

THE CROSS+ROADS

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† FROM FATHER GEORGE

2017 / 2018

This edition of the Crossroads covers the months of December and January which will bring out the old and usher in the new.

How fortunate we are to be able to see a New Year and plan for this Year of 2018. As we plan for the joyous events we must also be prepared to deal with the obstacles that could come our way. We must be ready for what could come our way remembering these words "Fail to Plan, Plan to Fail".

As Orthodox Christians we must remember the words of Saint Paul in the Epistle to the Galatians (4:7) "Therefore you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ". Each one of us should know our ancestry. How many of us remember having to do the assignment of producing a family tree? How important it is in not only knowing who we are but where our people came from. To go one step further how im-

portant it is to teach this to our children and grandchildren. Generations of families equal relationships.

What has been our relationship with God in 2017? Do we believe that we do indeed have a relationship with God? The basic foundation of a relationship with God must be one built on trust. To become sons and daughters of God means that we must know and trust the three-person Holy Trinity; the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit.

God expects all human beings to do good, so that we may become good. We cannot fail in this calling. The time for action is now as 2018 will be here soon. As we are accustomed to getting physical examinations every year, we must do a spiritual examination on ourselves and analyze our growth or lack of growth spiritually.

Do not waste one minute of 2018.

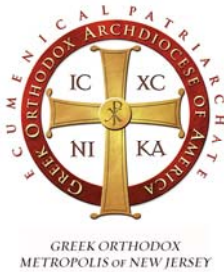
NATIVITY OF CHRIST



The incomprehensible and inexplicable Nativity of Christ came to pass when Herod the Great was reigning in Judea; the latter was an Ascalonite on his father's side and an Idumean on his mother's. He was in every way foreign to the royal line of David; rather, he had received his authority from the Roman emperors, and had ruled tyrannically over the Jewish people for some thirty-three years. The tribe of Judah, which had reigned of old, was deprived of its rights and stripped of all rule and authority. Such was the condition of the Jews when the awaited Messiah was born, and truly thus was fulfilled the prophecy which the Patriarch Jacob had spoken 1,807 years before: "A ruler shall not fail from Judah, nor a prince from his loins, until there come the things stored up for him; and he is the expectation of the nations" (Gen.49:10).

Thus, our Saviour was born in Bethlehem, a city of Judea, whither Joseph had come from

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Glory Be To God

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DECEMBER / JANUARY SUNDAYS

Apolytikion for Saints Constantine & Helen, Equal-to-the Apostles in the Plagal of the Fourth Tone

Having seen the image of Thy Cross in Heaven, and like Paul, having received the call not from men, Thine apostle among kings entrusted the commonwealth to Thy hand, O Lord. Keep us always in peace, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O only Friend of man.

Τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου τὸν τύπον ἐν οὐρανῶ θεασάμενος, καὶ ὡς ὁ Παῦλος τὴν κλήσιν οὐκ ἐξ ἀνθρώπων δεξάμενος, ὁ ἐν βασιλεύσιν, Ἀπόστολός σου Κύριε, Βασιλεύουσαν πόλιν τῆ χειρὶ σου παρέθετο ἦν περιώζε διὰ παντὸς ἐν εἰρήνῃ, πρεσβειαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, μόνε Φιλάνθρωπε.

DECEMBER 3

HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion In the First Mode

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate Body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Thy Kingdom. Glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Third Mode

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to * God the Word ineffably, * Who was before all the ages. * Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing * the gladsome tidings; * with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him * Who is willing to be gazed on * as a young Child Who * before the ages is God.

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 5:8-19

GOSPEL READING

Luke 18:35-43

WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

We may learn from this that when we ask with faith, God does not give something other than what we ask for, but the very same thing. However, when we ask for one thing and receive something else, it is clear that either we did not make a good request or we did not ask with faith. Blessed Theophylact, Archbishop of Ochrid and Bulgaria, The Explanation of the Gospel of St. Luke, 11th Century

SAINTS AND FEASTS

COMMEMORATED

14th Sunday of Luke

The Holy Prophet Sophonias (Zephaniah)

Our Righteous Father John, Bishop and Hesychast

Holy Martyrs Agapius and Seleucius

Theodore, Archbishop of Alexandria

ACOLYTES

DEC 17; JAN 7, 28

Team A

Jorgie Polyzos

Yianni Tsimplekis

James St. Martin

Dean Peri

DEC 3, 24; JAN 14

Team B

Ethan Detweiler

Cris Campbell

Soterios Tofalli

Kyprianos Tofalli

DEC 10, 31; JAN 21

Team C

Hayden Hendricks

Georgios Haramis

Christos Konstantinou

Christopher Myers

Christopher Micha

EPISTLE READERS

Please contact Barry Hendricks if you are interested in reading the Epistle during the Sunday Divine Liturgy.
bhendricks@cox.net

DEC 3: Nick Vlattas

DEC 10: Chris Konstantoniou (GOYA)

DEC 17: Barry Hendricks

DEC 24: Sylvia Marcin

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Stavroula Gailey, President

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Helen Micha, Director

Greek School

Paula Tofalli, Aphrodite Christopoulos

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Stephanie Peri and Kent Paumier, Advisors

Acolytes

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Helen Micha, Director

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Kent Paumier, Advisor

Young Adult League (YAL)

Anastasia Theodorogiannis, President

Golden Hearts

Helen George, President

Order of AHEPA

Nick Matthews, President

Daughters of Penelope

Kathy Matthews, President

Hellenic Womens Penelope Society

Aleksandra Garofalis, Helen Vaughn, Co-Presidents

Hellenic Youth Dancers

Bobby Garofalis, Director

DECEMBER 10**HYMNS OF THE DAY****Resurrectional Apolytikion
in the Second Mode**

When Thou didst descend unto death, O Life Immortal, then didst Thou slay Hades with the lightning of Thy Divinity. And when Thou didst also raise the dead out of the nethermost depths, all the powers in the Heavens cried out: O Life-giver, Christ our God, glory be to Thee.

**Apolytikion for Martyr
Menas and Companions in the
Plagal Fourth Mode**

Since they had slain through their abstinence and struggles the fiery ragings and fierce motions of the passions, the staunch Martyrs of Christ God laid hold on the graces to drive off the pains and illnesses of the sick and work wonders both while living and after death. Strange indeed is the miracle! That these bare bones should pour forth such overflowing streams of cures. Glory be to our only God.

**Seasonal Kontakion in the
Third Mode**

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to * God the Word ineffably, * Who was before all the ages. * Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing * the gladsome tidings; * with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him * Who is willing to be gazed on * as a young Child Who * before the ages is God.

EPISTLE READING**Ephesians 6:10-17****GOSPEL READING****Luke 13:10-17****WISDOM OF THE
FATHERS**

The Savior Himself is He Whom we are asked to put on. It is one and the same thing to say, 'Put on the whole armor of God,' and 'Put on the Lord Jesus Christ.' Our belt is truth and our breastplate is righteousness. The Savior is also called both 'truth' and 'righteousness.' On this principle He is also to be understood as the 'Gospel of peace.' He is Himself the 'shield of faith' and the helmet of salvation. He is the 'sword of the Spirit,' because He is the Word of God, living and efficacious, the

utterance of which is stronger than any helmet and sharp on both sides. St. Jerome, Unknown, 5th century

**SAINTS AND FEASTS
COMMEMORATED**

Thomas the Righteous of

Bithynia

10th Sunday of Luke

The Holy Martyrs Menas,

Hermogenes, and Euegraphus

Luke the New Stylite of Chal-

cedon

DECEMBER 17**HYMNS OF THE DAY****Resurrectional Apolytikion****in the Third Mode**

Let the Heavens rejoice; let earthly things be glad; for the Lord hath wrought might with His arm, He hath trampled upon death by death. The first-born of the dead hath He become. From the belly of Hades hath He delivered us, and hath granted great mercy to the world.

**Apolytikion for 11th Sun. of
Luke in the Second Mode**

By faith didst Thou justify the Forefathers, when through them Thou didst betroth Thyself aforesaid to the Church from among the nations. The Saints boast in glory that from their seed there is a glorious fruit, even she that bare Thee seedlessly. By their prayers, O Christ God, save our souls.

**Seasonal Kontakion in the
Third Mode**

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to * God the Word ineffably, * Who was before all the ages. * Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing * the gladsome tidings; * with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him * Who is willing to be gazed on * as a young Child Who * before the ages is God.

EPISTLE READING**Colossians 3:4-11**

barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

GOSPEL READING**Luke 14:16-24****WISDOM OF THE
FATHERS**

This parable ... proclaims beforehand both the casting out of the Jews, and the calling of the Gentiles; and it indicates together with this also the strictness of

the life required, and how great the punishment appointed for the careless St. John Chrysostom, Homily 69 on Matthew 22, 4th Century

**SAINTS AND FEASTS
COMMEMORATED**

Dionysius of Zakynthos

Daniel the Prophet & Ananias, Azarias, & Misail, the Three Holy Youths

11th Sunday of Luke

DECEMBER 24**HYMNS OF THE DAY****Resurrectional Apolytikion****in the Fourth Mode**

Having learned the joyful proclamation of the Resurrection from the Angel, and having cast off the ancestral condemnation, the women disciples of the Lord spake to the Apostles exultantly: Death is despoiled and Christ God is risen, granting great mercy to the world.

**Apolytikion for Eve of Nativity
in the Fourth Mode**

As the fruit of David's seed, Mary was registered of old with the Elder Joseph in the little town of Bethlehem, when she conceived with a seedless and pure conception. Behold, the time was come that she should bear her Child, but no place was found within the inn for them; yet the cave proved a delightful palace for the pure Lady and Queen of all. For Christ is born now to raise the image that had fallen aforesaid.

**Apolytikion for Sun. before
Nativity in the Second Mode**

Great are the achievements of faith! In the fountain of flame, as by the water of rest, the Three Holy Children rejoiced. And the Prophet Daniel proved a shepherd of lions as of sheep. By their prayers, O Christ our God, save our souls.

**Seasonal Kontakion in the
Third Mode**

On this day the Virgin cometh to the cave to give birth to * God the Word ineffably, * Who was before all the ages. * Dance for joy, O earth, on hearing * the gladsome tidings; * with the Angels and the shepherds now glorify Him * Who is willing to be gazed on * as a young Child Who * before the ages is God.

EPISTLE READING**Hebrews 11:9-10; 32-40****GOSPEL READING****Matthew 1:1-25****WISDOM OF THE
FATHERS**

The tribes of Judah and Levi were united by a fusion of their lines of descent, and that is why Matthew assigns Christ's family to the tribe of Judah. And the Apostle says, 'for our Lord has sprung out of Judah' (Heb. 7:14). St. Ambrose of Milan, Seven Exegetical Works, 4th Century

**SAINTS AND FEASTS
COMMEMORATED**

Eve of the Nativity of Christ

Sunday before Nativity

Eugenia the Righteous Nun-martyr of Rome

DECEMBER 31**HYMNS OF THE DAY****Resurrectional Apolytikion****in the Plagal First Mode**

Let us worship the Word, O ye faithful, praising Him that with the Father and the Spirit is co-beginningless God, Who was born of a pure Virgin that we all be saved; for He was pleased to mount the Cross in the flesh that He assumed, accepting

**Apolytikion for Apodosi of
Nativity in the Fourth Mode**

Thy Nativity, O Christ our God, hath shined the light of knowledge upon the world; for thereby they that worshipped the stars were instructed by a star to worship Thee, the Sun of Righteousness, and to know Thee, the Dayspring from on high. O Lord, glory be to Thee.

**Apolytikion for Sunday after
Nativity in the Second Mode**

O Joseph, proclaim the wonders to David, the ancestor of God. Thou hast seen a Virgin great with child; thou hast given glory with the shepherds; thou hast worshipped with the Magi; and thou hast been instructed through an Angel. Entreat Christ God to save our souls.

**Seasonal Kontakion in the
Third Mode**

On this day the Virgin beareth the Transcendent in essence; * to the Unapproachable, * the earth doth offer a small cave; * Angels join in choir with shepherds * in giving glory; * with a star the Magi travel upon

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CHURCH REGISTRY / ANNOUNCEMENTS

40-DAY BLESSING:

The daughter of Nicholas valentine and Irene Sofikitis received her 40 day Blessing on November 21, 2017.

ILL AND NEEDING OUR PRAYERS:

We wish a speedy and complete recovery to our good friends and fellow parishioners who have been ill and/or hospitalized recently: **Garry Nicholls, Christine Vassilakos.**

PERSTIKA SAS!!!!!!

DEATHS:

Our sincere condolences to the family of **Constantine Louisides** who died in Florida, October 10 and whose memorial service was held in New Paltz, N.Y., October 22. The late **Constantine Louisides** was the brother of our own parishioner **Ellie Costulis.**

Our sincere condolences to the family of **Sheree Konstantinou** whose father, **Billy Lee Twine Sr.,** died on November 20th. Funeral service was held at Liberty Baptist Church in Suffolk on November 25th.

Our sincere condolences to the family of **Betsy Sacalis** who died on November 25.

MAY THEIR MEMORY BE ETERNAL!!!!!!

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Karri Kypriandes, daughter of **Butch and Georgia Kypriandes,** was promoted to the grade of Captain in the Medical Corps in the US Army on November 1st. She is currently stationed at Fort Drum NY.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

METROPOLIS TWITTER ACCOUNT

A Metropolis of New Jersey Twitter account has been created to assist in keeping our faithful informed of the activities, events and ministries that are taking place in our Holy Metropolis. The new Metropolis Twitter account is **#GOMetropolisNJ.**

YOUTH MINISTRY:

Dear Church Family,

After many prayerful conversations between myself and my wife I have decided to resign my position as Director of Youth Ministries. I would be remiss if I did not thank all of you for the warm welcomes you gave us this year and all the work you do for our young people. I especially would like to thank the parish council for their constant encouragement and support, the excellent work of our Sunday School teachers and directors, and most especially the active involvement of our Goya advisors: Christine, Vi, Sheree, and Stephanie. All of the kids and my fellow youth workers have been, and will remain, in my prayers by name. Perhaps most of all I would like to thank Father George for his advice, support, and guidance. God grant you all many, many happy years.

Your Servant in Christ,
Benjamin Franks

HOUSE BLESSINGS

Please contact the church office to schedule House Blessings after Epiphany.

ATTENDANCE

November 5	167
November 12	148
November 19	133
November 26	132
Nov 2017 Ave	145
Nov 2016 Ave	135
YTD 2017 Ave	142
YTD 2016 Ave	138

REMINDER Vasilopita

Bread Orders must be placed by **Sunday, December 3rd**
Call:
Voula Vretakis: 596-3223
Dottie Andre: 868-7898
Maggie Thompson: 877-8039

Pick up orders by Sunday, December 10th
Cost: \$9.00 payable to Philoptochos

Koliva

If you would like to purchase Koliva for memorials, you may contact:

Helen George 251-6155
Anastasia Savrides 595-1581
Athena Savvas 589-1484

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DEADLINE

Please email information no later than the 20th day of the month to Nick Viattas
nviattas@hewv.com

NATIVITY OF JESUS CHRIST

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Nazareth of Galilee, taking Mary his betrothed, who was great with child, that, according to the decree issued in those days by the Emperor Augustus, they might be registered in the census of those subject to aRome. Therefore, when the time came for the Virgin to give birth, and since because of the great multitude there was no place in the inn, the Virgin's circumstace constrained them to enter a cave which was near Bethlehem. Having as a stable of irrational beasts, she gave birth there, and swaddled the Infant and laid Him in the manger (Luke 2:1-7). From this, the tradition has come down to us that when Christ was born He lay between two animals, an ox and an ass, that the words of the Prophets might be fulfilled: "Between two living creatures shalt Thou be known" (Abbacum 3:2), and "The ox knoweth his owner and the ass his

master's crib" (Esaias 1: 3).

But while the earth gave the new-born Saviour such a humble reception, Heaven on high celebrated majestically His world-saving coming. A wondrous star, shining with uncommon brightness and following a strange course, led Magi from the East to Bethlehem to worship the new-born King. Certain shepherds who were in the area of Bethlehem, who kept watch while tending their sheep, were suddenly surrounded by an extraordinary light, and they saw before them an Angel who proclaimed to them the good tidings of the Lord's joyous Nativity. And straightway, together with this Angel, they beheld and heard a whole host of the Heavenly Powers praising God and saying: "Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace, good will towards men" (Luke 2:8-14).

CHURCH, CLUB AND COMMUNITY NEWS

PHILOPTOCHOS:

On Monday, December 4, **Philoptochos** will meet at **Angelo's Pancake and Steak House, 753 Clyde Morris Blvd. in Newport News at 6:30 pm** for our Christmas meeting. We look forward to seeing many of our members attend this meeting. Please, call **Hope Zambas, H826-7212, C593-2295 no later than December 1** and let her know that you will be attending.

Our dates for making and baking **VASILOPITES** are: **Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday (December 5, 6 and 7)**. Remember that is our premier fund-raising project thru which we fund our various charitable endeavors. Please, do make a special effort to give as much help to this project as you possibly can. Orders will be taken up to **Sunday, December 3 and must be picked up no later than Sunday, December 10**.

We remind our parishioners and all our good friends to please continue bringing the **"box tops for education"** and placing them in the appropriate receptacle in the **Narthex**. We continue to help local schools by collecting these items. We also remind our parishioners that if they know of any person within our Community that is deployed overseas to contact **Kathy Dermanis, Hs851-9202**. **Kathy** will see to it that that person receive a package from home.

Furthermore, please remember that we continue to treat the patients at **Virginia Oncology** with a light lunch every Monday. We sincerely thank all those people who have contributed to this project and continue to do so both physically and otherwise. Once again, we urge those people who have not as yet participated in this project but would like to do so to contact **Ellie Costulis, H833-8181, C303-3080**, and let her know of their wish to participate.

Our **Vasilopita Luncheon** will be held **Sunday, January 7**, in the Community Center following Church services. Tickets are already on sale at **\$10.00 a ticket**. Ladies, be ready to lend

your assistance when asked to do so. Everyone's help is needed.

Our obligations to the National for the months of **December and January** are:

A contribution to **United Nations Children's International Emergency Fund (UNICEF)** which benefits this fund. Also, in **December** we contribute the **National's General Medical Fund** which provides financial resources for individuals in need of assistance not specifically covered by other **National Funds or Programs**. Our **January** national obligations are: **VASILOPITA** - The proceeds from our **Vasilopita Luncheon** which benefit **Saint Basil Academy**; a contribution to **Social Services, Cancer & Other Major Illnesses Fund** which provides outreach support and financial assistance to those in need. Further, **January** is the month when our membership fee is due to the National.

Our January meeting is on **Monday, January 8**, in the Community Center, starting at 6:30 pm with refreshments.

Philoptochos wishes to all our friends, fellow parishioners and everyone within and without our **Saints Constantine & Helen Community a safe and blessed Christmas**.

May 2018 bring us love, understanding and respect for each other.

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE

A big **THANK YOU** to all the sisters who helped make our **Brunch/Fashion Show of November 11** a successful project. Everyone attending enjoyed our delicious brunch as well as seeing the lovely fashion items modeled by our very own accomplished models

A job well-done, ladies. !!!

Also, many thanks to all of you sisters who helped with the hosting of the coffee hour following the Liturgy on November 19, This reception was hosted in remembrance and honor of our founders and in wishing our sisterhood a happy 88th year.

In our meeting of December 7,

we will be joined by our brother **AHEPANS** to share desserts, provided by the **Daughters**, in celebration of the upcoming Christmas Holidays.

Sisters, you are asked to bring to this meeting a small item, i.e. a little toy, etc. to be given to someone in need.

The **Daughters of Penelope** have made and are making delicious **spanakopites** which sell for **\$25.00 a pan**. If you wish to add a tasty dish to your Holiday table, do get a pan or two of these **spanakopites**. Please, call **Kathy Matthews, H804-815-4321 or Joanna Vallas, H249-1300, C706-4431** to place your order. Sales will continue thru **December 17**. Our January meeting will be **Thursday, January 25**, starting with dinner at 6:30 p.m.

The Daughters wishes everyone a Merry and Blessed Christmas and a peaceful, safe and Happy New Year.

ORDER OF AHEPA

Our chapter, the Woodrow Wilson Chapter #241 as well as the Charis Eleni Chapter of the Daughters of Penelope did not plan a November nor a December business meeting; instead we have scheduled an **AHEPA FAMILY Christmas Party** to celebrate the holidays together!

This celebration will take place at the **AHEPA FAMILY CENTER** on Thursday, December 7, 2017 beginning at 6:30 pm. Dinner will be served beginning at 7pm.

The delicious meal will be prepared and served by our **Ahepans** for the enjoyment of the **Ahepa Family** members in attendance.

For dessert, we will enjoy a variety of delicious desserts prepared by the **Daughters**.

Holiday music will fill the air, possibly tempting members to sing some traditional Christmas carols.

For reservations, members are encouraged to call Brother **George Anas** at (757) 439-3207 no later than Tuesday, December 1, 2017. Reservations are **required** to inform our chefs how many meals to prepare. We anticipate a full house!!!

For parishioners who are preparing for the holiday, please be aware the **AHEPA AGORA** is fully stocked and ready to provide items you will need for the holidays including Feta, Kasseri, Kalamata Olives, Phyllo, Extra Virgin Olive Oil, Dolmades, Grape Vine Leaves, Orzo, Tarama, Greek Cookies and Greek Coffee, etc.

We Brothers of the **WOODROW CHAPTER #241** of the **ORDER OF AHEPA** extend to the entire congregation **Best Wishes for a Wonderful Christmas!**



REFRESHMENTS

We thank all those parishioners who served as hosts for the month of November. The hosts for December & January are:

Dec. 3: Mr. James Koumbas, M/M Greg Lumpkin, Ms. Athena Markos, Mr. George Markos, Mr. Mickey Markos

Dec. 10: Ms. Niki Mageras, Ms. Anna Mageras, Ms. Zena Mageras, Mr. H. Mandeville

Dec. 17: M/M Nick Mathews: In memory of Sylvia Mathews

Dec. 24: M/M John Malliarakis, Ms. Julia Malliarakis, Ms. Rena Mantis, M/M J. Matheos

Dec. 31: Ms. Sylvia Marcin, Ms. Loula Maurakis, Dr/M John Michos

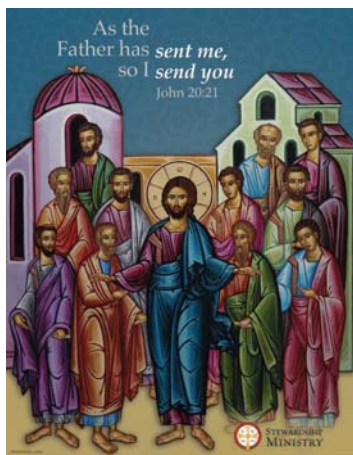
Jan. 7: M/M K. Micha, M/M R. Pingley, M/M Bill Ringas

Jan. 14: M/M Al Mignogna, M/M K. Smith, Ms. Maria Mitchum, Ms. Joanna Vallas

Jan 21: Ms. Sharon Otero, Mr. Tike Panags, Ms. Voula Panags, M/M Brian Patrinely, Ms. K. Patrinely

Jan. 28: Ms. T. Dakis, Ms. Eli Papas, Ms. P Radulovic, Mr. George Polizos, M/M Mel Polizos

STEWARDS AS OF NOVEMBER 20, 2017



THE STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY COMMITTEE WOULD LIKE TO THANK THE PARISHIONERS LISTED BELOW FOR MAKING AN ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE:

EDWARD & ANAHEAT ABRAHAM
 MARC & VICKI AILSTOCK
 GEORGE & JACKIE ANAS
 MARY ANAS
 NICK & DOTTIE ANDRE
 CONNIE ANASTASIOU
 ALIKE ASIME
 ANDY & TESSIE BAKER
 BARNEY & GEORGIA BARNES
 MARINA BECOUVARAKIS
 DEAN & MARY ANN BELER
 CLAUDE & ANCA BENE
 HELEN BERNHARD
 GREG BICOUVARIS
 LEROY & JOANNA BOSSETTI
 JIM & GAYLE BOTELIS
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 RENEE BROWN
 RON & MARINA BURKE
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 KATHY DERMANIS
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 MICHAELA DOBRESUCU
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 GEORGE ZAMBOS
 ERNEST & ANGELA ZICHAL

WE ALSO THANK THE FOLLOWING PARISHIONERS WHO HAVE MADE CONTRIBUTIONS THIS YEAR BUT HAVEN'T COMPLETED A STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FORM:

ALBERTO & NATALYA ACCARDI
 DEMETRIOS & MELINDA ALIMONOS
 JESSE & VIOLA ALLEN
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 DARRELL & DEEMA FANN
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 STEVE & LILLIAN KAMSUIK
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 BRIAN & CYNTHIA KILLOUGH
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 FESSEHAIE TEKLE
 CHRISTOS TOWNS
 STAVROULA VALENTIN
 DAVID VAUGHN
 EVELYN VRETOS

HELPING HANDS



By now you have probably noticed that our altar boys are wearing newly dry cleaned robes and belts. There were a total of 23 sets of robes cleaned as part of the Giving Heart Program. Thank you, again, to the parishioners who contributed to this project – and whose names were listed in the October Cross+Roads. We recently had 5 black altar boy robes dry cleaned as well and want to thank Chris and Hope Zambas and Pete and Dianne Sun for donating funds for these. A big thank you goes to Pete Sun for donating a laptop computer to our Sunday School. Finally, we want to thank Christine Mignogna for her donation of incense for our Church which she brought back from her recent trip to Greece.

CENTURION CAMPAIGN FINAL DAYS

The campaign goal was to receive pledges from 100 parishioners in three different donation categories listed on the form below.

We received 37 pledges to the Campaign with a total pledged amount of \$48,700.

Over the period of the campaign, we received unrestricted donations from these pledges totaling \$80,537. In addition, we also received “restricted” gifts totaling \$104,975.

Thank you to Barry Hendricks for his vision and stewardship in leading the Centurion Campaign.

Please consider a year-end gift or pledge to the Centurion Campaign as it concludes on December 31, 2017.

Centurion Campaign Commitment

Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

I / We wish to make a commitment to the Centurion Campaign in the amount of:

- \$1,200
- \$1,000
- Other \$ _____

Please return to the Church Office or place in the collection tray during Liturgy.

Centurion Campaign Goals		
Donation Category	Number of Donations	Donation Goal Totals
\$1,800	20	\$36,000
\$1,350	30	\$40,500
\$1,000	50	\$50,000
TOTAL	100	\$126,500
\$126,500 will support:		
Renovation / Reserve (90%)		\$113,900
Saint Nicholas (10%)		\$12,600



CAMPAIGN GOAL \$126,500 by 12/31/2017: 1) Pay off our remaining financial obligations on the Sacalis Hall renovation; 2) Establish an emergency capital expense reserve; and 3) 10% of funds raised for parish donation to the Saint Nicholas Orthodox Church and Shrine.

DECEMBER / JANUARY SUNDAYS AT SAINTS CONSTANTINE AND HELEN

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their journey; * for our sakes is born a young Child, * He that existed * before the ages as God.

EPISTLE READING
Second Timothy 4:5-8
GOSPEL READING
Mark 1:1-8
WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

It is the sole and peculiar property of the Substance that transcends all, to be able to bestow on men the indwelling of the Holy Spirit, and make those that draw near unto It partakers of the divine nature. St. Cyril of Alexandria, Commentary on the Gospel of St. Luke, Homily 10., 4th Century

SAINTS AND FEASTS COMMEMORATED

Sunday before Epiphany
 The Martyr and Presbyter Zoticus of Rome, Patron of Orphans

Melania the Younger, Nun of Rome

JANUARY 7

HYMNS OF THE DAY
Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Second Mode

Angelic powers were above Thy tomb, and they that guarded Thee became as dead. And Mary stood by the grave seeking Thine immaculate Body. Thou hast despoiled Hades and wast not tried thereby. Thou didst meet the Virgin and didst grant us life. O Thou Who didst arise from the dead, Lord, glory be to Thee.

Apolytikion for Afterfeast of the Theophany in the First Mode

When Thou wast baptized in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest; for the voice of the Father bare witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the certainty of the word. O Christ our God, Who hast appeared and hast enlightened the world, glory be to Thee.

Apolytikion for Synaxis of John the Forerunner in the Second Mode

The memory of the just is celebrated with hymns of praise,

but the Lord's testimony is sufficient for thee, O Forerunner; for thou hast proved to be truly even more venerable than the Prophets, since thou was granted to baptize in the running waters Him Whom they proclaimed. Wherefore, having contested for the truth, thou didst rejoice to announce the good tidings even to those in Hades: that God hath appeared in the flesh, taking away the sin of the world and granting us great

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

You appeared to the world today, and Your light, O Lord, has left its mark upon us. With fuller understanding we sing to You: "You came, You were made manifest, the unapproachable light."

EPISTLE READING
Acts of the Apostles 19:1-8

GOSPEL READING
John 1:29-34

SAINTS AND FEASTS COMMEMORATED

Synaxis of John the Holy Glorious Prophet, Baptist, & Forerunner

Afterfeast of the Theophany of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

Furse, Abbot of Lagny
 Cedd, Bishop of Scotland

JANUARY 14

HYMNS OF THE DAY
Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Grave Mode

Thou didst abolish death by Thy Cross; Thou didst open Paradise to the thief; Thou didst transform the myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and didst bid Thine Apostles to preach that Thou art risen, O Christ God, granting great mercy to the world.

Apolytikion for Apodosis of Epiphany in the First Mode

When Thou wast baptized in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest; for the voice of the Father bare witness to Thee, calling Thee His beloved Son. And the Spirit in the form of a dove confirmed the certainty of the word. O Christ our God, Who hast appeared and hast enlightened the world, glory be to Thee.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Fourth Mode

EPISTLE READING

Ephesians 4:7-13

GOSPEL READING

Matthew 4:12-17

WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

For as persons not even knowing where to put a step forward, so they sat, overtaken by the darkness. St. John Chrysostom, Homily 14 on Matthew 4, 4th Century

SAINTS AND FEASTS COMMEMORATED

Leavetaking of the Theophany of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ

Agnes the Virgin-martyr
 Sabbas (Sava), Archbishop of Serbia

Plato the Hieromartyr, Bishop of Tallini and all Estonia, and the Priest Martyrs Michael and Nicholas

JANUARY 21

HYMNS OF THE DAY
Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

From on high didst Thou descend, O Compassionate One; to burial of three days hast Thou submitted that Thou mightest free us from our passions. O our Life and Resurrection, Lord, glory be to Thee.

Apolytikion for Maximus the Confessor in the Plagal Fourth Mode

Guide of Orthodoxy, teacher of piety and holiness, luminary of the world, God-inspired adornment of monastics, O wise Maximus, by thy teachings thou hast enlightened all, O harp of the Spirit. Intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Seasonal Kontakion in the First Mode

Your birth sanctified a Virgin's womb and properly blessed the hands of Symeon. Having now come and saved us O Christ our God, give peace to Your commonwealth in troubled times and strengthen those in authority, whom You love, as only the loving One.

EPISTLE READING
First Timothy 4:9-15

GOSPEL READING
Luke 19:1-10
WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

Christ is the salvation that comes, and Zacchaeus is the house to which He comes. Bishop Nikolai Velimirovic, Prolog, 4 February

SAINTS AND FEASTS COMMEMORATED

15th Sunday of Luke
 Maximus the Confessor
 Martyrs Neophytos, Agnes, Patroclus, Maximus the Greek and Eugene of Trebizond
 Neophytos the Martyr of Nicaea

JANUARY 28

HYMNS OF THE DAY
Resurrectional Apolytikion in the First Mode

When the stone had been sealed by the Jews and the soldiers were guarding Thine immaculate Body, Thou didst arise on the third day, O Saviour, granting life unto the world. Wherefore, the powers of the Heavens cried out to Thee, O Lifegiver: Glory to Thy Resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Thy Kingdom. Glory to Thy dispensation, O only Friend of man.

Seasonal Kontakion in the First Mode

EPISTLE READING
Second Timothy 3:10-15

GOSPEL READING
Luke 18:10-14

WISDOM OF THE FATHERS

When lately we made mention of the Pharisee and the publican, and hypothetically yoked two chariots out of virtue and vice; we pointed out each truth, how great is the gain of humbleness of mind, and how great the damage of pride. St. John Chrysostom, CONCERNING LOWLINESS OF MIND., 4th Century

SAINTS AND FEASTS COMMEMORATED

James the Righteous
 Palladios the Hermit of Antioch

Theodosius of Totma
 Grace the Martyr
 Ephraim the Syrian

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**PARISH
COUNCIL
MINUTES**

OCTOBER 9, 2017

I: Call to Order & Opening Prayer:

Present: Father George Chioros, Barry Hendricks, Bob Demson, Nick Matthews, Zena Mageras, Howard Mandeville, Peter Johns, Greg Bicouvaris, Elias Doulgerakis
Absent: Dr. Stavroula Gailey, Joanna Vallas, Tom Grepiotis,

Guest: Ben & Emily Franks

The meeting convened at 18:33 with an opening prayer by Father George. The following items were discussed:

II: Minutes:

Zena Mageras made motion to approve the meeting minutes of the September 2017 meeting; seconded by Peter Johns, passed unanimously.

III: Correspondence:

Letter from Maria Logus, President of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of the GO Archdiocese dated September 21, 2017 thanking us for our donation of \$1,000 towards the 16th National Philoptochos Children's Medical Fund Luncheon.

Letter from Father Chris Metropulos, President of Hellenic College Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology dated September 27, 2017 thanking us for our donation of \$500. Donation came from special collection made on September 17th.

Note from Mr. James Woodbury dated September 30th thanking Barry Hendricks, Ben Franks, Tim Sofis, and Dainne Sun for organizing the "Journey to Fullness" series.

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SUPER BOWL PARTY 2018

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Sunday, February 4th, 2018, 6:00 PM

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PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES—OCTOBER 9, 2017 (CONTINUED)

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Card from the Virginia Peninsula Foodbank requesting a monetary gift.

Maintenance agreement from Advanced Comfort, Inc for a renewal of our service plan for the HVAC units in the Church Offices and the Hellenic Center (does not include the HVAC units for the Church and AHEPA). Zena Mageras made a motion to renew the service plan, and seconded by Greg Bicouvaris. Passed with one abstention.

IV: Treasurer's Report:

Zena Mageras presented the Balance Sheet and Budget/Actuals (attached)

V: Visitor's Comments:

Ben & Emily Franks (see Section VI, Youth Ministry Report)

VI: Committee Reports:

Youth Ministry – Ben Franks. October saw the beginning and continuation of several regular ministries in our Church

Sunday School averaged 35 children in weekly attendance. Sunday, October 8 was the first of our planned music Sunday's. Once a month, we will gather all the children in one room and teach them both the meaning of and how to sing the Liturgy's hymns. The Peninsula Young Adults and CNU OCF have begun meeting every Tuesday. The young adults on the Southside have been meeting semi-regularly. Many young adults on the Peninsula have voiced a desire to attend these meetings but are unable to because of distance. We hope this will give the Young Adults of the Peninsula an active ministry.

GOYA has begun meeting every Wednesday. We have a lesson and games followed by basketball practice. Our lessons focused on the Creed.

Upcoming Ministry events include:

A GOYA state lock-in in Richmond the weekend of October 14-15.

The OCF of Virginia will gather at UVA on Saturday, October 14 for a day retreat. Emily is going and hopes to bring some CNU kids.

The Norfolk GOYA Basketball Tournament is November 11-12. The Boys B Team will participate.

The Hampton Roads Young Adult Ministry is launching a bible study that will meet for the first time on October 12.

The monthly Orthodoxy-on-Tap meeting will be October 17.

The Young Adult Service Retreat will be meeting on Oct 27-29 in Virginia Beach to help with Hurricane Matthew clean-up.

Missions Ministry – Dr. Stavroula Gailey

- No report

House Committee – Barbara France

Two rentals since last meeting went well. Cleared over \$400 at Bird Show concession stand.

Received a request from Paula Detweiler for Louie to assist with the HYD lunch prior to the General Assembly. Parish Council agreed that he would be available to assist with the clean-up after the lunch preparation.

Last two rentals have mentioned that some of the ceiling lights are out in the hall. Teddy will come take a look and see which bulbs are burnt out and which fixtures do not work. Kent tried changing 2 bulbs but nothing happened. Barbara will discuss with Teddy the possibility of switching to LED lighting and the potential cost.

Festival Committee

Fall Festival is scheduled for Oct 19-21

Maintenance Committee

Nothing significant to report.

Centurion Campaign – Barry Hendricks:

Campaign is winding down and will officially end on December 31, 2017. To date, we received 37 pledges to the Campaign - 36 families / individuals and one (1) organization, with a total pledged amount of \$48,700 (these pledges are considered as "unrestricted" commitments and were made supporting all three the goals of the campaign). Over the period of the campaign, we received donations from these pledges totaling \$80,537. In addition, we also received "restricted" gifts where the donor requested the donation be made toward a specific project or only

be applied towards renovation or building funds. These gifts totaled \$104,975 and include the Georgalas Family gift for the new HVAC units for the hall and walk-in freezer, sale of coins from the safe deposit box, and \$1,975 in memorial donations. A detailed report will be given during the General Assembly.

Stewardship Ministry – Nick Matthews:

As of the October 9 Meeting we have received 154 pledges. The Stewardship Board in the Narthex has helped in making parishioners aware of their pledges and contributions.

Feels we have seen an increase in Stewardship due to the Journey to Fullness series.

Other Committees- No other reports

Community Calendar Review (items not covered in other reports) -

Oct 15th Fall General Assembly

Nov 5th Parish Council Elections

Dec 13th – 20th, host parish for PORT

Dec 31st host New Year's Eve Party

VII: Priest's Report – Father George

General Assembly is Sunday, October 15 and we need at least 50 people for a quorum.

PORT Meeting is Oct 24 at our Church with our Partner Parishes.

National Clergy Retreat is October 31 to November 3 in Leesburg, VA.

November 5 Parish Council Elections will take place after the Devine Liturgy and run until 2:00PM.

Pan Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood of Hampton Roads will have a service for Veteran's Day on Thursday, November 9 at the Dormition Orthodox Church in Norfolk. Barry Hendricks will be speaking.

Adult Education will begin again this Wednesday, October 11 with a 3-part series on Angels. Konstantine Pietronuto and Father will lead the series. Paraclesis is at 6:00PM with the presentations following at 7:00PM.

Father thanked the Welcoming Committee and it's Chairperson,

Dianne Sun, for the presentation of the new members on September 24 and the reception that followed.

On October 7, Presvytera Flora and Father attended the 100th Anniversary of the Saints Constantine and Helen Cathedral of Richmond. His Eminence, Metropolitan Evangelos of New Jersey was in attendance.

VIII: Unfinished Business:

Peter Johns reported that camera near office will be installed soon.

Barry reported that the new HVAC unit will be installed by Advanced Comfort during the week.

Parish Council discussed the status of the Library repairs. Elias reported that he needed to purchase roughly 630 square feet of tile, mud, transition strip, and labor for his employee. Barry suggested a budget of \$1,500. Motion made by Zena to fund a budget of \$1,500, seconded by Howard. Approved. Elias to donate his time and talent

Discussed the upcoming General Assembly agenda

Parish Council Elections – Sunday, November 5th

Six (6) positions up for election
Two (2) PC members reached term limits / Four (4) PC members eligible for re-election

Nomination period closes Oct 22nd (two weeks before election)

PC appointed the 3 members of the Election Committee; Sylvia Marcin, Ellie Costulis, Konstantine Pietronuto, Voula Matrakis

VIII: New Business:

Nick made motion to move \$50,000 from our Towne Bank Operating account and deposit to our Morgan Stanley investment account, seconded by Bob Demson. Approved with 1 abstention.

Zena reported that the appraisal of jewelry in the safe deposit box is being worked.

Father George reported that the Youth Challenge Banquet is the evening of Nov 11 and seeking volunteers

IX: Adjournment:

Fr. George offered the closing prayer at 2019. Next PC meeting is November 20, 2017 at 6:30.

X: Certification:

Respectfully Submitted
Robert V Demson

December 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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3 Sunday

14th Sunday of Luke

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
3 Year Memorial for Sonja Eaton
2 Year Trisagion for Elizabeth Eaton

4 Monday

Saint Barbara

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
6:30 pm Philoptochos Dinner at Angelo's

5 Tuesday

Vasilopita Baking
4:00/8:00 pm Greek School
6:00 pm Vespers at Saint Nicholas
In Va. Beach for the Feast of St. Nicholas

6 Wednesday

St. Nicholas

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
Vasilopita Baking
7:00 pm Adult Education
7:15 pm Choir

7 Thursday

Vasilopita Baking
Ahepa & Daughters Christmas Party

10 Sunday

10th Sunday of Luke

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
HWPS Membership Christmas Party

11 Monday

6:30 pm Parish Council

12 Tuesday

Saint Spyridon

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

13 Wednesday

In-House Port Project
7:15pm Choir

14 Thursday

In-House Port Project

15 Friday

In-House Port Project

16 Saturday

In-House Port Project
10:00 am Christmas Pageant Rehearsal

17 Sunday

11th Sunday of Luke

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Sunday School Christmas Program

In-House Port Project

Choir Party

1 Year Memorial for Sylvia Matthews

18 Monday

In-House Port Project

19 Tuesday

In-House Port Project
4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

20 Wednesday

In-House Port Project

7:15pm Choir

22 Friday

10:00am Royal Hours

24 Sunday-Christmas

Eve

Nativity Eve

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
9:00 PM Great Vespers, Orthros, Divine Liturgy

31 Sunday before

Theophany

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
9:00 pm NYE Dance at Saints Constantine & Helen

January 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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1 Monday

New Year's Day

Saint Basil the Great

Circumcision of Christ
9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

2 Tuesday

4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

3 Wednesday

7:15pm Choir

5 Friday

Eve of Theophany

Lesser Blessing of Water

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

6 Saturday

Holy Theophany

Great Blessing of Water

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

7 Sunday

Sunday after Theophany

Saint John the Baptist

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Vasilopita Luncheon

8 Monday

6:30pm Philoptochos

9 Tuesday

4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

10 Wednesday

7:00 pm Adult Education

7:15pm Choir

14 Sunday

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

16 Tuesday

4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

17 Wednesday

St. Anthony

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
7:00 pm Adult Education
7:15pm Choir

18 Thursday

St. Athanasios

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

21 Sunday

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy

22 Monday

6:30 pm Parish Council

23 Tuesday

4:00/8:00 pm Greek School

24 Wednesday

7:00 pm Adult Education
7:15pm Choir

25 Thursday

St. Gregory the Theologian

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy
6:30pm Ahepa

28 Sunday

8:45 AM Orthros
10:00 AM Divine Liturgy
Greek School Three Hierarchs Program

30 Tuesday

Three Hierarchs

9:00 am Orthros / 10:00 am Divine Liturgy

31 Wednesday

7:00 pm Adult Education
7:15pm Choir



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Sunday Services

8:45 a.m. Matins
10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy
11:30 a.m. Religious Education (Sep-May)
12:00 a.m. Christian Fellowship (Hellenic Center)

Mission Statement

The mission of Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Newport News, Virginia is to keep, practice, and proclaim the Orthodox Christian Faith. The work and ministry of our Parish will include proclaiming the Gospel, sanctifying the faithful through God's grace in worship, the Divine Liturgy and the Sacraments, and enhancing their spiritual life. We will fulfill the great commission of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by inviting others into the Church through Baptism and/or Chrismation, educating them in the Orthodox Faith through the establishment of programs, schools and philanthropic activities, and implementing Christian ministries.