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## PRESIDENT'S LETTER

Greetings, Καλό Καλοκαίρι and Best Summer Wishes St. Spyridon Parish Family,

It is with great hope and prayer that as the mid-point of the year has quickly arrived, that all of us, our families and community are entering the summertime season in good health and are doing well. Thank you to Fr. George for his great efforts, by the Grace of God, to continue having the many beautiful church holy services that provide us with spiritual nourishment. Thank you to the parish council for keeping the ministries moving forward by leading and supporting the parish committees.

Congratulations to all of the St. Spyridon parish family students that graduated grammar school, high school and college. The Archangels, Plutarchos Greek School and Sunday School ceremonies took place with much excitement and celebration for the new generation of graduates. Και σε ανώτερα!

Thank you to Nick and Vicky Argyropoulos for representing our parish and encouraging our youth to participate in the Greektown painting project (see picture). Nick and Vicky have also painted various murals for our parish including the latest mural of a Greek village that is hanging as background for the stage in the gymnasium.

The St. Spyridon Golf Outing, marking its 25th anniversary, took place on June 9th and was the most well-attended with over 100 golfers! Parishioners and the community joined the golfers for a fun-filled dinner and raffle afterwards. Marketing of the event included Nick Kournetas and our parish being featured on the Hellenic Heartbeat TV show in the weeks leading up to the Golf Outing. Thank you to Nick for his leadership and supporting the Golf Committee to help make this fundraiser a success. With the Golf Outing completed, we are in full Festival preparation mode.

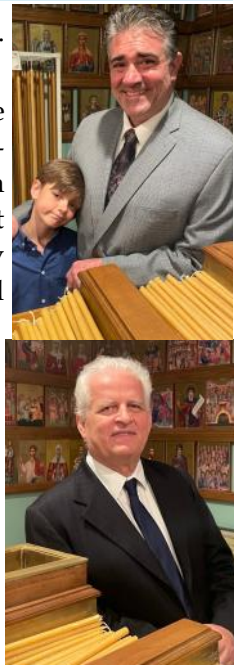
The St. Spyridon Festival needs volunteers. It is scheduled to take place on Saturday, July 9th and Sunday, July 10th. The raffle will take place on Sunday, July 10th, at 10:00pm. Volunteers are needed to help set up the Festival areas in the days before the Festival, work during the Festival and assist with take down the Monday after the Festival. Festival departments that need volunteers include: Admissions, Bar, Café Opa, Cooking, Food Expediting, Decorating, and Raffle. Thank you to Dean Eliacostas for volunteering to lead our parish's Festival fundraiser.

Please volunteer for the Festival by contacting Fr. George, Dean Eliacostas, any of the parish council members or the church office at (708) 385-2311 for more information.

Thank you Fr. George, parish council members, all of the church organizations and committees, the parishioners, volunteers and donors for all of your efforts and sacrifices on behalf of the church to support the ministries that benefit our families, parish and community.

Please attend church and partake in the beautiful summertime holy services. May St. Spyridon continue to guide us and protect us.

*Humbly submitted, Frank Kopanis*





# FATHER'S LETTER

## PRUNING OUR LIVES

Parish Family of Saint Spyridon,

I am thankful for the efforts of my parents who have taught me the art of gardening. Every year, my parents have helped me plant the garden in our backyard and we have reaped the benefits of caring for our plants.

I used to feel intimidated by our garden not knowing exactly how to care for it. If you have a green thumb, you will understand that pruning leads to new growth and continued blooming. When I trimmed some dead branches and diseased leaves, I learned quickly that this opens the center of the plant to light and air circulation. Within a few days, I was amazed that new branches were stretching outward and the leaves were beginning to look greener. Interestingly enough, the bush needed a "wound" in order to get stronger.

The spiritual life is the same. Our holy scripture mentions many references to planting and reaping, pruning, uprooting and weeding. What comes to mind is John 15: "I am the true vine and My Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in Me that does not bear fruit He takes away; and every branch that bears fruit He prunes, that it may bear more fruit."

Our Heavenly Father knows what is dead inside us, what is diseased and what is threatening to cause stunted growth. The sacrament of confession helps our confessor understand what we need for spiritual cleansing which opens our center to light. Yes, pruning can be uncomfortable, but when carried out consistently, we also begin to grow.

Many of us are reluctant to change. Most of us are creatures of habit and we easily can follow the motto "keep it the same." But our Lord wants us to make some healthy changes in our lives. Perhaps we are not getting enough air circulation and light. Perhaps the Lord is encouraging you to get out of your comfort zone and do something out of the or-

dinary. Maybe the Lord wants you to eliminate something from your life and maybe he wants you to focus on something fruitful and pleasing to God.

It is important for us to get out of our comfort zone and prune our old ways. This may be what we need to get the stifled air of stagnancy moving again so that we can start to breathe in a new and fresh experience. This way, "keep it the same" or "we've always done it this way" can be words that blossom into a solution that could actually benefit us, our families, and our parishes. What is important to remember is that it takes time for anything to bear fruit. One will not see the fruit or "blossoms" that are growing initially, but they will come.

With the beginning of the fast of the Holy Apostles and also the Dormition of the Theotokos fast, it may be a good time to reorient our lives and schedule a time for soul-pruning. Schedule a confession so that you can break the monotony of your schedule. Do something new together as a family or present some ideas for your church and get involved so that it may benefit the Lord's ministry and bring salvation to others. It might seem hard or painful at first, and we might even make some mistakes. In time, however, the unhealthy branches will be removed and the flowers will begin to blossom and give glory to our Creator. Whatever it may be, let us make sure that it is done in humility, love and for our betterment and the benefit of our family and **parish community**.



# PHILOPTOCHOS

Dear Friends of Philoptochos

May and June have been busy months of celebrations and preparation for the summer. In May we celebrated Mother's Day and we thank everyone who attended the luncheon.

It was a beautiful day with a delicious luncheon, and we thank everyone who worked to make this a special day for our mothers. Thank you to Chef Dean Eliacostas and his kitchen help for the delicious meal, thank you to Evan Paxinos for the scrumptious homemade cheese cake and to all our parishioners for their donations. Also, thank you to our chairman, Dana Vasilakos and her committee for a beautiful day, from the delicious punch, festive decorations to the projects for the children. Also, we are grateful to Yanoula Malfas for creating the flower center pieces; we not only enjoyed them at our table but we planted them in our gardens. We were truly excited to once again host our traditional luncheon and to be together in fellowship to celebrate the mothers and women who shape our lives. Special thank you to our parish council members who helped serve and clean during the meal. The Philoptochos ladies were grateful and honored by your kindness and show of appreciation and support.

On May 24th we participated in Feed the Hungry at the Cathedral and also delivered lunches for the homeless living under the bridges in the city. The indoor dining at the Cathedral still remains closed for sit down meals, so we prepared and packaged 100 lunches to go. The lunches consisted of pastichio, salad, bread, fruit and dessert. We also delivered 50 additional meals to the homeless living under the bridge. Thank you to all our women who prepared and helped served the homeless.

On June 7th St Spyridon hosted the Southside Philoxenia for our seniors. After the liturgy approximately 130 people joined us for a fellowship luncheon in the hall. The Greek chicken luncheon was prepared by the three "Kostas" Mr. Alikakos, Mr. Lamberis and Mr. Pappas. Thank you to our "Kostas" for the delicious luncheon and to all the women who helped prepare and serve. It was a great day and we were excited to once again to welcome and host our seniors.

Thank you for all who supported our Take and Bake Sale; we still have spanakopites and typropites for sale, please contact me or Helen Sotiropoulos. Thank you, Dina Katsoulis and our ladies who prepared typropites and spanakopites. Also, thank you to Bobby Papadatos for supplying us the pastichio and Mousaka. We will be donating \$1,400 from this fundraiser to the Greek American Rehabilitation and Care Center. Our seniors are the heart of our family and our community and it





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is critical that our seniors needing special care have a home they can actively practice our Orthodox Religion and Hellenic values.

Thank you to everyone who participated in our Cancer Awareness Walk on June 11th (Saturday of the Souls). We began our day by attending the memorial for parishioners who have passed from cancer. We then proceeded to Lake Katherine where we joined others and walked to support those who are fighting cancer and to celebrate our cancer survivors. After the walk we came back and were welcomed for a barbeque.

Congratulations to Ruth Faklis and her committee for coordinating this amazing fundraiser. We had over 50 participants from 3 churches participating in the walk and raised \$4,200. We will be accepting donations until the end of June. Our goal is to raise \$5,000 of which 100% will be donated for Cancer Research. The response has been positive and we hope to add this tradition annually. Thank you to Chris Alexopoulos who sponsored the barbeque in memory of our sister Vivian Patris. Also thank you to George Papadopoulos, Chris Korbakes and Jim Xeros for barbequing and Denise Skiadopoulos for coordinating the luncheon.

A reminder that Philoptochos is offering our annual \$2,000 scholarship to a well deserving high school graduate who will attending College. This year, thanks to the generosity of Mrs. Manasses and in memory of her husband, Peter Manasses, we will also be offering 3 additional scholarships: an additional \$2,000 scholarship to an undergraduate student and two \$3,000 scholarships to students in graduate studies. With this new development we will be extending the application deadline and revised applications are on the church website We invite all interested high school seniors, current college students and graduate students to apply, applications are on the Church Website. Further information will be forthcoming.

As always, I thank you for your support, encouragement, and continued participation in Philoptochos events and projects. It is only with your support that we can accomplish our philanthropic mission. We also wish everyone a wonderful summer, enjoying the blessings of our Lord with our families and friends.

*With Sisterly Agape*

*Georgia Xeros*









# ARCHANGELS ACADEMY

Congratulations to the 2021- 2022 graduating class of Archangels Academy. What an amazing and successful year we have had together. We ended the year with our 17th annual Graduation Banquet which was a huge success. Thank you to everyone who came out to support our beautiful school and HUGE THANK YOU to our amazing parents who tirelessly dedicate their time but most of all their love to our children and our school.

Summer camp has come and gone but our wonderful memories will last forever! What an amazing week of nonstop fun, laughter, and friendship. Archangels Academy is so blessed to have so many dedicated teen volunteers that without them the week of camp would not have been possible.

We have already started preparing for the upcoming 2022 - 2023 school year. Parents should be looking out for beginning of the year information that will be sent home.

We hope that everyone is relaxing, enjoying their families and the beautiful summer weather!!









## CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OUR 2022 GRADUATES

summer breaks gaining insight and instruction from world class Bassoonists. Demetra was accepted to Yale, Julliard, Manhattan School of Music, Rice University, The New England Conservatory, and the Cleveland Institute. She will begin Graduate Studies in the Fall at Rice University in Houston, Texas. Demetra is thankful to the many faithful of St. Spyridon who supported her throughout her childhood and gave her the confidence and strength to pursue her dreams. She is especially thankful to our beloved Saint Spyridon for his continued presence in her life.

### Leonidas J. Angelos

Leonidas graduated from Purdue University with a bachelor's degree in Industrial Engineering and a minor in Statistics. Throughout his college career he has had three internships with ComEd and one internship with Storage Solutions in Westfield, IN. He participated in the Industrial Engineering Society, a Purdue Grand Prix racing team, and was on the honors list. He has accepted a position as an onsite project engineer for Bastian Solutions, a Toyota Advanced Logistics Company. Leonidas is the son of John and Anna Angelos.



### Peter J. Angelos

Peter graduated from Chicago-Kent College of Law, where he earned his J.D. with a Business Certificate. During his 3 years of legal studies, Peter worked at various law firms, participated as a member of the Hellenic Bar Association, and served as President of Chicago-Kent's Hellenic Law Student Association. Peter has accepted a position with the law firm of Huck Bouma, PC in Wheaton Illinois where he practices corporate law, estate planning and tax law. Peter is the son of John and Anna Angelos.



### Zachary Chibucos

Zachary graduated with a bachelor's degrees in both Accounting and Information Systems with Magna Cum Laude from Loyola University of Chicago. During college, Zachary was the president of the Loyola chapter of Orthodox Christian Fellowship and worked at St. Andrew Greek Orthodox Church. He is pursuing his CPA certification and has accepted a full-time position as an Audit Associate at Crowe, LLP, a public accounting firm in Chicago. He would like to thank his family and St. Spyridon family for all their love and support.



### Vassiliki K. Demakis

I began my love for architecture and design early on when I volunteered as a junior tour guide interpreter for the Frank Lloyd Wright Home & Studio in Oak Park. My B.A. Degree is from Illinois Institute of Technology with a specialization in Design Build and Digital Design. Recently, one of my studio designs received first place from the Gertrude Lempp Kerbis Scholarship competition sponsored by the Chicago Women in Architecture. Throughout school, I was also awarded the Eastern Illinois Chapter Scholarship from the American Institute of Architects, and the Student Merit Award from the Association of Licensed Architects. I have enjoyed volunteering for the DuPage Children's Museum, various art & architecture exhibits, and designing websites for various academic organizations. I am looking forward to starting work at the architecture firm, DLR Group, in Chicago as Project Designer to create a variety of designs that help people have more functional spaces & enrich the human experience.



### Peter Panagiotopoulos

Peter Panagiotopoulos graduated from the University of Illinois Urbana Champaign with a Bachelor of Science degree in Bioengineering. During his sophomore year, Peter worked as a lab assistant under Dr. Marina Marjanovic for her class: Quantitative Human Physiology. He worked on a senior design project led by Katz Diagnostics developing a prototype for the diagnosis of fibromyalgia through the use of near infra-red spectroscopy(NIRS). Peter participated in Engineering Open House for two years where he worked on researching and developing 3-D printed knee implants with new materials that would be immune to sepsis. He also researched and compiled data using bioinformatics techniques to analyze the causes of healthcare acquired infections(HAIs) to point to possible solutions for the future. Throughout his undergraduate tenure, Peter was a member of the Biomedical Engineering Society, the Hellenic Student Association, volunteered at Eastern Illinois Foodbank, fundraised for St. Jude's Children's Hospital and was a brother of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. In the fall of 2022, Peter will be working towards either a Masters in Biomedical Engineering or Computer Science.





## JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Both the **girls & boys volleyball** teams (coached by Anna Hix & Kleopatra Vasiliades) made it to the medal rounds. The boys team played for the bronze though came up short. After a close loss in the opening medal round, the girls team did win the next game for the bronze medal so congratulations to them!

Our **soccer & basketball** teams (coached by Ted Mikroulis, Angelo Velissaris, Terry Pappas, Zoe Schultz, Aris Halikias, Mario Halikias, Bill Perakis & Kostas Vasilopoulos) won some & lost some though for some of the age groups (7-9 & 10-12 for soccer and 7-10 for basketball), we had so many kids we needed to have two teams for each age group which is very encouraging and a great sign going forward!

In **tennis** (coached by Zoe Schultz), Nikolas Bezanis & Ares Cajas took **3<sup>rd</sup> in doubles** so congratulations to them!

For the board games (coached by Helen Halikias), in checkers we had Christos Deligiannis won **Bronze**, Ethan Halikias won **Silver** & Marianna Petropoul won **Gold** so congratulations to them!

For **track & field** (coached by Ted Mikroulis), our girls ranked 1<sup>st</sup> out of 17 churches and our boys ranked 8<sup>th</sup> out of 19 churches which is great so congratulations to them! **Bronze - 50 Meters:** Mariam Halikias, **Bronze - Shot Put:** Maria Malamis, **Gold - 1600 Meters:** George Kottaras, **Silver - 100 Meters / Bronze - 400 Meters:** Maria Chibucos, **Gold - 1600 Meters / Silver - 800 Meters:** Konstantina Prassas, Nikoletta Prassas, **Silver - Boys Relay:** Andonis Haniotakis, Leo Bousies, Niko Korolis & Luke Watne.

The **swimming team** (coached by Mario Halikias & Sofia Sofou) had their best showing ever as every swimmer won at least one medal on the team. **Gold - Girls 18 and Under 200 Yard Medley Relay:** Zoe Halikias, Vasia Halikias, Despina Karanastasis and Francesca Rimbos, **Gold - Boys 10 and Under 25 Yard Freestyle:** TJ Collopy, **Silver -**

**Girls 12 and Under 25 Yard Freestyle:** Despina Karanastasis, **Gold - Boys 12 and Under 25 Yard Freestyle:** Vasili Vythoulkas, **Silver - Girls 15 and Under 50 Yard Freestyle:** Vasia Halikias, **Bronze - Girls 12 and Under 50 Yard Breaststroke:** Eiessa McNeil, **Silver - Boys 12 and Under 50 Yard Breaststroke:** Vasili Vythoulkas, **Gold - Boys 18 and Under 50 Yard Breaststroke:** Mihael Karanastasis, **Gold - Boys 10 and Under 25 Yard Backstroke:** TJ Collopy, **Gold - Girls 12 and Under 25 Yard Backstroke:** Zoe Halikias, **Gold - Boys 12 and Under 25 Yard Backstroke:** Vasili Vythoulkas, **Bronze - Boys 15 and Under 50 Yard Backstroke:** Mihael Karanastasis, **Silver - Girls 18 and Under 50 Yard Backstroke:** Francesca Rimbos, **Gold - Girls 18 and Under 50 Yard Butterfly:** Vasia Halikias, **Gold - Girls 10 and Under 50 Yard Freestyle:** Eiessa McNeil, **Gold - Boys 10 and Under 50 Yard Freestyle:** TJ Collopy, **Bronze - Girls 12 and Under 50 Yard Freestyle:** Despina Karanastasis, **Silver - Girls 18 and Under 100 Yard Freestyle:** Francesca Rimbos, **Gold - Girls 10 and Under 100 Yard Freestyle:** Stella Maras, Sophia McNeil, Zoe McNeil and Eiessa McNeil, **Silver - Mixed 12 and Under 100 Yard Freestyle Relay:** Maeve Maras, Maria Petrakos, TJ Collopy and Vasili Vythoulkas, **Silver - Girls 15 and Under 200 Yard Freestyle Relay:** Maria Petrakos, Despina Karanastasis, Zoe Halikias and Vasia Halikias. Congratulations to them!

We would like to thank all our wonderful players, coaches and volunteers. We also want to thank Effie Papadopoulos & her Plutarchos students for the t-shirt design which was a big hit! We do have some extra shirts leftover so if anyone is interested, please call the church office.

*Demetrius Marines & Nick Tsinoukas*  
*Athletics Directors*





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## CHERUBS

What a blessed year we had with our Cherubs families!! This past month we had a wonderful time celebrating Easter together with an egg hunt. We also had an End Of School Year party with the Cherubs families!! We wish all of our Cherubs a wonderful summer and look forward to meeting up again in September. Thank you to Father George and all the families that joined us.

*Ria Hronis and Vasiliki Georgiou*





# GREEK PARADE





## HANDMAIDENS

The Handmaidens worked incredibly hard last month to fund-raise for our hospital art project. We would like to thank our Saint Spyridon community for all their help. With your support, we were able to raise double from what our goal was to purchase the canvases! Thank you all!

We wrapped up our year with completing the Peanuts art piece that will be donated to a local children's hospital! The girls did an amazing job!

We invite all 1st-12th graders to join us in September. Stay connected via remind by texting @handmaide to 81010 to receive event and meeting updates. Have a GREAT summer!

*In Christ, Vicky Argyropoulos*



## FESTIVAL 2022

Volunteers are needed for preparation for the festival. If you are interested in volunteering please contact the church office at 708-385-2311.

Tickets and Raffle are available for all the parishioners and friends of our community in anticipation of everyone's support and generosity.

### 2022 FESTIVAL BAKING SCHEDULE

Please note: Dates are subject to change

**Saturday, June 25th** - Diples - 8 a.m.

**Tuesday, June 28th** - Baklava – 9 a.m.

**Friday, July 1st** - Honey-dipping of Melomakarona – Time to be announced Set-up of Pastry Area

**Saturday, July 2nd** - Honey-dipping of Diples – 9 a.m. / Set-up of Pastry Area

**Tuesday, July 5th** - Continue to set-up Pastry Area decor

**Wednesday, July 6th** - Assemble Combo Plates, Bag Koulouria & Paximadia

**Thursday, July 7th** - Assemble Combo Plates, Bag Koulouria & Paximadia

**\*\* GALAKTOBOURIKO, KATAIFI – to be made by bakers from home**



# FAMILY NIGHT MINISTRY



Thank you to all the children and their families for joining us for our end of the year Family Night party on Friday, May 13th!

We gathered for dinner and started the fun with a giant Scavenger hunt. The night ended with ice cream for all and fun outside! We are grateful to all the families who made this a success and we look forward to more fellowship with our children and their families starting again in September. We wish you all a happy, fun, and safe summer!





## 25TH GOLF OUTING

St. Spyridon's 25th annual golf outing and dinner social took place on Thursday, June 9<sup>th</sup>. The day was filled with fellowship as participants enjoyed golfing, a continental breakfast, lunch, a delicious BBQ buffet dinner, and a prize-filled raffle. This year we were blessed with record breaking attendance and participation for both golf and the dinner. Congratulations to Jim Tourloukis, Brian Dober, Angelo Ferconio and Todd Probasco for winning the best team golf score contest. Marty Heneghan won longest putt and Malik Abdallah won the longest drive contest. Nick Korompilas and Ameer Abdallah each won the closest to the pin contests. This important fundraiser helps support the St. Spyridon Church Building Fund. This year's donations will help with various church repairs and heavy maintenance over some of the church areas, offices and classrooms. Thank you to all the sponsors, golfers, golf outing committee members, volunteers, dinner guests and everyone for supporting our church and making it a memorable event.

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## 25TH GOLF OUTING



## NEW 2022 STEWARDS MAY 1ST—JUNE 20TH

### *Our Church Our Spiritual Home*

The Stewardship Committee thanks our 249 Stewards who have fulfilled their pledge for the 2022 year. We wish to express our gratitude for your commitment to the Lord's work through our Church of Saint Spyridon. And to you who have not yet pledged, we ask of you to commit yourself and your family so that the Word of God may continue in His glorious name.



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## SCHEDULE OF DIVINE SERVICES

Friday, July 1	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:00 a.m.
Sunday, July 3	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Sunday, July 10	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Sunday, July 17	St. Marina— Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Sunday, July 24	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Tuesday, July 26	St. Paraskevi—Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Thursday, July 28	St. Irene Chrysovalantou—Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.
Sunday, July 31	Orthros & Divine Liturgy—8:15 a.m.

## ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΙΕΡΩΝ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ

Παρασκευή 1η Ιουλίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:00 π.μ.
Κυριακή 3 Ιουλίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Κυριακή 10 Ιουλίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Κυριακή 17 Ιουλίου	Της Αγίας Μαρίνης—Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Κυριακή 24 Ιουλίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Τρίτη 26 Ιουλίου	Της Αγίας Παρασκευής—Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Πέμπτη 28 Ιουλίου	Της Αγίας Ειρήνης Χρυσοβαλάντου—Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.
Κυριακή 31 Ιουλίου	Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία – 8:15 π.μ.

## PARISH REGISTRY

Congratulations to Mr. & Mrs. Nick Tsinoukas who brought their son, George, for his 40 day blessing!

### BAPTISMS

- The son of Mr. & Mrs. Bill Marinakos was baptized on May 7th and was given the name John by his godfather Mr. Theodore Panagiotaros.
- The son of Mr.& Mrs. Alexandros Stamatoglou was baptized on May 14th and was given the name Philippos by his godparents Ms. Anna Georgiopoulos and Mr. Billy Georgiopoulos.
- The son of Mr. & Mrs. Alexios Karabetsos was baptized on May 22nd and was given the name Athanasios Ioannis by his godfather Mr. Stefanos Gaglos.
- The daughter of Mr. & Mrs. Kosta Skourletos was baptized on June 4th and was given the name Despina Konstantina by her godparents Mr. Diamantis Mantis, Ms. Stella Hatzitheodorou, and Ms. Joanna Skourletos.

*Να σας ζήσουν*

### MEMORIALS IN MAY

†9 days Violetta Xenou, †6 m. Michael Katsoulakis, †2yrs. Gus Grapsas, †5yrs. Alexandra Koulogeorge,

†5yrs. George Koulogeorge, †1 yr. Konstantinos Pappas, †5 yrs. Panagiota (Betty) Catsogiannis, †8 yrs. John Argyropoulos, †30 yrs George Argyropoulos, †39 yrs Mary Argyropoulos, †6 mo Panagiota Paraskevi, †3 yrs. Alexander Pappas, †2yrs. John Lordots, †3 yrs. Athanasia Papadogianis, †6 mo Sotirios Charalambos, †18 yrs. John Charalambos, †5 yrs Constantinos Demacopoulos and †6 mo Charalambos Paleothodoros.

### MEMORIALS UP TO JUNE 20TH

†40 days Helen Chiagouris

### FUNERALS

- On May 7th Mrs. Helen Chiagouris fell asleep in the Lord. Her funeral service took place on May 11th and she was interred at Evergreen Cemetery.
- On May 26th Ms. Patricia Katsenis fell asleep in the Lord. Her funeral service took place on June 1st and she was interred at Evergreen Cemetery.
- On June 4th, Mr. Jani Vasiliadis fell asleep in the Lord. His funeral took place on June 10th and he was interred at Elmwood Cemetery.

*May their memory be eternal!*



# PLUTARCHOS ACADEMY

Our school this year participated in the **Greektown Chicago's Public Art Exhibit**. The project was sponsored by the Chicago Greektown Educational Foundation. All our students with the help of Mr. & Mrs. Nick Argyropoulos designed and painted a Lyra sculpture that was given the name **"The ballad of Orpheus and Eurydice"**. The sculpture is now located outside Artopolis in Greektown.

The Greek Independence Day Parade was held on Sunday, May 22, 2022 at the Greektown on Halsted Street. Thank you to all that participated.

Our Graduation ceremony was held on Friday, May 27th. Congratulations to all our graduates. Thank you to all our teachers for the amazing program.

Please make sure that you register for the 2022-23 School Year! A \$100 non-refundable application fee per family is due when the application forms are submitted. The application fee will be applied to tuition once enrolled.

We would like to wish everyone a wonderful and restful summer!

*Mrs. Nicky Glikis, Ms. Kleopatra Vasiliades, Mrs. Roula Boubourekas, Mrs. Evi Maroudas, Mrs. Marianna Haniotakis, Mrs. Effie Pappadopulos and Mrs. Litsa Tsarouhis*





# PLUTARCHOS ACADEMY





# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS



Saint Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church

## Memorial Scholarship

The Memorial Scholarship Committee of St. Spyridon, Palos Heights offers a scholarship to a college undergraduate or graduate student who has completed a minimum of one year in their respective major in an accredited college or university and who is a steward of our parish. This is a competitive scholarship based on the criteria outlined below.

### 2022 Memorial Scholarships Available

Charles C. Condes Memorial Scholarship - \$2,000

#### Requirements are the following:

- Currently enrolled college students with 1 year (2 semesters) completed are eligible to apply.
- Applicant must be a son/daughter of a steward of St. Spyridon Hellenic Orthodox Church.
- A copy of college transcript with school's official seal that illustrates one-year completion.
- Essay and Formal Resume
- References (minimum one of the below options):
  - the **first** from a teacher or professor, advisor, counselor, or dean.
  - the **second** – personal or business reference that is a non-family member.
    - Letters of recommendation must be on school or business letterhead.

**APPLICATION & ALL REQUIRED DOCUMENTS MUST BE SUBMITTED AND SIGNED ELECTRONICALLY ON OR BY JULY 15TH, 2022 TO [OFFICE@SAINT-SPYRIDON.NET](mailto:OFFICE@SAINT-SPYRIDON.NET).**

Incomplete applications or those postmarked after this date will not be processed. All information received from applicants will be treated as confidential.

After a review of a candidate's application and equal consideration of eligibility requirements, the winner will be selected upon a recommendation of an independent anonymous an Scholarship Committee.

Scholarship will be awarded on August 21<sup>st</sup>, 2022, following the Divine Liturgy.

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## Philoptochos Scholarship High School and Undergraduate Application

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of St. Spyridon of Palos Heights will offer scholarships to one High School graduate and one student who is enrolled in undergraduate studies. Applicant must be a member of our parish

This is a competitive scholarship based on need and merit with the award winner to be selected upon recommendation by the Scholarship Committee. Applicants must be accepted into an accredited college, university or vocational program OR currently attending an accredited college, university or vocational program. **Application and ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION MUST BE EMAILED by August 18, 2022 to [englishteacher30@yahoo.com](mailto:englishteacher30@yahoo.com)**

#### Requirements:

- High School Seniors and undergraduate students are eligible to apply.
- Applicant must be a son/daughter of a steward of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church.
- An official **transcript** with the school's official seal.
- **Two letters of recommendation:** the first from a teacher, a advisor, counselor, dean, or coach. The letters must be on the school's letterhead; the second- applicant's choice.
- List activities in your school. Include sports, club memberships, volunteer work, band, drama, student council, National Honor Society.
- List activities relating to your parish of St. Spyridon. Include Altar Service, Choir, Greek School, GOYA, Athletics, Volunteering at Festival, Sunday School, Oratorical Festival, etc. Include the number of months or years associated and duties.
- List any other extracurricular or community activities/services. Include any work experience.
- List of offices held, awards, special honors, special achievements both in school, at church, or in your community.
- **Personal Statement (300 words or less):** *The Philoptochos Society serves our St. Spyridon parish in many ways. We are always ready to assist our parish with our time, talents and hard work. But our good works go much further. The name "Philoptochos" means friends to the poor. We come to the aid of the needy, the poor and elderly, not only within our parish, but also to our local community, nationally and even to Orthodox Christians throughout the world. As a student now and then later in your future, how do you see yourself serving to help those less fortunate?*

The St. Spyridon Philoptochos reserves the right to award more than one scholarship in the same academic year, based on required qualifications, grades, and service projects of the applicant.

## St Spyridon Young Adult BBQ

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## Philoptochos Scholarship Graduate Studies Application

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society of St. Spyridon of Palos Heights is offering a scholarship for two students who completing graduate coursework. Applicants must be currently attending an accredited college, university or vocational program. This is a competitive scholarship based on need and merit with the award winner(s) to be selected upon recommendation by the Scholarship Committee. **Application and ALL REQUIRED INFORMATION MUST BE EMAILED by August 18, 2022 to [englishteacher30@yahoo.com](mailto:englishteacher30@yahoo.com)**

#### Requirements:

- Current Graduate students are eligible to apply.
- Applicant must be a son/daughter of a steward of St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Church.
- A copy of **last semester's college transcript** with the school's official seal.
- **Two letters of recommendation** (may be from a professor, employer, internship/research adviser, volunteer groups)
- A resume that includes your **career objective, college activities, community activities, service, and any special honors or achievements** you have received while attending undergraduate or graduate school.
- Submit the following **essay** along with the application and all required documentation. The essay should be double spaced and at least 500 words and no more than 700 words in length.
  - **Prompt:** As a member of St. Spyridon, you have been afforded many opportunities to participate in church life. How do you incorporate philanthropy in your career goals and in your personal life?

The St. Spyridon Philoptochos reserves the right to award more than one scholarship in the same academic year, based on required qualifications, grades, and service projects of the applicant.



# PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

## St. Spyridon's Greek Festival Raffle Ticket

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