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STS. MARY MAGDALENE & MARKELLA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

JANUARY 2019 NEWSLETTER



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TUESDAY - FRIDAY

10:00 A.M. - 4:00 P.M.

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LETTER FROM THE PRIEST

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I pray that you all have many blessed years filled with good health and an endless amount of love. We have gone through an entire year together since I was first ordained and assigned to our community, and I have to say that we have been extremely blessed. God has shown to all of us that as long as we have strong faith in Him, He will always be there to provide.

Everybody that celebrated New Years will be the first to say that 2018 is history and now we focus on 2019. Resolutions are made and promises are given, but in most cases the goals are still not met. According to a recent study, it takes us about an average of 12 days to break our resolutions, which means we catapult ourselves to new adventures, but with very little endurance and durability. As humans this has been our biggest problem since the Fall. We aspire to become creators, inventors, and game changers, but what we do not realize is that we were never deficient in ideas, but rather, in our self control and spiritual discipline. God was around us all along, but none of us knew that since He was not part of our fallen human agenda.

For a long time man was seeking a cure to this illness, but unfortunately he had no success. With the birth of Christ though, man ultimately becomes reconciled to God the Father and stops being a stranger towards Him. No more is man chasing shadows, but is participating in the real presence of the Body of God. Through Jesus Christ we commune with the entire Holy Trinity. This is experienced through the special event of Holy Theophany. When Christ is baptized in the Jordan River, we see the Holy Spirit come down as a dove and hear God the Father. That was the moment all of the faithful were illumined and saw the Economy of God in action in real time.

I pray to God that this great mystery in which we learn through our readings and services is alive in us today, tomorrow, and all throughout our lives. God bless all of you and may this year be a blessed one!

In Christ, Father Elefterios

Αγαπητοί αδελφοί και αδελφές εν Χριστόν,

Προσεύχομαι ότι όλοι έχετε πολλά ευλογημένα χρόνια γεμάτα καλή υγεία και ατέλειωτη αγάπη. Έχουμε περάσει ολόκληρο το έτος και πρέπει να πω ότι είμαστε εξαιρετικά ευλογημένοι. Ο Θεός έχει δείξει σε όλους μας ότι όσο έχουμε ισχυρή πίστη σ'Αυτόν, θα είναι πάντα εκεί για να προσφέρει.

Όσοι θα γιορτάσουν τα Νέο Έτος θα είναι οι πρώτοι που θα λένε ότι το 2018 βρίσκεται στην ιστορία και τώρα εστιάζουμε στο 2019. Διατυπώνονται αποφάσεις και υποσχέσεις, αλλά στις περισσότερες περιπτώσεις οι στόχοι εξακολουθούν να μην πληρούνται. Ως άνθρωποι αυτό είναι το μεγαλύτερο πρόβλημα μας από την Πτώση. Επιδιώκουμε να γίνουμε δημιουργοί, αλλά αυτό που δεν συνειδητοποιούμε είναι ότι ποτέ δεν είχαμε ελλιπή ιδέες αλλά μάλλον τον αυτοέλεγχό μας και την πνευματική μας πειθαρχία. Ο Θεός ήταν γύρω μας όλος ο καιρός, αλλά κανείς από εμάς δεν το γνώριζε, αφού δεν ήταν μέρος της ανθρωπίνης ατζέντας μας.

Για πολύ καιρό ο άνθρωπος αναζητούσε μια θεραπεία για αυτή την ασθένεια, αλλά δυστυχώς δεν είχε επιτυχία. Με τη γέννηση του Χριστού όμως ο άνθρωπος τελικά συνενώνεται με τον Θεό Πατέρα και σταματά να είναι ξένος προς αυτόν. Δεν υπάρχει πλέον άνθρωπος που κυνηγάει σκιές, αλλά συμμετέχει στην πραγματική παρουσία του Σώματος του Θεού. Μέσω του Ιησού Χριστού επικοινωνούμε με ολόκληρη την Αγία Τριάδα. Αυτό γίνεται με την ειδική εκδήλωση της Αγίας Θεοφανίας. Όταν ο Χριστός βαπτίζεται στον ποταμό Ιορδάνη, βλέπουμε το Άγιο Πνεύμα να κατέρχεται ως περιστέρι και να ακούει τον Θεό τον Πατέρα. Αυτή ήταν η στιγμή που όλοι οι πιστοί φωτίζονται και είδαν την Οικονομία του Θεού σε δράση σε πραγματικό χρόνο.

Προσεύχομαι στο Θεό ότι αυτό το μεγάλο μυστήριο στο οποίο μαθαίνουμε μέσω των αναγνώσεις και των υπηρεσιών μας είναι ζωντανό σε εμάς σήμερα, αύριο και σε όλη τη ζωή μας. Ο Θεός να σας ευλογεί όλους και ίσως φέτος να είναι ευλογημένος!

Εν Χριστόν, π. Ελευθέριος

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

To our parishioners,

I would like to take the opportunity to wish everyone a Happy and Blessed New Year. Each New Year brings with it the hope of a new beginning and that means that everyone is making resolutions all around us. I believe that the renewal and hope of the New Year will be remembered in each moment of the coming year. In every New Year we leave the old and look forward to a challenging and exciting new one. Last year it was a year that we all should remember. So many activities took place in our Church and we should be proud that when we work together for a common cause and common goals we will always be successful.

I am very thankful that our Church has been blessed with such an energetic, motivating spiritual leader and I hope and pray that you all feel the same. With his guidance and your support and work we have come this far. We also should thank Almighty God for directing our every movement and every thought, for giving us what we have today. I pray that God will continue His Blessings upon all of us so we can continue to give our Church time and support to create another wonderful year.

During this month we will also be celebrating the Feast of Epiphany – The baptism of our Lord Jesus Christ. The Lord gives us another opportunity to reflect again on our relationship with God and His Church. We need to thank our Lord for the blessings we have received, over and over. Let us make a positive resolution, let us come to Church more often and together as a Family in Christ we can all receive His Offerings. The Parish Council is excited to start 2019 and wishes everyone Health, Happiness and Prosperity to all of you!!!!

With love in Christ,

Fotini Kaminaris
Parish President

2019 CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS OFFERING



OFFERED BY:

Francis & Maria Mayer
Christopher & Leslie Babiak

Peter & Kim Karas

Mary and Lee Caprinolo
Noni Hadjis Kechagias
Paula & Christopher Steber

Kostas & Fotini Kaminaris

Christos Bournousouzis
Olympia Demedis
Bill Roros Family

Batsis & Psaros Family

Konstantinos & Maria Fokianos

Dr. Angela Kaitis
John Geert & Gus Konstant
Gus Konstant
The Kinder Family
Carole Trikoglou
Argie Mimaros
Irene Tsambikos
Stamatios Stavrou
Louis & Eleni Kanaras
Eleni Diamandaras
Christina Stavrou Bachman

IN MEMORY:

Chrysanthi & Louis Kipraios
Cecelia & Nicholas Vloyanetes

Steve Karas Jr, Mary Karas,
Arthur McArthur, Doreen McArthur

George & Cleo Harris, Mary & Nick Caprinolo
Stelios Hadjis
George & Stavrouls Karalekas

Eleni Bontzos, Fotini Bontzos, Asimina Karikas,
Despina & Emmanuel Kaminaris

Parents Anastasios & Maria
Kosmas & Stelios Chrisopoulos
George Roros

Sevasti & John Stalas, Manolis Stalas,
Meropi, George & Amalia Batsis
Emmanuel Psaros & Nikolitsa Kanellopoulos

Despina & Emanuel Hadzidiakos,
Ekaterine & Christos Fokianos

Nicholas & Dorothy Kaitis
James, Athena, Anthony Konstant
Margaret Konstant
Antonios Trikoglou
Antonios Trikoglou
Andreas Tamaris
Husband Pete & Son Bill
Diane Stamatios Stavrou
John, Mary & Denise Kanaras
Angelo Diamandaras
Dianne Stavrou

IN HONOR OF:

Francis & Maria Mayer

Our Grandchildren

Nicoletta Roros

Carole Trikoglou

Stamatios Stavrou

PROPOSED -PHILOPTOCHOS CALENDAR 9/01/2018 - 6/30/2019- AS OF 08/02/2018

***Please note if for any reason dates are changed for an event it will be announced in the church bulletin or via e-mail**

SEPTEMBER 1ST – Starts new Ecclesiastical Year. Start Philoptochos Membership Drive.

SEPTEMBER 16TH- GENERAL MEETING. Possible day for members to be sworn. Meet after Liturgy. Discuss Apple Festival preparations – October 6th. Pack desserts October 5th. Make edits and approve calendar. Discuss details for Boordy Vineyards Fundraiser. Prepare for Philoptochos Membership Drive and discuss strategy. We need to be more visual and involved every Sunday during Coffee Hour. Also, someone needs to be by the Pagari at the start of services. Discuss Coffee Hour duties and create Coffee Duty schedule

OCTOBER 5TH- Meet at church to prepare and pack desserts for Apple Festival

OCTOBER 6TH FUNDRAISER- Darlington Apple Festival. We will be selling various desserts and beverages

OCTOBER 7TH FUNDRAISER- Boordy Vineyards 6pm- to 9:30pm

OCTOBER 14TH - GENERAL MEETING- After Liturgy. Plan Thanksgiving Food Drive details

OCTOBER 28th - Philoptochos will pass OXI tray after liturgy to benefit Ecumenical Patriarchate (required)

NOVEMBER 11th – GENERAL MEETING. Meet after liturgy to discuss Saint Barbara Celebration luncheon 12/9/2018. Decide on Christmas Toy Drive/Needy Family. Discuss and plan for the Traditional Sweets for Christmas and Vasilopites. Plan our Christmas Dinner and decide if we will do gift exchange.

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER- Will do our Christmas Dinner details to be determined

DECEMBER 9th – Agia Barbara Nameday-Philoptochos will sponsor luncheon. Pass tray to benefit Philoptochos Funds

DECEMBER 16th – 31st – CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISER- Selling sweets and Vasilopitas

JANUARY 6th – Cutting Vasilopita and St. Basil Academy Tray to be passed

JANUARY 13TH – GENERAL MEETING. Meet after Liturgy. Discuss details for Spaghetti Dinner- date and details to be determined.

FEBRUARY 10TH- GENERAL MEETING. Meet after liturgy. Discuss all aspects of Festival preparations. Go over Senior Scholarship details. Start discussion and process to elect new Executive Philoptochos Board members to be in place by 09/01/2019

FEBRUARY 17th or 24th- FUNDRAISER- Spaghetti Dinner. Date to be confirmed later day after church's calendar is approved.

MARCH 10TH – GENERAL MEETING. Meet after liturgy. Discuss Easter preparations, Palm Sunday Luncheon, Easter egg dying and Tsourekia fundraiser. Lent starts 03/11/2019. Palm Sunday is 04/21/2019. Greek Holy Easter 04/28/2019. Discuss Easter flower purchase and Fundraiser details. Work on schedule for festival preparations.

APRIL 14TH- GENERAL MEETING. Meet after liturgy. Finish planning for Easter and Tsourekia preparations. Need to determine when dyed eggs and any help are needed for the Easter Tsourekia. Finalize details for Easter flowers

APRIL 20TH- Lazarus Resurrection Celebration. Meet after liturgy to help with Palm Sunday crosses and preparations

APRIL 21ST- Palm Sunday. Plan to be at church and help with any preparations

APRIL 21ST – 28TH FUNDRAISERS- Easter Tsourekia and various desserts will be sold. Easter Flower collection.

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APRIL 25th- Holy Thursday- Meet at church 9am to dye eggs for Holy Saturday and work on Kavouklion flowers

APRIL 26th- Holy Friday- Meet at church 9am (Check with Father Eleferios) to decorate and prepare Holy Kavouklion. Prepare Lenten luncheon for all present and helping.

MAY 12th- GENERAL MEETING. Meet after liturgy. Last meeting for ecclesiastical year. Vote and finalize new Executive Board members. Finalize details for Senior Student Scholarships. Finalize Festival preparations that Philoptochos is responsible for. JUNE 9th- Present Senior Student Scholarship(s)

JUNE 2019- Annual Dinner – Date, location and details to be determined...

JUNE 2019- Our Annual Church Festival- As of today Parish Council is still undecided. Date, location and details to be determined and calendar will be adjusted for any Festival preparations as needed.





Sts. Mary Magdalene & Markella Ladies Philoptochos Society, #1043

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc., is the duly accredited women's philanthropic society of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. The mission of the Society shall be:

- To help the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, the handicapped, the victims of disasters, to undertake the burial of impoverished persons and to offer assistance to anyone who may need the help of the Church through fund raising efforts; and
- To promote the charitable, benevolent, and philanthropic purposes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, through instructional programs, presentations, lectures, seminars and other educational resources;

2018 Philoptochos Membership

The ladies Philoptochos society of Sts. Mary Magdalene & Markella is a very active and integral part of our church supporting her growth and charitable projects in a variety of ways.

Becoming a member of our Philoptochos does not require a lot of your time, nor does it require that you attend every meeting and/or event. Please consider joining the Philoptochos and experiencing the true meaning of Philoptochos - philanthropy, fellowship and faith in action.

Member Name: _____

Member Address: _____

Email Address: _____

Home telephone: _____

Cell Phone: _____

Stewardship Amount: \$ _____ **

** Please note that for each paid member \$15 will be sent to National Philoptochos and \$8 will be sent to our Metropolis on NJ Philoptochos to support national and regional initiatives. Any stewardship amount over \$23, will stay with our chapter and be applied to our many local and charitable projects. **

Please complete the form and mail your stewardship check to: Sts Mary Magdalene & Markella Ladies Philoptochos, #1043, Attention: Tina Stavrou, Treasurer, PO Box 1575, Bel Air, MD 21014.

Clarifications and Guidelines for the Observation of Theophany

johnsanidopoulos.com/2015/01/clarifications-and-guidelines-for.html



By Metropolitan Nikodemos of Patras

1. Is there a difference between the Service of the Great Blessing of the Waters that is performed on the eve of Theophany on January 5th and that which is performed on the day

of the feast on January 6th?

The Service of the Great Blessing of the Waters that is performed on the eve of Theophany and on the day of Theophany is exactly the same.

Some believe incorrectly that supposedly on the eve of Theophany the Service of the "Small" Blessing of the Waters is performed while the "Great" Blessing is performed on the day of the feast. In both cases, however, it is the Service of the Great Blessing of the Waters that is performed. The Service of the Small Blessing of the Waters is performed on the first day of every month, as well as in various circumstances requested by Christians (for the blessing of homes, shops, buildings, establishments, etc.). The Service of the Great Blessing of the Waters is performed only twice a year (the 5th and 6th of January) in churches.

2. Where is the Holy Water from the Great Blessing kept and why?

The Holy Water from the Great Blessing is kept in the church throughout the year. It is not kept without reason. And the reason is none other than for the faithful to "partake" of it under certain circumstances and conditions. A common case is for those who are undergoing repentance and are under a penance from their spiritual father which prevents their participation in the Divine Eucharist, for a certain period of time, and Holy Water from the Great Blessing is traditionally given to them as a blessing and consolation. Nothing impedes a person from receiving Holy Water, as long as they are in a state of "repentance and confession".

It must be understood that the Holy Water from the Great Blessing does not substitute or replace the Divine Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ, but brings benefit to those who prepare through repentance, to rid themselves of the obstacles of sin and be found worthy for Communion all the sooner.

3. Can the Holy Water from the Great Blessing that is kept in the home be consumed in a time of illness or to prevent the evil eye or any satanic energy?

The answer is affirmative. The sacred text of the Service of the Great Blessing refers to this, saying: "That this water may become a gift for sanctification, redemption for sins, for the healing of soul and body, and for every meet benefit,... That it may drive away all the cunning devices of our enemies, visible and invisible,... For those who drink therefrom and take home for the sanctification of their homes,... That it may be for those who drink and receive there from in faith a purification for their souls and bodies, let us pray to the Lord."

See also the Prayer to be Free of the Evil Eye: "Remove, drive away and banish every diabolical activity, every satanic attack and every plot, evil curiosity and injury, and the evil eye of mischievous and wicked men from your servant."

Without a doubt, the believer should avoid any outlets of manipulation, such as "spells", sorcery and other wiles of the devil, but rather as a conscious member of the Church they should resort to the valid "sanctifications" of the Church, such as the Service of the Great Blessing of the Waters as

well as the so-called "Small" Blessing of the Waters, and thus they will become a partaker of divine grace through this medium of sanctification.

This assumes, of course, that in homes where the Holy Water of the Great Blessing is kept, the oil lamp will also be burning and will burn at all times, and there will be reverence from the members of the family, from the spouses and the children, and every cause will be avoided that will repel divine grace (such as blasphemies and other shameful things).

4. What is the relationship between fasting and the Holy Water from the Great Blessing?

The historical origins of the Great Blessing is as follows: In the ancient Church on the eve of Theophany - as well as on the eve of Pascha and Pentecost - the baptism of Catechumens took place, namely those who were becoming new Christians. The Sanctification of the Waters for the baptismal ritual was performed at midnight; this introduced the habit, according to St. John Chrysostom, of Christians taking this sanctified water and to either drink it or take it home with them for a blessing and to preserve it throughout the year. "This is the day on which Christ was baptized and through His baptism sanctified the element of water. Wherefore, at midnight on this feast, all (faithful) draw of the (holy) water and store it in their homes, because on this day the water is consecrated" (Homily on the Baptism of Christ, *PG* 49:366).

Later, however, at a time of liturgical decline, the Service of Sanctification was isolated from that of Baptism, although it retained many of its elements. The habit remained for the faithful to take the sanctified water "for the sanctification of their homes", as it says in the sanctification prayer of the Great Blessing Service.

Early on the habit of keeping a fast remained before the feast of Theophany, for two reasons:

First, the two Great Feasts of Christmas and Theophany in the ancient Church were united together, and they were called Theophany or Epiphany, which was celebrated on January 6th (this is still maintained in the Armenian Church today), but St. John Chrysostom separated these two feasts in the fourth century and appointed the Nativity of Christ to be celebrated on December 25th and the Baptism of Christ with the Manifestation of the Holy Trinity on January 6th. Every Despotical Feast is preceded by a fast for the psychosomatic purification of the faithful. Let us remember that fasting has an element of mourning for sins. So when the two feasts were separated, the fast which preceded them moved for that of Christmas, and this is why the Church appointed only one day of fasting on the eve of Theophany as a preparation for the feast, and not more days because the holy Twelve Days of Christmas are a time of festivity.

Secondly, it was also an ancient habit for those who were about to be baptized to fast, and together with them their sponsors, relatives and other Christians who voluntarily complied to fast "on behalf of the baptismal candidate". Therefore it was not difficult in the minds of the Christians to link the drinking of Holy Water and fasting without any causal relationship between them.

Therefore, to transfer the issue to nowadays, we can say that those who frequently partake of the Holy Mysteries and keep the fasts of our Church, such as that of January 5th, they are ready to drink

from the Holy Water of the Great Blessing on January 5th and 6th. Otherwise, there should at least be a fast, as prescribed by one's spiritual father.

Lastly, those who occasionally drink from the Holy Water of the Great Blessing that they keep in their homes, in times of sickness and danger, etc., with or without fasting, let them not abstain from spiritual fasting, that we may "purify ourselves from everything that contaminates body and spirit, perfecting holiness in the fear of God" (2 Cor. 7:1).

Source: This was published in the diptychs of 1999. Translated by John Sanidopoulos.

JANUARY
SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

January 1: Tuesday – Circumcision of Christ

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 4: Friday – The Royal Hours

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Service of the Royal Hours*

January 5: Saturday – Eve of Theophany

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*
- † 11:00 a.m. – *Great Blessing of the Waters*

- † 6:30 p.m. – *Great Vespers*

January 6: Sunday – Holy Theophany

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*
- † 11:15a.m. – *Great Blessing of the Waters*

January 7: Monday – The Synaxis of St. John the Baptist

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 13: Sunday – Sunday after Theophany

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 17: Thursday – St. Anthony the Great

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 20: Sunday – 12th Sunday of Luke

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 27: Sunday – 15th Sunday of Luke

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

January 30: Wednesday – The Three Hierarchs

- † 9:00 a.m. – *Orthros*
- † 10:00 a.m. – *Divine Liturgy*

STS. MARY MAGDALENE AND MARKELLA
HOLY THEOPHANY LUNCHEON
&
CUTTING OF THE VASILOPITA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2018



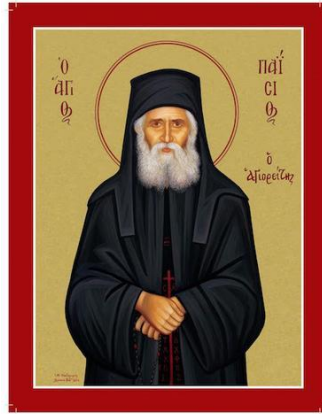
COME JOIN US AS WE CELEBRATE HOLY THEOPHANY

WE ARE PUTTING TOGETHER A DELICIOUS MENU AND LONG PLAYLIST TO ENSURE THAT ALL OUR PARISHIONERS AND GUESTS PARTICIPATE FULLY IN THE GREAT FESTIVITIES OF THE HOLIDAY SEASON.

WE WILL ALSO BE CUTTING THE VASILOPITA FOR OUR PARISH.

SO COME AND ENJOY AND BE A PART OF THE BLESSINGS

STS. MARY MAGDALENE & MARKELLA'S "ORTHOPRAXIA" BOOK CLUB



WE WOULD LIKE TO INVITE EVERYONE FOR ANOTHER INFORMATIVE SESSION OF THE "ORTHOPRAXIA" BOOK CLUB. WE WILL MEET **THURSDAY, JANUARY 10TH AND 31ST @ 7:00 P.M.** IN THE CHURCH HALL. WE WILL BE STUDYING PASTORAL THEOLOGY USING THE WORDS OF ST. PAISIOS. PLEASE EMAIL FATHER TO LET HIM KNOW YOU ARE INTERESTED AT **FREELEFTERIOS@GMAIL.COM**

ADULT GREEK FOLK DANCE LESSONS



COME AND JOIN US FOR ANOTHER ADULT GREEK DANCE SESSION. WE WILL BE MEETING ON **JANUARY 14TH AND 28TH AT 6:30 P.M.** AT THE CHURCH HALL. WE WILL BE CONTINUING WITH CRETAN DANCING.

SAVE THE DATE...

**STS. MARY MAGDALENE & MARKELLA
APOKREATIKO GLENDI**

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23TH



GODPARENTS LUNCHEON CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH



**STS. MARY MAGDALENE & MARKELLA
ANNUAL BINGO FUNDRAISER**

FRIDAY, MARCH 1ST



CHRISTMAS PARTY PHOTOS





NEW AND UPCOMING FROM OUR STEWARDS

As the great saints of our Church have taught us, the Church is the body of Christ, and as children of God we are a part of that One Body. We work together, we progress in life together, we celebrate our success stories, and when we fall, we are expected to help each other to get back up. It is not just what occurs in the rooms of the Church building, but what we do in our own personal lives as well. That includes our work space and our homes. For this reason we want to highlight in one of the pages of the newsletter new projects, careers, or business ventures that our stewards of our church have begun. So let us come together and support this month's listing.

E-MAIL US WITH YOUR NEW PROJECTS AT FRELEFTERIOS@GMAIL.COM

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COLORING FOR KIDS
“HOLY THEOPHANY”



JESUS' BAPTISM

2018 END-OF-THE-YEAR PLEDGED STEWARDS

Alatzas, George & Rene
Alatzas, Triffon & Stacia
Alivizatos, Asimina & Karl, Robert
Alsup, Andrew & Vasilias
Babiak, Christopher & Leslie
Baer, Monroe (Andreas)
Bahadouris - Walters, Demetra
Batis, Nikolaos & Maria
Batsis, Nick & Nomiki
Batsis, Meropi & Komninios Psaros
Bilis, Amalia
Bilis, George & Tina
Bonincontri, Ray & Jamie
Bontzos, Stylianos & Kalliopi
Boutilier, Lisa
Butterworth, Greg & Kalia
Caprinolo, Lee & Mary
Cioloca, Bogdan & Anca
Clark, Sean & Maria
Conway, Joseph & Jennifer
Demedis, Olympia
Dermatis, Minas & Panagiota
Doehring, Anthony & Angela
Diamandaras, Helen
Engleson, Jeanette
Fokianos, Konstantinos & Maria
Geer, Joan
Giannaras, Chris
Giannas, Apostolos & Maria
Giannas Stylianos & Maria
Giannas, Yianni
Harris, Christina
Heidrick, Mark & Tina
Hyde, Michael & Maryann
Kaitis, Dr. Angela
Kalamaras, Efstatios & Millicent
Kaliakoudas, Evangelos & Eleni
Kaminaris Gus & Fotini
Kanaras, Louis & Eleni
Kanaras, Thomas & Penny
Karalekas, George G. & Lisa
Karas, Aimee
Karas, Andy
Karas, Bethany Anne
Karas, John & Belinda
Karas, Katie
Karas, Michael & Linda
Karas, Peter & Kim
Karas, Scott
Karellas, Eugenia
Kechagias, John & Noni
Kinder, William & Michelle
Kioutas, Nick & Shellie

Konstant, Eugenia
Konstant, Gus
Kornias, Christos & Irene
Kramer, Bernie & Marsha
Latgis, Deanna
Lasio, Giovanni & Jelena
Logothetis, Nikolaos & Maria
Mathious, Markos & Cheryl
Mayer, Francis & Maria
Mimaros, Dimitrios & Argie
Mojarrad, Deanna
Nikas, George & Diane
Nikitaras, Spiro & Despina
Pappas, Basil & Linda
Pikounis, Emmanuel & Helen
Plevrakis, Fr. Elefterios & Esther
Powers, Terry & Tasia
Prapas, Spiros
Rahaniotis, Takis & Ioanna
Rajewski, Leonard & Anastasia
Reynolds, Angela & Chris
Roros, Bill & Mary
Roros, Nickoletta
Saliaris, Panagiotis & Evangelia
Sarapis, Stavros & Marina
Sarris, Greg
Sarris, Sam
Scagliola, Thalia
Stakias, Stellios & Tina
Stavrou, George & Tina
Stavrou, Stamatios
Steber, Christopher
Steber, Paula
Silwick, Vance & Jessica
Stillwell, Bill & Pauline
Sudeck, Virginia
Tillman, Ezra
Trikoglou, Carole
Tsambikos, Irene
Varkarota, Christina
Vasilios, Tom & Linda
Votolato Willis, Dori & Joseph
Yiannouris, Ioannis & Shawn

Total 2018 Stewards: **96**
Number of New Stewards for 2018: **16**
Pledged: \$69,160 / Collected: **\$69,160**
Average Stewardship Pledge: **\$ 720.42**