



St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral

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FATHER ANDREW'S MESSAGE

February 2nd is a major Feastday in the life of the Orthodox Christian Church. It is the day we remember the Presentation of Christ to the Temple (his 40-day blessing) as it was the Jewish Tradition that each male child was brought to the Temple on the 40th day following birth for a blessing for the child and for the child's mother, too.

We continue this custom in the Orthodox Church. However, we include all children, male and female and we continue the tradition of the special prayer for the mothers, too.

This year, as part of that tradition, we are going to celebrate GODPARENT/GODCHILD Sunday on February 2nd. We will have a special prayer on that Sunday for all the children and their Godparents. They will have an opportunity to "renew" the vows made at Baptism. Amazingly, we also will have an actual 40-day blessing of the infant child of Carter and Athena (Moutsioulis) Bevan's new son, Lucas Thomas.

We also begin some pre-Lenten and Lenten activities and services during the month of February.

Since the 23rd is Meat-fare Sunday, the entire week before is fast-free. NO FAST FROM Sunday the 16th thru Sunday the 23rd. We then move to the first Saturday of Souls (commemorating deceased relatives and friends, those who have fallen asleep in the Lord) which is Saturday, February 22nd. The names you submit for the first Saturday will be kept and read for all three Saturdays.

Great Lent begins Monday, March 3rd. We will have several Presanctified Liturgies, some in the morning and some in the early evening. As part of a couple of the evening Presanctified liturgies, we will have pot luck Lenten suppers and have a speaker come in for each of those times.

We look forward to seeing you at more of the Lenten services this year. It will help you to grow spiritually and prepare you more effectively to fight the assaults of the Evil One and enjoy the Paschal celebrations of our Lord's Resurrection.

Father Andrew

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I am honored, privileged and humbled as I begin my second term as President of our beloved Cathedral. Last March as I embarked on my journey as first female president of our community I was frequently reminded of the difficulty of the task at hand. What I was hoping for and what you as a community and Board of Directors provided was support and guidance. We have worked together to ensure the success of our community. You have my sincerest thanks!

Last year when dues were raised it hit a raw nerve with many of us. The majority of our parishioners realized that the need is real and they stepped up to the plate and paid their dues. Perhaps not the entire amount that was requested but each gave what they could. It set the stage for the Stewardship Program which we will use beginning this year. Very soon you will be receiving a packet outlining the program. In a nutshell, you will be asked what you can contribute to our community in terms of Time, Treasures and Talents.

We are asking you to look into your wallet and decide how much you can afford to give to our community. Before you look into your wallets, however; I would ask you to look into your hearts. What does our church provide to you? I could list all of the programs and worship services we offer but you already know what they are.

Recently, I have taken the time to observe people as they come to church. Many walk quickly up the ramp perhaps because they are running late but once they enter the Narthex their entire demeanor changes when they reverence the icons and light their candles. A visible calm descends over their being and they are ready to enter the church and let their faith take over. We take our earthly problems and share them with our Lord in faith that He will help us find a solution to those problems. A visitor to our church remarked to me that he had never been in a church where people were so

actively involved in the worship service. I have also had occasion to observe as unbelievers deal with the loss of a loved one. It was not easy to watch as they slipped into utter and complete despair because there was no promise "of the resurrection of the dead and the life of the ages to come."

So I would ask—what is this worth to you and your families? This treasure of our faith what is it worth in terms of your personal treasure? You will be able to spread your financial commitment over 12 months instead of being expected to pay it all in one lump sum. Once again we will need to work together. We have done it before and I know we will do it again. Last year we collected over \$100,000 in dues and not everyone paid their dues! This year the amount is up to you. There is no minimum and there is definitely no maximum. The amount is determined by you, your wallet, and your heart.

Financially we would have done better in 2013 if the weather had cooperated like it did in 2012 but many colder days and more snow caused an increase in the amounts we had to pay for heating oil and snow plowing. Glendi revenues were down and there were legal fees to pay.

I hope that all of you will commit at least some of your time and talents to working on our largest financial endeavor which is Glendi. I am asking everyone to help with our ad book. Is there a business that you frequent and they don't have an ad in our ad book? Ask them!! Submit their name to the office so that we can send them a letter. If each of us brings in just one more ad we can increase our Glendi revenue without cooking one more item!!

I hope and pray that you will join with me and your board so that together we might achieve success because together we can do anything!

My goal is still to work with the entire community to make our parish one in which love abounds and His good works flourish. I thank those of you who have offered your positive suggestions to improve our parish life. Keep them coming!!

Sincerely,
Nikki Moutsioulis



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.

CUB SCOUTS

The 2014 Cub Scout Program is off to a great start! Bad weather didn't stop us from having our Spaghetti Supper on January 11. We had about 140 people come. It was a little less than last year, but we still had a great time and look forward to doing it next year! Our boys will be having their first "Camp-In" in the Community Center on January 24th, and then on January 25th, we will be heading to camp for our 2nd Annual Winterfest! The boys will ice fish and work on outdoor winter skills.

We are looking forward to a busy 2014, If you have any questions or would like to support our program, please call Cub master Jason Cote at 540-2800. Thank you!

ANAGENNESIS NEWS

Saturday of Souls: Please submit the names of your loved ones to be read at the Saturday Church services held:

February 22nd, March 1st, March 8th

Please see one of the Anagennessis Board members in attendance before the liturgy if you have Koliva.

May our Lord remember all the departed in His Kingdom.

SAVE THE DATE

Palm Sunday Fish Dinner
Sunday, April 13, 2014 - 12:00 p.m.
St. George Community Center

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES & SACRAMENTS February

2 nd SUN	Orthros, 9am; Sunday School & Divine Liturgy, 10am 40 Day Blessing of the Infant son (Lucas Thomas) of Carter & Athena (Moutsoulis) Bevan. 40 Day Memorial for Constance Williams GODPARENT SUNDAY
5 th WED	Bible Study in Annex 11:30am-12:30pm
9 th SUN	Orthros, 9am; Sunday School & Divine Liturgy, 10am NO FAST THIS WEEK
12 th WED	Bible Study in the Annex 11:30am-12:30pm
16 th SUN	Orthros, 9am; Sunday School & Divine Liturgy, 10am
19 th WED	Bible Study in the Annex 11:30am-12:30am
22 nd SAT	SATURDAY OF SOULS (PSYCHOSAVVATON) Divine Liturgy and Memorial Prayers at 10am
23 rd SUN	Orthros, 9am; Divine Liturgy, 10am NO SUNDAY SCHOOL
26 th WED	Bible Study in the Annex 11:30am-12:30pm

MARCH 1st

2 nd Sat	SATURDAY OF SOULS (PSYCHOSAVVATON) Divine Liturgy & Memorial Prayers 10am
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SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Sunday school students will be participating in special events on the following days during church services.

Sunday School Save the Dates!

Date	Event
February 2	Godparent Sunday
February 23	NO Sunday School-Winter Break
March 9	Regular Sunday Sunday of Orthodoxy
March 23	Regular Sunday Sunday of the Holy Cross
March 30	Regular Sunday Class 8/9/10 remain in church
April 12	Saturday of Lazarus Community Communion Breakfast
April 13	Regular Sunday Palm Sunday Class 6/7 remain in church
April 20	NO Sunday School Easter Sunday - Easter Egg Hunt

HOPE/JOY NEWS

We had a great showing for our meeting this month! Our children gathered to share a lesson from Father Andrew, to make some beautiful snowflakes, and to play some games together. We wrapped up our evening with a spaghetti and meatball supper. Our next meeting will be on February 21st. We will meet at 6pm in the Annex. If you'd like to attend, just send me an e-mail at gre-codb7@gmail.com. Hope to see all our children there!
Sia Cote Hope/Joy Advisor

GOYA NEWS

BY NICK SPANOS

GOYA has many things planned for the month of February; during the next few weeks we plan on helping food banks/soup kitchens. On February 2nd, our next meeting will take place after Sunday School.

On the 8th, GOYA is sponsoring a church-wide get-together at the Verizon Center to watch the Monarchs play for breast cancer research in "pink in the rink."

The next day, February 9th GOYA will do its annual Valentine's Day Bake Sale. Drop by and have some great food! On April 4th, GOYA will be attending the group retreat at MBC in Contocook.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Free Blood Pressure Screening

The Blood Pressure Screening will be the second Wednesday of the month. It will be February 12th from 9:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center.

Funerals

Cleopatra "Pat" Arnoutis

Constance Williams

Anthony Goverinos

We are saddened to announce that Past President Nick Mathios passed away on January 12.

May their memories be eternal.

Births

Congratulations to parents

Jonathan and Thea "Kastanas" Athanas

& William and Cheryl Athanas

on the birth of their grand-daughter Iliana.

ANNA THEODOSOPOULOS SCHOLARSHIP

Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship Applications for high school graduates are available in the Cathedral Office.

NOA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATIONS

You can pick up applications at St. George Cathedral office. Please remember that they are due back no later than May 1, 2014. Don't forget you have to be a paid up member. Your dues of \$25.00 per year, must be paid for 2013 and 2014. You can always mail your check to John Nacos, 1302 Island Pond Road, Manchester NH 03109 or send it to St. George Cathedral, 650 Hanover Street, Manchester NH 03104.

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.

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.

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 ARE NEEDED

Penelope's Place is a residential program for individuals and families fleeing from life-threatening situations as a result of domestic violence. In 2009, it formed a new partnership between its parent organization, Health Imperatives, in Brockton, MA and the Daughters of Penelope Bay State District #8. Trained professionals help residents of Penelope's Place to balance their healing from trauma with their need to acquire critical life skills to prepare for transitions into more independent living. Our local chapter of the Daughters of Penelope has a box in the lobby of the Community Center. It is labeled with a Wish List for residents of Penelope's Place. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

Nicole Wu, President 603-965-4136

GREATER MANCHESTER HELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

The Trustees of the Greater Manchester Hellenic Scholarship Fund invite qualified high school seniors, college freshmen, and college sophomores to apply for 2014 scholarships. Applications are available at the Church office. Completed applications with official transcripts must be returned to the office no later than April 1, 2014.

ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL MONARCH NIGHT

will be Saturday, February 8th at 7:00 p.m. at Verizon Arena in Manchester. There is a flyer enclosed with more information.

SENIOR EXERCISE GROUP

There will be Senior Exercise on every Wednesday of each month from 10:00 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the Community Center. Come enjoy a fun time of exercising.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

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

Larry Timbas	\$95.00
Dorothea Fasekis	\$200.00
Paraskevi Mestanas	\$75.00
Chryssi Apostopoulos Setas	\$100.00
Cleo Doukeris	\$20.00
Stergios Siopis	\$120.00
Anthony Safos	\$20.00
Anonymous	\$500.00

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

Larry Timbas	\$35.00
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The Gregory Pappas Memorial Scholarship Fund, in memory of:

Larry Timbas	\$225.00
Cleo Doukeris	\$25.00
Vasiliki "Bessie" Timbas	\$1065.00

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

Paraskevi Mestanas	\$100.00
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The Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship Fund, in memory of:

Dorothea Fasekis	\$50.00
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Andrea Kokolis, Christine Kokolis, Alex, Mike, and Steve Johnson generously donated \$100.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund in loving memory of Menelaos Kokolis and Christine Nelson.

Mr. & Mrs. Menelaos Lianos generously donated \$100.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund in loving memory of the Lianos Family.

Mr. & Mrs. Robert Andrews generously donated \$50.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund in loving memory of Chris Gianaris.

Mr. & Mrs. Rigas Karoutsos generously donated \$100.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund in loving memory of James and Effie Tsahouros.

Mr. & Mrs. David Steelman generously donated \$50.00 to the Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship Fund in loving memory of Yiayia Anna.

Mr. & Mrs. Photios Vougias generously donated \$20.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Wine Fund in loving memory of son, Michael Vougias.

GEORGIA LODGE

Georgia Lodge is at The Laurel Center Nursing Home on 480 Donald Street in Bedford, NH. She would really appreciate visitors from the Cathedral. If anyone knows of other parishioners who would like to be visited, please contact the Cathedral office at 622-9113.

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Saint George Night at the Monarchs!
Pink in the Rink!

For Breast Cancer Awareness

(Portion of proceeds will go to CMC Cancer Center)

Providence Bruins at Manchester Monarchs

February 08, 2014 - 7:00 PM

**Gold Lower Level Seating
Verizon Wireless Arena - Manchester, New Hampshire**

Group Rate:

\$20 per adult

\$12 per child (12 and under)

Contact Kathy Koutroubas to sign up for tickets:

Email: katherine.koutroubas@comcast.net

Phone: 603-668-6247

*(Note: Limited number of seats –
tickets will be issued on first come, first serve basis)*



*St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral
650 Hanover Street - Manchester, New Hampshire*

Invites you to

An Apokreatiko Celebration

Saturday, March 1, 2014

7pm – 11:00pm

In the church hall

**DJ George Regas
Greek and American Dancing**

Variety of Hors D'oeuvres / Cash Bar

***\$10.00 per person
Children under 12 are free***

Toula Barber at 668-6839
or the Cathedral office at (603)622-9113



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Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
<p>2. GODPARENT SUNDAY Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 a.m. 40-Day Mem. for Constance Williams. 40-Day Blessing for Lucas Thomas, son of Carter and Athena Bevan.</p>	<p>3. Adult Greek Sch. 6-8 p.m. CC. HS Basketball 7:30 -9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>4. 7th -8th grade Basketball 6:30-8 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>5. Sr. Exercise 10-11 a.m. in CC. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout Den Mtg. 6 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>6. HS Basketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>7. Little Lambs 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at An- nex. Cub Scout Com- mittee Mtg. 6:30 p.m. at Annex.</p>	<p>8. BB Clinic 9-10:30 a.m. inn CC. CYO Games 11 a.m. in CC. St. George Monarch Game 7 p.m. at Verizon Arena.</p>
<p>9. NO FASTING THIS WEEK Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. Sch 10 a.m. Modern Greek Dance 6-8 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>10. BOD Mtg. 7 p.m. at Annex. Adult Greek Sch. 6 -8 p.m. in CC. HS Basket- ball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC. Cub Scout Leader Mtg. 6:30 p.m. at Annex</p>	<p>11. 7th -8th grade Basketball 6:30-8 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>12. BP Screening 9:30 -11 a.m. in CC. Sr. Exercise 10- 11 a.m. in CC. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout Den Mtg. in CC. DOP Mtg. 6:30 p.m. at Annex.</p>	<p>13. AHEPA Mtg. 7 p.m. at Annex. HS Basketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>14. Little Lambs 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at An- nex.</p>	<p>15. Basketball Clinic 9-10:30 a.m. in CC. CYO BB games 11 a.m. in CC.</p>
<p>16. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 a.m. DOP Breakfast in CC. Modern Greek Dance 6-8 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>17. Holiday (Office Closed) HS Basketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>18. 7th -8th grade Basketball 6:30-8 p.m. in CC. NOA Mtg. 6 p.m. at Annex.</p>	<p>19. Sr. Exercise 10- 11 a.m. in CC. Bible Study 11:30 a.m.- 12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Den Scout Mtg. 6 p.m. in CC</p>	<p>20. Helping Hands Stitchers 7 p.m. At Annex. HS Bas- ketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>21. Little Lambs 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at An- nex. Hope/Joy Mtg. 6-8 p.m. at Annex.</p>	<p>22. CYO games 8 a.m. in CC. 1st Saturday of Souls Div. Lit. & Mem. Prayer 10 a.m.</p>
<p>23. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. No Sun. Sch.</p>	<p>24. Adult Greek School 6-8 p.m. HS Basketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC</p>	<p>25. 7th -8th grade Basketball 6:30-8 p.m.</p>	<p>26. Sr. Exercise 10 -11 a.m. in CC. Bi- ble Study 11:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at Annex. Cub Scout open Mtg. 6 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>27. HS Basketball 7:30-9 p.m. in CC.</p>	<p>28. Little Lambs Mtg. 11 a.m.-1 p.m. at Annex.</p>	<p><u>March 1</u> 2nd Saturday of Souls Div. Lit. & Mem. Prayer 10 a.m.</p>