

# THE ARCHANGEL'S CALL

ΦΩΝΗ ΑΡΧΑΓΓΕΛΟΥ

TAXIARCHAE/ARCHANGELS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
WATERTOWN, MASSACHUSETTS [WWW.GOARCHANGELS.COM](http://WWW.GOARCHANGELS.COM)

*Reverend Brother Clergy, Honorable Members of the Taxiarchae Parish Council, beloved parishioners and friends,  
From Fr. Nick Mueller*



Three years ago, with the guidance and blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Methodios, as well as the recommendation of Fr. Ted Barbas, I was directed to your

community. I arrived as a recent seminary graduate who still had much to learn. Presbytera Dena and I were not then aware of the fullness of God's providence in directing us here. Having completed my seminary studies, Fr. Ted Barbas, who is, of course, no stranger to our community, suggested that I shadow Fr. Thanasi, an experienced and knowledgeable priest. Over the ensuing months, I shadowed Fr. Thanasi, and taught a Sunday School class with some of the most insightful, kind young people I have ever met. "[We] were strangers and you welcomed [us]" (Matt. 25:31).

Now, three years later, we have been through so much together. We have celebrated together as we made progress in Christ's ministry in Watertown by gathering families, children and our community together to discuss the future of His work in this community. We have spent late nights speculating and questioning how to proceed when faced with challenges. And in all these things we are reminded that "behold through the Cross joy has come into all the world." Through these challenges we learn the meaning of Christ's sacrifice, but also how to "bear one another's burdens" (Galatians 6:2) becoming ever more mindful that we are all "one body in Christ" (1 Corinthians 12). Perhaps the greatest joy in this for me, personally, has been witnessing members of our community shine forth and glorify God with their own gifts.

"The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, <sup>12</sup> to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, <sup>13</sup> until all of us come to the unity of

the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ (Ephesians 4:11-13)." You see, as Saint Paul explains, we find unity in Christ as we all discover and offer our unique talents and vocation. It is through this work that we, as on the evening of Anastasi, not only bear light, but as a community, bear light that illuminates the darkness. The work we do cannot be done without one another. This truth is timeless: "One Christian is no Christian."

It is for this reason, too, that I thank all of you for what you have offered to Presbytera Dena and I in your kindness, ardent love for God and courage. And, although, we will be separated by many miles very shortly, we will continue to be connected through Christ's body, the Church. We will together glorify God in prayer and in the labor we do in His vineyard. This also poses a moment of transition for us. We have become accustomed to one another's presence, voices, habits, jokes and, perhaps most importantly, have become used to leaning on one another. That will not end when we depart, but it will take on a different form, a different expression as we continue to pray for one another. We must face this challenge with the same spirit we express in the Divine Liturgy "by entrust[ing] to You, loving Master, our whole life and hope...."

I was reflecting with one of my brother clergy recently regarding the Divine Liturgy. He was observing that when two or more clergy celebrate together we call it a co-celebration, a *συνλείτουργον*. He reminded me of the joy that we are called to experience—it's a celebration! In an expression of this joy, we exchange the Kiss of Peace and affirm to one another that "Christ is in our midst. Now and ever unto the ages of ages." Yet, unfortunately, often times this is a rarity, as we as clergy may be distracted from our task at hand. Father Thanasi, it has been a joy to concelebrate with you. You have been patient when I have made mistakes in

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## The Archangel's Call

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The Mission of the Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church is to proclaim the Gospel of Salvation through the Orthodox Christian Faith for the glory of our Triune God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.

We are a community of believers who journey towards our Lord Jesus Christ and one another through our WORSHIP, FELLOWSHIP, SPIRITUAL GROWTH, WITNESS, and SERVICE. We invite all people to join us on this journey toward the Kingdom of Heaven.

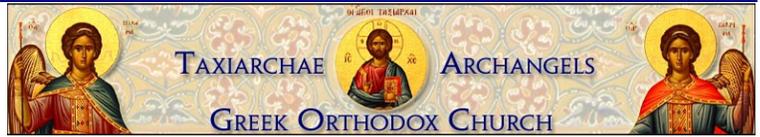
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*Our site is updated every week!*

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ministry, you have offered encouragement and correction when I have needed it, and it has truly been an honor to serve with you at the Lord's Altar. You have shown me how to serve with joy, dignity and prayerfully. St. Paul, in his letter the Hebrews admonishes them to "[r]emember your leaders, those who spoke the word of God to you; consider the outcome of their way life, and imitate their faith" (Hebrews 13:7). Your example is one I will return to throughout my priesthood. Thank you for your example; it is lasting and indelible. May the Lord God remember your priesthood in His kingdom, now and ever and unto the ages of ages.

I know that I can often sound like a broken record, hammering on the same points concerning our life in Christ. No doubt some of you, when you saw me coming to speak, thought, "Oh man, here we go! Fr. Nick is going to go on about the spirit of community or the priesthood!" I mean it, and have always meant it, as a way to encourage you all toward something greater, as our relationship has encouraged Pres. Dena and I toward something greater. Your ministry as a community will always be a part of ministry. This is a great gift that you have given Dena and I.

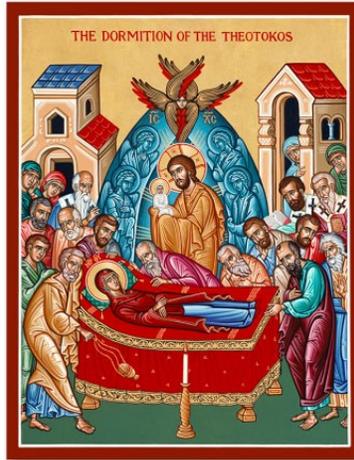
Thank you all for the farewell reception that was given for us on Friday evening, June 7. We are grateful to have had the opportunity to celebrate and spend time in fellowship together. It was incredibly humbling to be recognized in this way.

We look forward to hearing about the wonderful ministry that Taxiarchae will continue to accomplish to the glory of God. May God bless all of you.



Lovers are wont to speak of what they love, and to let their fancy run on it by day and night. Let no one therefore blame me, if I add a third tribute to the Mother of God, on her triumphant departure. I am not profiting her, but myself and you who are here present, putting before you a spiritual seasoning and refreshment in keeping with this holy night. We are suffering, as you see, from scarcity of eatables. Therefore I am extemporising a repast, which, if not very costly nor worthy of the occasion, will certainly be sufficient to still hunger. She does not need our praise. It is we who need her glory. How indeed can glory be glorified, or the source of light be enlightened? We are weaving a crown for ourselves in the doing. "I live," the Lord says, "and I will glorify those who glorify Me." Wine is truly pleasant to drink, and bread to eat. The one rejoices, the other strengthens the heart of man. But what is sweeter than the Mother of my God? She has taken my mind captive, and held my tongue in bondage. I think of her by day and night. She, the Mother of the Word, supplies my words. The fruit of sterility makes sterile minds fruitful. We keep to-day the feast of her blessed and divine transit from this world. Let us then climb up the mystical mountain, where beyond the reach of worldly things, passing through the obscurity of storm, we stand in the divine light and may give praise to Almighty power. How does He, who dwells in the splendour of His glory, descend into the Virgin's womb without leaving the bosom of the Father? How is He conceived in the flesh, and does He spontaneously suffer, and suffer unto death, in that material body, gaining immortality through corruptibility? (*φθορά κτησόμενος το άφθαρτον*). And, again, ascending to the Father, He drew His Mother, according to the flesh, to His own Father, assuming into the heavenly country her who was heaven on earth.

Today the living ladder, through whom the Most High descended and was seen on earth, and conversed with men, was assumed into heaven by death. Today the heavenly table, she, who contained the bread of life, the fire of the Godhead, without knowing man, was assumed from earth to heaven, and the gates of heaven opened wide to receive the gate of God from the East. Today the living city of God is transferred from the earthly to the heavenly Jerusalem, and she, who, conceived her first-born and only Son, the first-born of all creation, the only begotten of the Father, rests in the Church of the first-born: the true and living Ark of the Lord is taken to the peace of her Son. The gates of heaven are opened to receive the receptacle of God, who, bringing forth the tree of life, destroyed Eve's disobedience and Adam's penalty of death. And Christ, the cause of all life, receives the chosen mirror, the mountain from which the stone without hands filled



SAINT JOHN OF DAMASCUS  
THIRD SERMON ON THE DORMITION

the whole earth. She, who brought about the Word's divine Incarnation, rests in her glorious tomb as in a bridal-chamber, when she goes to the heavenly bridals, to share in the kingdom of her Son and God, leaving her tomb as a place of rest for those on earth. Is her tomb indeed a resting place? Yes, more famous than any other, not shining with gold, or silver, or precious stones, nor covered with silken, golden, or purple adornments, but with the divine radiance of the Holy Spirit. The angelic state is not for lovers of this world, but the wondrous life of the blessed is for the servants of the Spirit, and passing to God is better and sweeter than any other life. This tomb is fairer than Eden. And that I may not

speak of the enemy's deceit, in the one; of his, so to say, clever counsel, his envy and covetousness, of Eve's weakness and pliability, the bait, sure and tempting, which cheated her and her husband, their disobedience, exile, and death, not to speak of these things so as not to turn our feast into sorrow, this grave gave up the mortal body it contained to the heavenly country. Eve became the mother of the human family, and is not man made after the divine image, convicted by her condemnation; "earth thou art, and unto earth thou shalt return." This tomb is more precious than the tabernacle of old, receiving the real and life-giving receptacle of the Lord, the heavenly table, not the loaves of proposition, but of heaven, not material fire, but her who contained the pure fire of the Godhead. This tomb is holier than the ark of Moses, blessed not with types and shadows, but the truth itself. It showed forth the pure and golden urn, containing the heavenly manna, the living tablet, receiving the Incarnate Word of God from the impress of the Holy Spirit, the golden censer of the supersubstantial word. It showed forth her who conceived the divine fire embalming all creation.

Let demons take to flight, and the thrice miserable Nestorians perish as the Egyptians of old, and their ruler Pharaoh, the younger, a cruel devastator. They were swallowed up in the abyss of blasphemy. Let us who are saved with dry feet, crossing the bitter waters of impiety, raise our voices to the Mother of God at her departure. Let Mary, personifying the Church, lead the joyful strain. Let the maidens of the spiritual Jerusalem go out in singing choirs. Let kings and judges, with rulers, youths, and virgins, young and old, proclaim the Mother of God, and all peoples and nations in their different ways and tongues, sing a new canticle. Let the air resound with praise and instrument, and the sun gladden this day of salvation. Rejoice, O heavens, and may the clouds rain justice. Be glad, O divine apostles, the chosen ones of God's flock, who seem to reach the highest visions, as lofty mountain tops. And you God's sheep, and His holy people, the flock

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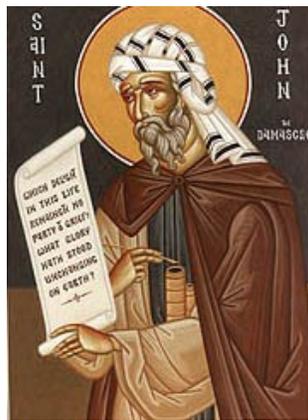
of the Church, who look to the high mountains of perfection, be sad, for the fountain of life, God's Mother, is dead. It was necessary that what was made of earth should return to earth, and thus be assumed to heaven. It was fitting that the earthly tenement should be cast off, as gold is purified, so that the flesh in death might become pure and immortal, and rise in shining immortality from the tomb.

Today she begins her second life through Him who was the cause of her first being.

She gave a beginning, I mean, the life of the body, to Him who had no beginning in time, although the Father was the cause of His divine existence. Rejoice holy and divine Mount Zion, in which reposes the living divine mountain, the new Bethel, with its grace, human nature united with the Godhead. From thee her Son ascended to heaven as from the olives. Let the world-embracing cloud be prepared and the winds gather the apostles to Mount Zion from the ends of the earth. Who are these who soar up as clouds and eagles to the cause of all resurrection, ministering to the Mother of God? Who is she who rises resplendent, all pure, and bright as the sun? Let the spiritual lyres sing to her, the apostolic tongues. Let grave theologians raise their voices in praise, Hierotheus, the vessel of election, in whom the Holy Spirit abides, knowing and teaching divine things by the divine indwelling. Let him be wrapt out of the body and join willingly in the joyful hymn. Let all nations clap their hands and praise the Mother of God. Let angels minister to her body. Follow your Queen, O daughters of Jerusalem, and, together with her virgins in the spirit, approach your Bridegroom in order to sit at His right hand. Make haste, Lord, to give Thy Mother the welcome which is her due. Stretch out Thy divine hands. Receive Thy Mother's soul into the Father's hands unto which Thou didst commend Thy spirit on the Cross. Speak sweet words to her: "Come, my beloved, whose purity is more dazzling than the sun, thou gavest me of thy own, receive now what is mine. Come, my Mother, to thy Son, reign with Him who was poor with thee." Depart, O Queen, depart, not as Moses did who went up to die. Die rather that thou mayest ascend. Give up thy soul into the hands of thy Son. Return earth to the earth, it will be no obstacle. Lift up your eyes, O people of God. See in Zion the Ark of the Lord God of powers, and the apostles standing by it, burying the life-giving body which received our Lord. Invisible angels are all around in lowly reverence doing homage to the Mother of their Lord. The Lord Himself is there, who is present everywhere, and filling all things, the universal Being, not in place. He is the Author and Creator of all things. Behold the Virgin, the daughter of Adam and Mother of God; through Adam she gives her body to the earth, her soul to her Son above in

the heavenly courts. Let the holy city be sanctified, and rejoice in eternal praise. Let angels precede the divine tabernacle on its passage, and prepare the tomb. Let the radiance of the spirit adorn it. Let sweet ointment be made ready and poured over the pure and undefiled body. Let a clear stream of grace flow from grace in its source. Let the earth be sanctified by contact with that body. Let the air rejoice at the Assumption. Let gentle breezes waft grace. Let all nature keep the feast of the Mother of God's Assumption. May youthful bands applaud and eloquent tongues acclaim her, and wise hearts ponder on the wonder, priests hoary with age gather strength at the sight. Let all creation emulate heaven, even so the true measure of rejoicing would not be reached.

Come, let us depart with her. Come, let us descend to that tomb with all our heart's desire. Let us draw round that most sacred bed and sing the sweet words, "Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Hail, predestined Mother of God. Hail, thou chosen one in the design of God from all eternity, most sacred hope of earth, resting-place of divine fire, holiest delight of the Spirit, fountain of living water, paradise of the tree of life, divine vine-branch, bringing forth soul-sustaining nectar and ambrosia. Full river of spiritual graces, fertile land of the divine pastures, rose of purity, with the sweet fragrance of grace, lily of the royal robe, pure Mother of the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world, token of our redemption, handmaid and Mother, surpassing angelic powers." Come, let us stand round that pure tomb and draw grace to our hearts. Let us raise the ever-virginal body with spiritual arms, and go with her into the grave to die with her. Let us renounce our passions, and live with her in purity, listening to the divine canticles of angels in the heavenly courts. Let us go in adoring, and learn the wondrous mystery by which she is assumed to heaven, to be with her Son, higher than all the angelic choirs. No one stands between Son and Mother. This, O Mother of God, is my third sermon on thy departure, in lowly reverence to the Holy Trinity to whom thou didst minister, the goodness of the Father, the power of the Spirit, receiving the Uncreated Word, the Almighty Wisdom and Power of God. Accept, then, my good-will, which is greater than my capacity, and give us salvation. Heal our passions, cure our diseases, help us out of our difficulties, make our lives peaceful, send us the illumination of the Spirit. Inflamm us with the desire of thy son. Render us pleasing to Him, so that we may enjoy happiness with Him, seeing thee resplendent with thy Son's glory, rejoicing for ever, keeping feast in the Church with those who worthily celebrate Him who worked our salvation through thee, Christ the Son of God, and our God. To Him be glory and majesty, with the uncreated Father and the all-holy and life-giving Spirit, now and for ever, through the endless ages of eternity. Amen.





**Dear Parish Family,**

Our Annual Grecian Festival is over and once again it was an outstanding success. Our festival is successful year after year because of all of **You** . Everyone takes time away from their families in order to ensure this success. Thank You to all our wonderful volunteers, who helped in the many different ways they were needed. You are all amazing and our Parish family is truly blessed to have every one of you! Thank you for working as a team and putting our church first!

As of this writing, all the income and expenses are not yet complete. We will update you with the total figures in our next issue.

*God Bless you,  
George Faggas, Parish Council President*



**METROPOLIS OF BOSTON FEDERATION  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH MUSICIANS**

*I will sing to the Lord as long as I live;  
I will sing praise to my God while I have my being.  
Psalm 104:33*

The Metropolis of Boston Federation of Greek Orthodox Musicians offers a scholarship to promote Church music education. This program is open to all undergraduate students planning to enroll as a music major or minor, current choir directors and/or organists who wish to enhance their musical skills and applicants to the Diocesan Byzantine School of Chant. All applicants must be parishioners in the Metropolis of Boston. Application deadline is September 1, 2019.

For more information, please contact Choir Director, Cynthia Alex at cindialex1@gmail.com.

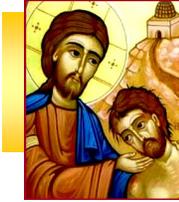


**Mommy & Me**

forward to seeing you and your little ones then!

We wish a happy and restful summer to all of our families! Mommy & Me will be back in September. We hope that you will join us, take the opportunity to meet other families and build connections! We look

*In Christ,  
Christina Kourkoulis*



**PHILOPTOCHOS**

*Chapter of the Good Samaritan  
Member of the National Ladies Philoptochos Society*

*"Well done good faithful servant"*

Dear Taxiarchae Church family,

My tenure has come to end and I would like to take this opportunity to express my gratitude for the opportunity to have served Philoptochos.

Please accept my appreciation for all your help and a job well done. Thank you all for your labor of love and for the support you have afforded me and our mission.

Your gifts and abilities have strengthened our chapter. You are all shining examples of servant leadership and giving and a true blessing to our church.

It has not been an easy task considering the demographic shifts of our population and the demands on time. Without your devotion it would not have been possible to achieve our goals. However, the fight to alleviate poverty and suffering still goes on. Let us take the progress we have achieved and use it as a foundation to build a greater ministry. We will soon have a new president, a very capable woman who will also need our support.

You have been a true blessing. It has been an honor to have served with each and every one of you. Thank you for making a difference!

*Humbly I remain,  
Leah Alvanos*

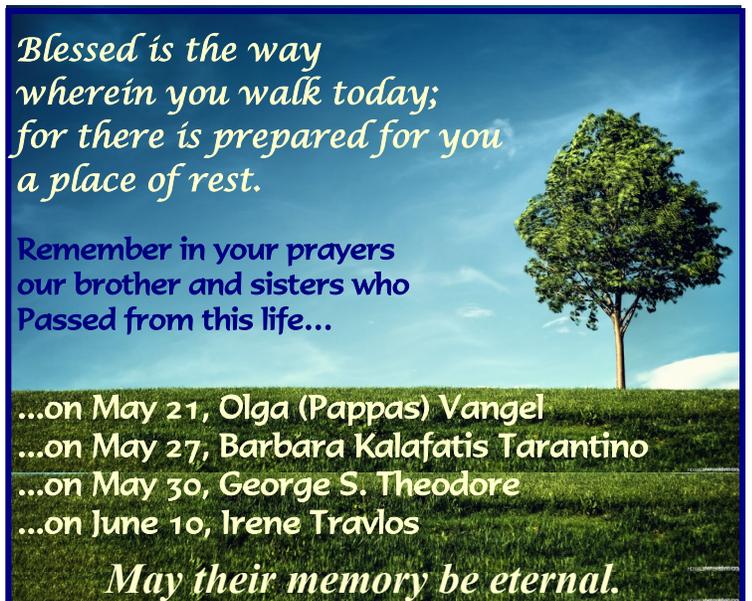


*Blessed is the way  
wherein you walk today;  
for there is prepared for you  
a place of rest.*

**Remember in your prayers  
our brother and sisters who  
Passed from this life...**

- ...on May 21, Olga (Pappas) Vangel**
- ...on May 27, Barbara Kalafatis Tarantino**
- ...on May 30, George S. Theodore**
- ...on June 10, Irene Travlos**

**May their memory be eternal.**



# Greek School

The Taxiarchae/Archangels Greek Orthodox Church is a historic and vibrant

community. The Greek Education Program has a long and rich history as generations of children have experienced the richness and beauty of the Greek language and culture.

Enrollment, payment, and schedule information for the upcoming 2019-20 school year will be put on our website soon. Please check it for all the details at [www.goarchangels.com](http://www.goarchangels.com).



**Sunday School Graduation Sunday**

**June 9, 2019**



*Best Wishes to our Newlyweds*

*Married on June 1*

*Angela & Zafikios Xenakis  
Koumbaro is John Rogaris*

*Married on June 9*

*Anthony James Theodorakos &  
Maria Giuseppa Totaro  
Koumbaro is Vaios Thomas Theodorakos*

*Married on June 16*

*Nicholas Theoharris Chehames &  
Jessica (Ioanna) Brebeck  
Koumbaro is Steven Chehames*

*We wish you many years  
of happiness!*

*Welcome to the newest members  
of our church family!*



*Recent Baptisms*

June 8—Makayla Alexis Patalano  
Parents: Peter & Christy  
Godmother: Melissa Lariviere

June 15—Angelo Tzavaras  
Parents: Konstantinos & Alejandra  
Godoarents: George & Marcela Sahinidis

June 15—Melyna Nikole Nikolaou  
Parents: Nicholas & Monique  
Godfather: Demetri Taolakis

**Να σας ζήσουν τα νεοφώτιστα!**

**METROPOLIS of BOSTON CAMP**  
**SUMMER 2019**

<b>SESSION ONE</b> July 8-14		<b>SESSION THREE</b> July 22-28
<b>SESSION TWO</b> July 15-21		<b>SESSION FOUR</b> July 29-Aug. 4

*Register Today!*  
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MBC-OLYMPIACOS SOCCER CAMP 2019  
SESSION 3

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**SOCIAL SERVICES**  
MINISTRY

Costa Magimbi, our chanter, is available to assist and guide parishioners who are having problems navigating the Massachusetts Social Services system. You can meet with Costa on Sundays after the Divine Liturgy to set up an appointment.



**Taxiarchae Hellenic Cultural Center**

Planning a reception? Our beautiful function rooms are available for all your event needs. Whether you're planning receptions for a Wedding, Christening, Birthday or Anniversary, a Holiday/Corporate Party or Private Memorial, we can accommodate them all.

For more information, please call Irene Apostolou Cobb at the Church Office at 617-924-8182 or email: [functionmanager@goarchangels.com](mailto:functionmanager@goarchangels.com)



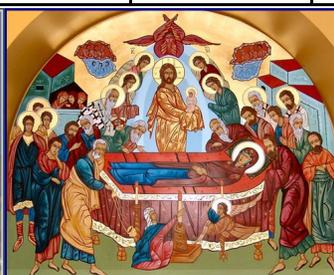
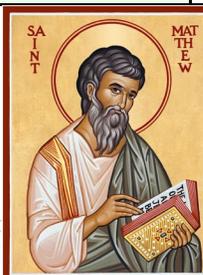
The Taxiarchae/Archangels Armed Forces Veterans Ministry thanks the men and women who served and are serving our nation.



Sunday Schedule: Orthros: 8:30, Doxology, Divine Liturgy: 9:30 AM  
 Weekday Liturgies: 8:30 AM

# July, August 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 <b>3rd Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: Galatians 3:23-29, 4:1-5 Gospel: Matthew 6:22-33	8	9	10	11	12	13
<b>Metropolis of Boston Camp Session 1 — July 8 to 14</b>						
14 <b>Sunday of the Holy Fathers</b> Epistle: Titus 3:8-15 Gospel: Matthew 5:14-19	15	16	17	18	19	20
<b>Metropolis of Boston Camp Session 2 — July 15 to 22</b>						
21 <b>5th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: Romans 10:1-10 Gospel: Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1	22	23	24	25	26 <b>St. Panteleimon</b> Vespers 7 pm	27 <b>St. Panteleimon</b> Orthros & Divine Liturgy 8.30 AM
<b>Metropolis of Boston Camp Session 3 — July 22 to 28</b>						
28 <b>6th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: Romans 12:6-14 Gospel: Matthew 9:1-8	29	30	31	<b>August 1</b> Paraklesis 6 PM	2 Paraklesis 6 PM	3
<b>Metropolis of Boston Camp Session 4 — July 29 to August 4</b>						
4 <b>7th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: Romans 15:1-7 Gospel: Matthew 9:27-35	5 <b>Transfiguration of our Lord</b> Vespers in Lowell 7 PM	6 <b>Transfiguration of our Lord</b> Orthros and Divine Liturgy 8.30 AM	7 Paraklesis 6 PM	8 Paraklesis 6 PM	9 Paraklesis 6 PM	10
11 <b>8th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: I Corinthians 1:10-17 Gospel: Matthew 14:14-22	12 Paraklesis 6 PM	13 Paraklesis 6 PM	14 <b>Dormition of the Theotokos</b> Great Vespers Lamentations 7 PM	15 <b>Dormition of the Theotokos</b> Orthros and Divine Liturgy 8.30 AM	16	17
18 <b>9th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: I Corinthians 3:9-17 Gospel: Matthew 14:22-34	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 <b>10th Sunday of Matthew</b> Epistle: I Corinthians 4:9-16 Gospel: Matthew 17:14-23	26	27	28	29	30	31



# pledges	Amount Range	2019 Stewardship Summary as of June 30, 2019	
2	\$10,000	Total pledges received:	\$171,968.00
3	\$5,000	Total offerings received:	\$146,216.00
4	\$2,000-\$3,999	Due towards pledge:	\$28,655.50
37	\$1,000—\$1,999	Number of Stewards:	291
77	\$500-\$999	Largest pledge thus far:	\$10,000
71	\$300-\$499	Thank you to those who have sent in their 2019 pledges. Our goal is to have 500 Stewards in 2019. As of June 30, we have 291 Stewards reflecting 58% of our goal. If any names have been mistakenly omitted from this list, please notify the church office and we will make corrections in our next bulletin.	
97	Less than \$300		

Εάν έχει γίνει παράλειψις ονομάτων σ' αυτόν τον κατάλογο, παρακαλούμε αμέσως όπως αποτανθήτε στο γραφείο της εκκλησίας και θα κάνουμε τις διορθώσεις στο επόμενο τεύχος.

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Nancy Sarris, Stewardship Chairman

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