

Greek Orthodox Metropolitan Cathedral Of Saint John The Theologian

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November 1,

Dear Parishioner,

I would like to extend an invitation to all the youth of the Metropolitan Cathedral of St. John the Theologian Community to again join and participate in the various activities designed for their enjoyment and spiritual development.

Presently, we have the following youth groups in our community;

The Sunday School, which is a religious program designed for all youth, between the ages of 5 and 18 and meets every Sunday.

HOPE or the Holy Orthodox Primary Education is a ministry of the Church that ministers to pre-school through 2nd grade children ages (4 to 6). The mission of HOPE is to strengthen the relationship of young Orthodox Christians with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

JOY is the Junior Orthodox Youth group and is the ministry to 3rd through 6th grade children ages (7 to 12).

GOYA is the Greek Orthodox Youth group and is the ministry to junior high and high school grades 7th through 12th ages (12 to 18). The mission and objective of these ministries is to lead

our young people into experiencing the Holy Orthodox faith by becoming active sacramental members of our Church.

At Saint John's Cathedral, we encourage participation in all programs and activities that engage the interest of our

young people and enrich their lives. They will enjoy and find rewarding activities such as church attendance, Sunday School, singing, dancing, sports and religious retreats. We will also be offering a variety of cultural, social and charitable activities. The goal of all the events that will be offered to the youth is for them to get to know each other in a friendly and fun environment, while learning God's word. Together, as a united Christian Community, we can direct our efforts to instill the values of our Greek Orthodox faith and heritage. I would like to see all of our youth actively participating in as many activities and programs as possible, starting in September. A "buddy system" will enable the new members to be part of the group right from the start. If your children are young adults, please encourage them to volunteer as

assistants to the Sunday School instructors or assistant coaches for sports and other activities and, of course, to become active in the YAL group.

Registrations began and will continue all year long. See you at the meetings.

With paternal love,

☐ Father Panagiotis

Philoptochos:

Dear Members and Parishioners:
Welcome Back!

We hope you had a wonderful summer, are well rested and ready for work.

We at Philoptochos hope that all of you become members. We need your participation, your help and ideas. Please join us in our general meetings. Together we can do a lot to alleviate the pain and suffering of so many people.

This promises to be a very busy year with different projects.

During the summer, Mrs. Katina Halkias, Mrs. Marie Tzagournis, Mrs. Sophia Altin and I attended the Clergy and Laity Convention. We came back with a lot of new ideas, and we need everyone's help to achieve them. We are proud to announce that our Philoptochos Chapter,

'St. Philothea' was recognized and received the 2nd place award for its 'Outreach Program,' *A Concert For Bobby*.

We would like to thank all of you that supported us in this and other events. Look for our flyer for taking orders for Christmas Deserts, homemade by our Philoptochos.

SAVE THE DATES

Christmas Party: Dec 4, 2008 – 7:00pm
(Clinton Inn)

Holiday Bazaar: Dec 7, 2008 – 9am – 5pm

Sincerely, *Harriet Nikolaidis*

KALI PAREA:

As summer vacations and excursions come to an end, we welcome our fellow parishioners back to the new Ecclesiastic year with renewed energy and an interesting agenda.

Kali Parea is celebrating the 10th anniversary of our founding this year. On Sunday, September 28th, we had the swearing in of the new officers, in addition to an Artoclasia for the health and welfare of ALL the Kali Parea members. The new officers for the 2008-2009 year are Vangie George, President; Connie Kessisoglou, Vice-president; Helen Vanides, Treasurer; Mae Savas, Corresponding Secretary; and Marie Courmarianos, Recording Secretary. We will also sponsor the coffee hour. We hope you can celebrate with the group on this important date.

The first general meeting will be on Wednesday, September 17th at 1:00 PM. A social event is scheduled to give everyone an opportunity to meet with friends and acquaintances and catch up on family news.

On Saturday, October 25th, we are planning another "Saturday at the Movies" with a historic movie "To Taxidi", which chronicles the Hellenic immigration movement to the United States.

The October meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, October 28th when we have scheduled a unique event. A group of seniors (like ourselves) called the "Sassy Ladies" will perform a special dance routine. It promises to be very entertaining.

In November, the meeting is planned for November 12th. We will be able to start our

Christmas shopping early! There will be a showing of "Lia Sophia" jewelry, which we can admire and order in time for the holidays.

On December 11th, the annual Christmas Celebration will be held at Madeline's Petit Paris. This event is always exciting and well attended. Reserve the date on your calendars; more details will follow.

We plan to attend a performance of a comedy, "Bermuda Avenue Triangle", at the Bergen County Players in Oradell, on Friday, October 31st. On Tuesday, December 2nd, Kali Parea will travel by bus to the New York Botanical Gardens for the Holiday Train Show, plus lunch at Mario's and shopping the wonderful shops on Arthur Avenue.

It is our goal to have interesting and informative events each month. We invite everyone 55 years "young" and over to join this active group. Annual dues are \$10 per person for the year which starts in September and ends in August. If you have any questions, speak with any Kali Parea member on Sundays after church, or call me at (201) 567-5848.

Vangie George, President
PTO/MOTHER'S CLUB

We would like to welcome all families back to another year at our Cathedral. The PTO/Mothers' Club is looking forward to another productive and successful year to benefit our Sunday School and Greek School children.

We would like to update you on some of the contributions that our organization has made this past year. Our beautification project is nearing completion and all who enter the building by way of the classrooms can enjoy the beautiful murals which depict our rich cultural and religious heritage. The display case outside the fellowship hall is now showcasing the many of accomplishments of our children, as well as

displaying photographs of the origins and founding members of our Cathedral.

We recently hired a librarian, Mrs. Helen Lambiris, for the children's library. Helen, a past PTO/Mothers' Club member has spent countless hours volunteering at the library since it opened. We congratulate her on becoming the full-time librarian and we know she will keep the library running smoothly and efficiently. Although, Helen is our new librarian, we are still in need of volunteers for the library. If anyone is interested in helping out during Greek School hours or after Liturgy on Sundays please contact either Demi Katradis @ 201-658-6762 or Polly Mikelis @ 201-767-2688. We would appreciate any help you can offer!!!

In March we hosted the Oratorical festival at our church and heard some wonderful essays from our youth on our faith. We attended a screening of the movie "Greece: Secrets of the Past." This proved to be a wonderful educational experience for our children, and for all who attended. We would like to thank Eva Tsougarakis and Ann-Marie Chicler for organizing this event. In May, our end of the year party was held at Space Odyssey in Englewood and a good time was had by all. We also hosted graduation ceremonies for both our Greek and Sunday Schools. We congratulate the graduates and we wish you all well as you continue your academic pursuits!!

In June an altar boy outing was held, consisting of dinner and a movie. Thank you to Frances Bayiokos for organizing this event. In June our annual "teacher appreciation dinner" was held at The Greek Taverna in Edgewater in honor of all our dedicated staff members in Sunday School and Greek School. These volunteers make such a difference in our children's lives and we thank them!!

We would like to thank Stacey Kontolios for her dedication to the PTO/MC as president. It was a pleasure and a privilege to work alongside such a selfless,

hardworking and talented leader. Stacey always put the needs of our children first and brought a tremendous amount of positive energy to all of our projects. We thank her!!

A special thank you is also in order for some of our Board Members who are stepping down this year: Helen Kamilaris, Valerie Kovanes, Denise Orfanos, Audrey Soussou, and Pat Tolos. Each of these ladies contributed so very much to the PTO/MC during their years of service. We owe them much gratitude for their hard work!! You will all be missed and we wish you well in your future endeavors!!

Our newly elected **executive board** for 2008-2009 is as follows:

Co-president: Demi Katradis

Co-president: Polly Mikelis

Co-vice president: Karen Pialtos

Co-vice president: Lora Vazacopoulos

Treasurer: Claudia Nicholson

Corresponding Secretary : Christine Nicholas

Co-recording Secretary: Denise Angelos

Co – recording Secretary : Eva Tsougarakis

Board Members: Francis Bayiokos, Anne Marie Chicler, Anna Chrysikos, Gena Dongaris, Marianna Eby, Irene Ferranti, Theoni Galianos, Vicky Kalas, Olga Kallivokas, Vivian Karsos, Stacey Kontolios, Chyssie Nanos, Christalla Pappas, Frances Sames, Dorothy Savva, Gina Tzavelis, and Maria Yuelys.

Welcome to our new members and thank you to our old members for continuing to help this organization.

Our Greek School Principal, Mrs. Anna Megaris, along with the teachers of our Greek School are eager to teach this year. Our Sunday School directors. Mr. Ted

Koroniades and Mr. Christ Economos, and all of our volunteer teachers will be teaching another year of Sunday School.

We look forward to seeing everyone and wish you all a healthy and productive school year!!

Mark the date:

-Thursday, **NOVEMBER 20th** –TRICKY TRAY

Thank you for your continuous support.

Demi Katradis and Polly Mikelis

Co-presidents

Ladies & Gents:

Dear fellow parishioners,

The Ladies & Gents Club would like to welcome everyone to the new Ecclesiastical Year. The goal of our organization is to bring cultural and religious experiences to our community through social gatherings while raising money for our Cathedral. The Club brings friends together and provides opportunities to make new acquaintances in the Greek-American community. We invite all adults of our community, whether married or single, to please join us in supporting our church while having a great time.

As summer comes to a close, please reflect with us on the good times we had in the past year. For our first gathering in October 2007, we hosted a lovely dinner in our church hall with entertainment provided by comedian Jimmy 'Super Greek' Santis. Many of us still laugh out loud when we remember the words to Jimmy's hilarious versions of popular songs, such as "I Won't Survive," "Thelo Aspirina," "Flyin' On Olympic," and "Don't You Think I'm Greeky." In January 2008, we attended a limited engagement of "Tango X2" from Argentina at the New York City Center where we watched internationally acclaimed dancers

from Buenos Aires perform many variations of the tango and learned about the origins and historical development of the dance. After the show we enjoyed a casual dinner at the acclaimed Remi Restaurant. In April 2008, we visited the Onassis Cultural Center in New York City where we stepped back in time to admire treasures from the Heraklion, Khania, and Rethymnon museums of Crete. The dinner that followed at Kellari Taverna was a truly heartwarming experience as we got together with old and new friends and enjoyed Greek food with a modern twist.

As a result of these events, we donated funds to our church to purchase a much needed set of new alter coverings for the Agia Trapeza, which were selected by Father Panagiotis. The beautiful coverings were admired during the Lenten season and Easter. We also completed our pledge toward the Preservation and Beautification Project with a final payment of \$1,000.

Now as Fall quickly approaches, we are eager to tell you about the exciting new events that we have planned for the upcoming year.

- January 10, 2009– visit to a New York City art gallery and restaurant
- March 7, 2009 – A play about the life of Maria Callas at the Paper Mill Play House in Millburn, N.J.
- May 2, 2009 – Come dine and dance with us at our Taverna Night-Church Hall.

Our new executive board for the 2008-2009 ecclesiastical year is as follows:

Despena Ferrentino, President
Rena Pirsos, Vice-President
Andrea Brun, Treasurer
Wendy Zavolas, Secretary

New Year's Eve:

This year we will celebrate the New Year together on Wednesday night, December 31st, so keep the date open!

AHEPA:

Welcome back from the Summer. This is a great opportunity to introduce our Executive Board of the Bergen Knight Chapter # 285 of the Order of the AHEPA for the 2008-2009 year:

Stephen E. Ferranti, President
Dr. Demetrios Bayiokos, Vice President
Michael Bonanos, Secretary
Charles Pialtos, Treasurer

We are happy to announce that our Chapter is as strong as ever. On September 23, 2008, Bro. Gus Kramis and Bro. Demetrios Bayiokos planned a "Ladies Night" event at Bro. Michael Parlamis's Restaurant - AXIA Taverna in Tenafly. The event was a well attended and all present had a great time. Especially the dancing upstairs!

This year our chapter is focusing on the mission and values of the AHEPA which are Hellenism, Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility, and Family and Individual Excellence.

Our events this year will focus on each of the values in the Mission. For example, The AHEPA District 5, which we belong, is looking at creating and promoting a charter school in Northern New Jersey to promote Hellenism and Education. Our Chapter and District have participated and hosted philanthropic events to raise money for Brothers in need and for scholarships that our chapter distributes every year. On the value of Family and Individual Excellence, our chapter will be sponsoring a Super Bowl party at the church in February which is open to all families as well as the "Ladies Night" event which will become an annual event for our chapter. The Bergen

Knights are also planning a "Flag Raising" for Greek Independence Day in Tenafly.

If you are not already a member, please see one of the many Brothers who are present every Sunday in Church and ask how you can be a part of the oldest and largest American-based, Greek heritage grassroots membership organization. The Bergen Knights Chapter meets at St. John the Theologian on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

Fraternally,
Stephen E. Ferranti, President
Bergen Knight Chapter # 285
Order of the AHEPA

GOYA:

Welcome back! We hope you had an enjoyable summer!

First, I'd like to take this opportunity to introduce our Executive Board for the 2008-09 year:

George Sardis, President
Thomas Soussou, Vice President
Eleni Demetrakopoulos, Recording Secretary
Elpitha Soussou, Corresponding Secretary
Chris Popovski, Treasurer
AnnMarie Manso, Historian

Our spiritual advisor is Father Pangiotis Lekkas. We are fortunate to have Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Ferranti, and Mr. and Mrs. John Thomopoulos as our advisors. Mrs. Pat Tolos, Mrs. Irimi Lilikas and Mrs. Stacey Sardis will be serving as alternate advisors.

I'm thrilled to announce that this year we have over 65 registered members in our GOYA. We have a jam-packed calendar filled with athletic, religious, cultural and social activities.

Our first meeting was held on September 5th. On September 21st, the following GOYANS were honored as they dived for the Cross at Asbury Park after a service by the Metropolitan. Junior Girls; Theodora Turrin, Junior Boys; Nicholas

Hilaris, Senior Girls; AnnMarie Manso and Senior Boys; Tom Soussou. Congratulations to them all and to Nicholas for retrieving the Cross this year. On September 27th the First Bible/Basketball Bowl was held in conjunction with the Annual Kick-off Dance hosted by the Wyckoff GOYA. On October 4th, Leda Ferranti, Zoe Ferranti, AnnMarie Manso, Elena Thomopoulos and Dina Tolos represented our GOYA at the 1st Annual St. Basil's Walkathon. It was a beautiful day that began with breakfast, then a prayer and blessing which began the 2-mile walk on the grounds of the Academy. The GOYANS enjoyed a barbeque lunch, while listening to a DJ. Volleyball and pumpkin painting were some other activities that were enjoyed by all.

One September 5th, our GOYA presented Father Pangagiotis and Parish Council President, George Papas with a check in the amount of \$1,500 as our donation towards the "Burn The Mortgage" fund campaign. After church, we hosted our first fundraiser of the year with a car wash, under the direction of Elena Thomopoulos, who is the chairperson for our Philanthropic Committee. A special thank you to Mr. Jack Sardis and Mr. John Thomopoulos for setting up the hoses and for even washing some cars and rinsing off some GOYANS!. Thank you, also, to the many GOYANS who washed, rinsed and wiped down the cars. We thank all our Stewards for supporting our efforts.

Congratulations to Maria Lambiris and Vasilios Lilikas for representing our parish at the Mr. & Miss GOYA pageant that was held on October 12th in Edison, NJ. Cheering our contestants on, were over 30 GOYANS and 26 parents. We are very proud of Vasilios Lilikas who was crowned Mr. GOYA! Also, that evening, Constantine Lignos and George Soussou were presented with a GOYA Scholarship, by His Eminence Metropolitan Evangelos. Congrats!!

November 1st is reserved for the annual Fairview Bowling Tournament. We have 49 GOYANS participating in this event. The day consists of an afternoon @ Bowler City for bowling and then off to Fairview church to attend a dance, where trophies will be presented to the winners of the tournament.

The next meeting dates are tentatively set for November 7th, November 21st and December 5th. Please check our church's website, www.gonj.org and click on "organizations" and the on "Goya" for up to date information regarding meetings, events and time changes.

The volleyball team, again will be coached by Mrs. Tarsia Manso, with Mrs. Athena White as her assistant. Basketball coaches this year are; Mr. James Coyle and Mr. Thomas Pirsos. Our first game will be held on November 9th in Orange. Our first home game will be held on November 16th against Paramus. Please help cheer on our teams! GO TENAFLY!

Our Social Committee, chaired by Zoe Ferranti is working on organizing a Christmas social event. We have a tentative date set for December 5th, so pencil it in.

Dance lessons began in September, under the direction of Angelo Gergatsoulis. There are approximately 30 GOYANS who have joined this group.

Again, if you would like more information regarding the Tenafly GOYA, please go to the church's website and click on "Goya", or please feel free to contact any GOYA member or advisor. Remember, if you are between the ages of 12 (and in 7th grade) and 18 (and in 12th grade) we'd love for you to join us.

With Christ's Love,
George Sardis, President.

JOY:

Welcome back to all our JOYANS and a warm welcome aboard to our new JOYANS! We hope you had a wonderful summer filled with sunshine and laughter. We are excited for a fun filled year with many interesting events. Please come see us and register for JOY after church services on Sept 7th, 14th & 28th. Our kick off event will be on Friday October 3rd - hope to see you all there!

Your new advisors,

Melina Millionis & Penny Diamantis-Urquiola

HOPE:

Bewilderingly it was about 15 years ago when my sister-in-law, Maria Lignos and I humbly explored the possibility of bringing something called JOY, a Junior Orthodox Youth group for children ages 7-12, to our loving cathedral. Many of you have since celebrated college graduations for most of our first members and friendships continue that were made during those fun Friday nights. What a JOY that group was and still is with its new directors and its new eager young members!

Now, I am overJOYed to announce the beginning of a new group at our cathedral called HOPE, a group for Hellenic Orthodox Primary Education, for the children in our community ages 4-6. Angie Papas and I are co-directors with our loving and kid-friendly, Father Panagiotis as our faithful guide and spiritual father. Supportive moms and dads have already met to lay the foundation for HOPE. Together we could HOPEfully provide a safe environment in which our children could learn, grow and experience their Orthodox and Greek-American way of life, and, as my son Hippocrates (aka Crati) says, "just play and have fun".

HOPE will meet on the first and third Fridays of the month coinciding as much as

possible with JOY's schedule in order to accommodate parents with children in each group. Register by calling the church office, 567-5072 for our contact numbers.

Our major event in September was the New York City Buddy Walk to help raise money for children with Down Syndrome. Our specific team was called Michael's Mighty Mate in support of one of HOPE's member's little brothers. To donate please go to www.BuddyWalk.org

I cannot close without saying a few words for Toddler Time, the Mommy-And-Me-type group in our church that needs some attention. The children that were in Toddler Time have grown and are moving on to HOPE. Angie Papas and I would like to see this group continue. After all, it was at Toddler Time that our friendship and our children's friendship blossomed, seeing that we shared the same convictions, namely to have our children grow within and love their church. It is my understanding that the Archdiocese has a group called Angels for the children younger than 4. Wouldn't it be wonderful if the Toddler Time could rise, spread its wings and become Angels and thus continue to provide a loving place for new moms and young children?! If anyone is interested in seeing this happen please call Angie and myself. The church office has our phone numbers. Let us know how we could help.

I pray that all our families as one have a strong and blessed ecclesiastic new year.

Yours in Christ, *Irene Polemis*

Recycling:

St. John the Theologian now has an active recycling program! The program has been initiated by Boy Scout Andrew Kamilaris and Troop 25. As a scout, it is a requirement to complete a project that benefits his community before attaining the rank of eagle. Recently, global warming and

environmental issues have been important concerns. Therefore, it is beneficial for the church community to help and place all recyclables in its designated container. Throughout the church there are two types of collecting bins. One is a small rectangular shaped bin which is for paper only; these are located in all offices and classrooms, there is also one in the atrium. The other type of bin is larger with a lid, these are for plastic, glass, and aluminum waste. There are three of these in the church: in the fellowship hall, the atrium, and also in the kitchen. The first and third Tuesday of every month all commingled recyclables will be collected by Tenafly Public Works. Paper and cardboard will be picked up on every Wednesday. Everybody should help and place recyclable waste into the proper container. Troop and Crew 25 are mainly responsible for transporting the recyclables from inside the church to the dumpsters and collecting bins located outside on the side of the church. If bins are full and one has a couple of minutes, help is greatly appreciated. To help, please place the recyclables outside in the designated area. Evidently, this is an ongoing project that can only continue efficiently if the whole community contributes.

Venturing:

Venturing is a fairly new branch of scouting in America. It is a co-ed program that focuses on team-work, education, skill building, and high adventure. Crew 25 has been active at St. John the Theologian for two years now and has come a long way, it is now one of the most active and recognized crews in all of the Northern New Jersey council. The crew has two of its members in the NNJ Council and most of them have earned their bronze medals. One of our advisors has also successfully completed a regional powder-horn course learning new trip planning techniques and skills. Crew 25 has attended Floodwood scout summer camp in the Adirondacks for

the past two years. This past summer the crew has completed a trek in the high peaks and all have succeeded in summiting the tallest peak in New York, Mt. Marcy. Other frequent activities include: rock climbing at the Gravity Vault, shooting at Tenafly Rifle & Pistol Club, hiking, camping trips, canoeing, kayaking, and many other fun-filled activities. The Crew is always open to new ideas and activities and is always recruiting new members including young men and women ages 14-21. Two new additions to crew 25 include Mrs. Scartozzi and Mrs. Drake who are holding advisor positions! The crew is currently holding the annual popcorn fundraiser along with the Boy Scout troop. Please support our efforts and contribute to the scouts by buying delicious popcorn!

Parish Youth Profiles:

****Congratulation to **Alexander Orfanos**, who has been selected as the first place recipient of the prestigious 2008 Christ Bozes High School Medical Essay Prize. Alex received notification from the Hellenic Medical Society of His placement this Fall and will accept the award on December 5th At the annual Hellenic Medical Society Scientific Symposium held at the Archdiocesan Cathedral Community Center in New York City.

Alex Orfanos is currently a Senior at Northern Valley Regional High School in Demarest. Alex Spent the Summer working under the guidance of several Doctors at Englewood Hospital and Medical center as an intern. Alex's will be applying to colleges this Fall and plans a career in Medicine.

****Congratulations to our Graduated **GOYANS** who are attending the following colleges:

Tasia Baker - Montclair University

Christina Kamilaris – Montclair University

Dean Lignos - New York University-Tisch

Anna Lilikas- Syracuse University

George Sousou – Villanova University

Sophia Zigouras – Cornell University

****Congratulations to **Tia Ziagos** on her picture and article in the Record praising Music in the curriculum of our schools and its benefits in other subjects as a learning tool.

Baptisms:

4/13/08 M/M Donald J. Wright for Christopher James with Amanda Wright & Luke McCormick as Anadochi.

5/3/08 M/M Thomas P. Williams for Jacqueline Paulina with Steven Kessisoglou and Bart & Jennifer Turner as Anadochi.

5/4/08 M/M Eric J. Rimalovski for Alexander Demetrios with Paula Nikolaidis as Anadocho.

5/11/08 M/M Taxiarithis Tsocanos for Paul Charles with Enab Tuppo as Anadocho.

6/7/08 M/M Michael D. Pappachristou for Nikolas James with Stacey Costello as Anadochos.

6/8/08 M/M Kevin Schaefer for Daisy Eliana with Jeanny Osterwalder & Brian Schaefer as Anadochi.

6/21/08 M/M Eleftherios Georgiou for Vasiliki with Pericles & Kathy Notias as Anadochi.

6/21/08 M/M Elias Dokas & Mrs. Andrea Stassou for Katerina Eleni with Stephani & Dennis Katechis as Anadochi.

6/21/08 M/M Nick Diakomihalis for Dionysia with Emmanuel & Vicky Verivakis as Anadochi.

6/28/08 M/M Keith H. Christoffers for Sophia Eleni with Eva Marie Russo & Gerardo Russo as Anadochi.

6/28/08 M/M Sean Blakely for Andreas with Spyridon Zambas & Andrea Cerini as Anadochi.

7/20/08 M/M Evangelos Kostopoulos for Evangelos with Athanasios & Nick Haralambakis as Anadochi.

9/13/08 M/M Michael Courson for Holly Stephania with Emmanuel Bouzotas as Anadochos.

9/26/08 M/M Gary King for Brian Andrew with Athanasios Psathas as Anadochos.

10/4/08 M/M Thomas A McKinney for Madeleing Ellia with Andrea & Sorin Cadar as Anadochi.

10/11/08 M/M Michael W. Schreck for Juliana with Annette Dimatos Schwartz as Anadochi.

10/12/08 M/M Donald McKelvey for Melina Mariana with John & Evangelia Seheid as Anadochi.

10/12/08 M/M Andrew Manelly for George Joran with Sean & Anna Callahas as Anadochi.

5/10/08 John Boutsis & Niki Kapantais with Nikolaos Kotopoulos & Anastasia Vlamis as Paranympfi.

5/10/08 Peter Milman & Jenny Antonatos with Valentina Askenova & MaryEllen Klein as Paranympfi.

5/21/08 Tommy Demaras & Veronica Albornoz with Nicholas Sakatis & Marian Albornoz as Paranympfi.

5/23/08 Guillermo Stuart Dalgo & Sophia Mihalakis with Victor & Maryann Victoratos as Paranympfi.

5/24/08 Peter James Georgoulakos & Gina Laoudis with James C. Georgoulakos, Jr. & Kristin Laoudis as Paranympfi.

5/25/08 Kevin Thomas Graham & Sarah Marianne Williams with Jeffrey Williams and Abigail Willams as Paranympfi.

6/28/08 John P. Moraitis & Ioanna Constantinides with George Moraitis & Maria Constantinides as Paranympfi.

6/29/08 David William Jude Allocco & Constantina C. Hoppas with Maria Hoppas & Jennifer Allocco as Paranympfi.

7/12/08 Nicholas Polydorou & Marjorie Lucille Scott with Anna Hatzikyriakou as Paranympfos.

7/26/08 Frank J. Vastano & Lori Thomas with Jimmy Thomas & Elaine Hartt as Paranympfi.

8/23/08 Jesse Rosenstein & Kristin Laoudis with Gina Georgoulakos & Dan Rosenstein as Paranympfi.

8/30/08 George Smragdakis & Karyn Carbajal with Louis Smragdakis & Carolyn Carbajal as Paranympfi.

Weddings:

10/11/08 Brian A King & Panagiota Psathas with Vasiliki Psathas & Anthony Psathas as Paranympfi.

For an online version of this calendar as of (10/21/08)

go to www.gonj.org the Cathedral's Website.

Funerals:

4/21/08 Bessie Zoe Athanasiou
 4/22/08 Sandra Gallas Grosso
 6/13/08 James L. Milona
 6/14/08 Faye Nicolaidis
 6/17/08 Yolande D. Agopian
 6/24/08 Evangelos Glynos
 6/28/08 Evgenia Proios
 8/6/08 Eftenia Petrides
 8/11/08 James J. Nollas
 9/10/08 Athena Cocotos
 9/11/08 George P. Nestor
 9/12/08 Stavros Bonanos
 9/20/08 Mary Kourtakis
 9/22/08 Polixeni Kyriakides
 9/30/08 William J. Athos
 10/7/08 Irene Demos

Refer to this list for

Regularly Scheduled Meetings:

Parish Council - 3rd Tuesday (7:30pm)Monthly
 Philoptochos - 3rd Wednesday (7:30pm)Monthly
 PTO/MC -1st Tuesday (4:15pm)Monthly
 Sun Sch Teachers - 1st Sunday Monthly
 GOYA - 1st Friday (7:30pm) Monthly
 JOY -1st & 3rd Fridays (7:30pm)Bi-Weekly
 HOPE -1st& 3rd Frida (7:30pm)Bi-Weekly
 Cub & Girl Scout -2nd & 4th Fridays (7:30pm)Bi-Weekly
 Boy Scouts -2nd, 3rd & 4th Fridays (7:30pm)Weekly
 Ladies & Gents - 3rd Wed (7:30pm)Every other Month
 Bible Study,English -Thursday (2:00pm)Weekly
 Greek -Thursday (7:00pm)Weekly
 Choir Practice - Thursday (7:30pm)Weekly
 Kali Parea - 4th Tue (1:00pm)Monthly
 YAL - 1st Sun After Liturgy, Monthly
 AHEPA - 3rd Thursday (7:30pm)Monthly
 Greek Dancing - Sat: 8-11 Sun:12:30
 Sunday Orthos - 9:00am
 Sunday Divine Liturgy- 10:00am

Cathedral Calendar of

Events:

The following is the list of updated events at the Cathedral. There is a list of regularly scheduled meetings in the beginning.

Nov 1 Sat Saints Cosmas&Diamanos- DivLit9-11
 1 Sat Cub Scouts Outdoor Activity
 Day
 1 Sat **Cathedral Dinner Dance – Father Socrates Fellowship Hall**
 2 Sun JOY Bake Sale

4 Tue	PTO/MC Tricky Tray Mtg	27 Thu	Office Closed – Thanksgiving
4:15pm		27 Thu	NO Greek School
7 Fri	HOPE at Children’s Museum of NYC	28 Fri	Philoptochos Making Pita
7 Fri	GOYA/JOY Meeting	30 Sun	St. Andrew the Apostle, Div Lit 9-11
8 Sat	SS Michael & Gabriel- Div Lit 9-11am	Dec 1 Mon	Volleyball Practice 7-9pm
9 Sun	St. Nectarios – (Clifton Church)	2 Tue	PTO/MC General Meeting, 4:15
9 Sun	Youth Sunday	3 Wed	Volleyball Practice 7-9pm
9 Sun	Stewardship Sunday/ Luncheon	4 Thu	St.Barbara – Divine Liturgy 9-11am
9 Sun	JOY Bake Sale	4 Thu	Philoptochos Christmas Party
10 Mon	Basketball Practice,7-9	4 Thu	JOY Bergen Pac Outing
12 Wed	Kali Parea Gen Mtg 1:00PM	5 Fri	St. Savas – Divine Liturgy 9-11am
12 Wed	Boy Scout Youth Leader Mtg 7:30pm	5 Fri	GOYA Christmas Outing, TBA
13 Thu	St. John the Chrysostom-Div Lit 9-11	5 Fri	JOY
14 Fri	Philip the Apostle- Div Liturgy 9-11	5 Fri	HOPE Decoration of Christmas
14 Fri	Girl & Cub Meetings 7:30pm	6 Sat	St. Nicholas – Divine Liturgy 9-11am
14-16F-S	Boy Scouts COPE	7 Sun	Philoptochos Christmas Bazaar
Course/Campout		7 Sun	Parish Council Elections
16 Sun	GOYA Selling Loukoumades	9 Tue	Deadline-Philoptochos
16 Sun	General Assembly Meeting	ChristmasCard	
16 Sun	GOYA BB/VB Paramus @ Tenafly	10 Wed	Boy Scout Youth Leadership Mtg
18 Tue	Parish Council Meeting- 7:30pm	10 Wed	Volleyball 7-9pm
19 Wed	AHEPA Meeting 7pm	11 Thu	Kali Parea,Christmas Party, Madeleine
20 Thu	NO Greek School-Teacher	12 Fri	St. Spyridon – Divine Liturgy 9-11am
Workshop		12 Fri	Girl and Boy Scouts 7:30pm
20 Thu	PTO Tricky Tray	12 Fri	Cub Scouts Gravity Vault,
21 Fri	Presentation of Theotokos to the Temple, Divine Liturgy 9-11am	Ramsey	
21 Fri	Boy Scout Meeting 7:30pm	12 Fri	JOY Decorate Christmas Tree
21 Fri	JOY Harvest Ball	13 Sat	GOYA District Religious Retreat 9-4
21 Fri	GOYA Assembly of Wreaths to sell	14 Sun	Sunday School Communion
	Dec 6,13,20	Breakfast	
21 Fri	HOPE in Atrium- Thanksgiving Feast	15 Mon	Eleftherios Bishop of Illyria- 9-11am
22 Sat	Boy Scout Merit Badge Fair 8-12noon	15 Mon	Volleyball 7-9
23 Sun	HOPE-Radio City Christmas Show	17 Wed	St. Dionysios- Divine Liturgy 9-11am
23 Sun	GOYA BB/VB Union@Tenafly	17 Wed	Volleyball 7-9
24 Mon	Volleball Practice 7-9	18 Thu	St.Sebastian&Companion-DivLit 9-11
25 Tue	St. Catherine – Divine Liturgy 9-11am	18 Thu	AHEPA mtg- 7:00pm
25 Tue	Basketball Practice 7-9	19 Fri	Boy Scout Meeting
		19 Fri	JOY ??

19 Fri HOPE wrapping St.Basil's presents.
 21 Sun Sunday School Christmas Pageant &
 Cathedral Christmas Party
 22 Mon Anastasia the Great Matyr DivLit9-11
 23 Tue Greek School Christmas Party
 24 Wed Nativity Eve – Divine Liturgy 9-11am
 25 Thu Christmas Day –Div Liturgy 9-11am
 Office Closed
 25 Thu NO Greek School through Jan 6, 2009
 26 Fri Synaxis of the Theotokos–DivLit 9-11
 27 Sat St.Stephen the Protomartyr-9-11
 28 Sun No Sunday School – Family Worship
 28 Sun Philoptochos-Vasilopita Sale
 29 Mon GOYA District Christmas Dance, Trenton
 30 Tue Scout Bowling Day 8:30 am
 31Wed New Year's Eve Party
 2009 1 Thu St.Basil – Divine Liturgy 9:30am
 2 Fri NO JOY or HOPE
 4 Sun Sunday School Resumes
 7 Wed Boy Scout Youth Leadership Mtg 7:30
 7 Thu Volleyball Practice 7-9
 8 Thu Greek School Resumes
 9-11 Boy Scout Cabin Camping,NY Alpine
 9 Fri Girl Scout Gym Night & Cub Scout Meeting, 7:30pm
 11 Sun Philoptochos Vasilopita
 11 Sun GOYA BB/VB
 Tenafly@Randolf
 13 Tue PTO/MC Board Meeting, 4:15
 14 Wed Volleyball Practice 7-9
 16 Fri JOY & HOPE Meetings
 16 Fri Boy Scout Meeting
 16-18 GOYA Metropolis Greek Folk Dance
 Festival - Maryland
 17 Sat Kali Parea Movie
 18 Sun GOYA BB/VB Tenafly @Wycoff

21 Wed Volleyball Practice
 23 Fri Girl, Cub & Boy Scout Meetings 7:30
 23 FriSat GOYA Lockin 9pm-9am
 24 Sat Eagle Court of Honor
 25 Sun Three Hierarchs Program in church/
 Artoclasia/PTO/MC Coffee hr
 26 Mon Volleyball Practice 7-9
 27 Tue Kali Parea General Mtg – 1:00pm
 28 Wed Volleyball Practice 7-9
 30 Fri Boy Scout Meeting
 31 Sat Boy Scout Klondike Derby
 Feb 1 Sun GodParent's Day
 1 Sun Scout Sunday - Loukoumades
 1 Sun PTO/MC General Meeting
 Immediately following church
 1 Sun AHEPA Superbowl Party, 4pm
 4 Wed Boy Scout Youth Leadership Mtg 7:30
 5 Thu 8th Grade Classes begin
 6 Fri HOPE Making Chocolate
 6 Fri JOY Pajama Night
 6 Fri GOYA District Valentine's Dance,
 Westfield
 7 Sat Kali Parea Movie
 7 Sat Scouts Blue & Gold Dinner
 8 Sun Philoptochos Concert
 5 Thu Greek School 8th Grade Begins
 13 Fri Girl,Cub & Boy Scout Meetings 7:30
 14 Sat Ladies & Gents Valentine's Dance
 17&19 No Greek School-Winter Break
 18 Wed Vespers Service St.Philothea
 19 Thu AHEPA Meeting – 7:00pm
 20 Fri HOPE Making Proosphoro
 20 Fri No JOY
 20-22FS Scout Ski Days- Beleayre, NY
 22 Sun JOY Bake Sale
 27 Fri Cub Scout Pinewood Derby
 27 Fri Girl & Boy Scout Meeting
 28 Sat Apokreatiko Glendi PTO/MC March
 1 Sun Laganes Sale PTO/MC
 2 Mon Lent begins
 3 Tue PTO/MC Board Meeting, 4:15

7 Sat Ladies & Gents Maria Callas
Play, Millburn, NJ
13Fri St. John Oratorical
Festival(Tentative)
21 Sat Philoptochos Fish & Chips
28 Sat Independence Day Celebration
4:15-6:15

April

5 Sun Greek Independence Day Parade
Tentative Date
11 Sat Saturday of Lazarus Communion
Breakfast / Tsourekia Sale
12 Sun Palm Sunday – No Sunday
School
Tsourekia Sale
14-16 Holy Week- No Greek School
19 Sun Easter Sunday- No Sunday
School
21 Tue Greek School Resumes
26 Sun Sunday School Resumes
28 Tue PTO/MC Board Meeting

May

2 Sat GOYA Soccer Tournament
1-3 F-S EOCS Camporee
5 Tue PTO/MC General Meeting, 4:15

9 Sat GOYA Indoor Olympics/Chess
17 Sun Sunday School Graduation
19 Tue PTO/MC Board Meeting 4:15
21 Thu Greek School Graduation
23-24SS GOYA Outdoor Olympics
26 Tue End of Year Party Greek &
Sunday
Schools
28-31ThS St.John's Taste of Greece Festival

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