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MISSION Statement



Our vision is to provide a loving, caring and welcoming environment where all belong and grow in the faith through worship, service, witness and fellowship.



The Trumpet welcomes news and events from our community and organizations.

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May-Aug Sunday Worship Schedule

Sunday Services: 8:00am Orthros, 9:30am Divine Liturgy

A Lost and Found Book

"I have found the Book of the Law in the house of the Lord." 2 Kings 22:8

King Josiah was the last king of Judah, before the Babylonian invasions, in which the temple of Solomon was destroyed. Many of the kings before Josiah did evil in the eyes of God, which incurred God's anger. One King in particular was Manasseh, who rebuilt temples that were dedicated to Baal, that had been previously destroyed by his father. He practiced soothsaying and consulted spiritualists and mediums and above all he shed the blood of the innocent from one end of Jerusalem to the other. For this reason, God spoke judgment against Judah and Israel.

Getting back to King Josiah, as he is described in the Book of Kings, he did what was right in the sight of the Lord and did not stray to the left or to the right. While he was king, he committed himself to the refurbishing of the Temple. While the construction was underway, the high priest discovered the Book of the Law, which was lost. While the Book of the Law was being read to King Josiah, he tore his clothes, from a sense of deep repentance and remorse for how far Israel and Judah had strayed from the ways of God. With a true feeling of concern for Israel and Judah, King Josiah had the Book of the Law (Covenant) read in public, so that all may be reeducated to knowing the teachings and commandments of God. This led to an edict for all the people to keep the Passover. As described in the Book of Kings, "Such a Passover surely had never been held since the days of the judges who judged Israel, nor in all the days of the kings of Israel and the kings of Judah" (2Kings 23:22).

One of the major reasons that led to the downfall of Judah and Israel was the lack of knowledge of the people of God's ways. Because of the holiness of King Josiah, God held back his anger, but after his death, the Babylonian invasions of Israel and Judah began.

In a certain way, the Bible, the Holy Scriptures, the New Testament has been lost in today's society. The Scriptures are hidden by schedules that are hyper over extended. The Bible is hidden by secularism. The New Testament is hidden by technology that tries to usurp the position of God by offering knowledge instantaneously, even at times, at the expense of truth. The teachings of God are hidden and lost by unbelief. As a result of the Holy Scriptures being lost to the mind and heart of the people, unholy acts are performed in the public, on YouTube, Instagram, Facebook, Twitter and so many other social platforms, and no one flinches because the heart has become hardened.

A great cure for many of the illnesses of what the person is experiencing in 2021 is to rediscover the beauty of the Holy Scriptures. In the New Testament, St. Paul gives an example of how beautiful and powerful it is for one to be raised in

knowing the Holy Scriptures. rose quickly amongst the scriptures by his mother and have known vou the make you wise for salvation Jesus. (Timothy 3:15) Bible, St. Paul continues and Scripture is given by profitable for doctrine, for instruction in righteousness, complete, thoroughly work.(Timothy 3:16-17) It is knowledge of the that



St. Timothy, a young man who ranks of the apostle was taught the grandmother, "that from childhood Holy Scriptures, which are able to through faith which is in Christ Emphasizing the importance of the teaches the following, "All inspiration of God, and is reproof, for correction, for that the man of God may be equipped for every good important however to emphasize scriptures has to be tempered and

carefully thought out. St. Peter, uplifting the writing of St. Paul, reminds the congregation of this, "in which are some things hard to understand, which untaught and unstable *people* twist to their own destruction, as *they do* also the rest of the Scriptures."

May we rediscover the true knowledge of the Holy Scriptures. May the Holy Scriptures inspire our hearts and minds to praise the wonder of God and to adore holiness. May we make a Holy Scripture challenge and read one chapter from the Gospels and one chapter from the epistles every day. May we be inspired by the following quote, to dedicate ourselves to knowing the beautiful story of Jesus Christ, the saints and the way unto salvation.

"It is a necessity to read the Bible every day. Then our spirit and mind is formed according to the word of God. Our mind becomes accustomed to living the word of God, and when we live several years in this way, then slowly we start thinking within the spirit of God's commandments. It is truly amazing that even as small as we are, we can think similarly with the Creator of this world." St. Sophrony of Essex

By Fr. John K. Lardas

A Life of Resurrection

The resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ should permeate every aspect of our lives. This is first evident by the way the Church celebrates this magnificent "feast of feasts". Our entire ecclesiastical calendar revolves around the date of Pascha. We of course have Holy Week, Lent and Triodion preceding it, and then the fifty days to Pentecost along with the week

following. This leaves us with a period of 18 weeks, or more than a third of the year, that is completely based on the feast of Easter. In addition, each week that occurs in the year is numbered by how far we are from the feast of Pascha. Lastly, something most of us are aware of, is that Sunday is the new Sabbath day because of the Resurrection of our Lord. So, every Sunday is a mini-Pascha and we never cease to celebrate. St Seraphim of Sarov took it one step further and would celebrate Pascha every day by greeting all visitors with the words "Christ is Risen".



the earth and dies, it remains alone; but if it dies, it bears much fruit." (John 12:24) We, along with the rest of natural creation, were made with the intention of death and resurrection. Even the very cells that make up our body are cycled through by dying and being replaced by new ones. If we allow our hearts to be moved in such a way and our mind's eye to see the revelations throughout the natural world, we can gain a sense of how pervasive the theme of resurrection is.

> And so, we must follow the lead of the Church along with God's will revealed through His creation, by integrating the Resurrection more completely into our lives. We must continue through the full 40day season of Pascha to greet each other with "Christ is Risen" and continue to sing the "Christos Anesti" hymn at least daily. However, we must allow God to write His will on the tablets of our inner hearts. (2 Corinthians 3:3) We must live with the Joy, Faith and Hope which comes from complete faith in Resurrection. The past year has been difficult, but we are made to ex-

Outside of the Church liturgical year, we see the prevalence of the Resurrection in the study of the world. We can understand the glory and the wisdom of God through the study of nature. (Romans 1:20) First, we see through the four seasons which crown the year, the ever-flowing cycle of Autumn and Winter followed by renewal and rebirth in the Spring. Even the regular cycle of the Earth's rotation which is marked by night and day can become for us a symbol of death and resurrection. We are far from an agrarian society, but all living things require death and renewal for life. "Truly, truly, I say to you, unless a grain of wheat falls into perience difficulty and suffering. It is not in spite of suffering or difficulty that we thrive, but because of it. As St Anthony said, "without temptation, nobody can be saved." There would be no Resurrection without the Crucifixion, no Pascha Sunday without Holy Friday. We sometimes question the Lord or have our faith shaken because things are not aligned with our plans, but we must say wholeheartedly "Thy will be done" and have confidence that the Resurrection does come. Do not allow the spirit of Pascha to fade away within a couple of weeks from the feast but instead live with it throughout the year. Live a life of joy. Live a life of faith. Live a life of the Resurrection.

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

I hope that this letter finds you and your families in good health, in such a time where "blessings" of good health are especially appreciated. It has been such an honor to witness and an immense joy to see our parishioners and friends of Archangel Michael Church back for in-person services. It's hard to believe that just a year ago we found ourselves participating in the most holiest of weeks in the Orthodox Church via Live-Stream.... a word that will forever be etched into my vocabulary; with deeply rooted symbolism that yes we can still be the works of God even when we are not present worshipping in His "home".

As we start to return to our "new" normal and restrictions continue to be lifted, I wanted to assure all that our Parish Council has worked diligently and continues to provide the utmost in safety following all health guidelines. As we prepare for Palm Sunday and "Megali Evdomada", I ask all parishioners and friends who have not re-visited the church to do so, with the assurance that we have taken all the necessary actions to provide a safe way for all to worship.

I would like to thank everyone who has felt comfortable enough to re-join us for services, participated in donation requests, candle lighting offers and so on...it is beautiful to be a part of this community where growth is fostered not only in our youth but all around. I cannot imagine that our founding families envisioned where we are today, but I am grateful to them for laying down a solid foundation for us to exponentially grow.

Each year the business and preparation of Holy Week causes us to rush into church. I ask that we walk in a way to quiet our minds and hearts remembering the final journey Jesus took for us. Let this year be an opportunity to move at a different, slower pace. And yes, we keep telling ourselves "Everything is so different"; it is...keep the images of the church in your heart. As this is the only constant, a promise to always be there for you. I look forward to seeing my fellow parishioners in celebrating the most important Feast of the Resurrection of Our Lord in the capacity with which you feel most comfortable. Let us gather and acknowledge that Christ has Risen and has promised that we, too, will share in His glorious resurrection.

Christos Anesti John Koumpourlis Parish Council President

GENERAL ASSEMBLY MEETINGS

Please note that there will be TWO upcoming General Assembly meetings. They can be attended either IN PERSON or via ZOOM. You must be a steward in good standing to attend.

SUNDAY, MAY 16: The annual May GA meeting

SUNDAY, JUNE 13: This is a special GA solely for the purpose of discussing and voting on the ADJACENT LAND ACQUISITION proposal.

END-of-YEAR BARBECUE

Our traditional End-of-Year Barbecue will be held on Sunday, June 6th, immediately following the Divine Liturgy. Our entire Archangel Michael Community is invited to join in fellowship as we celebrate the end of another year of Sunday School, Greek School, Preschool, ministries and organization activities. We look forward to the annual performance by our Dance Troupe.

Worship Services

Orthros 8:30am (Sundays 8:00am) & Divine Liturgy 9:30am unless otherwise indicated

	MAY		JULY		
Sat. 1	HOLY SATURDAY Divine Liturgy 8:30am	Thur. 1	Feast of SS Comas & Damianos (Small Blessing of the Water)		
	Holy Resurrection Service 11pm	Thur. 15	Saints Kirykos and Juliette		
Sun. 2	HOLY EASTER Agape Vespers 10:30am	Sat. 17	Feast of St. Marina: Challenge Divine		
Mon. 3	Feast of St. George		Liturgy 10:30am(Orthros 9:30am)		
Tue. 4	Feast of SS. Raphael & Irene	Sun. 18	The Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council		
Wed. 5	Feast of St. Irene the Great Martyr	Tue. 20	Feast of the Prophet Elias		
Fri. 7	The Life Giving Fountain	Thur. 22			
Sat. 8	Feast of St. John the Theologian	Sun. 25	Feast of SS.Mary Magdeline & Markella		
Sun. 9	The Sunday of Thomas		The Falling asleep of St. Anne		
Sat. 15	Challenge Divine Liturgy 10:30am (Orthros 9:30am)	Mon. 26	Feast of St. Paraskeve		
Fri. 21	Feast of SS. Constantine and Helen	Sun. 1	<u>AUGUST</u> The Remembrance of the Honorable		
Wed. 26	26 Feast of Mid-Pentecost		and Life-Giving Cross (Small Blessing of		
	JUNE		the Water & The Great Paraclesis following the Divine Liturgy)		
Tue. 1	Small Blessing of the Waters 11:00am	Mon-Wed 2-4			
Tue. 8	Feast of St. Kalliope	Fri. 6	Feast of the Transfiguration		
Wed. 9	The Leave-Taking of the Feast of Pascha	111. 0	(Great Paraclesis following the Divine Liturgy)		
	The 9th Hour and Great Vespers of Ascension 3:00pm	Sun. 8	Great Paraclesis following the Divine Liturgy		
Thu. 10	Feast of the Ascension	Mon-Fri 9-13	Canon of the Paraclesis 7pm		
Fri. 11	Feast of SS Bartholomew and Barnabas	Sun. 15	Feast of the Dormition of the		
Sat. 19	Saturday of the Souls: Challenge Liturgy 10:30am (Orthros 9:30am)	Sat. 21	Virgin Mary		
Sun. 20	The Sunday of Pentecost	Sal. 21	Challenge Divine Liturgy 10:30am (Orthros 9:30am)		
Mon. 21	Feast of the Holy Spirit	Wed. 25	Feast of St. Kosmas		
Thur. 24	Nativity of St. John the Baptist	Fri. 27	Feast of St. Phanourios		
Mon. 28	Beginning of the Fast of the Apostles	Sun. 29th	Beheading of St. John the		
Tue. 29	Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul		Baptist (Strict Fast Day)		
Wed. 30	Synaxis of the Apostles				
	Sacrai	<u>nents</u>			
Sat., May 8th		Sat., May 8th	3:00 pm, Baptism: Child of		
Suc., may oth	of Nicole & Chris Di Benedetto	Juc., may our	Sherry & Charles Trilivas		
	1:00 pm, Adult Baptism: Brianna Germain	Sun., May 9th	3:30 pm, Wedding of Anthony Bileddo & Eleni Sofronis		

Sat., May 15th	1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Areti and Alfredo Valentin	Fri., June 18th	3:30 pm, Wedding of Nikitas Kales & Eleftheria Grivas
Sun., May 16th	3:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Christo & Maria Marangoudakis	Sat., June 19th	2:00 pm, Wedding of Jordan Denas & Maria Macchiarulo
Fri, May 21st	4:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Catherine Pinos	Sun. June 20th	1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Alexandra & Joseph Alafogiannis
Sat., May 22nd	11:00 am, Baptism: Child of Angelos & Elizabeth Koskinas	Sat., June 26th	11:00 am, Baptism: Child of Philip & Nicole (Lapsatis) Lech
Sun., May 30th	1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Konstantina & Edward Galazka		1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Catherine
	3:00 pm, Wedding of		& Nick Athanasopoulos
	Michael Macchiarulo & Elaina Kalantzopoulos		3:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Paul & Stephanie Quatro
Sat., June 5th	11:00 am, Wedding of Basil Agrocostea & Amanda Amato	Sun., June 27th	1:00 pm, Wedding of Saurabh Patta & Paraskevi Noulas
	1:30 pm, Baptism: Child of Michael and Christina Butler	Sat., July 3rd	11:00 am, Baptism: Child of Polly & Mike Manikas
Sun., June 6th	2:30 pm, Wedding of Jimmy Xagorarakis		1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Alexandra & Joseph Alafogiannis
	& Georgia Pantelatos	Fri., July 9th	3:00 pm, Wedding of Peter
Sat., June 12th	11:30 am, Baptism: Child of Yiota & Demetrios Paidoussis		Stratoudakis & Anthea Kaitery
	2:00 pm, Wedding of Gregory	Sat., July 10th	11:00 am, Baptism: Child of Alexandros & Rose Adamides
	Miller & Jacqueline Keen		Alexandros & Rose Adamides
	4:30 pm, Wedding of Leonidas Vlantis & Kymberly Mate	Sun, July 11th	1:00 pm, Wedding of Kris Jaho & Marina Vazura
Sun., June 13th	1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Alyssa & Kevin Dexter	Sat., July 17th	1:00 pm, Baptism: Child of Emmanouil Petrakis & Gina Veneziano

STEWARDSHIP

We are Stewards of the gift of the time that God gives us every day Christ Is Risen!

On behalf of the Archangel Michael Church, we thank each devoted parishioner for responding with continued support and generosity through this year. While we are continuing to work through the challenges of the pandemic we have come together as a community and your support of our church is appreciated.

With much gratitude, we are thankful to God, for preserving us through such challenging times! We are grateful to all our dedicated parishioners for the self-sacrifice and love you show to the church by offering the best of your time, talents and tithe!

2021 has begun filled with joy and hope, and with the vaccine distribution, God willing, this is the beginning of the end of the Covid-19 Pandemic! While we are on a road to recovery there are limitations to our fund-raising events because of the pandemic; so I ask for your continued support through stewardship.

Many families were very gracious during this pandemic and raised their stewardship by 10%-15%. We hope to continue this trend of support in 2021.

As of March 31, 2021, we had \$272,000 (avg \$861) pledged from 316 stewards and as of March 31, 2020 we had \$214,000 (avg \$757) pledged from 282 stewards. We are continuing to make progress towards increasing the average stewardship to \$1,500 per family, which assuming approximately 650 stewards, will cover our operating budget for the year. The goal of the Parish Council is to have the operating budget totally generated from the stewardship of the faithful.

As you can see, we still need your HELP and SUPPORT this year especially with Stewardship still being our primary form of financial support.

We understand these are difficult times and ask that you only do what circumstances allow, given your family's current situation. The community is always here to help one another and we in turn are humbly asking for your help.

2020 Stewardship Recap

For the calendar year 2020 we collected \$599,000 from 647 stewards families. Thank you for your generous support!!!

Our community's contributions to stewardship in 2020 were very strong considering we were dealing with the difficulties of a pandemic. For 2020, 647 families contributed approximately \$599,000 to the church, for an average of approximately \$926 per family. That compares to 715 families contributing \$601,000 for 2019. We had 71 new families who donated \$37,500.

Below is a summary with a more detailed breakdown of giving:

	December 31, 2020	December 31, 2019
	Number of	Stewards
Total Stewards Under \$500	145	128
Total Stewards Between \$500 & \$1000	299	386
Total Stewards Over \$1000	203	201
	Amounts C	Collected
Total Stewards Under \$500	\$42,900	\$32,200
Total Stewards Between \$500 & \$1000	\$174,400	\$212,200
Total Stewards Over \$1000	\$381,900	\$356,500

As you can see, we had outstanding support this past year with the generosity of our parishioners especially with Stewardship being our primary form of financial support for our Church. We are extremely appreciative of the parishioners for their additional support this year as we have seen an increase in our average stewardship contribution. While we had a decline in the number of families who contributed to stewardship in the past year, we as a community did a great job of providing more from each family.

For further information regarding stewardship and to fulfill your stewardship pledge online please visit https://archangelmichaelchurch.org/stewardship/

May the blessings of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God and Father, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you

Stewardship Committee Chairman Demetrios Frangiskatos

PHILOPTOCHOS



National Philoptochos Texas Disaster Relief

On Wednesday, February 24, 2021, The National Philoptochos Executive Board approved a disbursement of \$10,000 from the National Philoptochos Emergency Fund on behalf of its 25,000+ members nationwide, and the Metropolis of Denver Philoptochos Board appropriated another \$4,000. These disbursements, totaling \$14,000 were sent to four food banks, which have the greatest outreach and serve the greatest number of people across Texas. \$3,500 will be sent to each foodbank; \$2,500 from National Philoptochos and \$1,000 from the Metropolis of Denver Philoptochos. The National Philoptochos Emergency Fund, which is supported by every Philoptochos Chapter across the US, was established in response to the 2007 natural disaster of Hurricane Katrina. These funds allow National Philoptochos to provide immediate assistance on the ground during times of disaster.

The following food banks received funding: Houston Food Bank, Houston Emergency Aid Coalition, Houston Tarrant Area Food Bank, Fort Worth Community Food Bank, Fort Worth

These funds were sent directly to assist the most vulnerable with food and water, which was most needed at that time. The Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos continues to support the efforts of the National Philoptochos Emergency Fund.

Blessings in a Backpack

With the pandemic becoming the focus of everyone across the globe in the last year, many of the programs that we support have had to find new ways to assist those in need. Blessings in a Backpack is a program that the Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos has supported for several years. Their mission is to provide food on the weekends for elementary school children who might otherwise go hungry. With remote learning and the need to be extremely sanitary, the task of providing backpacks of food filled by individuals became impossible. The solution came when the organization was able to connect with a national food distributor to provide the food packaged and shipped directly to each community for deserving individuals. Our Philoptochos was able to support the children in need of meals in the Port Washington community by financially supporting the Blessings in a Backpack program. Every month we are called upon and a check for \$500 is sent to supply food that month.

The consequences of hunger are much more than a growling stomach. Poor nutrition can result in a weaker immune system, increased hospitalization, lower IQ, shorter attention spans and lower academic achievement. The support Philoptochos provides helps keep the children well nourished so that they are ready to learn; and that is truly a blessing.

Literacy Initiative

In 2020, the Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos began its literacy initiative by partnering with the Book Fairies. This organization provides books to children and their parents in disadvantaged communities in the Long Island area. As we learned that there were children who did not own even one book and that schools didn't have funding to provide additional reading materials for their students, we started our fundraiser to collect books for these children. Over a three month period we were able to collect, sort, package and distribute 1300 books to the Book Fairies.

In 2021, the Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos continued its literacy initiative by partnering with Operation Paperback. This is a national organization that collects paperback books to send to American troops overseas. In addition, books are provided to wounded warriors programs and veterans hospitals. During the month of March we collected over 150 paperback books, consisting of bestsellers, mysteries, history and sports titles to send to our troops on the frontlines. We very much appreciate and thank our community for their donations and continued support of these programs.

NEWS AND EVENTS



Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos Scholarship

The Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos has established a Scholarship Committee, whereby granting a \$1,000 scholarship to a graduating high school senior who is of Greek Orthodox faith and has demonstrated a strong commitment to philanthropic endeavors throughout his or her high school career. It is our belief that a scholarship has the ability to boost the morale and confidence in a student's ability to work toward his or her future. By supporting our youth in this manner we help them build a strong foundation to achieve their potential. A copy of the application can be printed by using the following link:

https://archangelmichaelchurch.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/AMC-Ladies-Philoptochos-Society-Scholarship.pdf Interested applicants should submit the application and required items by May 15, 2021 due date, and mail to:

Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos Society C/O Archangel Michael Greek Orthodox Church 100 Fairway Drive Port Washington, NY 11050

Personal Care Items

Throughout April and May the Archangel Michael Ladies Philoptochos is joining all Philoptochos chapters in our district in collecting personal care items. Toiletries and personal care items are expensive and always in need by residents of homeless shelters or those who visit food pantries. We are collecting shampoo, conditioner, body lotion, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, deodorant, shaving cream, mouthwash and razors. These items will be delivered to the INN in Hempstead for their guests. The INN addresses the issues of hunger and homelessness to the Long Island community. We thank everyone who has donated to this worthwhile endeavor.

AMC ANNUAL BLOOD DRIVE

Blood Drive -A Success, Despite the Pandemic

This past year will go down in history as the year the world stopped. Schools and businesses shut down. Religious services went remote. Hospitals were closed to any visitors. Families and friends could not meet to share meals or even a hug. There were no group gatherings.

Without schools, offices, and open hospitals, a very critical source for blood donation was eliminated. Yet, the need for blood did not go away. Accident victims,

cancer patients and many others who depend on the public's blood donation did not go away. There was a blood deficit, an emergency for area hospitals. This year, it was even more important to be able to provide a safe place, following all COVID protocols, where our AMC community could come to donate blood. As an organizer for the annual AMC Blood drive, I was concerned. Would people feel comfortable coming to donate? Would they continue to do a selfless act for others? Would we be able to have a significant blood collection to make a difference? The answer is a resounding yes.

NEWS AND EVENTS



This year's blood drive, our 16th annual at Archangel Michael, was a tremendous success. People were strongly encouraged to sign up online and there was a steady stream of donors throughout the afternoon and early evening. Some walk-ins were accommodated as well. As in the past, New York Blood Center came prepared to provide a safe, secure setting for blood donations. Temperatures were taken, masks were worn, questionnaires were completed. By evening's end, a total of 61 pints were collected. This year's blood drive may have appeared different on the surface, as donors were spaced six feet apart, hand sanitizer flowed freely, and everyone present wore a mask. However, the warmth and generosity of our AMC parish, coming together in incredible numbers to support our community through the act of blood donation, persevered despite the pandemic. As a result, over 180 people will benefit from our community's selfless act.

To donate blood contact www.NYBC.org at 1-800-933-2566. You have the power to save a life!

HERITAGE LIBRARY

The Heritage Library and Bookstore committee will be reconvening in May after burying our heads in our own personal libraries for over a year. Look for an announcement in the Bulletin for our next meeting. Stay tuned for a speaker in the Fall, an increase in our inventory and the continuation of our efforts to organize the library. In addition, we will be coordinating with the Book Club to bring in more wonderful books for the community. We look forward to seeing everyone and working together to enrich our lives with all the resources our church has to offer.

AMC NAMEDAY GALA

SAVE THE DATE: The 40th anniversary AMC Nameday Gala will be held on Friday, November 12th, 2021 at Leonard's Palazzo of Great Neck. The Hellenic Thread Award will be bestowed upon Peter Cotelides, Esq. and Oscar Michelin, Esq., for their decades of service to our Church and Community.

Please join us!



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April 5, 2021

Dear Parishioners,

The year, 2021 promises to be a year of hope and renewal! We look forward to celebrating the 40th Anniversary of the Archangel Michael community. The year, 2020 was a year of many missed celebrations. One of those celebrations was Archangel Michael celebrating our 40th Anniversary!

We have come a long way and, to commemorate our achievement, we plan to celebrate in a number of ways.

On November 12, 2021, we will be celebrating our annual Dinner Dance to honor this auspicious occasion. During this celebration, the Archangel Michael Community will bestow the Annual Hellenic Thread Award on Peter C. Cotelidis, Esq. and Oscar Michelen, Esq. for their decades of service to our Church and our Community.

In conjunction with this celebration, we will be printing a 40th Anniversary Journal. Please consider placing a commemorative message in this Journal.

You can order a page to congratulate the honorees, to congratulate a recent graduate, or to thank a First Responder or Health Provider. You can order a page to acknowledge someone for a significant event in their life, such as a birth, baptism, or wedding. You can order a page in memory of a loved one or simply to say Congratulations on our 40th Anniversary!

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AMC YOUNG ADULTS

The Archangel Michael Church Young Adult Group has continued to grow in the last few months by recruiting members, hosting zoom discussions, and engaging young adults on social media. We continue to discuss, socialize, and grow spiritually together as young adults in the Greek Orthodox community.



Although the pandemic has made it challenging to gather together in person, we have been able to meet with Father John Lardas and Father Michael Palamara twice a month via zoom to discuss important topics of Orthodoxy, such as Great Lent, Saints, and Confession. These small conversations with each other and our priests have been especially important and valuable to us as young adults and college students living during the COVID-19 pandemic. They remind us what the center of our lives should be: our faith. Additionally, we have discussed future events that the Young Adults might host in the coming months.

On April 2nd, the Young Adult Group hosted a Salutations and Bowling night. We began the night with worship at the Salutation Service to the Theotokos. This was followed by a bowling night at Herrill Lanes where we were able to socialize and meet young adults from parishes beyond AMC.



An upcoming event we are extremely excited about will take place on May 22nd. We will be inviting young adults from all parishes for vespers and a cookout. This day will be filled with activities, sports, Greek dancing, and food! We look forward to relaxing and having a fun day in the sun at AMC. After a long year of distancing, this event will allow our young adults to finally come together.

To keep up to date on what the AMC Young Adults are doing, you can follow us on Instagram at @amc.youngadults!

THE SEASON OF GREAT LENT

The season of Great Lent has been a very busy and inspiring one for the parishioners of the Archangel Michael Church. We began on the evening of March 14th with the Holy Vespers of Forgiveness, a service which culminates in a moving ceremony in which each priest and each parishioner individually ask for forgiveness of one another. On the following evening, during the Great Compline of Clean Monday, many of those present were called upon to read aloud various psalms and prayers as well as the final prayers read in front of the altar icons of the Holy Theotokos and Jesus Christ.

The Sunday of Orthodoxy, March 21st was a beautiful sunny day. At the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy, Fr. John, Fr. Michael, our Psalti Petros, parishioners and students of the Preschool, Greek School and Sunday School, as well as GOYANS, many of whom were holding icons, joined together to parade around the outdoor perimeter of the church. It was a parade that also celebrated Greek Independence Day.



Our Great Lent retreat took place on Saturday, April 10th. The St. John Chrysostom Divine Liturgy celebrated by Fr. Michael was paused at three points at which time Fr. John gave an explanation of the significance of each particular section of the liturgy. These explanations helped to make the liturgy more meaningful for all who attended. Those who were present then proceeded to the kitchen in the Fellowship Hall where Angie Dallas instructed us in the making of Prosforo. With hands filled with flour, we worked the dough until it was ready to be placed in a bowl to rise.





While the dough was rising, we were treated to a delicious Lenten meal at which time Fr John expounded upon the explanations of the liturgy. Then back to the kitchen where we pounded and kneaded the risen dough until it was ready to be placed in the pans. The seal, pictured below, was pressed into the top of the dough and then all the loaves were placed into the ovens to bake.



Fr. Michael then joined us where he distributed and explained the beautiful prayers of the Anaphora of St. Basil. The Divine Liturgy of St. Basil is celebrated ten times throughout the year; the five Sundays of Great Lent, Holy Thursday, Holy Saturday, Christmas Eve, the Feast of St. Basil, and the Eve of Epiphany.

The Presanctified Liturgy was celebrated on Wednesday evenings throughout Great Lent. The Liturgy was followed by a Lenten meal and a discussion with both Fr. John and Fr. Michael, of the ascetical works by St. Basil the Great. The six readings were available for parishioners to read online. People who were not in church had the opportunity to follow the enlightening discussions via YouTube or Zoom.

The four Salutations Services culminating in the entire Akathist Hymn took place on five consecutive Friday evenings. The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America defines the Akathist Hymn as a "profound, devotional poem which sings the praises of the Holy Mother and Ever-Virgin Mary." The third Salutations were attended by many in our Young Adults group with two of them reading the final prayers before the altar icons of the Theotokos and Christ. The Byzantine Youth Choir sang at the fourth Salutations with Androula and Sophia Xenophontos beautifully chanting those same final prayers.

Family Fellowship Night took place on Thursday, April 22nd. Following the Great Compline service, parishioners gathered in the Fellowship Hall for a delicious Lenten meal and then proceeded with Palm Cross Making.



There was something for everyone during this time of Great Lent. Participating in any or all of the events helped to deepen the meaning of this most important season in the Orthodox Church.

GREEK LANGUAGE

The Archangel Michael Greek Language Institute is working towards concluding the 2020-21 academic year with a variety of culminating, rigorous academic exercises as well as many fun festivities. Our students are working diligently to excel on their end of year projects and are studying to secure their grade of "arista." While these culminating exams and projects are in many ways challenging, they are also a reminder of how far our students have come under the most unique learning circumstances and serve as a testament to the efforts of our outstanding faculty. End of the year celebrations are also being prepared, albeit in a different way. Our students will share their poems, songs, and our graduating class will be celebrated in a very memorable way.

One of the most memorable experiences our AMC GLI students participated in was the Greek Parade conducted on March 21 on our very own church grounds. Our students held the AMC GLI banner with pride, dressed in their beautiful uniforms and ethnic Greek costumes. Our students held the Greek and American flags up high, with pride, as our loving educators walked alongside them. It was a moment filled with true pride for all in attendance!

Ζήτω η Ελλάδα!





As we look forward to our next school year, we anticipate continued expansion of our Archangel Michael Greek Language Institute. It is strongly encouraged that you secure your spot as soon as registration opens. Our class sizes will be determined by the latest CDC guidelines and regulations regarding social distancing. It is our hope that we will be able to return to full, in-person instruction by September. We have prepared our facilities for this and look forward to filling our hallways and classrooms with our students.



In closing, we would like to encourage all our parents to take an active role in the growth of our Greek School. Whether it is through your involvement at the class or school-wide level we welcome all parent input and support. If you are interested in volunteering, please email GLI@archangelmichaelchurch.org. There are several PTA positions open for next year. Please consider dedicating your time and talent to this great cause.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

The Archangel Michael Sunday School continues to create unique opportunities for our students to learn about our faith and engage in meaningful ways.

Students in the higher grades were able to participate in our Parish's Oratorical Festival in March. The students diligently researched topics and delivered insightful speeches on a wide range of topics regarding our faith. There were five participants in the Junior level and two in the Senior level. The results were as follows:

Junior Division: 1st Place: Demetra Kostaridis 2nd Place: Eoanna Sarosy 3rd Place: Sophia Xenophontos Honorable Mention - Gabriel Kostaridis and Nicholas Sarosy Senior Division: 1st Place: Aphrodite Dimopoulos 2nd Place: Efthymia Kaparos



We wish to extend our Congratulations on a job well done to all participants of the Oratorical Festival of our Parish!

Demetra Kostaridis, Eoanna Sarosy, Aphrodite Dimopoulos and Efthymia Kaparos went on to represent our Parish at the District level, hosted by the Cathedral of St. Paul in Hempstead on April 3rd. Demetra, Eoanna and Efthymia each received Honorable Mention awards for their wonderful presentations.

Congratulations and best wishes to Aphrodite who was awarded first place and will further compete at the Metropolis level hosted by The Cathedral of the Holy Trinity on May 8th.





The Sunday School students were also excited to participate in the Sunday of Orthodoxy and the AMC Greek Independence Day parade. Proudly displaying their icons, the children joined the entire community in a procession to commemorate both of these special events. Sunny skies and smiling faces abounded as students and the community came together.

The children also had the opportunity to work on a creative project to celebrate Easter. Each class designed an original art project representing the significant events leading up to the Resurrection. The illustrations were then put together to create a collective collage for our Parish to enjoy. The students were able to use their creativity while also reflecting on the Holy Easter events.

This past year has been challenging on many levels, but the Sunday School delivered its program undeterred by those challenges, thanks to the dedication of its teachers and staff. We would like to thank all the teachers for the wonderful job they did this year. They were there every single Sunday during the pandemic to create a supportive, consistent, and spiritually uplifting environment for our students. An extra special thank you to our devoted Directors, for their commitment to leading our program during this challenging time.

PRESCHOOL



The Preschool held our first "Virtual Open House" in March. Registration began and will continue throughout the summer.

In the process of deciding where to send your child to preschool, we hope you will consider the dynamic programs offered at the Archangel Michael Preschool, a New York State licensed program.

Our specially designed learning center and caring, licensed teachers give children a safe, nurturing place to learn and grow. With several age-appropriate programs, the Preschool offers an enriching curriculum that helps prepare children to excel in school as well as connect to the Hellenic language, culture and Orthodox faith.

In addition, we offer other programs for our Nursery and Pre-K classes during the school day and after school, such as: Color Theory (art based program) Snapology (science with Legos) and Soccer Shots (beginner soccer skills).

We're happy to share with you how our child-centered curriculum develops important skills, stimulates curiosity and encourages confident learning.

Our Programs Include:

Mommy & Me:	Toddler: 2-3 Years Old
18 months-3 years old	Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays
Wednesdays, 9:30-11:00	9:00-11:30

 Nursery: 3-4 Years Old
 Pre-K: 4-5 Years Old

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 Monday through Friday

 9:00-11:30 OR 9:00-2:00
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Registration for the 2021-2022 school year will be on-going throughout the summer. For registration information please email: preschool@archangelmichaelchurch.org

Check out this link for further information available on the Preschool page on the Archangel Michael Church website: https://archangelmichaelchurch.org/preschool/

News & Events

For the first time this year, our community held a "Greek Independence Day & Sunday of Orthodoxy Parade" around the outside of our church. It was a beautiful sunny day and marching in the parade was a great experience and enjoyed by all our Preschool children!



These are exciting months for the Preschool.The children will be planting flowers in the classroom and learning to care for them. They will also experience the fascinating metamorphosis of the butterfly from caterpillar to chrysalides and are excitedly anticipating the day when the butterflies will be released outside. Everyone is looking forward to our "Outdoor" End-of-Year and Graduation celebrations!

The children of the Pre-K Class are reinforcing their number recognition and starting to associate words with the letters. In Greek, they are concentrating on their letters and associating words with the letters as well as learning the numbers and reviewing their colors. They are also listening to stories in Greek through the use of props. Good luck in Kindergarten to all of our graduates!

The Nursery children will be concentrating on their book of shapes and are excited about color week. They will be introduced to "Spring Colors" and will experience the use of Spring in their art masterpieces.

The Toddler Class is welcoming Spring and Summer by decorating with flowers, butterflies and more. We are wrapping up our colors and numbers review. All classes are enjoying music and body movement with Miss Roula as they learn to make music with various instruments. The children have had a very productive and fun-filled school year! They have become friends and have learned to share and play together. The children are ready to "move-up" and the Pre-K class is well-prepared for a successful entry into Kindergarten.

Upcoming Events:

May 31 Monday	Memorial Day School Closed
June 8 Tuesday	Last Day for Toddler Class
June 9 Wednesday	End-of-Year Program Last Day of School

GOYA

Once again, GOYA's calendar was filled with events that gave the group the opportunity to get together. With the start of Lent, the GOYANs launched their successful Luminary Candle Fundraiser. The Luminary Candle Bags purchased by parishioners to commemorate a loved one, family and/or friend, were lined up outdoors in front of the church for the procession of Holy Friday. Thank you all for your generous donations.

Even though there was no Greek parade in NYC, AMC had its own parade on March 21st. It was a beautiful day and all our GOYANs joined other church organizations and parishioners in the march around the church, celebrating our Greek heritage.



NEWS AND EVENTS

In addition, our GOYA room is up and running! The kids are having a great time, playing air hockey, foosball and using their movie room.

As the school year is coming to an end, the GOYANs will honor mothers on Mother's Day. We will continue to have our GOYA nights. We will also be having a ceremony on June 8th to honor our 2021 graduates.

It's never too late to join GOYA!!! Come and join us for fun and fellowship all year long. Please contact us at goya@archangelmichaelchurch.org

HOPE/JOY

During what proved to be a challenging year for our youth, our Hope/Joy organization tried thinking outside the box with all of our events, to allow for programming that was as engaging as possible, incorporating hands-on activities, and connecting with our members' interests and experiences. Our events were designed in exciting ways that allowed for community building and socializing for all of our children. Our main goal for the year was to enrich our children's lives, and give them opportunities to grow and have fun! Our events proved to be successful, judging by the fact that they were all sold out in days and all the children left each event with a huge smile!

Our bowling event was a hit! The children laughed and had a blast, as they bowled their multiple strikes in every lane. It is surely an event that they will not soon forget. The parents and Father John joined in on the bowling fun too, although their bowling skills paled in comparison to our children's!!



We hosted our first ever Paint Night, as children were asked to channel their inner Picasso. Our Fellowship Hall was transformed into a painter's studio, and both our younger members and older members were given the opportunity to express themselves through art. It was wonderful to see the children at an event where they talked around the tables, laughed at each other's jokes, and created one of a kind artwork to take home.



Sometimes it's easy to set aside the faith part of a youth group meeting, especially when playing games, but we try to incorporate it whenever we can. This was particularly true during both our Lazarakia making event and our Good Friday Retreat. On Saturday of Lazarus, the children baked Lazarakia, which were blessed during the Liturgy and then taken home to enjoy. This tradition observes the miracle when the Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ raised His friend Lazarus from the dead after four days in the tomb. Sometimes, kids don't want to sit around in the youth group room or indoors, so we were mindful of that as well. With the nice weather, we decided to take advantage and host our Good Friday retreat outdoors. On Good Friday, our children took part in an Easter Treasure Hunt on the grounds of North Hempstead Park. They also decorated lanterns and made them festive for use on Easter.

The children all had an amazing day, as they zoomed down rollercoasters, and spun on Ferris wheels, at our Hope/Joy Adventureland trip. It was so nice to see them in a setting like never before, where they ran, skipped, and hopped from one amusement park ride to the other. It was our first event of this type, and certainly will not be our last!

Sometimes it's difficult to come up with things for the kids to do. They get bored doing the same thing and, as anyone with kids knows, they can have fickle tastes. We hope that we catered to all of our members' needs by allowing them the chance to get together, enjoy each other's company, and have fun! We certainly incorporated a variety of different activities this year, and we hope to do the same moving forward!

Byzantine Youth Choir

Each year Youth Choir members who are graduating High School Seniors go off to pursue their college careers. It is with heartfelt joy that we bid an amazing group of devoted choir members farewell this year. Many of them have been a part of Youth Choir since they were eight year-old children.

When we gather in the choir loft for the Divine Liturgy, it is touching to have been witness to their spiritual growth. They have truly blossomed into fantastic young women who hold great promise. Through our years together in choir, we have shared many wonderful memories that will always be treasured. We thank them for their dedication to learning the magnificent hymnology of our faith and hope and pray that in the future they will keep the music ministry alive as they become church leaders.

> May God bless each and every one of them! With Love, Ms. Georgia & Ms. Eleni

CONGRATULATIONS YOUTH CHOIR SENIORS **MAY ALL YOUR DREAMS COME TRUE!**







Catherine Couluris



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Efkarpidis



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Paige



Christina Kokis



Matarangas



Marina Tsimisiris



Mirianthi Tsismenakis Theodosopoulos Xenophontos



Spyrithoula



Ariana

NEWS AND EVENTS

Greek Dance Troupe

The Dance Troupe looks forward to performing once again for our AMC parishioners, families and friends with our final performance of 2020-2021 at the End-of-Year Fellowship BBQ on Sunday, June 6th.

Look for the Dance Troupe next at their upcoming performances at the 2021 Greek Festival on the Harbor!



The Greek Dance Troupe was established in 1999 under the direction of Roula Zogopoulos. It has now grown to over 70 dancers in three groups! Our Troupe's intention is to offer children an opportunity to come together and continue our Hellenic traditions. Mrs. Zogopoulos creates a safe atmosphere in which our young people are inspired, are exploring and are learning about their Hellenic heritage through our rich dancing and musical traditions. Children who join our Dance Troupe possess a high level of commitment and drive.

The Troupe meets on Saturday mornings throughout the school year and welcomes children from Kindergarten through high school ages. Please see the link below for more information about the Dance Troupe.

https://archangelmichaelchurch.org/greek-dance-troupe/

We proudly perform at various church functions as well as at other performance venues throughout the year. For more information please contact:

greekdance@archangelmichaelchurch.org

FOUR MONTH TRUMPET

This current issue is a four month Trumpet, May-August. Included are calendars for May and June. Although July/August calendars are not included, please note that Sunday Divine Liturgies will begin at 9:30am with Orthros at 8:00am. All other worship services and Sunday feast days are included on the Worship Services page.

AMC LONG ISLAND ORTHODOX NETWORKING (LION) EVENT

On Tuesday, June 8th, high school, college and post college graduates will be honored at the annual LION graduation event.

For reservations:

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YOUTH BIBLE STUDY

A Youth Bible Study of the Gospel of St. Mark will be held via Zoom on Mondays from 8pm to 9pm from May 17th to June 14th. Please join us.

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HOLY EASTER	St. George	Sts. Raphael & Irene	St. Irene the Great Martyr	Small Vespers 7p Book Club 7:30p	The Life Giving Fountain	St. John the Theologian
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ARCHANGEL MICHAEL GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH June Calendar 2021

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The Archangel Michael Greek Festival on the Harbor has been put on the calendar for Sept 24-26, 2021 as we hope to be celebrating our 10th anniversary!

The committee held its first meeting in April to begin to make preliminary plans in the hope that the Town of North Hempstead will grant us our permits.

We hope that everyone is as excited as we are for our festival to take place. We will be making several alterations to the layout and procedures to ensure the safety of our volunteers and guests. Some of these include remote ordering and payment, as well as drive-through pickup for those who are not comfortable staying on the festival grounds.

If the Town of North Hempstead DOES NOT grant permits for such an event the committee will make alternate plans for a "drive-thru" style festival

We will be updating the community as we get information from the town officials.

Looking forward to seeing you all as we attempt to get back to our normal activities.

Sincerely, The Festival Committee