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Beloved in Christ,

Again, we await, with great anticipation, the most important week of every year. May this explanation of Holy Week help you in your own personal Spiritual walk in Christ and in understanding the importance of this Sacred and Holy week.

**Saturday of Lazarus:** Commemorates the raising of our Lord’s friend Lazarus, who has been in the tomb for four days. This glorious act confirms the Universal Resurrection which we will all experience at our Lord's Second Coming. This miracle led many people to believe in Christ as the Messiah, but it also led to the Chief Priests and Pharisees' decision to kill Jesus (John 11:47-57).

**Palm Sunday:** The commemoration of the Lord’s Triumphant Entrance into Jerusalem. Christ enters Jerusalem and is proclaimed King by the people, but only in an Earthly sense. Many of the people were seeking a “political messiah” that would free them from the yoke of the Roman Empire. Christ is the Eternal King of Kings as prophesied by Zechariah the Prophet. We carry palms on this day to show that we accept Jesus as our true King and Messiah who we are willing to follow with our whole being even to the cross.

**Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday:** These services and many of the Services of Holy Week are chanted in anticipation of the next day. These Services are the Orthros Service for the next day. The Services of Holy Thursday evening and Holy Saturday are actually the services of the coming evening.

With this in mind let us turn to the Services of Holy Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday which are celebrated on Palm Sunday, Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday evening. These Services are known as the Bridegroom Service. At the Service of Palm Sunday evening the priest carries the icon of “Christ the Bridegroom” in procession as we sing the Hymn of the Bridegroom. We behold Christ as the Bridegroom of the Church bearing the marks of His Holy Passion yet, He prepares for a marriage Feast for us all in His Kingdom.

Each of the Bridegroom Services has a specific theme. On Holy Monday the we remember the Blessed Joseph, the son of Jacob the Patriarch. Joseph was betrayed by his brothers thrown into a pit and sold into bondage by them. The hymns of this service reflect the Lord’s betrayal by His own creation. The Lord was rejected and betrayed by His own and sold into the slavery of death. The Gospel reading reflects the parable of the “Barren Fig Tree”, which Christ cursed, it withered because it bore no fruit. The fig tree is a parable about those who have heard God's Word but fail to produce the fruit of obedience. The withering of the fig tree is a testimony against those Jews who rejected God's Word and His Messiahship. However, it is also a cautionary note of the importance of not only hearing God's Word but also placing it into action.

The Parable of the Ten Virgins is read on Holy Tuesday. It tells the story of the five wise virgins who filled their lamps in preparation for receiving the bridegroom, while the other five foolish virgins allow their lamps to go out thus being shut out of the marriage feast. This parable is a warning that we must always be prepared to receive our Lord when He comes. The theme of the day is reinforced by the Expostelarion Hymn which we sing: "I see Your Bridal Chamber adorned, O my Savior, but have no wedding garment that I may enter. O Giver of Light enlightens the vesture of my soul and save me."

**Holy Wednesday:** The theme of Holy Wednesday is repentance and forgiveness. We remember the sinful woman who anointed our Lord in anticipation of His death. Her repentance and love of Christ is the theme of the "Hymn of Kassiani" which is chanted on this night. It reminds us once more that we too may be forgiven if we repent.

The Sacrament of Holy Unction can actually be celebrated any time during the year especially when someone is ill. However, because of our need for forgiveness and spiritual healing we offer this Service during Holy Week. We should prepare for this service in a prayerful way as we do for Holy Communion.
**Great and Holy Thursday:** On Holy Thursday we focus on the last events of our Lord and His Passion. Thursday morning begins with a Vesper Liturgy commemorating the Mystical Supper. As previously mentioned, this is actually Holy Thursday evening service. Everyone who is able should make an effort to receive Holy Communion at this Service, as it was at the Mystical Supper that our Lord instituted the Holy Eucharist. At this Liturgy a second "Lamb" (Host) is consecrated and kept in the Tabernacle (Αρτοφόριο) on the Holy Altar. It is from this Host that Holy Communion is distributed at the Sacrament of Baptisms, to the shut-ins and the sick throughout the year.

**Thursday Evening** actually begins the Services of Great and Holy Friday. The service of the Twelve Passion Gospels commemorates the solemn time of our Lord's Crucifixion. After the reading of the fifth Gospel the Cross with the crucified Christ is carried throughout the church in procession.

**Great and Holy Friday:** This is a day of strict fast, little as possible should be eaten on this day. It is the only day in the entire year that the Divine Liturgy is never celebrated. In the morning we celebrate the Royal Hours. In the afternoon we celebrate the Vesper Service of the Taking Down of Christ's Body from the Holy Cross. During the Gospel reading our Lord's body is taken off the cross and wrapped in a new white linen sheet commemorating the removal of Christ's body from the Cross by Joseph of Arimathaea. Later in this service the Epitaphios is carried in procession and placed in the recently decorated tomb (Κουβούκλιόν). During the evening Orthros Service we chant the Lamentations before the tomb. This service begins in a solemn manner but by the end of the service we are already anticipating the Resurrection of our Lord. Remember, Holy Friday evening Orthros service is actually the first service of Holy Saturday, the day, which we remember our Lord's body resting in the tomb while His soul descends into Hades to free the faithful of the Old Covenant.

**Great and Holy Saturday:** This day is the day of hope, promise and the anticipation of the Lord's Resurrection. In the morning we celebrate a Vesper Liturgy, which commemorates Christ victory over death, bright colorful vestments are worn as we anticipate the glorious Resurrection of Christ.

In the Orthodox Church laurel leaves symbolize victory. We throw laurel leaves throughout the church during this service as a sign of Christ's victory over death. As the leaves are strewn throughout church the people chant "Arise O God and Judge the earth, for to You belong all the nations." The Old Testament story of Jonah in the belly of the whale is read. As Jonah was three days in the belly of the great fish and was then safely deposited back on land, so our Lord is three days in the tomb before His glorious Resurrection. The Vesper Liturgy of Holy Saturday concludes the services of Holy Week and brings us to Great and Holy Pascha.

May our Lord and Savior continue to Bless and protect us all.

Presvytera Cyndy and I wish you a Blessed and Holy Pascha.

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**MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY SCHEDULE**

On Memorial Day, Monday, May 27th, Fr. Michael will be at the following cemeteries:

- Knollwood, Canton – 9:00 am
- Stoughton—9:30 am
- Melrose – 10:00 am
Ο Πατήρ Μιχαήλ και Πρεσβυτέρα Σωτηρία

Αγάπη Εν Κυρίου,

Σας Εύχομαι Καλό Πάσχα και Καλή Ανάσταση!

προσωπική Ανάσταση. Αμήν

τον Θεό και βάλει εναντίον Του. Σε αντίθεση όμως με τους εβραίους, εμείς έχουμε ενώπιον μας το γεγονός της τριημέρου

πίστεώς μας. Όταν εκλείψει η πίστη μας, τότε δυστυχώς δεν διαφέρουμε σε τίποτα από τον οργισμένο όχλο, που απορρίπτει

Οι πειρασμοί στη ζωή μας είναι πολλοί, και ο μεγαλύτερος όλων είναι η έλλειψη εμπιστοσύνης στον Θεό, η αποδυνάμωση της

Εσταυρωμένο θα ψάλουμε:

μεγαλείο της Άκρας Ταπεινώσεώς Του και της αγάπης Του προς τον άνθρωπο. Για αυτό και την Μεγάλη Πέμπτη, μπροστά στον

προσκυνούμε σήμερα ως νικητή και μέχρι το Μέγα Σάββατο κλίνουμε ευλαβικά τον αυχένα της ψυχής μας μπροστά στο

ότι ο Χριστός είναι ο Υιός του Θεού, που μας απάλλαξε από τη δουλεία της αμαρτίας και από την τυραννία του διαβόλου. Η

Φέρουμε στα χείλη μας κι εμείς το

υποδεχόμαστε γνωρίζοντας καλά ότι είναι ο βασιλεύς της ζωής και ο νικητής του θανάτου, ο Αναστάς Κύριος και Θεός μας.

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Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of Father Michael and the Parish Council, I would like to wish you and your families a joyous Pascha. May the Light of our Lord’s Resurrection shine on all of us throughout the year and provide us with a spiritual rebirth in our Orthodox Christian faith.

To the Ladies of Philoptochos, George Theodossiou and other dedicated and talented parishioners, I would like to thank you in advance for all your hard work and efforts in decorating our Church and the Epitaphio with beautiful flowers for Holy Week and Pascha. I would also like to express my appreciation to the members of our choir, our cantors, altar boys and our Myrrh-bearers for their tireless dedication, especially over the upcoming Holy Week and Pascha services.

On Sunday, April 14, 2019, we will be gathering at our church lounge for our Spring General Assembly. We will be providing a breakdown of the current finances of the Church as well as discuss the current bathroom project which is underway. Your Parish Council is looking to have this project complete during the summer months. For more details regarding the Spring General Assembly, please refer to the April 2019 Agenda and the minutes of the 2018 Fall General Assembly located inside last months March bulletin.

Stewardship was hard at work once again last month. A heartfelt Thank You goes out to Lambros Mitoulis of Mediterranean Cabinets, who donated his time, talents and material to install and repair the cabinets located in our Philoptochos Room as well as the cabinets in the Altar. We really appreciate all your hard work and efforts.

A few upcoming dates that we look forward to seeing everyone attend are as follows:

**SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2019**

The Greek Independence Day Parade.
Boston, Massachusetts

**SATURDAY, APRIL 20, 2019**

Following the liturgy of Saturday of Lazarus, please join us for the Communion breakfast in the community center hosted by our AHEPA Lord Byron chapter. After the breakfast the Hope and Joy group invites everyone to participate in the decoration of the church and the making of palms.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019**

PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON

To be held in our Community Center. Please reserve your tickets through the church office.

**THURSDAY, MAY 02, 2019**

The 225 Hungry Friends Event to be held in our Community Center.

**FRIDAY TO SUNDAY MAY 17 to 19th, 2019**

THREE DAY MINI PHILOPTOCHOS FESTIVAL

We look forward to seeing you all at these events.

In closing, I encourage all of you young and old alike to come forward and join our family of volunteers working together in keeping our Church strong and perpetuating our Orthodox Faith.

“Blessed are those who have not seen and have yet believed.”
- John 20:29

Respectfully yours,

Nicholas H. Babanikas
President, Parish Council

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DONATIONS AS OF March 15, 2019

MEMORIALS
Aristides & Eleni Georgitsis/Louka & Chrisoula Spyropoulos
Mr. & Mrs. Peter Georgitsis $100
Konstandinos Grantas/Eleni Rizopoulos
Mr. and Mrs. Gregory Grantis $20
Nicholas Kallis
Nikoletta & Maria Kallis $100
Christos Kotopoulos
Mr. & Mrs. George Kotsiopoulos $20
Elias Papadopoulos
Panagiotis, Andrea, Maria, Stephen & Kathy Papadopoulos $100
Evangelos Pappas
Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Critikos $50
Ourania Sarantos
Nicholas Sarantou $100
Ann Yaitanes
Mr. & Mrs. William Gifford $100
Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Ypsilantis $25

OTHER
GOYA $500
Towards Defibrillator
Mr. Ted Ntakoulas $100
Continued Good Health for his wife Eleni
Pindos Epirotic Benevolent Society of Boston $150

FLORAL DONATIONS
Mr. & Mrs. Nick Castle IMO Louie and Zaharo Votsotis
Icon of Saint George

APOKRIATIKO DANCE DONATIONS
Alexopoulos Family
Anonymous
Arvanitidis Family
Bokas Family
Georgios Pizza
Ginis Family
Lainas Family

APOKRIATIKO SPECIAL THANK YOU TO
Chris Coutsoumbos
The Ladies Philoptochos
John Papadopoulos
George Tsitsopoulos

MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT DONATIONS
YTD March 15th, 2019
Mr. & Mrs. Nick Babanikas $500
Mrs. Demetra Cariolos $50
Mr. & Mrs. Carl Colarusso $100
Rhoda & Irene Economos $100
Mr. & Mrs. Robert Gaghe $100
Mr. & Mrs. Nick Giannaros $20,000
Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios Ginis $600
Ms. Elaine Gravel $100
Mr. & Mrs. Harry Livanis $175
Mr. & Mrs. Thanasi Mici $300
Mr. Christopher Morosas $165
Pan Macedonian Association $100
Mr. & Mrs. Ilias Potsis $100
Mrs. Linda Sakelaris Poole $50
Mr. Irakli Savas $1,000

*SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM
March 3rd
Zachary David son of Kevin & Caitlin Howard
Godparents: Sarah & Marcus Aponte

FUNERALS
February 26th
Evangelos Pappas
May his memory be eternal
PARISH NEWS

Our Stories

What our parishioners are saying!

We believe that God, our faith, our church and our community can make a difference in your life. Here are a few words from one of our parishioners. These testimonies are here to encourage, uplift, and inspire you.

How do you feel when you come to church?
“At peace.”

What is your favorite church tradition during Easter?
“Everything to do with the epitaphio. From decorating it, venerating, walking along with it and going under it.”

- Bessie Argyropoulos

What do you think you will remember most about Sunday School when you’re all grown up?:

Isabel (12 yo): The Prayer journal and my Sunday school teacher.
Marinez (12 yo): The history behind Christ and the lessons, like Lent.

Can you describe the feeling you get when you enter the church? How do you feel at the end of church services?

Isabel: I feel happy when I first enter and also happy at the end because I had a good time at church.
Marinez: I feel tranquility and a sense of community. At the end I feel a sense of accomplishment because we learned about our God and also peaceful.

- Isabel Tramontano

- Marinez Tramontano

Please share your own testimony!

It takes a village

Spotlight on Unsung Heroes of our Parish

This small column will be a testimonial to all the unsung heroes of our Parish. Those people who work behind the scenes, quietly and without fuss, in all areas of our parish life.

We host many events throughout the year and they all run smoothly because of the hard work of many individuals. We see and hear about many people who do so much, but there are also many people in the background who we don’t hear about. These are the people that will be featured in this little spotlight.

During the festival many of you need aprons. Where would you find these aprons? Go into the kitchen and you will find them all washed and folded – right next to the kitchen towels which were all washed and folded. Who does this?

And this brings us to our first unsung hero...

Irene Economos.

Did you know that Irene is considered our “dishwasher?” After almost every event, Irene is at the kitchen sink washing dishes, putting them away, and cleaning the kitchen. Not only that, but she takes all aprons and towels home and washes them, and brings them back clean and folded.

Irene does all this behind the scenes. She does it quietly without any fuss or complaint.

Therefore, Irene Economos is our first Unsung Hero! Congratulations, Irene!
AmazonSmile is a website operated by Amazon that lets you enjoy the same wide selection of products, low prices, and convenient shopping features as on Amazon.com. The difference is that on AmazonSmile (smile.amazon.com), the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate 0.5% of the purchase price to our church. If you are an Amazon Prime customer you will continue to receive all of your Prime benefits.

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How do I select the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church to support when shopping on AmazonSmile?
On your first visit to AmazonSmile (log into smile.amazon.com), you need to select our Parish to receive donations from your eligible purchases before you begin shopping. Amazon will remember your selection, and then every eligible purchase you make at smile.amazon.com will result in a donation to our Parish. Enter ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH BROCKTON and then confirm your choice from the list provided. Make sure you select our Parish as there are many with the same name.

Can my friends and family support our Church?
They certainly can. You don't have to be a member to choose our Parish as your charity. Please do reach out to your family and friends and ask them to support our Parish.

Thank you for supporting our Parish.

NEED A RIDE TO CHURCH?

To schedule a ride, call the church office at 508-559-0910
2019 STEWARDS YTD MARCH 15, 2019

Aftosmes, Mrs. Anastasia
Aftosmes, Mr. Steven
Aftosmes, Mrs. Thalia
Alexiou, Mr. & Mrs. Nick
Anastos, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas
Antoniou, Mrs. Sia
Babanikas, Mrs. Ekaterina
Babanikas, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas
Bakanikas, Mr. & Mrs. Nick
Bandis, Mr. & Mrs. Michael
Barrus, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn
Bartorelli, Mrs. Bessie
Bellas, Mr. & Mrs. Demetrios
Bellas, Mr. & Mrs. Elias
Besarik, Mr. & Mrs. Scott
Bloumbas, Mr. & Mrs. Kostas
Bokas, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas
Boutas, Mrs. Fotine
Boutas, Mr. & Mrs. Vasiliou
Calogrias, Dr. Diana
Calogrias, Miss Stefania
Calogrias, Mr. & Mrs. Tony
Capernaro, Mr. Philip
Cariofiles, Mrs. Demetra
Cleary, Mrs. Elizabeth
Coderre, Mr. & Mrs. Ferdinand
Coderre, Ms. Irene
Colarusso, Mr. & Mrs. Carl
Conley, Mr. & Mrs. Scott
Constantinou, Dr. & Mrs. Chris
Costarellas, Mr. & Mrs. Sotirios
Costas, Mr. & Mrs. George
Deeb, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Deligeorges, Mr. & Mrs. George
Fabian, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald
Fisher, Ms. Jean
Fitopoulos, Mr. Ted
Fletcher, Mrs. Diane
Gagne, Mr. & Mrs. Robert
George, Mrs. Diane
Georgeakakis, Ms. Tina
Georgitsis, Mr. & Mrs. Peter
Giannakoulis, Mrs. Pat
Giannaros, Mr. & Mrs. Spyros
Giannoulidis, Mr. Tom
Giati, Mr. & Mrs. Ilias
Gifford, Mr. & Mrs. William
Grantsis, Mr. & Mrs. Gregory
Gravel, Ms. Elaine
Habib, Mrs. Violet
Hanley, Mr. & Mrs. Michael
Hatzidis, Mrs. Giannoula
Hickman, Mr. & Mrs. Mark
Holevas, Mrs. Helen
Joseph, Mrs. Louise
Joyce, Mrs. Katherine
Juris, Mr. John
Kallis, Mrs. Nikoletta
Kampanelas, Ms. Paris
Kanellopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Karaliolios, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Karolemas, Ms. Elizabeth
Kearns, Mrs. Vicky
Kenis, Mrs. Bessie
Korbas, Mr. & Mrs. Tom
Kotsiopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Kouremetis, Fr. Michael A. & Presv. Cyndy
Kyrano, Mr. & Mrs. George
Lainas, Mr. & Mrs. Steve
Landerholm, Mrs. Stephanie
Lapsley, Mrs. Sofia
Liapis, Ms. Evangeline J.
Liolios, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel
Lupo, Mrs. Georgia
Lymberopoulos, Mrs. Eleni
Marianas, Mr. Stephan
Marathas, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Mathers, Mr. & Mrs. Edmund
Mihos, Mr. & Mrs. James P.
Mitchell, Dr. George
Morosas, Mr. Christopher
Nanos, Mr. & Mrs. Odesseas
Nenopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. John
Nickandros, Mr. & Mrs. George
Ntakoulas, Mr. & Mrs. Ted
Odierno, Mr. & Mrs. Randy
Orphanos, Mr. & Mrs. John
Palantzas, Mrs. Vasiliki
Palioglou, Mr. & Mrs. Lordannis
Papadogiannakis, Mr. & Mrs. Costas
Papadopoulos, Dr. Andrea
Papadopoulos, Mrs. Argyro
Papadopoulos, Ms. Maria
Papadopoulos, Mrs. Panagiota
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Papigiatis, Mrs. Alexandra
Pappas, Mrs. Pauline
Passias, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen
Petopoulos, Mr. Alkie
Petopoulos, Mrs. Georgia
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Philips, Mrs. Demetra
Pishkin, Mr. & Mrs. Joseph
Potsis, Mr. & Mrs. Ilias
Poulisopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Fotios
Psilekaris, Mr. Tom
Psychos, Mr. & Mrs. Sam
Sarakinis, Mr. & Mrs. Vasiliou
Sarantopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Jim
Sarantou, Mr. Nicholas
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Theofiliou, Mr. & Mrs. Eleftherios
Theofiliou, Mrs. Maria
Thompson, Ms. Betsy
Thompson, Miss Eleni
Thompson, Mrs. Jane
Tiliakos, Mrs. Gianna
Tiliakos, Mrs. Ragen
Tsianakas, Ms. Kathy
Tsisis, Mr. & Mrs. Vasiliou
Tsitsopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. George
Vallas, Mr. & Mrs. Anthoni
Veiga, Mrs. Victoria
Vintzelos, Mr. & Mrs. James
Vlahopoulos, Mrs. Anastasia
Weinberg, Ms. Merri
Whowell Family
Yiotopoulos, Mr. Steven
Yovanos, Ms. Natalia
Zouroulidis, Mr. & Mrs. Adamandios
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ΠΑΙΔΙΑ ΚΑΤΟ ΤΩΝ 21 ΕΤΩΝ - ΟΝΟΜΑΤΑ & ΕΤΟΝ:
CHILDREN UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE - NAME & AGE:

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ΔΙΕΥΘΥΝΣΗ ΚΑΤΟΙΚΙΑΣ:

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HOW DO YOU WISH TO RECEIVE OUR MONTHLY BULLETIN? EMAIL [ ] US MAIL [ ]

STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT/ΥΠΟΣΧΕΣΗΣ

It costs over $1,400 per day to operate our parish. Regardless of the amount that you decide to pledge, we ask only that you consider the church's needs and your financial ability, prior to completing the following portion of this form.

ΕΥΕΡΓΕΤΗΣ □ BENEFACCTOR $600
ΠΡΟΣΤΑΤΗΣ □ PATRON $400
ΔΟΡΗΤΗΣ □ DONOR $300
ΑΛΛΟ □ OTHER $__________

For a Family with (1)
Orthodox member
and children

For Married Couples
No children

For a Single/Widow

SEPARATE DONATION FOR MAINTENANCE RESERVE ACCOUNT ONLY

$500 ______ $100 ______ $50 ______ $25 ______ OTHER $__________

METHOD OF PAYMENT /ΤΡΟΠΟΣ ΠΛΗΡΩΜΗΣ

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YEAR/ΕΤΟΣ □ 2019

To pledge by credit card, or to sign up for our “Auto Recurring Stewardship Program”, please visit our website at http://www.AnnunciationBrockton.org
Dear Sisters,

On behalf of the Philoptochos Board, I would like to wish you and your families a Καλό Πάσχα. Below is a list of our upcoming events. I hope to see many of you come out and get involved.

Monday, April 8th. Baking for Easter
Baking for our annual Palm Sunday Bake Sale will begin this Monday.

Tuesday, April 9th. Sack a Lunch
We will be packing 100 lunches for Main-spring House.

Saturday, April 20th. Pancake Breakfast
Join us in the kitchen as we prepare breakfast for AHEPA’s annual breakfast following services.

Sunday, April 21st. Palm Sunday Bake Sale
Our annual bake sale where all proceeds go to support our scholarships that we reward every year to a deserving high school graduate.

Holy Thursday, April 25th
We will be dying the eggs in the morning and will also be holding our nightly vigil in the church singing hymns after services. Join us for the most powerful service you will attend during Holy Week and an experience you will never forget.

Good Friday, April 26th
Decorating of the Epitaphios will start at 9:00 am. All are welcomed to come and help decorate the tomb of Christ.

Please remember that without ALL OF YOU, these events could not happen.

Sincerely,
Liz Karolemeas
Philoptochos President

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KOLIVA

If you are planning a memorial service and would like to order koliva please call the church office. We would appreciate one weeks notice in advance of the memorial service to prepare the koliva. The cost is $100 and checks should be made payable to the Ladies Philoptochos Society.

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Volunteers don't get paid, not because they're worthless, but because they're priceless.

Sherry Anderson
About the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society

“Simply one woman asking another woman to care.”

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc. is the philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America that has offered 85 years of philanthropy through a multitude of programs that make a difference in the lives of people in the United States and throughout the world.

Philoptochos fulfills its mission to “help the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the aged, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, those with disabilities and the victims of disasters through its National and Metropolis Boards and its 26,000 members and more than 400 active chapters, nationwide. Philoptochos responds immediately to needs and crises and its philanthropic outreach extends to each area of the country and throughout the world.

Philoptochos provides the opportunity for women who are committed to actively assist those less fortunate and to make a difference. We continue in the steps of our mothers and grandmothers as we support National, Metropolis and local Philoptochos efforts to help those in need. Whether it is a need for ourselves or our community, or to teach others about compassion, we are committed to actively assisting the less fortunate and to making a difference.

As women, each of us is simply asking another woman to care. We are reaching out to all women in our community to invite, to embrace and to involve you in all our philanthropic endeavors as a Philoptochos chapter.

Be part of a philanthropic movement. Join today and make a difference

Annunciation Ladies Philoptochos Society
Stewardship Form

2019 Stewardship $30.00

Please note stewardship breakdown:
$15.00 National Philoptochos ; $10.00 Metropolis; $5.00 for our chapter

Name: ____________________________________________________________

Address: ______________________________________________________________________

Telephone: ______________________________  Email: ________________________________

Kindly return this form with your stewardship to the address below
Annunciation Ladies Philoptochos
457 Oak Street
Brockton, MA 02301

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We thank you for your continued support
For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me, I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me, I was in prison and you came to me. Then the righteous will answer him, saying, ‘Lord, when did we see you hungry and fed you, or thirsty and gave you drink? And when did we see you a stranger and welcomed you, or naked and clothed you? And when did we see you sick or in prison and visited you?’ And the King will answer them, ‘Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me.’”

- Matthew 25:35-40 (English Standard Version)

The Ladies of Philoptochos has reached out to MainSpring, a local charitable organization, to offer our help to those less fortunate. For more than three decades, MainSpring has been a leading innovator of ending homelessness. Their mission is to end homelessness in Southern Massachusetts with programs that provide emergency and permanent housing and help in obtaining skills, jobs, housing and services. They help people who are struggling with homelessness, or are at risk of homelessness, to achieve self-sufficiency.

MainSpring provides shelter or emergency housing to individuals and families who have lost their current housing. While at the shelter, MainSpring provides food and nutrition, job training, and other basic needs.

Our group is providing 100 bagged lunches once a month to the shelter. It is a small offering, and we hope to do more in the future.

We meet at the church on the second Tuesday of every month at 6 pm so that we can assemble 100 bagged lunches. The lunches will be delivered to MainSpring on the following Wednesday morning.

Come join us as we do our part for “the least of these (our) my brothers.”
REMEMBERING OUR VETERANS – EVERY DAY!

OPERATION HOUSEWARMING BASKETS
FOR
HOMELESS VETERANS

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston Philoptochos, with the overwhelming support and generosity of all Philoptochos chapters and parish communities at large, to date, have provided more than 800 “Housewarming Baskets” to veterans transitioning to independent living. Because veterans’ needs are continuous, this is an important and on-going ministry.

The items listed below represent the needs as identified by the homeless veterans in order to establish their home in the community. Items collected by your chapter/parish should be delivered to the Metropolis for distribution to the veterans (162 Goddard Ave., Brookline Ma. 02445-7414).

**HOMELESS VETERANS WISH LIST – ALL NEW- NO USED ITEMS PLEASE**

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**NOTE:** Monetary contributions or gift cards in lieu of listed items are welcome. The Metropolis Philoptochos will use the funds to purchase items listed above. Checks should be made payable to: Metropolis of Boston Philoptochos

Thank you for your continued support and generosity.
Metropolis of Boston Philoptochos

**Note:** For questions or assistance you may contact: Eleni Stamboulidis at 508-807-1828 (estamboulidis@hotmail.com) or Georgia Lagadinis at 617-734-1994 (georgia.lagadinis@gmail.com)
Our Next Meeting is April 20, 2019

We will be trying a new day for meetings from now on which will be on Saturdays. In April 20ths meeting we will help make palm crosses. Breakfast will be at 12:00pm. Please make a note to attend!

On April 6th from 10:00am-12:00pm we will be making Prosphora with Rhoda. It is an amazing learning opportunity that everyone should take advantage of.

Google shared calendars will be coming soon! This will make it easier to get notified anytime we are going to meet up. As of our last meeting we will be donating $500 for a defibrillator in the church that is accessible to all those who will ever need it.

As a whole we have decided to fundraise by selling chocolates. This requires a equal effort from all if we want this to work. As we are all apart of a team it is important that everyone tries to attend the events that we participate in. It gives us a chance to really participate of this wonderful community. Another form of fundraising we will be doing is our annual Yard Sale from 5/18-5/19. If people could bring in any reasonable item that is in good shape that would be a huge help! From our fundraising we will be making a meal for the Police Department and the Fire Department in June.

A few things we are considering for the future are continuing GOYA throughout the summer, this way we remain in touch with our community. As a GOYA we are going to try to bring back Youth Sunday where the youth helps out with coffee Hour and other responsibilities that are good to learn. We are also in the works of figuring out a fun summer activity like going to Canobie Lake Park or The Beach.

We are always looking for more GOYANs from 7th-12th grade. GOYA is an awesome opportunity to get to know and help our parish and others around you!

We look forward to a great GOYA Spring season!

This year's Yard Sale will take place on Saturday May 18th and Sunday May 19th.

We are asking for donated household items (please no clothing or large furniture). We will collect items at the Church on Sundays after Services and office hours during the week.

ATTENTION ALL GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS

Please have your bios and photos submitted to the office no later than May 10th for publication in our June bulletin.
A heartfelt thank you to all who donated raffle prizes and attended our annual Have a Heart fundraiser luncheon, it was a great success! A special thank you to our many volunteers including our volunteers in the kitchen, Nick and Samira Giannaros, Nick Michailidis and Bobby Nikopoulos, members of our Parish Council as well as the Goyans and Paradosi Dance group. This important fundraiser brought our community together and through our generosity we raised over $7500 for the Hellenic Cardiac Fund. Thank you!

THANK YOU TO THE FOLLOWING DONOROS:

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Our annual Easter Egg Hunt will take place immediately following Easter Sunday service and all children are invited to attend. In preparation for this event, Hope and Joy are seeking donations of bags of individually wrapped candy to fill our eggs. Please consider donating a bag or two of candy for this fun-filled event! Donations may be dropped off at the Church office.
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Friday, March 29th  
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SATURDAY OF LAZARUS

APRIL 20TH

Gather with us for Divine Liturgy followed by a delicious Communion Breakfast (sponsored by AHEPA) and palm cross making.

Orthros 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
April 21st
Palm Sunday Luncheon

$25 Adults
Baked Haddock
$5 Children (12 and under)
Cheese Pizza

For Tickets contact a Parish Council Member or contact the office by email or phone

Please join us for a delicious meal and an afternoon of fellowship
Paradosi Dance Group
Easter Lambathes

On Sale Now!
For Special Orders Contact:
Penny Nasios or Stefania Calogrias
$20-$25
Join our Weekly Gym Walking Group
Ελατε για Περπατήμα στο Γυμναστήριο

Followed by Coffee Hour
Walking is a great way to get together and beat those winter blues! There are also many health benefits to walking at least 15 minutes a day including helping with issues such as weight control, diabetes, arthritis, depression, dementia, heart problems and many more.

Every Wednesday, from 9am -12 p.m.
All are welcome to join in on the fun!

We will also provide coffee and refreshments after your walk you are welcome to stay and enjoy each other’s company and if you’re not quite up for the walking yet, know that you are more than welcome to come for the coffee hour and relax in our lounge.

Hope to see you there!!
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