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The Hospitality of Abraham

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Sunday Services
Orthros 8:45 am
Divine Liturgy 10:00 am
Youth Catechism/Sunday School
After Holy Communion
Adult Catechism
Following Divine Liturgy
Weekday Divine Liturgy
Orthros 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy 9:45 am

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~ Pastor's Message ~

Dear Holy Trinity Family,

Where do I begin to express, on behalf of my family, our profound and genuine thanks to all of you! You made the month of December extra ordinary. Your presence at the baptism of Anna Jean and William's ordination were truly moving moments. Thank you to Cleo Stoucker and her amazing committee for planning the Baptismal reception and the Ordination Luncheon. Both were elegant events! I want to also thank the community for helping me celebrate my 60th birthday. As an altar boy teased me "you're now closer to 100 now than 0..."

I want to congratulate the parish for surpassing our stewardship goal. It shows the love and commitment for our Holy Trinity parish. May we continue that momentum. Now we have before us our big challenge our building program. We have been given the blessing from His Eminence to proceed, so now we must reach our goals. If you have not pledged please do so, so that we may see this dream become a reality. Every little bit helps. As a wise priest told me "fasoolaki, fasoolaki, gemeezee to sakoulaki" which literally means "bean by bean fills the sack." In other words, a sack of beans is not filled all at once but little by little.

As we enter this month of February, may we remember the exhortation from St. Paul to the Corinthians, to have love in all we do. It is by our showing love to one another that we grow as Christians and a parish.

Again, on behalf of our family we thank each and every one of you.



Altar

Cleo Stoucker

Altar Captains

Philip Klein – Co-Captain
 Pete Jonas – Co-Captain
 St. Nicholas – Ben Gates
 & Alex Samios
 St. Philip – William Polites
 & Evangelos Tsivelekids

Prospora

Diane Ferrara & Dianne Rustin

Chanters

Daniel Carabus
 Amy Chaconas
 Dena Panos
 Andrew Rowe

Epistle Readers

Rev. Deacon George Malanos

Adult Choir

Christina Wynn

Men’s Chorus

Leon Melissas

Youth Choir

Cali Spyropoulos

Women’s Choir

Ross Magoulas

Organist

Diane Mashead

Adult Catechism

Men’s Breakfast Group

Women’s Study Group

Visitation

Rev. Deacon George Malanos

Youth Catechism/Sunday

School

Jim Klein & Brenda Alvanos

Adult Dance

Eleni Hopes & Tina Klein

Archives

Rosa Paulatos

Crisis Ministry/Matthew 25

Lindsey Demos

Festival

Tom Meletis

Finance

Dinos Liollio

**Friends of Theotokos
 Garden**

Mary Zervos

Greek Afternoon School

Cleo Stoucker
 Chrysoula Malogianni

SUNDAY BULLETIN

Information due on Wednesdays by 12:00pm

**TRISAGION AND MEMORIAL
 SERVICE**

To schedule a Trisagion or Memorial Service for your departed loved one, please contact the Church office. Please as a family prepare to receive Holy Communion at these services. This is where we meet our loved ones, the entire Church, those among us and those that have left us.

PROSPHORA

If you would like to provide Prospora for the Service of Preparation at the Divine Liturgy, please contact Diane Ferrara 843.884.6778 or Dianne Rustin 843.849.0421. When providing the Prospora, it is important to give the priest the names of your family’s living and departed ones and to receive Holy Communion on that day.

DIVINE LITURGY PRAYERS

Every Sunday and Feast Day, your priest prays for your living and departed loved ones during the Service of Preparation before the Divine Liturgy. (Proskomidi). Father Ari will keep the names in the Altar for 40 days. Please contact the Church office or ask your parish council member on Sunday for an “Orthros Commemoration Form.”

COFFEE FELLOWSHIP HOUR

If you or your group would like to host or cohost a Coffee Fellowship on Sunday following Divine Liturgy, please contact the Church office.

FLOWERS

To donate flowers in honor of a family member’s feast day, in memory of a loved one, on the occasion of a holiday or simply as a gift to the Holy Trinity community, please contact Cleo Stoucker 843-323-9477 or the Church office.



MONTHLY NEWSLETTER

Any information, articles or pictures to be published in the Philoxenia are due by the 15th of each month at 5:00pm. Please kindly email information to **Mary Zervos** at:

newsletter@gocharleston.org.

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LITURGICAL LIFE: JANUARY 2019

The Presentation of the Lord

Saturday, February 2nd Orthros: 9:00 am, Liturgy: 10:00 am

The Presentation of Our Lord and Savior in the Temple February 2nd

When the most pure Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary's forty days of purification had been fulfilled, she took her first-born Son to Jerusalem on this, the fortieth day after His birth, that she might present Him in the temple according to the Law of Moses, which teaches that every first-born male child be dedicated to God, and also that she might offer the sacrifice of a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons, as required by the Law. (Luke 2:22-24; Exodus 13:2; Leviticus 12:6-8).

On this same day, a just and devout man, the greatly aged Symeon, was also present in the temple, being guided by the Holy Spirit. For a long time, this man had been awaiting the salvation of God, and he had been informed by divine revelation that he would not die until he beheld the Lord's Christ. Thus, when he beheld Him at that time and took Him up into his aged arms, he gave glory to God, singing: "Now lettest Thou Thy servant depart in peace, O Master." And he confessed that he would close his eyes joyfully, since he had seen the Light of revelation for the nations and the Glory of Israel (Luke 2:25-32).

Godparent Sunday, February 3rd

We encourage all the godparents and godchildren to be present in Church and receive Holy Communion together, allowing it to be a day to strengthen our relationships with each other. Following the services, there will be a meal where we can all gather and celebrate the beautiful day.

True Love For Valentine's Day

"Though I speak with the tongues of men and of angels, but have not love, I have become sounding brass or a clanging cymbal. And though I have the gift of prophecy, and understand all mysteries and all knowledge, and though I have all faith, so that I could remove mountains, but have not love, I am nothing. And though I bestow all my goods to feed the poor, and though I give my body to be burned, but have not love, it profits me nothing.

Love suffers long and is kind; love does not envy; love does not parade itself, is not puffed up; does not behave rudely, does not seek its own, is not provoked, thinks no evil; does not rejoice in iniquity, but rejoices in the truth; bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things.

Love never fails. But whether there are prophecies, they will fail; whether there are tongues, they will cease; whether there is knowledge, it will vanish away. For we know in part and we prophesy in part. But when that which is perfect has come, then that which is in part will be done away.

When I was a child, I spoke as a child, I understood as a child, I thought as a child; but when I became a man, I put away childish things. For now, we see in a mirror, dimly, but then face to face. Now I know in part, but then I shall know just as I also am known.

And now abide faith, hope, love, these three; but the greatest of these is love." (Corinthians 13)

Congratulations newly elected Parish Council Members

President - Susan Zakis

Vice President - Jimmie Gianoukos

Treasurer - Dinos Liollio

Asst. Treasurer - Michael Wade

Recording Secretary - Kelly Hammond

Corresponding Secretary - Bernard Ferrara

Members:

John Collins, Ted Contos, Dr. Anthony Firilas and Chris Hitopoulos

This Year's Vasilopita Luncheon was yet another wonderful event! The Hellenic Center was filled with many guests who attended this year's annual celebration. Thank you to all who supported this affair. It was wonderful to see so many of you there to celebrate the cutting of the Vasilopita as well as celebrate the life of St. Basil.

Thank you goes to Cleo Stoucker and her committee who took on the task of organizing this large event and our bakers who so generously every year, bake the vasilopitas for the tables.

Father Ari is Proud of our Youth. Unfortunately, I was unable to travel to Atlanta to the Winter Youth Rally (WYR) and Hellenic Dance Festival (HDF) with our youth. However, I heard they played volleyball with such enthusiasm and sportsmanship that they are truly Athletes in Christ. And the girls came back with a 3rd place trophy. Again, I was unable to go to HDF as I could not find a substitute to fill in, however our two groups Icarus and for the first time Pegasus attended. They danced with such precision and execution, something to be proud of. At both events, they carried themselves with true dignity and self-respect, shining examples of Orthodox Christians. Both groups Pegasus and Icarus came home medals – Pegasus silver and Icarus Gold as well as the choral award. Congratulations and thank you Holy Trinity youth!

Senior League Valentine's Day Luncheon

Thursday, February 14th 11:30 am at the Hellenic Center

AHEPA Meeting

Tuesday, February 19th @ 5:30 pm

Pictures Needed for the Festival Grocery Store.

Fr. Ari is requesting pictures of Charleston's Greek Grocery Stores. Last year at the Festival the display broke and many of the photos were damaged or destroyed. Some were salvable others not. Please note the name of the store, locations and owners. Thank you for your help.

2018 STEWARDSHIP UPDATE:

We collected \$501,447.12. Our goal was \$497,000. Congratulations Holy Trinity.

STEWARDSHIP 2019

Thank you For Using Your Stewardship Envelopes:

Please continue to us your Sunday Stewardship envelopes. This will help serve as a reminder to make regular weekly contributions and help the office track the giving. If you give monthly, then please use the correlating envelope for the date when you give. Likewise, if you give every other week use the closest date. If you give once a year, use the envelope closest to the date. Again, thank you for your support.

Please complete the 2019 Stewardship Card below. Cut out and return to the office.

Why Do Some Not Sign A Stewardship Card?

A common answer is, "I don't want to commit to something and then if something comes up I will not be able to fulfill the pledge." Please know signing a stewardship card **is not a binding contract!** We know things happen and things come up. If that is the case and an adjustment must be made that is ok. Your amounts are confidential. Also, when we send stewardship updates, please know it is not a bill but rather a verification that we have recorded your donations accurately. So please return your signed **Stewardship Card** today.

2019 Stewardship Form Information Please Return

NAME _____

NAME OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED) _____

STREET ADDRESS _____

CITY / STATE / ZIP CODE _____

HOME PHONE _____

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EMAIL ADDRESS _____

EMAIL ADDRESS OF SPOUSE (IF MARRIED) _____


Dependent Children's names & birthdates: _____

May we include your contact information in the parish directory? _____

In the Gospel of Saint Matthew (6:19), Jesus instructs us, "Do not store up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust destroy, and where thieves break in and steal...." Often in life, we pursue and collect those things that do not last. We must ask, "One hundred years from now, where will our possessions be?" Our greatest blessing is our family. As Orthodox Christians, we are called to be stewards of this great gift. If we are faithful to this calling, perhaps our Lord will say to us as he did to the faithful steward, "Well done good and faithful servant" (Mt. 25:23).

yes no *If yes, please indicate any information you would like excluded:*

May we add you to our parish email list?
 yes no



treasure
In gratitude for God's blessings, I/We commit to Christ and His Church the following amount:
\$ _____ each week or each month

\$600 (\$0/mo.) \$1200 (\$100/mo.)

\$1380 (\$115/mo.) \$2400 (\$200/mo.)

\$3600 (\$300/mo.) \$4800 (\$400/mo.)

\$6,000 (\$500/mo.) \$7200 (\$600/mo.)

\$12,000 (\$1000/mo.) Other _____

yes no Would you like to receive only an electronic Philoxenia, not by mail? _____

planned giving
 Please send me information on planned giving.

time & talent
Individual stewards should indicate areas of interest with a check (✓).
Families should mark "H" for husband, "W" for wife or "C" for children.

<p>EDUCATION</p> <p>_____ Bible Study</p> <p>_____ Adult Catechism</p> <p>_____ Catechism/SS Teacher</p> <p>_____ Catechism/Sun School</p> <p>_____ Vacation Church School</p> <p>_____ Greek School</p> <p>_____ Speakers</p> <p>_____ Bookstore</p> <p>_____ Library</p> <p>YOUTH</p> <p>_____ Youth Leader</p> <p>_____ GOYA</p> <p>_____ JOY</p> <p>_____ HOPE</p> <p>_____ Young Adult League</p> <p>_____ Camp Counselor</p> <p>_____ Greek Dancing</p>	<p>LITURGICAL</p> <p>_____ Sanctuary & Altar Care</p> <p>_____ Altar boys / Acolytes</p> <p>_____ Baking Prosefira</p> <p>_____ Choir</p> <p>_____ Reader</p> <p>_____ Greeter/Usker</p> <p>MINISTRIES & PROGRAMS</p> <p>_____ Campus Ministry</p> <p>_____ Welcome Team</p> <p>_____ New Member Events</p> <p>_____ Outreach</p> <p>_____ Stewardship</p> <p>_____ Sunday Fellowship / Coffee</p> <p>_____ Visitation - Hospital</p> <p>_____ Visitation - Shut-ins</p> <p>_____ Feed the Hungry</p> <p>_____ Grief Bereavement Group</p> <p>_____ Disaster Relief Projects</p> <p>_____ Blood Drives</p> <p>_____ Project Mexico</p> <p>_____ Prayer Ministry</p> <p>_____ Int'l Orth Christian Charities</p> <p>_____ OCMC Mission Center</p> <p>_____ Seniors Ministry</p> <p>_____ Couples Ministry</p> <p>_____ Singles Ministry</p> <p>_____ Military Ministry</p> <p>COMMUNICATIONS</p> <p>_____ Web site & E-mail</p> <p>_____ Bulletin & Newsletter</p> <p>_____ Public Relations</p> <p>_____ Computer / Technical</p>
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Other talents or information not listed above: _____

PARISH LIFE

PARISH COUNCIL

As we start another year, we can reflect on 2018 as a year of many accomplishments. Each year there is an increase in the number of Parishioners, the Festival grows “in size and income” and we move further ahead with the new building. Thank you to everyone that helped get us where we needed to be last year! To me, that is the business side of the Parish Council’s job but, most importantly, we need to remember there is the Spiritual side. Part of that aspect is maintaining order and reverence during services. Please



understand that if you are directed by a member of Parish Council to do or not do something - there is a very good reason. We appreciate your cooperation.

Please contact me if you have any questions or concerns.

Susan Zakis
President



SACRAMENTS & SPECIAL BLESSINGS

December 16, 2018 – January 15, 2019

Baptisms

Saturday, December 29, 2018

Anna Jean Damaskos

Daughter of William & Julianne Damaskos
Paternal Grandparents: Rev. Aristotle & Presbyteria Debbie Damaskos
Maternal Grandparents: John & Jean Tsagaris
Godparents: Fr. Chrysostom & Presbyteria Mitchell

Ordination

Sunday, December 30, 2018

Deacon William Damaskos

Son of Rev. Aristotle & Presbyteria Debbie Damaskos



Memorials

Sunday, December 23, 2018

Anthony Apostolaros – 9 months
Alexia Damaskos – 5 years
John Bikos – 5 years
Emmanuel Schanhals – 14 years
William Damaskos – 17 years
Shirley Titak – 31 years

Sunday, January 13, 2019

Miltos Zografos– 1 yr

Falling Asleep in the Lord

Sunday, December 18, 2018

Konstantinos Z. Ioannidis

“May Their Memories Be Eternal!”

CAPITAL FUNDRAISING PROJECT UPDATE

More than Bricks & Mortar - A Foundation of Faith for Our Future

by Dinos Liollio



Great progress continues to be made advancing toward our goal for the start of construction of our new Hellenic Center and Social Hall. On November 15, 2018, members of the Building Committee presented our schematic design to the Metropolis Parish Facilities Committee, where we received approval from the Metropolis to proceed with our plans. On November 29, 2018, a presentation was made to the City of Charleston Technical Review Committee regarding our campus masterplan, again receiving comments and approval to move forward. Then on December 18, 2018, The City of Charleston Board of Zoning Appeals – Zoning approved our request for a special exception to build our new Hellenic Center and Social Hall.

These approvals have now cleared the way for our application and scheduled presentation on January 23, 2019 before the City of Charleston Board of Architectural Review for Conceptual Approval of our design. In preparation for this 1/23/19 presentation, members of the Building Committee have met with numerous members of our Charleston community, including the West Side Neighborhood Association, residents from our neighbors on Race and Congress Streets, Historic Charleston Foundation and The Preservation Society of Charleston.

As of 1/10/2019:

- 48% of our parishioners have committed to the pledge drive and capital campaign.
- Pledges total \$3,176,410.00.
- The percentage of pledged monies collected is 39%.
- The goal is still to have 100% participation from parishioners and ministries. It is also our goal to reach \$4M in pledges.

Agapion, Ashley & Jake & Aliki Magee	Critikos, Alice Tellis	Hilyer, Randy & Tula	Manos Family Properties, LLC	Sherman Trust Fund
AHEPA Plato Chapter #4	Critikos, James & Irene	The Hitopoulos Family	Manutes, Bobby & GeeGee	Sourlis, Peter & Stephanie
Alexander, Patricia	Damaskos, Fr. Ari & Presbyteria	Huge, Harry & Reba	Mashead, Diane	Stamatiades, George & Anna
Alfieris, Cyrus & Maria	Debbie	Jager, Michael & Melanie	Meletis, Stephanie	Stamatiades, Jr., George & Lawrie
Alissandratos, Asimoula Julia	Damaskos, Demetrius & Cynthia	Jonas, Brent & Deborah	Meletis, Tom & Effie	Stamatiades, John N.
Alvanos, Alke & Cindi	Dance Ministry	Kanellos, Hamilton	Miehe, Thomas & Maryann	Stamatiades, Nick & Despina
Alvanos, John & Brenda	Darby, John & Georgia	Karahalis, George & Mary	Misoyianis, Johnny	Stamatopoulos, Dimitrios & Hara
Alvanos, Simeone	DeLuca, Gregory & Christa	Elizabeth	Monocrusos, George & Patricia	Stamas, Carol
Anastopoulos, Akim & Constance	DeLuca, Peter & Linda	Karnazes, George & Joyce	Montgomery, Thelma	Stavrinakis, Leon
Anastopoulos, Rosie	Demos, Andrew & Nitsa	Kiehling, Angela	Morris, +George & Cissy	Stavrinakis, Michael & Karen
Anderson, +Lou & Kiki	Demos, Dr. Harry & Lindsey	Kliosiss, Georgia Spell	Moshovites, James & Zoe	Stoucker, Cleo
Angelopoulos, Angelike	Demos, Hannah Hall	Kliosiss, Victor	Moskos, Carol	Tellis, Vera
Antalis, Toni M.	Demos, Sarah Catherine	Kolgaklis Family	Moskos, Jesse	Theos, Helen
Apostolou, Alex & Harriett	Diasourakis, Kiki	Kontenakos, Tia	Moskos, Pat & Jerry	TIAA Charitable
Ardito, Barbara	Drake, Speros	Kordonis, Koula	Moskos, Stella	Trapales, Frances "Froso"
Banis, Andrew & Caroline	Dugan, Dan & Erica Rouvalis	Kordonis, Pano & Angela	Mueller, James & Rene	Rev. Nicholas C. Trivelas Library
Banis, Ernest	DuPree, John & Mina	Kosmos, Stanley & Lucy	Nassos, Pete & Georgia and Family	Tsivelekidis, Athanasios, Mary
Barkas, Catherine	Economou, Dr. Peter	Larkin, Ray & Mache	Norton, Darice	& Evangelos
Block, +Fred & Marina	Economy, Victor J. & Theodora	Latto, Anna's Children &	Oprisan, Sorinel & Ana	Tsurutis Family
Bordieanu, Nicolae & Mona	Spetseris	Grandchildren	Palassis, Barbara	Tumboli, Joan
Bornhorst, Barney & Maria	Fassuliotis, Dennis	Latto, Barbara	Palassis Family	Turner, Bill & Andrea
Botzis, +Pete & Shirley	Ferrara, Bernie & Diane	Latto, Catherine	Rose Palassis Family	Velonaki Ministry
Brees, Maria Kiehling	Finnegan, Dr. G. Thomas & Family	Latto, Eleni	Palles, Chris & Donna	Verma, Vino & Elaine
Bruggemann, Frona	Firilas, Tony & Kim	Latto, +Nicholas & Joanna	Pappas, +Aphrodite	Veronee, Michael & Sandra
Capadonis, John	Florence, Hope	Latto, Tim & Maria	Pappas, +Constan	Vlahogiannis, George
Carabus, Daniel & Andreea	Forsberg, Eric & Renie	Latto, Tola	Pappas, Drs. Alex & Ann	Vournakis, +John & Karen A.
Carroll, +John and Frances	Forsberg, Tony & Rachael	Lavelle, John & Mary Lee	Pappas, Dr. Ted	Vozikis, George & Lena
Carson, Philip	Frehse, Bill & Jami	Leadership 100	Pashos, Leo & Despina & Family	Wade, Michael
Cassano, Ethel	Frehse, Will & Alexis	Lempesis, Basil & Laurie	Paulatos, Pete & Summer	Wade, Mike & Elizabeth
Castanas, Demetre	Ganacoplos, Michael & Jane	Lempesis, Pete	Perry, John & Mary	Weir, Owen & Catherine Perry
Castanas, Rita	Gaspar, Dr. George & Inessa	Leventis, George & Phyllis	Petko, Ron & Margie	Westerfelhaus, Ph.D., Robert
Centennial Sponsors	Gates, Michael & Phyllis	Leventis, Nick	Philoptochos, St. Irene Chapter	& Penny
Chakeris, +Themy & Nena	Gazes, Peter & Athena	Lewis, Walt & Kate	Polites, Chris & Sabrina	Wood, Bruce & Vera
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Cline, Ty & Cathy	Grisette, Theodora Gigis	Manos, Constantinos "Dino"	Schultz, Henry & Christine	
Collins, John	Hammond, Joey & Kelly	& Connie	Sherman Charitable Trust	
Contos, Ted & Pauline	Hellman, Randall	Manos, Dr. Peter & Jane	Sherman, Howard B.	

If you pledged or donated to the New Building Fund and your name is not listed above, please call or email Cleo Stoucker at 843-577-2063 or office@gocharleston.org.

"For I know the plans I have for you, says the Lord, plans for welfare and not for evil, to give you a future and a hope."

Jeremiah 29:11

Jimmie Gianoukos, Chair
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MINISTRIES

PHILOPTOCHOS

By Amy Chiconas



Happy New Year! Thanks to everyone who supported our Vasilopita luncheon. We collected over \$1,400 to send to Saint Basil's Academy! We are also proud to report that for 2018, we sold 869 copies of our Popular Greek Recipes Cookbook! The profits generated from the \$13,507 in sales help us with our charitable work.

Save the date!

♥ **Senior League Valentine's Luncheon** Honoring our senior parishioners, Thursday, February 14, 11:30 am. Please RSVP to Cleo, 843-577-2063 by Monday, February 11th.

♥ **Membership Coffee**- Sunday, February 17th. Please remit your 2019 membership dues and bring a new member! Check your mail for the membership letter and form; additional forms will be available at the coffee. \$25 of your "free will" dues donation goes to National and Metropolis Philoptochos. The remaining balance remains in our local chapter.

In honor of Women's Heart Health Month, a cardiac arrest survivor will give a short talk during the coffee, sharing warning signs and prevention in women.

Atlanta Metropolis Philoptochos 13th Annual Spiritual Retreat

Connecting with *HIM* so that you can connect with *THEM*

Presented by

**Rev. Dr. Nicholas G. Louh, Senior Priest
St. John the Divine, Jacksonville, Florida**

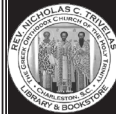
March 15-17, 2019

Located at the beautiful Diakonia Retreat

All women of the Metropolis are welcome.

**Share in worship, education and fellowship
on 210 acres of water, trails and scenery
that revel the beauty of God's creation**

Registration deadline, March 1st. Registration forms and waivers are available on the Metropolis website, <https://atlmopolis.org/> philoptochos, or contact Phyllis Gates.



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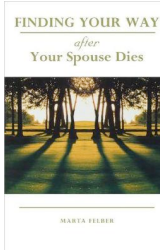
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BOOK REVIEWS IN BRIEF

Finding Your Way After Your Spouse Dies

by Marta Felber



If you have suffered the death of your spouse, you have experienced one of the most painful and disorienting experiences life can offer. Immediately following the loss, you may need anything from advice on finances to a home-cooked meal. But there is nothing you need more than the warm, reassuring voice of one who has traveled the path before...and survived. Marta Felber offers just such a voice—caring, hopeful, always pointing ahead to a tomorrow that will be a little easier than today. Written in short, easy-to-read chapters, the book is the perfect companion for one who is struggling to pick up the pieces and go on.

"For the word of the Lord abides forever" 1 Peter 1:25

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"Faith will see great things" JOHN 1:43-51

NEWS & HAPPENINGS

BAPTISM OF ANNA JEAN DAMASKOS Saturday, December 29th



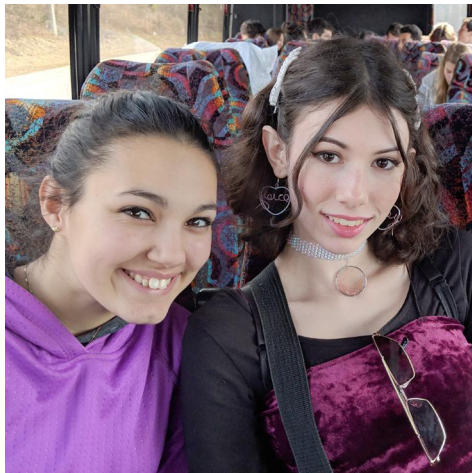
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ORDINATION OF DEACON WILLIAM DAMASKOS Sunday, December 30th

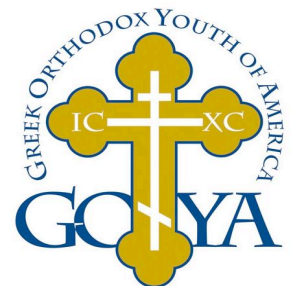


HOLY TRINITY YOUTH NEWS

GOYA - WINTER YOUTH RALLY



Save the Dates:
February 10
GOYA lunch and SC Aquarium
March 3
GOYA meeting at the Gates home



HOLY TRINITY YOUTH NEWS

bravo!

by Tina Klein

All I can say is WOW and we are so proud of Pegasus and Icarus.

Pegasus competed in the junior category and came home with a silver medal-- and it was their first time at HDF!!

Icarus blew us away with their Vlach and Macedonia performances. Icarus competed in the senior category with the "big" dance groups like Atlanta, Charlotte and Chicago. Icarus received the choral award for their Vlach suite and came home with a gold medal.

We are all so proud of you for a job well done!!



HOLY TRINITY YOUTH NEWS

Phenomenal Greek Basket

GIVEN BY

Generous Greeks

TO BENEFIT THE NEW BUILDING FUND

\$75 dining certificate to Manny's Mediterranean Grille

\$50 dining certificate to Stella's

\$50 dining certificate to PaPa ZuZu's

\$25 dining certificate to Old Towne and Zeus Spices

\$25 dining certificate to Dimitrios House of Pizza

4 bottles of Rouge D'Estelle Greek Wine, Krinos Calamata and Green Olives, *Popular Greek Recipes Cookbook*, Spices and Salad Dressing, Turkish Delight Loukoumi from Cypress, *Divine Delights Cookbook*, Greek EGEIA Olive Oil, Mountain Tea, Attiki Honey, Sea Salt, Pergamot Peel, Palirria Giant Beans, Blaxa Chilopita Noodles, Blaxa Trahanas, Misko Orzo and Pastichio Noodles, Papadopoulos Cookies, Oregano, Holy Trinity Icon, Melissa Orzo and Pastichio Noodles, Nick Trivelas CD

Generous Greek Donors include: Karen and Michael Stavrinakis, Stephen Niketas, Antonia and Athan Fokas, Kelly and Jacob Ferderigos, Nitsa and Andrew Demos, Greek Festival, Margie and Ron Petko, Columbia St. Katherine Philoptochos, Jacksonville Philoptochos, Peggy and Nick Trivelas, Debra and Tom Keagy, St. Irene Philoptochos, Rev. Nicholas C. Trivelas Library & Bookstore, Hara and Dimitrios Stamatopoulos, and an Anonymous Donor.

Simply complete tickets available in the office with a contribution of \$6 per ticket or 6 for \$30, make the check payable to Hellenic Center Building Fund, and you'll be on your way to winning this Phenomenal Greek Basket valued at over \$450 !

**The drawing will be held Friday, February 8, 2019
at the Broadway Cabaret.**

WINNERS NEED NOT BE PRESENT TO WIN.

HOLY TRINITY YOUTH NEWS

BROADWAY CABARET



CABARET



OLIVER!



The
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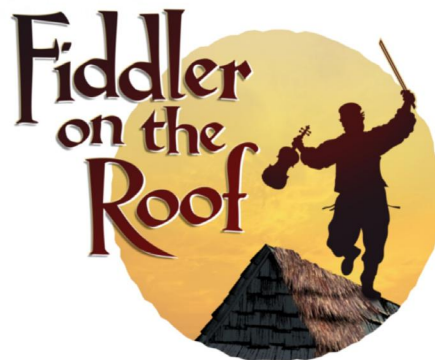


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MAMMA
MIA!

THE SMASH HIT MUSICAL BASED UPON THE SONGS OF ABBA

Featuring
the
Choirs of
Holy Trinity



February 8th, 2019
7:00PM

Tickets: \$20 single/\$25 per family
Children under 12 free
Cash Bar, Food & Fun

All Proceeds will go toward the building fund for the new Hellenic Center

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Wine Tasting Silent Auction Bidding

What: Private Wine Class for 20 people at Total Wine, West Ashley

Date: Your choice as long as it's before October 31, 2019

Bidding: Begins at \$250 with minimum increments of \$25

Deadline to Bid: February 8, 2019, during Broadway Cabaret intermission at Hellenic Center

Type of wines: Choose from three areas of the world—California, Italy, or France

Type of Class: Casual or classroom style—your choice

Value: OVER \$500 and PRICELESS FUN

Details: More specifics in the foyer of the Hellenic Center.

FEBRUARY 2019



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>3 16TH SUNDAY OF MATTHEW 8:45/10:00 am Orthros/Liturgy 11:45am Library/Bookstore Open Adult Catechism Godparent Sunday Memorial-K. Ioannidis-40 day 1:30pm Baptism -Amy Ioannidis</p>	<p>4 6:30pm OCF</p>	<p>5 10:00am Women's Bible Group 10:30am-1:30pm Library Open 6:30pm Philoptochos Board Mtg.</p>	<p>6 2:30pm Velonaki 4:30pm Greek School 5:30pm Pegasus/Astarakia Kyklonakia 6:00pm Choir 6:15pm Icarus</p>	<p>7</p>	<p>8 Cabaret Night</p>	<p>9 11:00am Baptism-Connor</p>
<p>10 SUNDAY of the CANAANITE 8:45/10:00am Orthros/Liturgy 11:45am Library/Bookstore open Youth Choir Adult Catechism GOYA-Aquarium</p>	<p>11 6:30pm OCF</p>	<p>12 7:30am Men's Bible Group 10:00am Women's Bible Study 5:30pm NBC Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>13 2:30pm Velonaki 4:30pm Greek School 5:30pm Pegasus/Astarakia Kyklonakia 6:00pm Choir 6:15pm Icarus</p>	<p>14 11:30am Senior League Valentine's Lunch</p>	<p>15 3:30pm Rehearsal- Patrick/Bates</p>	<p>16 4:00pm Wedding-Patrick/Bates</p>
<p>17 TRIODION BEGINS 8:45/10:00am Orthros/Liturgy 11:45am Library/Bookstore open Adult Catechism Philoptochos Membership Coffee</p>	<p>18 President's Day—Office Closed 6:30pm OCF</p>	<p>19 10:30am-1:30pm Library Open 5:30pm AHEPA</p>	<p>20 2:30pm Velonaki 4:30pm Greek School 5:30pm Pegasus/Astarakia Kyklonakia 6:00pm Choir 6:15pm Icarus</p>	<p>21 6:00pm Parish Council</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 11:00am Baptism-Papadopoulos</p>
<p>24 SUNDAY OF THE PRODIGAL SON 8:45/10:00am Orthros/Liturgy 11:45am Library/Bookstore open Adult Catechism</p>	<p>25 6:30pm OCF</p>	<p>26 10:00am Women's Bible Goup 5:30pm NBC Committee Mtg.</p>	<p>27 2:30pm Velonaki 4:30pm Greek School 5:30pm Pegasus/Astarakia/ Kyklonakia 6:00pm Choir 6:15pm Icarus</p>	<p>28</p>	<p>—CLERGY RETREAT—</p>	

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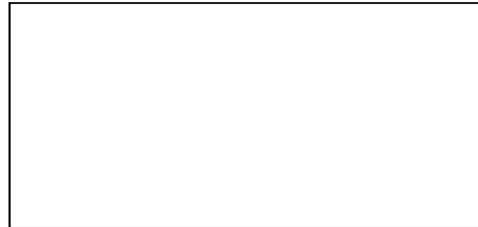
Do you know of a young person from Holy Trinity whose hard work has been recognized? We would love to feature them in the Philoxenia.

Please email newsletter@goarch.org with the details.

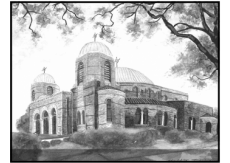
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“Anyone who does not *love* does not know God, because God is *love*... So we have come to know and to believe the *love* that God has for us. God is *love*, and whoever abides in *love* abides in God, and God abides in him”

1 John 4:8,16

