

Saint George Greek Orthodox Church

Parish Office: 107 Clinton Street, Schenectady, New York 12305

Office Hours: Monday through Thursday 9am – 2pm

Parish Telephone: (518) 393-0742; **Fax:** (518) 393-4093

Web: www.saintgeorgegoc.com

Rev. Fr. Demetrios Sean Govostes, Presiding Parish Priest

Camille Kosloski, Parish Secretary



Sunday Services: Orthros – 9am; Divine Liturgy – 10 am
~ Weekday Liturgies as announced ~

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NOVEMBER 2017

Dear Parishioners,

Even though Halloween will have passed by the time you receive this newsletter, I would still like to share with you an article written by a fellow priest. I found it to be very interesting. Enjoy!

May God bless all of you and your loved ones.

With Paternal Love in Christ,

Fr. Sean

Who's Afraid of Halloween? – By Fr. Mark Sietsema*

I have a confession to make. And it's a bad one

When I was a kid ... I used to get dressed up for Halloween! And it was not always something innocent either, like an astronaut or a cowboy. Once I was even a ghost! Worse yet, I would go door-to-door with my brothers and say "Trick or treat!" Idolatrous! Occultic! Satanic! Over time, of course this demon-glorifying activity caught up with me. Look at me now. I dress in black almost every day ...

Of course you see the problem here. If not, you will very soon start reading about it in the paper again. Many people of churchy persuasions object strenuously to the observance of Halloween. Every year we read letters to the editor that run as follows:

"Halloween is the worship of the devil! Halloween comes from heathen roots! Trick or Treat comes from an ancient pagan custom: the Druids would go from house to house seeking a virgin to sacrifice! If you complied and handed over your family's virgin, they left outside your door a jack-o-lantern with a candle inside ... fueled by human fat! If you did not comply, a terrible trick would be played on you! The Catholic Church perpetuated the pagan legends with its Feast of All Saints. If you let your kids celebrate Halloween, you expose them to the possibility of demonic possession!"

Well, good Orthodox Christian, what should our Church make of this controversy? Is Halloween something we Christians should shun like the Black Mass? Don't the facts about Halloween's origins prove that it is an abomination?

No. First of all, none of these "facts" are true. It's all fiction. We know almost nothing about the culture and practices of the ancient Druids, except what little the Romans had to say. (Mind you, these are the same Romans who also used to say that Christians hold secret orgies where they sacrifice babies and eat them—so let's be careful about how much credence we give them.) The Romans invaded Britain in 43 B.C. There they found a number of Celtic tribes, which the Roman legions subjugated with relative ease.

Now, you need to know that the Romans were not what you would call "culturally curious." They had little interest in the ways of the conquered Britons. Generally, when there is interaction between conqueror and subject, the conqueror picks up and uses the local names for rivers, hills, and the like. For instance, our state is full of names from the native languages of the Indians: Michigan, Mackinac, Saginaw, Escanaba, Kalamazoo, Washtenaw. However, we find almost no use of the Celtic place names by the Romans. The Romans did not come to Britain for kaffee-klatsches, but for plundering and pillaging. Under the Roman sword the Celtic place-names perished with the Celts, as did any certain knowledge of Celtic or Druidic customs (like what kind of fat they used in their candles).

But what if the stories about pagan Halloween were true? Does that prevent us from making a fun day out of the Thirty-First of October? Or do pagan origins damn a thing forever?

I would hope that as Orthodox Christians we would know better than to say that. We borrowed an awful lot of useful things from ancient pagan cultures. Our musical system of eight tones? From the pagan Greeks. (Next

time you hear a dismissal hymn in the Third Tone, picture a phalanx of Lacedaemonian warriors marching into an attack: they liked Third Tone for their battle hymns.)

And our iconography is an obvious adaptation of Egyptian funerary art: the portraits painted on Egyptian coffins look just like the faces in our icons. Christmas, we all know, is a retooling of the Roman celebration of the winter solstice, the Feast of Sol Invictus (the Invincible Sun-god). And many, many Christian churches were built atop pagan shrines and holy places, the most famous example being the conversion of the Parthenon (a temple built in honor of Athena the Virgin Warrior) to a church dedicated to the Virgin Mary.

Even Protestants with their Puritan impulses and their “just the Bible” mentality have to contend with borrowings from pagan sources in the Scriptures. For example, chapters 22-24 of the Book of Proverbs are almost certainly a translation of the older Egyptian advice guide The Instruction of Amen-em-Opet. And elsewhere in the Bible different titles given to God such as El Elyon “God Most High” and “the one who rides on the clouds like a chariot” (Psalm 104:3) are originally epithets for the pagan storm-god Baal.

What’s my point? You can’t judge a custom by its origins. What counts is one’s intention in the here and now. And let’s be honest: modern Halloween for you and me—and even the Wiccans down the street—has nothing to do with virgin sacrifice or black magic. It’s about having fun in a costume and eating things your dentist wouldn’t approve of.

“Well!” the anti-Halloween crowd would reply, “Halloween teaches kids that they can get something for nothing!!” But is that so bad? To my ears that sounds awfully close to the Christian idea of grace!

“Yes, yes, but we shouldn’t teach our kids that it’s OK to threaten someone with vandalism if they don’t fork over something you want!” Well, let’s look at this from another perspective. Maybe Halloween holds a nice little life lesson: you give a little to get a little. The Book of Proverbs speaks often of the power of gifts. If we all practiced the spirit of Halloween—being prepared always to give small kindnesses to those around us—what a wonderful world we would have.

Again, let’s be honest: no one was ever possessed by the devil because he or she dressed up for Halloween or passed out licorice or read a Harry Potter book. Our modern lives have way too many other avenues for temptation to enter, and these things are the real cause of our spiritual problems: pride, gluttony, hatred, materialism, and ignorance.

This may be the only pro-Halloween article by a clergyman you read this year. Actually, this piece isn’t so much pro-Halloween as it is anti-superstition and anti-paranoia. American Christianity is too much titillated by thoughts of demons, based on a mythology of evil that has more to do with pagan folklore than the sober statements of Scripture. Such superstition gives all Christians a bad name.

That’s why I’m not afraid of Halloween, and I see no problem with Orthodox Christians having fun at costume parties. After all, why would anyone want to learn more about Jesus Christ and his message, if being a Christian means forever being a spoilsport and a killjoy? If you believe in one God, if you trust Him, then accept his protection and don’t live in fear of demonic bogeymen. The real battle with the devil is fought in the heart, not in front of the Harry Potter bookstore.

Some people drink too much on New Year’s Eve. Should that stop you and me from enjoying a glass of champagne? Some people eat too much at Thanksgiving. Should that stop us from having our turkey with all the trimmings? Some people spend too much at Christmas. Should that stop us from exchanging gifts?

Some people go overboard on the spooky side of Halloween. It’s not too hard to avoid that for your family. Skip the horror movies. Don’t revel in gore. Don’t profane death. Don’t indulge in occult practices ... But don’t be paranoid or superstitious either!

And have a Happy Halloween!

** Fr. Mark Sietsema is the Presiding Priest at the Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church in Lansing, MI*

From the Parish Council

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

I hope this letter finds everyone well. Before you know it, our attention will be focused on celebrating the glorious holidays that are soon to be upon us. As we think about how we will be celebrating with family and friends, let us also give thought to how we will be incorporating Church in our celebrations as well. Let us remember the importance of unity, harmony and love in our interactions with one another. "*Finally, all of you be of one mind, having compassion for one another: love as brothers, be tenderhearted, be courteous*" (1Peter 3:8).

The General Assembly will be held on December 3, 2017. Council elections will be held at that time. If you would like to join the Council or would like to nominate someone, please speak to a member of the Elections Committee or to Father Sean prior to the meeting. Feel free to speak with present Council members to find out what participation on the Council would entail.

Please fulfill your 2017 Pledge commitment prior to December 31, 2017 which will help us to balance our financial obligations for the year.

Also, please give thought to your 2018 pledge and be prepared to complete your 2018 pledge form on Stewardship Sunday which will also occur on December 3rd.

The AHEPA is holding a dinner/dance in the Hellenic Center on November 11, 2017. It will be a night of fun, relaxation and dining as we listen and dance to the music of the Prometheus Band. Please plan on attending and supporting the wonderful work that AHEPA does for the Church.

May God bless each and every one of you.

In Christ,
Lucy Brady



Stewardship Report

Pledge Goal: \$75,000

Total Pledged amount To Date: \$72,335

Total Received amount To Date: \$60,361

Platinum Level Stewards \$1,500+

Gold Level Stewards \$1,000 - \$1,499

Silver Level Stewards \$500 - \$999

Bronze Level Stewards \$499 or Less

Total 113 Pledges

2017 St. George GOC Pledged Members To Date

**Thank you to all who
have pledged thus far!**

There is still room on the list to add your name. Please submit and fulfill your pledge to St. George Greek Orthodox Church today

To receive a pledge form, please contact the Parish Office at (518) 393-0742, or ask any Parish Council member at Church.

Rev. Fr. Sean & Presvytera Pamela

Govostes & Family

Paul & Tiara Antonovich

Angela Aretakis

Shannon Arrington

Stephen & Vicki Arrington

John Behiri

Nicholas & Eleni Behiri

Susan Birbilis

Lucy Brady & Family

Sam & Deborah Bratsos

Ifigenia Brown

Arji Cakouros

Alexandra & Patrick Casey & Family

Palmyra Catravas

Andreas Christou

Andreas & Panayiota Christou

Ariana Christou

Euripides & Eleni Christou

Catherine Contompasis

Cathy Contompasis

Charles Contompasis & Laurie Ives

Emanuel & Mary Ellen Contompasis

Demetra Corsones

Stephanie Cospito

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Evan Euripidou

Michael & Elaine Euripidou

Morgan & Julie Gazetos

Helena Georgelas

Eliana Georgelos

Panagiota Giakoumis

Peter & Janet Giakoumis & Family

Steve & Alice Giakoumis

Lucy & Brian Goodale & Family

Angela T. Grivas

Dimitri & Nancy Grivas

Nicholas Hallas
Robert Higley
Tiffany Higley
Angeliki Jones
Thomas & Shannon Jones
Catherine Julius
Marina Kakavelos
Peter & Dayna Kalil
Evangelia & Stavroula Kalogeras
Antonia Kananis & Family
Steve & Fanny Karamanos
Nicole Kaya
John and Charlene Kennedy
Polixeni Kingra & Family
Charles & Katheleen Koines
Katina Kontakos
Maria Kontakos
Steven & Barbara Kouray
Patricia Lambert
Trifon & Zanetta Laskaris
Christine Legorius
Rosemary Legorius
Alexios & Betty Lekkas
William Manikas
Cathy Marco
Akrivi Markopoulos
Ann Markopoulos
Athena Markopoulos
Stephen & Mary Markopoulos
Phil & Norina McGowen
Anna Menagias
Katherine Orfan

Paul & Joann Pagiotas
Athena & Vito Pagnotti & Family
Peter & Penney Pagones
Kostantinos & Debra Papanikos
Nick & Gladys Paravalos
Voula Paravalos
Gus and Maria Plakas
Fannie Pontisakos
Theodore & Angeliki Pontisakos & Family
Frank & Teresa Rossetti
Elena Sikamiotis
Ourania Sokaris
Roubina Spyros & Family
A & S Stamoulis
Maria Stamoulis
Van & Anita Stathis
James Stevens
Kaliopi Stuffolino
Olga Stryjski
Adam Svokos & Family
George & Christie Svolos
Themetria Svolos
Angela Theodore
Melissa Verrigni & Family
Dimitrios & Eugenia Vlahak
Mark & Cait Wempe
Brian & Megan Whipple
Mary Wilson
Peter H. Wilson
Steve & Sophie Zanos
Anastasia Zoulas
Peter & Mary Zoulas

Thank you to everyone for your timely support.
We are still \$2,665 away from our 2017 pledge goal.

Ευχαριστώ

If you have not already submitted your form, please do so at your earliest convenience. It will help us to stay within our budget and get all the Church bills paid.

Your pledge is not just about what you can do for the Church. It is about what your responsibility is based on the gives to you by God.

Greetings from the Fellowship Group!

The month of November brings us one of the Great Feasts of the Orthodox Church, that of the Entrance (or Presentation) of the Theotokos to the Temple. This feast day falls on November 21st. According to Tradition, at the age of three years, "the Holy and most pure child Mary was presented into the Jewish Temple in Jerusalem by her parents, Joachim and Anna, fulfilling the vow they had made to dedicate her to God. There she lived for the next nine years under the care of the High Priest Zacharias, father of St. John the Baptist, and devoted herself entirely to prayer. During this time, the Theotokos attained the purity of heart befitting her destination as the bearer of the most high." Please join us in prayer during this most Holy Feast Day.

The American secular holiday most associated with the month of November is Thanksgiving. This year it is celebrated on Thursday, November 23rd. During this holiday, many of us gather with family and recall the blessings we have in our lives. The Fellowship group wishes each and every one of you a blessed and happy Thanksgiving.

Our next Fellowship meeting falls on Thursday, November 9th at 11:30 AM. We will be gathering at the United Buffet on Watt Street in Schenectady, and have reserved their private room for our meeting. The cost of the buffet, less a 10% senior discount, is under \$10.

As always, we continuously encourage newcomers to join our Fellowship group. Unless there is a special occasion when we travel or meet at a restaurant, our meetings take place at the Hellenic Center on the second Thursday of every month at 11:30 AM. We always begin our meetings with a prayer and a meal. A nominal fee of \$3.00 for members and \$5.00 for non-members is charged to cover the cost of the food. Dues are \$25 annually. Please contact our treasurer, Kathy Koines, or either of our co-presidents, Paul Pagiotas or Eliana Georgelos, for more information.



PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

MEETING NOTES. At the meeting held on **October 19, 2017** the membership approved the following donations:

**Concerned for the Hungry, Inc.
Food Cards for Veterans
St. Michael's Home for the Aged (DAD Commitment)
National Philoptochos Emergency Fund (National Commitment)
Operation Adopt-A-Soldier (Christmas Care Packages)
Schenectady County Social Services Department – Families in Need**

CHAPTER NAME DAY. On **Sunday, November 5, 2017** we will commemorate our Philoptochos Name Day (Saints Kosmas and Damianos). A Memorial Service in remembrance of our past members who have fallen asleep in the Lord will be chanted. A special tray will be passed following the Divine Liturgy for the benefit of the Ecumenical Patriarchate programs and charities which is one of our national commitments.

SPAGHETTI & MEATBALLS DINNER. On **Sunday, November 5, 2017** the Ladies Philoptochos will sponsor a Spaghetti & Meatballs Dinner immediately following Divine Liturgy. Tickets are \$8.00 for adults and \$5.00 for children (under 12). Please see flyer in this month's bulletin for further information.

PARISH CHRISTMAS CARD. As is our tradition, the Philoptochos will sponsor the **St. George Greek Orthodox Church 2017 Christmas Card**. This is a wonderful opportunity to extend our Christmas greetings to all St. George parishioners. If you would like your name to appear on the card, please complete the form that appears in this bulletin and submit it along with your donation. A **minimum donation of \$10.00** is requested. Proceeds will be used for our annual Christmas Charity donations among other philanthropic contributions. Deadline is **Sunday, December 10, 2017**. Please see Toly Svolos for more information.

CHRISTMAS MITTEN TREE. Despite the unusually warm weather we've experienced this Fall, the cold weather will be here soon, and we need your help. The Ladies Philoptochos Society will sponsor the 3rd Annual "**Mitten Tree**" in the Hellenic Center. We invite you to decorate our tree with **NEW** mittens, gloves, hats and scarves for children who reside at or receive services from the City Mission of Schenectady. This is a wonderful opportunity to share your blessings and provide warm clothing for children who live in poverty. Please help us give the gift of warmth! Last year through your generous donations we delivered 221 items to the City Mission. Let's see if we can beat our own record! The tree will be in the Hellenic Center from **Sunday, November 5 through Sunday, December 10, 2017**.

SOUP KITCHEN. On **Tuesday, September 26, 2017** our Philoptochos prepared and served dinner for **180 persons** at the **Salvation Army Soup Kitchen**. The Soup Kitchen was sponsored by **Jan Gallas In Memory of John Gallas**. May his memory be eternal. A Trisagion Service was chanted by Father Sean. The dinner consisted of Chicken Florentine with Vegetables and Pasta, Green Beans, Fruit Cup, Bread and Butter, Dessert, Juice and Coffee. Our heartfelt thanks to the following team members who helped prepare and/or serve the meal: **Kathy Koines (Chair), Charlie Koines, Mike Euripidou, Pete Kalil, Steve & Alice Giakoumis, Gladys Paravalos, Phil McGowen, Olga Delorey, Bill Manikas and Dom DiCocco**.

*“...for I was hungry and you gave me food ...
...inasmuch as you did it to one of the least of these My brethren, you did it to Me”
Matthew 25: 35-40*

“RACE FOR THE CURE” THANK YOU. Our heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported our efforts for the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure held on October 7, 2017. A big thank you to the **“Capital Region Ladies Philoptochos Society Team”**: **Olga Delorey (Captain), Gladys Paravalos, Kathy Koines, Elaine Euripidou, Julie Mosher.** We extend our heartfelt gratitude to our St. George Philoptochos and chapter members, St. George parishioners, and St. Sophia Philoptochos and chapter members for their financial support. Together we raised **over \$800!**

NEXT MEETING. Our next meeting is scheduled for **Thursday, November 16, 2017 at 6:30 pm.**

Ladies Philoptochos Society Board of Directors 2017-2019

Officers: Olga Delorey (President),
Gladys Paravalos (Co-Vice President & Advisor), Eliana Georgelos (Co-Vice President)
Zanetta Laskaris (Treasurer), Kathy Koines (Assistant Treasurer)
Elaine Euripidou (Secretary), Cathy Contompasis (Assistant Secretary)

Members: Lucy Brady, Joanne Diamantis, Alice Giakoumis,
Kiki Jones, Aleka Menagias, Elena Sikamiotis

SPECIAL COFFEE HOURS may be arranged by contacting Coffee Hour Chair Lucy Brady (518-346-4722). A voluntary donation to the Ladies Philoptochos Society in addition to the expenses would be greatly appreciated.

- Thomas Jones will sponsor the Soup Kitchen on Tuesday, November 28, 2017 in memory of his beloved father, Ed Jones
- Ladies Philoptochos Society will sponsor a Mitten Tree for children served by The City Mission of Schenectady from November 5 - December 10, 2017
- Ladies Philoptochos Society will commemorate their chapter name day (Sts. Kosmas and Damianos) on Sunday, November 5, 2017. A Memorial Service for deceased members will be chanted. Special tray collection for the Ecumenical Patriarchate
- Parish Christmas Card Sign-Up November 1 - December 10, 2017

With our best wishes for a very
Happy Thanksgiving!





TO: ALL PARISHIONERS
FROM: Ladies Philoptochos Society
RE: ST. GEORGE COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD

THIS YEAR WE ARE ONCE AGAIN OFFERING YOU THE OPPORTUNITY TO SEND AND SHARE CHRISTMAS GREETINGS WITH YOUR FELLOW PARISHIONERS.

THIS CARD OFFERS YOU THE SAVINGS OF BUYING CARDS AND STAMPS FOR OVER 100 OTHER FAMILIES. YOU WILL RECEIVE A CARD OF THE SAME QUALITY WE HAVE HAD IN PREVIOUS YEARS.

*A **CONTRIBUTION OF \$10.00** IS REQUIRED. YOUR DONATION TO THE LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY WILL BENEFIT OUR ANNUAL CHRISTMAS CHARITY DONATIONS AMONG OTHER PHILANTHROPIC CONTRIBUTIONS.*

*IN ORDER TO HAVE ALL OF YOUR NAMES PRINTED ON THE CARD AND TO HAVE IT MAILED TO YOUR HOMES BY THE NATIVITY, **ALL NAMES** MUST BE RETURNED TO:*

Ladies Philoptochos Society
Attention: Toly Svolos
St. George Greek Orthodox Church
107 Clinton Street
Schenectady, NY 12305

PLEASE DETACH THIS FORM AND RETURN BY

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2017

(Please print your name as you wish it to appear on the Christmas Card)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO
“LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY”



GIVE THE GIFT OF WARMTH!



**THIS HOLIDAY SEASON, HELP US
DECORATE *the Mitten tree* WITH
WARM MITTENS, GLOVES AND HATS**

**Sponsored by Ladies Philoptochos Society
November 5 – December 10, 2017
To Benefit Children Served by City Mission of Schenectady**

November 2017

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			1	2	3 Office Closed	
5 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy Children's Sunday Philoptochos Name Day Spaghetti & Meatball Dinner following Divine Liturgy	6 11:00 AM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class 6:30 PM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class	7	8 10:00 Am Divine Liturgy Feast of the Synaxis of the Archangels	9 10:00 Am Divine Liturgy Feast of St. Nektarios the Wonderworker 11:30 AM Senior Fellowship Meeting	10 Office Closed	11 6:00PM Cocktail Hour 7:00 PM Family Style Mezethes 8:00 PM – 12:00AM Dancing
12 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	13 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy Feast of St. John Chrysostom	14	15	16	17 Office Closed	18
19 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 Am Divine Liturgy Hope/Joy GOYA Bowling Event at Spare Time, Clifton Park	20 11:00 AM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class 6:30 PM Orthodoxy/Bible Study Class	21 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy Feast of The Entrance of the Theotokos into the Temple	22	23 Thanksgiving Office Closed	24 Office Closed	25
26 9:00 AM Orthros 10:00 AM Divine Liturgy	27	28 12:00 noon Soup Kitchen Memorial in memory of Ed Jones	29	30		

*Στην υγείά μας
...To Our Health...
με παιδιά*



Live Music
Prometheus Greek Entertainment
w/Guest Vocalist Sandy Theodorou
Saturday November 11th

6 PM Cocktail Hour

**7 PM Family Style Mezethes
& Tableside Wine Service**

**7:30 PM Dance Performance
by St. George Dance Troupe**

**8 PM-12 AM Live Greek
Music, Dancing, Raffles,
Bottle Service & Cash Bar**

*Proceeds to Benefit AHEPA Ch.125
Philanthropic Foundation*

**St. George Hellenic Center
510 Liberty Street
Schenectady, NY**

**Individual Tickets \$45 pp
Book Full Table \$40 pp
Long Tables Fit 6/ Rounds Fit 8
Under 21 Ticket \$30 pp**

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Phil Menagias 518.857.2669

Evan Michael 518.522.0126



2017 D.A.D. PARISH COUNCIL / CANDIDATE SEMINARS

Please RSVP by email or phone with the parish where you will be attending a seminar so that they can make the necessary arrangements.

**You should plan to arrive ON TIME.
Anyone arriving *after* a reasonable time will **NOT** be validated for having attended that seminar.**

Tuesday, November 7

St. Sophia Church, Albany, NY

440 Whitehall Road, Albany, NY 12208

Parish Phone: (518) 489-4442

Email: plegato@nycap.rr.com

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Patric Legato / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. James Kordaris

Refreshments: 6:00 pm; Seminar: 6:30 pm – 8:30 pm

Wednesday, November 8

Cathedral of St. Paul, Hempstead, NY

110 Cathedral Avenue, Hempstead, NY 11550

Parish Phone: (516) 483-5700

Email: office@stpaulhempstead.org

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Christopher Constantinides / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Nikiforos Fakinos

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

Thursday, November 9

Archangels Church, Stamford, CT

1527 Bedford Street, Stamford, CT 06905

Parish Phone: (203) 348-4216

Email: archangels1@sbcglobal.net

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Harry Pappas / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Harry Pappas

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

Saturday, November 11

Kimisis Tis Theotokou, Poughkeepsie, NY

140 Grand Avenue South, Poughkeepsie, NY 12603

Parish Phone: (845) 452-0772

Email: info@kimisisny.org

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Joseph Collins / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. James Kordaris

Refreshments: 9:30 am; Seminar: 10:00 am – 12:00 noon

*** MORNING SEMINAR ***

Saturday, November 11

Sts. Constantine & Helen Cathedral, Brooklyn, NY

64 Schermerhorn Street, Brooklyn, NY 11201

Parish Phone: (718) 624-0595

Email: churchinfo@afantis.org

Presenter: Rev. Fr. Al Demos

Refreshments: 9 am; Seminar: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

*** MORNING SEMINAR ***

Tuesday, November 14

St. Barbara Church, Orange, CT

480 Race Brook Road, Orange, CT 06477

Parish Phone: (203) 795-1347

Email: church@saintbarbara.org

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Peter Orfanakos / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Harry Pappas

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

Tuesday, November 14

Holy Cross Church, Whitestone, NY

11-05 150th Street Whitestone, NY 11357

Parish Phone: (718) 767-2955

Email: info@holycrossgreekchurch.com

Proistamenos: V. Rev. Fr. Dionysios Anagnostopoulos / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. George Anastasiou

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

☛ SEMINAR WILL BE PRESENTED IN GREEK & ENGLISH ☛

Wednesday, November 15

St. Catherine - St. George Church, Astoria, NY

22-30 33rd Street, Astoria, NY 11105

Parish Phone: (718) 545-4796 / St. Demetrios' office phone: (718) 728-1718

Proistamenos: V. Rev. Fr. Nektarios Papazafiroopoulos / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Nikiforos Fakinos

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

☛ **SEMINAR WILL BE PRESENTED IN GREEK & ENGLISH** ☛

Thursday, November 16

St. Sophia Cathedral, Washington, D.C.

36th St. & Massachusetts Ave, NW, Washington, D.C. 20007

Parish Phone: (202) 333-4730

Email: office@saintsophiadc.com

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Steven P. Zorzos / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Al Demos

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

Tuesday, November 28

Archangel Michael Church, Port Washington, NY

100 Fairway Drive, Port Washington, NY 11050

Parish Phone: (516) 944-3180

Email: info@archangelmichaelchurch.org

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. John Lardas / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. John Vlahos

Refreshments: 6:30 pm; Seminar: 7 pm – 9 pm

Saturday, December 2

Assumption Church, Port Jefferson, NY

430 Sheep Pasture Road, Port Jefferson, NY 11777

Parish Phone: (631) 473-0894

Email: goc.assumption@gmail.com

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Jim Calogredes / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. John Vlahos

Refreshments: 9 am; Seminar: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

✱ **MORNING SEMINAR** ✱

Saturday, December 2

Assumption Church, Danbury, CT

30 Clapboard Ridge Road, Danbury, CT 06811

Parish Phone: (203) 748-2992

Email: frnikolas@agoc.us

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Nikolas Karloutsos / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. Al Demos

Refreshments: 9 am; Seminar: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

*** MORNING SEMINAR ***

Saturday, December 2

Annunciation Church, NY, NY

302 West 91st Street, NY, NY 10024

Parish Phone: (212) 724-2070

Email: info@Annunciation-NYC.org

Proistamenos: V. Rev. Fr. Chrysostomos Gilbert / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. James Kordaris

Refreshments: 9 am; Seminar: 9:30 am – 11:30 am

*** MORNING SEMINAR ***

Saturday, December 2

Prophet Elias Church, Yonkers, NY

15 LeRoy Avenue

Yonkers, NY 10705

Parish Phone: (914) 963-3638

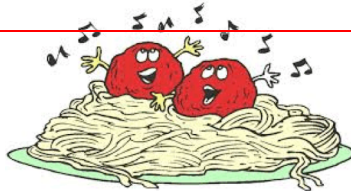
Email: prophet@prophetelias.org

Proistamenos: Rev. Fr. Nicholas Pilavas / *Presenter:* Rev. Fr. George Anastasiou

Refreshments: 8:30 am; Seminar: 9 am – 11:00 am

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☛ SEMINAR WILL BE PRESENTED IN GREEK & ENGLISH ☚



Spaghetti and Meatballs

Sunday, November 5, 2017

Immediately Following Divine Liturgy

Hellenic Center, 510 Liberty Street,

Schenectady



Donation: \$8.00 Adults and \$5.00 Children (under 12)

Spaghetti ~ Meatballs ~ Salad ~ Roll & Butter

Soda ~ Wine ~ Coffee ~ Dessert

Sponsored by Ladies Philoptochos Society

(For the Benefit of Philoptochos Charities)

For Tickets and Information (Dinner Co-Chairs)

Aleka Menagias, Gladys Paravalos, Soula Tsakopiakos