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### A P R I L 2 0 1 7

### PASCHA – THE FEAST OF ALL FEASTS

About two weeks from now we will celebrate the Feast of all Feasts, the Great and Holy Pascha, the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Our long journey to this most joyous celebration actually began on Sunday, February 5, the beginning of the Triodion, a time of preparation for our Great Lenten journey. I would like to share with you a brief explanation of the last days of our Lord's earthly life, the days leading up to this Great and Holy Feast.

Great Lent and Holy Week are two separate fasts, and two separate celebrations. Great Lent ends on Friday of the fifth week (the day before Lazarus Saturday). Holy Week begins at sundown on Palm Sunday evening. The Saturday of Lazarus and Palm Sunday are two very special days, neither part of Great Lent nor of Holy Week, just very special days unto themselves, celebrated in joyous anticipation of Christ's own Resurrection in about a week.

Lazarus Saturday: Lazarus Saturday commemorates the raising of our Lord's friend Lazarus, who had been in the tomb four days. This act confirmed the universal resurrection from the dead that all of us will experience at our Lord's Second Coming. This miracle led many to faith, but it also led to the chief priests and Pharisees' decision to kill Jesus (John 11:47-57).

**Palm Sunday** (The Entrance of our Lord into Jerusalem): Our Lord enters Jerusalem and is proclaimed king - but in an earthly sense, as many people of His time were seeking a political Messiah. Our Lord is King, of course, but of a different type - the eternal King prophesied by Zechariah the Prophet. We use palms on this day to show that we too accept Jesus as the true King and Messiah of the Jews, Who we are willing to follow - even to the cross.

Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday: The first thing that must be said about these services, and most of the other services of Holy Week, is that they are "sung" in anticipation. Each service is rotated ahead twelve hours. The evening service, therefore, is actually the service of the next morning, while the morning services of Holy Thursday and Holy Saturday are actually the services of the coming evening.

Understanding that, let's turn to the Services of Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday (celebrated Palm Sunday, Monday and Tuesday evening). The services of these days are known as the Bridegroom or Nymphios Services. At the first service of Palm Sunday evening, the priest carries the icon of Christ the Bridegroom in procession, and we sing the "Hymn of the Bridegroom." We behold Christ as the Bridegroom of the Church, bearing the marks of His suffering, yet preparing a marriage Feast for us in God's Kingdom.

Each of these Bridegroom services has a particular theme. On Holy Monday, the Blessed Joseph, the son of Jacob the Patriarch, is commemorated. Joseph is often seen as a Type of Christ. Joseph was betrayed by his brothers, thrown into a pit, and sold into slavery by them. In the same way, our Lord was rejected, betrayed by His own, and sold into the slavery of death. The Gospel reading for the day is about the barren fig tree, which Christ cursed and withered because it bore no fruit. The fig tree is a parable of those who have heard God's word, but who fail to bear the fruit of obedience. Originally the withering of the fig tree was a testimony against those Jews who rejected God's word and His Messiah. However, it is also a warning to all people, in all times, of the importance of not only hearing God's word, but putting it into action.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins is read on Holy Tuesday. It tells the story of the five virgins who filled their lamps in preparation for receiving the bridegroom while the other five allowed their lamps to go out, and hence were shut out of the marriage feast. This parable is a warning that we must always be prepared to receive our Lord when He comes again. The theme of the day is reinforced by the expostelarion hymn we sing: "I see Thy Bridal Chamber adorned, O my Savior, but have no wedding garment that I may enter. O Giver of Light, enlighten the vesture of my soul, and save me." The theme of Holy Wednesday is repentance and forgiveness. We remember the sinful woman who anointed our Lord in anticipation of His death. Her repentance and love of Christ is the theme of the wonderful "Hymn of Kassiane" which is chanted on this night, reminding us one more time, before "it is too late," that we too may be forgiven if we repent.

*Holy Unction*: The Mystery or Sacrament of Holy Unction is celebrated on Holy Wednesday. Actually this service can be celebrated any time during the year, especially when one is ill. However, because of our need for forgiveness and spiritual healing, we offer this service during Holy Week for the remission of our sins. We should prepare for this service in a prayerful way, as we do for Holy Communion.

Great and Holy Thursday: On Holy Thursday we turn to the last events of our Lord and His Passion. Thursday morning begins with a Vesperal Divine Liturgy commemorating the Mystical Supper. As previously mentioned, this is actually Holy Thursday evening's service celebrated in the morning in anticipation. Everyone who is able should make an effort to receive Holy Communion at this service as it was at the Mystical Supper that our Lord instituted the Holy Eucharist. At this Liturgy a second Host is consecrated and kept in the Tabernacle. It is from this Host that Holy Communion is distributed to the shut-ins and the sick throughout the coming year.

**Thursday evening** actually begins the services of Great and Holy Friday. The service of the Twelve Passion Gospels commemorates the solemn time of our Lord's Crucifixion. After the reading of the fifth Gospel, the holy cross is carried around the church in procession, and Christ's body is nailed to the cross in the center of the church.

Great and Holy Friday: This is a day of strict fast. As little as possible should be eaten on this day. It is the only day in the entire year that no Divine Liturgy of any kind can be celebrated. In the morning we celebrate the Royal Hours. These solemn hours are observed as we read the various accounts and hymns concerning the crucifixion. In the afternoon we celebrate the Vesper service of the taking down of Christ's body from the cross. During the Gospel reading, our Lord's body is taken off the cross and wrapped in a new, white linen sheet. This act commemorates the removal of Christ's body from the cross by Joseph of Arimathea (John 19:38-42). Later in the service, the Epitaphios, or winding-sheet, with Christ's body on it is carried in procession and placed in the recently decorated tomb. In the evening the Lamentations service is sung. This service begins in a solemn manner, but by the end of the service we are already anticipating the Resurrection of our Lord. Remember again, that the Holy Friday evening Orthros is actually the first service of Holy Saturday, the day in which we commemorate our Lord's body resting in the tomb while His all-pure soul descends into Hades to free the faithful of the Old Covenant.

**Great and Holy Saturday**: This day is a day of hope and waiting. In the morning we celebrate a Vesperal Divine Liturgy which commemorates Christ's victory over death. Bright vestments are worn as we anticipate Christ's

Resurrection. Laurel leaves are strewn throughout the church during the service, because in the ancient world laurel leaves were a sign of victory. As the leaves are strewn, the choir chants "Arise O God and Judge the earth, for to Thee belong all the nations." The Old Testament story of Jonah in the belly of the whale is read at this service because Jonah is seen in the Church as a Type of Christ. As Jonah was three days in the belly of the great fish, and was then safely deposited back onto land, so our Lord was three days in the tomb before His glorious Resurrection. The Vesperal Divine Liturgy of Holy Saturday concludes the services of Holy Week, and brings us to the eve of Great and Holy Pascha.

I hope that this brief explanation gives you a better understanding of what the services of Holy Week are about. These are the Lord's last days of His earthly ministry, His earthly life. Please come to church during these days and experience these precious days in our Lord's life. Please come to church and listen to Christ's powerful message in the Gospel. Please come to church and receive Christ through Holy Communion. Please be generous in your response to Christ's message.

May you have a Blessed Resurrection! Kali Anastasi! With my paternal love in Christ Jesus,

Wery Rev. Archimandrite Agathonikos M. Wilson (Father Mike)

Cathedral Dean

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I want to begin with a big thank you from all of us to Senator Maggie Hassan and her staff which has given us a brand new American flag. See it proudly blowing on our flag pole as it once flew on the Capitol of the United States. I told our Senator in my thank you to her that the flag, our flag, has always been a symbol of unity and togetherness and that we hope that she will continue her work to bring our state and country together with the flag as that glue. Many of our own people through many generations gave their service to see it proudly fly in front of our Cathedral and we thank them. Our own community continues to be factious and in this season of LENT let our prayers be for each other, to bring us together as one community, one body of CHRIST, one group of dedicated members of St. George all pulling for each other as we battle whatever obstacles we face those known or unknown in our future. Let our patron Saint George be our symbol, to remain strong and focused together.

### PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

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As I just mentioned it is Lent, half done as I write this and mostly done by the time you read this message, are you coming to church and taking advantage of the many services St. George is providing to help you with your fast, your repentance, your journey toward that most blessed time of our calendar Holy Week and Pascha.

I read an article in the Orthodox Observer on the invisible church. It told the story of how many think it is quite normal to do it on their own. No need for anything organized, anything with others, go pray or chat talk to God on some mountain top. It clearly pointed out the fallacy in that belief even as it grows in acceptance in our modern world. Our Lord wanted us together, in church together, praying with many voices for the same thing: to be with Him someday in heaven. Church, your church, is where it's happening, the choir voices, the sacraments offered, the icons to be venerated, the CROSS. We cannot do this alone. It is only together where we gain strength, the reinforcement of our own faith, together, let's all be together when I carry that most precious CROSS, around our cathedral in our procession demonstrating our faith in the life to come, together.

Have you purchased your Palm Sunday Fish Dinner tickets yet? It will be held on April 9th and tickets are going fast, again another thing to do with each other. See Diane LaRoche at coffee hour or call the church office, let's have a big turnout and start Holy Week off right.

Only a few weeks left for scholarship applications. Make sure you apply. Speaking of the high school students, our team at St. George once again won the State CYO Basketball Tournament. Great Job, to the players and the dedicated coaches for another chapter in the wonderful tradition of basketball at your community.

Glendi is off and running as we have sent out hundreds of letters and requests. If you receive one please open your heart up, we need all the help we can get to support the many programs we are providing. I would like to think we are moving in the proper direction but it takes money to accomplish our goals. Stewardship is off to a good start so keep your pledges coming or commit to one if need be, we need to have a firm financial footing and only you can help make that happen.

Look for the many announcements in this bulletin, the special services, the Name Day Dance, the multiple events here at St. George hope to see you soon, it's your church and you are invited.

See you at Divine Liturgy, Frank C. Comerford-President

### FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY OF THE RESURRECTION

Come, break the fast, and celebrate the Glorious Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour. The Board of Directors will provide roast lamb and liquid refreshments. Bring a dish to share and join your fellow parishioners in the celebration. All are welcome! Kali Anastasi!

### FATHER'S OFFICE HOURS

Father's Office Hours

Monday – Wednesday – Friday

10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Thursday 11:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Tuesday and Saturday By Appointment

### FATHER'S CONTACT INFORMATION

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### UNDERGRADUATE AND GRADUATE COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIPS AVAILABLE FOR THE 2017-2018 ACADEMIC YEAR

Applications for the 2017-2018 academic year for two undergraduate scholarships and one graduate studies scholarship are available from the Chancellor's Office of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. *Deadline for all applications is May 1, 2017.* 

The Katina John Malta Scholarship Fund, a scholarship program established at the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America by means of a generous gift from the estate of Katina John Malta. At least two scholarships of \$2,000 each will be awarded for the 2017-18 academic year.

The **George and Naouma Gioles Scholarship Fund** was established in 1997 with a generous gift of George and Naouma Gioles. At least three scholarships of \$1,500 each will be awarded for the 2017-18 academic year.

The Paleologos Graduate Scholarship is being offered to those students who are intending on enrolling full-time in professional graduate studies leading to a graduate degree (or those already pursuing such studies). At least one scholarship of \$5,000 will be awarded for the 2017-18 academic year.

Applications may be requested from the Office of the Chancellor of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese by calling (212) 774-0513, by e-mail at , or by written request. You may also go to the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America website at and download the applications which can be found under the Spotlights section located on the home page of the Archdiocese website.

### GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY SCHOLARSHIP

Application due April 1, 2017

### VAN & JOANNA CHRISTY SCHOLARSHIP

Application due May 30, 2017

### THE TRUSTEES OF THE GREATER MANCHESTER HELLENIC SCHOLARSHIP FUND

invite qualified high school seniors, college freshmen, and college sophomores to apply for 2017 scholarships. Applications are available at the Church office. Completed applications with official school transcripts must be returned to the office no later than April 1, 2017.

### THE ANNA THEODOSOPOULOS SCHOLARSHIP

The Anna Theodosopoulos Scholarship is available to high school seniors and must be submitted by April 1. Applications can be picked up in the cathedral office.

### NOA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

You can pick up applications at St. George Cathedral office. Please remember that they are due back no later than May 1, 2017. Please return completed applications to St. George Cathedral, 650 Hanover Street, Manchester NH 03104.

### GREGORY PAPPAS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Attention high school seniors. Applications are available in the Cathedral office. The deadline is April 1, 2017.

### DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE SCHOLARSHIPS

Applications are available in the Church Office. The deadline for completed applications is May 1, 2017.

### THE KARAGIS SISTERS SCHOLARSHIP

Application due April 1, 2017

### JOHN BOLOS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Application due June 1, 2017

### **COMMUNITY NEWS**

### **New Members**

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Doukeris Mr. & Mrs. George Gamas Welcome to the Family!

### **Funerals**

Olga Emanouil and Eleni Magerias May their memories be eternal!

### **MEMORIAL DONATIONS**

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

Charles Kokkinos	\$245.00
Menelaos "Nick" Lianos	\$175.00
Nick Hart	\$450.00
Francine Saad	\$200.00
Alec Aliapoulos	\$100.00
Olga Emanouil	\$155.00

### The Gregory Pappas Memorial Scholarship Fund in memory of:

Charles Kokkinos \$25.00

### The St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Altar Boy Fund

in memory of:

Charles Kokkinos \$25.00

Nola Kalantzis generously made a donation to the St. George Senior Choir in loving memory of Olga Emanouil . God Bless you and your Family.

Mrs. Mary Lianos generously donated \$1000.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund in loving memory of her husband,
Menelaos "Nick" Lianos.

Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Hartofelis generously donated \$100.00 to the St. George Greek Orthodox Senior Choir. God Bless you and your Family.

### PALM SUNDAY FISH DINNER APRIL 9, 2017

Broiled Haddock in Special Sauce Greek Salad, Rice Dessert and Coffee \$13.00

Children's Meal
Pasta with Marinara Sauce

**Greek Salad** 

\$7.00

Advance ticket sales only

Please Make checks out to Anagennesis Ladies Society

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Dear St. George Parishioners,

Very soon the flowers will be blooming and the trees will be green again! I am looking forward to being outside with the kids. Spring is a time for renewal and rebirth. The Sunday School children have been learning about the great sacrifice Jesus Christ made for us. He was crucified for our salvation.

I hope you will join us on May 21st to celebrate the achievements of our Sunday school children! The Sunday School students have been very busy this year! Especially the past few weeks with Lent and Easter.

The Sunday School is still collecting personal care items. The items will be donated to the Salvation Army in Manchester. This is open to the entire St. George community. The items can be dropped off in Sunday school or in the drop off box in the lobby of the community center. With the community's help we can make this philanthropy project a huge success!

Sincerely, Athena Moutsioulis Bevan

	Sunday School Save the Dates!
Date	Event
April 9	Palm Sunday, Easter Egg Hunt
April 16	Easter, No class
April 23	Spring Vacation, No class
May 21	Last day of Sunday School
	End of year program
	Sunday School sponsored coffee hour

### BOSTON'S GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE: APRIL 30, 2017

The 2017 Greek Independence Day Parade in Boston, MA will be held on Sunday, April 30, 2017 beginning at 1:00 p.m. The parade route will be the same as in the past. The parade will follow Boylston Street in Boston, starting near the Prudential Center and will finish at Charles Street, near the Boston Public Gardens, where the reviewing stand will be located. Your attendance at the parade will be greatly appreciated.

A bus will be going to Boston. It will be leaving from the Assumption Church at 11:35 a.m. The fee is \$15 for adults. Children ride for free.

### THE HISTORY OF EASTER EGGS

### BY REV. FATHER NICON D. PATRINACOS

The egg as a symbol of new life goes back to primitive times and is found in all cultures and civilizations. Polynesian, Chinese, Japanese, Indians, Phoenicians, Greeks, Romans, and Europeans of the Middle Ages, all considered the egg in the nature of the primordial beginning of life. In Greek mythology, the "black-winged night" gave birth to an egg from which sprang Eros, the source of life. The Romans considered red eggs symbols of prosperity and happiness. Roman historians relate traditions by which the birthdays of notable Romans were marked by fowls laying red eggs. A Phoenician myth has Aphrodite being born from an egg, and a similar Greek myth has Helen being born from an egg that fell from the moon.

However, even though the Easter egg is obviously not an exclusive Christian introduction, its significance relates to the birth not of material life but to that spiritual experience enjoyed only in the life of Christ. Its symbolic adaptation to the events of Christ's sacrifice on the Cross, His entombment, and finally His breaking of the bondage of death by His Resurrection, all find a fitting expression to the Easter egg. The red color of the Orthodox Easter egg signifies the blood of Christ, its shell His three-day entombment, and it's breaking His Resurrection by which the "egg of life" brought forth a life, up to then unknown. The cracking of the red eggs among the Orthodox symbolizes a mutual wish for breaking one's bonds of sin and misery and for entering the new life issuing from Christ's Resurrection.

Easter eggs are common among all Christians but with differences in color. In recent years, and obviously for commercial reasons, artificial eggs are being made in sizes larger than that of the natural egg and mostly of chocolate usually stuffed with candies or other gifts. This obviously is a continuation of the European custom by which emperors and other rulers used to distribute after the Easter service gold-plated eggs filled with gifts to members of their cabinets.

The Orthodox custom of decorating the round Easter bread with red eggs at the four edges of the cross on the bread is a custom going back at least to the Twelfth Century. Easter eggs are traditionally dyed on the Thursday of the Holy Week and in some places a number of them are brought to church to be blessed at the Easter Liturgy. In the Orthodox Prayer Book there is a prayer for blessing Easter eggs.

### **EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS**

If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter flowers you may do so by mailing a donation to the church office, drop it off at the church office, or give it to any member of the Anagennesis Board. Please make checks payable to Anagennesis Ladies Society. Thank you for your generosity.

### DO YOU SPEAK OR READ FRENCH? GERMAN? ALBANIAN? CHINESE?

We need volunteers to help proclaim the Gospel on Pascha during the **Agape Vespers Service** on Sunday, April 16 in the many and various languages of the world. If you are blessed with these skills and are able to help, please contact Father as soon as possible. Thank you.

### DID YOU KNOW . . .

... that the shortest Bible verse is John 11:35, quoted as 'Jesus Wept'. This verse will be heard in the Gospel read in the Divine Liturgy on the Saturday of Lazarus on Saturday, April 8, 2017. On this day the Gospel lesson is John 11:1-45. Jesus wept for His friend Lazarus, before He raised him from the dead, a pre-cursor of His own Resurrection.

Please join us after the Divine Liturgy for a Family Community Breakfast and help us fold the Palm Crosses for Palm Sunday the next day.

### **ADULT CLASSES SET TO RESUME**

After being on break during our Great Lenten Journey, the morning Bible Study and evening Orthodox Life Class will both resume on Wednesday, April 26, 2017. The Bible Study Class will continue meeting at 11:00 a.m. and is currently studying the Gospel of John. The Orthodox Life Class will continue to meet at 6:00 p.m. and is studying the History of the Orthodox Church.

### **Joyful Giving - Stewardship 2017 Pledge Form**

My Pledge to St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral in 2017 (Please respond as soon as you can!)

NAME	SPOUSE (If Married)							
STREET	CITY	STATEZIP						
HOME PHONE	MOBILE PHONE							
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May we include your contact information in the	parish directory?  YES  NO May we	add you to our parish email list?   YES   NO						
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TREASURE								
In gratitude for God's blessings, I/we commit to	Christ and His Church the following amount for 2017: \$							
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PLEASE BILL MY CARD:	QUARTERLY							
	of interest with a check mark. <b>FAMILIES</b> should mark "H"	for HUSBAND, "W" for WIFE, or "C" for CHILDREN.						
EDUCATION	ADMINISTRATION	Outreach						
Bible Study	Review / Audit	Stewardship						
Adult Religious Education	By-Laws	Sunday Fellowship / Coffee						
Intro to Orthodoxy	Office Help	Visitation – Hospital						
Publications	Computer / Technical	Visitation – Shut-ins						
Speakers	Data Entry	Feed the Hungry						
Library	Board of Directors	Prison Ministry						
YOUTH	Anagenesis	Grief Bereavement Group						
Sunday School Teacher	DEVELOPMENT / FUNDRAISING	Disaster Relief Projects						
GOYA	Glendi	Blood Drives						
Little Lambs	LITURGICAL	Project Mexico Int'l Orth Christian Charities						
Hope/Joy	Sanctuary & Altar Care	OCMC Mission Center						
Scouts	Altar boys / Acolytes	Seniors Ministry						
Basketball	Baking Prosfora	Couples Ministry						
Youth Choir	Choir	Singles Ministry						
BUILDING & GROUNDS	Reader	Military Ministry						
Garden & Landscape	Greeter / Usher	COMMUNICATIONS						
Clean-up	MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS	Website & E-mail						
Interior Repairs	Campus Ministry	Bulletin & Newsletter						
Exterior Repairs	Welcome Team	Bulletin & Newsletter Public Relations						
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### **STEWARDSHIP 2017**

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Sturgis Damalas Nancy Daskal

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Theodore & Cassandra Gatsas

George & Olga Gatzoulis

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Nick Moutsioulis

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Greg & Beth Plentzas

Philip & Sofia Plentzas

Sophia Plentzas

James & Hayley Politis

Evangelos & Pauline Poulos

Eleni Randos

Giorgio & Denise Ricciardi

Joanna Samaras

Nicholas & Stella Savvas

Diana Seitz

Michael Seitz

Maria Sinclair

Georgia Sousa

Kosta & Tina Spanos

Stergios Spanos & Family Stephen & Sonia Statires

Eva Stilkey

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Marc Tagalakis

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Vasilike Tolios Vasso Tsingos

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Alexandra Tsoutsas

**Despina Tsoutsas** 

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Vasilios & Christina Vougias

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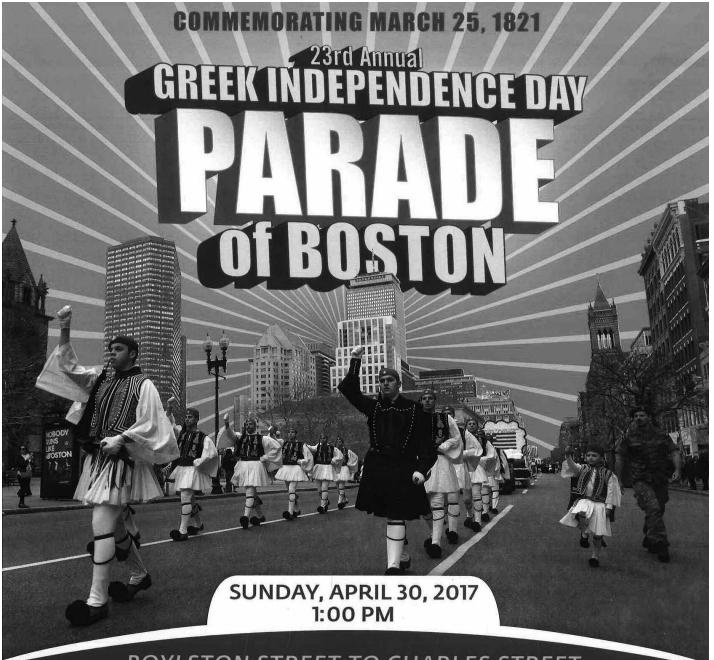
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**Arthur Zetes** 

Eric & Alyssa Zink George & Ruth Zogopoulos

### **ATTENTION**

A Bus will be going to Boston. It will be leaving from the Assumption Church at 11:35 a.m.
The Fee is Adults \$15.00. Children are free



### **BOYLSTON STREET TO CHARLES STREET**

CELEBRATION WITH GREEK MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD AT THE BOSTON COMMON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE

Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> Greek Independence Celebration at the Massachusetts State House Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup> Gala at the Cathedral Hall, 162 Goddard Avenue, Brookline - 6:30 pm

Grand Marshals: His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios of Boston; Honorable Mayor of Boston Martin Walsh



Presented by the Federation of Hellenic-American Societies of New England with the support of the Mayor's Office of Special Events and Tourism,

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### ST. GEORGE SUNDAY SCHOOL

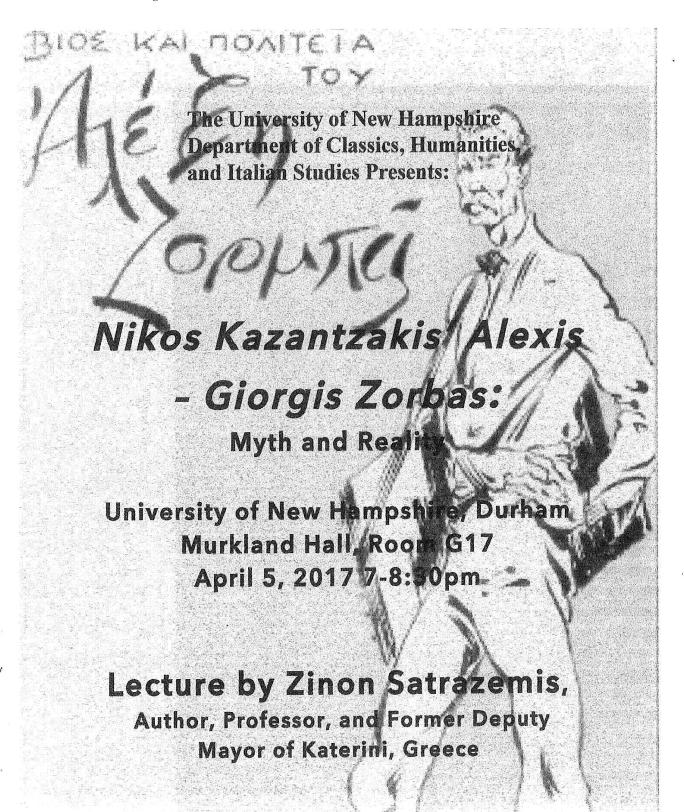


### **PHILANTHROPY**

### All donations to benefit the Salvation Army, Manchester

We will be collecting:
Toothpaste and Toothbrushes
Soap, Shampoo and Deodorant
Diapers-all sizes and Baby Wipes

2016-2017 SUNDAY SCHOOL PHILANTHROPY PROJECT



### Open to the public! Free of charge!

### 2017 NH STATE CHAMPIONSHIP HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL TEAM



St. George defeated St. Anthony's of Manchester, NH on Saturday March 18 to win their fourth NH CYO State Championship. They played the finals at NHTI in Concord. Our St. George team was the #1 Seed in the tournament having defeated St. John's of Nashua in the semi-final to face off with #2 St. Anthony. The game was close throughout the first three quarters with St. George holding a slim five point lead going into the fourth quarter. In the fourth quarter Demetri Anagnost scored 10 of his game high 17 points to open the lead to 14 and St. George never looked back! The final score was 62-48 to earn the 2017 NH State CYO Championship.

### EASTER LAMBADES APRIL 7TH FAMILY EVENT

Join us at 6:00 on Friday and make a lambada for a loved one or have them come and make it with you!

\$10.00/ Lambada
Candles and ribbons will be provided
but please feel free to bring a special item
that you would like to add as well.

Pasta dinner and dessert will be provided.

Please contact the church office
that you will be joining us so that
we have enough candles for everyone.

### **BASKETBALL 2016/2017**



All the children with Father Wilson which includes the Saturday morning instructional program, 3/4 grade coed team and the 5/6 boys team and all the coaches.



Father Wilson with all the coaches (Billy Timbas, Mike Ferrari, Lou Demos, Jim Robinson, Ken Clark and Ted Setas). Father Wilson is proudly holding the 2017 State Championship trophy.

### SUNDAY, APRIL 30: LITURGY START TIME CHANGED

On Sunday, April 30, 2017 the Matins Service/Orthros start time has been changed from 9:00 am to 8:30 am and the Divine Liturgy start time has been changed from 10:00 am to 9:30 am. This time change will allow all who are interested in attending the Greek Independence Day parade in Boston enough time to get there. This time change is only for Sunday, April 30.

### **BIG SPRING CLEAN**

A special thank you to Angela Dion, Cindy Gatzoulis, Marilyn Motowylak, DoDo Chakas, Linda Martin and Diane Bobotas for cleaning the Church. The Church looks and smells Beautiful.

### Christ Is Risen! Truly He Is Risen!

Χριστος Ανεστη! Αληθως Ανεστη!

Orthodox Christians around the world celebrate Pascha and the Resurrection of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Have you ever wondered how you would proclaim "Christ Is Risen" and the response "Truly He Is Risen" in the various languages of the world?

Albanian: Krishhti Unjall! Vertet Unjall!

Arabic: Al Maseeh Qam! Haqqan Qam!

Armenian: Christos harjav i merelotz! Orhniale harutjun Christosi!

Church Slavonic: Christos Voskrese! Voistino Voskrese!

Dutch: Christus is opgestaan! Ja, hij is waarlijk opgestaan! French: Le Christ est ressuscite! il est vraiment ressuscite!

German: Christus ist auferstanden! Wahrhaft auferstanden!

Italian: Cristo e' Risorto! Veramente e' Risorto!

Latin: Christus Resurrectus Est! Vere Resurrectus Est!

Portugese: Cristo Ressuscitou! Em Verdade Ressuscitou!

Romanian: Hristus A Inviat! Adeverat A Inviat!

Russian: Khristos Voskrese! Voistinu Voskrese!

Serbian: Hristos Vaskrese! Vaistinu Vaskrese!

Spanish: Cristo ha resucitado! En verdad, esta resucitado!

### The Sermon of the Easter Lilies

In the beauty of the lilies, we can see the Love of God.

They without a conscious effort, rise supreme above the sod.

Clothed in tints of radiant glory, fed by springs and from above.

Each a message of Creation, each a symbol of His Love.

### THE CHURCH IS WHERE WE FIND CHRIST

There is a legend about Zacchaeus the dishonest tax collector whom Jesus called down from a sycamore tree one day to have dinner with him. Zacchaeus, you recall, was converted as a result of this personal encounter with Jesus. In later years, the legend says, Zacchaeus used to rise early every morning, carry a bucket of water to this tree and carefully water its roots. On one occasion his wife followed him and when asked the reason for this strange concern over an old sycamore tree, Zacchaeus replied, "This is where I found Christ."

The Church is where we find Christ. This is where we are baptized. This is where we hear His word. This is where He comes to dwell in our hearts when we receive Him in the Holy Eucharist. This is why we love the Church. This is why we support the Church. This is why we work for the Church. It is the Body of Christ where we find love, compassion, forgiveness, peace and eternal salvation.



### St. George OPA Dance Night Celebrating our Name Day

Saturday, May 13, 2017
7pm – 11:00pm
In the church hall

DJ The Salonica Boys Greek and American Dancing

Variety of Hors D'oeuvres
Cash Bar
\$20.00 per person
Children under 16 are free

John Stavropoulos at 668-7057 or the Cathedral office at (603)622-9113

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## April 2017

Sat	1. Cub Scout Pinewood Derby 8 am. in CC. Boy Scout Merit Badge Mtg. 8 am. in CC.	8. Saturday of Lazarus Orthos 9 am Div. Lit. 10 am. Folding of the Palm Branches & Community Communion Breakfast in CC.	15. Holy Saturday Vesperal Div. Lit. of St. Basil 9:30 am. Matins of Pascha 11:15 pm. Resur- rection Div. Lit. Midnight, Paschal Pot Luck Dinner following Resurrection in	22. Feast of St. George Great Ves- pers & Artoclasia 7 pm.	29. Baptism of Emily Josephine, daughter of Gregory & Kristine Bonito at noon.
		7. No Basketball. Easter Lambades Family Night 6 pm in CC.	14. Holv Friday Royal Hours 8 am. Apokathilosis Service 3pm. Lamentations Service 7 pm.	21. Feast of the Life Giving Fountain Div. Lit. 10 am.	28.
Thu		6. Girl Scouts 5–9 p.m. at Annex.	13. Holy Thursday Vesperal Div. Lit. of St. Basil 6 am. Service of the 12 Gospel Readings 7 pm.	20. Girl Scouts 5–9 pm. at Annex. AHEPA & DOP Event in CC.	27.
Wed		5. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy & Lenten Potluck Supper & Sixth Lenten Lecture 5:45 pm. No Bible Study & Orthodox Life Class.	12. Holy Wednesday Holy Unction 3 pm Orthros of Holy Thursday & Distribution of Holy Unction 7 pm. No Cub Scouts.	19. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC.	26. Bible Study 11 am at Annex. Or- thodox Life Class 6 pm at Annex. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC.
Tue		<del>4</del> 1	11. Holy Tuesday Bridegroom Service 7 pm.	18.	25.
Mon		3. Compline Service 6 pm. Pre-School 4:30-5:30 pm. Adult Greek Class 6- 7:30 pm. BOD Mtg. 7 pm at Annex.	10 Holy Monday Bridegroom Service 7 pm.	17. Pre-School 4:30- 5:30 pm. Adult Greek Class 6-7:30 pm.	24. No Pre-School or Adult Greek Class.
Sun		2. Sth Sunday of Lent Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 a.m.	9. Palm Sunday Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 am. Palm Sunday Fish Dinner in CC. Bride- groom Service 7 pm.	16. Happy Pascha Easter Sunday Agape Vespers 11 am. Easter Egg hunt following service.	23. Sunday of St. Thomas Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. No Sun. Sch. 30. Orthos 9 am Div. Lit 10 am. Sun. Sch. 10 am.



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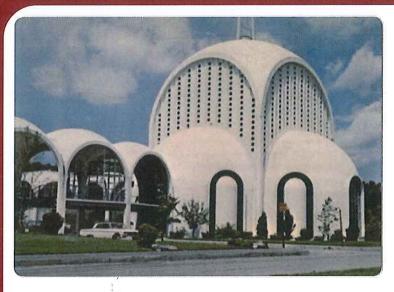
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May 2017

Sat	6. Rainbow Theatre 5-10 pm in CC. Marriage seminar 9 am—3 pm at Annex.	13. St. George Dance 7 pm in CC.	20.		27. Memorial services at Veteran's Cemetery in Boscawen 1 pm.	
	5. Rainbow Theatre 5-10 pm in CC.	12.	19.		26.	
Thu	4. Girl Scouts 5–9 p.m. at Annex.	11. Girl Scouts 5–9 p.m. at Annex.	18.	Office Closed	25. Feast of the Ascension Div. Lit. 10 am. Girl Scouts 5-9 pm. at Annex	
Wed	3. Bible Study 11 am at Annex. Orthodox Life Class 6 pm at Annex. Cub Scout Mtg 6 pm in CC.	10. Bible Study 11 am at Annex. Orthodox Life Class 6 pm at Annex. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC. DOP Mtg. at 6:30 pm at Annex.		Joyce on Vacation Of	24. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC.	31. No Bible Study or Orthodox Life Class. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC.
Tue	2.	9.	16.	Joyce	23.	30.
Mon	1. No Pre-School in CC. Women's Interfaith Mtg. 6-9 pm in CC.	8. Pre-School 4:30-5:30 pm. Adult Greek Class 6-7:30 pm. BOD Mtg. 7 pm at Annex.	15. Pre-School 4:30- 5:30 pm. Adult Greek Class 6- 7:30 pm.		22. Pre-School 4:30- 5:30 pm. Adult Greek Class 6- 7:30 pm.	29. Memorial Day Holiday Office Closed. Memorial service at Pine Grove Cemetery 9 am.
Sun		7. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 a.m. 1-yr Mem. for Demetrios Kanellos & Coffee	14. Happy Mother's Day Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit 10 a.m. Sun. Sch. 10 am.		21. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Sun Sch. End of year Program & Coffee Hour. 1st General Assembly after Coffee hr.	28. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 a.m. Baptism of

### ANAGENNESIS

**NEWSLETTER MARCH 2017** 





### The President's Message

Hello and Happy Spring!

As we observe our Lenten season I am keenly aware of the sacrifices we all make in life every day.

Whether it's for our family, our church, our job or something else, it is with purpose. This is the journey

we take every day as members of the Anagennesis Society and as we grow and continue to better ourselves we are encouraged by you, our membership, and the feedback you offer us. Our general assembly meeting in March was positive and I appreciate the time you gave to us to discuss our accomplishments and future goals. I wish all of you a very Happy Pascha! Cathy Moufarge

### MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

2017 Membership dues are \$15.00. Checks can be made payable to St. George Anagennesis.

See Dorothy Chakas in the community center after church.

We currently have 175 members.

### GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Please note that meeting minutes that were handed out at our annual general assembly on March 19th were from 2015.

Thank you to all of those that attended the meeting!

### TSOUREKIA EASTER BREAD

We will be selling our homemade TSOUREKIA again this year. Please call the church office to place your order. They will be distributed on April 9 and 10. \$10.00 per bread.

Please makes checks payable to Anagennesis Ladies Society.

### PALM SUNDAY FISH DINNER

Please join us for the Palm Sunday Fish Dinner on Sunday, April 9, 2017 at 12 noon in the community center.

\$13.00 - Fish, Rice, Greek Salad, Dessert

\$7.00 - Pasta with Marinara Sauce, Greek Salad, Dessert

Advanced tickets only.

Tickets on sale in the office until April 6th and after church on Sunday until April 2nd.

### EASTER FLOWER DONATIONS

If you would like to make a donation towards our Easter flowers you may do so by mailing a donation to the church office, drop it off at the church office or give it to any member of the Anagennesis board. Please make checks payable to Anagennesis Ladies Society. Thank you for your generosity.

### CALLING OUT FOR RED EGGS!

Every year we collect red eggs to be wrapped and handed out for Easter. Last year we collected 35 dozen but we can always use more to hand out at the nursing homes.

If you can donate please drop off the eggs anytime during Holy Week. You can bring them to the church office or place them in the kitchen refrigerator.

We will be wrapping eggs Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evening during Holy Week. Please feel free to join us! The more the merrier!



### ANAGENNESIS SUNSHINE

The sunshine committee sends wishes for good health to any members who are ill. Please inform Diane Spiro LaRoche at 669-9269 Or email dilaroche@aol.com if you know anyone who is ill.

### ANAGENNESIS

### HAPPENINGS



Thank you for joining us in the community center to welcome the New Year which God has given us. The Vasilopita symbolizes the hope that the New Year will be filled with the sweetness of life, liberty, health, and happiness. The Vasilopita was distributed to members of various organizations and parishioners.

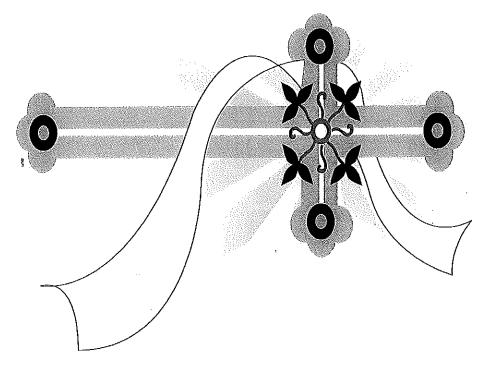
Thank you Father Mike for blessing the church and bringing good luck for the new year.

### MIROFORES



We welcome girls to be Mirofores and participate during 3:00 Vespers of Apokathelosis (taking down from the cross) and 7:00 Lamentations (Epitaphios Thrinos). All white dresses and shoes are worn as our girls are a beautiful vision of white during these services. Further information will be in our church bulletin. For more information please contact Veneta Tatakis @ Jimandveneta@aol.com

## Christos Anesti



## Alithos Auesti

### Holy Week 2017

## SATURDAY OF LAZARUS THRU MONDAY OF BRIGHT WEEK

## SATURDAY, April 8, 2017 — SUNDAY, April 16, 2017

		April 13			April 12	April 11	April 10		April 09	April 08	J.A
Service of the 12 Gospel Readings, 7 pm	Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 6 am	Holy Thursday	Orthros of Holy Thursday & Distribution of Holy Unction 7 pm.	Holy Unction Service, 3pm	Holy Wednesday	Holy Tuesday, Bridegroom Service (Hymm of Kassiane), 7pm	Holy Monday, Bridegroom Service, ( Nymphios) 7pm	Bridegroom Service, (Nymphios) 7pm	Palm Sunday, Orthros, 9am; Divine Lit. 10am	Saturday of Lazarus - Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10am	3ATURDAT, ADIII 6, 2017 — SUNDAT, ADIII 16, 2017

### April 14 Holy Friday

Royal Hours, 8:00 am

Vespers of Apokathelosis (taking down from the Cross), 3pm

Lamentations (Epitaphios Thrinos), 7pm

## April 15 Holy Saturday

Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil 9:30 am

Matins of Pascha 11:15 pm.

Resurrection Divine Liturgy 12 Midnight

## April 16 <u>Easter Sunday (Pascha)</u>

Vespers of Agape at 11am
Easter Egg Hunt to follow service

IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, CALL FATHER WILSON AT 856-6749