

THE TRIUMPHANT

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January / February 2022



EPIPHANY- BLESSING OF THE WATERS

DATE: SUNDAY, JANUARY 9th at 12:00 pm Location: Collins Park – Scotia Boat Launch Come join us as we bless the waters of the mohawk river



HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!

January 2022							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
26sunday after Nativity 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Trisagion Service for Paul Brown & Angela Theodore	27 1:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep	28 7:00am Soup Kitchen Bag Lunches	29	30	31 4:30pm Vesperal Divine Liturgy – St. Basil's, Troy	1 Circumcision of Christ and St. Basil's Feastday New Year's Day	
2 Sunday before Epiphany 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Vasilopita Cutting	3	4	5 9:00am Royal Hours of Epiphany & Vesperal Liturgy 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	6 8:30am Epiphany of Our Lord & Great Blessing of Waters 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	7 Feastday of St. John the Baptist 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy HOUSE BLESSINGS	8 House blessings	
9 Sunday after Epiphany 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Induction of Parish Council Members Blessing of the waters – Collins Park Boat Launch	10	11 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	12 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language HOUSE BLESSINGS	13 11:30am Senior Fellowship Meeting 4:30pm All Students -Greek Language, Culture & Dance	14	15	
HOUSE BLESSINGS 16 12 th Sunday of Luke 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine LiturgyTrisagion Service for Family of Frusina Ica Iancu HOUSE BLESSINGS	HOUSE BLESSINGS 17 Feastday of St. Anthony 9:00am Orthros 10:00am Divine Liturgy 1:00 pm Soup Kitchen Prep HOUSE BLESSINGS	BLESSINGS 18 7:00 am Soup Kitchen Bag Lunches 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	19 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language HOUSE BLESSINGS	204:30pm All Students -Greek Language, Culture & Dance Vigil 5:00 pm – 8 pm Vespers, Orthros & Divine Liturgy- St.	HOUSE BLESSINGS 21 st. Neophytos and St. Maximos Feast Day HOUSE BLESSINGS	HOUSE BLESSINGS HOUSE BLESSINGS	
23 14 th Sunday of Luke 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy HOUSE BLESSINGS	24 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary 6:30pm Bible Study/ Bookclub HOUSE BLESSINGS	25 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom HOUSE BLESSINGS	26 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language HOUSE BLESSINGS	27 4:30pm All Students -Greek Language, Culture & Dance	28 HOUSE BLESSINGS	29 House blessings	
30 Three Hierarchs 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy 1 year Memorial for Stephanos Zanaros HOUSE BLESSINGS	31 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary 6:30pm Bible Study/ Bookclub HOUSE BLESSINGS						

*The Sacrament of Holy Confession maybe requested and ministered after any service. Contact Fr. Neofitos at 347-256-6723 or the church office at 518-393-0742.



HAPPY NEW YEAR !!!

February 2022							
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	
		1 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	2 8:30am Orthros and Divine Liturgy Presentation of Our Lord & Savior in the Temple 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	3 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	4	5	
6 Sunday of the Canaanite Woman 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Go Red Philoptichos	7 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary 6:30pm Bible Study/ Bookclub	8 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	9 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	10 Feastday of St. Haralambos the Martyr 8;30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy 11:30am Senior Fellowship Meeting 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	11	12	
13 Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee Triodion Begins 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy Trisagion Service for Greg Georgelos and Loula (Argyro) D'Jimas	14 1:00pm Soup Kitchen prep 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary 6:30pm Bible Study/ Bookclub	15 7:00 am Soup Kitchen Bag Lunch 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	16 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	17 9:00 am Hellenic Center in Use – Hudson Valley Clergy Meeting 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	18	19	
20 Sunday of the Prodigal Son 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy	21 President's Day Parish office closed	22 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	23 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	24 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	25	26 First Saturday of Souls One year Memorial for Dimitri Grivas 1:00pm Youth Sponsored Bowling	
27 Judgement Sunday (Meatfare Sunday) 8:30am Orthros 9:30am Divine Liturgy	28 5:30pm Paraklesis to the Virgin Mary 6:30pm Bible Study/ Bookclub	1 5:30pm Youth Meeting Via Zoom	2 5:00 pm Adult Greek Language 6:00 pm Adult Greek Language 7:00 pm Adult Greek Language	3 4:30pm All Students - Greek Language, Culture & Dance	4	5 Second Saturday of Souls 8:30am Orthodox 9:30am Divine Liturgy & Memorial Alexandra Menagias Baptism	

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From the desk of Fr. Neofitos: The Resurrection of St. George

On Sunday, December 19, 2021, our church was blessed with its first Christmas Pageant on our stage in the Hellenic Center. This major event, along with our Greek Festival 2021 continues, if I may say so, the Resurrection of St. George. Tears of joy filled the room as our beloved children, families, choir members, school board members, staff and supporters all joined in on the caroling and joy of the Christmas spirit with Greek and English scenes and Hymns from our Savior's birth.

I shared some of my thoughts with those present and now I would like to share with all of you:

Beloved Families of our Greek School of Language and Culture and beloved Families who are here in support of our church's youth,

We are humbled by God's grace which is pouring forth on St. George today for the wonderful gifts we have received.

First, I am referring to our children. "You are a gift from God to your families and to us, your church family. I wept for many months in prayer asking our Lord to fill His church with families and children and here you are. Do you see how our Lord hears our prayers?"

Second, for our wonderful Staff and School board members. They are all faithful, hardworking, thorough, and capable Christians. They take the best care of our children. I have nothing but praise and admiration for who they are and what they do for our church.

Third of all, you. The supporters of our school. The Parents, the PTA, the donors, AHEPA Chapter 125, our ministry leaders, especially the members of our parish council and PC president, Brian Goodale. All have helped weed and till the field for God's seed to be planted in this Holy Space.

Our Church has suffered much in the past but, today signifies a small resurrection. We all rejoice in the rebirth of our Greek school. In the rebirth of our facility. In the rebirth of our stage and there is more to come. Just like Our Lord's birth is the beginning of His journey to His passion, death, and Resurrection, so is today the beginning of our journey to a perpetual resurrection of St. George. We pray that the Holy Spirit continues to guide us on our path.

Our Lord's birth, His entry into this World, brought our Salvation in His Eternal Kingdom. His blessings and grace will continue to flow abundantly on us if we continue to work hard in school, work hard in church, and ASK for His mercy and light to enter the home of our hearts.

May God be with us all. Merry Christmas and blessed Holidays!

Προς τις Αγαπητές Οικογένειες του Ελληνικού μας Σχολείου,

Αγαπητοί υποστηρικτές της νεολαίας μας και της εκκλησίας μας.

Με πολλή ευγνωμοσύνη και ταπείνωση δεχόμαστε την συνεχή ροή του Αγίου Πνεύματος προς την Κοινότητα του Αγίου Γεωργίου.

1ον, αναφέρομαι στα παιδιά μας. Είστε ένα δώρο από τον Θεό.

Πριν δύο χρόνια, ο αρχιεπίσκοπος μου ανέθεσε να αναλάβω ως ιερέας την κοινότητα του Αγίου Γεωργίου. Ερευνώντας αμέσως το ημερολόγιο του ναού ένιωσα πολύ θλιμμένος. Ένιωσα τον πονεμένο λαού του θεού που δεν γιόρταζε τη θεία λειτουργία κάθε Κυριακή και μάλιστα, μερικές εορτές. Πάνω απ' όλα γνώριζα ήδη από την δικιά μου εμπειρία, πως χωρίς ιερέα δεν μπορεί να υπάρχουν πλούσια προγράμματα νεολαίας. Όπως το ελληνικό σχολείο, το κατηχητικό, το JOY, GOYA, και το HOPE. Σήμερα γεμίζει πάλι η εκκλησία μας - γεμίζει με χαρά και νεολαία και οικογένειες.

2°^ν, για τα υπέροχα μέλη του προσωπικού μας, της δασκάλες μας, και του Σχολικού μας Συμβουλίου. Είναι όλοι πιστοί, ικανοί, και φιλόξενοι Χριστιανοί που δουλεύουν πολύ σκληρά. Φροντίζουν τα παιδιά μας εξαιρετικά.

3°^ν, εσάς – Όλους τους υποστηρικτές του σχολείου μας. Οι γονείς, το ΡΤΑ, οι δωρητές, η ΑΗΕΡΑ μας, και τα μέλη του διοικητικού συμβουλίου. Όλοι συνέβαλαν στο έργο της εκκλησίας - να φυτευτεί ο σπόρος του Θεού μέσα στις καρδιές μας σ 'αυτόν τον Ιερό Χώρο.

Η Εκκλησία μας υπέφερε πολλά αλλά - Σήμερα, βιώνει μία μικρή ανάσταση. Όλοι χαιρόμαστε για αυτήν την αναγέννηση. Μία αναγέννηση των εγκαταστάσεων μας, του Ελληνικού Κέντρου. Μία αναγέννηση της σκηνής μας. Η άφθονη χάρις του Κυρίου θα συνεχίζει να ενεργεί προς την ανάσταση του Αγίου Γεωργίου.

Εύχομαι Η γέννηση του Κυρίου μας, η είσοδός Του σε αυτόν τον Κόσμο να μας ευλογεί και να μας φωτίζει. Εμείς θα συνεχίζουμε να εργαζόμαστε σκληρά προς τιμήν του θελήματός Του. Ο Θεός να είναι μαζί μας.

Καλά Χριστούγεννα και ευλογημένο Δωδεκαήμερο.



Philoptochos News HAPPY HOLIDAYS to ALL By Jan Gallas

The song goes "It's the Holiday Season" and when you receive this newsletter, we will be well into the celebrating for 2021 going directly into a Happy and Healthy 2022.

Our Spaghetti and Meatballs Dinner and Auction was another huge success. We served 92 people and enjoyed some good fun during the Auction. Many thanks to all who supported this fundraiser which was our largest for 2021.

The Mitten Tree where we hung special hats/scarves/mittens was overflowing with bright colorful items to donate to the children of the City Mission of Schenectady. We sincerely appreciate those who signed up to have their name on this year's Community Christmas Card. Be sure to look for yours in the coming mail (whenever that might be...). November and December were two months of "giving" to our charities with friends in need.

This year we enjoyed sharing a Christmas Lunch held in the Hellenic Center where 23 of our members delighted in delicious food catered by Turf Tavern in Scotia, played Bingo with plenty of laughs and everyone went home happy.

This year we can look back on 2021 as the beginning of a period of coming together again as we continue to do our best in dealing with Covid. We look forward to staying SAFE and HEALTHY into the new year.

We'll begin our regular meetings again in January as we begin 2022 projects originally planned. Look for an email about details soon after the new year. As always we welcome new members to Philoptochos. Don't wait to be "asked" to join. Step up and start 2022 by volunteering and assisting us in working for our charities. January begins a new year of joining and paying dues for the year.

From everyone in our St. George Ladies Philoptochos Society we wish you and yours

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year 2022.

Be sure to check out The Official Newsletter of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society: Philanthropy Witness.

https://mailchi.mp/philoptochos/philanthropy-witness-october-2021









FELLOWSHIP NEWS by Eliana Georgelos

Greetings from the Fellowship group!

Although this issue of the Triumphant covers the months of January and February 2022, the Fellowship group wishes to highlight the ministries of our St. George community throughout the past year. Amidst the difficulties of the Covid pandemic when we couldn't even attend church services in person to the slow return of activities, our little church has prevailed! Thanks to Father Neofitos, our liturgies and other services have continued unabated. With our choir unable to continue singing, we have been blessed that Presvytera Catherine has so beautifully chanted every one of our services. We have seen a wonderful resurgence of our ministries...our Philoptochos, Fellowship, and AHEPA groups, our bible study/book club group and our Greek school. Although Covid threatened to prevent our annual Greek festival, our biggest fundraiser of the year from taking place, it not only happened but was the most successful festival in our history. Stewardship has been increasing every month with our church membership continuing to grow. We are indebted to so many...Father Neofitos and Presvytera Catherine, our spiritual leaders; Jan Gallas and Olga Delorey, our Philoptochos leaders; Brian Goodale and our Parish Council; Lucy Brady and Toni Kananis, our Stewardship chairs; Phil Menagias and the AHEPA group; Olga Delorey, our choir director; Gladys Paravalos and the Friends of St. George; Steve Giakoumis, Bill Manikas, Peter Kalil and the Thursday Morning Boys; Presvytera Catherine, Ioanna Loula and George Cotzas, our Greek School teachers; Gladys Paravalos and Katherine Orfan, our bakers of prosforo; and all the other members of our community who unselfishly have given of themselves for the good of our church.

On Thursday, December 9th, the Fellowship group celebrated an early Christmas with a luncheon at the Bellevue Cafe. It was a fun afternoon where we enjoyed playing several Christmas games with prizes being awarded to the winners. We extend our appreciation to Michael Mikropoulos and Didi Slingerland, owners of the Cafe for their varied and delicious menu and the luscious strawberry cheesecake they presented to us as a special treat for dessert. They are thoughtful in much the same way as their beloved father, the late Spiro Mikropoulos, who died of Covid in April of 2020. Thank you, Mike and Didi, for your kindness and generosity! A few photos of our Christmas gathering are included in this bulletin.

Our Fellowship meetings in January and February will take place on January 13th and February 10th at the Hellenic Center. As with all our gatherings, we meet for lunch at 11:30 am on the second Thursday of every month. We ask for a nominal contribution of \$3 per member or \$5 per non-member to cover the cost of the food. Annual dues are \$25 per couple or individual. Starting in 2022, we will be collecting dues in January.

Wishing our entire St. George community a happy, healthy New Year with God's blessings to all.

Youth Group

Join our Youth Zoom on Tuesdays at 5:30 pm

Ages 4-12

We send reminders through email and the remind app. To join the email Youth list please email Lucy Goodale your cell number and full names of the children at <u>LGoodale7@gmail.com</u>. Reminders and important Youth information are also sent through the Remind app. Please join our remind class using the link below or the class code. https://www.remind.com/join/f3fh94e or use class code@f3fh94e.

WELCOME TO OUR FAMILY

2021 Stewardship Pledges

We are grateful for those members listed below who have submitted their 2021 stewardship pledge as of December 29, 2021. Thank all for your contributions to our church. Your continued and consistent support will help our ministries and vision.

Mr. & Mrs. George Alatzas Mr. Peter & Kyriakoula Andrikopoulos Mrs. & Mrs. Stephen Arrington Mr. John Behiri Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Behiri Ms. Susan Birbilis Mrs. Lucy Brady & Family Mr. & Mrs. Sam Bratsos Mrs. Ifigenia Brown Ms. Arii Cakouros Ms. Fanny Caranikas-Walker Mr. & Mrs. Patrick Casey Mr. & Mrs. Peter Chamberas Mr. & Mrs. Andreas Christou Mr. Andreas & Sophia Christou Miss Arianna Christou Mr. & Mrs. Euripides Christou Mrs. Patricia Chyssovergis Mrs. Catherine Contompasis Ms. Catherine Contompasis Mr. Charles Contompasis & Family Mr. and Mrs. Emanuel Contompasis Miss Demetra Corsones Mr. & Mrs. George Cotzas Mrs. Rena Counavelis Mrs. Marianne Crary Mrs. Joanne Dafniotis Ms. Linda Davison Mr. & Mrs. Konstantin Deligiannis Ms. Olga Delorey Mr. Gerry Dermentzys Ms. Joanne Diamantis Mrs. Katina Dikas & Family Ms. J. Maria Dostis- Koliatsis Mrs. Marguerite Doulides Mr. & Mrs. Brad Engwer Mr. & Mrs. Michael Euripidou Mrs. Janet Gallas Mr. Arthur Georgelas Mrs. Helena Georgelas Mr. Nicholas Georgelas Mrs. Eliana Georgelos Ms. Panagiota Giakoumis Mr. & Mrs. Peter Giakoumis Mr. & Mrs. Steve Giakoumis

Mr. & Mrs. Brian Goodale & Family Mr. Periklis Hais Mr. & Mrs. Owen Huggins Mrs. Frusina Ica Iancu Dr. & Mrs. Philip James Mr. Nicko Jannes Mr. & Mrs. Thomas Jones & Family Mrs. Catherine Julius Mr. & Mrs. Peter Kalil Mrs. Evangelia Kalogeras Ms. Antonia Kananis Mr. Evan Kananis Mrs. Fanny Karamanos Mr. & Mrs. John Kennedy Miss Balwant Maria Kingra Mr. Charles Koines Mr. & Mrs. Demetrios Kolios Mrs. Katina Kontakos Mr.& Mrs. Christo Kounoupis Ms. Kaliopi Kounoupis & Family Mrs. Voula Kounoupis Mr. & Mrs. Steven Kouray Mr. Dimitrios Koutsopoulos Mr. & Mrs. H. Koutsopoulos Mrs. Anna Ktenas Ms. Diamanto Ktenas Mr. & Mrs. David Lambert Mr. & Mrs. Trifon Laskaris Mr. & Mrs. Paul LaViolette Ms. Christine Legorius Mrs. Rosemary Legorius Mr. William Manikas Mrs. Akrivi Markopoulos Mr. & Mrs. Dimitryos Markopoulos Miss Stamatia Markoulis Mr. & Mrs. Phil McGowen Mr. & Mrs. Angelo Menagias Miss Cathy Menagias Ms. Corina Menagias Mr. & Mrs. Fillipos Menagias Mr. Georgio Menagias Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Menagias Mr. Demetrios Michael Mr. Evan Michael Mrs. Rena Mikropoulos

Mr. & Mrs. Shaun Miller Mr. & Mrs. Scott Morlock Mr. & Mrs. Evangelos Nikolaidis Mr. Simeon Nikolaidis Mrs. Katherine Orfan Mr. & Mrs. Paul Pagiotas Mr. & Mrs. Vito Pagnotti & Family Mr. & Mrs. Peter Pagones Mr. & Mrs. Nick Paravalos Ms. Voula Paravalos Mr. & Mrs. Frank Rossetti Mr. & Mrs. Paul Salamone Fr. Neofitos & Presv. Sarigiannis & Family Mrs. Elena Sikamiotis Mr. & Mrs. Gerasimos Sokaris Mrs. Ourania Sokaris Mrs. Roubina Spyros-Morgan Mr. & Mrs. Gerasimos Stamoulis Ms. Maria Stamoulis Mrs. Stravroula Stamoulis Mr. & Mrs. Van Stathis Mr. James Stevens Mrs. Olga Stryjski Mr. & Mrs. George Svolos Mrs. Themetria Svolos Ms. Melissa Verrigni Mr. & Mrs. Dimitrios Vlahakis Mr. & Mrs. Brian Whipple & Family Mrs. Mary Wilson Mrs. Sophie Zanaros Mr. John & Michael Ziamandanis Mrs. Anastasia Zoulas Mrs. Mary Zoulas



St. George's School of Greek Language and Culture



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Stewardship Sunday, November 21st

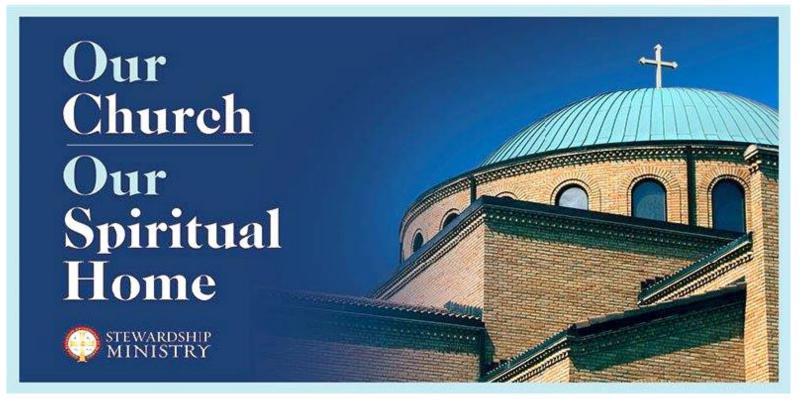
We had a presentation delivered by Fr. Neofitos and Lucy Brady. They offered some insights and information from our Archdiocese and from our history. In hopes of helping people become informed and educated on the topic, Fr. Neofitos presented some practicalities of giving and dreaming about our church's future.

Here is some perspective on our recent history and goals:

2019: \$68,000 (approximately collected)
2020: \$80,000 (approximately collected)
2021: \$88,810 (\$90,085 pledged so far)
Our community is growing and we need everyone's involvement, enthusiasm, and worship.



We pray 2022 will be a record-breaking year pleasing to the Lord. May He guide our path.





House Blessings

It is customary each year during the season of Holy Theophany for all Orthodox Christians to have their home and place of business blessed by their priest. The yearly blessing of homes at the Feast of the Theophany touches our daily lives with the sanctifying water in which our Lord was baptized. In blessing a home, the Church asks God to drive away every evil influence from our home and those who live in it, and to renew with extra vigor the influence of the Holy Spirit in our homes and lives. The Fathers speak of the Christian home as a little church, and just as we chase away the influences of the evil one from our parish, so too must we do in our own family.

How to Prepare for a Home / Business Blessing

In preparing for a house blessing, the following should be noted:

1. A quiet and reverent environment: Turn off the television and radio before the priest arrives. Assemble all the family and friends in the home around the icon corner, or at an icon prepared for the occasion. When the priest arrives, turn off the phone.

2. Prepare the table: For the house blessing, the priest will require the following: An icon, a lit candle or censer, a small, clean bowl for holy water, a sprig of basil or cedar.

3. Clear a path: Clear away objects and furniture to allow a clear path for the priest to walk as he moves throughout the house at the sprinkling of the holy water. Secure pets outside or out of the way. If it is dark, turn on the lights throughout the house.

4. Get ready to sing this Troparion of Theophany several times:

When Thou, O Lord, wast baptized in the Jordan, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest! For the voice of the Father bore witness to Thee, and called Thee His beloved Son! And the Spirit, in the form of a dove, confirmed the truthfulness of His word. O Christ our God, Who hast revealed Thyself and hast enlightened the world, glory to Thee!

Would You Like To Have Your Home Blessed? You do not have to be Orthodox to have your home blessed.

House and Business Blessings

On January 6, 2021 Father Neofitos will begin blessing homes and businesses. Please fill out the card below and return to the office for confirmation.

Name -

Address - Cell/ Main # -

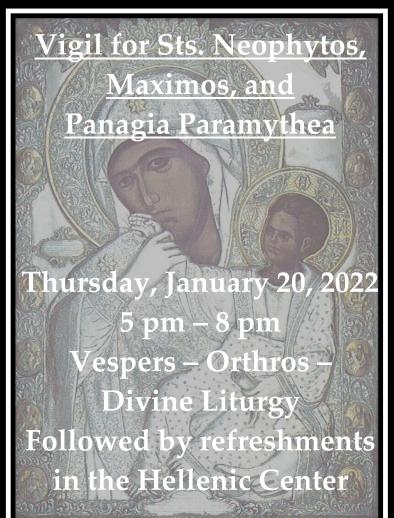
Preferred day and time -

Feel free to contact the office if you have any guestions. 518-393-0742

Theophany Service Schedule 2021

Friday, December 31	4:30 pm Vesperal Divine Liturgy – Saint Basil Feastday (Troy, NY)
Sunday, January 2	Sunday before Epiphany 8:30 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy and Vasilopita Cutting
Wednesday, January 5	Eve of Theophany 7:30 am – 10:30 am Royal Hours of Epiphany and Vesperal Liturgy with Great Blessing of the Waters
Thursday, January 6	Holy Theophany 8:30 Orthros 9:30 Divine Liturgy Lord and Great Blessing of the Waters
Friday, January 7	Synaxis of John the Baptist 8:30 am Orthros 9:30 am Divine Liturgy

Our Sunday service hours are: Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am





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St. George Bookstore

Did you see our new icons and children's books?!!

Come visit our bookstore after church! Call the office if you want to stop by or have any questions. 518-393-0742

St. George Ministry Leaders

Altar Servers Bookstore and Greek School

Bible Study/ Book Club Choir/Chanters Church Ushers Fellowship Group Friends of St. George Greek School Board Greek School Teachers

Greek Dance Ladies Philoptochos Society

Office Manager and Facilities Staff Order of AHEPA Parish Council Members Soup Kitchen Stewardship

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Upcoming Lectures in 2022

All Lectures will begin at 7 pm and refreshments and dinner will be offered in the Hellenic Center for every event.



Zoom Lecture on Thursday, March 17 Fr. John Vlahos, Protopresbyter St. Paraskevi Greek Orthodox Church Shrine in Greenlawn, NY



Zoom Lecture on Wednesday, March 23, after Pre-sanctified Liturgy Fr Maximos Constas is Professor of Patristics and Orthodox Spirituality at Hellenic College and Holy Cross. A summa cum laude graduate of Holy Cross (1987) Faculty of Harvard Divinity School and Professor of Patristics and Orthodox Theology.

Fr. Maximos was tonsured a great-schema monk at the Holy Monastery of Simonopetra, where he lived from 2004-2011.

In- person Lecture on Tuesday, April 5 after Great Compline

Rev. Emmanuel Mantzouris, Economos St. Basil Greek Orthodox Church in Troy, N.Y.

Thank you to Rev. Fr. Aristidis Garinis for a wonderful lecture on the Nativity icon conducted in December.



Zoom Lecture on Wednesday, March 30 after Pre-sanctified Liturgy Dr. George E. Demacopoulos is a Professor of Theology at Fordham University. He is also the Director of the Orthodox Christian Studies Center. Fr. John Meyendorff & Patterson Family Chair of Orthodox Christian Studies







New Hellenic Center Booking Procedures

It is with great joy we announce that our programs are growing strong, and we are using our facilities more and more. Creating a system of booking events is necessary and we ask for your attention.

- If a group/ministry wishes to book the Hellenic Center for an event, the office must be contacted as well and the priest via email and or phone call. Please copy both Father and Camille on your email request: <u>frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com</u> and <u>office@saintgeorgegoc.com</u> or call 518-393-0742
- One may check the NEW Google Facilities Calendar when considering a date for booking. <u>https://www.saintgeorgegoc.com/calendar/google-calendar.</u> Please add this calendar to your google calendars.

Unapproved events present unnecessary conflicts and might even put our youth in danger. It is easy to avoid conflict by clearly communicating with the office and receiving office approval. If we are presented with an unsolvable conflict, the violating group will be asked to leave.

3. Once approval is granted, your event will be added to our Google Calendar and can be viewed here: <u>https://saintgeorgegoc.com/calendar/google-calendar</u>.

As our community continues to grow and open its doors, more and more organization of facility events will be required. We thank you in anticipation for your continued cooperation AND collaboration and we look forward to our growth and success.

Father Neofitios' office hours

To make an appointment with Father during office hours, Mon – Thurs 9am-2pm, please call the office 518-393-0742. To make an appointment outside of office hours, please contact Father directly at 347-256-6723 or email <u>frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com</u>.

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Liturgical Offerings

During the Divine Liturgy, the names of our loved ones are commemorated for their health and salvation and for the repose of the departed. In addition to names, you may also offer the Prosforo, Communion Wine, Altar Candles, Incense, Koliva or Artoklasia as a prayer for your loved ones. You can bring these items yourself or we can provide them for you.



Altar Vigil Lamp Candle – Ακοίμητον (for 1 week) \$20.00

Communion Wine \$20.00

Prosforo \$20.00



Altar Incense Offering -Μοσχοθυμίαμα

\$20.00 - \$50.00

Koliva - Memorial for the Departed \$100.00 Artoklasia- \$50.00



Light a Candle - Digital Pangari (Candle Stand)

Lighting a candle for our loved ones, the departed, the saints, and for anyone in need of prayers is a very important act we practice when entering our church. All candles offered here will be lit during the next service at St. George.





Red Votive Candle to the Theotokos -\$5.00 - \$50.00

Beeswax Candles -\$1.00 - \$20.00

Red Votive Candle to Christ \$5.00 - \$50.00

To place an order and make your donation, please fill out the form below.

Donation

You can also visit our Square site and make your donations online.

https://st-george-greek-orthodox-church.square.site/



St. George Portable Icons Project (Φορητές εικόνες)

We have begun adding portable icons to our church. These icons are used throughout the year during the celebrations of saints and feast days. Icons below include our Lord's feast days as well as the Virgin Mary's feasts, saints, and other holy days. Below is a list as guidance for you to choose from. All requests for donations will go through the Friends of St. George. Please see Gladys Paravalos to donate your icon in church or at coffee hour. Feel free to contact the office or Fr. Neofitos directly if you have any questions. We appreciate all donations for the beautification of our church and for the celebration of our Lord and His beloved Saints.

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If anyone would like to donate for a saint or feast that is not listed, you are more than welcome to do so.

Epiphany **Three Hierarchs Ypapanti** St. Theodore Tyro St. Parthenios Lampsakou St. Edward St. Charalambos Annunciation of the Theotokos **Publican and Pharisee Prodigal Son** Sunday of Orthodoxy Judgement Sunday Second Coming Adam and Eve Exile St. Gregory Palamas Sunday of St. John Climacus St. Mary of Egypt Lazarus Saturday Palm Sunday The Bridegroom O Nymphios Last supper Apokatheilosis Crucifixion **Resurrection icon - Eis adou** kathodon **Resurrection icon - Kaino Mnima Thomas Sunday** Paralytic Samaritan Woman Blind man

Fathers 1st Ecumenical Council **Zoodohos Pigi** Ascension **Holy Pentecost** Sts. Peter and Paul **12 Apostles** Holy Trinity - Hospitality of Abraham St. Marina Transfiguration Kimisis – Dormition of the Theotokos St. Gerasimos St. Phanourios St. John the Baptist The Nativity of the Theotokos **Exaltation of the Holy Cross** Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council St. Demetrios St. Nektarios St. John Chrysostom Eisodia tis Theotokou St. Catherine St. Andrew St. Barbara St. Nicholas St. Spyridon St. Eleftherios St. Aglaia Nativity of our Lord St. Joseph or Holy Family St. Stephanos

All Icons are 16" X 20" in size and cost \$160 each. They are handcrafted by the sisters of Holy Protection Monastery in PA. Contact frneofitos@saintgeorgegoc.com or call 518-393-0742.