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Μήνυμα από τον Πατέρα Μιχαήλ Α. Παστροικό

“Πάτερ άφες αυτούς, ου γαρ οίδασι τι ποιούσιν . . .”

Αυτά ήταν τα τελευταία λόγια του Χριστού πριν αφήσει τη τελευταία του πνοή. Ήταν λόγια συμπόνιας και συγχώρησης. Μέχρι να λάβετε την έκδοση αυτή της ΚΟΙΝΟΝΙΑΣ ίσως να ήμαστε ήδη στην καρδιά της Μεγάλης Εβδομάδας. Όταν ακούω τη λέξη Πάσχα, σκέπτομαι πάντοτε το θάνατο και την Ανάσταση του Κυρίου μας και Σωτήρα Ιησού Χριστού. Σκοπός της ζωής Του ήταν να προσφέρει τον ίδιο τον εαυτόν Του ως σφάγιο στο θυσιαστήριο, για τις αμαρτίες των ανθρώπων. Το Πάσχα εορτάζουμε την υπόσχεση ζωής κατά του θανάτου. Η εορτή αυτή αντανακλά ακόμη την ειρήνη και την συγχώρηση. Είναι καιρός να σκεφτούμε την θυσία, τον πόνο, την αδικία και τις δυσχέρειες. Στην 2α επιστολή προς Κορινθίους 5:21 λέει «Τον δημιούργησε αναμάρτητο για να μας σώσει από την αμαρτία, και για να πλησιάσουμε περισσότερο το Θεό μέσω Εκείνου».

Ο Ιησούς γνώριζε πολύ καλά το στόχο Του ώστε πρόβλεψε πότε και πως θα πεθάνει. Αναγνωρίζουμε ποιό ήταν το έργο και ο στόχος του Ιησού, αλλά τώρα πρέπει να διευκρινήσουμε «ΠΟΙΟΣ ΕΙΝΑΙ Ο ΔΙΚΟΣ ΜΑΣ ΣΤΟΧΟΣ». Πραγματικά δεχθήκαμε τι έκανε ο Χριστός για μας, πως θα του το ανταποδώσουμε όμως; Κάθε χρόνο, η Εκκλησία μας δίνει την ευκαιρία να αλλάξουμε τη ζωή μας. Αυτός είναι και ο λόγος που εορτάζουμε κάθε χρόνο το Πάσχα, για να μας υπενθυμίσει ότι πρέπει να αναλογιστούμε τα λάθη, και τις αμαρτίες μας, όλου του χρόνου, και να τα διορθώσουμε, να ζητήσουμε συγχώρηση, όπως έκανε και ο Χριστός πάνω στο Σταυρό, που με πλήρη συμπάθεια και συμπόνια ζήτησε την άφεση των αμαρτιών μας, για να βάλει τη ζωή μας στον ίσιο δρόμο.

Ο κόσμος λέει «ρίξε μια ματιά στο παρελθόν και ανανέωσε το τρόπο ζωής σου εν Χριστώ. Είναι ένα πολύ σωστό μήνυμα, και μια πολύ σωστή παρατήρηση. Κρούει μια μεγάλη αλήθεια. Αν αναλογιστούμε το παρελθόν μας, θα δούμε καθαρά πως ζήσαμε, και αν μας αρέσει, αν αισθανθούμε ότι οι εμπειρίες του παρελθόντος είναι θετικές, ότι η ζωή μας δεν χρειάζεται καμιά αλλαγή ή διόρθωση τότε μπορούμε να αυτονομαστούμε «ΥΠΕΡΤΑΤΕΣ ΥΠΑΡΞΕΙΣ». Τότε μπορούμε να αποκαλεστούμε «ΑΓΙΟΙ» της Εκκλησίας, διότι απλά είμαστε τέλειοι. Από την άλλη πλευρά όμως, ποιοι μπορούν να προκηρύξουν ότι έζησαν μια άμεμπτη



ζωή? Μια ζωή με θυσίες, πόνους και πάθη και... Δεν ξέρω τι νομίζετε εσείς, αλλά δεν ζούμε σε γυάλινο κλουβί. Στην Ορθόδοξη Εκκλησία πιστεύουμε ότι η εορτή του Πάσχα είναι ΕΝΑ ΠΕΡΑΣΜΑ από τον ένα τρόπο ζωής στον άλλο.

Αυτό ακριβώς απέδειξε ο Χριστός πάνω στο Σταυρό, ότι το πέρασμα από αυτή τη ζωή στην άλλη είναι γεγονός αναμφισβήτητο. Στη προς Εβρ. 12:2 διαβάζουμε «Ας συγκεντρώσουμε τη προσοχή μας στον Ιησού τον συγγραφέα και απόλυτο περφεξιονιστή της πίστης μας, ο οποίος χάρις σε εμάς άντεξε το Σταυρό, τον χλευασμό και την αισχύνη, αλλά κάθισε εκ δεξιών στο θρόνο του Θεού.

Κοιτάξτε τι μας φέρνουν κάθε χρόνο οι μήνες Μάρτιος και Απρίλιος. Στην Ορθόδοξη Εκκλησία, θεωρούνται μήνες Πνευματικής Κάθαρσης. Αν αξίζει τον κόπο να καθαρίζετε τις ντουλάπες σας και να σκουπίζετε κάτω από τα έπιπλα και τα κρεβάτια σας μετά το Πάσχα, πράγμα που διαρκεί μόνο γοια λίγο, πόσο

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Μήνυμα από τον Πατέρα Μιχαήλ Α. Παστρικό

Συνέχεια από την πρώτη σελίδα

μάλλον η Κάθαρση του Πνεύματος που θα μπορούσε να έχει παντοεινή επιρροή. Στο Ψαλμό 51:10 διαβάζουμε «Χάρισέ μου ω Θεέ καθαρή καρδιά και ανανέωσε με, με σταθερό και καθαρό πνεύμα» Αν πραγματικά το πιστεύεις, τότε έχουμε να αντιμετωπίσουμε βαθιά κάθαρση. Η Πνευματική Κάθαρση απαιτεί πολλές προσωπικές θυσίες και αφοσίωση. Δεν μπορείτε να τα αγοράσετε στα μαγαζιά, είναι παστρικός καθαρισμός πέραν του τι βλέπουν και ακούουν οι άλλοι. Είναι καθαρισμός εκ των έσω προς τα έξω. Θα σας δώσω μερικά παραδείγματα για τον τρόπο κάθαρσης. Όταν ξυπνάμε το πρωί ποια είναι η καθημερινή μας ρουτίνα; Πλενόμαστε, βουρτσίζουμε τα δόντια μας, φοράμε καθαρά ρούχα, και χτενίζουμε τα μαλλιά μας. Είναι κάτι που επαναλαμβάνετε καθημερινά. Τι κάνουμε όμως για το Κύριο, που έχει κάνει τα πάντα για μας; Αυτό που πρέπει να κάνουμε είναι να ψάξουμε να Τον βρούμε. Που πρέπει όμως να ψάξουμε; Πρέπει πρώτα να εξετάσουμε την καρδιά μας, διότι είναι το πρώτο μέρος που θέλει Εκείνος να βρῖσκεται. Θέλει να είναι στις καρδιές μας, στο μυαλό μας, και στις ψυχές μας. Αν τοποθετήσουμε το Χριστό σ' αυτά τα μέρη τότε βαδίζουμε στη σωστή κατεύθυνση.

Με αυτές τις σκέψεις, μπορούμε να ελέγχουμε τις αισθήσεις μας, να αφήνουμε το φως του Αναστάσιου Χριστού να φωτίζει τις ψυχές μας, και να απαλλαγούμε από το βαρύ φορτίο του παρελθόντος. Σκέπτομαι το τι έχει κάνει ο Θεός για μένα. Ποτέ δεν θα μπορέσω να Του το ανταποδώσω. Αλλά συγχρόνως αντιλαμβάνομαι τι

ζητά ο Θεός από εμάς. Αυτό που ζητά είναι μια απλή σχέση, μια αληθινή φιλία. Η πιθανότητα να Τον γνωρίσουμε και να μας γνωρίσει και Εκείνος. Ο Θεός θέλει να βρῖσκεται μαζί μας με πολλούς τρόπους. Μερικοί από μας πέρνουν πολύ σοβαρά τη ζωή. Ο Χριστός θέλει να χαιρόμαστε τη ζωή μας, να μαθαίνουμε και να διασκεδάζουμε, διότι ο Θεός μας έπλασε με ευχαρίστηση.

Να θυμάστε λοιπόν ότι η αληθινή σημασία του «Πάσχα» είναι ο δρόμος που θα οδηγήσει την ανθρωπότητα στη σωτηρία. Και επίσης να θυμάστε τα τελευταία λόγια που είπε ο Χριστός πάνω στο Σταυρό « Πάτερ άφες αυτούς, ου γαρ οίδασι τι ποιούσι».

Ίσως το πνεύμα του Αναστάσιου Κυρίου, γίνει αφορμή για ένα νέο ξεκίνημα στο τρόπο ζωής μας. Ίσως ο Αναστάσιμος Ύμνος που ψάλλουμε κατά τη διάρκεια της Κυριακής του Πάσχα μας οδηγήσει στην σωστή κατεύθυνση για τη σωτηρία μας. “ Ανάστασιν Χριστού θεασάμενοι, προσκυνήσωμεν Άγιον, Κύριον, Ιησούν, τον μόνον αναμάρτητον. Τον Σταυρό Σου, Χριστέ προσκυνούμεν και την Αγίαν Σου Ανάστασιν υμνούμεν και δοξάζομεν. Συ γαρ εί ο Θεός ημών, εκτός σου άλλον ουκ οίδαμεν, το όνομά Σου ονομάζομεν. Δεύτε πάντες οι πιστοί προσκυνήσωμεν την του Χριστού αγίαν ανάστασιν. Ιδού γαρ ήλθε δια του Σταυρού χαρά εν όλω τω κόσμω. Δια παντός ευλογούνες τον Κύριον, υμνούμεν την ανάστασιν αυτού. Σταυρόν γαρ υπομείνας δι' ημάς θανάτω θάνατον ώλεσεν.

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Message from Fr. Michael L. Pastrikos

“Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing...”

Those are the words that Christ spoke on the Cross before he took His last breath. They were words of Compassion and Forgiveness. By the time you receive this issue of the “Koinonia” we will probably be in the heart of Holy Week. When I hear the word (Pascha), I always find myself thinking about the Death and Resurrection of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. The purpose of His life, was to offer Himself as a sacrificial Lamb for the sins of mankind. Pascha celebrates the promise of life in the face of death. This celebration also reflects peace and forgiveness. It is a time for thinking about sacrifice, suffering, injustice, and hardship. In 2 Corinthians 5:21 it says, “For He made Him who knew no sin to be sin for us, that we might become righteousness of God in Him.”

Jesus was so certain of His purpose that He predicted when and how He would die. We acknowledge what Jesus’s purpose was, but now we have to define “WHAT OUR PURPOSE IS”. We truly accept what Christ has done for us, but what are we going to give Him in return. Every year, the Church gives us an opportunity to change our ways in life. That’s why the celebration of Pascha comes to us every year reminding us, that if we encountered mistakes during the year, we have the opportunity to mend our ways, ask forgiveness, just like Christ did on the Cross, and receive His full compassion and remission of our sins, in order to straighten out our lives.

People say, “Look at the past” and renew yourself in Christ. This is a good message, and a wonderful observation. This is very true, if we look back into our past, and sit back and meditate. We can see clearly with an open mind what the past looks like, and if we like what we see, and feel that our past experiences were positive, and that our life doesn’t need any additional improvements or corrections, then we are to be called “SUPER HUMAN BEINGS”. Then, we all could be named “SAINTS” of the Church, because we are perfect. But on the other hand, who can really proclaim that they live a perfect life. I don’t know about you, but I don’t live in glass bubble. In the Orthodox Church, we realize that the celebration of Pascha is a “PASSOVER” from one life to the other. This is what Christ proved on the Cross, that passing from this life to the other is a sure thing. In Hebrews, 12:2 we read, “Let us fix our eyes on Jesus the author and perfecter of our faith, who for the joy set before Him endured the Cross, scorning its shame, and sat down at the right hand of the throne of God.”

Look what the months of March and April bring to us every year. In the Orthodox Church, they are revered as months of Spiritual Cleansing. So while your cleaning out closets after

Pascha, and sweeping under the furniture and beds, while worth the effort, will only last for a season, but Spiritual Cleansing could have an eternal influence. In Psalms 51:10 we read, “Create in me a clean heart O God, and renew a steadfast spirit within me.” If you really think about this, we have a lot

of deep cleaning ahead of us. Spiritual Cleansing requires a lot of personal devotion and sacrifice.

You cannot purchase it in a grocery store, it is housekeeping that goes beyond what others see and hear. It is a cleansing from within. I’ll give you some examples of what we do to cleanse ourselves. When we wake up in the morning, what do we do as a normal routine? We take a shower, we brush our teeth, we put on clean clothes, and we make sure that our hair is combed or brushed properly. This is something that we do daily. But what have we done daily for our Lord, who has done so much for us. What we need to do is to find Christ. And where do we look for Christ? First, we have to examine our hearts, because that is the first place that Christ wants to be. He wants to be in our hearts, our minds, and souls. If we put Christ in those places then we are heading in a good direction.

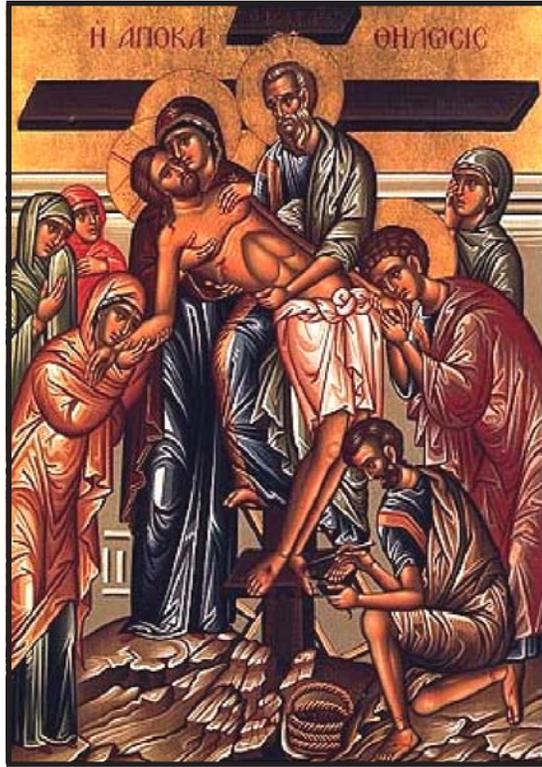
With this in mind, we are able to control our senses and let the light of our Risen Christ shine into our souls and get rid of the old baggage that has hindered our lives for so long. I have come to the conclusion, that what God has done for me, I

can never repay Him, but I also realize that what God really wants from us, is a simple relationship, a true friendship. The possibility to know Him, and for Him to know us. God wants to be involved in a big and small way. Some of us take life too seriously, or we take ourselves too seriously. Christ wants us to enjoy our lives, and learn and have some fun, because God created us for His pleasure.

So, remember what “Pascha” really means, the road to salvation for all mankind. And remember, the words that He spoke on the Cross. “Father forgive them, for they do not know what they are doing.”

Perhaps with the spirit of our Resurrected Lord, we can begin a new beginning with our lives. The Resurrection Hymn that we chant during Pascha Sunday gives us the true direction towards our salvation. “Let us who have beheld the Resurrection of Christ, worship our Holy Lord Jesus, Who is alone without sin. We worship Your Cross, O Christ, and praise and glorify Your Holy Resurrection. For You are our God, and we know none other beside You, and we call upon Your Name. Come, all the faithful, let us worship Christ’s Holy Resurrection, for behold, through the Cross, joy has come to the whole world. We praise His Resurrection and forever glorify the Lord. He endured the Cross for us, and by death destroyed Death.

**MAY YOU HAVE A BLESSED PASCHA!
CHRISTOS ANESTI, TRULY HIS IS RISEN!**



COMMUNITY NEWS - ΚΟΙΝΟΤΙΚΑ ΝΕΑ

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1:00-4:00 το απόγευμα.

Μαΐου 9, Κυριακή, γιορτή της Μητέρας και απονομή υποτροφιών.

Αιτήσεις για τις υποτροφίες βρίσκονται εις το γραφείο της εκκλησίας μας. Η τελευταία ημέρα για να επιστραφούν οι αιτήσεις συμπληρωμένες είναι Απριλίου 15.

Όλοι οι μαθητές και μαθήτριες που τελειώνουν λύκειο και θα φοιτήσουν σε κολέγια τον Σεπτέμβριο καλούνται να υποβάλουν αιτήσεις.

Μαΐου 12, Τετάρτη, Επίδειξη μόδας. Για εισιτήρια τηλεφωνήστε εις την Πάτυ Ορφανού στο τηλεφωνο 410-497-5521.

Εύχομαι να έχετε την Ευλογία της Αναστάσεως πάντοτε μαζί σας.



SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWS

The Sunday School would like to thank everyone who came down to the Lenten Luncheon on Godparent's Sunday. We haven't seen the Large Hall that full for quite some time. **Thank you for your support.**

On Saturday, March 13th, The St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival took place. We would like to thank all of our young students who participated, our Judges and timekeeper and to the parents and teachers who came to hear and support our presenters. The Finalists in the Junior and Senior Division who will represent St. Nicholas Sunday School at the District Festival on Saturday, April 10th at Sts. Mary Magdalene and Markella Church in Darlington, Maryland They are: Junior Division: Alike Argiropoulos and Jenna Stakias; Senior Division: Gia Stavarakis. We wish them all God's Blessings as they move on to the next level of competition. At this time, we also want to thank our Elementary Division participants. They are: Eleni Pikounis, Kalliopi Cornias, Marina Protopapas and Kostas Stavarakis. We wish them the best, as many of them are 6th graders who will be advancing into the Junior Division of competition next year.

Our thanks also go out to our Judges and Timekeeper who took the time from their busy schedule to be a part of this important event. Our Judges were: Frank Mayer, Angela Sfakianoudis and Bill Poulos. Our Timekeeper was: Voula G. Sakelakis. Last but not least we want to thank the volunteers who were upstairs cleaning inside the church and took some time from their duties to come downstairs to hear our young people talk about their faith. Even though these kids were not your own or your grandchildren, you showed them an act of kindness by coming down and listening to them. Thank you again.

Sunday School year is coming to an end. Graduation is around the corner. To all of our Students, please make sure you make every effort to attend because we don't have many more Sundays left. Graduation Sunday for the Sunday School will be taking place on May 16th. Wishing all of our students and their families....**Kalo Pascha!**

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Hristos Anesti! Christ is Risen!

I would like to thank everyone who donated towards the Epitaphio flowers and Ms. Tina Harris for donating the Cross on the top of the Epitaphio.

Our last meeting of the year will be held on Wednesday, May 5th at 7 pm. Everyone is urged to attend and become members.

Our next scheduled events are as follows:

May 8th, Saturday, our annual Mother's Day Tea. 1:00- 4:00 PM. Please join us for a fun filled afternoon as we honor our most loved and respected person in our families, our mothers. May 9th, Sunday, Mother's Day/Scholarship Presentation Scholarship forms are available in the church's office. Deadline to return completed forms is April 15th.

Anyone graduating High School and entering college this fall is encouraged to apply.

May 12th, Wednesday, our annual Fashion Show. For tickets please call Patty Orfanos at 410-497-5521.

May Our Risen Lord Jesus Christ grant you all Blessings, Health and Prosperity.

ΝΕΑ ΤΗΣ ΦΙΛΟΠΤΩΧΟΥ

Χριστός Ανέστη!

Πρώτα απο ολα θα ήθελα να ευχαριστήσω ολους που προσέφεραν χρηματική δωρεά για τα λουλούδια του Επιταφίου, και την Τίνα Χάρως για τον Σταυρό του Επιταφίου.

Εύχομαι η Ανάσταση του Κυρίου να σας χαρίζει υγεία και ευημερία.

Η τελευταία συνεδρίαση της χρονιας θα είναι Τετάρτη, Μαΐου 5 στις 7 μμ.. Έιστε ολες καλεσμένες να έρθετε να γραφείτε μελη και να ειστε ενεργά άτομα σε μια αδελφότητα που μοναδικός σκοπός της είναι η βοήθεια προς τον συνάνθρωπο.

COMMUNITY NEWS - ΚΟΙΝΟΤΙΚΑ ΝΕΑ



PICTURED ARE OUR AMAZING ELLINAKIA DANCERS WHO REPRESENTED ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH IN THE FOLK DANCE COMPETITION IN ANNAPOLIS THIS PAST JANUARY.

ELLINAKIA DANCE GROUP NEWS

We hope everyone had a great Sarakosti and Easter. The Ellinakia are back in full gear preparing for our upcoming festival. We practice on Monday's from 6 to 7 pm. Please be sure to check the Parish Calendar before attending.

So far, this year has been a great year for the Ellinakia, starting out by winning Second place in our division at the Folk Dance Competition. The children worked extra hard and had a fantastic time! We have already started to prepare for the 2011 Folk Dance Competition.

In order for us to enroll in the competition and to purchase and maintain our costumes, we are holding our 2nd annual Ellinakia Dance Group Glendi. It will be held on Friday, April 30th at 8 pm. Tickets may be purchased at the church office and by contacting us directly at StNicksEllinakia@aol.com. Have a great month!

ST. NICHOLAS GREEK FOLK FESTIVAL FOOD & PASTRY PREPARATION SCHEDULE

All women and men of our parish are invited to join in the preparation of the food and pastries for our upcoming June festival. If you can volunteer a couple of hours each day and become a part of the group of people that prepare the items listed below, your skills would be greatly appreciated. Please contact the church office at 410-633-5020 or you may call Roza Cornias at 410-633-2805. Leave your name, phone number and what day/days you can work.

In addition, if any parishioner is interested in making a monetary donation that will be used for the purchase of the ingredients for either the food or the pastries, contact Roza Cornias.

Please note that all preparations **will begin at 9:00 am each day** in the kitchen /large hall. Here is the schedule:

Tuesday, April 6th—Tiropites
Wednesday, April 7th—Baklava
Monday, April 12th—Galaktobouriko
Tuesday, April 13th—Spanakopites
Wednesday, April 14th—Spanakopites
Monday, April 19th—Kataifi
Tuesday, April 20th—Dolmades
Wednesday, April 21st—Dolmades
Wednesday, May 5th—Kourabiethes/Finikia
Thursday, May 6th—Koulourakia/Ahladakia
Monday, May 10th—Diples (Xerotigana)
Wednesday, May 19th—Tsourekia
Wednesday, May 26th—Pastitsio
Thursday, May 27th—Pastitsio
Wednesday, June 2nd—Mousaka
Thursday, June 3rd—Mousaka

ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΠΡΟΕΤΟΙΜΑΣΙΑΣ ΦΑΓΗΤΩΝ ΚΑΙ ΤΑ ΓΛΥΚΙΣΜΑΤΩΝ

Όσες κυρίες και δεσποινίδες (και άνδρες) που μπορούν και επιθυμούν να βοηθήσουν στις προετοιμασίες, παρακαλούνται να τηλεφωνούν στο Γραφείο της Κοινότητας (τηλ: 410-633-5020) και να δηλώνουν το όνομά τους, το τηλέφωνό τους και τις ημέρες που μπορούν να βοηθήσουν ή να επικοινωνούν με την επεύθυνη, κ. Ρόζα Κόρνια στο τηλέφωνο - 410-633-2805.

Επίσης όποιος θέλει να δώσει δωρεά για την αγορά των διαφόρων υλικών για τα φαγητά ή τα γλυκίσματα, μπορεί να επικοινωνήσει με την κ. Κόρνια.

Όλες οι προετοιμασίες θα αρχίζουν στις 9:00 η ώρα π.μ.

- 6 Απριλίου, Τρίτη – Τυρόπιτες
- 7 Απριλίου, Τετάρτη – Μπακλαβάς
- 12 Απριλίου, Δευτέρα – Γαλακτομούρικο
- 13 Απριλίου, Τρίτη – Σπανακόπιτες
- 14 Απριλίου, Τετάρτη – Σπανακόπιτες
- 19 Απριλίου, Δευτέρα – Καταίφι
- 20 Απριλίου, Τρίτη – Ντολμάδες
- 21 Απριλίου, Τετάρτη – Ντολμάδες
- 5 Μαΐου, Τετάρτη – Κουραμπιέδες-Φοινίκια
- 6 Μαΐου, Πέμπτη – Κουλουράκια /Αχλαδάκια
- 10 Μαΐου, Δευτέρα – Δίπλες/Ξεροτήγανα
- 19 Μαΐου, Τετάρτη – Τσουρέκια
- 26 Μαΐου, Τετάρτη – Παστίσιο
- 27 Μαΐου, Πέμπτη – Παστίσιο
- 2 Ιουνίου, Τετάρτη – Μουσακάς
- 3 Ιουνίου, Πέμπτη – Μουσακάς

RHODIAN SOCIETY NEWS

The Rhodian Society "Diagoras" is planning a bus trip to Atlantic City to the HERMES EXPO at the Tropicana Hotel will take place on Saturday, April 24th. The bus will leave at 11:00 am from St. Nicholas Church and return at 11:00 pm. Cost of the trip is \$30 per person. For information, please contact Maria Angelou at 443-865-0851 or visit their web site at diagoras3@msn.com

FAMILY BINGO NIGHT

Bring your family and friends to the Family Bingo Night on Friday, April 16th at 6pm. Come and spend a fun night. Gifts donated for the prize pool, will be greatly appreciated.

Roza Cornias, Kelli Papadopoulos and Kiki Vavakas promise us a fun and enjoyable evening. All proceeds will benefit the Plateia Project.

GREEKTOWN CDC

A message from John E. Gavrilis, CEO

Greektown was featured in the March 2010 edition of The Urbanite as an 'up and coming' neighborhood to pay attention to. All of our hard work in keeping the community safe, affordable and attractive has been getting Greektown the attention it deserves.

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**COUNTDOWN TO THE
ST. NICHOLAS GREEK
FOLK FESTIVAL
JUNE 10,11,12,13, 2010
3 MONTHS**

COMMUNITY NEWS - ΚΟΙΝΟΤΙΚΑ ΝΕΑ

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We want to thank all the wonderful residents and businesses who participated in our Community Spring Clean Up. The pride in our neighborhood shines when we all pitch in to help.

Take advantage of our Healthy Neighborhoods initiative, there are special incentives to the program. The target blocks are 500-600 Lehigh, Macon and Newkirk Streets, 600-900 Oldham Street and Ponca Street. The residents may qualify for loans and community block grants. Those qualifying residents may have access to the home improvement matching grant loans. For details, please call us at 410-327-3306 and ask for Jason.

Congratulations to the Maryland Greek Independence Day Parade Committee and Chairmen - Emmanuel Matsos and George Stakias for putting on a wonderful Parade! This event not only commemorates an important historic event, but it also brings together everyone in the community.

Believe in your community! **Kalo Pascha!**

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΠΕΡΙΦΕΡΕΙΑ

Μήνυμα από τον Γιάννη Ε. Γαβρίλη

Η έκδοση του Μαρτίου 2010 Αστικού Περιοδικού αναφερόταν στην Ελληνική Περιφέρεια ως μια ανερχόμενη περιοχή που πρέπει να δοθεί η δέουσα προσοχή. Όλες μας οι επίπονες και επίμονες προσπάθειες να διατηρήσουμε την Περιφέρεια ασφαλή, προσιτή και εμφανίσιμη, τράβηξαν την προσοχή και το ενδιαφέρον που επάξια δικαιούται η Ελληνική Περιφέρεια.

Θέλουμε να ευχαριστήσουμε όλους τους υπερόχους κατοίκους και τις επιχειρήσεις της Περιφέρειας για την συμμετοχή τους στην ομαδική καθαριότητά της. Η υπερηφάνεια λάμπει όταν ενώνουμε τις δυνάμεις μας όλοι μαζί για να επιτύχουμε ένα στόχο.

Επωφεληθείτε από το Πρόγραμμα Υγιών Κοινοτήτων. Υπάρχουν πολλά ειδικά κίνητρα σ' αυτό το πρόγραμμα. Τα οικοδομικά τετράγωνα που θα υποστηριχθούν είναι: 500 - 600 του Lehigh Street, Macon & Newkirk Streets, 600-900 Oldham & Ponca Streets. Οι κάτοικοι που θα συγκεντρώνουν τα απαραίτητα δικαιολογητικά θα μπορούν να πάρουν δάνεια με ισάξιες επιδοτήσεις. Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες παρακαλείστε να επικοινωνήσετε με τον κ. Jason Φιλίππου στο τηλέφωνο 410-327-3306.

Συγχαρητήρια προς την Επιτροπή Οργάνωσης της Εθνικής Ελληνικής Παρέλασης της 25ης Μαρτίου, Ημέρα της Ανεξαρτησίας της Ελλάδας, και ιδιαίτερα στους υπευθύνους κ. Μανώλη Μάτσο και κ. Γιώργο Στακιά για την άριστη Οργάνωσή της. Η Εορτή αυτή δεν εορτάζεται μόνο ως ένα ιστορικό γεγονός, αλλά επίσης διότι φέρνει όλους τους Έλληνες της Περιφέρειας πιο κοντά.

Πιστέψτε στην Κοινότητά σας!

ΚΑΛΟ ΠΑΣΧΑ!

PLATEIA PROJECT REPORT

"My fountain of youth..."

The last year has been an important one for me. I realized that I was no longer 40 years old. One could say that that is a terrible thing to admit. But, I saw it as an opportunity because I found that I had the secret of the fountain of youth!

How so? Actually it is the St Nicholas Church and Community that has this fountain of youth. It's not a secret. It's right there in front of us; right in the middle of it all. *It's the St. Nicholas Plateia.*

You really knew that, didn't you? I learned about it because the project brought together so many of our people. It inspired both concern and joy. Certainly concern about the needs of a building that had "lain fallow" for so long, but in reality there is great joy because it caused community leadership to come together, to think about what we can do when we put our minds to it.

And, so why is it the fountain of youth? It's because it caused us to "think young." We began to think about why a Church community would have a structure, a place like the Plateia. We began to think about our young people and what value they would get from participating in events in Greek Town. We began to strategize about all the potential things that had been done in so many separate venues around the Community, but that could be done in a nice new facility.

In short, Leadership had to think young to act young. We found the fountain of youth! It was us!

What a grand asset to us: To bring together our people, to think about our future, to feel young because we think about our young! And, hey, we even acted young. We sponsored events that brought people to the Field. I got out and danced. I watched others dancing. I felt young. I think others did too.

Of course, any writing about the Plateia has to ask that we think young about our contributions to make the fountain of youth work in the future. We're still about \$130,000 short of completing the project. A nice, youthful gesture by you at Easter would be to dedicate \$20 or \$200 or \$2000 to help us finish the project and keep the Fountain of Youth alive. Give to your children and grandchildren. Make it their Fountain of Youth too.

George Karahalios, Treasurer St. Nicholas Plateia Committee

ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH SCHOLARSHIP

The Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church will award the scholarship from George N. and Peggy Anne Diagoyanis in the honor of their parents, Nicholas and Erene Diacoyanis to a student of the St. Nicholas Community.

Any student whose family is a member in good standing in the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 520 S. Ponca St., Baltimore, MD and who is a high school senior and has been accepted by an accredited four year Bachelor's degree program to a college or university or a two year Associates program at an accredited college or university will be eligible to apply for the award.

The following criteria will be used in selecting the winner:

1. Financial Need
2. Good Character
3. Academics
4. Leadership in School
5. Service to the school and the community

In order for your application to be processed and accepted, the following items must be enclosed in one envelope:

1. Fully completed and signed application
2. Transcripts
3. A recent photograph of yourself

Completed applications are due in the Saint Nicholas Church office no later than, **Friday April 30, 2010**. You will be notified of the results. Award will be presented at St. Nicholas church on Sunday, May 9, 2010. All recipients will be expected to be present.

Applications may be obtained from the church office Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, Friday from 9:30 am to 4:00 pm and on Wednesday from 9:30 am to 12 noon.

The Saint Nicholas Scholarship Committee

TO OUR GREEK SCHOOL PARENTS

We would like to announce that the last day of our Greek School has changed from **Friday, May 28, 2010, to Friday, June 4, 2010.**

This change was deemed necessary, since our students have already missed one week from their Greek School studies, due to inclement weather.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

John Sfakianoudis, Chairman, Greek School Committee

Eleni L. Monopolis, Principal

Fr. Michael Pastrokos, Parish Priest

Takis Papadopoulos, President

Η ΓΩΝΙΑ ΤΟΥ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟΥ ΜΑΣ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟΥ

ΑΝΑΚΟΙΝΩΣΗ

ΠΡΟΣ: Τους γονείς των παιδιών του Ελληνικού Σχολείου

ΑΠΟ: Γιάννη Σφακιανούδη, Πρόεδρο Σχολικής Επιτροπής

Ελένη Α. Μονόπωλη, Διευθύντρια

Τάκη Παπαδόπουλο, Πρόεδρο Κοινότητας

Πρωτ. Μιχαήλ Παστρικό, Ιερατικό Προϊστάμενο

ΘΕΜΑ: Αλλαγή στην ημερομηνία λήξης του Σχολικού Έτους 2009-1010

ΗΜΕΡΟΜΗΝΙΑ: Σάββατο, 20 Φεβρουαρίου 2010

Σας πληροφορούμε ότι η ημερομηνία λήξης του σχολικού έτους 2009-2010, άλλαξε από την Παρασκευή, 28 Μαΐου 2010, στην Παρασκευή, 4 Ιουνίου 2010.

Η αλλαγή αυτή κρίθηκε απαραίτητη λόγω του ότι οι μαθητές του Σχολείου μας έχουν ήδη χάσει, εξ αιτίας της κακοκαιρίας, μια εβδομάδα από τα μαθήματά τους.

FROM THE GREEK AFTERNOON SCHOOL

TO: Greek School Parents and Those interested in registering their child/children for the School year 2010-2011

The Greek School Committee has decided to DECREASE the tuition by \$50.00 for those children who register in our Afternoon School until May 31, 2010. If you pay the tuition in full by May 31, 2010 it will be \$480.00 per child. Parents who register their child/children after May 31, 2010, will pay \$530.00 per child. The tuition is not refundable.

John Sfakianoudis, Chairman, Greek School Committee

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΑΠΟΓΕΥΜΑΤΙΝΟ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ

ΠΡΟΣ τους γονείς των μαθητών/μαθητριών του Σχολείου, και όλους όσους ενδιαφέρονται να εγγραφούν το/τα παιδί/παιδιά τους για το σχολικό έτος 2010-2011.

Με απόφαση της Σχολικής Επιτροπής, τα δίδακτρα για το σχολικό έτος 2010-2011, ΜΕΙΩΝΟΝΤΑΙ κατά \$50.00, αν εγγράψετε τα παιδιά σας και πληρώσετε όλο το ποσό \$480.00 το κάθε παιδί μέχρι και τις 31 Μαΐου 2010.

Μετά της 31 Μαΐου 2010, η τιμή των διδάκτρων είναι \$530.00 για το κάθε παιδί. Τα Δίδακτρα δεν επιστρέφονται!

Γιάννης Σφακιανούδης, Πρόεδρος Σχολικής Επιτροπής

ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΑΠΟΓΕΥΜΑΤΙΝΟ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ ΑΓΙΟΥ ΝΙΚΟΛΑΟΥ, ΒΑΛΤΙΜΟΡΗ, ΜΑΙΡΥΛΑΝΤ

ΚΑΛΟΚΑΙΡΙΝΗ ΚΑΤΑΣΚΗΝΩΣΗ

1η μέχρι και 31 Ιουλίου 2010

Στη Κοινότητά μας θα λειτουργήσει και πάλι φέτος τον Ιούλιο μήνα, η «Καλοκαιρινή κατασκήνωση του Ελληνικού μας Σχολείου».

Το πρόγραμμα απευθύνεται σε παιδιά ηλικίας 4 μέχρι 5 ετών.

Ώρες λειτουργίας: 9:00 π.μ. - 12:00 μεσημέρι (Δευτέρα μέχρι και Παρασκευή)

Δίδακτρα: \$300.00 για το κάθε παιδί.

Διδάσκουσα: κ. Βίκυ Καλογράνη

Εγγραφές: Μέχρι και 30 Απριλίου 2010

Προκαταβολή: \$100.00 (πληρωτέα μέχρι και τις 30 Απριλίου 2010)

Ανώτατος αριθμός παιδιών: Δέκα (10) παιδιά

Όσοι γονείς ενδιαφέρονται, παρακαλούνται να εγγραφούν τα παιδιά τους έγκαιρα.

Για περισσότερες πληροφορίες, τηλεφωνήστε στην κ. Ελένη Μονόπωλη, τηλέφωνο, 410-633-5020, Δευτέρα μέχρι και Παρασκευή, 3:30 μ.μ - 4:20 μ.μ.

Γιάννης Σφακιανούδης, Πρόεδρος Κοινότητας Σχολικής Επιτροπής

Ελένη Α. Μονόπωλη, Διευθύντρια

Πρεσβ. Μιχαήλ Παστρικός, Ιερατικός Προϊστάμενος Τάκης Παπαδόπουλος, Πρόεδρος

SAINT NICHOLAS GREEK AFTERNOON

SCHOOL BALTIMORE, MARYLAND

GREEK SUMMER CAMP

July 1st to July 31st 2010

Our church is offering again this year the "Greek School Summer Camp" to children ages four (4) and five (5).

TIME: Monday thru Friday, from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon

TUITION: \$300.00 per child

TEACHER: Ms. Vicki Kalograni

REGISTRATION DUE DATE: April 30, 2010

DEPOSIT: \$100.00 (due at time of registration)

MAXIMUM NUMBER OF STUDENTS: Ten (10)

For more information, please call Mrs. Monopolis at 410-633-5020, Monday thru Friday from 3:30 - 4:20 p.m.

John Sfakianoudis, President Greek School Committee

Eleni L. Monopolis, Principal

Fr. Michael Pastrokos, Parish Priest

Takis Papadopoulos, Chairman

GREEK SCHOOL REUNION DANCE

Parents and former students, on April 9, 2010, the Greek School PTA is having a reunion dance for all of our past students who graduated!!! Help us contact any former student who attended Greek School in the 50's, 60's, 70's, 80's, 90's and the 2000's. Give us your or their most recent address, telephone number and email address.

Also, we are trying to put a slide show together for the reunion dance. If you have any pictures from past Greek School events that you would be willing to share, please place them in an envelope and drop them off at the main office to Maria Salpeas. The Greek School will have a box clearly marked for the pictures. Please make sure that your name is clearly written on them so that the pictures may be returned. Or email them directly, to Nancy Anastasiades at demos@comcast.net. Please help us with the dance by completing the information below and returning it to the church office or, email it to Nancy Anastasiades at demos@comcast.net.

Γονείς, στις 9 Απριλίου, 2010, Ο Σύλλογος Γονέων και Δασκάλων του Ελληνικού Σχολείου θα έχει Χοροεσπερίδα και Συγκέντρωση όλων των μαθητών που φοίτησαν στο Ελληνικό Σχολείο του Αγίου Νικολάου. Βοηθείστε μας να βρούμε το γιό σας ή την κόρη σας που φοίτησε εδώ τις δεκαετίες του 1950, 1960, 1970, 1980, 1990 και 2000. Δώστε μας τις διευκύνσεις τους και αν έχουν διεύθυνση στο διαδίκτυο (internet). Παρακαλείστε να συμπληρώσετε το παρακάτω έντυπο και να το επιστρέψετε στο Κοινοτικό Γραφείο ή να το στείλετε με e-mail στην Πρόεδρο του Ρ.Τ.Α. κ. Νάνση Αναστασιάδη στη διεύθυνση demos@comcast.net.

Επίσης προσπαθούμε να συγκεντρώσουμε φωτο-γραφικό υλικό, να το μοντάρουμε και να το παρουσιάσουμε την ημέρα του χορού. Αν λοιπόν έχετε φωτογραφίες από τα περασμένα σχολικά χρόνια του Ελληνικού Σχολείου, που μπορείτε να μας τα δανίσετε σας παρακαλούμε να τα παραδώσετε στο Κοινοτικό Γραφείο, στην κ. Μαρία Σαλπέα. Θα φυλαχθούν με ασφάλεια, σε ειδικό αρχείο στο Γραφείο του Ελληνικού Σχολείου. Γράψτε το όνομά σας καθαρά και ευανάγνωστα στο πίσω μέρος της φωτογραφίας ούτως ώστε να σας επιστραφεί χωρίς να υπάρχει αμφιβολία. Ή ακόμη μπορείτε να τις στείλετε μέσω διαδικτύου απ' ευθείας στην Πρόεδρο του Ρ.Τ.Α. κυρία Νάνση Αναστασιάδη στη διεύθυνση demos@comcast.net. Συμπληρώστε το παρακάτω έντυπο και επιστρέψτε το στο Κοινοτικό Γραφείο ή στην ηλεκτρονική διεύθυνση:

Student's Name:

Student's Maiden Name (if female):

Date Student Graduated or Attended Greek School:

Current Mailing Address:

Current Email Address:

Current Telephone No:

Η ΓΩΝΙΑ ΤΟΥ ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟΥ ΜΑΣ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟΥ

GREEK SCHOOL PTA NEWS

On behalf of the PTA, we want to thank everyone who came to see and hear our children perform and to those parents who were generous and kind enough to bring a dessert to share at the Greek Independence program that was held on Sunday, March 14th. Also we extend a thank you to the par-



ents who assisted Mrs. Monopolis and the other teachers during the morning of the program. We also really appreciated those parents who voluntarily came downstairs and started to set-up without being asked. Being a part of the activity and helping is so much more rewarding!

Again, a big THANK YOU!



Our students did an outstanding job on Sunday and as parents, we could not have been more proud. I know that the students were proud of each other and it really showed.

In regards to the Greek School Reunion Dance, we have sold 30 tickets on Sunday. **Literally, we are close to a sell-out.** So, please do not delay in buying a ticket. We are having a fantastic program for the dance. A slide show of past and present students will be presented as well as a skit performed by our Alumni for everyone's enjoyment.

Furthermore, Apollonia and DJ George Tsakiris will provide live music. We will also be entertained by two of our past and current Greek School students in a beautiful song during the evening's events.

So, Friday, April 9th is the place to be. If you are interested in obtaining tickets, please contact Katina Palas at 410-960-1661. She will be at Greek school on Monday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings.

Again, Thank you for all of your support.

All the Best,

Nancy Anastasiades, PTA President

GREEK SCHOOL NEWS

"The Spotlight on one of our Students..."

Peter and Zachary Roberts are two Greek School students who not only excel in the classroom, but also on the soccer field. Fraternal twins, Peter & Zachary play soccer for the St. James Blazers in Anne Arundel County. The team is part of the U-11 boys soccer league. Their team came in 2nd place in the division, which is considered the premier league in the Maryland area.



Peter is the captain of the St. James Blazers and plays the position of center half back. Zachary is considered a solid full back and according to their father, Mr. Roberts, "nothing can get past them on the field". Both of these students through their soccer achievements have had the opportunity to meet several players of the Baltimore Blast (a professional indoor soccer team). Mr. Roberts explains that several players of the Baltimore Blast have watched Peter and Zachary play and were impressed with their skill level.

Perhaps, a future professional soccer career may be in their future? However, neither student is relying on just soccer. Both boys are Honor Roll students at High Point Elementary. They also excel in the St. Nicholas Greek Afternoon School. We wish them continued success!

UPCOMING ST. NICHOLAS GREEK SCHOOL EVENTS

Please Join Us!

Friday, April 9th, The St. Nicholas PTA Presents An Evening with the Alumni. To benefit the advancement of the St. Nicholas Greek School and St. Nicholas Church.

STEWARDSHIP PLEDGES FOR 2010

MR/MRS ADAMS MICHAEL
 MR/MRS ALEVROGIANNIS GEORGE &
 MR ANAGNOS CONSTANTINE
 MRS ANDREWS MARIA
 MR ANGELOU MICHAEL
 MR/MRS ARAVIDES ANTONIOS
 MISS ARGIRAKIS ANGELICA
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Saint Nicholas Profit & Loss January 1 through March 25, 2010	
Jan. - March 25, 2010	
Expense	
CAPITAL COSTS	
Capital Improvements	
Expense	
EMPLOYEE COSTS	
Health Insurance	12,915.47
Organist	600.00
6560—Payroll Expenses	32,439.75
Payroll Taxes	2,481.65
Pension	1,000.00
6550—Automobile Expense	1,000.00
EMPLOYEES COSTS—Other	20,902.29
Total EMPLOYEES COSTS	71,339.16
GENERAL & ADMINISTRATION	
Advertising	6,022.75
Church Supplies	813.25
Flower Donations	1,418.00
Fair Share	9,000.00
Insurance General	1,874.00
6530—Miscellaneous	9,900.00
Office Expense	4,565.96
Parade	500.00
6610—Postage & Delivery	220.00
Professional Fees	1,500.00
Telephone	953.36
Total GENERAL & ADMINISTRATION	36,867.32
OCCUPANCY COSTS	
Mainten—Building Maintenance	5,635.34
Ground Rent	30.00
Janitor's Supplies	902.67
6940—Utilities	12,032.15
Total OCCUPANCY COSTS	18,600.16
YOUTH AND EDUCATIONAL	18.40
Youth Expense	18.40
Total YOUTH AND EDUCATIONAL	18.40
Total Expense	126,825.04
Net Ordinary Income	9,728.92
Net Income	9,728.92

Saint Nicholas Profit & Loss January 1 through March 25, 2010	
Jan. - March 25, 2010	
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Candles	15,765.00
Dances	
Special Events	
Total Dances	(60.00)
Donations	(60.00)
Other Donations	1,501.38
Flowers Income	315.00
Donations—General	27,635.58
Donations Hall	2,500.00
Donations—Memorial	10,435.00
Total Donations	42,386.96
Greek School Registration	585.00
Stewardship	78,065.00
Trays	4,629.00
Total Income	141,370.96
Cost of Goods	
Candle Expense	4,667.00
6250 • Flowers	150.00
Total COGS	4,817.00
Gross Profit	136,553.96

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1. Top Left to Bottom: Archimandrite Dean Moralis and Baltimore City Mayor Stephanie Rawlings-Blake; 2. Father Manuel Burdusi, Fr. Lou Noplos, Archimandrite Dean Moralis and Father Michael L. Pastrikos. 2. Annunciation's Evangelakia Boys and Girls Dance Group. Top Right to Bottom: 1. Saint Nicholas Greek School and 2. Ellinakia Dance Group; 3. Dignitaries and Representatives from the City and State and the Representatives from the Greek Embassy in Washington, DC.



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**IN MEMORY OF EMMANUEL
 HATZIKONSTANTINOU**
 John & George Hatzikonstantinou

Liturgical Program for the Month of April

Thursday, April 1:—*Holy Thursday Morning:*
Vespertal Divine Liturgy:

6:00 am. (For the working people)

Thursday, April 1:—*Reading of the 12 Gospels:*
 7:00 pm.

Friday, April 2:—*Royal Hours: 9:00 am.*
(Decoration of Epitafio)

Apokathelosis (afternoon service) 2:00 pm.

Lamentations: 7:00 pm. (Procession of Epitafio.)

Saturday, April 3:—*Vespertal Divine Liturgy:*
 7:30 am.

Ressurrection Divine Liturgy:—11:00 pm.

Sunday, April 4:—*Holy Pascha Sunday:*

Agape Vespers: 11:00 am.

*****On the 5th of April, we begin Bright Week which is Fast Free*****

Tuesday, April 6:—*Sts Rafael, Nikolaos & Irene :*

Orthros: 8:45 am. Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am.

Friday, April 9:—*The Life Giving Fountain of the Theotokos:*

Orthros: 8:45 am. Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am.

Sunday, April 11:—*Sunday of St. Thomas:*

Orthros: 8:45 am. Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am.

Sunday, April 18:—*Sunday of the Myrrhbearers:*

Orthros: 8:45 am.

Divine Liturgy: 10:00 am.

Friday, April 23:—*St. George the Great Martyr:*

Orthros: 8:45 am.

Divine Liturgy: 9:30 am.

Sunday, April 25:—*Sunday of the Paralytic:*

Orthros: 8:45 am. D.Lit. 9:30

*****Attention Everyone: No Memorials are permitted on the Sunday of St. Thomas*****

CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, April 5:—*GOYA Meeting, 7 pm*

Wednesday, April 7:—*Philoptochos Meeting, 7 pm.*

Thursday, April 8:—*PLC Meeting – 7 pm*

Friday, April 9:—*Greek School Reunion Dance, 8 pm to 1 am*

Saturday, April 10:—*District Oratorical Festival—*

Sts. Magdalene & Markella Church—11 am.

Come and hear the Parish Finalist from all Greek Orthodox Churches in Maryland compete at the District Level

Thursday, April 15:—*Deadline for Philoptochos Scholarship Application.*

Friday, April 16:—*Family Night Bingo, 6 pm*

Saturday, April 24:—*Rhodian Society Bus trip to Hermes Expo in Atlantic City— Bus leaves at 11 am*

Friday, April 30:—*Deadline for application and Deposit for Greek School Summer Camp.*

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