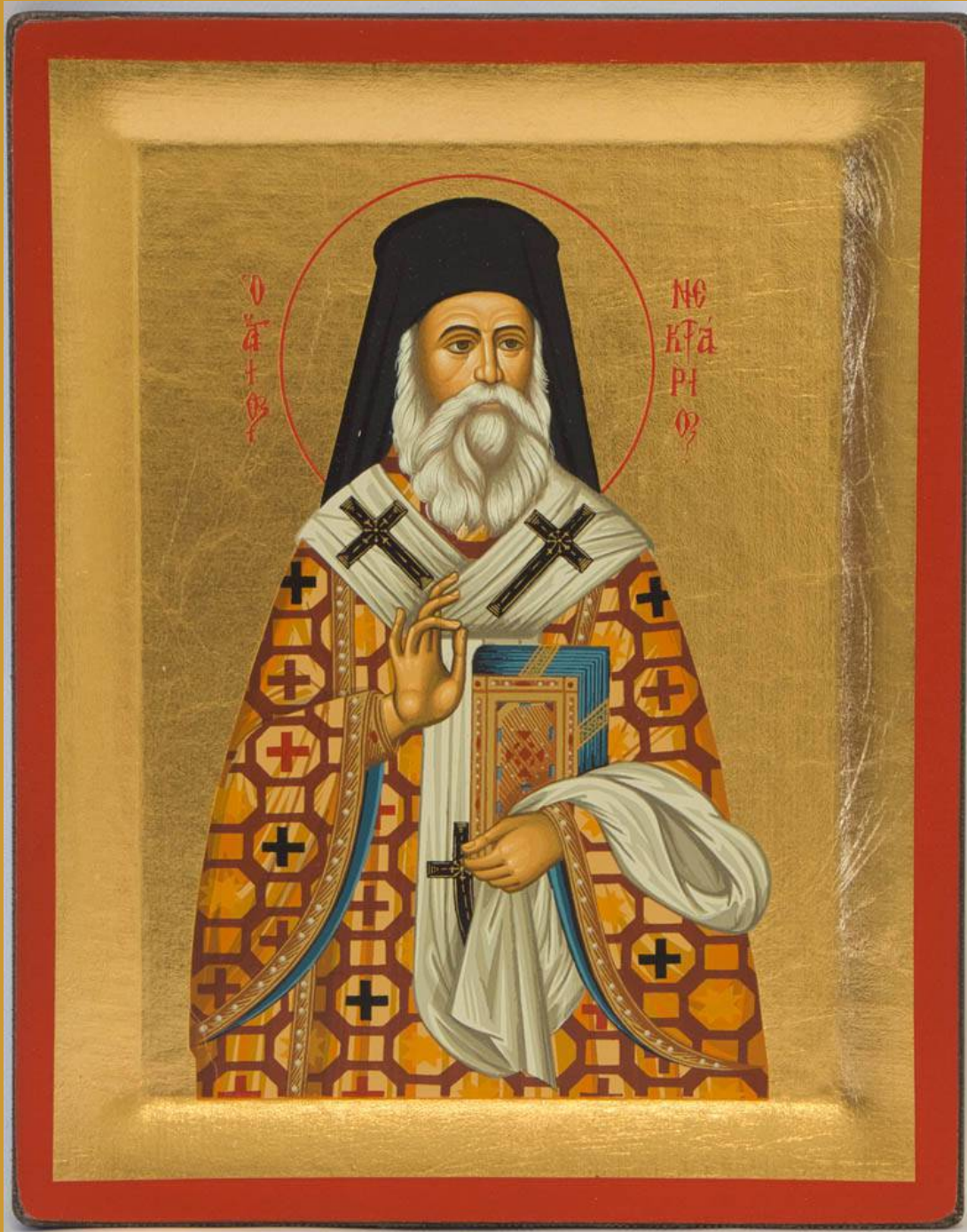




**ASCENSION**  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
FAIRVIEW, NEW JERSEY



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



**November 10, 2024**

**Today we commemorate**  
**8th Sunday of Luke**

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

# **ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH**

Archpastoral Visit His Eminence  
Archbishop Elpidophoros of America



Sunday, November 24, 2024  
Orthros and  
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy  
8:30 AM - 11:30 AM

101 Anderson Avenue  
Fairview, NJ 07022



ΙΕΡΑ ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΗ ΑΜΕΡΙΚΗΣ  
ΑΡΧΙΕΠΙΣΚΟΠΙΚΗ ΕΓΚΥΚΛΙΟΣ

Αριθμ. Πρωτ.: 371/2024

**Αρχιεπισκοπική Έγκύκλιος για την έορτή των παμμεγίστων Ταξιαρχών.**

10 Νοεμβρίου 2024

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

«Καὶ οὐκ ἔστιν εἰς ἀντεχόμενος μετ' ἐμοῦ περὶ τούτων, ἀλλ' ἡ Μιχαὴλ ὁ ἄρχων ὑμῶν.»  
(Δανιὴλ 10:21).

Προσφιλεῖς ἀδελφοὶ καὶ ἀδελφές ἐν Χριστῷ,

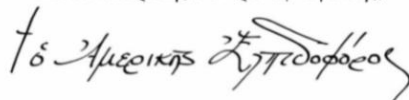
Στὸ ὄραμα τοῦ προφήτου Δανιὴλ, ὁ ἀρχάγγελος Μιχαὴλ ἀποκαλύπτεται ὡς ἰσχυρὸς παράγων ὑπὲρ τοῦ ἀγαθοῦ καὶ ὑπερασπιστῆς ἐναντίον παντὸς κακοῦ. Ἀνατρέχοντας τὴν Ἀγία Γραφή διαβάζουμε ὅτι οἱ ἄγγελοι ἐμφανίζονται σὲ ποικίλα μέρη καὶ σὲ ἀριθμούς, πού πολλές φορές ξεπερνοῦν τὴ φαντασία μας. Ὅμως ὀφείλουμε πάντοτε νὰ ἔχουμε κατὰ νοῦ ὅτι «ἄγγελος» σημαίνει «ἄγγελιοφόρος», κάποιος δηλαδή πού μᾶς φέρνει ἓνα σπουδαῖο μήνυμα ἀπὸ τὴ Βασιλεία τῶν Οὐρανῶν.

Κάθε ἔτος ἐορτάζουμε τὴ Σύναξη τῶν παμμεγίστων Ταξιαρχῶν μὲ τὰ ἐννέα τάγματά τους, στὰ ὁποῖα ἐπικεφαλεῖς εἶναι οἱ ἀρχιστράτηγοι Μιχαὴλ καὶ Γαβριὴλ. Σὲ μιὰ τέτοια ἡμέρα, ἃς ἀφιερώσουμε λίγο ἀπὸ τὸ χρόνο μας γιὰ νὰ θυμηθοῦμε τὰ

σπουδαία έργα που ἐπιτελοῦνται στὸν οἶκο εὐγηρίας «Ἅγιος Μιχαήλ», τὸ ἴδρυμα τῆς Ἀρχιεπισκοπῆς μας γιὰ τὴ φροντίδα τῶν ἡλικιωμένων. Ὁ ἀρχάγγελος Μιχαήλ θεωρεῖται ὁ κραταῖος προστάτης καὶ φύλακας ἐκείνων που διαμένουν στὸ ἴδρυμά μας αὐτὸ καὶ συμπαρίσταται σὲ αὐτοὺς τόσο σὲ αὐτὴ ὅσο καὶ στὴν ἄλλη ζωή.

Αὐτὴ τὴ χρονιά, ἂς σκεφτοῦμε ὅλοι νὰ κάνουμε μίαν δωρεά, ὅποιοιδήποτε ὕψους, πρὸς τὸν οἶκο εὐγηρίας «Ἅγιος Μιχαήλ», προκειμένου νὰ στηρίξουμε τὶς γενεές που προηγήθηκαν πρὶν ἀπὸ ἐμᾶς. Ἡ Ἁγία Γραφή ἀναφέρει τὸ περιστατικό, ὅπου ὁ ἀρχάγγελος Μιχαήλ στάθηκε ὡς ὁ μοναδικὸς ὑπερασπιστής. Ὅμως τὸ μήνυμα εἶναι ξεκάθαρο, διότι ὅλοι μας μπορούμε νὰ πάρουμε θέση ὑπεράσπισης μαζί με τὸν ἅγιο ἀρχάγγελο, καὶ νὰ γίνουμε ἓνα ἀδιαπέραστο τεῖχος προστασίας, στήριξης καὶ προσευχῆς γιὰ τοὺς ἡλικιωμένους μας. Μὲ αὐτὸ τὸν τρόπο, θὰ συμβάλουμε γιὰ τὴν κατασκευὴ τῶν νέων δομῶν που θὰ στεγάσουν καὶ θὰ προστεύσουν τοὺς ἡλικιωμένους μας στὸ καινούργιο κτίριο τοῦ «Ἀγίου Μιχαήλ».

Μετὰ πατρικῆς ἐν Χριστῷ ἀγάπης,



† ὁ Ἀμερικῆς Ἐλπιδοφόρος



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA  
ARCHEPISCOPAL ENCYCLICAL

Prot. No. 371/2024

Archepiscopal Encyclical for the Feast of the Archangels  
Feast of the Synaxis of the Holy Archangels

November 10, 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:

And there was no one who stood with me against them, except Michael, your prince.  
*(Daniel 10:21)*

Beloved brothers and sisters in Christ,

In the visions of the Prophet Daniel, Archangel Michael is revealed as a powerful force for good and protection against every possible evil. If you look through the Holy Scriptures, you will read of Angels appearing in all manner of places — sometimes in numbers that even defy the imagination. But we should always bear in mind that “Angel” means “messenger,” someone who is delivering to us an important communication from the Heavenly Realm.

Every year, on November 8, we celebrate the Synaxis of the Holy Angels — all Nine Ranks of them, who are led by their Chief Commanders, Michael and Gabriel. At the same time, we take time to remember Saint Michael’s Home, our Archdiocesan Institution that cares for the elderly. Archangel Michael is considered the residents’ special protector and guardian, who stands with them in this life and the next.

This year, let us all consider a donation — of any size — to Saint Michael's Home in order to support the generation that came before us. Holy Scripture speaks of a moment when Archangel Michael was the only one to take a stand and make a defense. But the message is clear, all of us can take our place with the Holy Archangel to become an impenetrable wall of support and prayer for our aged. And in doing so, we will contribute to the construction of the new walls that will house and protect our elderly at the new Saint Michael's Home.

With paternal love in Christ,



† ELPIDOPHOROS  
Archbishop of America

## SCHEDULE OF SERVICES

### Sunday

November 10, 2024

**8h Sunday of Luke**

**([click here](#))**

**8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m**

**Orthros, Divine Liturgy**

**Catechism Giving Thanks**

**Philoptochos Sunday**

**Coffee is served by  
the Philoptochos**

### Monday

**November 11, 2024**

**Menas of Egypt**

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

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

**Wednesday**

**November 13, 2024**

**John Chrysostom**

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

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

***4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Greek School***

**Thursday**

**November 14, 2024**

**Philip the Apostle**

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

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

**6:00 p.m. Paraklisis &**

**Bible Study**

***6:30 p.m. Philoptochos***

***General Meeting***

**Friday**

**November 15, 2024**

**Nativity Fast Begins**

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

**Gurias & Confessors of Edessa**

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

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

***4:30 - 6:30 p.m. Greek School***

**Saturday**

**November 16, 2024**

**Matthew the Apostle & Evangelist**

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

**9:00 a.m. Orthros**

**Divine Liturgy**

**Sunday**

**November 17, 2024**

**9th Sunday of Luke**

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

**Gregory the Wonderworker**

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

8:30 a.m.-11:30 a.m.  
Orthros, Divine Liturgy  
Catechism School  
Coffee is served by  
the Parish Council

Κυριακή  
10 Νοεμβρίου, 2024

[Η' Λουκά](#)  
(click here)

8:30 π .μ. – 11:30 π.μ.,  
Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία  
Κατηχητικό Σχολείο  
Ημέρα της Φιλοπτώχου  
Ο καφές σερβίρεται από  
την Φιλόπτωχο

Δευτέρα  
11 Νοεμβρίου, 2024

[Μηνάς Μάρτυρας](#)  
9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

Τετάρτη  
13 Νοεμβρίου, 2024  
[Ιωάννης Χρυσόστομος](#)  
(click here)

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος  
Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 - 6:30 μ.μ. *Ελληνικό Σχολείο*

Πέμπτη  
14 Νοεμβρίου, 2024  
[Φίλιππος ο Απόστολος](#)  
(click here)

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

6:00 π.μ. Παράκληση &  
Μελέτη Αγίας Γραφής  
6:30 Γενική Συνεδρίαση της Φιλοπτώχου

Παρασκευή  
15 Νοεμβρίου, 2024  
[Αρχή Νηστείας](#)  
(click here)

Γουρίας Ο Ομολογητής  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

4:30 - 6:30 μ.μ. Ελληνικό Σχολείο

Σάββατο

16 Νοεμβρίου, 2024

Απόστολος & Ευαγγελιστής Ματθαίος  
([click here](#))

9:00 π .μ. Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Κυριακή

17 Νοεμβρίου, 2024

Θ' Λουκά

([click here](#))

Γρηγόριος ο Θαυματουργός  
([click here](#))

8:30 π .μ. – 11:30 π.μ., Όρθρος, Θεία Λειτουργία

Κατηχητικό Σχολείο

Ο καφές σερβίρεται από το Συμβούλιο

LIVE STREAM [click here](#)

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

## MEMORIAL SERVICES ΜΝΗΜΟΣΥΝΑ

SATURDAY - ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ  
NOVEMBER 9, 2024

40 μέρες: Μιχαήλ Αβράμπος  
40 days: Michael Avrambos

1 χρόνος: Ελένη Δημητριάδη  
1 year: Eleni Demetriades

SUNDAY - ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ  
NOVEMBER 10, 2024

Υπέρ Αναπαύσεως των  
Ψυχών Μελών της Φιλοπτώχου  
In Memory of the Souls of our

deceased Members of the Philoptochos

**9 μέρες: Κωνσταντίνος Σιδερίας**

**9 days: Konstantinos Siderias**

**21 χρόνια: Κατερίνα Θωμά**

**21 years: Katerina Thoma**

**25 χρόνια: Ανδρέας Δημητρίου**

**25 years: Andreas Demetriou**

*Ο καφές προσφέρεται από την Φιλόπτωχο &  
τις οικογένειες Θωμά & Δημητρίου που  
τελούν τα μνημόσυνα εις μνήμη των κεκοιμημένων*

*Coffee is offered by the Philoptochos,  
Thoma & Demetriou Families  
that have the Memorial Services*

## **OUR SPIRITUAL LEADER**



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**Tuesday, Thursday, Friday**

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Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey



## **Archpastoral Visit of His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey**

**Orthros and  
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy  
for the Feast of the Entrance of the  
Theotokos into the Temple**

**Thursday, November 21, 2024  
9:00 A.M.**

**Ascension Greek Orthodox Church  
101 Anderson Avenue  
Fairview, NJ 07022**



# His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey



Invites All the Faithful to the  
**First Celebration of the Feast of St. Iakovos of Evia**  
**Patron Saint of the Metropolis of New Jersey**



Hierarchical Great Vespers,  
Acolyte Blessing,  
and Dinner Reception

**Thursday, November 21, 2024**  
**6:00 P.M.**

Holy Trinity  
Greek Orthodox Church  
250 Gallows Hill Road  
Westfield, NJ 07090

Orthros,  
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy,  
and Reception

**Friday, November 22, 2024**  
**9:00 A.M.**

Greek Orthodox  
Metropolis of New Jersey  
215 E. Grove Street  
Westfield, NJ 07090

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

## UPCOMING EVENTS

**November 10, 2024**  
Catechism School  
Giving Thanks Luncheon

**November 23, 2024**  
Ascension Church  
Annual Dinner Dance

**November 24, 2024**

Hierarchical Divine Liturgy Officiated by  
His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros  
of America

**December 8, 2024**

Parish Council Elections

**December 18, 2024**

5:30 p.m. Greek School Christmas Program

**December 20, 2024**

6:00 p.m. Metropolis Christmas Lighting

**December 22, 2024**

Catechism Nativity Program  
GOYA Breakfast with Santa

Ascension Greek Orthodox Church  
*Fairview, NJ*

72nd  
*Anniversary  
Dinner Dance*  
*November 23, 2024*

**SEASONS**

Catering & Special Events  
644 Pascack Rd, Washington Twshp

**Yianni Papastefanou & Orchestra**  
Spartan Sounds- DJ Bobby E. Karounos

**6:30 PM COCKTAILS**

**7:30 PM DINNER - Dancing - Open Bar**

**RESERVATIONS: Nikki Antonlou 551.427.6238**  
**Church Office 201.945.6448**

**Tickets: \$160 - \$75 GOYA & under 13**



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**CATECHISM SCHOOL**

ASCENSION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
CATECHISM PROGRAM

# Giving Thanks Luncheon

NOVEMBER 10, Sunday

11:30 AM to 1 PM

ALL CATECHISM STUDENTS ARE INVITED

HOSTED BY CATECHISM TEACHERS

RSVP by 11/1/24 so we may plan accordingly



**Please Join us for  
our Giving Thanks Luncheon  
hosted by the Catechism teachers  
reinforcing a message of gratitude not only that supports our  
Christian values, but provides us with an opportunity to  
reemphasize to our children the things that matter most.**

REGISTRATION FORM

## COMMUNITY SERVICE HOURS OPPORTUNITY

Father Christos is offering community service hours (5 hours) to **10th, 11th, & 12th graders** who would like to fulfill community service requirements by assisting the Catechism Director, Mrs. Evelyn Tsugranis, and the teachers at the **Catechism Giving Thanks Retreat** on **November 10, 2024**. This would be a great opportunity to give back to your community, the Ascension Church, and complete community service hours. Volunteers would assist students during the Divine Liturgy at church, assist with a special craft, an online trivia game, lunch, and any other meaningful service. We hope you strongly consider and complete the registration form.

Look out for more announcements for community service opportunities or contact Father Christos for further information.

[COMMUNITY SERVICE REGISTRATION FORM](#)

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Fairview, NJ

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# Advent Retreat and Luncheon

## Be Watchful – Be Sober: St. Paul's Wisdom for Spiritual Maturity

*Guest Speaker:*

**Fr. Barnabas Powell**



**Saturday, November 16**

**St. George Cultural Center**

9:30 - 12:00 (Session 1)

12:00 - 1:00 (Lunch)

1:00 - 3:00 (Session 2)

3:00 - 3:30 (Q&A)

Fr. Barnabas (Charles) Powell is a native of Atlanta, Georgia. Having been raised in a small Pentecostal church as a boy, Barnabas grew to love the church, enjoy the music, and eventually came to be the youth pastor of his home church. In 2007 Barnabas was given the blessing of Metropolitan ALEXIOS of Atlanta to enter Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, MA.

On November 8th 2009, Barnabas was ordained to the diaconate in his hometown of Atlanta, GA at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral by His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios and on Sunday March 8, 2010 he received ordination to the holy priesthood at the same cathedral.

He is now the proistamenos (senior pastor) of Sts. Raphael, Nicholas, and Irene Greek Orthodox Church in Cumming, GA. Fr. Barnabas founded Faith Encouraged Ministries in 2014 and was the host of Faith Encouraged LIVE talk show on Ancient Faith Radio until January 2019. Fr. Barnabas is married to the (former) Connie Demas, and they have two daughters, Alexandra and Katherine.

**SPACE IS LIMITED AND RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

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**2024 SAINT BASIL ACADEMY  
CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION!**

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**SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14  
11 AM-2 PM**

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[www.sbagoa.org](http://www.sbagoa.org)



# *Save the Date*

Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey



Music & Dance Festival  
Philadelphia: February 14-16, 2025

*President's Day Weekend (February 14 – 16, 2025) at the  
Sheraton Hotel - Downtown Philadelphia.*

*Categories include:*

- Greek Folk Dancing  
(JOY, GOYA and Young Adult Groups)
- &
- Parish Youth and Young Adult Liturgical Choirs

*Registration Packets will be coming shortly*

## SCHOLARSHIP AND INTERNSHIP OPPORTUNITIES!



# SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

2024-2025



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**January 31, 2025**

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## COMMUNITY NEWS

### GREEK SCHOOL

Unique After school programs

Μοναδικά προγράμματα μετά το σχολείο, 6:40 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.

Last Friday, November 1, we began the first Painting workshop for our students! We had 20 students who aspire to be artists!

Our teacher, Mrs. Aspasia Melis, had a wonderful Introduction class!

Please admire the first painting student Art class below:

Our student Artists at work! Good for the mind!



Our Artists enjoying a chicken souvlaki compliments of our amazing PTO!  
PTO Members supervising the delicious snack! Good for the body!



**Trip by the PTO to Secor Farms in Mahwah  
Sunday, October 20, 2024**

Μια αξέχαστη εκδρομή του Ελληνικού μας Σχολείου που διοργάνωσε με μεγάλη επιτυχία ο

A blue sky and a warm sun greeted the group of 40 persons, students and parents, of the Greek School of the Ascension visiting the well- known Secor Farms in Mahwah, New Jersey! The family of Mrs. Maria Tsesmelis and Stavros Koukladas was the first to arrive and kept greeting all the guests and giving them instructions! The highlight of the trip for all, young and old, was the hayrides and the pictures of different characters. Walking through the corn maze was also exciting and spooky! Tasting freshly made apple cider donuts was out of this World! Taking pictures was a big challenge and a happy experience. Below you will see some of them! We would like to thank all the members of the PTO Board, the President Mrs. Biggs, Vice- President Mrs. Mitrogogos, and all the Board Members. The trip was indeed a new experience that combined American traditions as part of our Greek-American experience. The students had fun and were jumping and running constantly breaking small and big pumpkins! BOO!!!

We thank all the parents for participating!









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