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The first Sunday of Great Lent is known as the Sunday of Orthodoxy. We commemorate the restoration of the Holy Icons, which took place on March 11, 843 AD. This event happened during the reign of Empress Theodora, when Patriarch of Constantinople was Methodios the Confessor. The triumph of the Orthodox is celebrated with the procession Holy Icons throughout the Church. As the procession takes place the people chant the following hymn:

“Your undefiled Icon we venerate, Lord, asking for forgiveness of all our faults, O Christ our God. For of your own will you were pleased to ascend in the flesh upon the Cross, to deliver those you created from the bondage of the foe. Therefore, in thanksgiving, we cry to you: You have filled all things with joy, O our savior, now that you have come, all the world to save.”

The Second Sunday in Lent we honor the memory of Saint Gregory of Palamas Archbishop of Thessaloniki. Saint Gregory was born in Constantinople and spent the early part of his life on Mount Athos and Verria. He later went to Thessaloniki where he was ordained into the priesthood. Upon returning to Mount Athos he became the champion of the “Hesychasts” (Silence) against the heresy of Barlaam. The Hesychasts were monks who believed that it was possible to experience the uncreated light of God through perfect quiet of the body and mind (hesychasm). Barlaam taught that it is impossible. Saint Gregory differentiated the divine essence of God (which is unattainable) and the divine energy of God, which is attainable.

The practice of hesychasm is the theological concept of Theosis. Saint Athanasios and many other Church Fathers write that the highest goal in life for the Christian is to be like God. This process of being God like is called Theosis. Orthodox Christians receive the Holy Spirit through the Sacraments of Chrismation during Baptism. The indwelling of the Holy Spirit enables us to achieve Theosis as we use our free will to follow Christ. When people reach the highest level of spirituality, they see in a mystical fashion the uncreated light of God.

The third Sunday of Lent is known as the Adoration of the Holy Cross. On this Sunday we venerate the Holy and Life-giving Cross on which our Lord and Savior sacrificed himself for us out of love. As he himself said: “Greater love has no one than this, than to lay down one’s life for his friend” (John 15:13). The Cross is lifted before us adorned with flowers as a symbol of hope, strength, and the patience to endure through fasting and prayer the remaining half of Great Lent. We are asked to suffer with Him so that we may rejoice in him. We are asked experience Holy Friday with Him so that we may Rise with Him on Holy Pascha.

The message of this day is clear “Whoever wishes to come after me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow” (Mark 8: 34).

On the fourth Sunday in Lent, we commemorate the memory of Saint John Climacus, author of “The Ladder of Divine Ascent”. The “Ladder of Divine Ascent” is the sum total of all the virtues which lead us to heaven. Saint John writes that this composition cannot be made of one virtue alone, just as “the diadem of the King is not made of only one precious stone.” At the top of his ladder of thirty-rungs, Saint John places three noble virtues Faith, Hope and Love.

Saint John was born in 525 AD and went to Mount Sinai at 16 years of age to live a spiritual life. At 19 he traveled to the desert of “Tholas” where he spent 40 years in prayer and meditation. It was there he wrote the “Ladder of the Divine Ascent” which is the “rule” of the monastic communities.

The book contains three basic segments: Break with the World, Practice of Virtues, and the Struggle with Passions through a Contemplative Life. He later returned to Sinai where he was made Abbott but later returned to the desert because he could not live in containment and died at the age of 70 in peace.
The fifth Sunday in Lent, we commemorate Saint Mary of Egypt, whose life story is one of the most moving in the chronicles of Christianity. Her story shows us God’s grace, love, mercy and forgiveness. Forgiveness of the Lord is giving through genuine repentances and sincere change in our life. It is God’s answer to us at times when we are burdened with guilt, fear and despondency because of wrongdoings. Satan makes us feel like we have been thrown into a trash pile by God, being forgotten and unworthy to enter God’s Holy Church and receive His love. God’s love redeems and restores us constantly.

Saint Mary of Egypt was born in Alexandria in 345 and as an adult lived the life of a prostitute.

While see roamed the streets of Alexandria, Mary heard that many people were going to Jerusalem to celebrate the Elevation of the Holy Cross. Out of curiosity and with the prospect increasing her purse, she followed them to the Holy City. Upon coming to the Church of the Resurrection, where the Holy Cross was to be elevated, a divine power prevented her from entering the Church. This spiritual event was the beginning of her repentance; this Divine power enabled her to acknowledge her sinful life. Upon this transformation she was able to enter the church with out any difficulty.

Full of contrition she was determined to deprive herself of all the pleasures of this world, even the most innocent ones. She crossed the Jordan River and traveled deep into the Judean wilderness. Cut off from the world she cried floods of tears for her sins, subjecting her body to strictest fast and other hardships for forty-seven years proving the great power of repentance.

A Saintly hieromonk named of Zosimas, who traditionally went into the desert as was the custom of the monks during the early part of Holy Week. While walking in the wilderness he met, what he thought was a ghost, he soon realized that it was a woman. She asked him for something to cover herself with because she was naked. She then told him her story and asked Zosimas to bring her Holy Communion. He returned again the following Holy Week and gave her Holy Communion at the banks of the Jordan River. She received the Sacrament and then walked on top of the Jordan River and disappeared into the desert. The following year Zosimas went to the desert again and found the holy body of Mary and buried her relics with reverence and respect.

Saturday of Lazarus: Lazarus was born in Bethany the son of Simon the Pharisee. Christ was a close friend to Simon and visited his home frequently thus the children of Simon, Lazarus, Martha and Mary, became close friends with Jesus.

As the Holy Passion of Christ approached the mystery of the Resurrection had to be foreseen. Jesus raised the daughter of Jairus from the dead and then the son of the widow of Nain on the way to the cemetery. Christ knew that Lazarus had died and was already four days in the tomb. The Lord came to Bethany to raise his dear friend from the dead and to solidify, to the people, that He is the Son of God. The miracle of the raising of Lazarus provoked the hatred of the Scribes and the Pharisees, thus they decided to kill them both.

But what was their reason? They rationalized that the raising of the daughter of Jairus and the widow’s son could be attributed to the possibility that they were not really dead, therefore not a true miracle. But the raising of Lazarus, after being in the tomb for four days could only be explained as a true miracle brought about by God. This rendered credibility to the fact that Jesus was the Son of God and that attracted thousands to Him.

Jesus immediately went into the wilderness while Lazarus went into hiding until after the glorious Resurrection of Christ. After the Resurrection, Lazarus traveled to Cyprus and became the Bishop of Kitium. He lived there for 30 years until his second and final death.

Saint John the Evangelist is the only Gospel writers who makes mention of the raising of Saint Lazarus. The reason being that John wrote his Gospel after the death of Saint Lazarus. The other Evangelist wrote their Gospels while Lazarus was still alive and did not want to write about the miracle and arouse the fury of the Scribes and the Pharisees. Lazarus never spoke of his death and resurrection experience during the final 30 years of his life.

I pray that your Lenten Journey be Blessed with peaceful and serene days. May the Holy Theotokos protect you from the subtle attack of Satan during the Holy Season and may we all be worthy to celebrate His Holy and Glorious Resurrection.

May you have a blessed Lenten Journey.
In His Love,
+ Father Michael
Μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή

Περίοδος αγώνα πνευματικού είναι η Αγία και Μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή. Μας καλεί η Αγία μας Εκκλησία σε προσευχή, σε νηστεία, σε εγρήγορση. Μας δείχνει το δρόμο που οδηγεί από το Γολγοθά στην Ανάσταση, από την πτώση στην ανύψωση, από την αμαρτία στην αποκτηση.

Όταν ο Θεός έπλασε τον άνθρωπο, τον έπλασε για να είναι παντοτινά ενωμένος μαζί Του, για να κοινωνεί την αγάπη του Θεού και να λαμβάνει διαρκώς από τον Δημιουργό την ζωή και την τελειότητα. Δυστυχώς όμως, ο πρώτος εκείνος άνθρωπος, ο Αδάμ, παρήκουσε την μία και μοναδική εντολή του Θεού, προτίμησε να γευτεί τον απαγορευμένο καρπό και στη συνέχεια, δηλητηριασμένος από το μικρόβιο της αμαρτίας, εκδιώχθηκε από τον Παράδεισο και το μέγεθος της αμαρτίας που είχε διαπράξει. Ο Άνθρωπος εξορίστηκε από τον Παράδεισο, εξαιτίας αυτής της πρώτης αμαρτίας. Ο αγώνας επομένως του Χριστιανού είναι αγώνας με στόχο τον Παράδεισο.

Τα σημεία του αγώνα μας είναι η καθαρότητα του βίου, η απόκτηση των αρετών, η προσέγγιση του Θεού μέσα από την Μυστηριακή ζωή. Ειδικά όμως αυτή την περίοδο, την Αγία και Μεγάλη Τεσσαρακοστή, η Εκκλησία μας ορίζει αγώνα σε προσευχή, σε νηστεία, σε εγρήγορση. Μας καλεί η Αγία μας Εκκλησία σε προσευχή, σε νηστεία, σε εγρήγορση. Μας δείχνει το δρόμο που οδηγεί από το Γολγοθά στην Ανάσταση, από την πτώση στην ανύψωση, από την αμαρτία στην αποκτηση.
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Dear Parishioners,

On behalf of Father Michael, and the Parish Council, I would like to wish you and your families an uplifting Lenten period as we prepare ourselves spiritually for Easter. This is the period, as you know, where we all should conduct a self-examination of our daily life, looking for ways to correct and improve ourselves in our daily lives and with others. As Orthodox Christians, we should always be striving to seek Repentance and Forgiveness for past acts and deeds.

As you may know, this past month we had three wonderful events where we as a community were able to join together in Christian fellowship. The first was our Andamoma night. Over 180 members of our community young and old alike met up on a Tuesday evening to take a break from the winter blues for a few hours. We enjoyed a wonderful meal prepared by Sotirios Arvanitidis, listened and danced to live entertainment that featured both Nick Palantzas and his son Dimitri, and laughed the night away. A special thank you goes out to Ilias and Chrisoula Potsis who planned and organized this gathering. Also, we appreciate the hard work and efforts of the committee members in setting up and breaking down for this fantastic event. Also, we thank those who made donations towards the band and the delicious desserts. We look forward to the next Andamoma.

The second event, was the Have a Heart Luncheon. This philanthropic event was undertaken by our Joy and Hope Youth Groups at our church. Thanks to your support and participation we were able to raise much needed support for families in need. As a result of the hard work and efforts of the committee members reaching out and receiving numerous, generous donations, they were able to run this event cost-free. This in turn, enabled us to donate 100 percent of the proceeds raised directly to the Hellenic Cardiac Fund at Children's Hospital. These proceeds help provide needed financial assistance to families that have children with cardiac medical issues that require critical care.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to Fanoula Stearns and Christina Figueiredo, for organizing and running a most worthy and successful event. Also, our appreciation goes out to the numerous donors for their generous gifts that helped our raffle be a huge success. A special thank you goes out to the wonderful ladies, gentlemen, young adults and children who made this event possible. By virtue of volunteering their time and talents in decorating the hall, entertaining us with beautiful Greek dances and songs and preparing and serving the food which was enjoyed by all at the luncheon, we all came to realize and appreciate that it’s better to give than to receive.

The third event, was our Stewardship Sunday Luncheon and State of the Church discussion. We had approximately 200 Stewards in attendance that gathered in Christian fellowship, enjoying a complimentary meal which was donated in its entirety In Loving Memory of Michael Babanikas. As stewards, we discussed the challenges facing our church going forward, and the need for us to continue the upward growth of our membership. We talked about the new and enjoyable events that are taking place in our church such as Andamoma night and the weekly gym walking group which began on Wednesday, February 20, 2019 and every Wednesday thereafter. We also discussed different ways to generate funds such as renting out the lounge and/or finding ways to make use of the vacant land we have to help reduce some of our financial burden to our parishioners. We also talked about how your parish council members are hard at work making use of Emails and Facebook technology to enable us to communicate with all of you quicker and easier providing information as to what is happening here at our church. Finally, we discussed that our parish has a tremendous amount of talented individuals whose knowledge and services would be most welcomed and appreciated at our church. We put together a Time and Talents submission form which we passed out at the luncheon and is also available in this month’s bulletin. We ask you to consider signing up and joining our family of volunteers, by offering some of your time and God given talents in preserving and perpetuating our Orthodox faith and our parish.

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

**SATURDAY, MARCH 02, 2019**
**APOKRIATIKO NIGHT**

6:00 p.m. in our Community Center. For tickets please call the church office.

**FRIDAY and SATURDAY MARCH 15-16, 2019**
**GOYA REGIONAL RETREAT**

To take place at our church that will include an overnight stay.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019**
**The Lenten Luncheon** in our Community Center following the Divine Liturgy. As you all know, we take this opportunity to thank members of our ministries for all of their hard work and to congratulate and pass out scholarships to 1st year college students.

**SUNDAY, MARCH 24, 2019**
**Annunciation Vespers** evening service followed by a small Reception in our community center with His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios in attendance.

**MONDAY, MARCH 25, 2019**
**Greek Independence Day Celebration** at City Hall at 4:00 p.m.

**SUNDAY, APRIL 07, 2019**
**Greek Independence Day Parade**
BOSTON, Massachusetts
There will be a sign up sheet in the office for bus transportation.
SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2019
SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY
following the Divine Liturgy in our community center.

SUNDAY, APRIL 21, 2019
Palm Sunday Luncheon to be held in our community center
following the Divine Liturgy.
For tickets please see your parish council members or the
church office.

THURSDAY, MAY 02, 2019
The 225 Hungry Friends Event to be held in our Community
Center.
We look forward to your continued support and commitment
to our Orthodox faith, our church, and our community.

"Remember that Lent .... is not just about putting away the
bad things. It is about creating good things and helping the
poor and the needy, being kind to people and much more."
--Jacob Winters

Respectfully yours,

Nicholas H. Babanikas
Parish Council President

DONATIONS AS OF February 15, 2018

MEMORIALS
Ann Yaitanes $525
Suzanne Agathos
Mr. & Mrs. Philip Kotsios $150
George, Olympia & Stella Bokas
Mr. & Mrs. Kostas Bokas $500
Nicholas Kallis
Nikoletta & Maria Kallis $100
Demetrious Stellakis
Rhoda & Irene Economos $100

OTHER
Anonymous $100
Anonymous $25
Rhoda & Irene Economos $100
Continued good health of Louise Joseph & family
Mr. and Mrs. James P. Mihos $250
Mr. and Mrs. George Panagoulopoulos
Candles for the Altar
Tom & Theodora Psilekaris $50
In Honor of Rhoda Economos AGAPE Recipient

MEN’S BASKETBALL
Ulisses Varela $100

FLORAL DONATIONS
Mr. & Mrs. George Petropoulos
Icon of the Annunciation
Evangelia Stavropoulos
Large Icon of the Annunciation

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS
March 12th
April 9th
May 14th
June 11th
July—No Meeting
August 13th
September 10th
October 8th
November 12th
December 10th
**DONATIONS**

**MAINTENANCE ACCOUNT DONATIONS**

YTD February 15th, 2019

- Mr. & Mrs. Nick Babanikas $500
- Mrs. Demetra Cariofiles $50
- Mr. & Mrs. Carl Colarusso $100
- Rhoda & Irene Economos $100
- Mr. & Mrs. Robert Gagne $100
- Mr. & Mrs. Nick Giannaros $20,000
- Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios Ginis $600
- Ms. Elaine Gravel $100
- Mr. & Mrs. Harry Livanis $175
- Mr. Christopher Morosas $165
- Pan Macedonian Association $100
- Mr. & Mrs. Ilias Potsis $100
- Mr. Irakli Savas $1,000

**2019 FLORAL NEEDS**

Following is a list for the decoration of icons on all major feast days of Christ and the Theotokos. This is a blessed way to participate in these major feasts of the Church for the health and well-being of your families, or in blessed memory of a loved one. To sponsor the decoration of the remaining icon, please call the office directly during the week.

**2019**

- Nov. 30th Saint Andrew $60

**LENT/HOLY WEEK NEEDS**

Salutation to the Theotokos Floral Donation—$60
- Palm Strips TBD
- Palm Crosses $210
- Icon of Mystical Supper $50
- Banner of Resurrection $100
- Wine for Communion—Nama Byzantino $12.99 per bottle

**SACRAMENTS**

**FUNERALS**

Jan. 21st  Ann Pappas Yaitanes
February 11th  Christos Kotopoulos

May their memory be eternal

**PARISH NEWS**

The Elaionas Refugee Camp, located in Athens, Greece, strives to help children and adults get back on their feet. With your help, the Boston University Philhellene Student Association, along with the Boston University Department of the Core Curriculum, will raise $2,000 in donations for Elaionas, thus giving refugees more opportunities!

There are two options to donate: either through the Venmo app or by check.

By Venmo: please send your donation to @BostonUniversityPhilhellenes. There will be an icon with our logo so that you know it’s really us!

By check: please mail your donation to the following address:

Boston University Department of the Core Curriculum
% Eleni Constantinou
685 Commonwealth Ave. Suite 119

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**INDEPENDENT CONSULTANT**

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You can manage your purchases and other account information on Amazon.com and AmazonSmile using a single account. You can use your existing Amazon.com account on AmazonSmile Your shopping cart, Wish List, wedding or baby registry, and other account settings are also the same.

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 FEBRUARY 15, 2019

Aftosmes, Mr. Steven
Alexiou, Mr. & Mrs. Nick
Aloupis, Mr. George
Anasts, Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas
Babaniakas, Mr. & Mrs. Nick
Bandis, Mr. Michael
Barrus, Mr. & Mrs. Glenn
Bellas, Mr. & Mrs. Demetrios
Bellas, Mr. & Mrs. Elias
Besarick, Mr. & Mrs. Scott
Bloumbas, Mr. & Mrs. Kostas
Bokas, Mr. & Mrs. Kostas
Boutas, Mrs. Fotine
Boutas, Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios
Calogrias, Dr. Diana
Calogrias, Miss Stefania
Calogrias, Mr. & Mrs. Tony
Capernaros, Mr. Philip
Cariofiles, Mrs. Demetra
Cleary, Mrs. Elizabeth
Coderre, Mr. & Mrs. Ferdinand
Coderre, Ms. Irene
Colarusso, Mr. & Mrs. Carl
Conley, Mr. & Mrs. Scott
Deeb, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Deligeorgis, Mr. & Mrs. George
Fabian, Mr. & Mrs. Gerald
Fisher, Ms. Jean
Fitopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Ted
Fletcher, Mrs. Diane
Gagne, Mr. & Mrs. Robert
George, Mrs. Diane
Georgeakis, Ms. Tina
Georgitsis, Mr. & Mrs. Peter
Giannakoulis, Mrs. Pat
Giannaros, Mr. & Mrs. Spyros
Ginis, Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios
Gravel, Ms. Elaine
Habib, Mrs. Violet
Hatzidis, Mrs. Giannoula
Hickman, Mr. & Mrs. Mark
Holevas, Mrs. Helen
Howard, Mrs. Caitlin
Joseph, Mrs. Louise
Joyce, Mrs. Katherine
Juris, Mr. John
Kallis, Mrs. Nikoletta
Kampanelas, Ms. Paris
Kanellopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Karaliolios, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Karolemeas, Ms. Elizabeth
Kearns, Mrs. Vicky
Korbas, Mr. & Mrs. Tom
Kotsiopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Kouremetis, Fr. Michael A. & Presv. Cyndy
Kyranos, Mr. & Mrs. George
Lainas, Mr. & Mrs. Steve
Landerholm, Mrs. Stephanie
Lapsley, Mrs. Sofia
Liapis, Ms. Evangeline J.
Lingos-Webb, Drs. Andrew & Tania
Liolios, Mr. & Mrs. Daniel
Lupo, Mrs. Georgia
Lymberopoulos, Mrs. Eleni
Marathas, Mr. & Mrs. Paul
Mhos, Mr. & Mrs. James P.
Mitchell, Dr. George
Morosas, Mr. Christopher
Nanos, Mr. & Mrs. Odesseas
Nenopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. John
Ntakoula, Mr. & Mrs. Ted
Odierno, Mr. & Mrs. Randy
Orphanos, Mr. & Mrs. John
Palioglou, Mr. & Mrs. Iordanis
Papadogianakis, Mr. & Mrs. Kostas
Papadopoulos, Dr. Andrea
Papadopoulos, Mrs. Argyro
Papadopoulos, Ms. Maria
Papadopoulos, Mrs. Panagiota
Papadopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Tom
Papagiotsis, Mrs. Alexandra
Pappas, Mrs. Pauline
Passias, Mr. & Mrs. Nikolaos
Passias, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen
Pederson, Mr. & Mrs. Eric
Petropoulos, Mr. Alkie
Petropoulos, Mrs. Georgia
Petropoulos, Mr. & Mrs. George
Philips, Mrs. Demetra
Potsis, Mr. & Mrs. Ilias
Pouliopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Fotios
Sarakintiotis, Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios
Sarantopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Demetrios
Sarras, Mr. Nicholas
Savas, Mr. Christopher
Savas, Mr. Irakli
Savas, Mr. & Mrs. Spyros
Savas, Mr. & Mrs. Stephen
Sedell, Mr. & Mrs. Arthur
Sideropoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Anastasios
Siogros, Mr. Steve
Smiliotopoulos, Mr. & Mrs. Elias
Spillane, Mrs. Stephanie
Stasiewski, Mr. & Mrs. Mark
Sullivan, Mr. & Mrs. Brian
Tasho, Mrs. Georgia
Theofilou, Mr. & Mrs. Eleftherios
Theofilou, Mrs. Maria
Thompson, Ms. Betsy
Thompson, Miss Eleni
Thompson, Ms. Jane
Tiliakos, Mrs. Gianna
Tiliakos, Mrs. Ragen
Tramuntano, Mr. & Mrs. Val
Tsianakas, Ms. Katherine
Tsilos, Mr. & Mrs. Vasilios
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
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 some of our parishioners. These testimonies are here to encourage, uplift, and inspire you.

*How do you feel when you first enter the church and at the end of church services?*

“When I walk in, I try to clear my mind and leave everything at the door. I get that good feeling. It’s a great feeling that you can’t describe. I try to clear my mind and get that sense of peace, which I do.

At the end of church I’m definitely more at peace. I’m more relaxed. I really enjoy coming to church. I come to worship and pray. I live in Taunton so it is some distance, but I try to make it as much as I can. I sometimes wish I still lived in Brockton and I’d be here constantly.”

--Tony Karantonakis

“Most of the time, I feel a sense of peacefulness and quiet. There have been a few times that I have been moved to tears at being in the presence of God. It was a very powerful feeling.”

--Anonymous

*What is your favorite part of Sunday School and what do you think you will remember the most when you're all grown up?*

“My favorite part of Sunday School is reading all the stories about Jesus and the thankful stories. I’ll remember the Ten Commandments and the Creed.”

-Demetri Karolemeas

*Please share your own testimony!*

We all have testimonies of God, our church and of our community in our life—whether we share them or not. Please consider sharing your experience so someone else can benefit and be encouraged! Email us at office@annunciationbrockton.org.
Please join us for the SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY on Sunday APRIL 14, 2019 following Church Services.

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY
SUNDAY APRIL 14th, 2019
Immediately following the Divine Liturgy

AGENDA

Opening Prayer

Secretary’s Report:
2018 Fall General Assembly

Treasurer’s Report:
Financials:
  January 01, 2018 to December 31, 2018 year end results
  January 01, 2019 to March 31, 2019 year to date

Fr. Michael A. Kouremetis’ Remarks

President’s Remarks

Old Business:
  Renovations of upstairs bathroom
  2018 Auditor’s Report
  Report by Strategic Planning Committee

New Business:
  Stewardship Committee, email/text reach out communication program
  Renovating the Church Lounge
  Iconography Committee Report
  Transact on any business that comes before the Assembly

Fr. Michael A. Kouremetis  Nicholas H. Babanikas
Proistamenos        President, Parish Council
The Opening Prayer and Blessing was offered by Fr. Michael
Meeting called to order 12:25 P.M.

**Motion to elect the Chairman of the Fall General Assembly** was Nicholas Babanikas. Made by: Joanna Stellakis
Seconded by James Sarantopoulos
Unanimous
Nicholas Babanikas is appointed Chairman of the Fall 2018 General Assembly

**SECRETARY’S REPORT OF THE SPRING 2018 GENERAL ASSEMBLY**
This 2017 Spring General Assembly minutes were read by Parish Kampanelas at the request of Parish Council Secretary, Joanna Stellakis.
There were no corrections to the 2017 Spring General Assembly minutes.

**Motion to accept the 2017 Spring General Assembly report** made by: James Sarantopoulos
Seconded by: Konstantina Boutas
Unanimous.

**TREASURER’S REPORT**
Treasurer Calogrias reported on the following:
- The Profit and Loss Statement, Year to Date through October 20189 with 2017 comparison and budget.
- The Cash Balances of all accounts for October 2018

**Motion to accept the Treasurer’s Report** made by: James P. Mihos
Seconded by George Panagoulopoulos
Unanimous
- The proposed Budget Summary
- The proposed Payroll Budget

**Motion to accept the Parish Council Proposed Budget and Payroll budget** made by: James Sarantopoulos and Seconded by: Alexandra Alexopoulos
Unanimous

**Fr. Michael Kouremetis’ Remarks**
Father Michael stated that he was “glad to be serving in this Community and that this year there were 12 Baptism of which three were teenagers and one adult Baptism. There have been three Confirmations, six Weddings and to date we have 377 Stewards on record. “We are a growing community” On December 1, we will be having a tree lighting event with a pot luck supper to follow.

Father suggested that we have host a family night with music as a come together for our Church family. Adult religious education will be held on Wednesdays from 7-8 and another day time, starting next year. Our Joy and Hope groups will be starting soon with two new advisors. The Greek School and Sunday school are top notch. Father also thanked the Dance group instructors.

**President’s Remarks**
Nick Babanikas welcomed all to the General Assembly and thanked all those who have served in the military. Also he thanked all of the volunteers for their hard work during the Food Festival. He also thanked the numerous individuals who prepared the Appreciation Luncheon that was served prior to the Fall General Assembly. He also thanked Father Michael for his Spiritual leadership. “Our community is vibrant and many projects were completed and even with these projects, this year our finances are in the black and building up revenue.”

“There are three projects that are being planned.” The Bathroom renovations to update all fixture, walls and flooring. The flooring in the hallway leading to the Tree of Life and the Lounge area renovations. “We need to find ways, by using our existing building and property to increase our revenue and support our edifice and not depend solely on our events and Stewardship.”

OLD BUSINESS
Merger of Scholarship and other Trust accounts and other interest bearing accounts: Nick Babanikas noted that the Mutual Bank’s offer made at the Spring General Assembly had 20 members open an account with the bank and to date the amount has received, for the quarter, $675.00 in revenue. The Scholarship and other special accounts have been moved to a higher yielding CD at 2 ½% interest. There is a big difference in the Maintenance Reserve Account even after completing many up-keep projects. We need to thank some members of the Parish Council who did the labor for installing the surveillance camera and the wireless thermostats. This saved us labor cost of over $5000.00, they are Bill Alexopoulos, Adamandios Zouroulides, Leon Papadopoulos, Ilias Potis, George Panagoulopoulos, Steve Passias, and Nick Palantzas

Strategic Planning Committee report: Ilias Potsis stated that they have had met twice and discussed using the Real Estate in the back and front of the building in order to generate funds.

NEW BUSINESS
Board of Elections Nominations;
Tulla Giannaros was nominated by George Panagoulopoulos nominated and accepted the nomination to the Board of Elections
Tulla Giannaros elected to the Board of Elections

George Costas was nominated by Ernest Anthony and accepted the nomination to the Board of Elections
George Costas is elected to the Board of Elections

Irene Economos was nominated and accepted the nomination to the Board of Elections
Irene Economos is elected to the Board of Elections

Board of Auditors Nominations:
Rocky Savas was nominated by George Panagoulopoulos and accepted the nomination to the Board of Auditors.
Rocky Savas is elected to the Board of Auditors.

James Sarantopoulos was nominated by George Panagoulopoulos and accepted the nomination to the Board of Auditors.
James Sarantopoulos is elected to the Board of Auditors.

John Papadopoulos was nominated by George Panagoulopoulos and accepted the nomination to the Board of Auditors.
John Papadopoulos was elected to the Board of Auditors

Discussion with Assembly as to the future needs of our Parish:
Nick Babanikas spoke about the Food Festival and that we are always at risk because it is held during Hurricane season. Most of our volunteers are aging and we need younger people to help and all members of our community. “There are ways to offset the budget. Last year our Gym rental generated $11,000.00. Another example would be building a 3 bedroom house for our future priests would save housing cost. If we took a look at the possibility of building Condos in our back property would generate funds.”
improvements to the walls and floor and to open up the existing room to create a permanent bar and coat room which would then allow for more seating. We can generate funds by renting the lounge.”

Nick announced that with all the projects that were done this year, our Maintenance Reserve account started with $69,000.00 and ended with an increase to $85,000.00.

Jon Buterbaugh: Construct a senior housing project in the back of the Church.

Ilias Potsis suggested we explore the land and if it is possible to build on it.

Jon Buterbaugh questioned if we had done a perk test on the property.

Rocky Savas stated that we have 3 ½ acres in front of the Church and 6 ½ acres in the back.

Cathy Peterson suggested we use the property as an extension to Holy Cross or Hellenic College.

Tina Boutas noted that the idea of a Nursing Home was brought up 30 years ago but never acted on. Paula Odierno suggested that there is a need for senior assisted living and rental as nonprofit for seniors. Another thought was to build a medical building.

Regarding help on Sunday mornings, Nick Babanikas suggested we ask the elders of our community to help out the Ecclesiastical Committee.

Ilias Potsis announced that there is an event being planned in January that is for all members of our community. It will include music and food. There will be a sign up sheet.

Father Michael announced the Tree lighting ceremony and that a tree will be planted in front of the Church.

Tina Boutas and Rhoda Economos stated there are many senior who need a ride to Church Services. Nick Palantzas stated that there are members who would pick them up. A notice in the bulletin should be placed so that seniors can call and arrange to be picked up.

Father Michael question George Theodossiou (Web master) if it was possible to send messages to Parishioners who are on list serve. George stated that he would like to send weekly newsletter and that it is not difficult to do. He just needs the information.

Tulla Giannaros suggested a Chair Rail leading up to the Choir loft for members who have a difficult time climbing the stairs. Nick Babanikas will look into it.

Father Michael spoke about the Iconography project and that he will contact two iconographers who will submit their designs and cost. Hopefully by the Spring General Assembly we will have that information.

Motion to adjourn made by: James Sarantopoulos  
Seconded by Tina Boutas:  
Meeting adjourned at 2:43 PM
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NAME: ________________________________

ΕΠΩΝΥΜΟΝ - LAST
ΠΡΩΤΟΝ - FIRST
ΜΕΣΑΙΟΝ - MIDDLE

ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΙ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΙ
YES [ ] NO [ ]

ΣΥΖΥΓΟΣ
SPOUSE’S
NAME: ________________________________

ΕΠΩΝΥΜΟΝ - LAST
ΠΡΩΤΟΝ - FIRST
ΜΕΣΑΙΟΝ - MIDDLE

ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΙ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΟΙ
YES [ ] NO [ ]

ΠΑΙΔΙΑ ΚΑΤΩ ΤΩΝ 21 ΕΤΩΝ - ΟΝΟΜΑΤΑ & ΕΠΩΝΥΜΟΝΟΙ:
CHILDREN UNDER 21 YEARS OF AGE - NAME & AGE:

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DIEMYGHΣIS KATOIKIAS:
ADDRESS:

CITY: ____________________________ STATE: ________________ ZIP CODE: ________________

ΤΗΛΕΦΩΝΟΝ:
TELEPHONE: ________________________ CELL PHONE: ________________________

E-MEILA:
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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
For a Family with (1)
Orthodox member
and children

ΠΡΟΣΤΑΤΗΣ
PATRON $400
For Married Couples
No children

ΔΟΡΗΤΗΣ
DONOR $300
For a Single/Widow

ΑΛΛΟ
OTHER $__________

SEPARATE DONATION FOR MAINTENANCE RESERVE ACCOUNT ONLY

$500 ________ $100 ________ $50 ________ $25 ________ OTHER $__________

METHOD OF PAYMENT /ΤΡΟΠΟΣ ΠΛΗΡΩΜΗΣ
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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
COMMITMENT OF TIME AND TALENT
Make TIME to grow closer to God and give your TALENTS to further God’s work on earth.

NAME(Self) and Contact Info:

Email: __________________________
Home: __________________________
Cell: __________________________

NAME(Spouse) and Contact Info:

Email: __________________________
Home: __________________________
Cell: __________________________

Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with a check (√). Families should mark “H” for husband, “W” for wife or “C” for children.

BUILDING & GROUNDS:
√ Building & Grounds Maintenance
√ Electrical
√ Exterior Repairs
√ Interior Repairs
√ Plumbing
√ Clean-Up
√ Hall Rentals

COMMITTEES:
√ Communications & PR Committee
√ Festival Committee
√ House & Grounds Committee
√ IT/Technical Committee
√ Social Events Committee
√ Stewardship Committee
√ Youth Committee

COMMUNICATIONS:
√ Print: Bulletin, Newsletter & Flyers
√ Digital: Email, Social Media & Website
√ Public Relations & General Outreach

EDUCATION:
√ Bookstore
√ Greek School Teacher/Assistant
√ Sunday School Teacher/Assistant

EVENTS:
√ Annual Food Festival (September)
√ Mini Food Festival (May)
√ Golf Tournament
√ Parish Luncheons
√ Other Church Events (specify)

EVENTS (continued):
√ Clean Up After Events
√ Decorate / Set-up for Events
√ Prepare/Cook/Bake for Events
√ Serve Food

LITURGICAL:
√ Prepare Prosforon
√ Prepare for Easter/Holy Week
√ Choir

MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS:
√ Drive/Transport Sick/Aged
√ Help Sick/Shut-ins
√ Host Coffee Hour
√ OPA! (Seniors’ club)
√ Philoptochos
√ Visitation – Shut-Ins

YOUTH:
√ Altar Boys
√ Basketball
√ Dance Group
√ Greek School
√ Sunday School
√ Junior Choir
√ Oratorical Festival
√ HOPE/JOY (preK-6th grade)
√ GOYA (6th grade – 12th grade)
√ Youth Leader/Assistant

OTHER TALENTS:
√ Office Help
√ Sew/Alter Dancers’ Costumes
√ Teach Greek Cooking
√ Other (specify)
Dear Sisters,

On behalf of the Philoptochos Board, I would like to wish you and your families a blessed Lenten season.

At our last meeting in February we were joined by a speaker from Main Spring House/Father Bill’s. He discussed the various ways we can help with the shelter. We are in the process of setting up a bag a lunch program which will be discussed at our next meeting Tuesday, March 5th at 6:00 pm. We will also be joined by Suzanne Barrus as well who will show us some stretching exercises.

Upcoming event for the month:

**Sunday, March 24th Vesper’s Reception**

We will be setting up in the afternoon and welcome anyone to help assist with setting the tables. Also, we ask if you are able to bring something for the reception to please let Despina Papadopoulos, the Chairperson of this event know in advance.

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

Sincerely,

Liz Karolemeas
Philoptochos President

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### Philoptochos 2018-2019 Calendar

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### SHUT IN VISITATIONS

Anyone who would like a visit from the Ladies of Philoptochos, or knows of someone who would like some company, please contact the church office.

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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.

— SHERI B. 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

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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

We thank you for your continued support
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

Broom/dustpan, mop
Inflatable bed with air pump
Care seat – 2 year old
Bucket, toilet brush & holder
Bed pillows
Winter jackets 13-18 yo boys/girls
Shower curtain & shower rings
Bed blankets
Diapers & pull ups
Dishpan dish rack/tray
Non-slip (inside) shower mat
Wipes
Twin/full size bed cover
Cloth (outside) shower mat
Toys
Dishtowel/towels
Set of twin size bed sheets
Shoes
Flashlight/batteries
Set of full size bed sheets
All-purpose cleaner
Set of plastic dishware & cups (for 4)
Dish soap
Set of pots & pans
Toothpaste
Coffee maker
Bar soap (pkg of 4)
Electric toaster oven
Toilet paper (pkg of 4)
Cooking utensil container
Paper towels (pkg of 4)
Liquid hand soap
Bath towels/wash cloths
Tea kettle
Trash container/bags
Mattress pads or protectors
Small bathroom trash container
Gillette razors
Laundry detergent
Woman’s hygiene items
Set of silverware (for 4)
Manual can opener
Cleaning sponges
Set of cooking utensils

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 Lagadinos at 617-734-1994 (georgia.lagadinos@gmail.com)
Our Next Meeting is March 10th

We have meetings every second Sunday of the month. Please try your best to attend!

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!

Thank you to those who participated in going to The Hellenic Nursing Home. It was a wonderful opportunity to get to see our community and partake in Divine Liturgy with them.

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 become apart of this wonderful community.

On March 15-16th we will be having a GOYAN lock-in, where staff from MBC will come and show us what MBC is really like.

THE BOSTON BRUINS are holding their 12th annual PJ DRIVE for Cradles & Crayons from February 1st – March 10th. They are asking that we donate NEW Pjs for local children living in low income and homeless situations. This is a truly amazing donation to help with! We will have a drop-off box located in the church foyer. Friends and members of our parish are welcome to make a donation towards this worthy cause!

We look forward to a great GOYA Spring season!

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Greek School

Πρόσκληση

Το Ελληνικό Σχολείο σας καλεί στον εορτασμό της Επετείου της Ελληνικής Επανάστασης, ο οποίος θα πραγματοποιηθεί το Σάββατο στις 23 Μαρτίου 2019 στις 11:00 π.μ στο Κοινοτικό μας κέντρο. Τα παιδιά μας θα παρουσιάσουν ένα πρόγραμμα πλημμυρισμένο με το Πνεύμα και τα Ιδεώδη των ηρώων του 1821. Ελάτε να θαυμάσουμε όλοι μαζί τα παιδιά μας!!!

The Greek School invites you all to celebration of the Greek Independence Day which will take place on Saturday March 23rd 2019, in the Community Center of our Church at 11:00 a.m. Let us all join together our children who will present a program depicting
Join our Weekly Gym Walking Group

Ελατε για Περπατημα στο Γυμναστήριο

Kai μετα το περπατημα η ώρα του καφέ!!

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.

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DISTRICT 8 GOYA LOCK-IN RETREAT
Annunciation Church 457 Oak Street, Brockton, MA 02301

March 15-16, 2019

FRIDAY:
6:00 PM: Registration
7-8:00PM: Salutations to the Theotokos  8:15PM: Lenten Dinner
9:00PM: Activities  11:00PM: Lights out!!

SATURDAY:
8:00 AM: Wake Up Call  9:00: Saturday of Souls Divine Liturgy
11:30AM: Breakfast/Lunch  12:30– 5PM: Activities  5PM: Vespers & Dinner
6PM: Parent Pick up

Bring your sleeping bag & pillow

Grades: 7-12
Register by: March 12, 2019
Email: brocktonGOYA@gmail.com
or call the office (508) 559-0910

“True fasting lies is rejecting Evil, Holding one’s tongue, suppressing one’s hatred, and banishing one’s lust, evil words, lying and betrayal of vows.”
—St. Basil the Great
ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

LENTEN LUNCHEON
JOIN US FOR OUR ANNUAL LENTEN LUNCHEON

SHRIMP DINNER $25
PIZZA $5

SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2019
IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE DIVINE LITURGY

FOR TICKETS PLEASE SEE A PARISH COUNCIL MEMBER
OR CONTACT THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 508-559-0910
Annunciation Vesper Service
Officiated by
His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios

Sunday March 24, 2019 7PM

Join us as we celebrate the fore feast of our Church’s Name Day
Reception to follow
Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church
457 Oak Street
Brockton, MA 02301

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