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SAINT SPYRIDON FEAST DAY

With the blessings and prayers of His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael as well as the loving prayers of our area clergy and faithful, we celebrated the feast day of our parish with great solemnity and grace. Many thanks to all our donors and volunteers who made our feast day celebration truly beautiful and memorable.



Friday, January 28

**Paraklesis of
St. Nikiforos the Leper
6:00 p.m —6:30 p.m.**

**Followed by
Holy Unction
6:30 p.m.—8p.m.**



FATHER'S ARTICLE

In the time of Christ, the wars and tribulations were all a cause of sin. In a time when people worshipped the sun, the moon, and different elements of the earth, the pagan world did not know where to turn and what or who to worship. The world was forced to direct its attention to multiple gods and multiple elements never knowing or seeing the face of these so-called "gods."

The time was right, and ever so needed, for there to be a change. People yearned for peace and a new way of life -- a new way of thinking, a new way of loving that would have a lasting impact. And that change would come through the birth of our Savior.

Imagine the peace that this brought the world. The birth of Christ allows God to be visible for the first time. God to be touched – God to be Emmanuel – God to be with us! No longer did the world have to be inundated with fear from multiple gods. The one true God comes to be with us so we may direct our attention toward one person – the Prince of Peace.

The Lord in His birth is born in a cave shaded in darkness. Wrapped in linen cloths as if preparing for burial, the icon of the Nativity foreshadows the ultimate purpose of the Nativity, which is that Christ is born to die. But his death brings resurrection. This supreme act, Christ becoming man, was sparked by God, and grants us the peace that we are no longer to fear death.

The Christ child was born into a universe broken by sin and into a world that was torn by hatred. He begins to reconcile everything to himself and brings peace to the world. We see this in the icon of the nativity. Archbishop Elpidophoros of America shared the following in His Message to the orthodox faithful:

*Angels converse with humans, Shepherds worship with kings
Jews and gentiles gather together
Man and beast kneel side by side in adoration.*

The virgin mother looks on with love, and everywhere there is peace, good will, unity of heart and purpose. At the manger, all are welcomed and all are reconciled.

It's no wonder that when Christ rose from the dead, the apostles did not recognize Him; the message that Christ gave to them – the first thing he said to them was "peace be to you." It was only with peace from above that they could recognize Christ resurrected.

We are reminded countless times in the liturgy to pray for peace. In peace let us pray to the Lord, for the peace from above, for peace in the whole world. Several times the priest blesses, turns to the people, and says, "Peace be to all."

During this Christmas season, as we will continue to celebrate His birth for 12 days, may we also acquire this peace so that others may witness the birth of our Lord in our hearts. It is this love and peace that transforms and transfigures our homes and families, our parish and all the world. Then heaven and earth can be restored and we will be able to give glory to God in the highest.

On behalf of our staff, the Parish Council and the St. Spyridon community, we wish you a joyful and blessed Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous and Holy New Year!

In His Service,

+ Fr. George Lamberis



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STEWARDSHIP 2022

Our Church Our Spiritual Home



Parish Family of St. Spyridon,

As we begin a New Year together, we ask that you prayerfully consider how you might be able to support the ministries of St. Spyridon. Please take the time to consider the following information:

***Time and Talent**—The volunteer hours that are needed to run our parish total about 21,500 hours annually. Split evenly, this would be about 63 hours annually per family unit (about 1.2 hours per week per family unit). What talent has God blessed you with that you can offer the church 1.2 hours per week? Are you a teacher? Do you enjoy working with youth? Are you handy? Do you enjoy outreach? Please indicate your interest, talent or skill you would like to offer on our stewardship card.

***Treasure** —The direct financial cost of our spiritual home (without collections from candles and trays) is about \$294,000 per year. Instead of relying on fundraisers to offer ministries and programs, imagine how we could focus our energy and time more on His service if we properly care for our Spiritual Home. This can be accomplished if each household (about 350 families) could offer \$840 per year (equivalent to \$70 per month—comparable to our cable or cell phone bill!).

***Worship and Sacramental Life** — God wants us to be good stewards with the hunger to serve, desire to give, and passion to please Him. Coming to worship and participating in the sacramental life sanctifies our soul and body so that we may contribute to the sanctification of the world. This is the greatest form of stewardship!

PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Dear St. Spyridon Parish Family,

Happy New Year and Καλή Χρονιά to all of us and our families. Hopefully, we were able to experience in some way, the spiritual meaning of these blessed days of the year while staying healthy and doing well.

December was a highly active month where we celebrated many saints' days including the Feast Day of our beloved St. Spyridon. His Eminence, Metropolitan Nathanael, honored our parish by ministering the St. Spyridon Feast Day Liturgy. The Sunday School Christmas Pageant, the Archangels Academy Christmas Pageant and the completion of the Forty-Day Liturgies (Sarantaleitourgo) all lead to the culmination and celebration of the birth of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Thank you to Fr. George for his guidance to help make this time of year even more beautiful for all of us. Thank you to the chanters, parish council members and parish volunteers for volunteering to assist with the holy services. Thank you to parish council member Nick Argyropoulos for his efforts with church order to help schedule the volunteers.

Our parish was honored when Consul General of Greece in Chicago and dignitary, Emanuel Koubarakis, visited Plutarchos Greek school. The visit is part of an initiative for the Consul General to get to know all of the schools in the Chicago Metropolis. It was a constructive meeting with hopefully more meetings to take place in the future to continue working together to improve our school.

The annual Craft Show resumed its operations in December. The Craft Show was well attended and supported. It was inspiring to see the Philoptochos, parish council, parish volunteers join together to help make this successful event happen.

Church building repairs and maintenance continue to move forward as the northeast exterior doors and frames were replaced and painted. Thank you to parish council member Dean Eliacostas for coordinating the completion of the project.

The parish council met officially for a final time during this unique three-year service term. The typical term is for two years, but was extended for an additional year due to taking safety measure precautions regarding the Covid-19 pandemic. Thank you to all of the parish council members for their sacrifices and efforts to serve the needs of our parish, our families and community.

Parish council elections took place on December 19th. Thank you to the Board of Elections members for coordinating with Fr. George on the election process. Thank you to all of the parish council candidates including renewing candidates and new candidates. The election results will be forthcoming as we eagerly look forward to the start of the next parish council service term.

The Stewardship Committee has prepared and will be mailing out the new 2022 Stewardship applications. May we, by the Grace of God and through the intercessions of St. Spyridon, continue working together to build on the stewardship program in 2022, that the parish ministries may benefit our parish, community and future generations.

Thank you Fr. George, parish council members, all of the church organizations and committees, the parishioners and volunteers for all of your benevolent efforts.

Warmhearted wishes to everyone on a healthy, happy and prosperous 2022.

May St. Spyridon continue to guide us and protect us.

Humbly submitted, Frank Kopanis



SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Saturday, January 1st	Circumcision of our Lord, St. Basil the Great, Orthros & Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil—8:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 2nd	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Wednesday, January 5th	Royal Hours, Vesperal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil & Great Blessing of the Waters 7:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m.
Thursday, January 6th	Theophany of our Lord , Orthros & Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom & Great Blessing of the Waters— 8:00 a.m.—11:00 a.m. Vespers at St. John in Des Plaines, 7:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.
Friday, January 7th	St. John the Baptist, Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Sunday, January 9th	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Sunday, January 16th	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Monday, January 17th	St. Anthony the Great, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m. Great Vespers at St. Athanasios in Aurora 7:00 p.m.—9:30 p.m.
Tuesday, January 18th	St. Athanasios the Great and Cyril, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—10:00am
Sunday, January 23 th	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—11:15 a.m.
Tuesday, January 25th	St. Gregory the Theologian, Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8:00 a.m.—10:00 a.m.
Friday, January 28th	Paraklesis of St. Nikiforos the Leper, Holy Unction 6:00 p.m.—8:00 p.m.
Sunday, January 30th	Three Hierarchs, Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.—10:30 a.m.

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΙΕΡΩΝ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

Σάββατο 1 Ιανουαρίου	Περιτομή του Ιησού Χριστού, Αγ. Βασιλείου του Μεγάλου Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Κυριακή 2 Ιανουαρίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Τετάρτη 5 Ιανουαρίου	Παραμονη των Θεοφανείων, Λειτουργία του Αγ. Βασιλείου και Μέγας Αγιασμός—8:00 π.μ.—11:00 π.μ.
Πέμπτη 6 Ιανουαρίου	ΘΕΟΦΑΝΕΙΑ , Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία & Μέγας Αγιασμός—8:00 π.μ. Μέγας Εσπερινός στον Ιερό Ναό Αγ. Ιωάννη Des Plaines 7:00 μ.μ.—9:30
Παρασκευή 7 Ιανουαρίου	Αγίου Ιωάννη του Βαπτιστού, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Κυριακή 9 Ιανουαρίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Κυριακή 16 Ιανουαρίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Δευτέρα 17 Ιανουαρίου	Αγίου Αντωνίου του Μεγάλου, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία 8:00 π.μ.—10:30 Μέγας Εσπερινός στον Ιερό Ναό Αγ. Αθανασίου Aurora 7:00 μ.μ.—9:30 μ.μ.
Τρίτη 18 Ιανουαρίου	Αγίου Αθανασίου, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Κυριακή 23 Ιανουαρίου	Όρθρος και Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—11:15 π.μ.
Τρίτη 25 Ιανουαρίου	Άγ. Γρηγόριος ο Θεολόγος, Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—10:00 π.μ.
Παρασκευή 28 Ιανουαρίου	Παράκλησις του Αγ. Νικηφόρου του Λεπρού και Ιερό Ευχέλαιο αμέσως μετά την παράκληση 6:00 μ.μ.—8:00 μ.μ.
Κυριακή 30 Ιανουαρίου	Τριών Ιεραρχών—Όρθρος και Θεία Λειτουργία—8:00 π.μ.—10:30 π.μ.

ARCHANGELS ACADEMY

What a busy month December was! Our children practiced really hard and put in a beautiful Christmas Pageant! We are so very proud of them! We would like to thank the parents who helped with decorations and preparations to make this a wonderful event for all!

Applications for the 2022-2023 school year will be available this month. Please be aware that applications are on a first come first serve basis with priority given to our currently enrolled students, St. Spyridon Stewards and alumni!

The students & staff if Archangels Academy would like to wish everyone a very Happy and Healthy New Year!!



2022-2023 SCHOOL YEAR

**APPLICATIONS FOR THE 2022—2023 SCHOOL YEAR WILL BE AVAILABLE ON JANUARY 17, 2022
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT APPLICATIONS ARE ACCEPTED ON A FIRST COME FIRST SERVE BASIS WITH
PRIORITY GIVEN TO CURRENTLY ENROLLED STUDENTS, ST. SPYRIDON STEWARDS AND ALUMNI. WE
HAVE LIMITED SPACE SO PLEASE PLAN ACCORDINGLY
SCHOOL CALENDAR**

MONDAY, JAN. 10TH—SCHOOL RESUMES

MONDAY, JAN. 17TH—NO SCHOOL, MARTIN LUTHER KING DAY

FAMILY NIGHT

We had fun during December's Family Night! After dinner, the kids participated in a team Scavenger Hunt looking for various church items. Then Fr. George gathered the groups and gave a lesson about St. Spyridon the Wonderworker. The night ended with kids painting their own ornaments. Be on the lookout for the 2022 dates!



SUNDAY SCHOOL



On March 15, 2020, life as we knew it changed. We were instructed to stay at home, social distance and even church was unavailable for a while. Luckily, in October we began to offer Sunday School to our students. Our average class size has been around 10 students. It truly was heartwarming to see the kids so excited to be with their classmates. We were able to offer classes in a safe way, using only a few of our classrooms, and limiting the number of students. As we move forward to 2022, trying to get back to some normal, we will continue to offer Sunday School to all of our students. Our dedicated teachers are committed to being here whether there is one student or ten. Many thanks to all of our volunteers for sharing their time and talent with our St. Spyridon families. This month, we will have Sunday School for grades PreK through High School on January 16, 23 and 30. We will resume classes with our annual tradition of cutting a Vasilopita in each of our classrooms on January 16th. Wishing all of our families a Happy New Year!



ST. SPYRIDON FEAST DAY

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael bestowed upon Fr. George the offikion of Pnevmatikos (confessor). AXIOS!



ALTAR BOYS

His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael led a **beautiful Divine Liturgy on the feast of St. Spyridon!** Nine of our altar boys were tonsured, as His Eminence engaged many of our youth in worship.

Being tonsured in the church is not a small ordeal. Those who are tonsured should remember their voluntary dedication to the service of God. This is expressed in the bowing of the head before the hierarch for the tonsure of hair. In addition, a reader is to demonstrate good character and live according to the teachings of the church.

A reader's primary responsibilities is to read at divine services. Readers are to practice and become familiar with the teachings of the scriptures and the various prayers offered within worship. Our plan is to assign our tonsured readers the designated epistle readings of upcoming services so they can fulfill their new role within the church.

May our newly tonsured readers, along with those who have been tonsured in the past, live up to the words of this prayer offered at tonsuring:

"O Lord God Almighty, elect these Thy servants, and sanctify them; and grant unto them, with all wisdom and understanding, to practice the study and reading of Thy divine words, preserving them in a blameless course of life."

AXIOS TO ALL WHO WERE TONSURED ON SEPTEMBER 12TH!



CHERUBS

Happy New Year! Καλή Χρόνια! Before Christmas, Cherubs met for a Christmas gathering. They decorated the Christmas tree and had snacks! We look forward to seeing all of our Cherubs families in the new year and welcome others to join if they have a child 40 days old to 3 years old! Send an email to cherubs12307@gmail.com



PLUTARCHOS NEWS



Plutarchos Hellenic Academy wishes everyone a Happy, Healthy and Blessed New Year!

On December 3rd the Consulate General of Greece in Chicago, Mr. Emmanuel Koubarakis, visited our Plutarchos school. It was a very special day for our students to meet a Greek diplomat, learn about his mission and ask questions. Our teachers participated in the Chicago Greektown Educational Foundation Conference where they had the opportunity to hear about Greek languages present and future.

On Sunday, December 19th, we had our Christmas Pageant together with Sunday School and Archangels Academy.

January is Hellenic Letters Month and we will be celebrating the Three Hierarchs, St. Basil, St. John the Chrysostom and St. Gregory. The Metropolis' Agrafon essay competition will be offered in January and the theme will be related to the 100th year Anniversary of the Smyrna Catastrophe and the genocide of the Ottoman Greeks 1914-1923.

2022 Ellinomatheia exams have been scheduled for May 2022. Registration starts on February 1st to March 20th, 2022. More information to follow soon. Classes are set to resume on Friday, January 7th.



PANTRY NEWS



Once again, we thank our donors for their generosity! The contributions of food and money enabled us to assemble and donate (35) Christmas Food Baskets to needy families throughout our community. Each basket contained a ham and enough fresh and non-perishable food items for multiple meals (potatoes, celery, carrots, onions, fresh fruit, pancake mix & syrup, vegetable oil, flour, sugar, salad dressing, tomato sauce, mac & cheese, brownie mix, canned corn, beans and peas, salt, pepper, fruit pie, frozen vegetables, rolls, salami, butter, rice, chicken soup, chicken stock, stuffing and gravy.)

As part of our ongoing partnership with Kingdom Word Church in Roseland (formerly St. Spyridon), we were able to donate (50) hams, mashed potatoes, gravy, canned corn, and corn muffin mix to supplement what they were distributing to their families for Christmas. We usually deliver our food donation to the church, with the help of Bobby Papadatos. This time, Reverend Duncan and his brother were able to come to us. It was their first visit to St. Spyridon, so we offered them a tour of our church. They were both visibly moved by the beauty of our iconography, as well as the icons and cornerstone from the old church. Our next holiday distribution will be for Easter. If you know of a family in need, we distribute food every Thursday from 1pm - 2pm in the back entrance of the Gym. Wishing everyone a Happy & Healthy New Year!

Stella Parhas and Demetria Papadopoulos



GOYA NEWS

On December 2nd Goya visited an Escape Room in Oak Lawn. It was a fun night with great team building activities for 25 of our Goyans.



PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS



Happy New Year! The members of the St. Spyridon Ladies Philoptochos wish our entire community the blessings of Faith, Health, Hope and Love. As the year ends, we reflect on the past year, thankful for its many blessings, new beginnings and continue praying for a healthy new year.

We are blessed to have welcomed Fr. George, Presbytera Diana and their boys; they have brought a new energy, a youthful pure spirit and opened their hearts to us. I express our gratitude to Father George for his love, strength, empathy, wisdom and patience. His prayers and love lift our spirit and his faith and humility renew our faith. Also, thank you to all our Philoptochos ladies who continue to work hard to fulfill our philan-

thropic and charitable endeavors. As always, a special thank you to each of you for your constant support for Philoptochos and our community.

Philoptochos was blessed on January 1, during Saint Spyridon's annual Vasilopita cutting to receive the flori, so for sure 2022 will be a blessed year for us! Looking back over the last year we have continued to build on our strong traditions that are the true foundation of our St. Spyridon Philoptochos: fellowship, service to our community and helping our brothers and sisters in need. In 2021, we are thankful to have served over 650 meals to those in need, including assisting the needy in the Roseland/Pullman area and the homeless under the bridge. Our ladies also volunteered over 2,700 hours to help us feed the hungry, prepare for our fundraising events and assist those in need. In total we were able to donate over \$18,000 to serve the needs of Saint Spyridon and other Orthodox charities including the IOCC, fires in Greece and mission in South America. We also reached out to our extended community and donated nearly \$6,000 to children in need, the homeless and operation classroom. We are looking forward to continuing our outreach and to support our community in the upcoming year.

During the month of December, we successfully held our annual Craft Show. It was lovely to have our community back together again. Thank you for all the ladies and parish members who volunteered, cooked, baked and coordinated together in comradery. The baking also continued in December for our "philo bags" which were delivered to our shut-ins before Christmas, thank you to all the ladies who baked and delivered them with our Christmas greetings. We cannot forget those who are part of our family but are limited due to illness or age. Last year the Malfas ladies decorated beautiful Christmas trees which were delivered to our shut ins. This year the circumstances changed and Philoptochos presented Angela Malfas with a Christmas tree made by one of our younger members. Stephanie Sotiropoulos made a special tree where Angela was able to open a cup ever day in December thru Christmas. Inside there was an inspirational hand written saying and an associated gift donated by the Philoptochos members and PTA. Thank you, Stephanie, for your brilliant idea and also thank you to all who participated.

January is when Philoptochos kicks off our Membership Drive for 2022! We invite everyone to join our St. Spyridon Philoptochos for 2022. Your stewardship is critical so we may continue our many good works for our parish and for the many in need of our philanthropy. So please join us in volunteering your time, talent and energy to promote the values of our Orthodox faith. We will be sending out our Philoptochos stewardship cards so please complete it and send it back with your stewardship. We will also have a membership table in the back room during Sunday Fellowship hour, so please stop to speak with us. We welcome new members, new ideas and fellowship. Please remember together we can do so much!

As cases of Covid were spiking we felt it was wise to cancel our annual Philoptochos Christmas party, we are hoping to reschedule in February. The Metropolis Vasilopita was also cancelled.

On February 1st ,2022 we will be Feeding the Hungry at the Annunciation Cathedral. We will be preparing sandwiches and handing out packed lunches. We will also prepare and deliver lunches for the homeless under the bridge. If anyone is interested in helping please contact me or a board member, we always need help for this event.

In February we will also be hosting our winter fundraiser lunch, "Winter Warm-Up, Greek Style". As we have done in the past you can preorder avgolemono soup, lagana and dessert to pick up and take home. Please look for details in the coming weeks. We hope you will again support this fundraiser as ½ of the proceeds will be given to the Hellenic Association, a NFP organization assisting our Greek community. We chose this organization because of a recent event. There was a death of a gentleman with no direct family and the Hellenic Association stepped in to find family and to make the arrangements for his funeral. This gentleman was part of our St. Spyridon community as his father had served as a priest of our parish many years ago.

Please keep in mind that we are stewards of our church and our faith, we do not stand alone but must protect those who are vulnerable around us. Let's be kind and respectful to all. We pray the new year will continue to strengthen our community, reinforce our resilience and faith and bring an end to the pandemic.

Have a blessed and healthy New Year!
With Sisterly Agape,
Georga Xeros, Philotochos President



YOUTH MINISTRIES



The St. Spyridon Ladies Philoptochos society invites all interested High School seniors and current college students to apply for the St. Spyridon Philoptochos Scholarship.

The winning applicant will receive a \$2,000 scholarship

Applications and information are available on St. Spyridon's website:
<http://www.saintspyridon.org>

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.

BEFORE you decide what to do with YOUR LIFE...

CROSSROAD

Boston
June 11-22

San Francisco
July 2-12

Chicago
July 23- Aug 2

DECIDE what to do with your SUMMER

CrossRoad Summer Institute
 CrossRoad is a 10-day summer institute where Orthodox Christian high school juniors and seniors can ask big questions about faith and life, meet amazing peers, and explore their purpose.

APPLY TODAY: crossroadinstitute.org
 Priority Deadline: Jan 10, 2022 • Regular Deadline: February 22, 2022

SAVE the DATE



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
- JULY 28 BOAT CRUISE
- AUGUST YAL CHICAGO PILGRIMAGE - DETAILS TBA!

Senior GOYA (High School)

January 14-17, 2022 [MLK Weekend] \$325/cam

Junior GOYA (5th-8th Graders)

March 4-7, 2022 [Pulaski Weekend] \$325/camper

Only 75 slots per session!

Visit www.fanari.camp/winter-camp to register today!

JOIN US FOR SOME SWEET FAMILY TIME
IN SUPPORT OF OUR ANNUAL

Archangels Academy Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2022
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

ADULTS: \$20
KIDS: \$10

WE WILL HAVE BREAKFAST,
SWEETS, TREATS AND MORE!

PLEASE RSVP TO VICKY
VASI1207@YAHOO.COM OR BY
CALL/TEXT 708-653-2349

Food Pantry

Please always remember the Food Pantry and our Donation box so that we never have to turn anyone away. If you wish to donate food or monetary donation for our Food Pantry, please bring your items/donations to the Church office or the Pantry Donation Box.

Drive Thru Food Pantry Pick Up

Helping to Feed those in Need

Open to the public

Every Thursday 1pm -2pm (While Supplies Last)

Saint Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church
12307 S. Ridgeland Avenue, Palos Heights, IL
When you arrive for a pick-up call: 708-385-2311



Important information:

- Drive Thru Only
- Keep your windows rolled-up
- Be prepared to open your trunk
- Stay in your vehicle - unless opening your trunk

Parish Registry

Alec Skiadopoulos and Ophelia Romeo were joined in Holy Matrimony on Friday, December 31. Their sponsors were Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Angelos.

Funerals in November & December

James Babakitis, Sotirios Charalambos, Bobby (Haralambos) Paleothodoros, Panagiota Paraskis, Peter Telemachos Tritsarolis

Memorials in December

+40 days Michael Katsoulakis,
+6 mo Zafira Jouras

Advertise in the VOICE

We call upon all our faithful and friends to continue to sponsor our monthly newsletter by advertising your business for the benefit of all the parishioners. Your ad will reach our 375 parish families, four hundred email addresses in our listserv, over 1,500 followers of our Facebook page, and of course everyone who picks up a copy of our Voice newsletter from the church narthex or community center. Please contact the church office for more information or to submit an advertisement for your business. The advertising opportunities are as follows:

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