

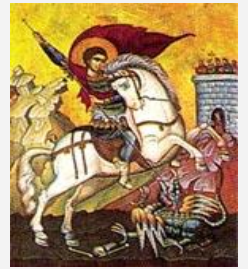


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The Presentation of Our Lord and Savior in the Temple



When the most pure Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary's forty days of purification had been fulfilled, she took her first-born Son to Jerusalem on this, the fortieth day after His birth, that she might present Him in the temple according to the Law of Moses, which teaches that every first-born male child be dedicated to God, and also that she might offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons, as required by the Law (Luke 2:22-24; Exod. 13:2; Lev. 12:6-8). On this same day, a just and devout man, the greatly aged Symeon, was also present in the temple, being guided by the Holy Spirit. For a long time, this man had been awaiting the salvation of God, and he had been informed by divine revelation that he would not die until he beheld the Lord's Christ. Thus, when he beheld Him at that time and took Him up into his aged arms, he gave glory to God, singing: "Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, O Master. . ." And he confessed that he would close his eyes joyfully, since he had seen the Light of revelation for the nations and the Glory of Israel (Luke 2:25-32). From ancient times, the Holy Church has retained this tradition of the churching of the mother and new-born child on the fortieth day and of the reading of prayers of purification. The Apodosis of the Feast of the Meeting in the Temple is usually on the 9th of February. This, however, may vary if the Feast falls within the period of the Triodion. Should this occur, the Typicon should be consulted for specific information concerning the Apodosis of the Feast.

His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

V. Rev. Archimandrite Nektarios Cottros, Chancellor

St. George Greek Orthodox Church

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GOYA Boys JV Basketball - Michael Vasiliades, Coach, George Lambardakis, Coach

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Greek Folk Dance - JOY/HOPE Dance Stella Kanellopoulos, Stavroula Lambardakis

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| Sun | Mon | Tue | Wed | Thu | Fri | Sat |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| | | | | | | 1 GOYA dance Practice 11am-5pm Sights & Sounds Practice 10am-12pm |
| 2 <i>Presentation of our Lord</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Godparents' Sunday Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice | 3 Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm | 4 Sights & Sounds Practice 6:30-9pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 5 <i>Paraklesis</i> 5:30-6:30pm GOYA Bible study 6pm Adult Bible Study 7pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 6 <i>St. Photios the Great</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Parish Council Meeting 7pm Aristotle Academy Greek School | 7 JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm | 8 Sights & Sounds Practice 10am-12pm GOYA dance practice 11am-5pm Aristotle Academy Annual Dinner dance |
| 9 <i>Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am <i>Tridion begins</i> AHEPA CHEESESTEAK FUNDRAISER Philoptochos Meeting Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice GOYA dance Rehearsal 2-6pm | 10 <i>St. Haralambos</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm | 11 Daughters of Penelope Meeting 6:30pm Book reading club 6:30pm Sights & Sounds Practice 6:30-9pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 12 <i>Paraklesis</i> 5:30-6:30pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 13 Parish Council Meeting 7:00pm Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 14 Music Dance Festival @Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm | 15 Music Dance Festival@ Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia Sights & Sounds Practice 10am-12pm |
| 16 <i>Sunday of the Prodigal Son</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Music Dance Festival @Sheraton Hotel, Philadelphia Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice | 17 Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm | 18 Sights & Sounds Practice 6:30-9pm | 19 <i>St. Philothei of Athens</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm | 20 Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm AHEPA Meeting | 21 JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm | 22 <i>Saturday of Souls</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Sights & Sounds Practice 10am-12pm YAL Bowling & Dinner |
| 23 <i>Judgment (Meatfare) Sunday</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice | 24 Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm | 25 Sights & Sounds Practice 6:30-9pm Book reading club 6:30pm | 26 <i>Paraklesis</i> 5:30-6:30pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm | 27 Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm | 28 | |
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SACRAMENTAL REGISTRY



[Monthly Bulletin](#)

Dear Parishioners, if you or someone you know wishes to receive the Monthly Bulletin by mail please contact the office at 610-459-0366

CHOIR NEWS

"I will sing to the LORD all my life; I will sing praise to my God as long as I live." Psalm 104:33.



As the liturgical year begins, the St. George choir will resume chanting the liturgy. All existing choir members, please be ready to sing starting at 9:30. While we have a wonderful core of church musicians, we are always looking for new singers, young and old, to join us on Sunday morning.

Please see myself or Mrs. Theodora Psitos for more information.

If you are not inclined to join us in the choir, we encourage you to sing with all your heart from the pews.

Yours in Christ,

Stephanie Kalogredis

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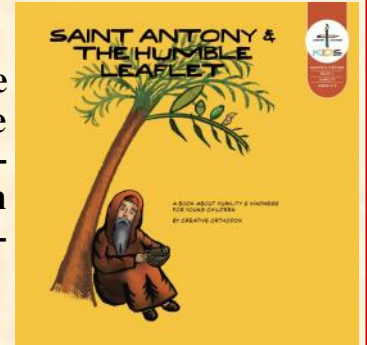
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THIS MONTH AT THE BOOKSTORE

Stop by and visit the **BOOKSTORE** to purchase these featured books and many other Religious books, gifts, handmade jewelry and other helpful resources that are now available for purchase. The bookstore is open Sunday's following Liturgy.

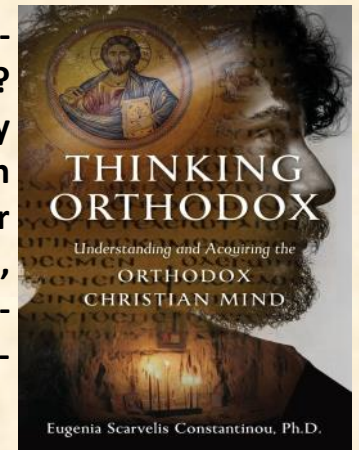
YOUTH BOOK: **Saint Antony & the Humble Leaflet: A Picture Book by Creative Orthodox (Saints & Virtues)** by [Creative Orthodox](#) (Author, Illustrator), [Michael Elgamal](#) (Author)

Christian parents - how do you teach your children virtue? This picture book is a good start. Learn about humility and kindness from a little leaflet and Saint Antony the great. This fun rhyming book tells the story of a group of palm leaflets in the desert. The leaflets argue which one is Saint Antony's favourite? The strongest? The greenest? The oldest? The truth surprises them!



ADULT BOOK: **Thinking Orthodox: Understanding and Acquiring the Orthodox Christian Mind** by [Eugenia Scarvelis Constantinou](#) (Author)

What does it mean to "think Orthodox"? What are the unspoken and unexplored premises and presumptions underlying what Christians believe? Orthodox Christianity is based on preserving the mind of the early Church, its phronema. Dr. Jeannie Constantinou brings her more than forty years' experience as a professor, Bible teacher, and speaker to bear in explaining what the Orthodox phronema is, how it can be acquired, and how that phronema is expressed in true Orthodox theology - as practiced by those who are properly qualified by both training and a deep relationship with Christ.



DONATION REQUEST

Donation of small water bottles and small juice boxes are needed for coffee hour. If you would like to donate either of these items please drop them off at St. George or bring them on a Sunday.

Thank you.

Just a friendly reminder that when you are receiving holy communion and / or kissing an icon, please not wear any type of lip product.

Thank you.

Trisagion Services

If you wish to have a trisagion for your departed loved ones, Trisagion services will be held from Fr. Zissis at the following cemeteries:

Saturday, February 22

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Ss Peter & Paul Cemetery | 12:30 - 1:30pm |
| Arlington Cemetery | 2:00-3:00pm |
| Edgewood Memorial Park | 3:30-4:30pm |



Saturday, March 1

| | |
|-------------------------------|---------------------|
| Chester Rural Cemetery | 12:30-1:30pm |
| Lawn Croft Cemetery | 2:00-3:00pm |

* Please contact the church office at [610-459-0366](tel:610-459-0366), if you need to schedule a Trisagion on a different day.

Offertory Prayer



Lord our God as you welcomed the gifts of Abel, the sacrifices of Noah and Abraham, the incense of Aaron and Zachariah, do welcome also, from the hands of us sinners, these offerings, so that in clear conscience we may always offer to you gifts and the resources of our labor, for your glorification, for the alleviation of sufferings and hunger, for the ministry to your people, by the grace, mercy and philanthropy of your only begotten Son with whom You are blessed from ages to ages. Amen.

Προσευχή Προσφοράς

Κύριε Θεέ, όπως δέχθηκες τα δώρα του Άβελ, τις θυσίες του Νώε και του Αβραάμ, το θυμιάμα του Ααρών και του Ζαχαρία, ας δεχθείς από τα αμαρτωλά μας χέρια και τις προσφορές αυτές έτσι, ώστε πάντοτε να μπορούμε να Σου προσφέρουμε δώρα και τους κόπους της εργασίας μας για την δόξα Σου, προς ελάφρυνση των δοκιμασιών και της πείνας, προς διακονία του λαού Σου, προς συγχώρηση των αμαρτιών και εξιλασμό του λαού Σου, με την χάρη, το έλεος και φιλανθρωπία του μονογενούς Σου Υιού. Ευλογημένο να είναι το όνομά Σου εις τον αιώνα. Αμήν.

Please remember, if you have already obtained a civil divorce, you must also receive an Ecclesiastical Divorce from the Church

This brief process is confidentially handled by the parish priest. You must complete this process in order to be in good standing with the Church, meaning that you may not partake in the Sacramental life of the Church, (example: being a sponsor at a wedding or baptism, receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion and Holy Unction, serving on the Parish Council, voting at Parish Assemblies and entering into another marriage).

Please consider your personal situation and be in good standing with the Church. If you have questions or concerns, please contact Fr. Zissis directly.

Pastoral Visits - A Request to All Parishioners:

If you desire a pastoral visit in case of a hospitalization, or for someone who is homebound, in a nursing facility, or in prison, please have an immediate family member notify the Church office 610.459.0366 or if it is an emergency you can contact Fr. Zissis at 617.990.4390 so that a visit can be arranged.

If you need prayers for Health, Healing or any other Concerns please contact Father Zissis for spiritual advise and to arrange the appropriate services or sacraments, according to our Holy Orthodox Church.

Prospora Liturgy of Preparation, Proskimidia, Service of Prothesis. Offering Prospora and names at the Liturgy.

Take the prospora to church with a list of names for the priest to mention during the Divine Liturgy. Put the first names of the living in one column of your note (including those who have baked the bread, and others you want remembered) and the names of any deceased in another column.

PROSPHORA/ARTOCLASIA

If you wish to donate the **Prospora** for a special feast day or your name day, they are available for purchase at **\$10.00 each**.

Artoclasia is available for purchase to celebrate a name day or special occasion from the Philoptochos Society, **5 loaves for \$50**.

Prospora & Holy Communion Wine for Memorial

are available for purchase for **\$45**.

For all **Memorial services and Artoclasia**, we kindly ask that you also supply **wine and oil for the Altar**.

Please contact the church office or any Philoptochos member for your orders.



**WE WERE BLESSED TO HAVE HIS EMINENCE METROPOLITAN APOSTOLOS OF NEW JERSEY
VISIT OUR CHURCH ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 26, 2025.**





Orthodox Christian Stewardship Program

Dear Parishioners,

With our church, we often imagine only what is humanly possible, but if we do our part in faith, God will lovingly return to us much more than we could ever imagine. This is the true meaning of “Your own from Your own.” We will see our church, not as it is, but as it could be, with our humble gifts multiplied by God’s generosity and love.

We ask you to support these worthy ministries with your pledge.

Giving to His Church is a way to thank God for His grace and generosity. The question is not, “What are the dues?” but “How can I thank God for my many blessings?” We see our church, not as it is, but as it could be. We offer our treasure and ourselves sacrificially, so that, as members of the Body of Christ, we may reach our full potential in Him.

Before completing the enclosed Commitment Card and Information Form, please give prayerful consideration to the commitment you are making. A check mailed to the church is most meaningful when accompanied by your presence, by your willingness to serve, by your prayers, and by your commitment. We ask kindly you to support these worthy ministries of our Parish with your pledge. Giving is not a substitute for commitment – it is an expression of your commitment and an expression of thanks for the many blessings in your life.

Well done, Good and Faithful Servant!

Yours in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Zissis Lappas



Fr. Zissis would like to express his gratitude to the two anonymous families who donated the amount of \$30,000 for the new Ecclesiastical Liturgical items.

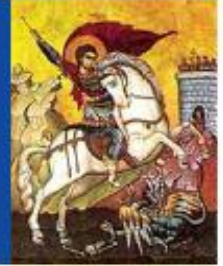
Their thoughtfulness and generosity are very much appreciated.

May God bless their families always !

Thank you
for your donation



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GATHER MY PEOPLE TO MY HOME • COME AND SEE
2025 CHRISTIAN STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT FORM

In gratitude for God's blessings, I/we pledge to contribute for Christ's work at St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Media, PA for 2025

A total annual amount of: *\$800 \$1,000 **\$1,400 \$1,500 \$2,000 \$3,000 \$5,000 Other _____
 \$ _____ weekly \$ _____ monthly \$ _____ quarterly \$ _____ semi-annually \$ _____ annually

Name: _____
 Address: _____
 City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Telephone Number: _____
 Email Address: _____
 Date Submitted: _____

**The family average contribution needed to fund St. George's operating expenses is \$1,400. Please plan to give in proportion to your God-given income and family circumstances. *Average yearly contribution.

2025 STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM • AUTOMATIC PAYMENT OPTIONS

The 2025 Stewardship Program offers the option of making your stewardship contributions via automatic charge to a personal credit card account. To sign up for this option, fill out the information below:

<http://www.venmo.com/StGeorgeMedia>
<https://stgeorgemediapa.square.site/>



Electronic Checking/Savings Transfers are no longer available.

Credit Card Transfers

Credit Card Transfers

Type of Card: MasterCard Visa Amex Discover
 Card # _____ Exp _____ / _____
 3 Digit Security Code _____ Zip Code: _____
 Name as it Appears on Card _____

On Line and Mobile Banking

Offers you the best in security, simplicity and convenience, while St. George receives 100 percent of your donation with no fees deducted. St. George is charged a 3.6% collection fee when you use your credit card.



AUTOMATIC PAYMENT AMOUNT

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| MONTHLY <i>(12 Payments)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> \$50 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$75 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$100 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$250 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
| QUARTERLY <i>(4 Payments)</i> | <input type="checkbox"/> \$150 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$225 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$300 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$750 | <input type="checkbox"/> \$1,500 | <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ |
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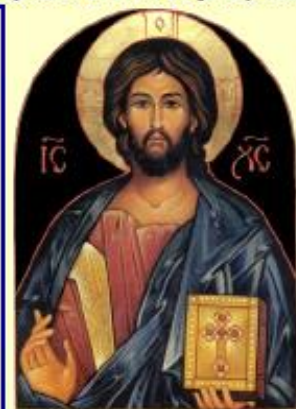
All electronic payments will be processed on the 20th day of the month (starting in January 2025) unless otherwise requested. If starting automatic payments after Jan 20, then the 1st payment will include any catch-up payments from the frequency amount selected.

I wish to contribute to St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Media, PA utilizing the Automatic Payment Option as shown on this commitment form for supporting the 2025 Christian Stewardship Program.

Name: _____
 Billing Address: _____

By signing below I authorize St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Media PA to make my contribution's by Electronic Checking/Savings Transfers or Credit Card Transfers as indicated on this form; this signature also authorizes charges be made to my account.

Signature: _____ Date: _____



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AND
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STEWARDSHIP # _____

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THIS LIST WAS LAST UPDATED ON 1-29-2025

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*If you have fulfilled your 2024 Stewardship Pledge to St. George and your name is not listed, please contact our Stewardship Committee.

THANK YOU TO ALL OF OUR PARISHIONERS WHO
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OUR JOURNEY TO PASCHA! 2025

Created by Fr. Jonathan Bannon (ACROD)

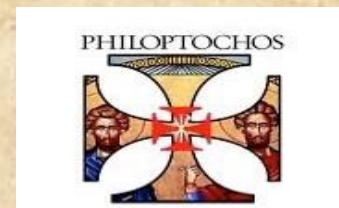
| SUNDAYS | THEMES / GOSPEL READING | HOW TO PARTICIPATE: |
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| Fast - Free Week FEBRUARY 9th |  <i>TRIODION WEEKS</i> Publican and the Pharisee Epistle: 2 Timothy 3:10-15 Gospel: Luke 18:10-14 | Show compassion on the poor and distressed. Trust in God, not yourself and ask for His help before every task this week. |
| Normal Fast Week FEBRUARY 16th |  The Prodigal Son Returns! Epistle: 1 Corinthians 6:12-20 Gospel: Luke 15:11-32 | Schedule a Confession. Every morning say, "Today I will be humble." Use up/freeze meats this week. |
| Meatfare FEBRUARY 23rd FAREWELL TO MEAT TODAY |  The Last Judgement Epistle: 1 Corinthians 8:8-9:2 Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46 | Pray facing East this week. Christ is returning from the East and we wait for Him! Use up/freeze dairy this week. |
| Cheesefare MARCH 2nd FAREWELL TO CHEESE TODAY |  Adam and Eve are cast from Paradise! <i>FORGIVENESS SUNDAY</i> Epistle: Romans 13:11-14:4 Gospel: Matthew 6:14-21 | Ask each other for forgiveness each evening this week before bed. |
| 1st Sunday of Lent MARCH 9th |  <i>GREAT LENT BEGINS WITH FORGIVENESS VESPERS</i> SUNDAY of ORTHODOXY Epistle: Hebrews 11:24-26, 32-12:2 Gospel: John 1:43-51 | Bring an icon to church for a procession. |
| 2nd Sunday of Lent MARCH 16th |  ST GREGORY PALAMAS Epistle: Hebrews 1:10-2:3 Gospel: Mark 2:1-12 | Bring a prayer rope to be blessed today! Use it and pray the Jesus Prayer each day this week. |
| 3rd Sunday of Lent MARCH 23rd |  VENERATION OF THE HOLY CROSS <i>HALF WAY TO PASCHA!</i> Epistle: Hebrews 4:14-5:6 Gospel: Mark 8:34-9:1 | Wear your cross to church and kiss the cross each morning with a bow! |
| 4th Sunday of Lent MARCH 30th |  ST JOHN of the LADDER Epistle: Hebrews 6:13-20 Gospel: Mark 9:17-31 | Every time you climb stairs this week ask St. John to help you reach Paradise with the sign of the cross! |
| 5th Sunday of Lent APRIL 6th |  ST MARY of EGYPT Epistle: Hebrews 9:11-14 Gospel: Mark 10:32-45 | Ask the Theotokos to offer you and the world pure thoughts and ideas this week. |
| FLOWERY (PALM) SUNDAY! APRIL 13th GREAT WEEK BEGINS |  <i>GREAT AND HOLY WEEK</i> ENTRY OF OUR LORD INTO JERUSALEM Epistle: Philippians 4:4-9 Gospel: John 12:1-18 | Place your palm branches and pussywillows behind an icon at home and in your car! |
| GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY APRIL 18th |  GREAT AND HOLY FRIDAY <i>JESUS DIES ON THE CROSS</i> CHECK WITH YOUR PARISH FOR ROYAL HOURS AND VESPERS SCHEDULE | Refrain from TV, Internet & Phones to honor Christ's Death. |
| FEAST OF FEASTS! APRIL 20th NO FASTING! |  <i>BRIGHT WEEK</i> HOLY PASCHA! (CHRIST IS RISEN!) Epistle: Acts 1:1-8 Gospel: John 1:1-17 | Greet everyone with "CHRIST IS RISEN!" & say it before good morning and goodnight! |



PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY

Αί Μίροφορί

St. George Greek Orthodox Church



Greetings from the Ladies of Philoptochos

Each Sunday after Liturgy, there is Coffee Hour. Everyone is encouraged to participate. The Philoptochos ladies will be setting up donuts and coffee for everyone to enjoy. There will be a 3 month schedule for anyone interested in sponsoring Coffee Hour. If you are interested, please let the office know.

February 2 Godparents Day – GOYA Fundraiser(Chicken fingers & fries)
February 9 AHEPA Cheesesteak Fundraiser
February 16
February 23

March 2
March 9 Sunday of Orthodoxy - Philoptochos Luncheon
(no memorials)
March 16 Roula Nikolaidis –Bateman and her family are sponsoring
the coffee hour in memory of Hrisi ‘Soula’ Nikolaides.
Maria Nazarides and her family are sponsoring the coffee
hour in memory of Theodoros Nazarides.
March 23 Sunday of the Holy Cross-Daffodils
March 30

April 6
April 13 Palm Sunday Parish Council Luncheon
April 20
April 27

Coffee Hour Clean up

Every Sunday after church, the congregation is offered Coffee hour with some sort of desserts and many times luncheons. We ask everyone to kindly assist in the cleanup of the hall by everyone disposing of their trash before leaving the Hall.

Everyone's help in maintaining the cleanliness of our Hall is Appreciated!

We the Philoptochos thank you for your Assistance .

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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE- LAODICE CHAPTER #246

The Daughters of Penelope wish to thank the entire community and friends of St. George for supporting their Penelope's Pastries so that we may continue to support our many Charities. We also thank all those who contributed their time to help make this a successful fundraising event.

The Daughters celebrated the New Year with a dinner at Casa Mia in Media. It was a well attended event that was enjoyed by all. We are in the process of planning another social event and look forward to having more members join us.

The Daughters of Penelope are proud to continue their philanthropic work and are always looking for new and transfer members to join our chapter. If you are interested in joining the Daughters of Penelope please see any of our officers or members. The regular monthly meetings are scheduled on the second Tuesday of every month at 6:30 in the church board room. The remainder of our meetings are on: 2/11/25, 3/11/25, 4/8/25, and 5/13/25.

We wish you a healthy and peaceful New Year filled with love and God's blessings.

Yours in Christ,
Elaine Zanikos
President



JOY & HOPE NEWSLETTER

FEBRUARY
2025



January Fun

MDF DANCE PRACTICE



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Updates

It's never too late to sign up for JOY & HOPE. Use the QR code at the bottom of the newsletter to join our email list.

Upcoming Events

EVERY FRIDAY (6-7:30 PM)

JOY & HOPE Dance Practice for MDF

EVERY SUNDAY(AFTER CHURCH)

JOY & HOPE Dance Practice for MDF

FEBRUARY 15-16TH

MDF Dance Competition

ALL YOUTH ARE WELCOME TO JOIN!!

Sign up to receive email updates

HOPE

Ages 4-2nd grade



JOY

GRADES 3RD-6TH





ALTAR SERVER RETREAT

Led by His Eminence
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

Sunday, March 16, 2025 at 2 P.M.

**St. Sophia Greek Orthodox Church
900 S Trooper Road, Jeffersonville, PA 19403**

[REGISTER HERE!](#)



**St George GOYA presents:
Chicken Finger & Fries Fundraiser
After church on..**

**SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND
\$10 FOR 3 FINGERS, FRIES, AND DRINK!**



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Academy of Aristotle
33rd Annual Dinner Dance

SATURDAY
FEBRUARY 8,
2025

SAINT GEORGE
COMMUNITY
CENTER, MEDIA

TIME:
6:00-11:00
PM

TICKETS:
\$50 FOR ADULTS
\$20 FOR CHILDREN
AND STUDENTS
ACADEMY STUDENTS
-FREE-

COCKTAILS
CASH BAR
DINNER
MUSIC: DJ
ENTERTAINMENT
FOR CHILDREN

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE TEXT OR CALL:

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SUPER BOWL WATCH PARTY



Join the party at St George
All St George Members Invited
Big Game on 7 ft screen and 2 TVs
Free Admission
POT LUCK FOOD & DRINK
Bring a Shareable Plate
Don't forget to bring napkins/plates

St George Greek Orthodox Church
Sunday, Feb 9, 2025 Doors Open 5:30 PM

For more info call/text Dean Lambardakis 610-659-1973



CHESTER-DELCO AHEPA
CHAPTER NO. 79
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM – SPRING 2025

The “E” in Ahepa stands for “Educational.” That is a major mission of the organization.

For decades, Chester-Delco Ahepa Chapter No. 79 has been awarding scholarships to young adults affiliated with the local Ahepa and/or Daughters Chapters and/or with St. George Greek Orthodox Church of Media, PA. Over the years, scholarships totaling almost \$250,000 have been awarded to our worthy youth. In May, 2024 \$18,000 was awarded to 18 recipients.

In order to maintain and grow the Scholarship Program to accommodate the ever increasing numbers of worthy students, more funds are needed.

Chester-Delco Ahepa Chapter No. 79 is now actively soliciting tax deductible donations for scholarships and seeking the support of philanthropic and generous individuals and organizations so that we may have the resources to support these capable young people as they engage in their academic pursuits.

We are truly thankful for the generous donors who through the years have continued to support the ideals of the AHEPA and the growth of our Scholarship Program. We welcome others to assist in this worthy endeavor. May God Bless them all!

Donations of any size would be greatly appreciated and useful. To dedicate a named scholarship for the Spring of 2025, a minimum donation of \$1,000 is required to be received by the Chapter by March 3, 2025. Please make out your check to Chester-Delco AHEPA Chapter 79 and mail it to Bill Kalogredis, 195 Pheasant Run Road, West Chester, PA 19380.

If anyone wishes to establish a perpetual named scholarship, a \$30,000 donation is required. This may be paid over a time period of five or fewer years. Once the donated amount totals \$30,000, the awarding of the perpetual scholarship in the name of the donor’s choice will begin.

If you have any questions or would like to donate, please contact Bill Kalogredis at (610) 701-4402 (or by email @bkalogredis@lambmcerlane.com), George Kaffes at (610) 874-0705, or any Chester-Delco Ahepan.

Thank you!

Chester-Delco Ahepa Chapter No. 79

Dear St. George Parishioners and Friends,

It is “open season” to applying for a Chester-Delco AHEPA Chapter #79 2025 Scholarship. Please see the below for the Application and more information.

Our AHEPA Chapter believes it is important to play a role in supporting our young men and women as they work to accomplish their dreams and goals. They are our future.

With the anticipated 2025 Scholarship awards, Chester-Delco AHEPA will exceed \$250,000 in Scholarships awarded. This could not have been accomplished without the generosity and support of many. We thank you all.

If you have any questions about the Application process or how you may financially support the Scholarship Program, please fee free to reach out to any Chester-Delco AHEPAN.

Happy New Year for you and your loved ones!

With love in Christ.

Vasilios J. Kalogredis
Chester-Delco Chapter #79 Scholarship Co-Chairman
<https://fs30.formsite.com/AHEPA79/y06fjrvngji/index>



The Hellenic University Club of Philadelphia

is now accepting applications for their
2025-2026 Scholarships

Deadline: Friday, April 4, 2025

Eligibility requirements and electronic
applications can be found at:

[http://www.hucphiladelphia.org/
huc-scholarship-program](http://www.hucphiladelphia.org/huc-scholarship-program)

(or scan the QR code below)



SUPPORT OUR SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM AT:

<http://www.hucphiladelphia.org/campaign>

Community Shelter Outreach

Dear Parishioners,



St. George has been providing a monthly meal for residents of Safe Harbor for over 20 years. However, due to the new climate of precaution, they cannot accept prepared/cooked – in advance meals unless they are restaurant prepared or catered by a licensed registered kitchen. Because this is not possible for most of our parishioners, we will need to discontinue providing our monthly offering.

Thus, we have decided to continue to support the Safe Harbor mission by collecting monetary donations and/or grocery store gift cards. As we receive the donations, they will be forward to Safe Harbor to continue our commitment to help those facing food insecurity.

If you are interested in donating, please make checks payable to Safe Harbor or bring Grocery store gift cards to our church office.

I will make sure that they are forward to the proper Safe Harbor coordinator.

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Application Deadlines

Priority: January 21, 2025

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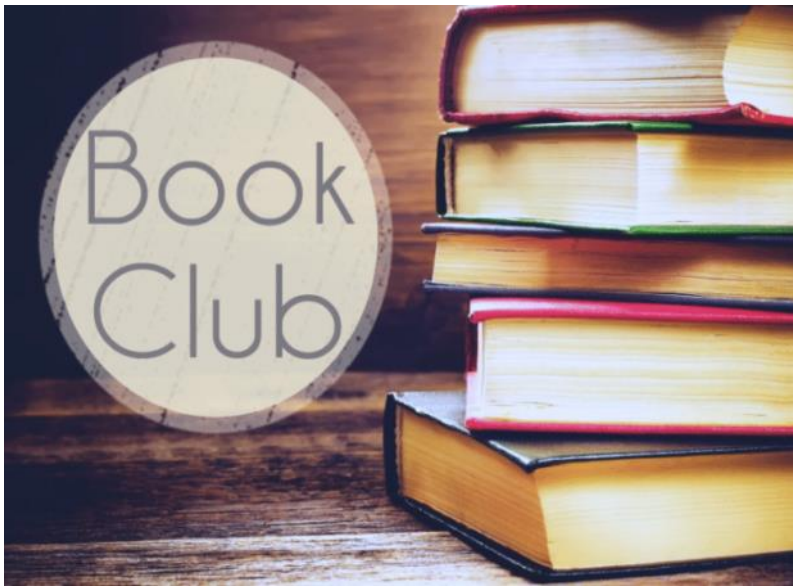
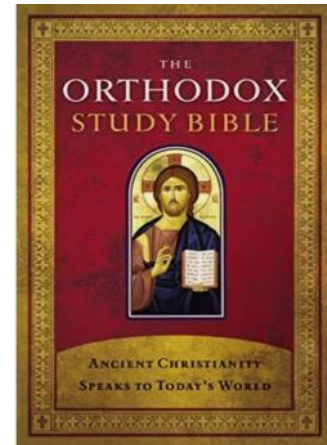
Saint George's Bible Study

Next Session is on Wednesday, February 5th !

GOYA Bible Study: 6:00pm-7:00pm

Adult Bible Study: 7:00pm-8:00pm

For more information contact
Mikael Maras at 610-639-1202



You are all welcome to join our Book Reading Club

Tuesday, February 11th & 25th at 6:30 pm.

The mission of our reading club is to share a good book and encourage each other in our Christian journey, deepen our faith and friendships.

Reading Club Leaders
Thomas & Sophia Restas



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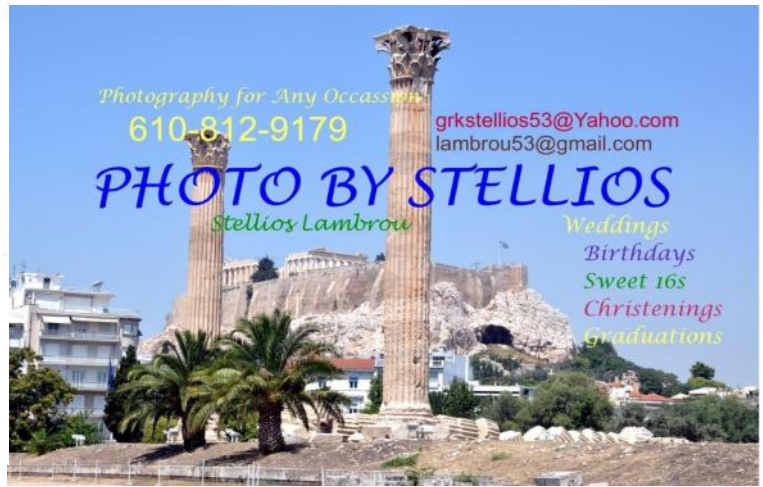
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Bulletin
February, 2025

BLESSINGS FOR FEBRUARY



May You be happy.
May You be well.
May You be safe.
May You find comfort.
May You have strength.
May You have courage.
May You find healing.
May You have peace.
May You have joy.
May you be blessed.
May you be filled with

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Today and Always.