



# St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral

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## THE SEVEN ECUMENICAL COUNCILS

Throughout the year in the Church, we commemorate the Holy Fathers of the various Ecumenical Councils held in the early and formative years of the Christian Church. On Sunday, May 20, we commemorated the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council held in Nicea in 325. On Sunday, June 3 we will be commemorating the Holy Fathers of the Second Ecumenical Council held in Constantinople in 381. We will be commemorating the Holy Fathers of the Fourth Ecumenical Council who met in Chalcedon in 451 on Sunday, July 15 and the Holy Fathers of the Third Ecumenical Council who met in 431 in Ephesus on Sunday, September 9. Actually, there is one Sunday when we commemorate the Holy Fathers of all seven Councils.

As the Church progressed through history it was faced with many difficult decisions. The Church always settled difficulties and made decisions by reaching a consensus of opinion among all the believers inspired by God who were led by their appointed leaders, first the apostles and then the bishops. The Orthodox Church has always been conciliar in its decision making.

The first church council in history was held in the apostolic church to decide the conditions under which the gentiles, that is, the non-Jews, could enter the Christian Church (see Acts 15). From that time on, all through history councils were held on every level of church life to make important decisions. Bishops met regularly with their priests, also called presbyters or elders, and people. It became the practice, and even the law, very early in church history that bishops in given regions should meet in councils or synods held on a regular basis.

At times in church history, councils of all of the bishops in the church were called. All the bishops were not able to attend these councils, of course, and not all such councils were automatically approved and accepted by the Church in its Holy Tradition. In the Orthodox Church only seven such councils, some of which were actually quite small in terms of the number of bishops attending, have received the universal approval of the entire Church in all times and places. These councils have been termed the Seven Ecumenical Councils.



Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council

The dogmatic definitions (dogma means official teaching) and the canon laws of the ecumenical councils are understood to be inspired by God and to be expressive of His will for all of us, His people. Thus, they are essential sources of Orthodox Christian doctrine.

Besides the seven ecumenical councils, there are other local church councils whose decisions have also received the approval of all Orthodox Churches in the world, and so are considered to be genuine expressions of the Orthodox faith and life. The decisions of these councils are mostly of a moral or structural character. Nevertheless, they too reveal the teaching of the Orthodox Church.

The First Council was held in Nicea in 325 and formulated the first part of the Creed, defining the divinity of the Son of God. The reason that the first council took place in Nicea and not in the capital city, Constantinople, is because the capital city was still under construction, not yet completed. The Second Council did take place in Constantinople, the new capital city of the empire in 381 and formulated the second part of the Creed, defining the divinity of the Holy Spirit.

The Third Council was held in Ephesus in 431 and defined Christ as the Incarnate Word of God and Mary as the Theotokos.

The Fourth Council was held in 451 in Chalcedon and defined Christ as the Perfect God and Perfect Man in One Person.

The Fifth Council was held in Constantinople in 553 and re-confirmed the Doctrines of the Holy Trinity and of Christ.

The Sixth Council was held in Constantinople again in 680 and affirmed the True Humanity of Jesus Christ by insisting upon the reality of His human will and action.

And finally, the Seventh Council, held in Nicea in 787 affirmed the propriety of Icons as genuine expressions of the Christian Faith.

Many of the bishops who took part in the Ecumenical Councils of the Church are today honored as Saints of the Church. The job of defining and developing the teachings of the Church was not easy and it was very time consuming, sometimes the meetings would go on for months at a time. But the work got done with the inspiration and the guidance of God Almighty.

We thank God for bringing these wise heralds of the Faith together to develop and define the teachings that we, some 1,693 years since the First Ecumenical Council, still hold deep today.

***“Supremely blessed are You, O Christ our God. You established the holy Fathers upon the earth as beacons, and through them You have guided us all to the true Faith, greatly merciful One, glory be to You.”***

May our Risen Lord and Savior Jesus Christ be with you and your family always! May God grant you health and happiness and may He guide you in everything that you do towards His Glory!

With my paternal love in Christ,



Very Rev. Archimandrite Agathonikos M. Wilson  
(Father Mike)  
Presiding Priest and Dean of the Cathedral

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## GREEK SCHOOL GRADUATION

Will be Thursday, June 7th from 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m. in the St. George Community Center. If you need more information please contact George Kitsis.

## SCHOLARSHIP SUNDAY

Will be Sunday, June 10th in the Community Center of St. George Cathedral. If there are any Seniors graduating from high school, please call the Cathedral office and let them know. The Church office number is 603-622-9113.

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## VAN & JOANNA CHRISTY SCHOLARSHIP

Applications are now available in the Cathedral office. The deadline is June 15th

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## THE PARAKLESIS SERVICE IS BEING OFFERED IN AUGUST

On the Fifteenth of August we commemorate the Koimisis, the Dormition, or the Falling Asleep of the Virgin Mary. Much of the Church's Holy Tradition is given in the book called the *Horologion*. In this book we read about the falling asleep of the Virgin Mary, the Theotokos.

As time drew near for the Lord to call His earthly Mother, He sent an angel to announce this to her three days beforehand. The Virgin Mary then went to the Mount of Olives to pray. This was a prayer of rejoicing, the joy of return to the Savior. Ever since the Resurrection, death had a new meaning and attitude. Death no longer meant the end and despair; now it was a new beginning, a hope, a new life. Death was now, in Christian terms *sleep*, which Christ would wake us up from and live forever with Him in heaven.

The event of the Dormition is very important in our Church life and it is preceded by a two week fasting period. During this time we conduct the service of the Paraklesis, the Supplication Service to the Theotokos. During this service we ask the Virgin Mary to pray for us to her Son, to help us, to overcome our illnesses, and to assist us in times of trouble and / or in times of need. We do this because the Church feels that since she is so close to God that she will assist us in our prayers to Him.

The Small Paraklesis Service will be offered six times at the Saint George Cathedral during the first fifteen days of August. **The Paraklesis Service will be offered on Wednesday, August 1, Friday, August 3, Monday, August 6, Wednesday, August 8, Friday, August 10 and on Monday, August 13. The services will begin at 6:00 p.m.** Please try and attend as many of the services as possible.

## **PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE**

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

May is perhaps our busiest month and I for one am glad it is over. Things went very well without any major or even minor mishaps. The OPA dance, thanks John Stavropoulos and your working group, our Mother's Day Coffee Hour thanks to my Board of Directors, and the General Assembly thanks for coming out to learn about your community. Hopefully, you were able to attend the Active Shooter Presentation. Thanks to George Copadis for making the arrangements for that presentation.

The Sunday School year finished with the graduation and awards. A sincere thank you to Athena Bevan and her team of teachers devoted to God's work in helping our children know Him, learn of His love for all of us and that the way to have a good, productive, happy Christ centered life is only thru Him and His church, our church. Thanks to the parents who see the importance of getting the children here and if you read this and you're not bringing your own young people why not talk to Athena, talk to Father, heck talk to me! It's that important for them and for our future. The future is only possible with His help, we as individuals and as a community of Christian people need to just ask Him to continue to bless us as He has for over two thousand years. If there is to be a next thousand it is these children who must lead us so pray for them and the dedicated teachers who are starting them on their life journey. The promise is real and now that I am older I see more truth in it every day that to lead a good life starts in knowing Him. Thanks to all the Sunday School team at St. George for helping our children achieve their own reward of a life with our Lord and Savior.

June has some eventful things too, the annual Scholarship Sunday on the 10th, and Father's Day on the 17th. Come wish me a Happy Birthday. Please check the individual flyers in this mailing along with the dates of the St. George Church Camp in July another wonderful week for our young people why not check it out you will not be disappointed.

We had the 1st GLENDI meeting and why not think of joining up with the most hard working, dedicated group at the Cathedral. The GLENDI is only a success with your work to make it a success so please join us. Why not begin by thinking about taking an ad in the book, join with other family members to remember loved ones or promote your business, maybe just to say hello or thank you. It's your book and has become a vital part of the festival. Please help make it a winner once again. If we all sold one ad, think what that would total. GLENDI is only a hundred days away and I hope that you will count on being a part of it.

I know Father Mike has promised me we will be open all summer so please come to church, bring the whole family and thank our Lord for being an important part of your life, be safe and have a wonderful summer.

See you at Divine Liturgy...

Frank C. Comerford  
President

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## **STEWARDSHIP**

To date, we have received 232 stewardship commitment forms with pledges totaling \$2 putting us at 98.6% of our goal of \$290,000! If you have not yet submitted your stewardship commitment card for 2018, please prayerfully consider your time, talent and treasure commitments and submit your card as soon as possible so that we can proceed as budgeted in the New Year.

Our continued growth, success and faithful witness is only possible through healthy and spiritually-oriented Stewardship. Remember, a commitment card does not create a legal obligation, but is rather a commitment of faith. If you are already giving to the Parish but have not completed a stewardship commitment card, please do so. Having the completed card allows us to maintain an up to date and accurate roster of the parish membership and assists us greatly in preparing and tracking against our annual budgets. To obtain a 2018 Stewardship Commitment Card or submit your card online visit

[stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=21](http://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21).

God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Corinthians 9:7)

## **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**

Cell Phone: (603) 856-6749

E-mail: [revframwilson@yahoo.com](mailto:revframwilson@yahoo.com)

## ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE TO THE ONE WHO BELIEVES IN CHRIST



Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

We are now finalizing our preparations for our 44th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress and the national meeting of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society which will convene July 1-5 in Boston, Massachusetts.

Our theme for our Congress and meetings is All Things are Possible to the One Who Believes in Christ. This theme and our understanding of its implications are critical to the work of our Parishes, our Metropolises and our Holy Archdiocese. From the truth of the Gospel and the words of our Lord who said, all things are possible to him who believes (Mark 9:23), we affirm that our faith in Christ makes the impossible possible, the unreachable reachable, and the unachievable achievable. Our belief in Him defeats the power of sin and death, transforms our lives, and leads us to salvation. We know that our unwavering faith in Christ will help us overcome any challenges, will extend our witness in new and dynamic ways, and will lead others to Christ and the blessed life in Him.

Throughout the Holy Scriptures we see the power and potential of faith. Faith is shown in the marvelous works of God among His people and the amazing miracles of Christ. Through His life and ministry and His glorious Resurrection, we see that through faith we can have life and have it abundantly. (John 10:10) We also see the power of faith in the lives of the Apostles and the Saints and Martyrs who were committed to the way of the Lord and to sharing the Gospel. This was true not only in the inspirational and miraculous that came through their ministry, but also through all they endured.

The Apostle Paul acknowledged this when he wrote of the many trials he faced during his journeys: Three times I have been shipwrecked; a night and a day I have been adrift at sea; on frequent journeys, in danger from rivers, danger from robbers...in toil and hardship, through many a sleepless night, in hunger and thirst, often without food, in cold and exposure. (2 Corinthians 11:25-27). Through faith and the assurance of the promises of God he endured all of this and much more, knowing that all things are possible to the one who believes. In his letter to the Philippians he affirmed this: In any and all circumstances I have learned the secret of facing plenty and hunger, abundance and want. I can do all things in Him who strengthens me. (Philippians 4:12-13)

This acclamation by the Apostle Paul that all things are possible through faith in Christ affirms the fulfillment of the promise of our Lord to His followers and to us. He said, He who believes in me will also do the works that I do, and greater works than these will he do. (John 14:12) Christ is telling us that through faith, the impossible is now possible. He is saying that the power that works miracles, that heals, that brings hope in the midst of hopelessness, that offers life abundant and eternal, is the power given to those who believe to do even greater works than the Son of God. All things are possible! Amazing and marvelous things that transform lives and save souls!

All things are possible to the one who believes in Christ, and with the assurance of this promise we hear Him say, If you ask anything in my name, I will do it. (John 14:14). Through faith, through the power of His grace and presence, we have His word, I will do it. Consider the limitless potential of what we can do. Reflect on the boundless possibilities of our lives and ministry. Contemplate the tremendous and immeasurable opportunities before us in the work of our parishes and throughout our Holy Archdiocese. Through our faith in Christ all things are possible!

In our journey through Holy and Great Lent, I asked that you prayerfully reflect on our theme and its meaning for your life and for the ministry and witness of our Church in America. In future articles we will explore the implications of the promises of our Lord in these areas, so that we can come together in Boston to consider the great and marvelous works that will come through our faith and through the power and presence of Christ. May His abundant blessings be with you, and may you be assured and inspired by knowing all things are possible with God. (Mark 10:27)

With paternal love in Christ,

†DEMETRIOS  
Archbishop of America





## September 14th, 15th, and 16th.

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

Time is slipping away! We are still in desperate need of your help! Our GLENDI Festival is a short 4 months away!

The GLENDI ad book which provides much needed additional revenue to support all of our ongoing programs continues to raise money but not as much as one would hope by mid-May. Therefore, I have reached out to our printer and asked that he extend our deadline to June 30th. As you all know once all the ads are received a significant amount of work goes into proofreading the ads and sending corrected copies back and forth so we will be on a tight time-frame as of the end of June.

I ask that you consider sending whatever you can afford. For a \$25.00 contribution your name will appear as a patron ad in support of this our 39th GLENDI. You may also purchase a quarter page ad for \$75.00, a half page ad for \$150.00, and a full-page ad for \$300.00. Unlike the price of gas our pricing for the ads has not gone up! We have remained at this pricing level for years.

Please consider sending an ad in support of our GLENDI. Time is short and our church needs your help! Thank you for your time and consideration of this request.

George

### GLENDI 2018 PROGRAM AD RATES

Patron (Name) - \$25.00  
 Quarter Page \$ 75.00 (3.5" w x 4.75" h)  
 Half Page 150.00 (4.75" h x 7.5" w  
 OR 3.5" w x 10" h)  
 Full Page 300.00 (7.5" w x 10" h)

### EXTENDED DEADLINE FOR ADS IS JUNE 30TH

Please make checks payable to:  
 St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral  
 650 Hanover St. Manchester, NH 03104-5306

## GLENDI COOKING

### Cooking/Baking Schedule for June

June 26th at 9:00 am Meatballs--Tana Gustafson  
 June 29th at 9:00 am Dolmathes--Carol Dionis  
 and Jenny Dakos

Volunteers needed. Please come for a couple of hours or stay for the whole day, which ever you decide just know you are a vital part of our Glendi Celebration.

Cooking begins at 9:00 a.m. Coffee and snacks provided.

## WE NOW HAVE A TWITTER AND INSTAGRAM ACCOUNT

Here are the tags

Twitter - @SaintGeorgeNH

Instagram - saintgeorgegreekchurchnh

## CHANGE OF ADDRESS

If your address changes, please give the Cathedral Office a call at 622-9113 and let them know of the change.

### St. George Board of Directors

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### New Members

Sophia Koustas  
William Bookas  
Alkiviadis Nakos

Welcome to the Family!

### Funerals

John MacArthur  
Nicholas Kafkoulas

May their memories be eternal!

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## MEMORIAL DONATIONS

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

John MacArthur	\$2353.00
Androniky O'Neil	\$275.00
Alexander Kohilakis	\$250.00
Maria Chaloge	\$40.00
Nicholas Koustas	\$30.00
Anthy Tartsa	\$25.00

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

Anthy Tartsa	\$50.00
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### **The George Demos Altar Boy Scholarship Fund** in memory of:

John MacArthur	\$50.00
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Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Hartofelis generously  
donated \$100.00 to the  
St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification Fund  
in loving memory of  
Epokratis & Liesolotte Hartofelis.  
May their memories be eternal!

Mr. & Mrs. Fotios Vougias generously donated \$100.00 to  
the St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral Beautification  
fund in loving memory of their son,  
Michael Vougias.  
May his memory be eternal!

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## ANAGENNESIS LADIES SOCIETY DUES

The dues will be collected during Coffee Hour in the Community Center. The dues this year are \$15.00. Please see Dorothy Chakas during coffee hour to pay your dues

## LAITY AWARD DINNER

Deadline for Laity Award Dinner Is June 1st. Anyone that wants to go, please contact the Church office at 622-9113 and send in a check for \$75.00.

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## OPA NIGHT TO ST. GEORGE

On May 5, 2018 we celebrated our Patron Saint with a dance. What a wonderful evening dancing to the music of The Saronica Boys. The twenty-five to thirty youngsters along with parents and guests danced till the end. A tribute to all.

I would like to thank Liz, Maria and John, Louise, George, Marilyn, Steve, Eva, Tom and Carol, Toula, Joyce, and Dan. They contributed their time with serving food, drinks and giving food donations to make this night a successful evening.

With Great Appreciation, John Stavropoulos

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## THE 44TH BIENNIAL CLERGY-LAITY CONGRESS

**NEW YORK** – The 44th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America will take place July 1 to 5, 2018, in Boston, Massachusetts, hosted by the Holy Metropolis of Boston and His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios of Boston.

Concurrently, the National Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society will hold its biennial convention. The venue for the 44th Clergy-Laity and the Philoptochos Convention will be the Boston Marriott Copley Place Hotel.

The theme of the 44th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress will be **All Things Are Possible to the One Who Believes in Christ** (Mark 9:23). His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios, Geron of America, announced the theme in his recent Encyclical and explained that, *As Orthodox Christians we affirm our faith in Christ, a faith that makes the impossible possible, the unreachable reachable, the non-achievable achievable. We know that our faith in Him leads us in our worship and ministry. We are also led by the example of our Lord in seeing the limitless possibilities of our faith. His life and ministry show us that belief in Him leads to healing, renewal and hope. Belief in Christ defeats the power of sin and death, transfigures our lives, and leads us on the path of salvation.*

The Congress will begin with the Hierarchal Divine Liturgy, Sunday July 1, 2018, at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation in Boston. The official opening of the Congress will take place the next morning, Monday July 2, with the Keynote Address by Archbishop Demetrios.

# STEWARDSHIP 2018

Michael & Donna Aboshar  
Mark & Elaine Adam  
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William Aivalikles  
Anastasia Ambargis  
Alex Anagnost & Amy Cloutier  
Diakaios & Demetria Anagnost  
Stavros Anagnost  
Alexander Apostol  
Panagiota Arfanakis  
Sally Argeriou  
Dana & Ashley Arsenault  
James & Lynne Arvanitis  
William & Cheryl Athanas  
Bradley & Katerina Atkinson  
Christos & Alexandra Babis  
Christine Ballas  
Toula Barber  
Jaime & Ashley Moufarge Bardwell  
Curtis & Erika Barnes  
George & Joy Bentas  
Joan Bentas  
William & Susan Berry  
Lawrence & Zoya Berube  
Diane Bobotas  
Peter & Kate Boisvert  
Richard & Georgiann Boisvert  
Thomas & Joanne Bonito  
Thomas & Paula Borbotsina  
Keir & Joanne Bordner  
Arthur Boujoukos  
William & Nancy Brennan  
Fanny Canotas  
Brian, Cathy & Alexis Carr  
Daniel & Amanda Casey  
Gregory & Meagan Chadis  
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Steve Chakas  
William & Maria+ Chaloge  
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Frank & Alice Comerford  
George Copadis  
Nick Copadis  
Lynn Cross  
Alice Crusade  
Jenny Dakos  
Maria Dakos  
Julia Damalas  
Maria Damalas  
Sturgis Damalas  
Athanasios & Christine Dellas  
Vivi Desjardins  
Michael & Demetra Dillon  
George & Linda Dimakis  
Harry Dimos  
Michael & Christina Dimos  
Zoes & Athena Dimos  
Tom & Carol Dionis  
Nicholas & Artemis Donis  
Effie Dovas  
John & Marie Dovas  
Susan Duffy  
Michael & Elizabeth Ferrari  
Jim & Stephanie Ferro  
Robyn & Alexys Ficek  
Franceen Ballas Flynn  
Nancy Folis

Kristine Gagne  
Matthew Gatsas  
Michael Gatsas  
Pauline Gatsas  
Theodore & Cassandra Gatsas  
Kostas & Visaria Gekas  
Barbara George  
Alexander Georgeou  
Stephen & Brenda Gikas  
Aphrodite Giotas  
Evangelos & Grace Griburas  
Maria Macaronas Hand  
George & Georgia Karafotias Harb  
Louise Hart  
Nicholas & SeSun Hartofelis  
Stephanie Spanos Honan  
William & Jennifer Hughen  
William & Joan Hughen  
John Ine  
Alice Ivos  
John & Kathryn Jaskolka  
Nicholas Jaskolka  
Betty Kacavas  
Angeliki Kanellos  
William & Ourania Kanteres  
Christos & Haido Karageorgos  
Emilianos & Theodora Karagiannis  
Theodore & Panagiota Karametros  
John & Barbara Karanasios  
Eva Karandanis  
Rigas & Maria Karoutsos  
John & Elaine Katsoupis  
Chris & Helen Kehas  
Anna Kennefick  
Peter & Elaine Kiriakoutsos  
George & Elizabeth Kitsis  
Martha Kokkinos  
Andrea Kokolis  
Ernie Kotekas  
William Kotekas  
Dennis & Anita Kounas  
Sophia Koustas  
Katherine Koutroubas & Family  
Johny & Katelyn Kuttab  
George & Dafnola Lalopoulos  
Philip Liakos  
Stephen & Maureen Liakos  
Mary Lianos  
Daniel & Maria Lustenberger  
John+ & Marie MacArthur  
William & Claire Macenas  
Stamatia Malatras  
Helena Malik  
Effie Mandelos  
Pamela Manolakis  
Anthony & Karen Massahos  
Mark McCue & Vasiliki Canotas  
Harry & Imelda Mehos  
Socrates & Evdoxia Merisotis  
Aspa Michalopoulos  
Olga Mikolaities  
Spiro & Maria Millios  
David & Helen Minkle  
Nikolas & Lyndsay Mitsopoulos  
Spiros & Sharon Mitsopoulos  
Timothy Mitsopoulos  
Zachary Mitsopoulos  
Sultana Mokas  
Marilyn Motowylak  
Bess Mousseau  
Elias Moutsoulis  
Kosta & Nikki Moutsoulis  
John Nacos  
Leonidas & Georgia Nacos  
Alkiviadis Nakos  
Andromahi Nakos

Mark Nakos  
Theodora Nakos  
Charles, Iris & Nick Newdorf  
Michael & Elaine Oleniak  
Demetrios & Maria Palangas  
Nicholas Palangas  
William Pananos  
Andrew & Donnalee Panos  
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Christos & Jackie Samaras  
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Maria Samaras  
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Georgia Sousa  
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Lisa Tagalakis  
Andrea Tartsa  
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Theodora Thanos  
William Theodosopoulos & Charlene Matthews  
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Mary Tosi  
George & Joyce Trapotsis  
Vasso Tsingos  
Dorothea Tsiopoulos  
Thomas & Ginny Tsirimokos  
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Alexandra Tsoutsas  
Despina Tsoutsas  
George Tsoutsas  
Despina Tziros  
Peter & Ashley Tziros  
Christos Veziris  
Stergios & Christine Vizakis  
James & Constance Vlangas  
Matthew & Darcie Vlangas  
Fotios & Joanna Vougias  
Theofilos & Angela Vougias  
Vasilios & Christina Vougias  
Edward & Cynthia Wade  
Matthew & Mary Wade  
Jeremy & Argy Walker  
Timothy & Kristen Wheeler  
Michael & Ellen Whitney  
Fr. Agathanikos Wilson  
George & Ourania Zogopoulos

## CALLED TO BE SAINTS . . .

### ST. METHODIOS THE CONFESSOR, PATRIARCH OF CONSTANTINOPLE – JUNE 14



As for Saint Methodios, he was born to wealthy parents in Syracuse of Sicily about the end of the eighth century. Being a presbyter, he was sent as an ambassador to Rome in 815 or 816 on behalf of Patriarch Nicephoros of Constantinople, who had been exiled by Leo the Armenian. After Leo's death, he returned to Constantinople; but since he was a zealot for the veneration of the holy icons, he was immediately exiled by Emperor Michael the Stutterer to a fortress near Bithynia. When Michael died, he was freed for a short time; but then, because of his confession of the Orthodox Faith, he was imprisoned again by the Emperor Theophilos in a dark and foul-smelling sepulcher. Since this was not enough for the Emperor's inhumanity, he commanded that two thieves be shut up with Methodios, and when one of them died, that the corpse not be removed. While the Saint was imprisoned there, a certain poor fisherman ministered to his needs. Finally, when the Church received its freedom under Saint Theodora the Empress, the Saint ascended the patriarchal throne of Constantinople in 842. Together with the holy Empress, Methodios restored the holy icons to their proper honor; this is commemorated on the Sunday of Orthodoxy. He governed the Church of Constantinople for four years, and reposed in 846.

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### ST. PANTELEIMON THE GREAT MARTYR & HEALER – JULY 27



This Saint, who had Nicomedia as his homeland, was the son of Eustorgius and Eubula. His father was an idolater, but his mother was a Christian from her ancestors. It was through her that he was instructed in piety, and still later, he was catechized in the Faith of Christ by Saint Hermolaus and baptized by him. Being proficient in the physician's vocation, he practiced it in a philanthropic manner, healing every illness more by the grace of Christ than by medicines. Thus, although his parents had named him Pantoleon ("in all things a lion"), because of the compassion he showed for the souls and bodies of all, he was worthily renamed Panteleimon, meaning "all-merciful." On one occasion, when he restored the sight of a certain blind man by calling on the Divine Name, he enlightened also the eyes of this man's soul to the knowledge of the truth. This also became the cause for the martyrdom of him who had been blind, since when he was asked by whom and in what manner his eyes had been opened, in imitation of that blind man of the Gospel he confessed with boldness both who the physician was and the manner of his healing. For this he was put to death immediately. Panteleimon was arrested also, and having endured many wounds, he was finally beheaded in the year 305, during the reign of Maximian. Saint Panteleimon is one of the Holy Unmercenaries, and is held in special honor among them, even as Saint George is among the Martyrs.



## YOUR CHURCH COMES TO YOU IN MANY WAYS

**Hospital and Nursing Home Visits:** Illness is a physical, emotional, and spiritual crisis. It affects not only the person who is ill or injured, but also all of those associated with the patient. As a result of newly enacted changes in the privacy laws governing the health care industry, the church office may not always know when you are in the hospital, nursing home, or rehab facility. It is important therefore to contact Father Mike at any time of the day or night should the need for medical care arise.

**Baptisms:** Some time ago, *Life Magazine* carried a photo illustrating "A Baby's Momentous First Five Minutes." It was a photo of a mother's hand reaching out to her newborn child, illustrating the love and desire she had to embrace her child. Every time a person is baptized, the hand of God's Love reaches out to embrace that individual. It is Divine Love that supports the Sacrament of Baptism. Infants who are at least three months of age are received into the Orthodox Church through this Sacrament. Please call the church office to make arrangements for your child's baptism.

**Chrismation:** While infants receive this Sacrament at their Baptism, this Sacrament is the means by which other previously baptized Christians are received into the Orthodox Church. These adults will have attended catechism classes with Father Mike. Jesus said, "*Come and See.*" There is no commitment unless you ask for it.

**Marriage:** An appointment should be made to talk with Father Mike at least six months before your marriage, one year is even better. Couples who are planning to marry must attend the pre-marriage seminar offered by the Metropolis of Boston.

**Funerals:** A psychiatrist recently listed five of the most upsetting experiences people can have and three of the five were related to death. Physical death is inevitable. During these times your Church and Father Mike are available to assist you in any way possible. In the event of a death, or an impending death, it is important to contact Father Mike any time of the day or night.

**40 Day Blessings:** This blessing is for mothers and their roughly 40-day old babies. This service welcomes the new mother back into the life of the Church after about a 40-day absence after giving birth. The service of dedication of the infant is in keeping with the custom of the entrance of the Lord into the Temple by which tradition places at 40 days after the birth of the Lord. Please call the church office to schedule this blessing.

**House Blessings:** It is the tradition of our Church that the Faithful have their homes and place of business blessed each year following the Feast of Theophany, or when a parishioner moves into a new residence, they invite Father to come and bless their home or business with Holy Water. This should not be a once-in-a-lifetime event, but a chance to welcome God's special presence and love into your home and your family. This blessing is offered by appointment, please call Father Mike directly to arrange for this very special and beautiful service.

**Memorial Services:** The anniversary of the death of a loved one can become very painful. The Church helps us to cope with this pain by encouraging us to have memorial prayers in the Church for departed loved ones on the anniversary of their deaths. For many Orthodox Christians the tradition is to offer memorial prayers at 40-days, one year, three years, and at five years, however, you may offer prayers for your deceased loved ones every year. It is also a custom to bring kollyva, a tray of boiled wheat, however, one does not need to have the kollyva. Trisagion prayers are offered if there is no kollyva.

**Confessions:** The Sacrament of Confession has been practiced since the beginning of the Christian era. The priest invokes the Grace of God for the forgiveness of sins. We as Christians who live in communion with Jesus Christ are expected to examine our actions daily and to periodically avail ourselves of the Sacrament of Confession, a form of spiritual check-up. Through these means we humble ourselves before God and receive guidance from our Spiritual Father, the priest. Confession should be a positive experience and one that we look forward to. Appointments can be made by calling Father Mike.

**Pastoral Counseling:** When people were touched by or reached out and touched Jesus' life, they undoubtedly sensed in Him the power which comes from openness to oneself, others, and the whole creation. When people touch our lives, what do they sense? The noisy static of our harried times, perhaps? As an instrument for deepening relationships, pastoral counseling can help bring renewal to a person. If you have an issue or are just simply overwhelmed by the daily challenges that life provides, you may wish some further assistance. Please contact Father Mike in person or through the church office. Father Mike is also experienced in Crisis Intervention and in Critical Incident Stress Management and has had specialized training in Spiritual Care, Emergency Services, and School Crisis Response.

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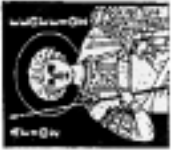


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**ST. GEORGE CATHEDRAL BBQ FAMILY FUN NIGHT**  
**FRIDAY, JUNE 22ND AT 6:00 P.M.**



**OUTDOOR GAMES! MUSIC! FOOD & DRINKS! \$10.00 PER FAMILY**  
**PLEASE BRING A DESSERT TO SHARE.**



# ST. GEORGE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL

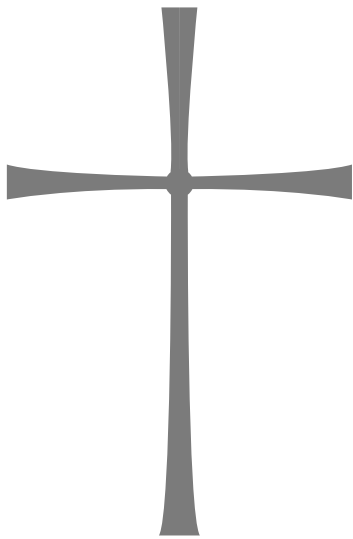
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# June 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1.	2. AHEPA Family District #9 Convention in CC.
3. Orthros 9 am Div. Lit. 10 am. 1-yr Memorial for James McCarthy.	4.	5.	6. Boy's & Girl's Club Award Night 6-8 pm in CC.	7. Greek School Graduation 6-8 p.m. in CC.	8.	9.
10. <u>Scholarship Sunday</u> Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit 10 am. 40-Day Mem. for Nicholas Kafkoulas & Coffee Hour.	11. Cub Scout Committee Mtg. 6 p.m. in CC.	12.	13. Cub Scout Mtg. 6 pm in CC.	14.	15.	16.
17. Happy Father's Day Orthros 9 am. Div. Lit. 10 am. Coffee Hour for Father's Day.	18.	19.	20. Job Fair set-up in CC.	21. NH Job Fair in CC.	22. Family Night Barbeque 6-9 p.m. in CC.	23.
24. Orthros 9 a.m. Div. Lit. 10 am.	25.	26 Glendi Cooking Meatballs 9 a.m. in CC.	27.	28.	29. Glendi Cooking Dolmades 9 a.m. & 5 p.m. in CC.	30.







# THE 32ND ANNUAL METROPOLIS OF BOSTON MINISTRY AWARDS BANQUET

**Sunday, June 10, 2018**

**Reception: 5:30 p.m.**

**Dinner: 6:30 p.m.**

**LOMBARDO'S, 6 Billings Street, Randolph, MA**

**Donation: \$75/Person**

*Please join us as we gather as One Family to recognize those individuals who live by God's admonition, by serving their individual communities unselfishly with their time and talents.*

## RESERVATION

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

PARISH: \_\_\_\_\_

CHECK ENCLOSED: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ persons. TEN (10) PERSONS PER TABLE.

**IMPORTANT: PLEASE LIST ALL NAMES OF ATTENDEES ON BACK OF THIS FORM.**

## SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**GRAND BENEFACTOR: \$15,000.**

INCLUDES TWO TABLES OF TEN

**BENEFACTORS: \$ 10,000.**

INCLUDES ONE TABLE OF TEN

**AWARDS SPONSOR: \$5,000.**

INCLUDES FOUR GUESTS

**DINNER SPONSOR: \$2,500.**

INCLUDES THREE GUESTS

**DONOR: \$1,000.**

INCLUDES TWO GUESTS

**CONTRIBUTOR: \$500.**

**FRIEND: \$250.**

NAMES TO APPEAR IN PROGRAM AS FOLLOWS:

Will you be attending?  YES  NO

*If Yes*, how many guests \_\_\_\_\_

**TOTAL AMOUNT ENCLOSED: \$** \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE RETURN AND MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO: METROPOLIS OF BOSTON,  
162 GODDARD AVE, BROOKLINE, MA 02445, TEL: 617-277-4742.

**PLEASE INDICATE ON BACK IF SOMEONE HAS ANY DIETARY RESTRICTIONS/REQUESTS.**

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston is exempt under section (501)(c)(3) of  
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# Joyful Giving – Stewardship 2018 Pledge Form

## My Pledge to St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral in 2018 (Please respond as soon as you can!)

NAME \_\_\_\_\_ SPOUSE (If Married) \_\_\_\_\_

STREET \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ STATE \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL ADDRESS of Spouse (If Married) \_\_\_\_\_

DEPENDENT CHILDREN'S names and birthdates: \_\_\_\_\_

May we include your contact information in the parish directory?  YES  NO      May we add you to our parish email list?  YES  NO

Indicate any information you would like excluded from parish directory: \_\_\_\_\_

### TREASURE

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/we commit to Christ and His Church the following amount for 2018: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

I WILL FULFILL MY PLEDGE IN THIS MANNER:  MONTHLY  QUARTERLY  YEARLY  OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

I WOULD LIKE TO HAVE MY PLEDGE BILLED TO MY DEBIT / CREDIT CARD. (This is preferred in order to save fees)

Card #: \_\_\_\_\_ Exp. Date: \_\_\_\_\_ CCV#: \_\_\_\_\_

PLEASE BILL MY CARD:  YEARLY  QUARTERLY  MONTHLY

### TIME & TALENT

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

**INDIVIDUAL STEWARDS** should indicate areas of interest with a check mark. **FAMILIES** should mark "H" for HUSBAND, "W" for WIFE, or "C" for CHILDREN.

#### EDUCATION

- Bible Study
- Adult Religious Education
- Intro to Orthodoxy
- Publications
- Speakers
- Library

#### YOUTH

- Sunday School Teacher
- GOYA
- Little Lambs
- Hope/Joy
- Scouts
- Basketball
- Youth Choir

#### BUILDING & GROUNDS

- Garden & Landscape
- Clean-up
- Interior Repairs
- Exterior Repairs
- Hall Rentals

#### ADMINISTRATION

- Review / Audit
- By-Laws
- Office Help
- Computer / Technical
- Data Entry
- Board of Directors
- Anagenesis

#### DEVELOPMENT / FUNDRAISING

- Glendi

#### LITURGICAL

- Sanctuary & Altar Care
- Altar boys / Acolytes
- Baking Prosfora
- Choir
- Reader
- Greeter / Usher

#### MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS

- Campus Ministry
- Welcome Team
- New Member Events

- Outreach
- Stewardship
- Sunday Fellowship / Coffee
- Visitation – Hospital
- Visitation – Shut-ins
- Feed the Hungry
- Prison Ministry
- Grief Bereavement Group
- Disaster Relief Projects
- Blood Drives
- Project Mexico
- Int'l Orth Christian Charities
- OCMC Mission Center
- Seniors Ministry
- Couples Ministry
- Singles Ministry
- Military Ministry

#### COMMUNICATIONS

- Website & E-mail
- Bulletin & Newsletter
- Public Relations

# GLENDI VOLUNTEER FORM

September 14,15,16, 2018

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

Thank you,  
Frank Comerford

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

I am interested in working on:

- |   |  |
|---|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Century Raffle                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Barbecue Pit            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Beverage Under the Tent            | <input type="checkbox"/> Taverna                 |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Handicrafts             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making Salads                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Up Under the Tent |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Lemonade and Ice Cream             | <input type="checkbox"/> Church Tours            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making/Selling Pastry              | <input type="checkbox"/> Mini Raffle             |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Advertising                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Helping to Bake/Cook    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen/Runners                    | <input type="checkbox"/> GYRO Booth              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Assist Lifting Trays While Cooking | <input type="checkbox"/> Money Room              |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Tent Serving Food                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Aegean Market           |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Loukoumades                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Multi Raffle            |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Souvlaki                           | <input type="checkbox"/> Loukanico/Hamburgers    |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bouncy House Attendants            |  |

Thank you in advance for your assistance.  
Frank Comerford & Dick Anagnost, Chairs 2018  
Frank Comerford, Pres. Board of Directors  
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