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March 31, 2024

Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

Orthros 8:45/Liturgy 9:30 AM.

Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 1:10-14; 2:1-3.

Gospel Reading

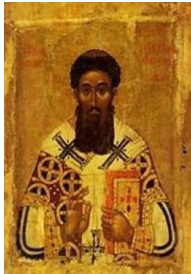
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Memorial

10 year – *Anna Kane*

20 year – *Aphrodite Alex*

May their memory be eternal. Αιωνία η Μνήμη!



WEEKDAY SERVICES - Καθημερινές Λειτουργίες:

Presanctified Liturgy - Wed., April 3, 10, and 17, from 6:00 - 7:30PM. followed by a Family Potluck Dinner.

Paraklesis to the Panagia Gorgoipikoos - Every Thurs., 6PM.

3rd Salutation to the Theotokos - Friday, April 5, at 7:00PM.

HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Second Mode

When You descended to death, O Immortal Life, then, the light of Your divinity destroyed Hades. When You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out, "Glory to You our Christ, the Giver of Life."

Ὅτε κατήλθες πρὸς τὸν θάνατον, ἡ Ζωὴ ἡ ἀθάνατος, τότε τὸν ἄδην ἐνέκρωσας τῇ ἀστραπῇ τῆς Θεότητος, ὅτε δὲ καὶ τοὺς τεθνεώτας ἐκ τῶν καταχθονίων ἀνέστησας, πᾶσαι αἱ Δυνάμεις τῶν ἐπουρανίων ἐκράυγαζον· Ζωοδότα Χριστέ ὁ Θεὸς ἡμῶν δόξα σοι.

Apolytikion for Sun. of St. Gregory Palamas in the Plagal Fourth Mode

O Gregory the Miracle Worker, light of Orthodoxy, support and teacher of the Church, comeliness of Monastics, invincible defender of theologians, the pride of Thessalonica, and preacher of grace, intercede forever that our souls may be saved.

Ὁρθοδοξίας ὁ φωστὴρ, Ἐκκλησίας τὸ στήριγμα καὶ διδάσκαλε, τῶν μοναστῶν ἡ καλλονὴ, τῶν θεολόγων ὑπέρμαχος ἀπροσμάχητος· Γρηγόριε θαυματουργέ Θεσσαλονίκης τὸ καύχημα κήρυξ τῆς χάριτος· ἰκέτευε διὰ παντός, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Plagal Fourth Mode

To you, Theotokos, invincible Defender, having been delivered from peril, I, your city, dedicate the victory festival as a thank offering. In your irresistible might, keep me safe from all trials, that I may call out to you: "Hail, unwedded bride!"

Τὴ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, ἀναγράφω σοὶ ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε, Ἄλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, ἐκ παντοίων μὲ κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, ἵνα κράζω σοί, Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

Receiving Holy Communion - We welcome to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy those Christians who are from other Christian Denominations and who are not fully united with us. Sadly, it is a consequence of the divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend to you an invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is the work or action of the celebrating Community signifying a oneness of faith, life, and worship of the believing Community. Reception of Holy Communion by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must pray. **However, all present** are welcome to partake of the Antidoro (blessed bread) which is distributed at the end of the Liturgy.

Epistle Reading

Prokeimenon. Second Mode. Psalm 117.14,18.

The Lord is my strength and my song.
Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 1:10-14; 2:1-3.

IN THE BEGINNING, Thou, Lord, didst found the earth in the beginning, and the heavens are the work of thy hands; they will perish, but thou remainest; they will all grow old like a garment, like a mantle thou wilt roll them up, and they will be changed. But thou art the same, and thy years will never end." But to what angel has he ever said, "Sit at my right hand, till I make thy enemies a stool for thy feet?" Are they not all ministering spirits sent forth to serve, for the sake of those who are to obtain salvation?

Therefore we must pay closer attention to what we have heard, lest we drift away from it. For if the message declared by angels was valid and every transgression or disobedience received a just retribution, how shall we escape if we neglect such a great salvation? It was declared at first by the Lord, and it was attested to us by those who heard him.

Epistle Reading

Προκείμενον. Second Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 117.14,18.

Ἰσχύς μου καὶ ὕμνησίς μου ὁ Κύριος.
Στίχ. Παιδεύων ἐπαιδευσέ με ὁ Κύριος.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 1:10-14, 2:1-3.

Κατ' ἀρχάς, Κύριε, τὴν γῆν ἐθεμελίωσας, καὶ ἔργα τῶν χειρῶν σου εἰσιν οἱ οὐρανοί· αὐτοὶ ἀπολοῦνται, σὺ δὲ διαμένεις· καὶ πάντες ὡς ἱμάτιον παλαιωθήσονται, καὶ ὡσεὶ περιβόλαιον ἐλίξεις αὐτούς, καὶ ἀλλαγῆσονται· σὺ δὲ ὁ αὐτὸς εἶ, καὶ τὰ ἔτη σου οὐκ ἐκλείψουσιν. Πρὸς τίνα δὲ τῶν ἀγγέλων εἴρηκέν ποτε, Κάθου ἐκ δεξιῶν μου, ἕως ἂν θῶ τοὺς ἐχθρούς σου ὑποπόδιον τῶν ποδῶν σου; Οὐχὶ πάντες εἰσὶν λειτουργικὰ πνεύματα, εἰς διακονίαν ἀποστελλόμενα διὰ τοὺς μέλλοντας κληρονομεῖν σωτηρίαν; Διὰ τοῦτο δεῖ περισσοτέρως ἡμᾶς προσέχειν τοῖς ἀκουσθεῖσιν, μήποτε παραρρυῶμεν. Εἰ γὰρ ὁ δι' ἀγγέλων λαληθεὶς λόγος ἐγένετο βέβαιος, καὶ πᾶσα παράβασις καὶ παρακοὴ ἔλαβεν ἔνδικον μισθαποδοσίαν, πῶς ἡμεῖς ἐκφευξόμεθα τηλικαύτης ἀμελήσαντες σωτηρίας; Ἦτις, ἀρχὴν λαβοῦσα λαλεῖσθαι διὰ τοῦ κυρίου, ὑπὸ τῶν ἀκουσάντων εἰς ἡμᾶς ἐβεβαιώθη.

GOSPEL

The Reading is from Mark 2:1-12

At that time, Jesus entered Capernaum and it was reported that he was at home. And many were gathered together, so that there was no longer room for them, not even about the door; and he was preaching the word to them. And they came, bringing to him a paralytic carried by four men. And when they could not get near him because of the crowd, they removed the roof above him; and when they had made an opening, they let down the pallet on which the paralytic lay. And when Jesus saw their faith, he said to the paralytic, "My son, your sins are forgiven." Now some of the scribes were sitting there, questioning in their hearts, "Why does this man speak thus? It is a blasphemy! Who can forgive sins but God alone?" And immediately Jesus, perceiving in his spirit that they thus questioned within themselves, said to them, "Why do you question thus in your hearts? Which is easier, to say to the paralytic, 'Your sins are forgiven,' or to say, 'Rise, take up your pallet and walk? But that you may know that the Son of man has authority on earth to forgive sins"-he said to the paralytic-"I say to you, rise, take up your pallet and go home." And he rose, and immediately took up the pallet and went out before them all; so that they were all amazed and glorified God, saying, "We never saw anything like this!"

GOSPEL

Κατὰ Μάρκον 2:1-12

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσῆλθεν ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἰς εἰς Καπερναοῦμ δι' ἡμερῶν καὶ ἠκούσθη ὅτι εἰς οἶκόν ἐστι. καὶ εὐθέως συνήχθησαν πολλοί, ὥστε μηκέτι χωρεῖν μηδὲ τὰ πρὸς τὴν θύραν· καὶ ἐλάλει αὐτοῖς τὸν λόγον. καὶ ἔρχονται πρὸς αὐτὸν παραλυτικὸν φέροντες, αἰρόμενον ὑπὸ τεσσάρων· καὶ μὴ δυνάμενοι προσεγγίσει αὐτῷ διὰ τὸν ὄχλον, ἀπεστεγάσαν τὴν στέγην ὅπου ἦν, καὶ ἐξορύξαντες χαλῶσι τὸν κράβαττον, ἐφ' ᾧ ὁ παραλυτικὸς κατέκειτο. ἰδὼν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς τὴν πίστιν αὐτῶν λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· τέκνον, ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι σου. ἦσαν δὲ τινες τῶν γραμματέων ἐκεῖ καθήμενοι καὶ διαλογιζόμενοι ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις αὐτῶν· τί οὗτος οὕτω λαλεῖ βλασφημίας; τίς δύναται ἀφιέναι ἁμαρτίας εἰ μὴ εἰς ὁ Θεός; καὶ εὐθέως ἐπιγνοὺς ὁ Ἰησοῦς τῷ πνεύματι αὐτοῦ ὅτι οὕτως αὐτοὶ διαλογίζονται ἐν ἑαυτοῖς, εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τί ταῦτα διαλογίζεσθε ἐν ταῖς καρδίαις ὑμῶν; τί ἐστὶν εὐκοπώτερον, εἰπεῖν τῷ παραλυτικῷ, ἀφέωνταί σοι αἱ ἁμαρτίαι, ἢ εἰπεῖν, ἔγειρε καὶ ἄρον τὸν κράβαττόν σου καὶ περιπάτει; ἵνα δὲ εἰδῆτε ὅτι ἐξουσίαν ἔχει ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἀφιέναι ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἁμαρτίας, - λέγει τῷ παραλυτικῷ· σοὶ λέγω, ἔγειρε καὶ ἄρον τὸν κράβαττόν σου καὶ ὑπάγε εἰς τὸν οἶκόν σου. καὶ ἠγέρθη εὐθέως, καὶ ἄρας τὸν κράβαττον ἐξῆλθεν ἐναντίον πάντων, ὥστε ἐξίστασθαι πάντας καὶ δοξάζειν τὸν Θεὸν λέγοντας ὅτι οὐδέποτε οὕτως εἶδομεν.

Saints and Feasts

Today at the conclusion of the Liturgy, it is the final opportunity to venerate the Holy Relic that once belonged to St. Nektarios; part of his Vestments, the belt.

(It has been on loan to us, and will be returned.)



March 31

Sunday of St. Gregory Palamas

This divine Father, who was from Asia Minor, was from childhood reared in the royal court of Constantinople, where he was instructed in both religious and secular wisdom. Later, while still a youth, he left the imperial court and struggled in asceticism on Mount Athos, and in the Skete at Beroea. He spent some time in Thessalonica being treated for an illness that came from his harsh manner of life. He was present in Constantinople at the Council that was convened in 1341 against Barlaam of Calabria, and at the Council of 1347 against Acindynus, who was of like mind with Barlaam; Barlaam and Acindynus claimed that the grace of God is created. At both these Councils, the Saint contended courageously for the true dogmas of the Church of Christ, teaching in particular that divine grace is not created, but is the uncreated energies of God which are poured forth throughout creation: otherwise it would be impossible, if grace were created, for man to have genuine communion with the uncreated God. In 1347 he was appointed Metropolitan of Thessalonica. He tended his flock in an apostolic manner for some twelve years, and wrote many books and treatises on the most exalted doctrines of our Faith; and having lived for a total of sixty-three years, he reposed in the Lord in 1359.

His holy relics are kept in the Cathedral of Thessalonica. A full service was composed for his feast day by the Patriarch Philotheus in 1368, when it was established that his feast be celebrated on this day. Since works without right faith avail nothing, we set Orthodoxy of faith as the foundation of all that we accomplish during the Fast, by celebrating the Triumph of Orthodoxy the Sunday before, and the great defender of the teachings of the holy Fathers today.

Sermon

"LOVE OF GOD"

The New Testament recapitulates all the work and teaching of Jesus, deeds, actions, miracles, parables in one meaning, where His deep social and spiritual presence is clearly seen in the world and in history: in the concept of love. The miracle of the healing of the paralytic proves this to us. At the same time, however, in the Gospel of the Second Sunday of Lent, the divinity of our Lord Jesus Christ clearly shows, Who offers not only health, but also forgiveness of sins to the paralytic. The paralytic asks for his cure and Jesus offers him the absolution from sin.

Failure in the Use of Our Freedom

Sin, which is the failure in the use of our freedom, cultivates an abyss between man and God, which is bridged only with God's mercy. Our sin is the casting aside of God's love. The removal of sin and its consequences is the functioning of God's love in us anew. In the Church we ceaselessly seek God's mercy. "Lord, have mercy". The tragedy of man lies in the fact that he does not recognize his spiritual disability, he admits his sinfulness not in its essence, but in its consequences (bad actions), and acts relying on his egotism with scandalous movements which nevertheless remove the Holy Spirit from his heart.

In these impasses we must know: a) when we drive away the All Holy Spirit with our egotism, yes, on the one hand, it withdraws from us, but it does not move away from us, b) the Holy Spirit lovingly and patiently awaits for the appropriate moment, which indeed it prepares, so that each of us can find peace in his heart, in order to come and settle in us, and c) the Holy Spirit immediately answers our heart's request, he comes and reveals the cheerful face of the Lord, for this reason he cleanses us from every stain.

The Forgiveness of Sins

The forgiveness of sins is offered in the Church through the Sacraments. The saving voice of the Lord, which the paralytic heard, "child, your sins are forgiven", we also hear it, who seek the remission of sins with humility and self-censuring and we come to the sacrament of sacred Confession. If sin is spiritual death, repentance and forgiveness of sins is life and resurrection. If sin captures man and darkens the mind, the remission of sins is the event that makes us persons, since man is a person only when he is connected with the Person of the Triune God.

Let us be transformed, therefore, by practicing faith, and with it with all the other evangelical asceses, of love, prayer, fasting, humility, godly piety, chastity, meekness, and temperance. Thus, we unceasingly increase "the increase of God" until we become godmen "by grace".

We Welcome all who worship with us today.

Memorial

10 year – *Anna Kane*

20 year – *Aphrodite Alex*

May their memory be eternal. Αιώνια η Μνήμη!

Coffee Fellowship is sponsored by the ***Alex family and the Kane family*** in memory of their loved one.

If you would like to sponsor a Coffee Fellowship, please contact the Office.

Announcements



**Philotimo Chat - next meeting will be on Thursday, April 18th,
10:00 - Noon**

**Photography Ministry Club Field Trip
Monday, April 8th to view Total Solar Eclipse**

We will be meeting at 8:00AM. in the Church parking lot to car pool to Burlington, VT. for the viewing. Join us! For questions, or for more info, please contact Nick Vakalopoulos 781-254-5989.

(On April 8, North America will experience its second total solar eclipse in seven years. The moon will glide over the surface of our sun, casting a shadow over the Earth below. Along it's path, the world will turn dark as night.)

COMMEMORATING MARCH 25, 1821

28th Annual
**GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY
PARADE
of BOSTON**

42
Years



SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024
1:00 PM

BOYLSTON STREET TO CHARLES STREET

CELEBRATION WITH GREEK MUSIC, DANCING AND FOOD AT THE
BOSTON COMMON IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING THE PARADE

Saturday, April 6th Dinner Gala: Reception 6:30 pm | Dinner 7:30 pm
Ithaki Restaurant/Holiday Inn, 1A Newbury Street, Peabody, MA 01960



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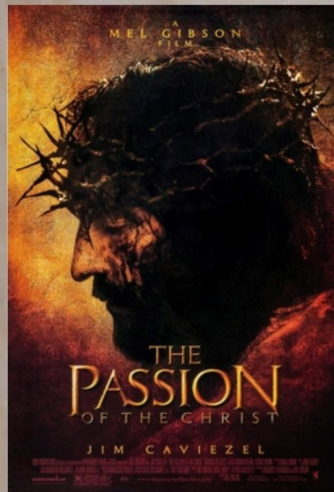


**Please join us
for the viewing of
the 2004 film**

The Passion of the Christ

**Thursday, April 18th
7:00pm
in Metaxas Hall**

**We will be
serving
coffee
and light
Lenten
refreshments**



2023-2024 Capital Improvement Campaign Fund

— \$150,000

— \$75,000

— \$0



Church Capital Improvement Campaign update. To date we have raised \$45,000 of the \$150,000 we need to raise for much needed improvements to our Church. We used approved monies from the operations account for the parking lot improvement but need to repay the operations account once we have raised the money. Thank you to those that have donated! If you would like to donate please visit the Church website, click on Donate, then Capital Improvement Campaign.

DONATE TODAY!

Save The Date: Monday, May 13, 2024



Join us for a day of golf and fellowship!

33rd Annual
St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church
Memorial Golf Tournament

EXCITING NEW LOCATION!
Charter Oak Country Club - Hudson, MA
Visit www.charteroakcc.com to view venue



MBC SUMMER CAMP '24

METROPOLIS OF BOSTON CAMP.ORG
FAITH | HERITAGE | FELLOWSHIP | SPORTS | ARTS | NATURE | MORE!

**REGISTRATION OPENS
MARCH 4 AT 7PM
Ages 8 - Grade 12
SPACE IS LIMITED**


**STAFF
APPLICATIONS
DUE MARCH 1st
SEE BELOW
FOR MORE**

Taxiarchae Oratorical Date: April 21, at the conclusion of the Liturgy

Parish Chairperson: Costas Karageorgis

Contact Information: Ckarageorgis@goarchangel.com

Please contact Costas or Fr. Nenes if interested.



**JOIN THOUSANDS OF
YOUTH ACROSS
THE NATION AND
SHARE YOUR FAITH!**

2024 ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL
Junior Division (Grades 7-9) | Senior Division (Grades 10-12)

AWARDS

National finalists are eligible to receive the following
St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival Scholarship: \$500 to \$2000
FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism: to be announced

SCHOLARSHIPS

Finalists at any level are eligible to receive the following
Chrysostom Scholarship to Hellenic College: \$2,500 up to \$30,000 per year

LOCAL INFORMATION

Parish Festival Date & Time: _____

Parish Chairperson: _____

Contact Information: _____

Find topics, tips, manual, & award info at
www.religioused.goarch.org

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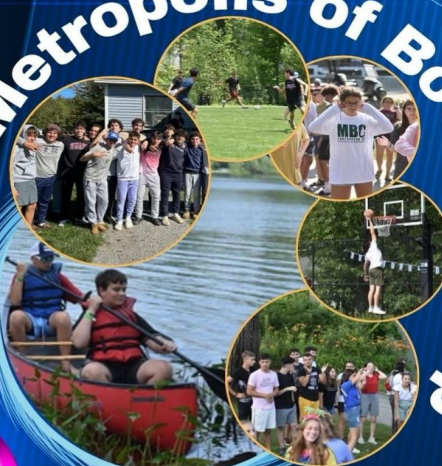
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Join us to raise funds for the

Metropolis of Boston Camp

April 27, 2024

Saturday
10:30am - 4:00pm EST



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TAXIARCHAE SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Calling all High School Seniors and Undergrads.
The 2024-25 Taxiarchae Scholarship application are available
on our website: www.goarchangels.org

The deadline for applications is May 31, 2024.



Metropolis of Boston Scholarship Opportunities

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston is pleased to offer
2024–2025 academic year scholarship *opportunities* for U.S.
and Canadian students of Greek descent or of the Greek
Orthodox Faith entering their second, third, or fourth year
of undergraduate studies.

Scholarships | Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Boston (goarch.org)

The deadline for applications is May 6, 2024.





MAIDS OF ATHENA
ALPHA EPSILON ALPHA

YOU ARE INVITED TO:

THE 3RD ANNUAL SPRING SEMI FORMAL

WHEN:
**Saturday April 6th,
7 pm - 11 pm**

WHERE:
**Hellenic
Cultural Center
of Watertown
25 Bigelow Ave**



MUSIC BY:
**The
Salonica
Boys**

OPEN TO ALL:
**Highschool &
College Students**

\$20 ENTRY FEE





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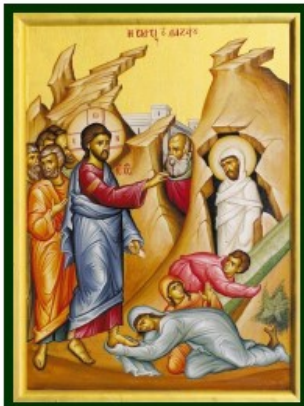
SESSION 1 | Boston June 8-18
SESSION 2 | Northern California June 18-28
SESSION 3 | Boston June 22-July 2
SESSION 4 | Chicago July 6-16

APPLICATION DEADLINES
 Priority: January 16, 2024
 Regular: February 20, 2024



Presanctified Liturgies During March & April
Presanctified Liturgies Wednesdays, 6-7:30 PM.
March 27th, April 3rd, 10th, & 17th.
Followed by family Pot-luck Dinner and Discussion.
All are encouraged to attend.

Sunday School and
Greek School Students,
JOY, GOYA, Young Adults, and
the entire Taxiarchae Family
are invited to join us
on these days.



SATURDAY OF LAZARUS
April 27
for the entire family

8:30 AM Orthros and Divine Liturgy followed by:

- *Light Refreshments*
- *Weaving Palm Crosses*
- *Preparing the Church*
- *Confession*



Holy Week Flowers



Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy

Icon for Palm Sunday flowers \$125.00
Palms \$500.00

Palm Sunday Evening

Nymphios Icon Flowers - \$125
Altar Table flowers - \$75

Holy Thursday

Icon of the Crucifixion flowers - \$125
Wreath for the Cross (Estavromenos) - \$175
(2 sm.) Wreaths for the Cross \$100 each

Holy Friday

(All) Epitaphio flowers - \$1,000.00

Holy Saturday & Pascha

(10) Easter Lilies - \$25 each
(2) Holy Gates - \$100 each
(2) Resurrection Icon - \$125 each
Lavro Flowers - \$200
Altar Table flowers - \$75

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TO DONATE FLOWERS, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 617.924.8182

Name: _____

Adress: _____ **Phone:** _____

Donation Item: _____ **Donation Amount:** _____

Or In Memory of: _____





**Taxiarchae Philoptochos
Palm Sunday Bake Sale
SUNDAY, APRIL 28, 2024**

Homemade tsourekia, Greek desserts,
decorated Easter candles, red eggs and much more!

Let us help with your Easter baking!

Order online at www.goarchangels.org or complete
this form and send payment by April 23 to

**Taxiarchae Philoptochos
25 Bigelow Avenue,
Watertown, MA 02472**



All orders must be pre-paid. Items will be pre-packaged and ready for
pick up April 28, 2024. Questions? Contact Frances Levas 617-519-3422



NAME:				
EMAIL OR PHONE				
KOULOURAKIA	1 Dozen	\$10	Quantity:	Total: \$
RED EGGS	1 Dozen	\$15	Quantity:	Total: \$
KOURAMBIETHES	1/2 Dozen	\$10	Quantity:	Total: \$
	1 Dozen	\$20	Quantity:	
BAKLAVA	1/2 Dozen	\$10	Quantity:	Total: \$
	1 Dozen	\$20	Quantity:	
TSOUREKI	Regular (12 oz)	\$15	Quantity:	Total: \$
	Mini (5 oz)	\$3	Quantity:	
PIKILIA PLATTER 1 doz. Koulourakia, 4 Baklava, 4 Kourambiethes, 3 Red Eggs		\$35	Quantity:	Total: \$



The Easter Egg Giving Tree

Similar to our Christmas Giving Tree, our Easter Egg Tree will be decorated with Easter Eggs to represent supermarket gift cards that will be distributed by

Fr. Athanasi to families in need. The tree will be in the Narthex until Palm Sunday, April 28. Please choose an egg and return the appropriate gift card to the church. We are asking for gift cards in \$25, \$50 or \$75 denominations to Market Basket, Stop & Shop or Shaw's.

If you are unable to purchase the gift cards, please make the appropriate donation to the Philoptochos, and we will purchase the gift card for you.





Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church
25 Bigelow Avenue, Watertown, MA 02472

Good Friday Youth Retreat May 3, 2024



LOVE/HOPE/JOY, GOYA, Sunday School and
Greek School students are invited to join us for our
Annual Good Friday Retreat!



9:00am—Service of the Royal Hours
10:00am—Registration
10:30am–3:00pm—Retreat Program
(includes lunch)
3:00–4:30pm—Apokathelosis Service



Grades 1—High School
10:30 am—4:30 pm
Pre-School/Kindergarten
starts at 1:00 pm

ALL students should be excused
from school on this Holy day and
participate for the entire day.

If you need a letter to be excused from school on Holy Friday or if you have any
questions, please contact the Church office at 617.924.8182.



Bright Week Family Night

Join us for a great night of
food and music!

Food by Redbones BBQ



Music by Dilina



Adults—\$35, Children under 12—\$10
RSVP by May 6 recommended.
You can purchase tickets online or
by calling the church office.

May 10, 2024
6 PM — 10 PM

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American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association

"HARRIS J BOORAS" CHAPTER #406, ORDER OF AHEPA

SAVE THE DATE!!

SUNDAY, MAY 19, 2024



63rd Annual AHEPA Day Celebration
Immediately after the Divine Liturgy

**All AHEPANs and members of the
Taxiarchae Community are invited
to join us for Sunday dinner of appetizers and
dinner entrée of
Lamb Yiouvetsi and Shrimp and Rice**

**Followed by
Greek Music and Dancing**



Plus: Giveaways!

\$25 per person

**For reservations please call John Abate, 617.797.9499 or
Demetrios Tsekrekas, 617.257-7474.**

NEXT FESTIVAL MEETING - Thursday, April 4th, at 7:00 PM.

FESTIVAL COOKING SCHEDULE

All Are Welcome To Come & Help!

Spanakopita - Thursday, May 23rd, 9:30 AM.

Moussaka - Wednesday, May 29th, 9:30 AM.

Pastitsio - Thursday, May 30th, 9:30 AM.

**GRECIAN
FESTIVAL
2024**
WATERTOWN

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CELEBRATING
FIFTY YEARS

JUNE 21, 22, 23

Taxiarchae-Archangels
Greek Orthodox Church
25 Bigelow Ave | Watertown, MA

FRIDAY

11am-11pm
Greek Music All Day
Featuring Orfeas Band, 7-11pm
Bar 5-11pm

SATURDAY

12pm-11pm
Greek Music All Day
Featuring Enosis Band, 7-11pm
Dance Performance, 8pm
by Sons and Daughters of
Alexander the Great
Bar Noon-11pm

SUNDAY

12pm-8pm
Greek Music All Day
Featuring Orfeas Band, 4-8pm
Bar Noon-8pm

**3 DAYS OF FOOD AND FUN!
RAIN OR SHINE!**



Greek Cuisine
Greek Pastries
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Youth Ministry

Ongoing FOOD DRIVE - Collecting for the Watertown Food Pantry

Your donation of food items can be put on the table, located in the Lobby.

We will deliver them to the Watertown Food Pantry every Tuesday.

Thank you for helping your local community!

ESPECIALLY NEEDED - CANS OF TUNA & BREAKFAST CEREAL.

As always, the Food Pantry is still in need of school snacks.

LOVE DOES NOT HURT.

INCREASED STATISTICS ON INTIMATE PARTNER VIOLENCE
[HTTPS://WWW.NEJM.ORG/DOI/FULL/10.1056/NEJMP2024046](https://www.nejm.org/doi/full/10.1056/NEJMP2024046)

A pandemic within a pandemic: There are more cases of violence in the home than ever before. This means more families living in crisis.

We are collecting for monthly drop-offs each second Monday of the month, beginning with December 14th.

Items requested are:

Sanitary napkins
Shampoo
Vaseline
Cocoa butter
Baby shampoo
Baby lotion
Deodorant
Tooth brushes
Tooth paste

With any questions, please contact [REDACTED] or
Christina Kourkoulis at CKourkoulis@goarchangels.org

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Taxiarchae Hellenic Cultural Center

Planning a party or reception? Our beautiful venues are now updated and ready for any & all of your event needs, up to 500 people.

For information and assistance in planning your future event, please call Irene Apostolou Cobb at the Church Office at 617-924-8182 or email: functionmanager@goarchangels.com



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CAN COME TRUE!
YOUR EVENT CAN BE
EVERYTHING
YOU WISHED.

