THE GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL OF THE ANNUNCIATION

METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

BALTIMORE, MD 21201

Sunday, September 10, 2023 SUNDAY BEFORE HOLY CROSS

TODAY

- Today is Ministry Sunday 2023. It is important that we invest and participate in the life and fellowship of the church. The various ministries and organizations of the Cathedral are represented in the Father Constantine Monios Social Hall during coffee hour. Please take the opportunity to expand your understanding of our ministries and become more involved in church life. There are many reasons for us all to be joyful and energized as we begin the new ecclesiastical year.
- A blessed offering of Sacramental Wine is given by Loretta Prevas Siotka in loving memory of her daughter, Lori. A second Sacramental Wine for the month of September is donated by Ollga Zavakos in loving memory of her husband, Efstratios 'Steve' Zavakos' four-year memorial.
- **The GOYA Affirmation** will take place following Liturgy. The Officers this year are:
 - Thomas Rafailides and Maria Showalter (Presidents)
 - Maria Bellios (Vice-President)
 - Gabriella Bourantas (Treasurer)
 - Ella Showalter (Corresponding Secretary)
 - Constantine Bellios (Recording Secretary)
 - Georgia Ioannou and Marianna Rafailides (Historians)
 - Anna Marie Boia and Theo Brown (Community Service Liaisons)
- Sunday School Registration & Open House will be held today after liturgy. Parents and children should come upstairs to meet their teachers. Also, registration will be taking place in the Father Constantine Monios Social Hall.
- The Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Parish Council.
- If you are visiting the Cathedral, please introduce yourself to Fr. Anastasios Bourantas at the end of the Liturgy.



SAINT OF THE DAY Menodora, Metrodora & Nymphodora the Martyrs

These Martyrs, sisters according to the flesh, were from Bithynia. They lived in virginity on a mountain near the Pythian hot springs of Bithynia, devoting themselves to asceticism and prayer. Betrayed to the local governor, Fronto, they were subjected to frightful tortures, and so gave up their holy souls into the hands of God. They contested for the Faith during the reign of Maximian, in the year 304.

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WEEKLY CALENDAR

See all events at:

annunciationbaltimore.org/calendar

LITURGICAL

- Wed., 9/13
 - 6:00pm Great Vespers of the Elevation of the Holy Cross
- Thurs., 9/14
 - 9:00am Orthros and Divine Liturgy of the Elevation of the Holy Cross
- Sun, 9/17 (Sunday After Holy Cross)
 - 8:00am Orthros
 - 9:30am Divine Liturgy

COMMUNITY

- Tues., 9/12
 - 10:00am Festival Baking Koulourakia
 - 6:30pm Parish Council Meeting
- Wed., 9/13
 - 10:00am Festival Baking Koulourakia
 - 7:00pm Women's Guild Board Meeting (Zoom)
- Thur., 9/14
 - 10:00am Hellenic Heritage Museum Work
- Fri., 9/15
 - 5:30pm Greek School
- Sat., 9/16
 - 11:00am Festival Food Prep Spanakopita
- Sun., 9/17
 - First Day of Sunday School
 - 12:00pm Hellenic Heritage Museum Event
 - 5:00pm AA and Al-Anon Meeting

SAVE THE DATE!

- SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17
 - SUNDAY SCHOOL
- WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 20
 - ORTHODOX LIFE MINISTRIES
- OCTOBER 5 8
 - ANNUNCIATION
 GREEK FESTIVAL



TEWARDSHIP

YOUTH AND YOUNG ADULT

- Greek School Registration is now Open. Greek School is open to all children for Intro to Prep through 6th Grade. Register your child at: https://forms.gle/Jh1SkcoU4bGi4djL6. Classes are on Friday evenings. First class was on September 8th.
- The Greek School is recruiting Teachers for the 2023/2024 school year. Contact Sia Kyriakakos at 443-824-2573 or siakyriakakos@gmail.com. This is a paid position.
- OCF All students attending college in the Baltimore area Orthodox Christian Fellowship is a campus ministry to help you connect with other Orthodox Christians, navigate your time through school, and stay connected to the Church. Contact Dn. John for more info.
- Sunday School Register your child at: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSevzHD UUtlCO87DYJu S6U2QbGEpEo4P0adEWvpqoqYjIG 28w/viewform.
- Sunday School is looking for Volunteers Teachers, Substitute Teachers and Teacher Aids for
 the 2023/2024 school year. Contact Anastasia
 Georgiou at religioused@annunciationbaltimore.org.
- Please consider supporting our Youth Ministries by making a donation in the labeled wooden collection box.

COMMUNITY

- The **Growing in Faith Women's Bible Study Group** will be studying the book Galatians. No Bible Study experience necessary as we will all learn together. Meetings will take place on Saturday mornings from **10AM 11:30AM** in the AOC: **September 30, October 14, 21 & November 11, 18**
- Pilgrimage to the Holy Lands Fr. Anastasios will lead a pilgrimage to the Holy Land, St. Catherine's
 Monastery in Sinai, and Constantinople on <u>February 16 March 1, 2024</u>. For more information, please visit our
 church website or contact Cloud Tours, Inc at 1-718-721-3808 or <u>stephen@cloudtours.com</u>.
- Philoptochos Apron Sale fundraiser is underway to benefit the Philoxenia House Elevator Project. Each
 Apron is \$35. Use link: https://forms.gle/mE87BULB6uKQdSC17 or Scan QR code to place your order.
 The aprons will also be on sale TODAY in the Father Monios Social Hall Foyer and throughout the summer.
 Contact Rhoula Monios at rhoulaevie@yahoo.com for more information.
- Return of Thanos Petrelis ~ Live in Baltimore for a Greek Concert benefit ~ Friday, October 13th at Martin's Valley Mansion (594 Cranbrook Rd, Cockeysville, MD 21030). Doors Open 7:30, Concert starts 8:30pm. Tickets on Sale Now and include Mezzedakia. Cash Bar. Ample free parking available. To purchase tickets scan QR code or visit: www.simpletix.com/e/thanos-petrelis-return-to-baltimore-tickets-137090. Credit Cards accepted. For sponsorship call 443-621-0587. Proceeds will benefit the Greek Orthodox Ministries of our sister churches: Cathedral of the Annunciation, St. Demetrios, St. Nicholas and Sts. Mary Magdalene & Markella.
- WORTHINGTON CHAPTER #30 AHEPA 100th ANNIVERSARY EVENT The Worthington Chapter #30 of AHEPA, will celebrate its 100th Anniversary with a Dinner/Dance at Martin's Valley Mansion on <u>Saturday</u>, <u>November 4, 2023, from 7-11pm</u>. Priests from area Greek Orthodox churches, members of Congress, AHEPA Supreme Lodge Officers and the Chairman of the AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors Program will be in attendance. There will be a pictorial display of the chapter's history. We invite all parishioners to attend and be part of this historic celebration! Event tickets are \$100 and available for purchase online at www.ahepa30.org, at church after liturgy, or by emailing chairman Bill Bond at bondgrp@comcast.net. Event Flyers are available outside Social Hall.
- If you know of a parishioner who lives in an assisted-living home or by themselves and is not able to attend services, please share their information with the Church Office. We want to make sure they receive visits from Fr. Anastasios or Deacon John, a copy of the Sunday Bulletin and Newsletter, and any other newsworthy communications.
 - 2023 Stewardship Update: To effectively manage our budget and discretionary spending, the Parish Council relies on the commitments made through pledges. Pledges provide important information about the number of families in our parish and allow you to register as a steward in good standing. We encourage all to formalize this commitment by making a pledge for 2023. The Day Sponsor Steward Program offers individuals a personal milestone that directly supports our parish and her ministries. You may choose a meaningful day throughout the year, whether it is a special occasion or a tribute to a loved one in memory or honor. Please consider the Day Sponsor Steward Program by becoming a Day Sponsor Steward (\$3500 annual pledge) or the new Half-day Sponsor Steward (\$1750 annual pledge).

 2023 Stewardship commitment link: https://forms.gle/YAosrEyMkRimi84i8. Hard copies are also available on the "Welcome" table in the church lobby.
 - The office requests that you **DO NOT Submit 2022 Stewardship Envelopes. Offering Envelopes for 2023 are available** upon request. Fill out a 2023 Pledge Form and check the box asking to receive envelopes. You may also call the office or email office@annunciationbaltimore.org to request them.

CULTURE

- The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland, located in the AOC is open to visitors. Our exhibits recognize the heritage of the Greeks who established this community. We are open by appointment or you can visit most Sundays when coffee hour is at the AOC. We continue to collect items that identify our culture and the journey of the families that established this community. Those interested in pursuing the heritage of Greeks in Maryland are welcome to our weekly work sessions on Thursdays at the AOC from 10:30am to 1:00pm. Contact: Fotini Batlatzis, tinabatlatzis@gmail.com, 410-823-0139; Harry C. Maistros, harry.maistros@comcast.net, 410- 467-1836: or visit: hellenicheritagemd.org, for more information.
- The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland invites you to join us for a bus trip to St. Nicholas Orthodox Church and National Shrine in New York City on Sunday, October 15, 2023. We will attend the Sunday church service followed by a presentation by Father Andreas Vithoulkas on the magnificent iconography and explain the rich history that connects the past with the present. After a 3-course Mediterranean lunch at Skinos restaurant, the day will end with a short guided tour of the near-by Ukrainian Museum to see the traditional arts and crafts of the 20 th and 21 st century. The bus leaves from Cromwell Bridge Park and Ride in Towson, MD at 7:00 am and returns at approximately 8:30 pm. Cost: \$130. For reservations please contact: Stacy Kosmides at 410 215 6900 or skosmides@msn.com.

BOOKSTORE

• The Bookstore would like to welcome all our children back to Sunday School! Through a very generous donor, we have three new book titles placed in the children's pews to help them follow the Divine Liturgy. We also have delightfully stimulating books and prayer beads to support their Sunday school lessons and at home faith walk. Please stop by and take a look! All ages welcome!

MUSIC

- The Annunciation **Cathedral Choir** and our choir Director, Fotini (Fifi) Nichols, invite you to join the choir. **Rehearsal will be held every Wednesday night at 7pm.** For additional information contact Fifi at fnichols1@verizon.net or you may call/text her at 443-745-9686.
- Music Scholarship Every year, the Annunciation Cathedral Choir offers music scholarships to young people in our community. Those over the age of 12 who are taking private music lessons are encouraged to apply. Scholarship forms are available in the lobby or by emailing our choir Director, Fotini Fifi Nichols at fnichols1@verizon.net. Scholarship forms are due by Sunday,September 17th. The choir is pleased to continue this wonderful tradition.
- The **Annunciation Cathedral Choir** presents the first concert in the 2023-2024 season of the Annunciation Cathedral Concert Series on **Sunday, October 22 at 1 pm**. in the AOC. It will feature soprano Emily Casey, baritone Rob McGinness and Teodora Adzharova on the piano. This will be a wonderful musical event. For information and tickets, please contact annunciationconcerts.com or tadzharova@gmail.com, 410-929-5861.

PASTORAL

- The Sacraments of Holy Communion (and Holy Unction when offered) are reserved for those who are baptized and/or chrismated in a canonical Orthodox Church. Additionally, even though the priest or deacon may know your name, please speak audibly your full baptismal name when approaching to receive the sacraments.
- In order to protect our icons and liturgical items, please blot any lip products before venerating icons or coming up for Holy Communion.
- The Philoptochos has resources available to those who require social services assistance. All requests are confidential and can be submitted to philoptochos@annuncationbaltimore.org or to Fr. Anastasios Fr.Anastasios@annunciationbaltimore.org or leave a message requesting a return call with the church office.
- If you wish to have a home or business blessed please contact the church office to request a time for Fr. Anastasios to visit.

GIVING

- **Online Donations** can be made through our website. Click the DONATE button in the upper right corner. We are grateful for your continued stewardship!
- For candles and tray donations, you can also donate by text message, just text the dollar amount to (833) 934-2637 and follow the prompts.
 - Note: TextToTray can only be used for candles and tray donations.
 - We are also grateful for donations made by check.

DIGITAL COMMUNICATION

- **Cathedral Updates** To receive Bulletins and other updates via email, visit https://annunciationbaltimore.flocknote.com and enter your contact information.
- **Text Alerts** To receive ministries updates via text, text the ministry keyword below to phone number 84576:
 - \circ Hope/Joy \rightarrow HopeJoy
 - \circ GOYA \rightarrow GOYA
 - Men's Fellowship → MensFellowship



Scheduling - To all ministry, organization and committee leaders and members: Please contact the Church Office before you schedule all on-site and off-site meetings, activities and events to ensure that there are no conflicts for meeting space and that the meetings/events appear on the church calendar.

TODAY'S ENTRANCE HYMNS & READINGS

Resurrectional Apolytikion

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

Τὸν συνάναρχον Λόγον Πατρὶ καὶ Πνεύματι, τὸν ἐκ Παρθένου τεχθέντα εἰς σωτηρίαν ἡμῶν, ἀνυμνήσωμεν πιστοὶ καὶ προσκυνήσωμεν· ὅτι ηὐδόκησε σαρκί, ἀνελθεῖν ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ, καὶ θάνατον ὑπομεῖναι, καὶ ἐγεῖραι τοὺς τεθνεῶτας, ἐν τῇ ἐνδόξῳ ἀναστάσει αὐτοῦ.

Apolytikion of the Feast

Your Nativity, O Theotokos, imparted joy to the entire earth, for out of you has risen the Sun of Righteousness, Christ our God. He nullified the curse and instead gave His blessing; and causing death to be neutralized, He granted us eternal life.

Ή γέννησίς σου Θεοτόκε, χαρὰν ἐμήνυσε πάση τῆ οἰκουμένη· ἐκ σοῦ γὰρ ἀνέτειλεν ὁ ἥλιος τῆς δικαιοσύνης, Χριστὸς ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν, καὶ λύσας τὴν κατάραν, ἔδωκε τὴν εὐλογίαν· καὶ καταργήσας τὸν θάνατον, ἐδωρήσατο ἡμῖν ζωὴν τὴν αἰώνιον.

Apolytikion of the Parish

Today is the summary of our salvation, and the revelation of the age-old mystery. For the Son of God becomes the Son of the Virgin, and Gabriel announces the good news of grace. Therefore, let us join him, and cry aloud to the Theotokos: "Rejoice, Maiden full of grace! The Lord is with you."

Σήμερον τῆς σωτηρίας ἡμῶν τὸ κεφάλαιον, καὶ τοῦ ἀπ' αἰῶνος μυστηρίου ἡ φανέρωσις· ὁ Υἱὸς τοῦ Θεοῦ, Υἱὸς τῆς Παρθένου γίνεται, καὶ Γαβριὴλ τὴν χάριν εὐαγγελίζεται. Διὸ καὶ ἡμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ τῆ Θεοτόκῳ βοήσωμεν· Χαῖρε Κεχαριτωμένη, ὁ Κύριος μετὰ σοῦ.

Kontakion

Both Joachim and Anna from their sterility's stigma, and Adam and Eve from their mortality's ruin have been set free, O immaculate Maid, by your holy nativity. For this do your people hold celebration, redeemed from the guilt of transgression as they cry to you, "The barren one bears the Theotokos, the nourisher of our Life."

Ίωακεὶμ καὶ Ἄννα ὀνειδισμοῦ ἀτεκνίας, καὶ Ἀδὰμ καὶ Εὐα, ἐκ τῆς φθορᾶς τοῦ θανάτου, ἠλευθερώθησαν, Ἄχραντε, ἐν τῇ ἁγίᾳ γεννήσει σου· αὐτὴν ἑορτάζει καὶ ὁ λαός σου, ἐνοχῆς τῶν πταισμάτων, λυτρωθεὶς ἐν τῷ κράζειν σοι· Ἡ στεῖρα τίκτει τὴν Θεοτόκον, καὶ τροφὸν τῆς ζωῆς ἡμῶν.

EPISTLE (GALATIANS 6:11-18)

Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even those who receive circumcision do not themselves keep the law, but they desire to have you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

Άδελφοί, ἴδετε πηλίκοις ὑμῖν γράμμασιν ἔγραψα τῆ ἐμῆ χειρί. "Οσοι θέλουσιν εὐπροσωπῆσαι ἐν σαρκί, οὖτοι ἀναγκάζουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμνεσθαι, μόνον ἵνα μὴ τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Χριστοῦ διώκωνται· οὐδὲ γὰρ οἱ περιτεμνόμενοι αὐτοὶ νόμον φυλάσσουσιν, ἀλλὰ θέλουσιν ὑμᾶς περιτέμνεσθαι ἵνα ἐν τῆ ὑμετέρᾳ σαρκὶ καυχήσωνται. Ἐμοὶ δὲ μὴ γένοιτο καυχᾶσθαι εἰ μὴ ἐν τῷ σταυρῷ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, δι' οὖ ἐμοὶ κόσμος ἐσταύρωται κἀγὼ τῷ κόσμῳ. Ἐν γὰρ Χριστῷ Ἰησοῦ οὔτε περιτομή τι ἰσχύει οὔτε ἀκροβυστία, ἀλλὰ καινὴ κτίσις. Καὶ ὅσοι τῷ κανόνι τούτῳ στοιχήσουσιν, εἰρήνη ἐπ' αὐτοὺς καὶ ἔλεος, καὶ ἐπὶ τὸν Ἰσραὴλ τοῦ Θεοῦ. Τοῦ λοιποῦ κόπους μοι μηδεὶς παρεχέτω· ἐγὼ γὰρ τὰ στίγματα τοῦ Κυρίου Ἰησοῦ ἐν τῷ σώματί μου βαστάζω. Ἡ χάρις τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ μετὰ τοῦ πνεύματος ὑμῶν, ἀδελφοί· ἀμήν.

GOSPEL (JOHN 3:13-17)

The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in the wilderness, so must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· καὶ οὐδεὶς ἀναβέβηκεν εἰς τὸν οὐρανὸν εἰ μὴ ὁ ἐκ τοῦ οὐρανοῦ καταβάς, ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ὁ ἄν ἐν τῷ οὐρανῷ. καὶ καθὼς Μωϋσῆς ὕψωσε τὸν ὄφιν ἐν τῆ ἐρήμῳ, οὕτως ὑψωθῆναι δεῖ τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ ἀνθρώπου, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχῃ ζωὴν αἰώνιον. Οὕτω γὰρ ἠγάπησεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν κόσμον, ὥστε τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ τὸν μονογενῆ ἔδωκεν, ἵνα πᾶς ὁ πιστεύων εἰς αὐτὸν μὴ ἀπόληται ἀλλ' ἔχῃ ζωὴν αἰώνιον. οὐ γὰρ ἀπέστειλεν ὁ Θεὸς τὸν υἱὸν αὐτοῦ εἰς τὸν κόσμον ἵνα κρίνῃ τὸν κόσμον, ἀλλ' ἵνα σωθῆ ὁ κόσμος δι' αὐτοῦ.



FESTIVAL FOOD PREPERATION

Join fellow parishioners to prepare food items for the upcoming Festival. Contact Georgeann Morekas with any questions by TEXT at 443-845-1176.

- Tuesday & Wednesday, September 12 & 13 (10am) Koulourakia
- Saturday, September 16 (11am) Spanakopita
- Saturday, September 23 (11am) Pastitsio
- o Thursday & Friday, September 28 & 29 (10am) Baklava

FESTIVAL SILENT AUCTION

• The Silent Auction committee is soliciting donations for this year's event. If you have jewelry, gift cards, tickets to sporting events/theater or a vacation week/weekend you would like to donate to the auction, please contact Judy Georges at 443-301-5041 or judy-wood@comcast.net. If you would like to sponsor a basket for the auction, please use the attached form. Last year's auction netted over \$20,000 with the generous support and donations of our parishioners, local restaurants, businesses and friends. Please consider supporting this year's Silent Auction.

FESTIVAL ADVERTISING AVAILABLE

• Are you interested in advertising your business in our community and to the over 10,000 festival attendees? Consider purchasing a \$250 Business Card Ad that will be displayed on dining table placemats AND poster boards throughout the festival weekend! In addition, the placemat will be posted on our festival social media for additional exposure! Kindly contact Nikki Monios 443-930-0404 or nikkimonios4@gmail.com for more information.

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Our 51st Annual Greek Festival is quickly approaching! We are looking for volunteers to help in venues throughout the festival, as well as set-up, which starts Sat, Sept 30. To volunteer scan QR code or use the link:
 https://forms.gle/VfGXFkPFtnsGHv5K9 or contact Diane Homberg at dianehomberg@yahoo.com or 410-952-2251.











Pre-Register by September 1st using the QR code or at:https://forms.gle/Jh1SkcoU4bGi4djL6



WHAT WE OFFER

CHILDREN'S TRADITIONAL CLASSES

Students are taught reading, writing and speaking Greek as well as religious traditions includes online platform access and books.

ADULT GREEK DISCOURSE

everything GREEK! Topics include Greek news, celebrations, TV shows, movies, books, recipes, converse and review grammar. Tuition: \$300. No textbooks or special classroom materials are

Classes Start September 8th Intro to Prep thru 6th Grade Every Friday 5:15pm to 7:30pm

- S535 for the first child
- S485 for the second
- S435 for the third
- \$385 for the fourth child

TRADITIONAL ADULT LANGUAGE PROGRAM

This class teaches beginners and experienced speakers basic language skills such as grammar, reading, speaking, and writing. Tuition: \$350.

Any questions, contact greekschool@annunciationbaltimore.org

Principal: Sia Kyriakakos at 443-824-2573

or siakyriakakos@gmail.com





Join us for an exciting new year!

Sunday School consists of Nursery (2 & 3 year olds) through High School.

Sunday School class time begins once Communion is offered and is received by the students. The children will meet their teachers in the church lobby to go up to Sunday School. Altars boys will also attend Sunday School.

Sunday School will end at 11:30am or after the Divine Liturgy, whichever is the later. The children will be brought down to receive Antidoron and be dismissed from the church. Register your child at: https://forms.gle/Zy5bJs7q23fAvqdP8 or use the QR Code.





Sunday School Open House will be held Sunday, September 10th with a meet and greet.



Annunciation Cathedral 51st Greek Food * Wine * Culture Festival October 5, 6, 7 and 8th



Silent Auction Donation Form:

Name: Email: Telephone: Address: For more information contact:

Judy Georges <u>judy-wood@comcast.net</u>, 443-301-5041

Thank you. We rely on generous donations from our Annunciation Cathedral families and friends.

Silent Auction Basket Sponsor

Monetary Donation: \$	
Gift Basket #:	
Other Donation:	

Please make checks payable to: Annunciation Cathedral Silent Auction

We will prepare the basket for you.

You may drop off your donation at the church office or mail your donation **before September 15th** to:

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation ATTN: Silent Auction Committee

24 W. Preston Street, Baltimore, MD 21201

SPONSORSHIP SUGGESTIONS

\$25 SPONSORS:

- 1. New Year's Eve Party Basket champagne, glasses, accessories
- 2. Candy lovers basket assorted sweets, candy & gum
- 3. Coffee Wagon gift card, coffee, coffee mugs, etc.
- 4. Tasty Tacos Holder, Recipes, Ingredients
- 5. Puzzled by Puzzles a basket of puzzles to conquer
- 6. Beauty Secrets Samples of Makeup and Skin care products
- 7. Americana Party Basket All things Red, White & Blue
- 8. Coloring Therapy Coloring Books, Crayons & Markers
- 9. Wine Rack, Bottles of Wine, Opener and Accessories

\$100 SPONSORS:

- 1. Pasta Basket Pasta, cheese, grater, pasta bowls, sauces, GC
- 2. Date Night Dinner and a movie GC
- 3. Dog lover's basket gift certificate, toys, leash, treats
- 4. Cat lover's basket gift certificate, collar, toys, grooming tools, treats, and more
- 5. Man Cave Poker table top, Poker chips, Bottle opener, Beer mugs and Beer.
- 6. Breakfast Basket waffle/pancake mix, syrup, toppings, waffle maker and pancake warmer

\$50 SPONSORS:

- 1. Game Night games for the whole family
- 2. Crab Basket Many unimaginable crab items
- 3. Movie Night Popcorn popper, boxed candy
- 4. Italian Basket Pasta Bowl, Sauce, Cheese, Olive oil, Bread sticks, Olives, Capers and more
- 5. Moscow Mule So Cool Mule Mugs, Ginger Beer, Vodka and Accessories
- 6. Martini Basket Martini glasses, Martini mixes, Olives, Shaker, Napkins, Vodka
- 7. BBQ Lover's Basket Tools, Sauces, Mats & Recipes
- 8. Wine & Cheese Wine, Cheese, Crackers, Olives, Napkins, Wine glasses
- 9. Bakers Basket pans, mixes, frosting, decorations, cookbook

\$150 SPONSORS:

- 1. Books & Coffee Gift certificates, Books and Coffee
- 2. French Chef– gift certificate , Wine Caddy, Cooking Accessories
- 3. Ice Cream Supreme Ice Cream Maker, Recipes, Serving Dishes, Toppings, etc.
- 4. Juicing Juicing machine, recipes, juice mixes

\$75 SPONSORS:

- 1. Greek Basket -cookbook, apron, spices, foods, etc.
- 2. Auto gift certificate, car wash products, etc.
- 3. Mexican Fiesta chips, salsa, margarita mix, tequila, tortilla holder, margarita glasses, rim salt and more
- 4. Beauty Abounds Luxury Hair and Face products
- 5. Beer Sampler beer, glasses, bottle opener, snacks
- 6. Golf Basket tees, golf glove, balls, shirt, towel
- 7. Movie Night Dinner and Movie Gift Certificate
- 8. Gardener's Paradise Lg Garden Pot, Tiller, Trowel, Weeder, Bulb Planter and Gift Card

\$200 SPONSORS:

- 1. Espresso Lovers Espresso Machine, Ceramic Cups & Holder and Coffee
- 2. Spa Pampering spa certificate, body products, slippers
- 3. Wine Rack, Bottles of Wine, Opener and Accessories



AXION CHARITY EVENTS PRESENTS

THANOS PETRELIS

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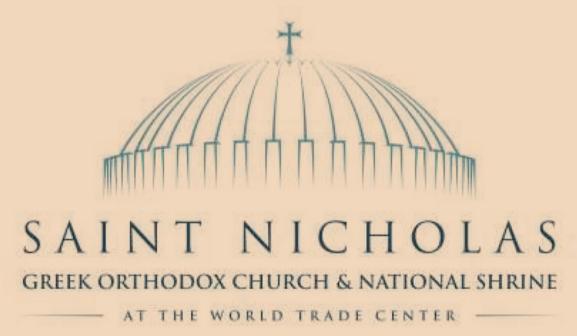
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Preserving Greek Culture TO Inspire Future Generations

Is Sponsoring a Bus Trip To St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine in New York City

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2023 LEAVING AT 7:00 A.M FROM AND RETURNING AT 8:00 P.M TO THE CROMWELL BRIDGE PARK AND RIDE



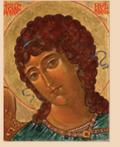
We will be attending church service. After which, Fr. Andreas Vithoulkasi will give us a guided tour of the magnificent iconography and talk about the rich history that connects the past with the present. Followed by a 3 course Mediterranean lunch at Skinos restaurant.

Then a tour of the nearby Ukrainian Museum with its array of traditional arts and crafts, 20th and 21st century art, and an extensive collection of archival material.

Cost: \$130.

For reservation please contact: Stacy Kosmides at 410-215-6900 or skosmides@msn.com





Annunciation Cathedral Concert Series

Presents

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October 22, 2023, 1 P.M.

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Celebrating a century of service to the Greek-American community!

The Worthington Chapter No. 30 of AHEPA cordially invites you to its

100th Anniversary Gala Dinner-Dance



Date: Saturday, November 4, 2023

Place: Martin's Valley Mansion 594 Cranbrook Road Cockeysville, MD 21030



Time: 7 – 11pm

Ticket price - \$100 (Individual or Tables of 10 available)

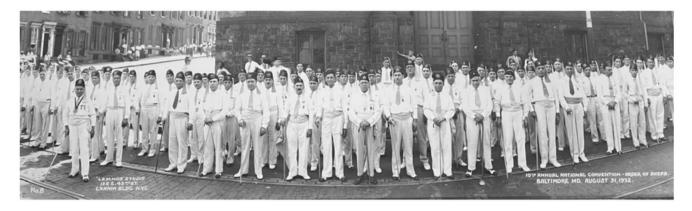
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All proceeds from this historic event will be donated to the AHEPA Service Dogs for Warriors Program that acquires dogs as companions for Veterans with PTSD.

Raffle Tickets are available for \$100 benefiting the veterans' service dog initiative with a grand prize drawing of \$25,000 – winner to be announced that evening!

Be a part of this historic celebration...which includes nostalgic photograph displays, a raffle drawing, plenty of fellowship and music by Koko Brothers. Each guest will receive a copy of "Tracing 100 Years of Progress" which was written for this special occasion!

Since October 1923, the Worthington Chapter has supported the Greek Orthodox Church communities and charitable organizations, both local and national, while promoting the Hellenic ideals of education, philanthropy, and civic responsibility. AHEPA stands for the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association.



Dinner and Raffle Tickets are available for purchase after church services or by contacting Chairman William Bond at bondgrp@comcast.net or 410-913-2350.



PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND, ST. CATHERINE MONASTERY & CONSTANTINOPLE

Join Rev. Fr. Anastasios Bourantas, Protopresbyter of Cathedral of the Annunciation of Baltimore, MD. February 16 – March 01, 2024 - 15 Days /13 Nights







THE HOLY LAND (9 Nights): Your trip to the Holy Land will be an unforgettable and spiritually rewarding journey! Visit and venerate Christendom's most sacred sites. See where Jesus spent most of his life and performed the many miracles you have read about in the Bible. Visit the cities of Jerusalem, Bethlehem, Nazareth, Capernaum, and Tiberias! Pray in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher, the Church of St Anne, the Pool of Bethesda, the Tomb of the Virgin Mary, the Prison of Christ (Praitorion), and The Church of the Holy Apostles and the Church of the Transfiguration on Mt. Tabor. Take the cable car up to the Mount of Temptation Monastery and see the rock that Jesus prayed by. Visit the Church of the Nativity and touch the spot where Christ was born! Additional sites you will see are St. George of Lydda, the Church of Tabgha (the Church of the Multiplication of Loaves and Fishes), Cana of Galilee, the Church of the Annunciation, the Garden of Agony, the Monastery of St. Gerasimos, the Church of St. Elisseos and the Tree of Zacchaeus. Take a boat-ride on the Sea of Galilee and attend midnight Liturgy at the Holy Sepulcher. Enjoy an audience with the Patriarch of Jerusalem (Subject to confirmation)

ST. CATHERINE'S MONASTERY SINAI: 1 Night: The Monastery of St. Catherine is a Greek Orthodox monastical center with continuous life since the 6th Century. Attend Esperinos (Subject to arrival time) and Divine Liturgy. Venerate the relics of St. Catherine and see the Burning Bush. See the Historic Museum with its incredible icons and manuscripts. Possible climb to the top of the Mountain of where Moses received the Ten Commandments (optional).

CONSTANTINOPLE (3 Nights): Our Pilgrimage will end in Constantinople, the heart of Orthodoxy. Visit the 17th century Greek Orthodox Ecumenical Patriarchate. Pray at the St George Cathedral and venerate the Holy Relics of Saints Gregory the Theologian, John Chrysostom and St Basil and the relics of the three female Saints - Euphemia, Solomone and Theophano. Participate in a private audience with His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew (subject to his availability). Visit the most important sites for the Greek Orthodox in Constantinople: Agia Sophia, Balukli Monastery and Panaghia Blacherna were the beautiful hymn, "Te Ypermacho" was chanted over 1,400 years ago.

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*Rates include the air tax/fuel of approximately \$590 which is not guaranteed until ticketing one month prior to departure.

*Rate above reflects a 4% check discount which does not apply if payment is made any other way

Deposit of \$700 due by October 6 or late booking fee of \$50 per person will apply

YOUR TOUR WILL INCLUDE:

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- *9 ½ days of private sightseeing with a deluxe air-conditioned motor coach and English/Greek Speaking, Greek Orthodox tour guide (subject to availability). All entrance fees as per itinerary are included.
- *First class accommodations: 2 nts in Tiberias at the Gai Beach, 5 nts in Jerusalem at the Grand Court, 1 nt in Eilat at the Herods, 1 nt in Sinai at the Morganland Inn, 1 nt in Tel Aviv at the Renaissance and 3 nts in Constantinople at the Titanic Taksim including all service fees and taxes
- *Daily breakfast and dinner in Israel. Daily breakfast and one farewell dinner in Constantinople
- *Audience with His Beatitude Theophilos III of Jerusalem (subject to his availability)
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CONDITIONS: Confirmation is subject to receipt of deposit with reservation form no later than Oct 6 to guarantee your seat. Deposits received Oct 7 and later are subject to a \$50 late booking fee & applicable air surcharges. Final balance due Nov 6, 2023. Air taxes / fuel surcharges are not guaranteed unless ticketed. Ticketing must occur for the group at the same time. A minimum of 25 people required or additional fees will apply. Cancellation fees: Once deposit is received, an administration fee of \$200 per person applies in cases of all cancellations. Additional fees for cancellations received between Nov. 16-Dec. 28, \$700 per person and between Dec 29, 2023 - Jan 25, 2024, 75% of the tour price and between Jan. 26 to day of departure, non-refundable. No refund for no-shows or unused portions of tour. Additional cancellation fees may be imposed by suppliers subject to date of cancellation. Should the group cancel for any reason, including political strife, Cloud Tours reserves the right to charge \$100 per person administration fee, Travel protection is recommended & must be paid with deposit to waive the pre-existing medical conditions exclusion. Travel protection is nonrefundable. You may request a copy of the Description of Coverage, prior to purchase, which includes the terms, conditions, limitations, and exclusions. This plan provides insurance coverage for your trip that applies only during the covered trip. You may have coverage from other sources that provides you with similar benefits but may be subject to different restrictions depending upon your other coverages. You may wish to compare the terms of this policy with your existing life, health, home and automobile policies. If you have any questions about your current coverage, call your insurer, insurance agent or broker. The purchase of this plan is not required in order to purchase any other travel product or service offered to you by your travel retailer. Cloud Tours reserves the right to deny service to any person based upon its discretion and/







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