can get! If you are interested in joining our Pack, please contact Jason Cote, at 603-540-2800.

Upcoming Events: Our boys will be marching in the Manchester Christmas Parade on Saturday, Dec. 7th. Please join us for Christmas Cheer!

Girl Scouts:
The Girl Scout programs are up and running, we have 75 girls in our programs, and we are looking to grow within the St. George Community. For more information on the Girl Scout program, please contact Jason Cote, 603-540-2800.


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St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral
MEMORIAL DONATIONS

St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral

Beautification Fund, in memory of:

Chryssi Apostopoulos Setas $500.00
Mary Massahos $580.00
Mary Cosmas $200.00
Ann Gikas $35.00
Christina Nelson $100.00
Menelaos Kokolis $100.00
Constantinos Dabekis $200.00

St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Sunday School Fund, in memory of:

Chris Dunton $50.00

The Gregory Pappas Memorial Scholarship Fund, in memory of:

Mike Zoukis $25.00
Xenophon Christous $50.00

The Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship Fund, in memory of:

Xenophon Christous $50.00
George Plastiras $10.00
Effie Zitrides $25.00

The Greater Manchester Hellenic Scholarship Fund, in memory of:

Ann Gikas $10.00

COMMUNITY CONTRIBUTIONS

Mrs. Efrosini Gianaris generously donated $50.00 to the
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Wine Fund.

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

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Andrews generously donated $25.00 to the
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Wine Fund.

Mrs. Diane Bobotas and Mrs. Nancy Daskal generously donated $50.00 to the
Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship Fund in honor of Mabel Covatis’ 100th birthday.
Please join us for:

THE AHEPA BALL

Sponsored by Manchester Chapters of Ahepa and Daughters of Penelope

Saturday, November 30th
8 p.m. to midnight
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Community Center
650 Hanover Street, Manchester, NH
Music by DJ George Regas of Worcester

Donation: $20.00 per person

Hors D’oeuvres and Cash Bar

Tickets will be sold during coffee hour, at the door, and can be obtained from any officer of the Ahepa or DOP

PANCAKE BREAKFAST

to benefit

St. George Sunday School

Sunday, November 17, 2013
during coffee hour

Tickets:
$6/adult
$3/child (12 and under)

Tickets will be available ahead of time

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:
Anagenesis 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.

GREEK DANCE FOR ADULTS

Bring your dancing feet!

BEGINS OCTOBER 20

Sundays 6:00-8:00 pm
St. George Community Center,
650 Hanover Street, Manchester
Come practice your moves, learn some new dances, good camaraderie.
All welcome. No experience necessary.
Schedule: Oct. 20, 27
Nov. 3, 17
Dec. 1, 8, 15
Jan. 5, 12, 19, 26
Feb. 9, 16

$5 per weekly lesson.
Pay for 4 in advance ($20), get 5th free.

For more information, contact Irene Savas (508) 393-3563 or Angela Bourassa (603) 289-2195.
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