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ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



June 16, 2024

**Today we Commemorate** 

Fathers of the 1st Council

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

### SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

<u>Sunday</u> <u>June 16, 2024</u> Fathers of the 1st Council (click here) 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy

<u>Monday</u>

June 17, 2024 7:00 p.m. Post-Festival Appreciation Dinner

<u>Tuesday</u> <u>June 18, 2024</u> 7:00 p.m. Parish Council Meeting

Saturday June 22, 2024 Saturday of Souls (click here) 9:00 a.m. Orthros Divine Liturgy

Sunday, June 23, 2024 Holy Pentecost (click here) 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Orthros, Divine Liturgy

### <u>Κυριακή</u>

<u>16 Ιουνίου, 2024</u> Πατέρων Α' Οικ. Συνόδου (click here) 8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 μ.μ. Όρθρος Θεία Λειτουργία

<u>Δευτέρα</u> <u>17 Ιουνίου, 2024</u> 7:00 μ.μ. Δείπνο Εκτίμησης μετά το Φεστιβάλ

> <u>Τρίτη</u> <u>18 Ιουνίου, 2024</u>

7:00 μ.μ. Συνεδρίαση του Συμβουλίου

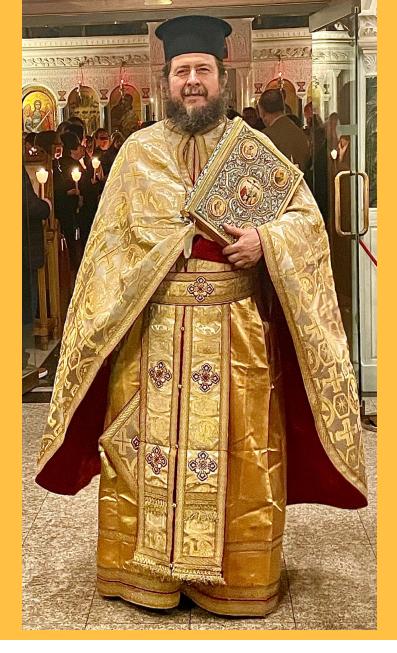
> <u>Σάββατο</u> 22 Ιουνίου, 2024 Ψυχοσάββατο (click here) 9:00 π.μ. Όρθρος Θεία Λειτουργία

<u>Κυριακή</u> 23 Ιουνίου, 2024 Πεντηκοστής (click here) 8:30 π.μ. – 11:30 μ.μ. Όρθρος Θεία Λειτουργία

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#### GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 180/2024

#### Archepiscopal Encyclical for Father's Day

#### June 16, 2024

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

Εφανέφωσά σου τὸ ὄνομα τοῖς ἀνθφώποις οῦς δέδωκάς μοι εκ τοῦ κόσμου. Σοὶ ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοὺς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασι. (κατὰ Ἰωάννην 17:6)

I have manifested Your name to the men whom You gave Me out of the world; Yours they were, and You gave them to Me, and they have kept Your word. (*John* 17:6)

My beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

This year's observance of Father's Day happily coincides with the Feast that bridges Ascension and Pentecost — the celebration of the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicaea. We have appropriated this secular occasion in order to highlight the "fathers" of our parishes, the clergy of our Archdiocese. Like the 318, they have been chosen to engage in the spiritual contest to preach and teach the unalloyed Orthodox Faith of Christ. Our parish clergy have kept the Faith and the Divine Word that God the Father delivered to the world through His Son, which is preserved and transmitted from generation to generation by the members of the Holy Priesthood of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Knowing how the clergy care for us, we thought it meet and right that we should make a special effort to care for them. For this reason, we beseech every parish to make an extraordinary collection on this Sunday to enhance and support the Clergy Pension Fund. On this Sunday, when we remember our earthly fathers — living and reposed — may we also remember our spiritual fathers who labor for our salvation in Christ.



Let us celebrate this Father's Day by honoring the Saintly 318 Father of the First Ecumenical Council and remembering our faithful clergy and their needs. Thus, we shall prove ourselves to be holders of the word God and worthy heirs of the Faith of Nicaea.

With much gratitude and paternal blessings in Christ,

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+ ELPIDOPHOROS Archbishop of America





### ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΙΚΗ ΕΓΚΥΚΛΙΟΣ

Αφιθμ. Πφωτ. 180/2024

#### Άρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος για την ήμέρα του πατέρα.

#### 16 Ιουνίου 2024

Πρός τοὺς Σεβασμιωτάτους καὶ Θεοφιλεστάτους Ἀρχιερεῖς, τοὺς Εὐλαβεστάτους Ιερεῖς καὶ Διακόνους, τοὺς Μοναχοὺς καὶ τἰς Μοναχές, τοὺς Προέδρους καὶ τὰ Μέλη τῶν Κοινοτικῶν Συμβουλίων, τοὺς Ἐντιμολογιωτάτους Ἀρχοντες τοῦ Οἰκουμενικοῦ Πατριαρχείου, τὰ μέλη τῆς Ἡγεσίας τῶν 100, τὰ Ἡμερήσια καὶ Ἀπογευματινὰ Σχολεῖα, τἰς Φιλοπτώχους Ἀδελφότητες, τὴ Νεολαία, τἰς Ἐλληνορθόδοξες Ὁργανώσεις καὶ ὁλόκληρο τὸ Χριστεπώνυμο πλήρωμα τῆς Ιερᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς Ἀμερικῆς.

«Έφανέρωσά σου τὸ ὄνομα τοῖς ἀνθρώποις οῦς δέδωκάς μοι ἐκ τοῦ κόσμου. Σοὶ ἦσαν καὶ ἐμοὶ αὐτοὺς δέδωκας, καὶ τὸν λόγον σου τετηρήκασι» (Ιω. 17:6).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφὲς ἐν Χριστῷ,

Ή Ήμέρα τοῦ Πατέρα συμπίπτει κατὰ τὴν ἐφετεινὴ χρονιὰ μὲ τὴν Κυριακὴ τῶν Άγίων τριακοσίων καὶ δεκαοκτὼ πατέρων τῆς ἐν Νικαία Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου, μία ἑορτὴ ποὺ συνδέει τὴν ἑορτὴ τῆς Ἀναλήψεως μὲ τὴν ἑορτὴ τῆς Πεντηκοστῆς. Αὐτὴ λοιπὸν τὴν εὐκαιρία, ὅπου οἱ πάντες γιορτάζουν καὶ τιμοῦν τοὺς φυσικοὺς πατέρες τους, δράττουμε καὶ ἐμεῖς γιὰ νὰ τιμήσουμε τοὺς πνευματικοὺς πατέρες τῶν ἐνοριῶν μας, τοὺς κληρικοὺς τῆς Ἱερᾶς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς μας. Όπως οἱ τριακόσιοι καὶ δεκαοκτὼ πατέρες τῆς Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου ἐπιλέχθηκαν γιὰ νὰ πρωτοστατήσουν στοὺς πνευματικοὺς ἀγῶνες γιὰ τὴ διδασκαλία τῆς ὀρθῆς πίστεως ἐν Χριστῷ, ἔτσι καὶ ὁ ἑνοριακός μας κλῆρος κρατάει ἀνόθευτη τὴν πίστη, ὅτι ὁ θεῖος λόγος παρέχεται ἀπὸ τὸν Πατέρα διὰ τοῦ Υίοῦ στὸν κόσμο, μιὰ πίστη ποὺ διαφυλάσσεται καὶ διαδίδεται διὰ μέσφ τῶν γενεῶν ἀπὸ τὰ μέλη τοῦ ἱεροῦ κλήρου τοῦ Κυρίου ἡμῶν Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ.

Γνωρίζοντας πόσο οί κληρικοὶ μᾶς φροντίζουν, θεωροῦμε ὅτι εἶναι σωστὸ καὶ πρέπον νὰ συντονίσουμε καὶ τὶς δικές μας προσπάθειες γιὰ τὴ φροντίδα τους. Γιὰ αὐτὸ τὸ λόγο, παρακαλοῦμε κάθε κοινότητα νὰ πραγματοποιήσει περιφορὰ δίσκου αὐτὴ τὴν Κυριακή, πρὸς ἐνίσχυση καὶ στήριξη τοῦ Συνταξιοδοτικοῦ Ταμείου τῶν



Κληρικῶν. Αὐτὴ τὴν Κυριακή, ὅταν τιμοῦμε τοὺς φυσικούς μας πατέρες, ζῶντες καὶ κεκοιμημένους, ἂς τιμήσουμε καὶ τοὺς πνευματικούς μας πατέρες, οἱ ὅποῖοι ἑργάζονται γιὰ τὴ σωτηρία μας ἐν Χριστῷ.

Άς έορτάσουμε αὐτὴ τὴν Ἡμέρα τοῦ Πατέρα τιμώντας τοὺς τριακοσίους καὶ δεκαοκτώ πατέρες τῆς Πρώτης Οἰκουμενικῆς Συνόδου, ἀλλὰ καὶ τοὺς εὐλαβεῖς μας κληρικούς, φροντίζοντας γιὰ τὶς καθημερινὲς ἀνάγκες τους, φανερώνοντας τὸ Λόγο τοῦ Θεοῦ ὡς ἄξιοι κληρονόμοι καὶ συνεχιστὲς τῆς πίστεως τῆς Νικαίας.

Μετὰ πατρικῶν ἐυχῶν καὶ εὐγνωμοσύνης ἐν Χριστῷ,

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+ό Αμερικῆς Έλπιδοφόρος

### ANNOUNCEMENTS

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## UPCOMINGEVENTS

**June 17, 2024** Post-Festival Appreciation Dinner

> September 13, 2024 Greek School First Day & Agiasmos

### September 22, 2024

Catechism School First Day & Agiasmos

## POST-FESTIVAL APPRECIATION DINNER

### IMPORTANT

In an effort to make our festival even better next, year, we ask that you complete (by Monday,  $6/17 \sim 5$  PM) the brief 2 minute survey below...

CLICK here TO TAKE SURVEY

To: <u>All Board Members of our Parish Council, Philoptochos,</u> <u>GOYA, PTO, School Board, Teachers, Greek School,</u> <u>Catechism School, & volunteers</u>:

Please join us on Monday, June 17<sup>th,</sup> at 7:00 p.m. for our After-Festival Appreciation Dinner. All festival volunteers & their families are invited to the community center of the Ascension Church for some good food, drinks and socializing.

It is also important for everyone to get together to discuss this year's festival, plus all the new changes. (While it's still fresh in our memories).

Looking forward to sharing ideas & giving thanks for all the hard work.



Προσκαλούμε όλους τους εθελοντές απ' όλους τους οργανισμούς της Εκκλησίας και όλους όσους έχουν βοηθήσει για το Φεστιβάλ να παρευθρεθούν την Δευτέρα, 17 Ιουνίου, 2024 στις 7:00 μ.μ. για φαγητό και για να ανταλλάξουμε τις απόψεις μας σε ότι αφορά το Φεστιβάλ της Κοινότητάς μας.

# GREEKSCHOOL

### Ascension Greek School, Fairview, NJ

Wednesday & Friday 4:30-6:30 PreK - 6th grade

> Friday 5:00-6:30 7, 8, and 9 grade

School opens on Friday, September 13 with Agiasmos by Fr. Christos



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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.

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# FESTIVAL



































GREEK SCHOOL GRADUATION

Congratulations to our Ascension Greek School 9th grade graduates from our

junior high school Maria Christou (Valedictorian), Pablo Moriatis, and Katerina Vratsanos and all the graduates. The Community Award was presented to the Valedictorian, Maria Christou, by Peter Frangiskou, President of the Parish Council; the Philoptochos Award was presented to the Salutatorian, Katerina Zoe Vratsanos, by Philoptochos President, Rosalea Drivas; and the PTO award was presented to Pablo Adrian Moriatis by the PTO President, Marianna Tsartolias. AHEPA awards were presented to all students by Mr. Chris Morgan, Chairman, AHEPA Chapter 54; Hellenic Civic Club Awards were presented to all students by Despina Kolokithas, Treasurer; Mark and Aspasia Melis Awards were presented to all students In Memory of their parents, James and Katerine Melis; and Principal's Award presented to all students In Memory of Mr. Triantafillou's wife, Barbara, Greek-American Academy of Philosophy, Science, and Education. A big thank you to the Vratsanos Family for hosting the reception.

We also congratulate Ms. Maria Baltzis, who was awarded by Mr. Triantafillou, the Meritorious 2024 Assistant Teacher Excellence Award.















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