



Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis Church of  
New Jersey



Ascension Greek  
Orthodox Church  
Fairview, NJ

**ASCENSION**  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY



**The LIGHT of the ASCENSION**  
**Το Φως της Θείας Αναλήψεως**



**April 23, 2023**

**Today we commemorate**

## **Thomas Sunday**

- [Epistle Reading \(click here\)](#)
- [Gospel Reading \(click here\)](#)

## **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

**SUNDAY**  
**APRIL 23, 2023**  
**OF SAINT THOMAS**  
[\(click here\)](#)

**Great Martyr George**  
[\(click here\)](#)  
**8:30a.m.-11:30 a.m. Orthros,**  
**Divine Liturgy**  
**(Holy Communion)**  
**Coffee is offered by**  
**GOYA**

**Tuesday**  
**April 25, 2023**  
**Mark the Apostle & Evangelist**  
[\(click here\)](#)  
**9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**  
**Orthros**  
**Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday**  
**April 26, 2023**  
***4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.***  
***Greek School***

**Friday**  
**April 28, 2023**  
***4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.***  
***Greek School***

**Sunday**  
**April 30th, 2023**  
**Sunday of the**  
**Myrrh-Bearing Women**  
[\(click here\)](#)  
**8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.**  
**Orthros, Divine Liturgy**  
**Catechism School**  
**Coffee is offered by**  
**the Parish Council**  
**1:30 p.m.**

**Greek Independence Day  
Parade in New York**

**ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ**  
**23 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ, 2023**  
**ΤΟΥ ΘΩΜΑ**  
[\(click here\)](#)

**Γεώργιος Μεγαλομάρτυς**  
[\(click here\)](#)

**8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 π.μ.**

**Όρθρος Θ. Λειτουργία**

**(Θ. Κοινωνία)**

**Ο καφές προσφέρεται  
από την Goya**

**Τρίτη**

**25 Απριλίου, 2023**  
**Απόστολος Μάρκος**  
[\(click here\)](#)

**9:00 π.μ. – 11:00 π.μ.**

**Όρθρος, Θ. Λειτουργία**

**Τετάρτη**

**26 Απριλίου, 2023**  
**4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ.**  
**Ελληνικό Σχολείο**

**Παρασκευή**

**28 Απριλίου, 2023**  
**4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ.**  
**Ελληνικό Σχολείο**

**Κυριακή**

**30 Απριλίου, 2023**  
**Των Μυροφόρων**  
[\(click here\)](#)

**8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 μ.μ.**

**Όρθρος Θ. Λειτουργία**

**Κατηχητικό Σχολείο**

**Ο καφές προσφέρεται από**

**το Συμβούλιο**

**1:30 μ.μ. Ελληνική Παρέλαση  
στη Νέα Υόρκη**

LIVE STREAM [click here](#)

LIGHT a CANDLE and SAY a PRAYER [click here](#)

## OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER



**Rev. Christos L. Pappas**

**Protopresbyter**

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**Monday, Wednesday**

**9:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

Tuesday, Thursday, Friday  
9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

[info@ascensionfairview.org](mailto:info@ascensionfairview.org)

[DONATE to the ASCENSION CHURCH click here](#)

## Sacraments

### WEDDINGS

2:30 p.m. Friday:  
April 21, 2023

Constantinos Skoufas  
&  
Jacqueline Ann Pappas

4:30 p.m. Saturday:  
April 22, 2023

Haralabos Drosos Smalios  
&  
Evdoxia S. Kontolios

3:00 p.m. Sunday:  
April 23, 2023

John Dritsas  
&  
Ioanna Alexandra Fiotodimitrakis

### BAPTISM

2:30 p.m. Saturday:  
April 22, 2023

Mr. & Mrs. Steven Alessio

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 30, 2023  
Greek Independence Day  
Parade, New York**

**May 6, 2023  
Philoptochos  
Membership Luncheon  
Crows Nest, South Hackensack**

**May 14, 2023  
Mother's Day Program**

**May 21, 2023  
Catechism Program Graduation  
High School/College/Law etc  
School Graduates Recognition Day**

**June 4, 2023  
Greek School Graduation**

**June 8, 9, 10, 11  
Ascension Festival**

**PHILOPTOCHOS**

ASCENSION PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY  
101 ANDERSON AVENUE  
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY 07022

MEMBERSHIP  
**LUNCHEON**

**CORDIALLY INVITES YOU TO OUR ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP LUNCHEON  
ON SATURDAY, MAY 6, 2023, AT 1 P.M.**

**AT THE CROW'S NEST  
309 VINCENT AVENUE, ROUTE 17 SOUTH,  
SOUTH HACKENSACK, NEW JERSEY**

**TICKET IS \$50.00 PER PERSON**

***A LOVELY HOT LUNCH SELECTION WILL BE SERVED  
AND WILL HAVE A SMALL RAFFLE***

***RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED PLEASE RESPOND BY MAY 1, 2023***



***FOR RESERVATIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:***

***CHRYSTALLA KANAKIS- 201-410-1716  
LEA DRIVAS-201-675-3969  
CHURCH OFFICE - 201-945-6448***

***All proceeds from our raffle will be used to help us meet our philanthropic endeavors of helping those in need.***

**GOYA**



## **Niki Sideris 28th Annual Walk and Spring Festival**

**Saturday, May 13th (Rain or Shine)**

**Registration begins at 9:00 am.**

**Walk promptly starts at 11:00 am**

**Location: Ronald McDonald House New York  
405 East 73rd Street, New York, NY 10021**

**Registration Fee: \$30.00 per participant**

**Entertainment & Food included**

**T-shirts will be available (while supplies last)**

**Event concludes at 2:00 pm**

**For further information please call 212-639-0218**

**or Email: [skatechis@rmh-newyork.org](mailto:skatechis@rmh-newyork.org)**

**Join Us & Walk With Us To Support  
The Mission of Ronald McDonald House New York  
[www.rmh-newyork.org/2023greekwalk](http://www.rmh-newyork.org/2023greekwalk)**



**Our GOYA is participating in a walk-a-thon to raise money for children with cancer. Please donate to our fundraising page, and help us meet our team's fundraising goal of \$2,500. Please share with family and friends through email, text, social media, etc.**

**[click here FUNDRAISING PAGE](#) and then click red "donate" button.**



# GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE

CELEBRATING THE 202<sup>ND</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF HELLENIC INDEPENDENCE



5<sup>TH</sup> AVENUE NEW YORK CITY | 64<sup>TH</sup> TO 79<sup>TH</sup> STREET

SUNDAY | APRIL 30<sup>TH</sup> 2023 | 1:30PM



ORGANIZED BY THE FEDERATION OF HELLENIC SOCIETIES OF GREATER NEW YORK

[www.HellenicSocieties.org](http://www.HellenicSocieties.org) | [GreekParadeNY2023@gmail.com](mailto:GreekParadeNY2023@gmail.com) | 718-204-6500

## ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH & GREEK SCHOOL

GREEK INDEPENDENCE PARADE ON FIFTH AVENUE (64th-79th streets)

April 30, 2023 – 1:30PM

### PARADE GUIDELINES

For up-to-date parade information visit: [hellenicsocieties.org](http://hellenicsocieties.org)  
Any additional questions please call the Church Office at 201-945-6448

**The church will provide a bus for the parade.** If you're planning on taking the bus, please reserve your seats with Mr. Triantafillou (Greek School) or Mrs. Anastasia (Community) in the church office. The bus will leave from the front of the Church at 12:00 noon sharp, immediately following church services. There is no charge for students, teachers, and GOYAns. All others will pay \$20.00 each plus you'll be asked to give a \$1 tip for the bus driver.

**Please reserve the bus in advance or we cannot guarantee your seat. This will also help us determine how many buses we will need.**

#### Parade Guidelines:

- Ethnic Costumes or Business Attire ONLY, preferably in Blue and White the colors of our Flag
- T-shirts or shirts with advertising or "Odd ball" dress is not permitted. **NO JEANS, LEGGINGS OR CUT-OFF TOPS.** (You may be asked to march in the back with community marchers)
- **GREEK SCHOOL STUDENTS & GOYA DRESS CODE** (as above and including)  
Ethnic costumes are best. Or white shirts for boys, white tops for girls, with navy blue or black bottoms (slacks, knee length skirt, or sports uniform, no leggings). Black shoes (weather permitting)
- No eating, drinking or smoking in the Line of March.
- No animals or mascots.
- After the unit gets onto 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue, no stragglers will be allowed to join the unit. Families with strollers may march with the community after the last group of Ascension Organizations.
- Leaders of organizations shall not delay the parade by leaving their places for any purpose and should line up their group evenly as they prepare to march.
- **ALL BANNERS, SASHES AND FLAGS SHOULD BE CHECKED WITH THE PARADE COMMITTEE IN ADVANCE.**

**And remember, you are on Fifth Avenue for one hour once a year so march with pride in our culture & heritage. PLEASE DRESS AND ACT ACCORDINGLY.**

**P.G.E.I. OF AMERICA CHARITABLE FOUNDATION, INC.**

and

**PAN GREGORIAN ENTERPRISES, INC.**

Cordially invite you to attend a  
a Paschal Celebration for the children at

**SAINT BASIL ACADEMY**

79 St. Basil Road, Garrison, NY 10524

**SUNDAY MAY 7, 2023**



**Divine Liturgy will start at 9:30 a.m.**

**Celebration will follow at 11:00 a.m.**

Lamb, Souvlakia – Hamburgers – Hot Dogs etc.

Admission is free of charge

Please join us for a memorable day!

## SCHOLARSHIP OPPORTUNITY FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS



# APPLY NOW

# FAITH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR

# ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

## DEADLINE: JUNE 30, 2023

This merit-based scholarship program is available to the best and brightest graduating high school seniors of Hellenic descent and/or Greek Orthodox faith who are enrolling in a 4-year accredited U.S. university this fall. Scholarships are awarded on a merit basis with applicants given the option to be considered for additional financial need-based allocations.

For full application details and to apply now, visit [thefaithendowment.org/scholarships](https://thefaithendowment.org/scholarships) or scan:



[THEFAITHENDOWMENT.ORG/SCHOLARSHIPS](https://thefaithendowment.org/scholarships)

Founded in 2004 by a group of visionary Greek American leaders and philanthropists, *FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism* is an independent 501(c)(3) organization that supports the development of innovative educational, cultural, and scholarship programs that promote Hellenism, an understanding of the Greek Orthodox faith, and the relationship of the two to America's history and multicultural landscape for young people. FAITH has proudly awarded over 1,950 grants and scholarships to our community's brightest young leaders.

For questions, contact: [info@thefaithendowment.org](mailto:info@thefaithendowment.org) • (212) 803-9363 • [facebook.com/faithendowment](https://facebook.com/faithendowment)



## ***SAVE THE DATE***



***2023 Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey  
Clergy Laity Assembly & Philoptochos Convention  
and Clergy Laity Grand Banquet***

***Monday, May 15, 2023***

***Updated Location:  
The Venetian  
Garfield, NJ***

***More information will be forthcoming.***



## GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

### ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ

March 8, 2023

To the Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy  
Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils and Philoptochos Sisterhood  
Devout Orthodox Faithful of the  
Greek Orthodox Communities of the Northern New Jersey Region of the  
Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey

My beloved in the Lord,

On behalf of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, I joyfully announce that the 2023 Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey Clergy-Laity Assembly, Philoptochos Convention & Grand Banquet will take place on **Monday, May 15, 2023**, at "The Venetian" located at 546 River Drive in Garfield, New Jersey. Following the tradition of the Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey, faithful Orthodox Christians from the Greek Orthodox Communities of the *Northern New Jersey Region* will be honored for their selfless service to the ministries of their local parishes.

1. The cost for the 2023 Clergy Laity Grand Banquet for all Guests is **\$125.00**.
2. The cost of \$125.00 for each of the 8 Honorees (Community, Parish Council, Philoptochos, GOYA, Greek Education Teacher, Choir Member/Psalti, a Youth Worker, and the Senior Steward in person by age) is to be underwritten by the respective Parish. The attached fillable form with **All the names of the Honorees must be sent to [frphilotheos@nj.goarch.org](mailto:frphilotheos@nj.goarch.org) by Friday, April 21, 2023**.
3. Parishes are to complete the attached Form for pre-arranged banquet seating, which will also indicate the total number of Banquet Attendees from each parish. The Banquet will be seating tables of 12.
4. All payments for the Banquet are to be collected by the Parish. Each parish is to then send one check to the Metropolis for the total amount payable to the *Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey*, along with the completed Banquet Form, **no later than Monday, May 1, 2023**. Banquet Forms that are received without the accompanying payment will not be processed.
5. Please be reminded that the Clergy Laity Grand Banquet is open, once again, to all who wish to join us in expressing our gratitude to those who have served the local Parishes for many years. We anticipate that each Parish will be represented by as many parishioners, family, friends, and supporters as possible. Therefore, please make the appropriate announcements to your beloved faithful.

6. In addition, this year there will also be a Commemorative Journal Album. All information is included in the attached document. I ask that you please forward this information to all your parish ministry leaders, all your parishioners and local business owners encouraging them to support your parish Honorees and our Metropolis by placing an ad in the Commemorative Journal. **All ads must be received by Friday, April 21, 2023.**

Conveying to you the paternal love and blessings of His Eminence and praying that almighty God blesses you and your families with a most blessed and spiritual Holy and Great Lent, I remain



At the Direction of the Archbishop,

*Archim. Christof. Oikonomidis*

+ Archimandrite Christoforos Oikonomidis  
Chancellor

# IONIAN VILLAGE 2023



**GLYFA, GREECE**

IV NEXT: JUNE 2 – JUNE 13  
SESSION ONE: JUNE 19 – JULY 8  
SESSION TWO: JULY 19 – AUGUST 7

REGISTRATION OPENS JANUARY 21ST AT 12 NOON EST



**WWW.IONIANVILLAGE.ORG**



**Registration for the Ionian Village Summer Camp is now open!**

Click on registration link to sign-up  
<https://www.ionianvillage.org/register>

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**ATTENTION**  
**ASCENSION FAMILIES**





## **CONGRATULATIONS GRADUATES CLASS OF 2023**

On May 21, 2023, our community will honor the youth of our Ascension family for graduating from an accredited college/graduate/law/ medical schools in 2023.

If your child, grandchild, nephew/niece, cousin has successfully completed a degree, please notify Evelyn Tsugranis, Catechism Director, at 201-658-1801 or Anastasia, Office Administrator, at 201-945-6448 with their name, school, and degree by May 15, 2023.

Our high school/GOYA and Catechism graduates will also be recognized on this date.

***Greek School graduation will be celebrated on June 4, 2023***

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**EASTER WEEK**



















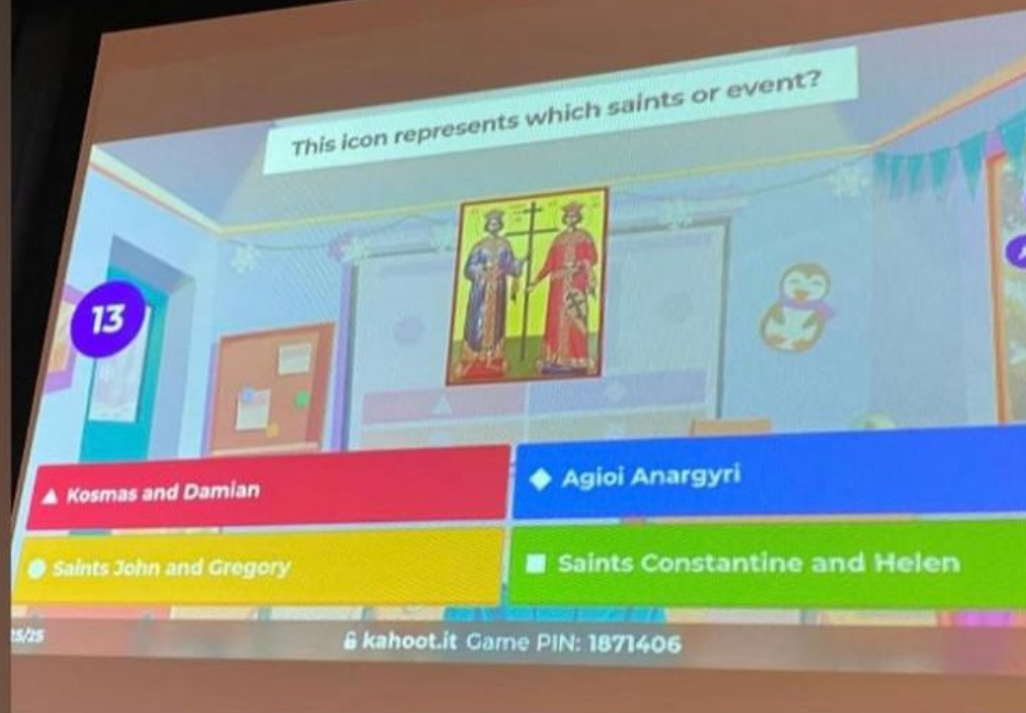
## COMMUNITY NEWS





## Listened to lessons from Fr. Christo





**played fun learning  
games**

won fun prizes



# PLANTED VASILIKO SEEDS





**We took home  
memories**











On April 2, 2023, the children in the Catechism Program had a beautiful day at the Easter/Pascha Retreat with lessons from Father Christos, playing learning games, photo opps with the Easter bunny, decorating flower pots, and planting vasiliko seeds, lenten lunch, and ice cream sundaes and cookies. Christos Anesti!

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If you would like to volunteer in one of our youth ministries, you must comply with the **Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America Policies for the Safety of Children and Youth**

For more information and to register to be a youth worker, contact:

Evelyn Tsugranis

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