



ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΗ ΟΡΘΟΔΟΞΗ ΚΟΙΝΟΤΗΤΑ ΤΩΝ ΤΑΞΙΑΡΧΩΝ
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April 14, 2024

Sunday of St. John Climacus

Orthros 8:45/Liturgy 9:30 AM.

Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 6:13-20.

Gospel Reading

The Reading is from 9:17-31.

Memorial

40 day – *Maria Chrisidis*

3 year – *Konstantinos Logakis*

10 year – *Nikolaos Nikoletos*

Trisagion

1 year – *Kristallia Koufopoulos*

May their memory be eternal. Αιωνία η Μνήμη! .

WEEKDAY SERVICES - Καθημερινές Λειτουργίες:

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

Paraklesis to the Panagia Gorgoipikoos - Thurs., 4/18 at 6.
It will be the last one before Easter. Will resume on 5/16.

Akathyst Hymn to the Theotokos - Friday, April 19, at 7PM.



HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Fourth Mode

The women disciples of the Lord heard from the angel, the joyful news of the Resurrection and the repeal of the sentence imposed upon our forefathers. With pride they said to the Apostles, "Death is vanquished, Christ our God is risen bestowing upon the world His great mercy."

Τὸ φαιδρὸν τῆς Ἀναστάσεως κήρυγμα, ἐκ τοῦ Ἀγγέλου μαθοῦσαι αἱ τοῦ Κυρίου Μαθήτριάι, καὶ τὴν προγονικὴν ἀπόφασιν ἀπορρίψασαι, τοῖς Ἀποστόλοις καυχώμεναι ἔλεγον· Ἐσκύλευται ὁ θάνατος, ἠγέρθη Χριστός ὁ Θεός, δωρούμενος τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Apolytikion for Sun. of St. John Climacus in the Plagal Fourth Mode

With the rivers of your tears, you have made the barren desert fertile. Through sighs of sorrow from deep within you, your labors have borne fruit a hundred-fold. By your miracles you have become a light, shining upon the world. O John, our Holy Father, pray to Christ our God, to save our souls.

Ταῖς τῶν δακρῦων σου ροαῖς, τῆς ἐρήμου τὸ ἀγονον ἐγεώργησας, καὶ τοῖς ἐκ βάθους στεναγμοῖς, εἰς ἑκατὸν τοὺς πόνους ἐκαρποφόρησας, καὶ γέγονας φωστήρ, τῇ οἰκουμένῃ λάμπων τοῖς θαύμασι, Ἰωάννη Πατὴρ ἡμῶν, Ὅσιε, Πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, 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 Θεοτοκε, 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. Fourth Mode. Psalm 103.24,1.

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.
Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 6:13-20.

BRETHREN, when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore to himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation. So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

Epistle Reading

Προκείμενον. Fourth Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 103.24,1.

Ὡς ἐμεγαλύνθη τὰ ἔργα σου Κύριε, πάντα ἐν σοφίᾳ ἐποίησας.
Στίχ. Εὐλόγει ἡ ψυχὴ μου τὸν Κύριον.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 6:13-20.

Ἀδελφοί, τῷ Ἀβραάμ ἐπαγγελιάμενος ὁ θεός, ἐπεὶ κατ' οὐδενὸς εἶχεν μείζονος ὁμόσαι, ὡμοσεν καθ' ἑαυτοῦ, λέγων, Ἡ μὲν εὐλογῶν εὐλογήσω σε, καὶ πληθύνων πληθυνῶ σε. Καὶ οὕτως μακροθυμήσας ἐπέτυχεν τῆς ἐπαγγελίας. Ἄνθρωποι μὲν γὰρ κατὰ τοῦ μείζονος ὀμνύουσιν, καὶ πάσης αὐτοῖς ἀντιλογίας πέρας εἰς βεβαίωσιν ὁ ὄρκος. Ἐν ᾧ περισσώτερον βουλόμενος ὁ θεὸς ἐπιδείξει τοῖς κληρονόμοις τῆς ἐπαγγελίας τὸ ἀμετάθετον τῆς βουλῆς αὐτοῦ, ἐμεσίτευσεν ὄρκῳ, ἵνα διὰ δύο πραγμάτων ἀμεταθέτων, ἐν οἷς ἀδύνατον ψεύσασθαι θεόν, ἰσχυρὰν παράκλησιν ἔχωμεν οἱ καταφυγόντες κρατῆσαι τῆς προκειμένης ἐλπίδος· ἦν ὡς ἄγκυραν ἔχομεν τῆς ψυχῆς ἀσφαλῆ τε καὶ βεβαίαν, καὶ εἰσερχομένην εἰς τὸ ἐσώτερον τοῦ καταπετάσματος· ὅπου πρόδρομος ὑπὲρ ἡμῶν εἰσῆλθεν Ἰησοῦς, κατὰ τὴν τάξιν Μελχισεδέκ ἀρχιερεὺς γενόμενος εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα.

GOSPEL

The Reading is from Mark 9:17-31

At that time, a man came to Jesus kneeling and saying: "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

GOSPEL

Κατὰ Μάρκον 9:17-31

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, ἀνθρώπος τις προσῆλθε τῷ Ἰησοῦ λέγων, διδάσκαλε, ἤνεγκα τὸν υἱόν μου πρὸς σε, ἔχοντα πνεῦμα ἀλαλον. καὶ ὅπου ἂν αὐτὸν καταλάβῃ, ῥήσσει αὐτόν, καὶ ἀφρίζει καὶ τρίζει τοὺς ὀδόντας αὐτοῦ, καὶ ξηραίνεται· καὶ εἶπον τοῖς μαθηταῖς σου ἵνα αὐτὸ ἐκβάλωσι, καὶ οὐκ ἴσχυσαν. ὁ δὲ ἀποκριθεὶς αὐτῷ λέγει· ὦ γενεὰ ἀπίστος, ἕως πότε πρὸς ὑμᾶς ἔσομαι; ἕως πότε ἀνέξομαι ὑμῶν; φέρετε αὐτὸν πρὸς με. καὶ ἤνεγκαν αὐτὸν πρὸς αὐτόν. καὶ ἰδὼν αὐτὸν εὐθέως τὸ πνεῦμα ἐσπάραξεν αὐτόν, καὶ πεσὼν ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς ἐκυλίετο ἀφρίζων. καὶ ἐπηρώτησε τὸν πατέρα αὐτοῦ· πόσος χρόνος ἐστὶν ὡς τοῦτο γέγονεν αὐτῷ; ὁ δὲ εἶπε· παιδιόθεν. καὶ πολλάκις αὐτόν καὶ εἰς πῦρ ἔβαλε καὶ εἰς ὕδατα, ἵνα ἀπολέσῃ αὐτόν· ἀλλ' εἴ τι δύνασαι, βοήθησον ἡμῖν σπλαγχνισθεὶς ἐφ' ἡμᾶς. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν αὐτῷ τὸ εἰ δύνασαι πιστεῦσαι, πάντα δυνατὰ τῷ πιστεύοντι. καὶ εὐθέως κράξας ὁ πατὴρ τοῦ παιδίου μετὰ δακρύων ἔλεγε· πιστεύω, κύριε· βοήθει μου τῇ ἀπιστίᾳ. ἰδὼν δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς ὅτι ἐπισυντρέχει ὄχλος, ἐπετίμησε τῷ πνεύματι τῷ ἀκαθάρτῳ λέγων αὐτῷ· τὸ πνεῦμα τὸ ἀλαλον καὶ κωφόν, ἐγὼ σοι ἐπιτάσσω, ἐξελθε ἐξ αὐτοῦ καὶ μηκέτι εἰσέλθῃς εἰς αὐτόν. καὶ κράξαν καὶ πολλὰ σπαράξαν αὐτόν ἐξῆλθε, καὶ ἐγένετο ὡσεὶ νεκρός, ὥστε πολλοὺς λέγειν ὅτι ἀπέθανεν. ὁ δὲ Ἰησοῦς κρατήσας αὐτόν τῆς χειρὸς ἤγειρεν αὐτόν, καὶ ἀνέστη. Καὶ εἰσελθόντα αὐτόν εἰς οἶκον οἱ μαθηταὶ αὐτοῦ ἐπηρώτων αὐτόν κατ' ἰδίαν, ὅτι ἡμεῖς οὐκ ἠδυνήθημεν ἐκβαλεῖν αὐτό. καὶ εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· τοῦτο τὸ γένος ἐν οὐδενὶ δύναται ἐξελεθεῖν εἰ μὴ ἐν προσευχῇ καὶ νηστείᾳ. Καὶ ἐκεῖθεν ἐξελθόντες παρεπορεύοντο διὰ τῆς Γαλιλαίας, καὶ οὐκ ἤθελεν ἵνα τις γνῶ· ἐδίδασκε γὰρ τοὺς μαθητὰς αὐτοῦ καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς ὅτι ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου παραδίδοται εἰς χεῖρας ἀνθρώπων, καὶ ἀποκτενοῦσιν αὐτόν, καὶ ἀποκτανθεὶς τῇ τρίτῃ ἡμέρᾳ ἀναστήσεται.

Saints and Feasts



April 14

Sunday of St. John Climacus

The memory of this Saint is celebrated on March 30, where his biography may be found. He is celebrated today because his book, *The Ladder of Divine Ascent*, is a sure guide to the ascetic life, written by a great man of prayer experienced in all forms of the monastic polity; it teaches the seeker after salvation how to lay a sound foundation for his struggles, how to detect and war against each of the passions, how to avoid the snares laid by the demons, and how to rise from the rudimental virtues to the heights of Godlike love and humility. It is held in such high esteem that it is universally read in its entirety in monasteries during the Great Fast.

Sermon

THE ASCETIC LIFE

For today's secularized man, the projection of a Holy ascetic is a problem. How can the ascetical figure of St. John, the author of the *Ladder*, speak, who with tears, fasting, and spiritual ascesis acquired and preserved the Grace of God? In Orthodox teaching, the ascetical life is none other than the surpassing of individualism, the effort in Grace for us to apply the commandments of God, to live the life of Jesus of Christ.

The Orthodox Ascetical Ethos

The objection of today's people that an ascetic cannot speak to man is not right, for two main reasons: First, because in the Orthodox Patristic teaching, there is no difference between the monastic and the worldly way of life, nor between unmarried and married people, but between people who have the Holy Spirit and people who don't have it. Secondly, because the way of life, as described by Holy Scripture and as the saints experience it, is ascetical. The orders "strive to enter through the narrow gate", "the Kingdom of God is taken by force and the forceful seize it", "deaden your members upon the earth", have absolute and universal force, while they refer to all of us, regardless of our place of residence and our way of life. Because, just as the salvation that Christ completed is offered to all the baptized "in the name of the life-giving and thearchic Trinity", so also the path of salvation is common to all of us.

An End Or A Means?

Because perfection is not a human work and cannot be developed and acquired only by the efforts of man's natural capabilities, but it is a gift of the Holy Spirit, therefore asceticism in and of itself, is never an end, but only a means to obtain God's gift.

Asceticism in Orthodoxy is not a sterile duty, a faithful observance of a rigid formality, a regular propriety, a hypocritical pious appearance. Asceticism is love. Asceticism is humility. Asceticism means obedience to the Church.

It is a fact that the people of our time are unable to understand the meaning of asceticism in our lives. Even in the monastic life, phenomena are observed which reveal the basic deviation of the latest spiritual decline: the departure from the ascetical ethos.

That is why the Church very wisely over time also projects the contests of Her Saints and appoints ways of asceticism that train people's wills and convert them from the worst to the better and they strengthen us in preserving our self-awareness.

Observance of Christ's commandments is the seal and fulfillment of our effort. Without our whole-hearted response to the will of God and the fulfillment of His gospel commandments, it is impossible to cleanse ourselves from the defilement of sin and to achieve our sanctification in Christ. Some people, while not keeping the commandments, think that they believe correctly. Some again, who keep them, await the Kingdom of God as a salary that God owes them. Both are outside the truth. It is not any salaried work. "The kingdom of God is not a reward for works, but the grace of the Master prepared for faithful servants" (St. Mark the Hermit). Therefore according to the wise saying of St. Gregory Palamas, "let us guard in ourselves the Grace of God undiminished, wholly tending ourselves together in obedience, and by works, offering ourselves to God, fulfilling the holy commandments also by works, because He also gave himself for us."

Those of us who honor the Saints and Ascetics of our Church must also honor their way of life. Let us pray for this and let us strive for this.

We Welcome all who worship with us today.

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40 day – Maria Chrisidis

3 year – Konstantinos Logakis

10 year – Nikolaos Nikoletos

Trisagion

1 year – Kristallia Koufopoulos

May their memory be eternal. Αιώνια η Μνήμη!

Coffee Fellowship is sponsored by the ***Logakis family and the Nikoletos 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.

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.

PALM SUNDAY LUNCHEON - APRIL 28TH

Immediately following
the Divine Liturgy

Taxiarchae Greek
Orthodox Church in
Watertown

Reserve your spot by
ordering online or filling out
and sending this order form
to the church office. Limited
seating available. Please
purchase your tickets by
Sunday April 21, 2024.

Name: _____

Phone: _____

Baked Haddock No. of Meals _____ x \$30 _____

Includes: Potatoes, green beans, sweets and coffee

Kids Meal (12 and under) _____ x \$11 _____

Pasta with marinara

For Tickets - www.goarchangels.com

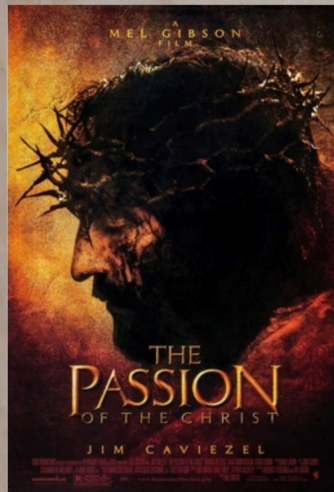
Open the Menu Bar and select "Taxiarchae Store"

**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

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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**


A collage of several photographs showing groups of diverse children and young people. They are smiling, waving, and participating in various activities, likely at a camp or community event.

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.



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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
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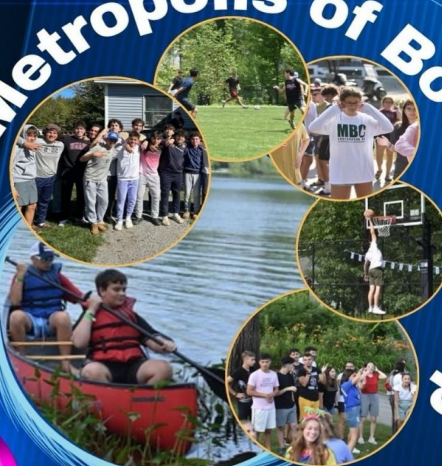
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Join us to raise funds for the

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.

Are you a high school **junior** or **senior**?

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Fill your **summer** with what **counts**

Join one of our **four sessions:**

- 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



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

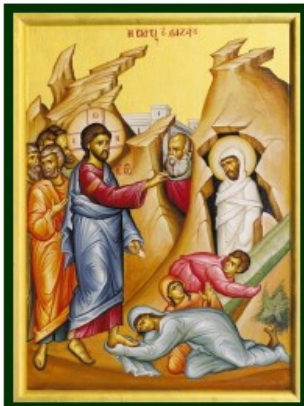
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Purchase tickets online at www.goarchangels.org/store



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

Altar Table flowers - \$75



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TO DONATE FLOWERS, PLEASE CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 617.924.8182

Name: _____

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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.





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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.

Myrrh Bearers

Calling all girls in grades 3rd - 8th that would like to be a Myrrh
Bearer during the Holy Friday Epitaphios Service, please contact
Costas Karageorgis at ckarageorgis@goarchangels.com.

HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SERVICES 2024

April 27 - Saturday of Lazarus
Orthros & Divine Liturgy, **8:30 AM/9:00 AM**
Weaving of palm crosses

April 28 - Palm Sunday
Orthros & Divine Liturgy, **8:30 AM/9:30 AM**
The blessing and distribution of the palms
Parish Family Luncheon to follow
Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service, **7 PM**

April 29- Holy Monday
Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service, **7 PM**

April 30 - Holy Tuesday
Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service (*Hymn of Kassiani*), **7 PM**

May 1 - Holy Wednesday
PreSanctified Liturgy, Holy Communion, **8:30AM**
Holy Unction Service, (*for children and parents*) **3 PM**
Holy Unction Service, (*for adults*) **7 PM**



May 2 - Holy Thursday
Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, **6 AM**
Holy Passion, The 12 Gospels, **7 PM**

May 3 - Holy Friday
The Service of the Royal Hours, **9 AM**
The Unnailing (Apokathelosis) Service, **3 PM**
Trisagion for the Departed, **6:15 PM**
The Epitaphios—Lamentations, **7 PM**

May 4 - Holy Saturday
Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil the Great, **7 AM**
Resurrection Vigil, **11 PM**

May 5 - PASCHA—EASTER SUNDAY
Paschal Orthros and Divine Liturgy, **12 midnight**
The prayer of Saint John Chrysostom to follow.
Easter eggs will be distributed
Vespers of Love (Agape Service) **11:00am**



Join us in the Community Center as we celebrate the
Anastasi with mezethakia and red Easter eggs!
Everyone is welcome after the Resurrection Service
of Holy Saturday night.

ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΑΣ ΚΑΙ ΠΑΣΧΑ 2024

27 Απριλίου – Σάββατο του Λαζάρου
Ορθρος, Θ.Λειτουργία, 8.30 π.μ./9.00 π.μ.
θα σχεδιάσουν σταυρούς από τα βάζια.

28 Απριλίου – Κυριακή των Βαΐων
Ορθρος, Θ.Λειτουργία, 8.30 π.μ./9.30 π.μ.
Μετά την Θεία Λειτουργία θα δοθούν τα βάζια.
Ακολουθία Νυμφίου, 7 μ.μ.

29 Απριλίου – Μεγάλη Δευτέρα
Ακολουθία Νυμφίου, 7 μ.μ.

30 Απριλίου – Μεγάλη Τρίτη
Ακολουθία Νυμφίου (Τροπάριον της Κασσιανής), 7 μ.μ.

1 Μαΐου – Μεγάλη Τετάρτη
Προηγησιασμένη Θεία Λειτουργία, 8.30 π.μ.
Άγιον Ευχέλαιον, (για μεγάλους και παιδιά) 3 μ.μ.
Άγιον Ευχέλαιον, (για μεγάλους) 7 μ.μ.

2 Μαΐου – Μεγάλη Πέμπτη
Θεία Λειτουργία, 6 π.μ.
Τα Άγιο Πάθη, Τα 12 Ευαγγέλια, 7 μ.μ.

3 Μαΐου – Μεγάλη Παρασκευή
Ακολουθία των Βασιλικών Ωρων, 9 π.μ.
Αποκαθίλωση, 3 μ.μ.
Τρισάγιον, 6.15 μ.μ.
Επιτάφιος Θρήνος, Τα Εγκώμια, 7 μ.μ.

4 Μαΐου – Μέγα Σάββατο
Θεία Λειτουργία, 7 π.μ.
Ακολουθία προ της Αναστάσεως, 11 μ.μ.

5 Μαΐου – ΠΑΣΧΑ
Πασχαλινή Θεία Λειτουργία, 12 μεσάνυχτα
Θα ακολουθήσει το Κήρυγμα του Αγίου Ιωάννου του Χρυσόστομου.
Μετά την Λειτουργία θα δοθούν τα Πασχαλινά Κόκκινα Αυγά.
Εσπερινός της Αγάπης, 11:00 π.μ.



Καλό Πάσχα!



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.**

**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

Loukoumades

Gyros

Church Tours

Bookstore

Souvenirs

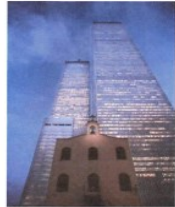
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Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church



Parish trip to
**St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
&
September-11 Memorial and Museum**

Departing Church parking lot
25 Bigelow Avenue, Watertown, MA

Saturday, June 1, 2024
07:30 am - Boarding bus
8:00 am Departure

COST: \$75.00

Veterans - FREE

Includes

Round Trip in Luxury Motor Coach (56 Pax)
Tour of St Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
Self guided visit of Sept 11 Memorial
Lunch @ Pi Bakery 35 Cedar Street



Museum Visit is Optional

Tickets must be purchased ahead of time

Museum Admission -- \$21-\$33

Tickets can be purchased up to six months in advance.

To Purchase Tickets for the Museum

www.911memorial.org

Upon arrival we will be visiting St Nicholas Church. Afterwards there will be time to have lunch at the "Pi Bakery" (within 3 blocks) tour the Memorial grounds and/or visit the museum.

Remember comfortable shoes Departure time dependent on museum visits
– Stop enroute home for dinner

American Legion **George K. Menichios Post #324** is sponsoring this event.

Any Questions? 617-964-0077 or Jet33pilot@aol.com



**For payment information and any other questions
please call: Peter at 617-964-0077.**

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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YOUR EVENT CAN BE
EVERYTHING
YOU WISHED.

