



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

ἘΛΚΟΜΕΝΟΣ ΕΠΙΣΤΡΟΥ.



April 7, 2024

Today we commemorate
Sunday of the Holy Cross

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



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA
ARCHEPISCOPAL & SYNODICAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 79/2024

**Archepiscopal & Synodical Encyclical
for the Sunday of the Veneration of the Holy Cross**

April 7, 2024

Unto the Most Reverend and Right Reverend Hierarchs, Pious Priests and Deacons, Monks and Nuns, Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils, Honorable Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Members of Leadership 100, Day and Afternoon Schools, Philoptochos Societies, Youth, Greek Orthodox Organizations, and entirety of the Christ-loving Plenitude of the Sacred Archdiocese of America:

Καὶ τὰ φύλλα τοῦ Ξύλου εἰς θεραπείαν τῶν ἔθνων. (Ἀποκάλυψις 22:2)
And the leaves of the Tree were for the healing of the Nations. (Revelation 22:2)

Beloved sisters and brothers in Christ,

In the midway point of the Holy Lent, we arrive at the oasis of the Sunday of the Veneration of the Holy Cross. Now the Tree of the Cross overshadows us with its healing leaves and fruits, and the flowers with which we adorn It in the Divine Service reflect Its lively glory. The Cross, once an instrument of suffering and death, has become the Tree of Eternal Life, and we are invited to share in Its mission of redemption and salvation. It is because of this mission that the Holy Eparchial Synod has decided to that an Encyclical should be issued every year for Feast of the Veneration of the Holy Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ.

The Lord calls each and every one of us to pick up our own cross and follow Him, to walk the path of self-sacrificial love that led Him to Golgotha and to the Garden Tomb. This invitation is for every Christian, whether we have fully understand that call or not. Those who aspire to the Holy Priesthood through the laying on of hands often tell of hearing a distinct calling, which is named a "vocation." They feel they are being summoned to serve Christ and His Church as clergy, and so they work with their local



priest and Hierarch, and find their way to our beloved Hellenic College and Holy Cross School of Theology, to pursue studies that lead to ordination. We should all encourage this noble and indeed sacred pursuit, and fill Hellenic College and Holy Cross with candidates to serve the future generations of our Church in America.

In this season of the Great Lent, when our fasting is to be augmented by almsgiving, let us all strive to dedicate an offering to our beloved Theological School, and give tangible, financial support those who are answering the call of the Lord in their very specific mission. Those who choose to take up the cross of service in the Holy Priesthood – whether they are called to be Deacons, Presbyters, or Hierarchs – are called to a lifelong sacrifice of their will, and they surely merit our support and our appreciation.

Therefore, let us answer the call of the Lord today as best as we are able, and enter into the oasis of the Veneration of the Holy Cross. There, we will find refreshment and healing from the Tree of Eternal Life, and find the strength to continue our Lenten journey to the Great and Holy Pascha.

With paternal love in Christ,

†ELPIDOPHOROS
Archbishop of America

Methodios Metropolitan of Boston

Alexios Metropolitan of Atlanta

Nicholas Metropolitan of Detroit

Savas Metropolitan of Pittsburgh

Gerasimos Metropolitan of San Francisco

Apostolos Metropolitan of New Jersey

Nathanael Metropolitan of Chicago



ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ
ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΙΚΗ ΚΑΙ ΣΥΝΟΔΙΚΗ ΕΓΚΥΚΛΙΟΣ

Αριθμ. Πρωτ. 79/2024

Αρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος για την την Κυριακή της Σταυροπροσκυνήσεως.

7 Απριλίου 2024

Πρὸς τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Ἀρχιερεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Ἱερεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τὶς Μοναχές, τοὺς Προέδρους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Ἀρχόντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμερήσια καὶ Απογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τὶς Φιλοπτώχους Ἀδελφότητες, τὴ Νεολαία, τὶς Ἑλληνορθόδοξες Ὄργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληρο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Ἱερᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς Ἀμερικῆς.

«Καὶ τὰ φύλλα τοῦ ξύλου εἰς θεραπείαν τῶν ἐθνῶν» (Ἀποκάλυψις Ἰωάννου 22:2).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφές ἐν Χριστῷ,

Στὸ μέσον τῆς Ἁγίας καὶ Μεγάλης Τεσσαρακοστῆς, ἡ Ἐκκλησία μας ἔχει τοποθετήσει τὴν ὄαση τῆς Κυριακῆς τῆς Σταυροπροσκυνήσεως. Σήμερα τὸ ξύλο τοῦ Σταυροῦ μᾶς ἐπισκιάζει μὲ τὰ θεραπευτικὰ τοῦ φύλλα καὶ τοὺς καρπούς, ἐνῶ τὰ ἄνθη μὲ τὰ ὅποια τὸ προσκυνούμε στίς ἱερές ἀκολουθίες ἀντανακλοῦν τὴν ζῶσα δόξα του. Ὁ σταυρός, ἀπὸ ὄργανο βασανισμοῦ καὶ θανάτου, γίνεται τὸ δένδρο τῆς αἰωνίου ζωῆς. Καλούμαστε σήμερα νὰ μετάσχουμε σὲ αὐτὴ τὴν πορεία λύτρωσης καὶ σωτηρίας ποὺ μᾶς δείχνει ὁ ζωοποιὸς Σταυρός. Αὐτὸς εἶναι καὶ ὁ λόγος γιὰ τὸν ὅποιο ἡ Ἱερά Ἐπαρχιακὴ Σύνοδος ἀποφάσισε νὰ ἐκδίδει κάθε χρόνο Ἐγκύκλιο, κατὰ τὴν Κυριακὴ τῆς Προσκυνήσεως τοῦ Τιμίου καὶ ζωοποιοῦ Σταυροῦ τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Ὁ Κύριος προσκαλεῖ τὸν καθέναν ἀπὸ ἐμᾶς, «νὰ ἄρει τὸ σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ καὶ νὰ τὸν ἀκολουθήσει». Νὰ βαδίσουμε δηλαδὴ στὸ ἴδιο μονοπάτι τῆς ἀγάπης καὶ τῆς θυσίας ποὺ βάδισε ὁ ἴδιος πρὸς τὸ Γολγοθᾶ καὶ τὸν τάφο. Ἡ πρόσκληση αὐτὴ ἀπευθύνεται πρὸς κάθε χριστιανό, εἴτε ἔχουμε ἀντιληφθεῖ αὐτὴ τὴν κλήση εἴτε ὄχι. Μία ιδιαίτερη «κλήση» νιώθουν ὅσοι ποθοῦν τὴν ἱερωσύνη διὰ τῆς ἐπιθέσεως τῶν χειρῶν. Νιώθουν νὰ προσκαλοῦνται νὰ ὑπηρετήσουν τὸ Χριστὸ καὶ τὴν Ἐκκλησία του ὡς κληρικοί. Ἐτσι, ἀφοῦ συμβουλευτοῦν τὸν ἱερέα τῆς ἐνορίας τους καὶ τὸν ἱεράρχη τους, κατευθύνονται πρὸς τὸ ἀγαπημένο μας Ἑλληνικὸ Κολλέγιο καὶ τὴ Θεολογικὴ Σχολὴ τοῦ Τιμίου



Σταυρού, για να κάνουν τις σπουδές που οδηγούν στη χειροτονία. Είναι αδήριτη ανάγκη να ενθαρρύνουμε όλοι μας τον ευγενή αυτό στόχο και να γεμίσουμε το Έλληνικό Κολλέγιο και την Θεολογική Σχολή του Τιμίου Σταυρού με υποψηφίους κληρικούς που θα διακονήσουν τις επόμενες γενιές της Εκκλησίας μας στην Αμερική.

Κατά την περίοδο της Μ. Τεσσαρακοστής, όπου η νηστεία μας εξυψώνεται με την έλεημοσύνη, ως προσπαθήσουμε όλοι μας να κάνουμε μία προσφορά στην αγαπημένη μας Θεολογική Σχολή, δίδοντας άπτη οικονομική υποστήριξη σε όσους ανταποκρίνονται στην ιερατική κλήση του Κυρίου. Αυτοί που ανέλαβαν να άρουν τον σταυρό της διακονίας ως κληρικοί, είτε ως διάκονοι, ως πρεσβύτεροι ή ως αρχιερείς, καλούνται δια βίου να θυσιάσουν το προσωπικό τους θέλημα και σίγουρα αξίζουν την υποστήριξη και την εκτίμησή μας.

Ας ανταπακριθούμε λοιπόν σήμερα θετικά στο κάλεσμα του Κυρίου κατά δύναμιν ό καθένας, για να εισέλθουμε και να δροσισθούμε στην όαση της προσκυνήσεως του Τιμίου Σταυρού. Εκεί θα βρούμε την αναψυχή και τη θεραπεία που πηγάζει από το Δένδρο της Αιώνιου Ζωής, αλλά και δύναμη να συνεχίσουμε το πνευματικό μας ταξίδι της Μ. Τεσσαρακοστής προς το Άγιο Πάσχα.

Μετά πατρικών ευχών και της έν Χριστώ αγάπης,

† Ὁ Ἀμερικῆς Ἐλπιδοφόρος

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† Ὁ Βοστώνης Μεθόδιος

† Ὁ Ἀτλάντας Ἀλέξιος

† Ὁ Ντιτρόιτ Νικόλαος

† Ὁ Πιττσβούργου Σάββας

† Ὁ Ἁγίου Φραγκίσκου Γεράσιμος

† Ὁ Νέας Ἱερσέης Ἀπόστολος

† Ὁ Σικάγου Ναθαναήλ

SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

Sunday, April 7, 2024

Sunday of the Holy Cross

([click here](#))

8:30am-11:30 a.m.,

Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Fasolada by

the Philoptochos

(Fundraising)

Greek School

Greek Independence Day

& Annunciation of Theotokos

Program after

Divine Liturgy

Wednesday

April 10, 2024

4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Greek School

5:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m.

Presanctified Liturgy &

Great Compline

Bible Study

Friday

April 12, 2024

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Presanctified Liturgy

4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m.

Greek School

7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m.

4th Salutations

Sunday

April 14, 2024

Sunday of

St. John Climacus

(click here)

8:30am-11:30 a.m.,

Orthros, Divine Liturgy

Coffee is served by

the Parish Council

Κυριακή

7 Απριλίου, 2024

Γ' Νηστειών

Σταυροπροσκυνήσεως

(click here)

8:30 πμ - 11:30 π.μ.

Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Φασολάδα από τη Φιλόπτωχο

Τετάρτη

10 Απριλίου, 2024

4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ.

Ελληνικό Σχολείο

5:00 μ.μ. – 8:00 μ.μ. -

Προηγιασμένη & Απόδειπνο

Μελέτη Αγίας Γραφής

Παρασκευή

12 Απριλίου, 2024

9:00 π.μ. – 10:30 π.μ.

Προηγιασμένη Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ.

Ελληνικό Σχολείο

7:00 μ.μ. – 8:30 μ.μ.

Δ' Χαιρετισμοί

Κυριακή

14 Απριλίου, 2024

Δ' Νηστειών

Ιωάννου Κλίμακος

(click here)

8:30 πμ - 11:30 π.μ.

Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Ο καφές σερβίρεται

από το Συμβούλιο

LIVE STREAM [click here](#)

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

SACRAMENTS — ΜΥΣΤΗΡΙΑ

11:30 a.m. BAPTISM

Saturday

April 6, 2024

Mr. & Mrs. Efstratios Lambos

2:00 p.m. BAPTISM

Sunday

April 7, 2024

Mr. & Mrs. Nikolaos Kotsiotas



Rev. Christos L. Pappas

Protopresbyter

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Tuesday, Thursday, Friday

9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 7, 2024
Greek School
Greek Independence Day
& Annunciation of the Theotokos Program**

**April 7, 2024
Philoptochos
Fasolada Fundraiser**

**April 14, 2024
Greek Parade**

**April 21, 2024
Catechism School
Easter Retreat**

**April 27, 2024
Saturday of Lazarus
Making of Palms**

**April 28, 2024
Palm Sunday
Bakaliaro Luncheon**

**May 5, 2024
Holy Resurrection
Easter Egg Hunt**

**May 12, 2024
Catechism School
Mother's Day Program**

**May 19, 2024
Catechism Graduation
GOYA & College
Recognition Day**

**June 2, 2024
Greek School
Graduation**

GREEK PARADE

Celebrating the 203rd Anniversary
of Hellenic Independence



50 Years Illegal Occupation of Cyprus
July 20, 1974 - July 20, 2024

The Dream of a Free Cyprus will never die!

SUNDAY, APRIL 14, 2024 @ 1:30 PM

5TH AVENUE | NEW YORK CITY | 64TH TO 79TH STREET

FEDERATION OF HELLENIC SOCIETIES OF GREATER NEW YORK

22-51 29th Street, Astoria NY 11105 • 718.204.6500

nyhellenicsocieties@gmail.com

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ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH Greek Independence Day Parade information & Guidelines

Dear parishioners, members of all church organizations and Greek School,

Our community will participate in the Greek Independence Day Parade on Sunday, April 14 @ 1:00 PM in New York City. We will also have a float with participation of all organizations and Greek School.

The church will provide a bus for the parade. If you are planning on taking the bus please reserve and pay for your seat(s) by calling or visiting the church office, tel. # 201-945-6448, [by Friday, 4/12](#). Otherwise, we cannot guarantee you a seat. This will also help us determine if we need a second bus.

The bus will leave from the front of the Church at 12:00 noon sharp, immediately following church services. Teachers, students and Goyans are free. All others will be charged \$25.00.

Dress code: Business attire preferably blue and white, our flag colors.

Greek School students and GOYA dress code

Ethnic costumes are recommended. Or, white shirts for boys, white tops for girls, with navy blue or black bottoms (slacks, knee length skirt, or sports uniform.) Black shoes (weather permitting). Please follow dress code directions from Mr. Triantafillou for Greek School students and GOYA advisors for GOYA.

- T-shirts, shirts with advertising are not permitted. No jeans, leggings or cut-off tops.
- Leaders of organizations shall not delay the parade by leaving their places for any purpose and should line up their groups evenly as they prepare to march.
- Once our unit gets on 5th Avenue, no stragglers will be allowed to join. Families with strollers may march with the community after the last group of Ascension Organizations.
- All Organizations should check their banners, sashes and flags ahead of time.

It is our obligation as a parish to march in the parade with our community. We expect all organizations to be present in marking our 72nd year. Together we stand strong. We should march with pride of our culture & heritage.

For additional info: contact the church office at 201-945-6448 or visit the Hellenic Federation website at www.hellenicsocieties.org.

SEE YOU ALL ON FIFTH AVENUE!!!!!!





GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΕΣΗΣ

March 21, 2024

V. Rev. and Rev. Fathers,
Esteemed Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils,
Esteemed Presidents and Members of the Philoptochos Sisterhoods,
Esteemed Directors, Faculty and Students of the Greek Afternoon Schools,
Esteemed Presidents and Members of the Parent Teacher Organizations of the
Greek Orthodox Communities of the Northern New Jersey Region of the
Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey

My Beloved,

I pray that this letter finds all of you enjoying the blessings of God as we embark on our spiritual journey through Holy and Great Lent.

It is with much joy and excitement that I cordially invite all of the Parish Council and Philoptochos Members, the Greek School teachers, students, parents, PTO members, family, and all devout Orthodox Christians to a special Grand Celebration with the EVZONES, the Presidential Guard of Greece, which will take place on Saturday, April 13, 2024, at 11:30am at the St. John the Theologian Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Tenafly, New Jersey.

All Greek School Classes that are normally scheduled on Saturday morning should be **rescheduled**, so that all of the teachers, students and parents may be afforded the opportunity to participate in this beautiful celebration in Tenafly. All those in attendance will have the wonderful opportunity to spend an afternoon with the wonderful our beloved and world renowned Evzones. I ask that all the who have traditional "tsolia/foustanela" costumes and girls who have traditional "amalia" costumes should be dressed in them. Those who do not should wear a white dress shirt/b louse and blue pants/skirts. Kindly RSVP to the St. John the Theologian Cathedral office at 201-567-5072 by **Wednesday, April 10, 2024**, so that all appropriate arrangements can be made.

Praying that our loving Lord continues to bless all of you and wishing all of you a most blessed Kali Sarakosti, I remain

With Paternal Love and Blessings,

Metropolitan Agostolo
† APOSTOLOS
Metropolitan of New Jersey

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GREEK SCHOOL

Greek School of the Ascension
Fairview, NJ

Invitation

"For our Faith and Country" "Freedom or Death"

You are invited to attend the patriotic,
religious and educational program for the
Declaration of the Greek Independence Day,
March 25, 1821,
and the Annunciation of the Theotokos
presented by
our Ascension Greek School



on *Sunday*, April 7, 2024
at 12:00 noon sharp
in the Community Center
For Information: Church Office

Greek School of the Ascension

Fairview, NJ

Πρόσκληση

"Υπέρ Πίστεως και Πατρίδος" "Ελευθερία ή Θάνατος"

Σας προσκαλούμε να τιμήσετε με την παρουσία σας
το πατριωτικό, θρησκευτικό
και εκπαιδευτικό πρόγραμμα για την 203η Επέτειο
της έναρξης της Επανάστασης του 1821
και τον Ευαγγελισμό της Θεοτόκου
που διοργανώνει το Ελληνικό μας Σχολείο



την Κυριακή 7 Απριλίου
στις 12:00 ακριβώς

στο Κοινοτικό μας Κέντρο

Πληροφορίες: Γραφείο Εκκλησίας

PHILOPTOCHOS

ASCENSION PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY
101 ANDERSON AVENUE
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY 07022

WILL BE HOLDING A «FASOLADA» FUNDRAISER
WITH OTHER LENTEN FOOD SELECTIONS AND
COFFEE AND GLYKA

AFTER LITURGY ON SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2024

DONATION - \$12.00 (for one order)

OR

DONATION - \$20.00 (for two orders)



WE WILL ALSO HAVE «TO GO» CONTAINERS

«KALI SARAKOSTI», «Καλή Σαρακοστή»



ALL PROCEEDS ARE FOR THE BENEFIT OF OUR PHILOPTOCHOS CHAPTER'S
PHILANTHROPIC ENDEAVORS.

CATECHISM SCHOOL

ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Ascension Catechism School

Fairview, NJ

JOIN US

Easter Retreat

SUNDAY

April 21, 2024

10 AM to 3 PM

COMMUNITY CENTER

SIGN-UP HERE



RETREAT SIGN-UP

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church

Fairview, NJ



Myrrhbearers

Μυροφόρες

We welcome all the girls from our Ascension family to server as Myrrhbearers on Good Friday!
If you are interested, please reach out to Evelyn Tsugranis, Catechism Director at 201.658.1801
ascensioncatecismprogram@gmail.com

It is a great honor to participate in this special role during Good Friday.

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church
Fairview, NJ

SUNDAY MAY 5

EASTER

Egg Hunt

VESPERS OF LOVE

12 NOON TO 1:00 PM

Immediately following services

PARISH COUNCIL

Palm Sunday

BAKALIARO LUNCHEON

April 28, 2024 – 28 Απριλίου, 2024
Ascension Greek Orthodox Church, Fairview NJ
Immediately Following the Divine Liturgy



COME JOIN US FOR BAKALIARO & SCORDALIA!

ΜΠΑΚΑΛΙΑΡΟ ΜΕ ΣΚΟΡΔΑΛΙΑ!

Beets, Gigantes, Wine, Soda, Coffee & Desserts Included
Ziti with tomato sauce will be available for the children-FREE

Donation: \$30

TAKE OUT

LARGE ORDERS OF 10 OR MORE (packaged in trays)
REQUIRE ADVANCE NOTICE BY CALLING THE
CHURCH OFFICE @ 201 945 6448

Καλό Πάσχα

GOYA

ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
FAIRVIEW, NJ

TSOUREKI SALE

**GOYA
fundraiser**



PRE-ORDER ↗

BAKED BY THE SISTERS AT AGIA SKEPI

PLACE ORDER BY APRIL 7, 2024

PICK-UP DATE APRIL 27, 28, 2024

NAME _____

EMAIL _____

PHONE NUMBER _____

small (braid) tsoureki (#) _____ x \$20 = _____

large (round) tsoureki (#) _____ x \$25 = _____

Total amount due = _____

Return/Mail Order Form with payment to Ascension Church
Check payable to **Ascension GOYA or Venmo (@Ascensiongoya)**

Any questions contact Christina Papas (201) 658-2766

[Place ONLINE ORDER here](#)

PTO

ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH PTO
FAIRVIEW, NJ

EASTER LAMBADES SALE



SUNDAYS AFTER CHURCH
3/31, 4/7, 4/14, 4/21 AND 4/28
AND DURING GREEK
SCHOOL



\$20 EACH



THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR
GREEK SCHOOL



ORTHODOXY ON TAP

PRESANCTIFIED LITURGY, DINNER & DISCUSSION



Guest Speaker:

His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey



17 April, 2024



6:30 PM Presanctified Liturgy
Dinner and Discussion to Follow



St. Nicholas, Constantine and Helen
80 Laurel Avenue
Roseland, NJ 07068

[Click Here](#)
[to Register](#)





CAMP GOOD SHEPHERD

JOIN OUR STAFF!

STAFF APPLICATIONS
NOW OPEN!



Chesapeake
15-22 JUNE
2024

New Jersey
22-29 JUNE
2024

Virginia
6-20 JULY
2024

Are You...

- ✓ Looking to grow your Faith?
- ✓ Hoping to make meaningful relationships?
- ✓ Seeking to boost your resume?

Registration Link: Scan or Click Below



More Information: <https://www.nj.goarch.org/camp-good-shepherd>



IONIANS VILLAGE



STEP ON GREEK LAND,
SWIM IN GREEK WATER.

EXPERIENCE REAL GREECE.

IV NEXT
JUNE 6 - JUNE 17

SESSION ONE
JUNE 25 - JULY 14

SESSION TWO
JULY 23 - AUGUST 11

SUMMER STAFF
JUNE 17 - AUGUST 16

2024

REGISTRATION OPENS FEBRUARY 1ST AT 11 AM ET

STAFF APPLICATIONS OPEN DECEMBER 17TH



WWW.IONIANSVILLAGE.ORG



Ionian Village will once again offer three programs, catering to high school students and young adults. Registration is available online at www.ionianvillage.org. Need-based scholarships may be offered by contacting the IV office. Spots are limited and are

offered on a first-come first-served basis. The dates for each session are as follows:

Summer 2024

IV Next: June 6 - June 17

- **Young adults who have completed one year of college or vocational school until 25 years of age**

Session One: June 25 - July 14

- **Students who are currently in grades 9 - 12**

Session Two: July 23 - August 11

- **Students who are currently in grades 9 - 12**

For more information or to read about our programs, visit www.ionianvillage.org, or the Frequently Asked Questions page at www.ionianvillage.org/faq.



IONIAN VILLAGE is the Summer Camping Ministry of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. The mission of Ionian Village is to enrich the lives of its participants by bringing campers and staff into close contact with their Orthodox faith and Hellenic heritage.

Two **SUMMER CAMP** sessions offer Greek American high schoolers an incredible summer experience spent exploring Greece through a variety of excursions, participating in exciting Ionian Village activities across the beautiful seaside campgrounds, and forming lifelong bonds with other Greek Orthodox young people.

Ionian Village **SUMMER STAFF** Members are chosen via a selective application process from young adults ages 21 and up. IV Staff demonstrate a passion for Greek Orthodoxy and Hellenism, high energy, creativity, and a willingness to love our campers unconditionally as they bring to life our programs each summer.

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Student Referral Form

As an alum of Hellenic College Holy Cross, you know better than anyone else what qualities are needed for students to thrive here. Our best students tell us that talking with someone who knows HCHC made them want to apply.



Below you'll be asked to provide information about yourself as well as the student you're referring. Providing your information allows Admissions to note that the potential student was referred by you, and providing their information allows us to connect with them about considering Hellenic College Holy Cross.

Students referred to us by any alumni/ae of Hellenic College Holy Cross qualify for a HCHC Recognition Award—a **\$2,000 merit scholarship** to be added on top of any institutional aid awarded to the student upon admission. NOTE: students who are already enrolled are not eligible for this award.

Your Information

An asterisk (*) indicates a required field.

I am a (select all that apply): *

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Your name * _____

Your email address * _____ Your mobile phone: * _____

Your home address: * _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Your parish (name and city) * _____

Student Information

Student first name * _____ Middle name _____

Student last name * _____

Student preferred first name* _____ Student date of birth * ____/____/____

Home Parish (name and city) *: _____

Student interested in which school*:

This student would apply as a:

Intended entry term:

- Hellenic College
- Holy Cross

- First Year
- Non-Degree
- Transfer

- Fall 2024
- Spring 2025
- Fall 2025

Student email address * _____ Mobile phone* _____

Mailing address* _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Most recent school attended: _____

Tell us a bit about this student: on the back of this form*

COMMUNITY NEWS

THE GREEK CYPRIOTS OF NEW

JERSEY MEMORIAL SERVICE

On Sunday, March 31, 2024, our church welcomed the Honorable Michalis Firillas, Consul General of Cyprus in New York, Ms. Despina Axiotakis, President, The Greek Cypriots of New Jersey, Ms. Eleni Constantinides, Metropolis of New Jersey Philoptochos President, and Mr. Savas Tsvicos, Supreme President, Order of AHEPA, to commemorate "Heroes Glory and Honor" for the 69th anniversary of the liberation struggle of EOKA 1955-1959 from the British Colonial Rule. Our Ascension Greek School students of 7th, 8th, and 9th grades participated in the mnemosino of the EOKA heroes for the independence of Cyprus.

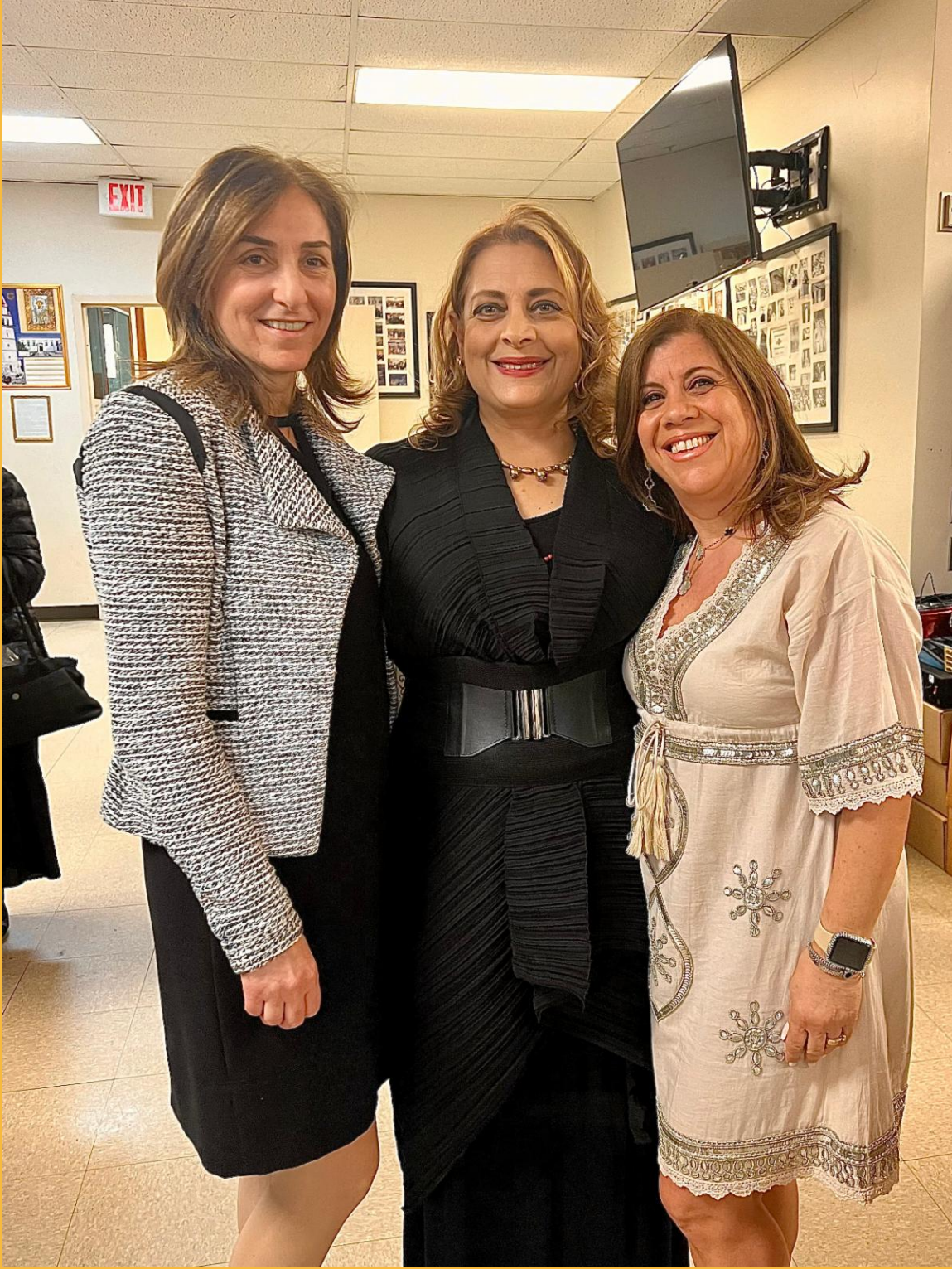












SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY





SATURDAY OF SOULS



GREEK SCHOOL

Getting ready for our 9th grade Graduation and the 2024 9th grade yearbook to be presented on graduation day, June 2, 2024. SAVE THE DATE! It's a

privilege to graduate from the Ascension Junior High School, the only one in NJ!

Maria Christou



Pablo Adrian Moriatis





Congratulations to George Lazarou who received the Greek Regents Aristeion Certificate by his Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros on Saturday, March 23, 2024 for scoring 100 on the exams. He was the only student from New Jersey to score 100! Congratulations to George, his parents and his Teachers Mrs. Vaia Tjionas and Ms. Maria Sardi!



ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

Congratulations to Demetri Lakkas, Senior Division, and Xanthi Georgiou, Junior Division for placing first place in our Parish Oratorical Festival who shared speeches about their Orthodox faith. Thank you to Mrs. Stacy Pinou-Melizanis for working with all the participants and for her 15th year as the Chair at the Ascension Oratorical Festival. Good luck to Demetri and Xanthi in the District Division on April 6, at St. George in Trenton.





HELLENIC CIVIC CLUB Celebration

Congratulations to our GOYA Dance Group and the Ascension Greek School, 8th grade students, Xanthi Georgiou and Themis Lapiotis, for their dramatic performance at the Greek Independence Day Celebration by the Hellenic Civic Club in Fort Lee on Saturday, March 23, 2024.





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