

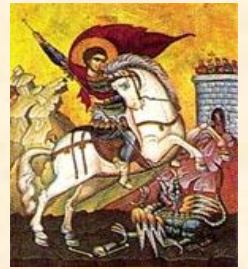


# St. George Greek Orthodox Church

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**January 2025**

[www.stgeorgemedia.org](http://www.stgeorgemedia.org)

## 2025 House Blessing Schedule

Please call the church office at 610-459-0366 to schedule your house blessing. Consult the schedule below for dates and times in your area. If your location is not listed please call the office to arrange a specific date and time. Please note that an appointment is required in order to have your home blessed.

**Fr. Zissis will make every effort to bless all those who request it.**

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Area/Zip Codes</u>
Monday, January 6	1PM-8PM	West Chester/19382
Tuesday,, January 7	1PM-8PM	West Chester/19380
Wednesday, January 8	10AM-4PM	Aston/Chester/Brookhaven/Parkside
Thursday , January 9	10AM-5PM	Thornton/Glen Mills
Friday, January 10	10AM-5PM	Springfield/Wallingford/Swarthmore
Monday, January 13	10AM-5PM	Media
Tuesday, January 14	10AM-5PM	Eddystone/Woodlyn/Prospect Park/Ridley Park
Wednesday, January 15	10AM-5PM	Newtown Square
Thursday, January 16	9AM-4PM	Broomall
Friday, January 17	1PM-6PM	Boothwyn/Garnet Valley
Monday, January 20	10AM-5PM	Glen Mills/Chester Heights/Chadds Ford
Tuesday, January 21	10AM-5PM	Collegeville/Malvern/Berwyn/Bryn Mawr
Wednesday, January 22	10AM-5PM	Downingtown/Exton
Thursday, January 23	10AM-5PM	Kennett Square/Avondale
Friday, January 24	10AM-5PM	West Chester/19382
Monday, January 27	10AM-5PM	Collingdale/Drexel Hill/Folsom/Holmes
Tuesday, January 28	10AM-5PM	Delaware
Wednesday, January 29	10AM-5PM	Media
Thursday, January 30	10PM-5PM	New Jersey
Friday, January 31	9AM-5PM	Extra Day



# ***His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey***

*V. Rev. Archimandrite Nektarios Cottros, Chancellor*

## ***St. George Greek Orthodox Church***

Presiding Priest - *Rev. Fr. Zissis Lappas, Presbyter*

### **2024 Parish Council Members**

Constandean Lambardakis, **President**  
Maria A. Stamoulas Koudelis, **1st Vice President**  
Angelica Politarhos-Santora, **2nd Vice President**  
Demetrios Psihalinos, **Secretary**  
Athanasios Arsenlis, **Treasurer**  
Filaretos Hanos, **Financial Secretary**  
Efstathios Kanteliotis, **Assistant Financial Secretary**  
Speroula Fotiades-Alexander  
Christos Christou  
Daisy Diavastis  
Paraskevi "Peggy" Galiatsatos  
Constantine Glyptis  
Drew M. Nayman  
Emmanuel Papadopoulos  
Maria Zografakis

### **Organizations**

**Office Manager** - Nota Getsos

**Chanter** - Michael Matekovic

**Choir** - Stephanie Kalogredis, Director

**Custodian** - Gina DiFlavis, Christopher Fallerino

**Accountant** - George Kaffes, Fiscal Grace, Inc.

**Philoptochos** - Ai Mirophoroi - Dina Christou, President

**YAL** - Panos Skoutelas

**GOYA**-Dionisi Psihalinos, GOYA President, Advisors: Anthoula Psihalinos, Angie Christou

**JOY/HOPE** Stella Kanellopoulos, Stavroula Lambardakis, Maria Naum, Dimitra Bentioulis Advisors

**JOY/HOPE Dance** Victoria Nares, Dimitra Bentioulis.

**Sunday School Director** - Stella Kanellopoulos, Dina Christou, Directors

**Mommy & Me:** Presvytera Georgia Lappas

**Bookstore** - Presvytera Georgia Lappas, Angela Bourogiannis

**GOYA Boys V Basketball** - Evans Christou, Coach, Demetrios Psihalinos, Coach

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

**GOYA Girls Basketball** - Constandean Lambardakis, Coach, Vasilius Kalogredis, Coach, Angela Pavlou, Coach

**Vacation Church School** - Presvytera Georgia Lappas, Stella Kanellopoulos, Stavroula Lambardakis

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

(GOYA-Zephyros Dance Group) Fotini Gouliaberis.

**Aristotle Academy at St. George** - Elias Pantelidis, Director

**Chion Society of St. Markella** - Marco Tourlitis, President

**AHEPA** - Emmanuel Papadopoulos, President

**Daughters of Penelope** - Elaine Zanikos, President

**Youth Protection:** Dina Christou

### **Parish Council Committee Chairpersons**

**Building Expansion** - Constandean Lambardakis, Demetrios Psihalinos, Nikolaos Yiantsos

**Bylaws** - Peter Dionisos

**Executive Committee** - Parish Council Officers

**Facilities** -Constandean Lambardakis, Christos Christou, Athanasios Arsenlis

**Festival** - Angelica Politarhos-Santora, Demetrios Psihalinos, Constandean Lambardakis, Paraskevi Galiatsatos, Filaretos Hanos

**Finance** - Athanasios Arsenlis, Filaretos Hanos, Drew M. Nayman,

**Parish Council Greek School Liason**- Demetris Psihalinos

**Hall Rental** - Paraskevi Galiatsatos

**IT/Audio Visual** - Constandean Lambardakis

**Personnel** - Executive Committee

**Stewardship** - Drew M. Nayman & TBD

**Web Master & Strategic Planning** - Constandean Lambardakis

**Youth Liaison** - Demetrios Psihalinos, Constandean Lambardakis

**Golf Classic** - George Lambardakis, Filaretos Hanos, Steve Kanteliotis, Peter Papadopoulos

**Pangari Captain:** Judge Kenneth N. Miller

# January 2025

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<https://dcs.goarch.org/goa/>

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Dates & services subject to change

Check the St. George Website for the most up to date information



Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
			<b>1</b> <i>St. Basil/ Circumcision of our Lord</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am 	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> <i>Forefeast of Epiphany</i> Orthros /Great Hours 8:30-10:30am JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm Coffee Talk with Fr. Zissis 6pm	<b>4</b> GOYA Basketball Quarterfinals @ Holy Trinity, Wilmington 11am-6pm GOYA dance practice 12-3pm
<b>5</b> <i>Sunday before Theophany</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Vasilopita Cutting JOY/HOPE dance practice GOYA Basketball Semifinals @St. Thomas, Cherry Hill 2:30-7:00pm	<b>6</b> <i>Holy Theophany</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Aristotle Academy Vasilopita Cutting Celebration 6pm GOYA Basketball practice 6:30- 9:00 pm	<b>7</b> <i>Synaxis of St. John</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am	<b>8</b> GOYA Bible study 6pm Adult Bible Study 7pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm	<b>9</b> Parish Council Meeting 7pm Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm	<b>10</b> JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm	<b>11</b> GOYA dance practice 12-3pm
<b>12</b> <i>Sunday after Theophany</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice Philoptochos Meeting GOYA Basketball Finals @Holy Trinity, Egg Harbor, NJ 2:30-7:pm	<b>13</b> Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm GOYA Basketball practice 6:30- 9:00 pm @Glenwood Elementary School Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm	<b>14</b> Daughters of Penelope Meeting 6:30pm Book reading club 6:30pm	<b>15</b> Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm	<b>16</b> AHEPA Meeting 6:30pm Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm	<b>17</b> <i>St. Antonios</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm	<b>18</b> <i>St. Athanasios &amp; Cyril</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am GOYA dance Rehearsal 12-3pm GOYA Basketball Tournament @ Holy Trinity, Wilmington
<b>19</b> <i>12th Sunday of Luke</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice GOYA Basketball Tournament @ Holy Trinity, Wilmington	<b>20</b> Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm	<b>23</b> Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm	<b>24</b> JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm	<b>25</b> <i>St. Gregory the Theologian</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am GOYA dance Rehearsal 12-3pm Glendi Dance 6:00pm
<b>26</b> <i>15th Sunday of Luke</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Sunday School JOY/HOPE dance practice Aristotle Academy Celebration of Greek Letter day	<b>27</b> GOYA Basketball practice 6:30- 9:00 pm @Glenwood Elementary School Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm Pan Macedonian Dance Rehearsal 8pm	<b>28</b> Book reading club 6:30pm	<b>29</b> Aristotle Academy Greek Adult Classes 6-8pm GOYA dance Rehearsal 6:30pm	<b>30</b> <i>The Three Hierarchs</i> Orthros 8:30am Divine Liturgy 9:30am Aristotle Academy Greek School Classes 5:30-7:30pm	<b>31</b> JOY/HOPE Dance practice 6pm	



## SACRAMENTAL REGISTRY



### Baptisms



\* On Saturday, December 14, 2024 Aviana Maria Appleton was baptized.  
Godparent–John Legatos

\* On Saturday, December 28, 2024 Evan Randall Esterly was baptized.  
Godparents–John & Catherine Kalogredis

### 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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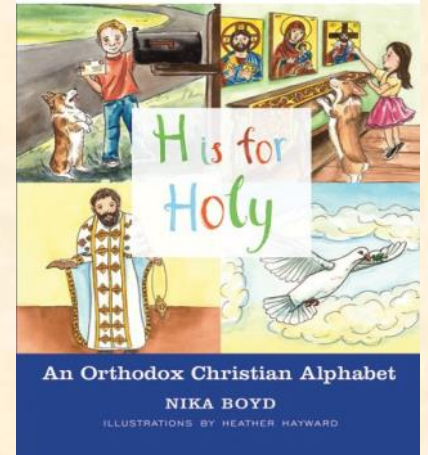
## THIS MONTH AT THE BOOKSTORE

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: H is for Holy. An Orthodox Christian Alphabet .

Author: Nika Mary Boyd

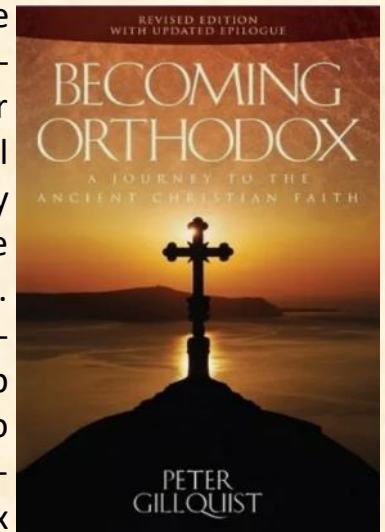
A is for altar, H is for holy, P is for Prayer. Introduce young children to the Orthodox faith as they explore elements and practices found in the Orthodox Church. From the altar table to Zacchaeus perched in the sycamore tree, this simple book offers not just an alphabet, but a first taste of a lifelong journey hand in hand with Jesus Christ.



### ADULT BOOK: Becoming Orthodox A Journey to the Ancient Christian Faith

Author: Peter E Gillquist

This revised edition includes a new epilogue, "Coming up on Twenty-Five Years" since the entry of the Evangelical Orthodox into the Holy Orthodox Church. This is the story of a handful of courageous men and their congregations who risked stable occupations, security and the approval of life-long friends to be obedient to God's call. It is also the story of every believer who is searching for the Church. Where Christ is Lord. Where holiness, human responsibility, and the sovereignty of God are preached. Where fellowship is more than a covered-dish supper in the church basement. And where fads and fashions take a backseat to apostolic worship and doctrine. This is a book, for Orthodox Christians, looking for ways to bring new life to their own Churches. It's also a book for those completely dissatisfied--those on their own search. And it's a book for Orthodox Christians, looking for renewal.



## 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.


## 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 θυμίαμα 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.



May the faith of God  
be with you this year.  
May the peace of God  
surround you,  
and may you be blessed  
each day!

*Happy New Year*

**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.**





Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey

**10th Anniversary Gala**  
in Honor of the Episcopal Ordination of  
His Eminence  
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

**Monday, January 13, 2025**

**5:30 P.M. Cocktail Hour**

**6:30 P.M. Dinner**

**The Venetian**

**546 River Drive, Garfield, NJ 07026**

Tickets.....\$160.00 per person

For more information contact the Metropolis at  
908-301-0500 or Email [10thAnniversaryNJ@gmail.com](mailto:10thAnniversaryNJ@gmail.com)

For Sponsorships, please complete and submit the  
Sponsorship Form

All ticket purchases and sponsorships are due by January 3, 2025

**Sponsorship Program Levels of Support**

Sponsor.....	\$1,250
	2 Tickets for Dinner, Listing in Program
Supporter.....	\$2,500
	4 Tickets for Dinner, Listing in Program
Patron.....	\$5,000
	6 Tickets for Dinner, Listing in Program
Benefactor.....	\$10,000
	10 Tickets for Dinner, Listing in Program
Grand Benefactor.....	\$20,000
	10 Tickets for Dinner, Full Program Insert

All net proceeds from sponsorships and tickets for the 10th Anniversary Gala  
will be restricted to solely benefit the Sacred Ministries of the Metropolis of New Jersey





# 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala

In Honor of the 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Episcopal Ordination of  
His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

## SPONSORSHIP FORM

Checks are to be made payable to the "Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey - Ministry" and sent together with this form to the Metropolis of New Jersey, Attn: 10th Anniversary Sponsorship, 215 E. Grove Street, Westfield, NJ 07090 For more information contact 908-301-0500 or [10thAnniversarynj@gmail.com](mailto:10thAnniversarynj@gmail.com). All Sponsorships must be submitted by Friday, January 3, 2025.

## SPONSORSHIP LEVELS

All Sponsorships Include a Listing in the Commemorative Program Booklet

- |   |   |  |   |   |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Sponsor<br>\$1,250.00<br>+ 2 Tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Supporter<br>\$2,500.00<br>+ 4 Tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Patron<br>\$5,000.00<br>+ 6 tickets | <input type="checkbox"/> Benefactor<br>\$10,000.00<br>+ 10 Tickets. | <input type="checkbox"/> Grand Benefactor<br>\$20,000.00<br>+ 10 Tickets &<br>Full Program Insert |
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## SPONSOR INFORMATION

Individual, Parish or Organization Name (As you wish to be listed in the Program Booklet)

Parish Name

Parish City & State

Sponsor Contact Phone #

Sponsor Contact Email

## TABLE FORM

Please fill out the full names of individuals using the tickets included with the Sponsorship Level

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Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey

# Archpastoral Visit of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey

## Orthros and Hierarchical Divine Liturgy

Sunday, January 26, 2025

9:00 A.M.

St. George Greek Orthodox Church

30 E Forge Road

Media, PA 19063





**His Eminence  
Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey  
Cordially invites all the dedicated Faithful  
of the Delaware Valley Region to the Annual**

***Greek Letters Day Celebration***

***Honoring the Three Hierarchs of our Orthodox Church***



***St. John Chrysostom, St. Basil the Great & St. Gregory the Theologian***

**Sunday, January 26, 2025 at 4:00 pm**

**St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church**

**229 Powell Lane, Upper Darby, PA 19082**

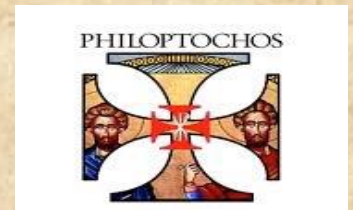
**Please RSVP to the Parish Office at 610-352-7212**

**by January 17, 2025**



**PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY**  
*Ai Miroforoi*

**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.

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|-------------|--|
| January 5   | Vasilopita Cutting   |
| January 12  | Kehagias-Rentoulis Family is Sponsoring the coffee hour in memory of Vasilios Nikolaos Kehagias. |
| January 19  |  |
| January 26  | Academy of Aristotle is sponsoring the coffee Hour in honor of the Greek Letter Day              |
| February 2  |  |
| February 9  | AHEPA Cheesesteak Fundraiser   |
| February 16 |  |
| February 23 |  |
| March 2     |  |
| March 9     | Philoptochos Luncheon (no memorials)   |
| March 16    | Memorial for Hrisi 'Soula' Nikolaides  |
| March 23    |  |
| March 30    |  |

**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 .**

**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.**

# New Year Prayer

A special prayer is offered  
For you

On New Year's Day—

May God in His unceasing love

Send many gifts your way,

And may He fill your heart with peace

And be forever near,

Blessing you and guiding you

Throughout the coming year.

Happy New Year

Dear Parishioners,

Jesus gave us the Parable of the Talents to teach that we are responsible to use God's gifts – to develop them, to grow them, and then to offer them back to Him. Although we all receive different gifts, we see in this parable that there is no difference in God's reward for what we accomplish with them. If you want to be a faithful servant, then take whatever you have and offer it faithfully to the Lord. It is not about how much you have, it is what you do with it.

Stewardship is an opportunity to examine our priorities and values, to express our thankfulness, to give of ourselves and to grow in grace. It allows us to participate in the work of God. Giving is not a substitute for commitment – it is an expression of your commitment. As St. John Chrysostom said, "A Rich Man is not one who has much but one who gives much. For what he gives away remains his forever." Your Stewardship provides the foundation for our Parish Ministries and our efforts in meeting the challenge of spreading Christ's Word and our Orthodox Faith.

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. 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.*

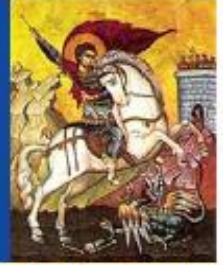
*Their thoughtfulness and generosity are very much appreciated.*

*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 2024

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://stgeorgemedia.pa.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**

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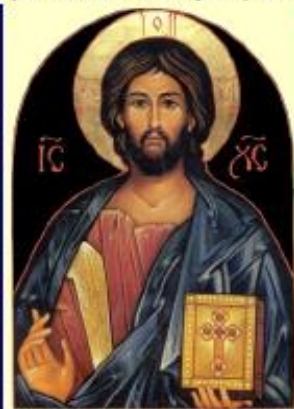
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**CHESTER-DELCO AHEPA**

**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 feel 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/y06fjrvngj/index>

## *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.

# JOY & HOPE

# NEWSLETTER

JANUARY  
2025



## November Fun

### TREE DECORATING EVENT



### BREAKFAST WITH SANTA



## 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)**

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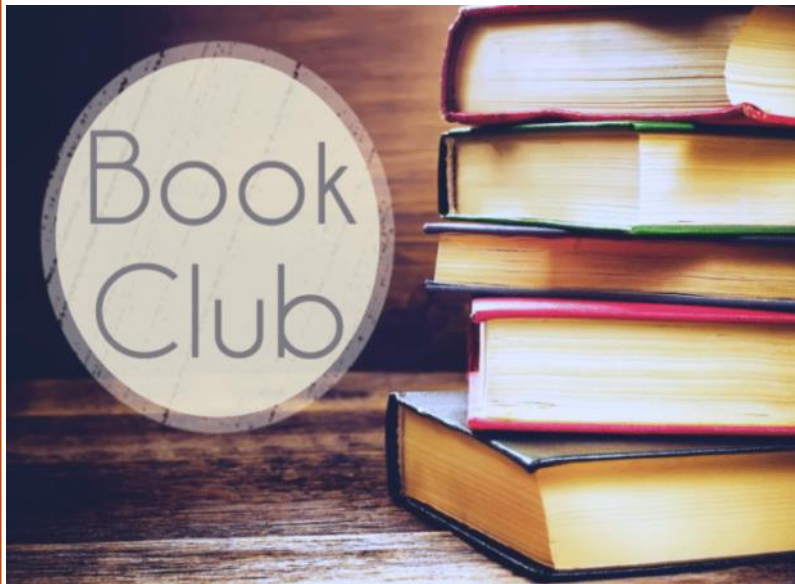
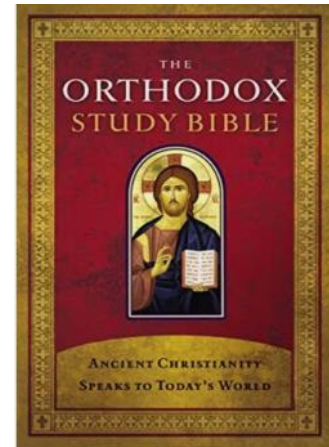
# Saint George's Bible Study

**Next Session is on Wednesday, January 8th !**

**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  
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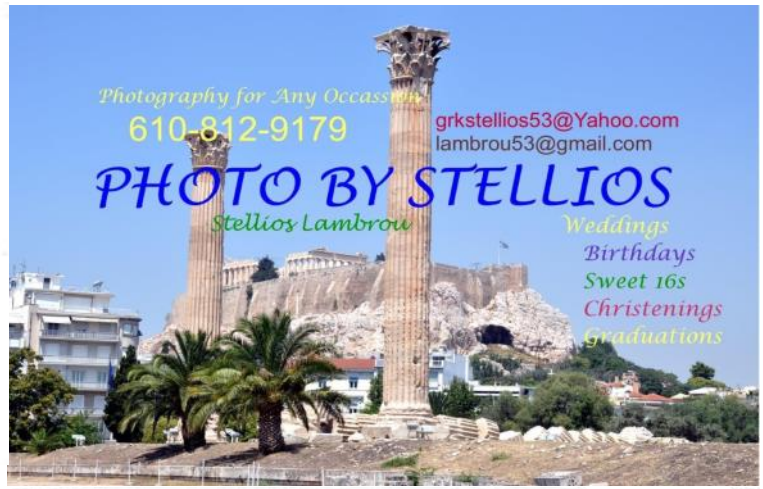
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now baptized as a man (Matt. 3:13-17; Mark 1:9-11; Luke 3:1-22). From these events the Divinity of the Lord Jesus Christ and the great mystery of the Trinity were demonstrated. It is also from this that the present feast is called "Theophany," that is, the divine manifestation, God's appearance among men. On this venerable day the sacred mystery of Christian baptism was inaugurated; henceforth also began the saving preaching of the Kingdom of the Heavens.