



Weekly Bulletin

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Sunday, December 9, 2018 - Κυριακή, Δεκεμβρίου 9, 2018

10th Sunday of Luke Κυριακή Ι' Λουκά

PARISH COUNCIL & ENDOWMENT FOUNDATION BOARD ELECTIONS

Today following the Divine Liturgy in the Music Suite until 3:00 pm

COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS CARD

The ladies of Philoptochos will be accepting your donations TODAY following the Divine Liturgy in Carlos Hall. If you prefer, you may send your donation of \$25 per family or \$35 per business by mail to the Cathedral office.

Deadline for the Christmas Card is TODAY!!

Please make all checks payable to Philoptochos and mail to the Cathedral office.



CATHEDRAL DANCE MINISTRY HOLIDAY SALE

The Cathedral Dance Ministry will be selling koulouria, wreaths and bows for the holiday season. Visit their table in Carlos Hall today!

DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE BAKE SALE

Today in Carlos Hall following Divine Liturgy

CATHEDRAL DANCE MINISTRY

Please visit the Dance Ministry table in Carlos Hall to buy tickets for the New Year's Eve celebration in the Kartos Ballroom.

More information on page 3

Please join us for the Annual Philoptochos

Christmas Charity Coffee

Today from 3:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the home of Dimitra Moraitakis

Proceeds from this event will go to "Street Grace" as the recipient of the proceeds from this event. Street Grace is a faith-based organization that mobilizes communities to end the sex trafficking of children throughout the United States.

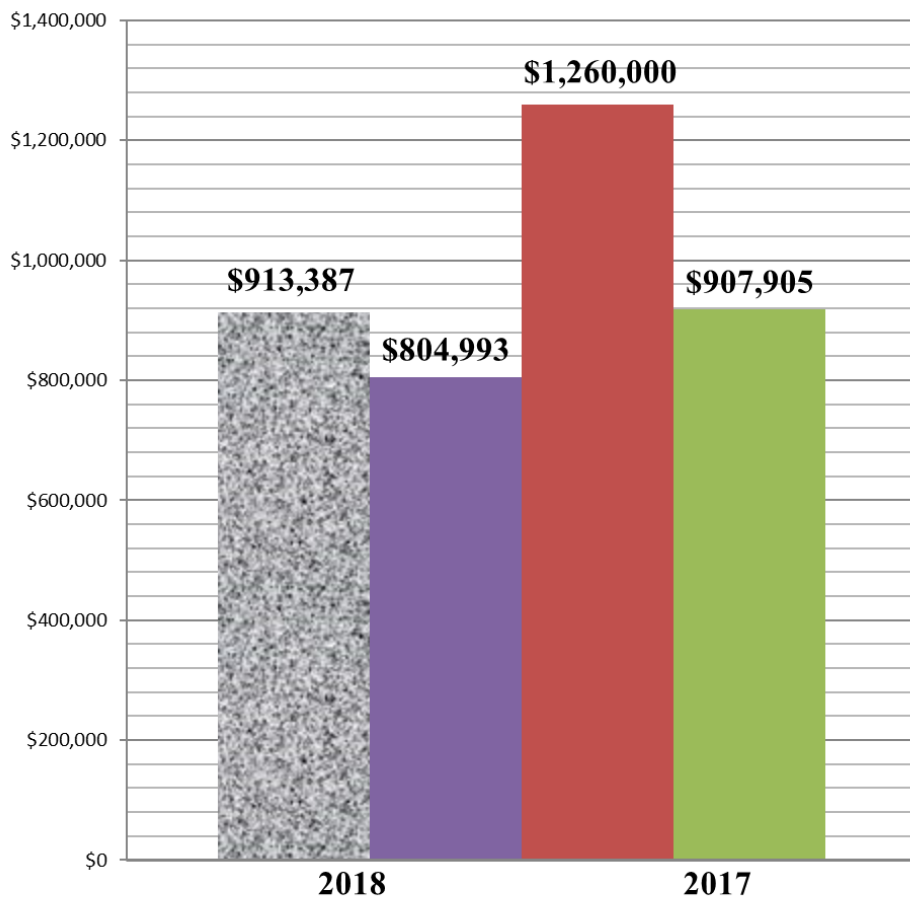
Next Sunday's Memorials

16 Year Memorial for John Papadopoulos

25 Year Memorial for Chris Andros

(Brother of Georgia McClure & Perry Andros)

STEWARDSHIP



Stewardship Pledges

■ Amount Pledged as of December 7, 2018

■ Total Received for 2018

■ Total Pledging Goal for 2018

■ Amount Pledged as of December 7, 2017

497 Pledge Units as of December 7, 2018

DID YOU KNOW...

Did you know... that being a member in good standing requires several components?

- ♦ We must be a Baptized and/or Chrismated Orthodox Christian.
- ♦ We need to attend Divine Services on a regular basis.
- ♦ We need to participate in the Sacramental Life of the Church. This includes the Sacraments of Holy Confession, Holy Communion and Holy Unction.
- ♦ If we are married, our marriage needs to have been blessed in the Orthodox Church.
- ♦ If divorced, we must receive our Ecclesiastical Divorce.

(Please contact our clergy if you have any questions, they are glad to help). We must strive to live an Orthodox Christian life. And yes, if we love God and love our Church, we should also make an annual pledge and fulfill it in a timely manner so that our Church can continue to meet the needs of the faithful and transform lives.

"Now this I say, he who sows sparingly will also reap sparingly, and he who sows bountifully will also reap bountifully. Each one must do just as he has purposed in his heart, not grudgingly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver."

2 Corinthians 9:6-7

Submit your 2018 Pledge or Make a Gift Online!



You can make your pledge online! Visit atlgoc.org/submit-your-pledge/ for instructions on how to submit your pledge card and set up your recurring donations. Credit cards, debit cards and bank drafts are accepted. It is not too late to submit your 2018 pledge!



Want to make a one-time gift to the Cathedral or Annunciation Day School? Parishioners and friends may make secure contributions to help support our ministries. Visit atlgoc.org/gift for more information!



Annunciation Cathedral

“Loaves & Fishes”



Christmas Toy Project

We hope all of you will participate. This project enables needy families of Atlanta to provide gifts (toys) for their children at Christmas

How to Participate!!!

Purchase Gifts (Toys): New, Not Wrapped

Please bring your Gifts (Toys) to the tables set up in Carlos Hall.

Today is the last Sunday to give!

****Gifts are Really Needed for Teenagers****

Gift Cards to only Target & Walmart.

Donate cash or checks and toys will be bought for the children
checks made out to Loaves & Fishes (tax deductible)

Please give with your hearts this Christmas and help us serve the poor children of Atlanta with this worthwhile cause.

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

GOLDEN GROUP NEWS

ANNUAL CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON
Thursday, December 13th at 10:30 am
in the Kartos Ballroom

Sponsored by the Parish Council

Performance by the children of ADS

Please bring an unwrapped toy for the Christmas Toy Project of the St. John the Wonderworker Orthodox Church. If you want to join the fun of the annual gift exchange between Golden Group participants, please bring a wrapped \$5 gift.

CATHEDRAL DIRECTORIES ARE HERE!!

The new Cathedral Pictorial Directories have arrived and are being distributed after Divine Liturgy!

Every parish home needs a directory. Don't forget to purchase one for your car or for family members who no longer live in Atlanta, but want to keep in touch.

Please remember the following:

1. Every family/individual who took a photo will receive one complimentary copy. Even if there are different family members in the same photo, there will be only one complimentary directory.

2. Additional directories may be purchased for \$10.00 each. Checks should be made to the Greek Orthodox Cathedral.

The Directory committee extends its deepest appreciation to all who participated in this wonderful project. We are excited about this latest directory edition.

Everyone looks great in their photograph and we hope you enjoy your book!

THE HELLENIC WOMAN'S ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL POT LUCK DINNER CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please join us on Saturday, December 15, 2018 at 5:00 pm in the Kafenion. We look forward to celebrating the holiday season together.

May the New Year be filled with love,
health and happiness.

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATION

Sponsored by the Cathedral Dance Ministry

Ring in the New Year at the Hellenic Center

New Years Bash! Join the Atlanta Greek Dance Ministry in the Kartos Ballroom for a night full of food, drinks, and dancing.



Tickets are \$35 online / \$40 at the door
(Children 12 & under FREE)

Doors open at 9:30 pm

Featuring music by DJ Disco Christos,
Hors-d'oeuvres, Continental Breakfast,
Cash bar and more!

Cocktail Attire

Pre-purchase tickets: www.freshtix.com/events/newyearsbash

Calling all crochet or knitting experts or novices!

Join us for a new fellowship group:

THE ATL VELONAKI GROUP (LITTLE NEEDLE)

RESUMES: Thursday, January 17th, 5:30-7:30 and
monthly every 3rd Thursday.

Where: Cathedral Kafenion

Why: To create handmade hats, scarves and blankets to give to local charities as stewards of our church!

What: Bring your needles (knit or crochet), yarn, scissors, and ready hands.

But.... if you can't crochet or knit, should you come? Of course - you can learn, you can donate yarn and you can keep us company!

Contact Vicki Kipreos at 678-314-3002 or
Vicki.kipreos63@gmail.com if interested.

HELLENIC DANCE FESTIVAL

JANUARY 18TH - 21ST

**CATHEDRAL PARISH MEMBERS ARE INVITED
TO PARTICIPATE IN HDF 2019!**

Each year, the Hellenic Dance Festival takes place over MLK weekend. HDF 2019 will be held in Atlanta, at the Marriott Marquis. Atlanta, our Annunciation Cathedral, is the host parish. We would love to have you join us in welcoming people from our Metropolis.

We need volunteers for a range of things...from helping check armbands at the doors for weekend events to registration and check in. *Volunteers will also be offered discount packages to the weekend's events.*

Over 1200 youth and adults will be participating in this wonderful event. Our Dance Ministry will be performing both exhibition dances and three of our groups will be competing.

Please contact the Host Committee Chair, Susan Marinos, at hdfhost2019@gmail.com or 404-210-3756.

*If you would like to be a vendor, we can send you information on that as well.

All parishioners and their families are invited the

2019 Stewardship Brunch

"Get to know your Neighbors"

Sunday, January 27th

Following the Divine Liturgy in the Kartos Ballroom

Free-will Offering

Please join us for delicious food, fellowship and an opportunity to meet other neighbors in your vicinity!

Special Drawing for a big screen TV
for those in attendance!

You must be present and have submitted a
2018 stewardship pledge card in order to win

YOUTH & EDUCATION MINISTRIES

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School group pictures are available in the Sunday School office for \$5.00.

NATIVITY PAGEANT REHEARSAL

Nativity Pageant emails were sent out to all participants. ALL participants will attend Rehearsal on Saturday, December 15th from 10:00 - 11:30 am in the Cathedral.

YOUTH CHOIR

Students in 1st - 5th Grades

Our Youth Choir is an integral part of our annual Nativity Pageant.

The Youth Choir meets in the Music Suite after Sunday School for 30 minutes each week.

To sign up your child, please contact Madeline Demos at Demosmadeline@gmail.com

GREEK SCHOOL

Upcoming Dates:

December 19th - Christmas Party

December 24th - January 4th - Christmas Break

January 7th - Greek School Classes Resume

HOPE & JOY

UPCOMING GATHERINGS

Sunday, January 20th - The Prophet Isaiah
(The fifth of the four)

Sunday, February 17th - St. Peter the Apostle
(Strong as a rock)

GOYA

UPCOMING GATHERINGS

December 27th - 30th - Metropolis Winter Youth Rally

January 6th - Meeting & Capture the Flag - 5:00 pm in Gym Youth Room

January 18th - 21st - Metropolis of Atlanta Hellenic Dance Festival

January 26th - Stars & Strikes Outing

PAN-HELLENIC

SCHOLARSHIP FOUNDATION

The scholarship awards are available to all undergraduate students of Hellenic descent. They are offered to recognize students of high scholastic achievement for their accomplishments, and to provide support to those in financial need. **Twenty (20) awards of \$10,000** each will be given based on **academic achievement and financial need**, two (2) of which are allocated solely for the music and arts. **Twenty (20) awards of \$2,500** each will be awarded based solely on **academic achievement**.

Applications are available at
www.panhellenicscholarships.org

DEADLINE to apply is Thursday, January 31, 2019

CROSSROAD APPLICATIONS

AVAILABLE NOW!

Help us spread the word by forwarding this email to any Orthodox Christian juniors or seniors in high school who are yearning to explore their faith

What happens at CrossRoad?

- Explore your faith like never before
- Make lifelong friendships
- Encounter service in a new way
- Take theology and scripture courses with some of the best professors in the country

Discover Boston or Chicago

Who is Eligible?

Orthodox Christian high school juniors and seniors
Students 16 to 18 years old

Summer 2019 Dates

- Session 1: June 15 - June 25, 2019 (Boston)
- Session 2: July 2 - July 12, 2019 (Boston)
- Session 3: July 23 - August 2, 2019 (Chicago)

Apply Online!

Application priority deadline is **February 1, 2019**.

Website: www.crossroadinstitute.org

Phone: 617-850-1309

ECCLESIASTICAL CALENDAR

Sunday, December 9th <i>Conception of the Virgin Mary</i>	Orthros in Cathedral Divine Liturgy in Cathedral	8:00 am 9:30 am
Monday, December 10th	Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	9:00 am
Tuesday, December 11th	Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	9:00 am
Wednesday, December 12th <i>St. Spyridon</i>	Orthros in Metropolis Chapel Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	8:00 am 9:00 am
Thursday, December 13th	Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	9:00 am
Friday, December 14th	Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	9:00 am
Saturday, December 15th <i>St. Eleutherios</i>	Orthros in Metropolis Chapel Divine Liturgy in Metropolis Chapel	8:00 am 9:00 am
Sunday, December 16th	Orthros in Cathedral Divine Liturgy in Cathedral	8:00 am 9:30 am

EVENTS & ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

Sunday, December 9th	Parish Council & Endowment Foundation Elections in Music Suite until 3:00 pm Philoptochos Christmas Charity Coffee at the Home of Dimitra Moraitakis	3:00 pm
Monday, December 10th	Golden Group Committee Meeting in Zakas Conference Room By-Laws Committee Meeting in Board Room	10:30 am 6:00 pm
Tuesday, December 11th	Clergy Brotherhood Meeting in Boardroom Outreach Committee Meeting in Zakas Conference Room Philoptochos Board Meeting in Kafenion	11:00 am 6:00 pm 7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 12th	Wednesday Nite Life Refreshments in Atrium Followed by Classes in Various Rooms of Hellenic Center	6:30 pm
Thursday, December 13th	Golden Group Christmas Luncheon in Kartos Ballroom	10:30 am

YOUTH CALENDAR

Sunday, December 9th	Sunday School Classes following the Prayer of Thanksgiving Bible Bowl Practice in Zakas Conference Room following Sunday School GOYA Girls Basketball Practice in Gym GOYA Boys Basketball Practice in Gym	1:30 pm 3:00 pm
Monday, December 10th	Annunciation Day School Greek School	8:15 am 5:00 pm
Tuesday, December 11th	Annunciation Day School ADS Girls Basketball Practice in Gym	8:15 am 4:45 pm
Wednesday, December 12th	Annunciation Day School ADS Boys Basketball Practice Greek School	8:15 am 3:00 pm 5:00 pm
Thursday, December 13th	Annunciation Day School ADS Girls Basketball Game vs. TCS at TCS Gym	8:15 am 4:45 pm
Friday, December 14th	Annunciation Day School	8:15 am
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