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Hail Virgin Theotokos full of Grace, for Christ our God,
the Sun of Righteousness, has dawned from you,
granting light to those in darkness.
And you, O Righteous Elder, rejoice,
taking in your arms, the Deliverance of our souls,
who grants us Resurrection.

(Apolytikion of Presentation of Our Lord)

Stewardship 2021

A great stewardship year for Saint Spyridon's 351 Stewards!!!

With heartfelt gratitude we pray that the Lord our God may guide and bless all our stewards and our community to continue to worthily serve in His vineyard and to give glory to His Name.



VIGIL FOR SAINT PHILOTHEI OF ATHENS

VESPERS, ORTHROS AND DIVINE LITURGY

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18 - 6:00 PM

SAINT SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
PALOS HEIGHTS, IL

ΑΓΡΥΠΝΙΑ ΤΗΣ ΘΣΙΑΣ ΦΙΛΟΘΕΗΣ ΤΗΣ ΑΘΗΝΑΙΑΣ
ΕΣΠΕΡΙΝΟΣ, ΟΡΘΟΣ, ΘΕΙΑ ΛΕΙΤΟΥΡΓΙΑ
ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ, 18 ΦΕΒΡΟΥΑΡΙΟΥ 6:00 Μ.Μ.
Ι.Ν. ΑΓΙΟΥ ΣΠΥΡΙΔΩΝΟΣ



you are invited to a
*Valentines
& Party*

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH
6:30PM

SAINT SPYRIDON
COMMUNITY CENTER

food, fun & love will be
provided

hosted by family ministry &
saint spyridon pta

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Zachary Bousies	Athletics
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PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS

Parish Council Elections were held on December 19, 2021, after the Divine Liturgy.

Many thanks to the Election Committee, Patricia Vythoulkas, Alex Sotiropoulos, Bobby Papadatos, Stella Parhas, Thalia Colombos and Peggy Zippmann for doing an excellent job with the ballots and the extensive recounts.

The Inauguration of the new Parish Council members took place on Sunday, January 23, 2022, following the Divine Liturgy.

Congratulations to the following 25 parishioners who are on the 2022-2023 Parish Council.

Nika Alex	Konstantine Labrakis
Dimitrios Alexakos	Lambros Malfas
Nick Argyropoulos	Demetrius Marines
Caryn Chibucos	Anastasios Panagiotopoulos
Dean Eliacostas	George Papadopoulos
John Farsatis	Nicholas Petinatos
Michael Haniotakis	Nicholas Tsinoukas
Bill Kilias	Spiros Tzanetakos
Gus Kolyvas	Panagiotis Stamus
Frank Kopanis	Dana Vasilakos
James Korbakis	George Vythoulkas
John Koziocas	James Xeros
Nick Kournetas	



FATHER'S ARTICLE

At one of the homes I recently blessed, there was a plaque on the wall that read in Hebrew "EBENEZER & JEHOVAH JIREH." I asked the family about it and what these words meant. The first word means "Up until now, the Lord has helped us," and the second, "The Lord will see to it and provide." One looked back while the other looked forward.

People of faith are not to be paralyzed by their past. We look at the example of the paralytic who suffered physical paralysis. On the Sunday of the Paralytic (the 4th Sunday of Pascha), we sing in the Orthros service, "I am grievously paralyzed in a multitude of sins and wrongful deeds. As you raised up the paralytic, also raise up my soul by Your divine guidance, that I may cry out, "Glory to Your Power O Compassionate Christ."

Saint John Chrysostom in his homily on this particular Sunday says, "for this paralysis is sufficient to choke the paralysis of our souls." It is through confession and repentance, seeking and living a life in Christ that we are restored. Our tears from our mistakes water the soul so that we may not be paralyzed by our past and learn to look forward.

This paralytic was paralyzed for thirty-eight years. We think about the Jews in the Old Testament who were stranded in the wilderness for forty years. Patience and longsuffering are virtues and help us to have faith. We think about the countless other examples from the Old Testament from Noah's ark to the many plagues.

From the time sin entered the world up until now, God allows certain things, as painful as they may be. However, the Christian is to think about how these difficult moments can become opportunities for growth rather than obstacles. "We are not to grieve like those who have no hope." Whenever we are presented with tragedy or disaster, we are encouraged to look inward and understand that we have a higher calling and purpose in our world. *Every struggle carries with it the blessed opportunity for change* - to learn, to grow and strengthen our belief. Our church's history through the Saints, their persecution and the teachings found within the scriptures manifest this reality.

Many have told me, "Father, I can't wait for things to be normal again." It is my prayer and hope that we, as a parish family, will reflect on our past and think about what He truly wants. The world's pain and sinfulness, or our personal struggles, are not determined by God, but rather allowed. What perhaps is the Lord calling each individual, family, parish, and society to become?

Most of our families came from humble and difficult beginnings in Greece, or have had some kind of tragedy occur, and have persevered to new heights and renewed strength. This is what has shaped us to become the people we are today. How much more, as God's children, are we are to ceaselessly search and find meaning from our Father in heaven and persevere to new spiritual heights?

My hope and prayer for our community is that we find the courage to learn from the past and move forward in faith to safely congregate in our house of worship, find meaning in our struggle, and give thanks to God for all things. Like the Israelites, we must trust that He is leading His children to the promised kingdom. In the words of St. John Climacus, "Let us not look backward but forward with trustfulness, and see not what I have failed to be, but what by the grace of Christ I might yet become." As we continue into 2022, may we encourage one another to look forward and become the person God wants us to become.

In His Service,



+ Fr. George Lamberis

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear St. Spyridon Parish Family,

It is with great hope and prayer that as the new year is quickly moving along, all of us, our families and community are entering the month of February in good health and peace.

We are blessed with Fr. George's efforts, through the intercessions of St. Spyridon, to engage us and encourage all of us to walk together with him as Father continues his ministry. Please attend the beautiful holy services and ministry events that are taking place throughout the month.

The Archangels, Plutarchos Greek and Sunday Schools are in session. Thank you to all of the school teachers and volunteers for their hard work to navigate through the winter season and offer classes as scheduled.

Archangels Academy student enrollment for the 2022-2023 is open. Please consider enrolling our children as enrollment applications are being accepted. Archangels Academy offers an educational, religious and cultural learning experience that helps its students build a solid foundation for their future educational school years and life.

The new parish council for the 2022-2023 term took the oath of service on Sunday, January 23rd. We thank and welcome stewards, Caryn Chibucos, Bill Kiliyas, Demetrius Marines and Nick Tsinoukas as the newest members to join the parish council. Parish Council Committees are in the process of being formed. One of the most important components of the Committees is participation and leadership from parishioner volunteers. There are many opportunities to help the ministries of our parish. Please contact Fr. George, any of the parish council members or the church office for more information on volunteering to help our church, parish and community.

We look forward to working together, to try our best, to follow in the footsteps and path that has been built from all of the previous parish councils, parishioners and benefactors, through the intercessions of St. Spyridon, to benefit our families, parish and community.

The 2022 Stewardship application forms have been mailed to our community. Please reply with a commitment to support the church and its ministries. Additional applications are available in the church office.

Thank you to Fr. George, the parish council members, all of the church organizations and committees, the parishioners, volunteers and donors for helping make St. Spyridon's church a place of welcoming and warmth for all to visit and stay.

May St. Spyridon continue to guide us and protect us.
Humbly submitted, Frank Kopanis



SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Tuesday, February 1st	St. Tryphon, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:30 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Wednesday, February 2nd	Presentation of Our Lord into the Temple , Orthros & D. Liturgy 8:00 a.m.10:a.m.
Saturday, February 5th	Great Vespers—5:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 6th	St. Photios, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Tuesday, February 8th	Akathist to the Mother of God 9:00 a.m.—9:45 a.m.
Thursday, February 10th	St. Haralambos, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Saturday, February 12	Great Vespers—5:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 13th	Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee, Triodion Begins , Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.— 11:15 a.m.
Friday, February 18th	Vigil for St. Philothei of Athens, Vespers, Orthros & Divine Liturgy—6:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 19th	Great Vespers—5:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 20th	Sunday of the Prodigal Son , Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Thursday, February 23	St. Polycarp of Smyrna, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Saturday, February 26th	Saturday of the Souls , Orthros, Div. Liturgy & Memorial, 8:00—11:00 a.m.
Sunday, February 27th	Judgment Sunday (Meatfare Sunday) Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΙΕΡΩΝ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

Τρίτη 1 Φεβρουαρίου	Αγ. Τρύφωνος, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Τετάρτη 2 Φεβρουαρίου	Υπαπαντή του Κυρίου , Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Σάββατο 5 Φεβρουαρίου	Μέγας Εσπερινός—5:00 μ.μ.
Κυριακή 6 Φεβρουαρίου	Αγ. Φώτιου, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Τρίτη 8 Φεβρουαρίου	Ακάθιστος στην Θεοτόκο 9:00 π.μ.—9:45 π.μ.
Πέμπτη 10 Φεβρουαρίου	Αγ. Χαραλάμπους, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Σάββατο 12 Φεβρουαρίου	Μέγας Εσπερινός—5:00 μ.μ.
Κυριακή 13 Φεβρουαρίου	Του Τελώνου και Φαρισαίου, Αρχή Τριωδίου , Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Παρασκευή 18 Φεβρουαρίου	Αγρυπνία της Οσίας Φιλοθέης της Αθηναίας, Εσπερινός, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—6:00 μ.μ.
Κυριακή 20 Φεβρουαρίου	Του Ασώτου , Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Πέμπτη 24 Φεβρουαρίου	Άγιου Πολύκαρπου, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Σάββατο 26 Φεβρουαρίου	Ψυχοσάββατο , Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8:00 π.μ.—11:00 π.μ.
Κυριακή 27 Φεβρουαρίου	Κυριακή των Απόκρεω , Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία, 8 00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.

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	Mr. & Mrs. George Kladis	Ms. Mary Paras	

February 2022

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1 Archangels Academy *Philoptochos *General Meeting—6:00 p.m.	2 Archangels Academy *Feed the Hungry	3 Archangels Academy	4 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 p.m.	5
6 Sunday School	7 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 pm	8 Archangels Academy *Philoptochos *General Meeting—6:00 p.m.	9 Archangels Academy	10 Archangels Academy	11 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 p.m. *Valentine's Day Party—6:30 p.m.	12
13 Sunday School	14 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 pm	15 Archangels Academy *Parish Council Meeting	16 Archangels Academy	17 Archangels Academy	18 Archangels Academy Greek School—4:30 p.m.	19
20 *No Sunday School *Pancake Breakfast Archangels Academy—11:15 a.m.	21 *No school *Office closed	22 Archangels Academy	23 Archangels Academy	24 Archangels Academy	25 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 p.m. *Bowling Party—7 p.m.—9 p.m.	26
27 *Sunday School *Apokreatiko Luncheon	28 Archangels Academy *Greek School—4:30 pm					

EPIPHANY CELEBRATION AT TARPON SPRINGS, FL



St. Spyridon Parishioner Participated in the Epiphany Services at Tarpon Springs.

The Chicago Metropolis Federation of Greek Orthodox Musicians was invited to join the St. Nicholas Church/Tarpon Springs, FL choir members in singing the hierarchical liturgy for their Epiphany celebration. They are the only Metro-

polis that has ever extended this invitation (2007 and 2022). Ruth E. Faklis, a parishioner of the St. Spyridon Church in Palos Heights, is also President of the Federation and therefore participated in the Epiphany Liturgy led by Archbishop Elpidophoros and other hierarchs.

At the event Stanley Ketsios, former Parish Council President of St. Spyridon met with Ruth, who served on the Council with him. She had a wonderful reunion with Stan and members of his family. He offered his 'best' to all his friends at St. Spyridon.



COMMUNITY VASILOPITA

On January 1st along with our community Vasilopita, we also celebrated Fr. George's Birthday. May God grant him many years!



PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS



The January weather was cold but the ladies of Philoptochos continue their work and plan for the brighter days ahead. January was a difficult month as our Christmas Party and the cutting of the Metropolis Vasilopita were both cancelled. Philoptochos is looking forward to our February events and the beginning of our Lenten Journey in March.

On February 1st we will be Feeding the Hungry at the Cathedral and dropping off packaged lunches for the homeless under the bridges in the City. On February 6th, we will be sponsoring our Winter Warm Up, Greek Style: avgolemono soup, lagana bread and dessert. The food will be packaged to go and we ask you preorder so we can serve everyone. Proceeds from this fundraiser will benefit the Hellenic Foundation, a NFP serving the unique needs of the Hellenic Community. For more information, please stop by the Philoptochos table in the hall where there will be materials from the Hellenic Foundation to describe their services in greater detail.

We are especially excited as we are planning to have a sit-down Apokreatiko Luncheon on February 27th in the hall of our community. Mr. Alikakos with the help of our ladies will be preparing the traditional meat makaronatha (beef in tomato sauce over spaghetti). For those who have not had this meal, let me assure you it is delicious!!!! We will also serve galaktobouriko and a make your own ice cream sundae bar for dessert. Our goal is to have a family event with music, crafts and fun for the children. We hope everyone will make an effort to attend so we can be together in fellowship as we begin to prepare for our Lenten Journey. Once again please place your reservations so we can be prepared.

As a reminder January is the beginning of our membership drive. I continue to believe “together we can do so much”, especially now, as so many people are isolated and there is a great need for compassion. The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society is now celebrating 90 years of philanthropy. Some interesting facts:

- Though women in our church were helping immigrants from Greece in the late 1800's, Philoptochos was officially organized in 1931 during the midst of the historic depression by the then the Archbishop Athenagoras and later the Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras. Their charge was to respond vigorously to the needs of its community.
- The Philoptochos is a separately incorporated arm of the Greek Orthodox church of America. Their mission is to help the poor, destitute, hungry, the aged and the sick or any who need help of the church. To strive to comfort and offer hope. Above all do everything with discretion, love and kindness.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

- They are charged to promote the charitable, benevolent and philanthropic concepts of the Orthodox Churches through seminars and other educational recourse. To preserve and perpetuate the Christian concepts of the Family within the Greek Orthodox Faith and our traditions; and to promote participation in the activities of the Greek orthodox community.
- We have over 26,000 members in the Philoptochos with the financial ability to respond and offer assistance immediately to disasters. With our annual contributions to the National Philoptochos we donate to St. Basil's Academy, our Orthodox missions, our priests/presbyters fund, UNICEF, and social and health funds (cancer, autism and education).

We continue to follow this mission as we work first to meet the needs of our St Spyridon church community, and then our extended community. This past year alone, we contributed over \$19,000 to our Orthodox community and missions; \$6,000 to outside organization for the homeless and children undergoing cancer treatments and children needing school supplies. We prepared and personally delivered 120 "Philo bags" to our shut-ins; served 60 meals to our community members and served 652 meals to the hungry at the Cathedral and under the bridge. We sponsored after church fellowship and supported our food pantry. I would like to end once again by quoting the words of Helen Keller "The best and most beautiful things in the world cannot be seen or touched – they must be felt with the heart."

With Sisterly Agape,

Georgia Xeros, Philoptochos President



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ARCHANGELS ACADEMY

All the children are very excited to be back in school. They came in ready with their smiles and full of energy and have been busy learning and having fun. Father George came into our class and cut our annual Vasilopita. **Congratulations** to Athena Toulis for finding the flouri in her piece.

This month our students focused on the body and our 5 senses. Teaching the children to love and take care of their bodies at a young age helps them grow into adults who want to keep their body healthy, strong and safe. Saint Spyridon continues to bless our community with a bi-lingual Preschool.

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, February 20th - Archangels Pancake Breakfast

Monday, February 21st - NO SCHOOL - Presidents Day



2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

OUR PRESCHOOL IS FOR 3 & 4 YEAR OLDS AND RUNS MONDAY - FRIDAY. APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR ARE NOW AVAILABLE IN THE OFFICE AND ONLINE. APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED IN A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS.

PLUTARCHOS NEWS

On January 17th our school celebrated the annual Vasilopita cutting. Many thanks to Mrs. Vicky Argyropoulos for baking the Vasilopita cupcakes for all Plutarchos students. Also, many thanks to our P.T.A. for the St. Basil Coins that every class received.

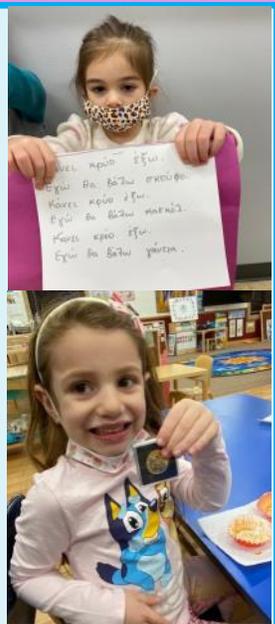
As part of the celebration of the International Greek Language Day our students participated in a short video answering in Greek which one is their favorite Greek word.

Our students are working on The Metropolis' Agrafon project. The theme is related to the 100th Anniversary of the Smyrna Catastrophe and the genocide of the Ottoman Greeks 1914-1923.

The Centre for the Greek Language has scheduled the examinations for the certification of attainment in Greek (Ελληνομάθεια) on May 23, 2022. Both level A1 and A2 students will take the exam on Monday, May 23 at 9:00 am and 12 pm respectively. The following link is the online application website <http://www.greek-language.gr/certification/application/index.html> The registration period ends on March 20th. Paper copies will be given to students interested to take the exam.

In observance of Presidents' Day there will be no school on Monday, February 21st.

Our school program for the Greek Independence day will be held on Monday, March 28th.



SUNDAY SCHOOL LETTER

It has been another great month in Sunday School.

We resumed classes on January 16th with our tradition of cutting the Vasilopita in each classroom. Many thanks to all the parents who volunteered to make them.

Speaking of volunteers... we always need new parents to come forward and help in Sunday School. Whether you would like to help for one class, or become a substitute – please consider sharing your talent with us. It is truly a rewarding experience.

We would like to focus on Stewardship in Sunday School and need the students get into the habit of giving. It is a very important component of being an Orthodox Christian. Moving forward, please send your student with either a canned food item or \$1 – both to benefit the food pantry.

We are also collecting baby formula, baby cereal and baby food to benefit Project Hope. Those items are due on February 14th.

Oratorical Festival topics have also been distributed to each teacher. We would like to have 100 percent participation this year, so please ask your children about it and designate some time to complete this at home. The projects will be collected on March 13th.

Please note that there is no class on Sunday February 20th.

Zoe Kopanis, Sunday School director



2022 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

DATE: SUNDAY, MARCH 20, 2022 IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

GRADES: YOUTH (GRADES 4,5) MIDDLE AND HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

The Oratorical Festival provides a valuable educational opportunity for youth to express their faith, gain important skills in public speaking, and to deepen their knowledge about theology and its application to the world today.

**The 2022 finalists are eligible to receive a Chrysostom Scholarship to Hellenic College.
This scholarship provides awards ranging from \$2,500 up to \$30,000 per year.**

All eligible students are encouraged to participate in our Parish's annual oratorical festival.

Winners will advance to the Metropolis Festival, which is held on **Bright Saturday, April 23, 2022** (in-person festival) Host Parish: Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church Address: 9400 West Congress Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin, 53225

For topics, rules, guidelines and prize information, visit <https://www.goarch.org/oratorical>
Please reach out to Maria Baltas (englishteacher30@yahoo.com) for more details.

SUNDAY SCHOOL PICTURES



FANARI CAMP 2022

Fanari Summer Camp is a summer camping ministry, available for rising 6th grade through rising 12th grade campers. 12th grade graduates will be invited to attend Lighthouse.

- Session 1: Sunday, June 19 – Saturday, June 25, 2022
- Session 2: Sunday, June 26 – Saturday, July 2, 2022
- Session 3: Sunday, July 3 – Saturday, July 9, 2022
- Session 4: Sunday, July 10 – Saturday, July 16, 2022
- Session 5: Sunday, July 17 – Saturday, July 23, 2022

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PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Applications and information are available on St. Spyridon's website:
<http://www.saint-spyridon.net>

The deadline for the completed application and supporting documents are due by June 15, 2022. Please email application materials to englishteacher30@yahoo.com
The recipient will be notified by August 15, 2022.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

SAINT SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH FAMILY NIGHT

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Winter/Spring 2022 Family Night Calendar

Valentine's Day Party | FRI, February 11th | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Gather in the gymnasium for a joyous night of pizza and crafts
Pizza and refreshments hosted by Saint Spyridon PTA

Bowling Night at Palos Lanes | FRI, February 25th | 7:00pm-9:00pm

A fun evening of bowling at Palos Lanes (11025 Southwest Highway, Palos Hills)
Hosted by Family Night Ministry

Great Lent & Confession | Mon, March 14th | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Father George highlights the importance of confession in preparation of Great Lent
Dinner hosted by Family Night Ministry

Annunciation & Greek Independence | Mon, March 28th | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Join us as we commemorate the visit of Archangel Gabriel to the Virgin Mary and celebrate
Greek Independence Day | Dinner hosted by Family Night Ministry

Saturday of Lazarus Retreat | Sat, April 16th | Time TBD

A joyous retreat filled with crafts and snacks
Hosted by the Saint Spyridon PTA

Bright Friday Feast | Fri, April 29th | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Join us for a wonderful evening filled with games and a BBQ
BBQ Hosted by Mikroulis & Halikias Families

End of School Year Party | Fri, May 13th | 6:30pm-8:00pm

Come together for an awesome night of games and a scavenger hunt
Hosted by Family Night Ministry



St. Spyridon Philoptochos

Book & Hair Care Drive

We're collecting items to benefit female patients (ages 12 - 17)
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no access to technology. They are desperate for books to read &
some adult coloring books to pass their time. They would also
appreciate having a variety of hair care products to use as well:

Books for Girls (ages 12-17)

Adult Coloring Books

Shampoo

Conditioner

Hair Detangler



Thank you for helping us show some love!

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St. Spyridon Parish

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January 16 – February 14

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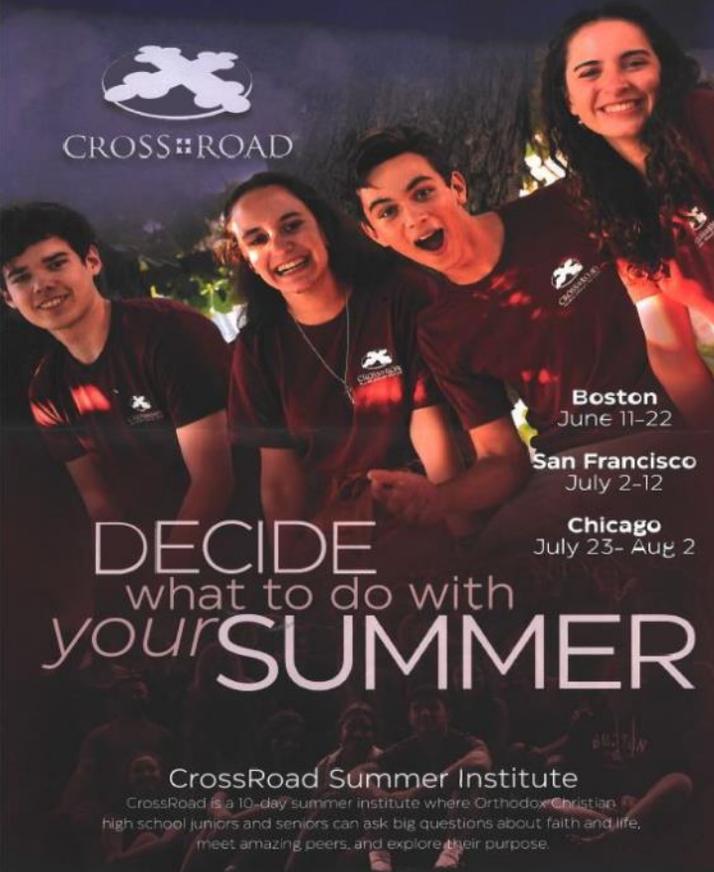
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YAL CHICAGO 2022 SCHEDULE

- JAN SERVICE EVENT - DATE TBD
- FEB 18 - 21 YAL CHICAGO CONFERENCE
- MARCH PRE-SANCTIFIED LITURGY & DINNER OUTING - DATE TBD
- APRIL 8 - 10 SPRING RETREAT @SIRC
- JUNE 11 SUMMER KICK-OFF BBQ & BEACH VOLLEYBALL
- JUNE 29 VESPERAL LITURGY FOR ST. EMELIA
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PARISH NEWS

Family Bowling Night

Join us for a fun evening of bowling and fellowship
Friday 25th— 7:00 pm— 9:00 p.m
Palos Lanes
11025 Southwest Highway, Palos Hills



Parish Registry

40 Day Blessing

Mr. & Mrs. Matt Susnis brought their son Leo for his 40 day blessing.

Baptism

The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Christos Chrimpouras was baptized on January 2nd, and was given the name Evdoxia. Her Godmother was Ms. Gabriella Synadinos.

Funerals

On January 4th, Mr. Stamoulis Vasilakis fell asleep in the Lord. His funeral service took place on January 11th and he was interred at Bethania Cemetery.

On January 22nd, Mrs Helen Demopoulos fell asleep in the Lord. Her funeral service took place on January 28th and she was interred at Bethania Cemetery.

Memorials

Saturday, January 7th

†40 days Haralambos Paleothodoros

Sunday, January 9th

†40 day Panagiota Paraskis, †65 yrs. George Paraskis,

†9 mo Rousa Ayaleanos, †3 yrs. John Perakis,

†1 yr. Paraskevi Patras

Sunday, January 23rd

†1 yr. Peter Manasses, †1 yr. Sam Manasses,

†1 yr Konstantinos Makris, †1 year Konstantina Makri,

†3 yrs. Nick Theofanopoulos

Sunday, January 30th

†5 yrs. Harry Marines, †14 yrs Antoinette Marines,

†10 yrs Areti Stepher

Saturday, February 5th

†5yrs Soteria Ardamis

May their memory be eternal!

Food Pantry

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A graphic for the Drive Thru Food Pantry Pick Up. It features a blue header with the text "Drive Thru Food Pantry Pick Up" and "Helping to Feed those in Need". Below this, it says "Open to the public" and "Every Thursday 1pm -2pm (While Supplies Last)". The location is "Saint Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church, 12307 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Palos Heights, IL". A phone number "708-385-2311" is provided for pick-up calls. At the bottom, there is an illustration of a green car with a driver and a shopping bag, and a list of "Important information" including "Drive Thru Only", "Keep your windows rolled-up", "Be prepared to open your trunk", and "Stay in your vehicle - unless opening your trunk".

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