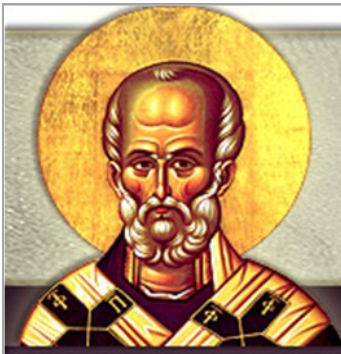


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The Nativity of the Theotokos

By St. Nikolai Velimirovich



The Holy Virgin Mary was born of aged parents, Joachim and Anna. Her father was of the lineage of David, and her mother of the lineage of Aaron. Thus, she was of royal birth by her father, and of priestly birth by her mother. In this, she foreshadowed Him Who would be born of her as King and High Priest. Her parents were quite old and had no children. Because of this they were ashamed before men and humble before God. In their humility they prayed to God with tears, to bring them joy in their old age by giving them a child, as He had once given joy to the aged Abraham and his wife Sarah by giving them Isaac. The Almighty and All-seeing God rewarded them with a joy that surpassed all their expectations and all their most beautiful dreams. For He gave them not just a daughter, but the Mother of God. He illumined them not only with temporal joy, but with eternal joy as well. God gave them just one daughter, and she would later give them just one grandson-but what a daughter and what a Grandson! Mary, Full of grace, Blessed among women, the Temple of the Holy Spirit, the Altar of the Living God, the

Table of the Heavenly Bread, the Ark of God's Holiness, the Tree of the Sweetest Fruit, the Glory of the race of man, the Praise of womanhood, the Fount of virginity and purity-this was the daughter given by God to Joachim and Anna. She was born in Nazareth, and at the age of three, was taken to the Temple in Jerusalem. In her young womanhood she returned again to Nazareth, and shortly thereafter heard the Annunciation of the Holy Archangel Gabriel concerning the birth of the Son of God, the Savior of the world, from her most-pure virgin body.

West of Struga in Macedonia, the Holy Mother of God manifested her power and mercy through numerous miracles. Many of the sick were miraculously healed, and thieves who thought to plunder or desecrate the monastery were severely punished by an invisible power. There is a miracle-working icon of the Holy Theotokos in the church there; nearby, there are two springs of healing water: that of St. Peter and that of St. Ananias. The Chapel of St. Athanasius is located in a cave not far from the main church.

Reflection

St. Dionysius the Areopagite writes of the immeasurable joy, the outer and inner radiance, and the indescribable fragrance that he sensed in the presence of the Holy Theotokos when he visited her in Jerusalem. In his zeal, he says that if he had not known the One True God, he would have recognized her, the Holy Virgin Mary, as God. The Holy Virgin made such a powerful and unique impression on men during her earthly life-and she received an incomparably greater power and glory after her physical death when, by the will of God, she was exalted above the heavenly hosts. Her power comes from her ceaseless prayer for the faithful, for all those who turn to her for help. When St. John of Novgorod and his people prayed to her for help

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against a hostile army, he understood that she was simultaneously praying to the Lord with tears in their behalf, and Novgorod was miraculously saved. As she was compassionate toward her crucified Son, so the Holy Most-pure One is also compassionate toward all those in need, to, where, after the priest prayed over him before the icon of the Holy Theotokos, he received his sight. The first monk at Pochaev saw a fiery pillar extending from earth to heaven, and in that flaming pillar he saw the Holy Theotokos. She was standing on a rock. On the spot where she stood, a spring of healing water sprang forth: even today, it heals many of the sick.

HYMN OF PRAISE: The Nativity of the Most-holy Mother of God

*O greatly desired and long awaited one,
O Virgin, thou hast been obtained from the Lord with tears!
A bodily temple of the Most-holy Spirit shalt thou become,
And shalt be called Mother of the Eternal Word.*

*The Burning Bush they called thee,
For thou wilt receive within thyself the divine fire:
Ablaze with fire but not consumed,
Thou shalt bear the Golden Fruit and offer it to the world.*

*Thou shalt be the Bearer of Him Who bears the heavens,
To Whom all of heaven offers up praise!
The Miracle of miracles shall come to pass within thee,
For thou shalt bear heaven, thou who art "more spacious than the heavens!"*

*Thou art more precious to us, O Virgin, than precious stones,
For thou art the source of salvation for mankind.
For this, may the entire universe glorify thee,
O Most-holy Virgin, O white Turtledove!*

*The King of Heaven shall desire to enter the world,
And shall pass through thee, O Beautiful Gate!
O Virgin, when thou dost become woman thou shalt bear Christ for us;
From thy body, the Sun shall blaze forth.*

Walk to End Alzheimer's

Do you know, or have you known, someone with Alzheimer's Disease? If so, then you also know how the disease affects not only the life of that individual, but the lives of family and friends as well. For seventeen years, our Philoptochos Society has sponsored the "Greek Team for Alzheimer's." The team participates each fall in The Walk to End Alzheimer's, a nationwide event that is sponsored locally by the Greater Cincinnati Chapter of the Alzheimer's Association. Anyone can join our team. The Walk is **Saturday, October 7** beginning at 10:00 A.M. at Sawyer Point. It is a fun walk that covers approximately three total miles on both sides of the river. As a team member, we ask that you make a donation to the Alzheimer's Association and contact others to see if they might like to contribute as well. The Walk provides a relaxed opportunity for fun and fellowship with other participants on The Greek Team. In 2016 our team raised \$2,000!

For more information about The Walk to End Alzheimer's, please go to the website at <http://act.alz.org/2017cin> Enter "Greek Team" to register or to make a donation online. Also, stop by our informational table in the community center following the Divine Liturgy beginning September 3. Someone there can answer any questions you may have about The Walk. You can also pick up a registration form or make a donation.

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Parish Council President's Message

by Nick L. Sarakatsannis

As we start our new Ecclesiastical year, the ever constant “change” is happening as we speak. In July we were informed that a Proistamenos was needed in our sister parish in Lexington, Ky. Father William was chosen as the successful candidate. We gave our blessings and wished Father William and Presvytera Elizabeth great success and said our goodbyes with a beautiful luncheon hosted by Parish Council and the Philoptochos Society.

We are now being blessed with a new assistant priest who you should have already met or read about this month. Things move quickly within our Metropolis when communities are in need. Please welcome Nick Tzetzis and his wife Ivey to our community.

With Summer ending we still have a few things that could be done to the outside of our Church. I would like to see if we have any volunteers out there that could help trim some of the property line on the north side of the parking lot. We have light pole fixtures that are being taken over by undergrowth which is now growing out of control. If anyone has time on a Saturday, maybe we could get a work party and knock it out.

Welcome Mr. Nick & Ivey

I was born and raised in Syracuse, NY, and I grew up attending St. Sophia’s Greek Orthodox Church. One of the greatest blessings of my childhood was growing up so close to the church that it was faster to walk to church than to drive there. I had a tight-knit group of Orthodox friends at church that included all four of Fr. Tom Zaferes’ children. We would sled down the church back hill, play basketball in the gym, and play football in the yard of the parish house. I hold a B.A. in Political Science from Binghamton University and an M.Div from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology.



In my years at HCHC, I was blessed with a strong group of classmates as well as childhood friends at the school. I worked as an Ambassador running youth retreats across the country, a chant group leader, and working as both a web designer for the Archdiocese and the primary photographer for the school. I spent my summers working at St. Timothy Camp, St. Nicholas Camp, and the Metropolis of Detroit Summer Camp where I served as Orthodox Life Director.

The real highlight of my years at the seminary was when I met my wife Ivey who was a student at Hellenic College. We were married in September 2012, and we have spent five wonderful years together. After graduation, we moved to Rochester, NY where my wife completed her M.S. in Speech-Language Pathology at Nazareth College while I served two Upstate NY parishes as a youth director.

As a couple, Ivey and I love exploring local bike trails, parks, and festivals. Even though she’s a New England Patriots fan and I’m a Philadelphia Eagles fan, we both come together to root for Syracuse University basketball. We love going to concerts together, and we are big fans of the Avett Brothers.

Ivey and I are very much looking forward to getting to know you all here in Cincinnati!

Pastoral Post - Its

IN APPRECIATION

On behalf of Presvytera Ginny, our daughters, and myself, I express to all of you our most sincere appreciation in recognition of the 25th Anniversary of my ordination to the Holy Priesthood. My heart is overwhelmed with joy by the outpouring of your love, your kindness, and your generosity. I am humbled by and grateful for the gifts, sentiments and well-wishes expressed by all of you. While we have been here for a short time, we have already experienced many blessings together. We cannot thank you enough for the welcome and support you have given, and continue to give. We consider it a blessing and privilege to be with you. Thank you to the Parish Council, Philoptochos, the Parish Ministries, Community Organizations, and all of the faithful that constitute our Parish. I pray that God continues to bestow His inexhaustible grace, limitless love and great mercy upon our Holy Trinity- St. Nicholas Parish Family. May God bless the works of our hands to fulfill the ministry of the Gospel together, for the glory of His Name!

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL BEGINS

Sunday Church School Begins on September 10th- The 2017-2018 Sunday Church School Program will begin on Sunday September 10th. We will mark this occasion with an Agiasmos (Blessing of the Water) Service. NEW this year is the Sunday Church School Handbook! This handbook contains valuable information about our SCS Program as well as helpful items for the spiritual life of the family! All registered SCS students' families will receive a digital copy. Hard copies will be available in the classrooms on the first day of classes.

SPECIAL NOTE: On Sunday September 10th, all students should report to their classes at 9:30 am. The students will come into church to receive Holy Communion and participate in the Agiasmos (Blessing of the Waters) Service. On Sunday, September 17th, the students will return to the regular schedule of attending the Divine Liturgy at 9:30 am and proceed to their classes following Holy Communion.

FEAST OF THE ELEVATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

The Feast of the Elevation of the Holy Cross- The Church celebrates with special reverence the Feast of the Elevation of the Holy Cross on September 14th. This feast commemorates the discovery of the Cross of our Lord in the 4th Century by St. Helen and its recovery from the Persians by the Emperor Heraclius in the 7th Century. We honor this day by serving the Divine Liturgy and process the Cross on a tray decorated with sweet basil. The Cross is venerated by the faithful. This is one of the Great Feasts of the Holy Church and is also a strict fast day as we recall the events of Great and Holy Friday, when the Lord went to the Cross for our salvation.

Transitions

40 Day Blessings:

Ianthe (Alatis) Schulte and son
August 6, 2017

Annoula (Varypatakis) Bikas and son
August 20, 2017

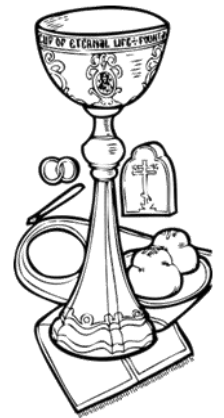
Chrisanthy (Menkhaus) Zowtiak and son
August 20, 2017

Baptisms:

Neophyte: William
Father: Nicholas Ashcraft
Mother: Annie (Cook) Ashcraft
Sponsor: Andrew Dunlap
July 30, 2017

Neophyte: Luke
Father: Charles D. Varnell, Jr.
Mother: Krista (Greene) Varnell
Sponsors: Kiki (Greene) McLeish & Suellen Greene
August 6, 2017

Neophyte: Aristides Dimitrios
Father: Dimitrios K. Betas
Mother: Stephanie (Scherer) Betas
Sponsor: Kathy Bafitis
August 20, 2017



Parish Ministries and Organizations

OVER FIFTY CLUB...Ann Jonson

We had a wonderful luncheon, free to paid members, prepared by Alex Jonson. We played bingo, with some small prizes. We had a delicious cake from Graeters, donated by Pat Zaferes and Mina Sideris. Congratulations to Pat on turning "90" this past July.

Congratulations to Elaine and Milan Snyder who announced the graduation of their granddaughter, Reagan Elizabeth Snyder, from Mason High School where she graduated Summa Cum Laude with a 4.6 grade point. She graduated with honors in both academics and as an athlete. She will be attending the Ohio State University Business Honors Program.

Congratulations to Alaina Sideris, granddaughter of Mina Sideris. She recently graduated from Mother of Mercy High school. She will be studying Biomedical Sciences at the University of Cincinnati.

The next luncheon will be at Parkers Blue Ash Tavern on September 23. Please note that this luncheon will be the fourth Saturday instead of the third Saturday.

PHILOPTOCHOS...Carrie Petrou

Our Church family quickly came together to honor Father William and Presvytera Elizabeth with a farewell luncheon, as they move on to their new parish in Lexington. We have been blessed for 2 ½ years under Father William's assistance and our hope was for that to continue, but God had other plans. Please keep Father William and Presvytera Elizabeth in your prayers - as they get to know their new Parish and new surroundings. They will truly be missed, but it is comforting to know they will be "just down the road".

Sunday, September 10th will be our first Philoptochos meeting following the Divine Liturgy. We have some wonderful ideas to share and hope you might bring a suggestion of your own to the meeting as well. We would love for you to join us.

Sunday, September 24th, Philoptochos and Daughters of Penelope will be sponsoring a Pot Luck Dinner and Movie – The Guns of Navarone. There is no charge for the evening, just bring a dish to share. Our past Pot Luck dinner was so well received, we thought it would be fun to have another enjoyable evening with our Church friends. The Pot Luck Dinner will begin at 5 pm and the movie will start at 6 pm.

We hope to see you there!!!

SUNDAY CHURCH SCHOOL...Peggy Kehayes

A few announcements from SCS: The first day of Sunday Church School will be on September 10th. On the first day of class the students will go DIRECTLY to SCS at 9:30 a.m., and then they will receive Holy Communion as a class, and will sit together in designated pews. The following Sunday, September 17th is class picture day! Dress your best!

AHEPA...Mark Zigoris

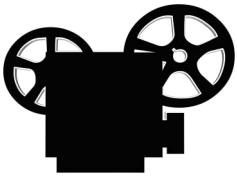
Liberty Chapter #127 of the Order of AHEPA is kicking off the new season with the Annual AHEPA Family cookout on Tuesday, September 12 at the Church. Social hour is at 6 PM with dinner to follow. A chapter meeting will follow. All members of the AHEPA Family are welcome as well as those who are interested in membership.

Our major fund raising project, the 100 RAFFLE, will take place on Sunday, September 17 at the Church. Only 100 tickets are sold at \$100 each and the first ticket drawn and every 10th ticket will win \$100 and the major prizes are \$500, \$1,000 and \$3,000. You have 13 chances to win your money back as well as the grand prizes. Contact Nick Sarakatsannis, Peter Rodish, Gus Stroplos or Mark Zigoris for information and tickets.

PHILANTHROPY: Last year, we donated nearly \$7,000 to worthy causes. Our support of Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church here has been very strong having donated over \$7,000 for the roof repair and kitchen renovation. We annually donate \$1,000 to the Church to support its mission.

EDUCATION: Annually, our chapter awards \$3,000 in scholarships at the chapter level through the Church's Scholarship Sunday Program. We also donate \$1,000 annually to the Buckeye Scholarship Foundation.

As a final note, Liberty Chapter was honored as Chapter of the Year at the Buckeye District Convention in June. We thank all of you for your support.



Dinner and a Movie!!!

Sponsored by Philoptochos & Daughters of Penelope

All parishioners are invited to a family potluck
dinner and movie night

Sunday, Sept. 24, at Holy Trinity-St. Nicholas

There's no cost—this is a fun evening to get together to share our
favorite foods and watch an outstanding film.

Just bring your favorite main dish, side dish, salad or dessert to share.
Soft drinks and coffee provided.

“The Guns of Navarone” is an Academy-award winning film based on a legendary event during WWII. A British team is sent to cross occupied Greek territory and destroy the massive German gun emplacement that commands a key sea channel. Filmed in Greece, and historically accurate, it's a fascinating, action packed drama. It's a guaranteed winner!

Potluck dinner buffet: 5:00 PM Movie: 6:00 PM

Hope to see you all there!



Parish Announcements

AnnaMarie (Herrmann) and Arthur Vollhardt III proudly announce the birth of their 3rd child, a daughter, **Demi Leigh**, on July 19, 2017. Very proud are big brothers, **Bennett and Colton** as well as **Papou and Yiayia, Dennis and Anastasia Herrmann**. Extremely happy are "Big Yiayia", **Betsy Pascal**, of our Parish and Great Grandmother, **Jean Herrmann**, of Cincinnati.

Congratulations to **Carl Hollister**, who was elected the Supreme President of the Order of AHEPA for the years 2017-2018 at the National Convention in Orlando in July.

Anna Gelis is a recipient for the Orthodox Christian Network "30 under 30". OCN's First Annual 30 under 30 Initiative; a campaign featuring emerging Orthodox leaders, from within their own communities in North America who demonstrate exceptional Orthodox Christian Values. Proud parents are **Jim and Kathy Gelis**.

Stewardship Message

September is here, something that most of us can discern in one way or another. It may be that perceptible change in the air as summer slips away or the increase in daily traffic now that students and teachers are back at school. Regardless, summer laziness is gone, and the world around us is busy once again.

The Church, by proclaiming the Indiction, i.e., the liturgical New Year, each September 1st, at first glance seems to be joining the fray. However, as “indiction” means “definition” or “order,” it is evident that the Church seeks to instill not busy-ness but a particular order in the daily life of the faithful.

As Orthodox Christians, we are called to order our lives according to the liturgical year not only to relive historical events, but primarily to bring God’s plan of salvation to our present reality. It is by our attention to the annual cycle of feasts, fasts, and seasons that we are drawn into the Kingdom of God. We may feel this pull most directly in our personal worship, yet the coincidence of the Indiction with the harvest season is a call to work, not only to gather the fruit of God’s blessings, but also to sow more seed.

Taking this agricultural analogy further, the more we labor in the vineyard, the more we become like God. God ultimately owns our Church, but we become co-owners as we assume more responsibility for its upkeep. The word for this call to responsibility is *stewardship*, just as upkeep means *ministry*.

It is timely that our fall Parish stewardship campaign begins in this time of renewed order and seed-sowing. More than just a matter of offering individual responses to the blessings God has bestowed on us individually, this is a time to focus on our collective ministries; specifically the seeds we plant as a community through time, talent, and treasure. All three are needed, which is why the campaign materials outline different ways to become more involved in Parish ministries. The Stewardship Committee asks you to consider prayerfully the many ways in which you can begin, increase, or expand your active role in the ministries of our Parish.

2017 Stewardship List Through 8-20-17

Aamodt, Peter & Karen
 Adinamis, George & Robyn
 Akroush, Mike & Kathy
 Anastasiou, Demetra
 Andreadis, Paul
 Andreadis, Sophie S.
 Andrews, Evan & Terry
 Apalodimas, Maria
 Apostolides, Vasso A.
 Argeros, Aristeia
 Arvanetes, Gregory & Sandra
 Ashcraft, Nick & Anne
 Assaley, Lewis & Patricia
 Bakiri, Keti & Andrew Murray
 Baloglou, Janet
 Bates, Justin
 Batsakes, George P.
 Batsakes, Stephanie
 Batsakis, Chris & Lydia
 Beish, Andrew
 Beish, Karen
 Belitsos, George P. & Peter Q. Wolfe
 Beltsos, Paul & Jeanna
 Bender, Robert & Kathy
 Berling, Ben & Jennifer
 Bertok, Christina
 Betas, Dimitrios
 Betas, Jim K. & Stephanie

Betas, Maria
 Bikas, George M. & Anna
 Bikas, Michael & Anna
 Bilonis, Angela
 Borcoman, Tate & Nicole
 Borod, Gregory & Gloria
 Bottomley, Stephen & Stephanie
 Bouras, Anna
 Boumis, Peter & Kimberly
 Brown, Mary
 Brown, William & George-Annt
 Bugitzedes, Marian
 Bujnoch, Digger & Lindsay
 Caddell, Chris & Eleni
 Callos, Thomas & Patricia
 Callos, Triffon & Stacey
 Campbell, Corey & Stacy
 Caneris, Adonis & Ana Maria
 Caneris, Anthony & Antoinette
 Caneris, Dr. Onassis A.
 Caneris, Thomas & Joanna
 Cantrell, Katerina
 Cardullias, Dr. Peter & Elaine
 Carumpalos, Constantine
 Cassis, Eli & Christine
 Chachoff, Nada
 Chapas, Lefty
 Charnas, Terry & Koula

Christman, Carl & Becky
 Christoforu, Mario & Venetia
 Christon, Angelos & Deanna
 Christopher, Spiro & Olga
 Christopoulos, Vassiliki
 Christos, Mary J.
 Chryssovergis, Chris & Cara
 Cimarosti, Helen
 Claffie, Sean & Angela
 Colak, Tony & Joan
 Colyer, Jeff & Laura
 Colyer, Keith & Diane
 Condorodis, Anestis J. & Janeen D.
 Condorodis, Dr. Constandinos J. & Carolyn
 Cook, Barbara
 Cook, Karen
 Crawford, Jonathan & Sharon
 Dalambakis, Chris & Judy
 Denas, George & Eugenia
 Denas, Theodota
 Diaz, Chris & Stephanie
 Donohue, James & Eli
 Doukas, Alexander
 Dunlap, Andrew
 Economacos, Demetrios & Christine
 Economacos, Eleni

Economacos, Tom & Jennifer
 Economakis, Tina
 Edgington, Paul & Mary Lou
 Elias, Nick
 Elias, Tom & Tina
 Emroll, Fr. Mark & Presvytera Ginny
 Ernst, James H. & Sue
 Favatella, Nathan & Allison
 Fawcett, Tracy & Jessica
 Fekkos, Haralambos & Loella Ann
 Fielden, Brad & Tricia
 Fillios, Alexandra
 Fillios, Elias & Mary
 Fillios, Nicholas & Amy
 Fillios, Philip & Sherry
 Firman, Nancy & Jerry
 Francis, Dean & Kathy
 Frangowlakis, Thomas
 Frankenstein, George & Christine
 Franklin, Gari
 Fritz, Christine
 Furkas, Lisa
 Furkas, Rebecca
 Gaier, Dean
 Gaier, Jeff & Chris Anne
 Galanes, George
 Gallagher, Sean & Marina
 Gardner, Michael & Kara
 Gaskins, Mark & Kristin
 Gaz, Georgianne
 Gelis, Anna
 Gelis, James & Kathy
 Georgakopoulos, Konstantinos & Angeliki
 Georges, Peter & Anna
 Georgetown, Bill & Mary Jane
 Georgetown, Chris P. & Barbara
 Georgetown, John C. & Ann
 Georgetown, John P. & Kimberly
 Georgetown, Peter C.
 Georgetown, Peter T. & Nancy
 Georgiou, Dean
 Georgiou, George & Maria
 Georgiton, Nick & Kristy
 Georgostathis, Gus & Connie
 Georgostathis, Gus & Eleni
 Georgostathis, James & Lillian
 Georgostathis, Maria
 Georgoulakis, Athanasios & Sofia
 Gerros, Mary
 Ghiz, Leslie
 Ghizas, John†
 Gionnette, Lena & Mike
 Glaser, Brian & Stella
 Grammas, James & Tasia
 Grammas, Mary
 Grammas, Nick & Katherine
 Grammas, Pam
 Grammas, Paul & Denise
 Greene, David & Maria
 Greene, Suellen
 Gregory, Dean & Hedy
 Gregory, Matula
 Gregory, Thomas & Pamela
 Gregory, Victoria
 Hackman, Daniel & Kelly
 Hadzivrettas, George M. & Sultana
 Haralamos, George & Eleni

Haralamos, Mike G. & Akrivi
 Harner, Ryan and Melissa Pennell
 Hayden, Jason & Rebecca
 Herrmann, Stacy & Dennis
 Hill, Ann "Tasha"
 Hodges, Nick & Millie
 Hodson, Thomas
 Hollister, Carl & Cynthia
 Humbert, DeDe & Randy
 Humbert, Stephen
 Iatrides, Steve & Christina Kutsubu
 Iliopoulos, Ilias & Vasilia
 Johnson, John & Antigone
 Jones, James A. & Jo Ann
 Jonson, Alexander & Ann
 Jonson, Chris C. & Loy
 Jonson, George N. & Sophia
 Jonson, James G. & Thelma
 Jonson, Patricia J.
 Kalemans, Gary & Maria
 Kalemans, George & Nikki
 Kalomeres, Carol
 Kalomeres, George C.
 Kambelos, John P. & Erato
 Kambelos, Dr. Peter J.
 Kanaris, Christos
 Kanaris, Kostantinos & Katy
 Kanelopoulos, Bill
 Kanelos, Dino & Julie
 Kaniaris, Eleni
 Kaniaris, John & Idalia
 Kappas, James P.
 Karageorge, Dimitri & Athena
 Karakatsani, Marianthi
 Karampas, George & Diane
 Karas, Adrian
 Karas, Bill J. & Lynn
 Karas, Ted & Dixie
 Karras, Giorgio & Erene
 Kasidonis, John & Tina
 Katsanis, Claire C.
 Katsanis, James & Diane
 Katsaounis, Nick & Fay
 Kavouras, George & Fran
 Kehayes, Peggy
 Kehayes, William & Melissa
 Kellaris, Dr. James & Janice
 Kelley, Michael & Pauline
 Kereiakes, James† & Helen
 Kevin, Patrick & Diane
 Kindle, Jeffrey & Belinda
 Kissopoulos, Nick & Effy
 Kladakis, John & Teddi
 Kontopos, Pete & Katerina
 Kontopos, Vagelis & Amanda
 Kontsis, George & Melissa
 Koros, Kostas & Dina
 Korvessis, Anthony & Georgia Lydia
 Kostopoulos, Christos & Erin
 Kostopoulos, Dina
 Kostopoulos, Nikolaos & Dana
 Kougiou, Michael & Alice
 Koutsogiannis, Gus & Cathy
 Kranias, George & Litsa
 Kranias, Stratos & Amanda
 Kritikos, Maria
 Kunkemoeller, Thomas & Janice

Kurlas, Louise T.
 Kurlas, Peter & Lori
 Kyrios, Irini
 Kyrios, Lillian
 Kyrios, Tassos & Maria
 Lagos, Tom & Matina
 Lambrinides, Nicholas & Diane
 Lambrinides, Ted & Kim
 Lambrinides, Thomas J. & Mary Ann
 Landano, James & Yvonne
 Landers, Lauren
 Lazares, Gus J.
 Lazares, John K. & Patricia
 Leon, Gus A. & Kathryn
 LesChander, Scott & Alexandra
 Leslie, Wayne & Peggy
 Levenderis, Bill & Jill
 Liston, Robert & Eleni
 Loukoumidis, George & Stacey
 Lustig, Elaine & Lowell
 Lysko, Bob & Stacy
 Makris, Thomas & Ellen
 Makrozahopoulos, Dimitrios & Joanna
 Maleas, Pete C. & Pearl
 Mangopoulos, Debra & Nicholas
 Manolakas, Alexander & Vera
 Marinakis, Bill D. & Evonne
 Marinakis, George D. & Eleni
 Marinakis, Panagiota
 Maris, George & Tricia
 Masella, Ron & Christine
 Mavridoglou, Anthony & Janette
 Mavridoglou, George & Penny
 Mavridoglou, Konstantinos
 Mavridoglou, Michael & Laura
 Mavridoglou, Nicholas & Jessica
 McCullough, Ryan & Kathryn
 McGlason, Sophia
 McHugh, Dustin & Alicia
 McKay, Betty Jo
 McKay, Phil & Chris
 McLeish, David & Kiki
 McNulty, Robin & Melanie
 Megois, Lee S. & Stephanie
 Menkhaus, Alex & Jenja
 Menkhaus, David & Natalie
 Merianos, Andy & Lesley
 Merianos, Ted
 Meyer, Andy & Maria
 Mikesell, Marco & Aphrodite
 Mirkopoulos, Nicholas
 Mirkos, Marilyn
 Mirkos, Steve & Edyta
 Misali, A. J. "Ike"
 Misali, John P. & Deborah
 Misali, Mary Jean
 Misali, Paul J. & Christina
 Mohler, David & Angel
 Mokas, Mary
 Morgan, Paul & Mary
 Morris, John & Christine†
 Mortensen, Danny & Cheryl
 Moulas, Dean & Catherine
 Moyer, Gabe & Maria
 Muennich, Sam & Melissa
 Murray-Nikias, Stella P.

Nakos, Eva Bruhn
 Nakos, Theofanis
 Naser, Jacoub & Dina
 Neuendorf, David & Patricia
 Neuendorf, Matthew
 Nicholas, Eugene & Cindy
 Nicholas, George & Eugenia
 Nicholas, Nick & Helen
 Nicholas, Zachary & Nikolia
 Nichols, Ron & Philanthy
 Nikias, Charles P. & Vicki
 Nikias, Vasilia
 Nitsis, Dimitrius & Leisa
 Nourtsis, Sam & Alexandra
 Nyktas, George W.
 O'Neill, Brian & Stephanie
 Orphanos, Peter & Angela
 Pagdadis, Sotiris & Stephanie
 Palassis, Nick & Maria
 Paliobagis, Vasiliki
 Panos, Aphrodite
 Pantel, Nicholas J.
 Papaioannou, Thomas & Mary
 Papakirk, James & Maria
 Paparodis, Bess
 Papasavvas, Nektarios & Sally
 Papathanas, Allison
 Papathanas, Harry & Joyce
 Pappas, Steven & Jolene
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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Ecclesiastical New Year 8:30 am Matins and Divine Liturgy	2
3 8:15 am Matins 9:30 am Divine Liturgy Greek School Registration 2:00 pm - 9:00 pm Church Picnic	4 Labor Day Church Office Closed	5 7:00 pm DOP Mtg.	6 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal	7 6:30 pm JOY/HOPE Mtg.	8 Nativity of the Theotokos 8:30 am Matins and Divine Liturgy	9
10 Blessing of the Waters 8:15 am Matins 9:30 am Divine Liturgy SCS & Greek School Begin Philoptochos Mtg.	11	12 6:00 pm AHEPA Cookout	13 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal A.R.E.– Orthodoxy 101	14 Exaltation of the Holy Cross 8:30 am Matins and Divine Liturgy	15	16
17 8:15 am Matins 9:30 am Divine Liturgy SCS Photo Day GOYA Fellowship Gathering	18	19	20 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal A.R.E.– Orthodoxy 101	21 6:00 pm Parish Council Dinner & Mtg.	22	23 12:00 pm Over Fifty Lunch
24 8:15 am Matins 9:30 am Divine Liturgy 6:00 pm Pot Luck Dinner and a Movie	25	26	27 7:00 pm Choir Rehearsal A.R.E.– Orthodoxy 101	28	29	30

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Office Hours: Weekdays 8:00 am to 4:00 pm
Worship Schedule: Matins, 8:15 am; Divine Liturgy, 9:30 am
 Other Services as scheduled.



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Annual Community Church Picnic



When: Sunday, September 3, 2017

Time: 2:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.

Location: Stricker's Grove

*Bring Your Picnic Baskets, Family and Friends for a Day of Fun, Food and Fellowship.
Hot Dogs and Burgers will be served FREE!
All amusement rides are FREE!*

(Note: Alcohol/Liquor is not permitted to be carried in the Park. Beer will be available for purchase.)

DIRECTIONS: From I-275, go North on US 27 (Exit 33) to the Ross/Hamilton Exit (Route 128), then go South toward Ross, Ohio (approximately 3 miles on left). From I-74, go North on Route 128 to Exit 7 (approximately 6 miles on right)