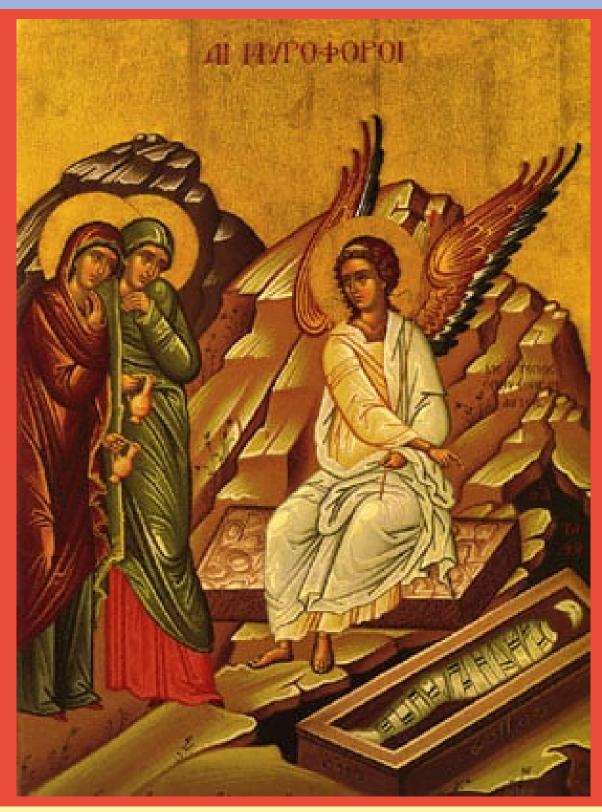
### The LIGHT of the ASCENSION Το Φως της Θείας Αναλήψεως

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ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



May 19, 2024

### **Today we Commemorate**

Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women

- Epistle Reading (click here)
- Gospel Reading (click here)

### **SCHEDULE OF SERVICES**

Sunday May 19, 2024 Sunday of the Myrrhbearing Women (click here) 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy Catechism Graduation Seniors/College Recognition Coffee is served by the PTO

### <u>Tuesday</u>

<u>May 21, 2024</u> 9a.m. Constantine & Helen (click here) Orthros, Divine Liturgy

### <u>Wednesday</u>

<u>May 22, 2024</u> 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. *Greek School* 6:00 - 7:30 p.m. Paraklisis & Bible Study

<u>Friday</u> <u>May 24, 2024</u> 4:30 p.m.- 6:30 p.m. Greek School

### <u>Saturday</u>

May 25, 2024 Third Finding of the Head of St. John the Baptist (click here) Therapon, Bishop of Cyprus (click here) 9a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy

### <u>Sunday</u>

<u>May 26, 2024</u> Sunday of the Paralytic (click here) 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy Coffee is served by the Parish Council

<u>Κυριακή</u> <u>19 Μαΐου, 2024</u> Κυριακή των Μυροφόρων (click here)

8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 μ.μ.

Ορθρος Θεία Λειτουργία Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το ΠΤΟ

<u>Τρίτη</u> <u>21 Μαϊου, 2024</u> 9:00 π.μ. Κωνσταντίνου και Ελένης (click here) Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

> <u>Τετάρτη</u> <u>22 Μαϊου, 2024</u> 4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο 6 - 7:30 μ.μ. Παράκληση & Μελέτη Αγίας Γραφής

### <u>Παρασκευή</u> <u>24 Μαΐου, 2024</u> 4:30 μ.μ. – 6:30 μ.μ.

4.50 μ.μ. – 0.50 μ.μ Ελληνικό Σχολείο

### <u>Σάββατο</u> 25 Μαΐου, 2024

Τρίτη εύρεσις Κεφαλής Προδρόδου (click here) Θεράπων Ιερομάρτυς (click here) 9:00 π.μ. - 10:30 π.μ. Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

### <u>Κυριακή</u>

<u>26 Μαϊου, 2024</u> Κυριακή του Παραλύτου (click here)

8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 μ.μ. Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το Συμβούλιο

### <u>MEMORIAL SERVICES</u> <u>40 days</u>:

Perry Fasolas

<u>40 days</u>: Nickolaos Behlos

<u>2 years</u>: Andreas Thoma

Coffee is offered by the Behlos & Thoma Families that have the Memorial Services

> <u>SACRAMENT</u> <u>Saturday</u> <u>May 18, 2024</u>

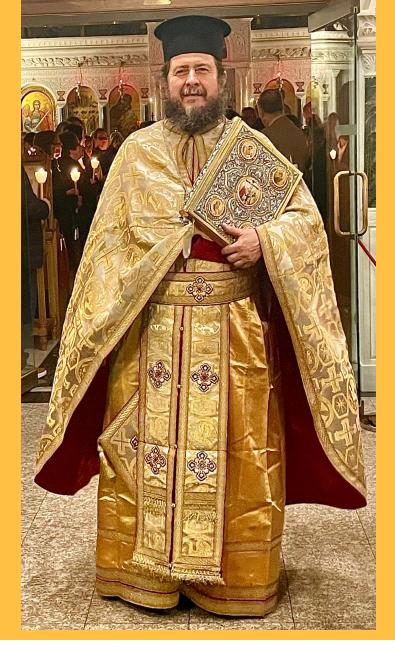
<u>11:00 a.m. BAPTISM</u>

Mr. & Mrs. Theodore Christolias

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### GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 130/2024

### Archepiscopal Encyclical on AHEPA Sunday

### May 19, 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 Christloving Plenitude of the Sacred Archdiocese of America:

My beloved brothers and sisters and in the Risen Lord,

### Christ is Risen!

On this AHEPA Sunday, when the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America celebrates the American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association, let us give thanks to God for AHEPA's resilience and commitment to Hellenic causes worldwide. Not only is AHEPA a tremendous supporter of our Ecumenical Patriarchate and the Mother Church of Constantinople, but the members and friends of AHEPA champion both Greece and Cyprus in the halls of American power. Especially this year, when we observe the tragic fiftieth anniversary of the unjust and illegal Turkish invasion of the sovereign island Nation of Cyprus, the voice of AHEPA is needed now more than ever.

We all know the members of AHEPA to be faithful members of our Church and parishes. They are our neighbors, our friends and our family. That is why we reserve the third Sunday of May as AHEPA Sunday, to recognize these fellow Hellenes of the Diaspora for the amazing contributions they have made to the Omogeneia and to our Hellenic roots.

Therefore, let us take this opportunity to acknowledge AHEPA in every parish across the country, celebrating the history and impact of this marvelous organization of the Greek-American experience with gratitude and appreciation for their most significant contributions to the Church and the Omogeneia.



Christ is Risen! Truly, He is Risen!

With paternal love in our Risen Lord,

to Apecings 25 Troopers

+ ELPIDOPHOROS Archbishop of America





### ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΙΚΗ ΕΓΚΥΚΛΙΟΣ

Αφιθμ. Πρωτ. 130/2024

### Άρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος για την Κυριακή της ΑΧΕΠΑ.

### 19 Μαΐου 2024

Ποὸς τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Ἀρχιεφεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Ιεφεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τἰς Μοναχές, τοὺς Πορέδοους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Ἀρχοντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμεφήσια καὶ Ἀπογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τἰς Φιλοπτώχους Ἀδελφότητες, τὴ Νεολαία, τἰς Ἐλληνοφθόδοξες Όργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληφο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Ιεφᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς Ἀμεφικῆς.

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφὲς ἐν Χριστῷ,

### Χριστός ἀνέστη!

Κατὰ τὴ σημερινὴ Κυριακὴ τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ, ὅπου τὸ πλήρωμα τῆς Τερᾶς Αρχιεπσικοπῆς Ἀμερικῆς ἑορτάζει τὴν Ἀμερικανικὴ Ἑλληνικὴ Ἐκπαιδευτικὴ καὶ Προοδευτικὴ Ἐνωση, ἂς ἀναπέμψουμε εὐχαριστίες στὸ Θεὸ γιὰ τὴ διαχρονικὴ ἀφοσίωση τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ πρὸς ὅφελος τοῦ ἀπανταχοῦ ἑλληνισμοῦ. Διότι ἡ ΑΧΕΠΑ δὲν ἀποτελεῖ μόνο ἕνα βασικὸ ὑποστηρικτὴ τῆς Μητρὸς Ἐκκλησίας, τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου τῆς Κωνσταντινουπόλεως, ἀλλὰ τόσο τὰ μέλη, ὅσο καὶ οἱ φίλοι τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ ὑποστηρίζουν ἀποτελεσματικὰ τἰς θέσεις τῆς Ἐλλάδος καὶ τῆς Κύπρου στὰ πολιτικὰ δρώμενα τῶν Η.Π.Α. Εἰδικὰ ἐφέτος, κατὰ τὴν ἐπέτειο τῶν πενήντα ἐτῶν ἀπὸ τὴν τραγική, ἄδικη καὶ παράνομη τουρκικὴ εἰσβολὴ στὴ μεγαλόνησο τῆς Κύπρου, ἡ φωνὴ τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ χρειάζεται νὰ ἀκούγεται περισσότερο ἀπὸ ποτέ.

Τὰ μέλη τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ εἶναι πιστὰ μέλη τῶν ἐκκλησιαστικῶν μας κοινοτήτων. Ανήκουν στὶς οἰκογένειἐς μας καὶ εἶναι ἀγαπημένα πρόσωπα ὅλων μας. Ιδοὐ γιατί ἀφιερώσαμε τὴν τρίτη Κυριακὴ τοῦ Μαΐου στὴν ΑΧΕΠΑ, δείχνοντας τὴν ἐκτίμησή μας σἑ ὅλους αὐτοὺς τοὺς ἕλληνες τῆς διασπορᾶς, ἀναγνωρίζοντας τὴν προσφορά τους στὴν Όμογένεια καὶ τὸν ἑλληνισμό.



Μὲ τὴν εὐκαιǫία αὐτή, λοιπόν, ἂς τιμήσουμε τὴν ὀργάνωση τῆς ΑΧΕΠΑ σὲ ὅλες τὶς κοινότητες τῆς χώǫας, ἑοǫτάζοντας τὴν ἱστοǫικὴ καὶ διαχǫονικὴ συμβολή της στὴν ἑλληνοαμεǫικανικὴ ἐμπεǫία, μὲ ἐκτίμηση καὶ εὐγνωμοσύνη γιὰ τὴν πǫοσφοǫά της στὴν Ἐκκλησία καὶ τὴν Ἐμογένεια.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη! Ἀληθῶς Ἀνέστη!

Μετά πατρικής έν Κυρίω άναστάντι άγάπης,

to Auconto 25 Trodopoeos

+ό Αμερικῆς Ἐλπιδοφόρος

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## **MINISTRY SPOTLIGHT**



### Parish Council Peter Frangiskou President

Palm Sunday is beginning of Holy Week and the commemoration of our Lord entering Jerusalem following his miracle in raising Lazarus from the dead. It was a pleasure watching Philoptochos, Students and Volunteers make the Palms on Saturday. Palm Sunday's service was filled with families, friends and guests that

followed by a successful Bakaliaro Fund Raiser in our church auditorium. Parish joined together to organize and prepare this feast that served our entire Community. I am proud and thankful in witnessing all the families that attended in making our fund raiser a great success.

### Philoptochos Lea Drivas President

The ladies of the Ascension Philoptochos make many contributions to our beloved Church during Holy Week, beginning with the Saturday of Lazarus where they gather after Liturgy to make hundreds of palm crosses for distribution to the church community on Palm Sunday. Some of our Philoptochos members also assist with decorating the icons for Holy Week services as well as making of the Stefana. On Good Friday, you will find the ladies at church very early in the morning decorating the Epitafio with the beautiful flowers for which funds were donated by many parishioners. Also one of the ongoing projects of Philoptochos during this season are the dying of the red eggs Father Christos distributes. Lastly, we never forget those in need and provide social service assistance during this time in hopes that we are making someone else's life better. Philoptochos has been carrying on these traditions and their philanthropic endeavors for many years as it is our way of showing our love and support not only for our community, but also for others.





### Greek School

Δημοσθένης Τριανταφύλλου Διευθυντής

Ο Διευθυντής, οι Δασκάλες και οι μαθητές του Γυμνασίου και του Δημοτικού σχολείου της Θείας Αναλήψεως εύχονται σε όλους τους γονείς και φίλους του Ελληνικού σχολείου μας. Όπως περάσουν τις Άγιες ημέρες του Πάσχα με υγεία, χαρά και ευτυχία! Η ευτυχία του κάθε ανθρώπου προέρχεται από τις καλές πράξεις απέναντι όλων των συνανθρώπων του. Χριστός σημαίνει αγάπη και αλληλεγγύη με όλους! Το ανέσπερο φως της Ανάστασης να μας φωτίζει όλους!

### « Χριστός Ανέστη!» « Αληθώς Ανέστη!»

Να γράψετε τα παιδιά σας στο ελληνικό μας σχολείο, το καλύτερο σχολείο με Γυμνάσιο!

### Catechism School Evelyn Tsugranis Director

On Sunday, May 19, it will be our moving up ceremony for our Catechism students. We will recognize our students and teachers who have been dedicated to our Catechism School. We are excited about all the lessons we teach and learn and hope to continue to make a difference. Good luck to all the students as you complete your studies for the remainder of your school year.





GOYA Mike Tsugranis Head Advisor

Warm greetings, fellow parishioners. This is the week that changed the world, and has forever changed our lives. As we journey through this most sacred week, we wish God grants us all a grateful heart for the salvation of our souls through Christ our Lord. May God's abundant blessings shine on you and all of your loved ones during this Holiest of Weeks.

# ANNOUNCEMENTS

# UPCOMINGEVENTS

May 19, 2024 Catechism Graduation GOYA & College Recognition Day

> June 2, 2024 Greek School Graduation

June 6,7,8, & 9 Ascension Festival

June 12,2024

**Holy Ascension Vespers** 

June 13, 2024 Holy Ascension



# GREEKSCHOOL

Graduation, Sunday, June 2, 2024 Grades: Pre-K to 9



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The 17<sup>th</sup> Graduation of the 9<sup>th</sup> Grade of our Ascension Junior High School

17<sup>η</sup> Αποφοίτηση της Γ' Γυμνασίου του Σχολείου της Θείας Αναλήψεως

The celebration of our 9th Grade is a great event in our community Συγχαρητήρια στα παιδιά μας!!!



The Graduates of our 9th Grade are: **Christou Maria** Moriatis Pablo Adrian Vratsanos Katerina Zoe

SUNDAY, JUNE 2, 2024/ 3:00 p.m.

The Drs. Vratsanos Residence 264 Castle Dr., Englewood Cliffs, NJ 07632



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# APPLY NOW FAITH SCHOLARSHIPS FOR ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE DEADLINE: JUNE 28TH, 2024

This merit-based scholarship program aims to support the best and brightest graduating high school seniors in the Hellenic-American Greek Orthodox community 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 or scan:





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



Dr. Hannah Carr, Artistic Director Erasmia Voukelatos, Assistant Director & Pianist **Greek American Folklore Society Mustard Seed School Chorus** 

presents an evening of the rich sounds of Aegean cultures and ancient myths with songs and dances from the Balkans, Asia Minor, and beyond!

WOMEN'S

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# **Aegean Voices**

Sunday, May 19th, 2024 5:00 PM

St Paul's Evangelical Lutheran Church 440 Hoboken Ave, Jersey City, NJ 07306

Suggested Donations: \$20, Students & Seniors \$10

Cantigas Women's Choir places importance on inclusion and accessibility. If you require an accommodation or assistance to attend the concert, please reach out to us at cantigaschoir@cantigas.net at least 5 days in advance.

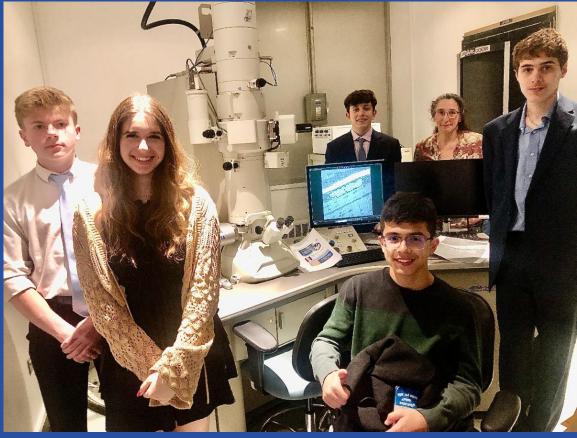


This program is made possible by a grant from the New Jersey State Council on the Arts, a division of the Department of State, and administered by the Hudson County Office of Cultural & Heritage Affairs, Craig Guy, Hudson County Executive & the Hudson County Board of County Commissioners.

> COMMUNITYNEWS GREEK SCHOOL Dr. Papanícolaou Essay Awards

On May 14, 2024, at the Cornell Medical College in New York, the 8th and 9th grade students from our Greek School received their meritorious awards from the Academy of Philosophy, Science, and Education as well as \$300 awards from various donors. Congratulations (front left) Loukas Spyropoulos, Pablo Moriartis, Themis Lapiotis, and Katerina Vratsanos and camera shy Maria Christou, Leonidas Spyropulos, and Xanthi Georgiou.





CLERGY LAITY NJ METROPOLIS Honoree Grand Banquet





# MOTHER OF THE YEAR Chrystalia Demetriou





# FLOWERS FOR MOTHERS FROM GOYA







# CATECHISM Mother's Day Program









# BRIGHT THURSDAY LUNCHEON











# HOLY WEEK AND ANASTASI



















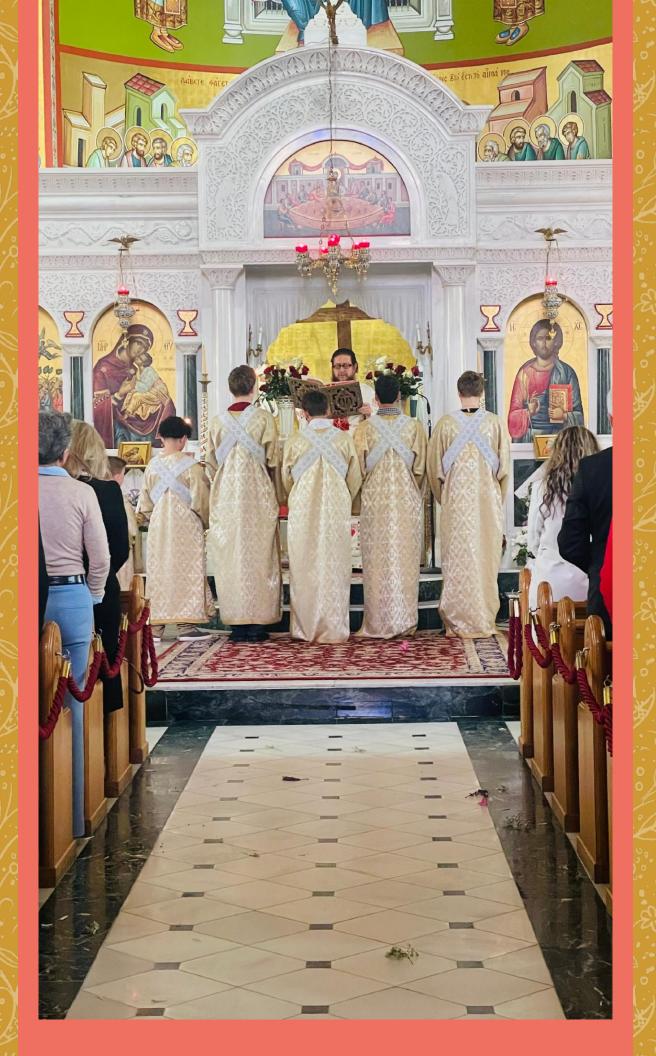


















## JOURNALPRESENTATION

On Palm Sunday, April 28, 2024 at our Church's Bakaliaro Luncheon the 71st Commemorative Journal for years 2022 and 2023 was presented to the Community. Aside from the members of the Journal committee, Father Christos Pappas, Lea Drivas, Ioanna Georgiadis, Christos Kanakis, Despina Kolokithas and Anastasia Perdikos we wish to extend additional thanks for contributions made by Maria Bournias, the late Chrystalla Kanakis and our graphic designer Gene Tsiknis of Graphic Titans and to Evelyn Tsugranis for beautiful cover design. Last but not least, a big thank you to our contributors for their continued support! Pictured from left to right, Gene Tsiknis, Father Christos. Lea Drivas, Ioanna Georgiadis and Peter Frangiskou.



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