

"DO NOT BE AFRAID . . ."

During his inaugural address, President Franklin D. Roosevelt tried to calm and comfort a troubled nation by assuring them that ". . . THE ONLY THING WE HAVE TO FEAR IS FEAR ITSELF." Be that as it may, most of us would readily admit to being afraid of something. It may be as simple as having a phobia for insects, or as complicated as being haunted by a fear of growing old or dying. Fear may be defined as being an emotional response to perceived threats, and we certainly understand that emotions are sometimes difficult to keep in check. If controlled, fear can be an invaluable tool in building a strong character. The real danger to our well-being, however, lies in worries and anxieties that are allowed to consume us.

We must make every effort to REPLACE OUR FEARS WITH FAITH, and not permit despair to overcome us. How many times in the Gospels do we find our Lord instructing His followers not to be afraid? How often does He tell them not to worry: that their Father in heaven will take care of them? How can we ever forget His admonition: "Which of you by worrying can add one cubit to his stature?" (Matthew 6:27)

Our faith can be of tremendous help in eliminating undue fear. In the Psalms, we are repeatedly told to "TRUST IN THE LORD." Throughout both Testaments, we find numerous examples of people who blindly placed their lives in God's hands, and were ultimately blessed for doing so. Those who are able to "commend their lives to Christ", as we are asked to do at every Divine Liturgy, will find themselves free from the tensions that can do irreparable damage to our souls.

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Μετεμορφώθης ἐν τῷ ὄρει Χριστὲ ὁ Θεός, δείξας τοῖς Μαθηταῖς σου τὴν δόξαν σου, καθὼς ἠδυνάνατο. Λάμπσον καὶ ἡμῖν τοῖς ἁμαρτωλοῖς, τὸ φῶς σου τὸ αἰδῖον, πρεσβείαις τῆς Θεοτόκου, φωτοδότα δόξα σοι.

Metemorfóthis en to óri, Hristé o Theós, dixas tis Mathités sou, tin dóxan sou kathós idinanto; lampson ke imin tis amartolis, to fos sou to aidion, presvies tis Theotókou, Fotodóta dóxa si.

You were transfigured upon the mountain, O Christ our God, showing to Your disciples, Your glory as much as they could bear. Do also in us, sinners though we may be, shine Your everlasting light, by the intercessions of the Theotokos, O Giver of Light, glory to You.



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Sunday—the Lord's Day—January 19, 2025

Twelfth Sunday of Luke

Musical Mode: Plagal of First Eighth Eothinon Gospel: John 20:11-18

Readings of the Day: Colossians 3:4-11 & Luke 17:12-19

Today's Saints: Macarius the Great of Egypt; Makarios of Alexandria; Mark, Bishop of Ephesus; Makarios, Hierodeacon of Kalogera, Patmos; Arsenius of Corfu; Removal of the Honorable Relics of Saint Gregory the Theologian; Branwallader, Bishop of Jersey

We extend a warm welcome to all those worshipping with us today both in person as well as online from around the world. The live stream of the today's Services can be found on the **Trisagion Films YouTube Channel** at <https://www.youtube.com/@TrisagionLivestreams/streams>

The daily hymns are printed on the inside of the back cover.

WHERE TO FIND INFO ABOUT ORTHODOXY

Online Sources for theological and spiritual edification:

Trisagion Films: On Youtube, Facebook and webpage www.trisagionfilms.com

Follow our Podcasts: You can now listen to the entire series on iTunes, Spotify, GooglePlay, PlayerFM, and Sticher. You can find the entire series on iTunes here as well "**An Imperfect Podcast**": <http://tinyurl.com/y5ved9lk>

For audio of spiritual discussions: **Ancient Faith Radio:** www.ancientfaith.com

Visit our **Church Bookstore** for books, icons and other spiritual items for your home.

Visit our **Library** at <http://www.holytransfiguration.info/library/>

If you are interested to learn more about the Orthodox Faith, please speak to Father Panayiotis and he will guide you. Email him at frpanayiotis@holytransfiguration.info to schedule an appointment.

TODAY'S HYMNS

Entrance Hymn. 2nd Tone.

**Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ.
Save us, O Son of God, who is risen from the dead.
We sing to You, Alleluia.**

Please sing along with us after the Small Entrance, as you are able.

Apolytikion of the Week. Plagal of First Mode.

As the Father and Spirit are unoriginate, * so the Word, who was born from the Virgin for us. * Let us praise Him, O believers, and let us worship Him. * For our salvation He was pleased * to be crucified in the flesh, * and to undergo death, * and to resurrect the dead, by His glorious resurrection.

For the Devout Man. First Mode.

As a citizen of the desert and an angel incarnate * and a wonder-worker you shone forth, O Makarios our God-bearing father. * Since you received the spiritual gifts * by fasting and vigilance and prayer, * you can cure those who are ailing and heal the souls * of those who run to you with faith. * Glory to Him who gave His might to you; * glory to Him who placed a crown on you; * glory to Him who operates through you, providing cures to all.

Apolytikion of the Parish. Grave Mode.

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Kontakion. First Mode.

You sanctified the womb of the Virgin by Your birth, and by Your presentation You blessed the hands of Symeon, when You came, and You saved us, O Christ our God. Now we pray You give peace to Your world at war, and let love for Your people prevail in all, O only benevolent Lord.

The Cherubic Hymn.

Let us, who mystically represent the Cherubim and who sing the thrice-holy hymn to the life-creating Trinity, now lay aside every worldly care. So that we may receive the King of all.

Holy, holy, holy, Lord Sabaoth, heaven and earth are filled with Your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is He Who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

Communion Hymn.

Praise the Lord from the heavens. Alleluia.

Thanksgiving Hymn after Holy Communion

We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshipping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us.

Readings for the Twelfth Sunday of Luke

Αναγνώσματα IB' Κυριακῆς Λουκᾶ

Απόστολος πρὸς Κολοσσαεῖς (3.4-11)

Ἀδελφοί, ὅταν ὁ Χριστὸς φανερωθῆ, ἡ ζωὴ ἡμῶν, τότε καὶ ὑμεῖς σὺν αὐτῷ φανερωθήσεσθε ἐν δόξῃ. Νεκρώσατε οὖν τὰ μέλη ὑμῶν τὰ ἐπὶ τῆς γῆς, πορνείαν, ἀκαθαρσίαν, πάθος, ἐπιθυμίαν κακὴν, καὶ τὴν πλεονεξίαν, ἣτις ἐστὶν εἰδωλολατρεία, δι' ἧς ἔρχεται ἡ ὀργὴ τοῦ θεοῦ ἐπὶ τοὺς υἱοὺς τῆς ἀπειθείας· Ἐν οἷς καὶ ὑμεῖς περιεπατήσατέ ποτε, ὅτε ἐζήτε ἐν αὐτοῖς. Νυνὶ δὲ ἀπόθεσθε καὶ ὑμεῖς τὰ πάντα, ὀργὴν, θυμὸν, κακίαν, βλασφημίαν, αἰσχρολογίαὶν ἐκ τοῦ στόματος ὑμῶν· μὴ ψεύδεσθε εἰς ἀλλήλους, ἀπεκδυσάμενοι τὸν παλαιὸν ἄνθρωπον σὺν ταῖς πράξεσιν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἐνδυσάμενοι τὸν νέον, τὸν ἀνακαινούμενον εἰς ἐπίγνωσιν κατ' εἰκόνα τοῦ κτίσαντος αὐτόν· ὅπου οὐκ ἔστι Ἕλλην καὶ Ἰουδαῖος, περιτομὴ καὶ ἀκροβυστία, βάρβαρος, Σκύθης, δούλος, ἐλεύθερος· ἀλλὰ τὰ πάντα καὶ ἐν πάσιν Χριστός.

Εὐαγγέλιον κατὰ Λουκᾶν (17.12-19)

Τῷ καιρῷ ἐκείνῳ, εἰσερχομένου αὐτοῦ εἰς τινα κώμην ἀπῆντησαν αὐτῷ δέκα λεπροὶ ἄνδρες, οἳ ἕστησαν πόρρωθεν, καὶ αὐτοὶ ἤραν φωνὴν λέγοντες· Ἰησοῦ ἐπιστάτα, ἐλέησον ἡμᾶς. καὶ ἰδὼν εἶπεν αὐτοῖς· πορευθέντες ἐπιδείξατε ἑαυτοὺς τοῖς ἱερεῦσι. καὶ ἐγένετο ἐν τῷ ὑπάγειν αὐτοὺς ἐκαθαρίσθησαν. εἷς δὲ ἐξ αὐτῶν, ἰδὼν ὅτι ἰάθη, ὑπέστρεψε μετὰ φωνῆς μεγάλης δοξάζων τὸν Θεόν, καὶ ἔπεσεν ἐπὶ πρόσωπον παρὰ τοὺς πόδας αὐτοῦ εὐχαριστῶν αὐτῷ· καὶ αὐτὸς ἦν Σαμαρεῖτης. ἀποκριθεὶς δὲ ὁ Ἰησοῦς εἶπεν· οὐχὶ οἱ δέκα ἐκαθαρίσθησαν; οἱ δὲ ἐννέα ποῦ; οὐχ εὐρέθησαν ὑποστρέψαντες δοῦναι δόξαν τῷ Θεῷ εἰ μὴ ὁ ἀλλογενὴς οὗτος; καὶ εἶπεν αὐτῷ· ἀναστὰς πορεύου· ἡ πίστις σου σέσωκέ σε.

Letter to the Colossians (3.4-11)

Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away: anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

Gospel according to Luke (17.12-19)

In those days, as Jesus entered a village, he was met by ten lepers, who stood at a distance and lifted up their voices and said, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us." When he saw them he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests." And as they went they were cleansed. Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice; and he fell on his face at Jesus' feet, giving him thanks. Now he was a Samaritan. Then said Jesus, "Were not ten cleansed? Where are the nine? Was no one found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?" And he said to him, "Rise and go your way; your faith has made you well."

Parish Council On Duty: Harry Catrakilis/Lela Bridgers
Greeter On Duty: Jon Papastrat/Julie Shanahan
Ushers On Duty: Paul Markley/Alexandra Milios/Steven Pelky
Prosforo Bakers: Karen Panov/Rosemary Peppas/Jessica Reale

Sun., Jan. 19 **12th Sunday of Luke**
8:45 am Orthros
10:00 am Divine Liturgy | Chanters
11:15 am Youth Catechism classes-PLC lower level classrooms
A one year Memorial Service is given for Apostolos Kokkosis by his family; Anastasia (wife), Alexandros (son), Triada Asprakis (daughter), John Asprakis (son-in-law), Vassilios Asprakis (grandson). May his memory be eternal!
A Memorial Service is given by Iancu Nica for his wife, Aglaia, and mother, Petra. May their memories be eternal!
12:00 pm Philoptochos Membership Luncheon-Atrium
12:30 pm Fellowship/Coffee Hour-Parish Hall

Mon., Jan. 20 all day Office Closed (MLK Jr. Holiday)
Note: NO Hellenic Studies/Greek School classes (MLK Jr. holiday)
7:00 pm Spiritual Book Club-Church Library (St. Basil Conf. Rm)

Tues., Jan. 21 8:30 am TOA Morning Prayers-Main Church
9:15 am TOA classes-PLC lower level classrooms
10:45 am Kafenion-Atrium

Wed., Jan. 22 5:30 pm Hellenic Studies/Greek School classes-PLC lower level classrooms
7:00 pm Men's Choir Practice-Main Church
7:00 pm Intro to Orthodoxy class-PLC lower level classroom #131

Thur., Jan. 23 8:30 am TOA Divine Liturgy-Lighthouse
9:15 am TOA classes-PLC lower level classrooms
7:00 pm Men's Choir Practice-Main Church

Fri., Jan 24 9:30 am Rental set-up: Cretan Glendi-PLC parish Hall/Kitchen/Atrium/Gym
5:00 pm Festival baking-Kourambiedes-Kitchen

Sat., Jan. 25 all day Rental set-up: Cretan Glendi-PLC parish Hall/Kitchen/Atrium/Gym
5:00 pm Great Vespers-Chapel
7:00 pm Rental: Cretan Glendi-PLC parish Hall/Kitchen/Atrium/Gym

Sun., Jan. 26 **15th Sunday of Luke**
8:45 am Orthros

Phishing Scam Awareness

We are aware that several phishing-type communications have been received by parishioners from supposed members of the church leadership. The church (priests, staff, Parish Council, ministry leads) will never email or text you asking for you to buy gift cards or send money for any reason. If you receive such a message, it is a scam. Please disregard the request and report it to the church office. Always verify requests for financial assistance through direct communication with the church office. Protect yourself, your personal information, fellow parishioners, and the church by being cautious of these fraudulent attempts.

Sun., Jan. 26 cont. 10:00 am Divine Liturgy | Men's Choir
11:15 am Youth Catechism classes-PLC lower level classrooms
A 4 year Memorial Service is given for Konstandinos Liakakos. May his memory be eternal!
40 day Blessing of Katina Niarchos and her son, Alexandros
12:30 pm Fellowship/Coffee Hour-Parish Hall
12:30 pm Hellenic Dance Festival Practices:
- Pitsirikia (Pre-K)-LL PLC Classroom #126
- Palamakia (K & 1st)-LL PLC Classroom #128
- Asteria (2nd & 3rd)-LL PLC Classroom #125
- Petaloudes (4th & 5th)-LL PLC Atrium
- Phoenix (middle school)-PLC Gym
1:30 pm Eleftheria (high school)-PLC Gym

ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHEPA Scholarships available for 2025 – 26
Academic Year: Students residing in the greater metro Atlanta area meet residency requirements for all scholarships offered by the AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter No. 1 Educational Fund Inc. Scholarships will range from \$1000 to \$3000.
The application deadline is March 15th, 2025.
For more information and to apply via the online application, go to <https://apply.mykaleidoscope.com/program/AHEPAApp25>.

Calendars 2025: Calendars for 2025 are in! Please pick yours up in the Parish Life Center Foyer counters on each side of the middle doors.

Chair Exercise Program: Our next meeting will be **Wednesday, Jan. 29th, at 10:00 am** in LL PH classroom #127. Please text Ann Zakreski at 770.329.7421 if you plan to come.

Fellowship/Coffee Hour

Sponsorship is a great way to honor someone's birthday, nameday, memory, or a significant event with your church family. For ministries, it is a great opportunity to bring awareness to your group and gain members. Reserve your date by scanning or clicking the QR codes



2025 COFFEE HOUR

Hellenic Dance: MGF (Marietta Greek Festival) – The first day of Festival dance practice will be Sunday, January 26th:

- PreK group “Pitsirikia” with Mr. Gabriel at 12:30-1:00 in the PreK classroom (#126)
- K & 1st grades “Palamakia” with Mrs. Christy at 12:30-1:00 in the Kindergarten classroom (#128)
- 2nd & 3rd grades “Asteria” with Mrs. Tina at 12:30-1:15 in the 3rd grade classroom (#125)

- 4th & 5th grade “Petaloudes” at 12:30-1:15 in the downstairs atrium
 - 6th-8th grade “Phoenix” with Mrs. Karen at 12:30-2:00 in the gym
 - 9th – 12th grade “Eleftheria” with Mrs. Paulina and Mr. Jimmy 1:30-3:30 in the gym
- Please register to participate in this ministry through the 2025 Membership/Stewardship Form, available in the main office or on the church website (www.holytransfiguration.info/join). Keep an eye out for emails coming soon with more details.

Mixed Choir: The Mixed Choir practices on Tuesday nights at 7:00 pm in the Sanctuary. Next practice **Jan. 28th**.

Men's Choir: Practice on **Jan. 22 and 23** from 7:00-8:30 p.m. in the Church for the Enthronement of Bishop Sevastianos of Atlanta.

Philoptochos Book Club: Calling ALL Book Lovers! Come join the Philoptochos Book Club! We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 11:00 am in the Church Library (St. Basil Conference Room) followed by an optional lunch out. **ALL book lover readers are welcomed to come. NEXT MEETING - Feb. 4th, at 11:00 am.** Book - *The First Ladies* by Marie Benedict.

Young Adults in their 20's and 30's meet twice a month for continuing education and fellowship. Want to learn more? Join the HTGOC Young Adults GroupMe chat for notifications on events. Contact Fr. Michael (firmichael@holytransfiguration.info) or Ministry Lead Maria H. (youngadults@holytransfiguration.info).



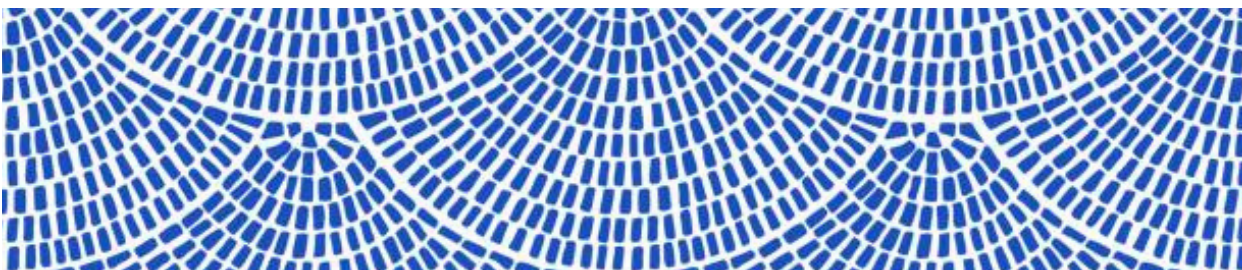


Please join us for the

Philoptochos Membership Luncheon

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19th
AFTER DIVINE LITURGY
IN THE PLC

All current & prospective
Philoptochos members
welcome



Why Join Philoptochos

Philoptochos is a society of dedicated women united in love and service to help the less fortunate. Philoptochos is a way to show you care and to share your love through ministry to others. Join Philoptochos to:

- Be part of philanthropic endeavors
- Change someone's life
- Develop friendships
- Express yourself
- Get involved in community
- Help those in need
- Learn from others
- Make an impact
- Use skills to help others

Receive the rewards that Christian Fellowship and Love offer! Whether you become an active or supportive member, Philoptochos will provide you with opportunities you choose to participate in and during times convenient to your busy schedule.



2025 Membership Form
Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society
 Panagia Chapter #5070
 Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
 3431 Trickum Road, Marietta 30066-4660 Tel. 770-924-8080 Fax. 770-924-3030

RENEWAL	NEW MEMBER	ASSOCIATE MEMBER
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NAME:	
ADDRESS:	HOME PHONE:
CITY/STATE/ZIP:	CELL PHONE:
EMAIL:	

In gratitude for God's blessings, I pledge the following for Christ's work as a Philoptochos member. My stewardship will be allocated to National, Metropolis, and Panagia Chapter (Local) Philoptochos as follows:

1. NATIONAL STEWARDSHIP	\$15.00
2. METROPOLIS STEWARDSHIP	\$10.00
3. PANAGIA CHAPTER (LOCAL) STEWARDSHIP	\$_____ (Please write in amount)
My total Philoptochos donation (total all three lines): *tax deductible (501c3)	\$_____ TOTAL

I would like to offer my TIME and TALENTS to assist the following Philoptochos efforts:
(PLEASE CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

<input type="checkbox"/> Help sick/shut-ins (please circle) prepare meals provide transportation visit	<input type="checkbox"/> Dye Red Eggs for Pascha
<input type="checkbox"/> Baking (please circle) Koulouria Paximadia Vasilopita Phanouropita	<input type="checkbox"/> Lenten Retreat (please circle) food prep set-up clean-up help serve
<input type="checkbox"/> Godparents Luncheon (please circle) food prep set-up clean-up help serve	<input type="checkbox"/> Fall Fundraiser (please circle) food prep set-up/decorate clean-up help serve
<input type="checkbox"/> Souper Bowl Luncheon (please circle) food prep set-up clean-up help serve	<input type="checkbox"/> Welcome Back Luncheon (please circle) set-up clean-up help serve

Completed forms with payment (checks payable to Philoptochos) may be mailed to church address or dropped off in church office or book store (Credit card payments available in the book store). If using Online Giving at holytransfiguration.info, please scan and email completed form to: llopos624@gmail.com.

HDF (Hellenic Dance Festival) - The 2025 HDF event will be held Thursday, January 16 – Monday, January 20 in Winston-Salem, NC. Marietta will be represented by a group of 10 select dancers of our middle and high school groups. 60 Greek Dance groups, 1300 dancers, from 47 parishes will be competing with Christian love and celebrating Greek Paradosi (tradition). The Marietta dancers will be competing in the Advance Junior age group (average age of 15). We invite you to follow the YouTube Channel “Your HDF” where you can watch our groups performances from anywhere, remember to look for Advanced Junior Category, we will be competing next weekend on Friday at 3:30pm and Saturday at 4:35pm. The YouTube page is www.youtube.com/@yourhdf7552. Also, **Anna Hutt** from Holy Transfiguration in Marietta, GA will be singing the **American National Anthem** at the Opening Ceremonies of HDF . Congratulations for being selected from this year's auditions!



Spiritual Book Club

We meet on the second Monday of every month in the Church Library from 7:00-8:30 p.m. / co-hosted by Pres. Patty & Michael Gavalas

Please email us at mgavalas@icloud.com to be added to our email list for updates, videos, and related articles



UPCOMING SCHEDULE

Monday, January 20th and Monday, February 10th
Time & Despondency: Regaining the Present in Faith & Life
 by Nicole M. Roccas

Idleness. Apathy. Restlessness. Procrastination. These are symptoms of what early Christian theologians called despondency (acedia), a spiritual sickness rooted in a lack of care or effort. A condition as old as the ancients, despondency thrives in today's culture of leisure, anxiety, & digital distraction. *Time & Despondency* is a penetrating synthesis of ancient theology, spiritual memoir, & self-help practicality. It envisions despondency as the extension of a broken relationship with the experience of time. Driven by the fear of death and the anxiety of living, despondency drives us to abandon the present moment, forsaking the only temporal realm in which we have true fellowship with Christ. The remedies offered by time-honored Christian thinkers for this predicament constitute not only an antidote to despondency but also stepping stones back to the present moment. In regaining the sacredness of time, we re-encounter the Resurrection of Christ in the dark and restless moments of our lives.

Home Blessing Form

Name: _____



ZIP Code: _____ Phone Number: _____

Availability: please write an “X” below to indicate the times when you are generally NOT available, or use a checkmark (✓) to indicate when you generally ARE available.

	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Morning	X						
Afternoon							
Evening							

Please send this completed form (or a copy of it) to the parish office (office@holytransfiguration.info) as soon as possible.

INTRO TO ORTHODOXY CLASS AT HOLY TRANSFIGURATION



ARE YOU INTERESTED IN LEARNING MORE ABOUT THE BASICS OF ORTHODOXY CHRISTIANITY?

WHETHER YOU ARE A CASUAL INQUIRER, OR WANT TO BECOME ORTHODOX, OR A LIFELONG ORTHODOX LOOKING FOR A REFRESHER, THIS CLASS IS FOR YOU!

THE CLASS IS BASED ON THE “INTRO TO ORTHODOXY” VIDEO SERIES ON YOUTUBE. EACH WEEK ATTENDEES WILL WATCH A VIDEO PRESENTATION ON THEIR OWN. THEN WE WILL MEET IN PERSON ON WEDNESDAY EVENINGS TO DISCUSS. THE IN-PERSON CLASSES WILL REVIEW THE MATERIAL FROM THE WEEKLY VIDEO, AND WILL EMPHASIZE QUESTION-AND-ANSWER.

**CLASSES ARE HELD ON WEDNESDAYS AT 7:00 PM
 IN PLC CLASSROOM #131 — LOOK FORWARD TO SEEING YOU!**

Email office@holytransfiguration.info to register

**NEXT CLASS
 Jan.
 22nd**

MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR OUR FESTIVAL FOOD PREP DAYS!



MANY HANDS NEEDED, NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY

- Friday, January 24 5 pm-9 pm (Kourambiedes)
- Wednesday, January 29 10 am-5 pm (Melomakarona)
- Saturday February 1 10 am-4 pm (Melomakarona)
- Wednesday, February 5th, 10-5 pm
- Friday, February 7th, 5-9 pm
- Saturday, February 8th, 10-5 pm (Spanakopita)
- Friday, February 28th, 5-9 pm
- Saturday, March 1st, 10-5 pm (Keftedes)
- Saturday, April 26th, 10-5 pm (Dolmades)



2025 Cretan Glendi!

Samaria Chapter

Pancretan Association of America



Saturday, January 25, 2025

Parish Life Center
Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church
3431 Trickum Road
Marietta, Georgia



Dinner Dance Featuring
Traditional Cretan Cuisine

Cretan Dancing

Live Cretan Music by:
Manolis Tsikoudakis (Lyra)
Demetri Spatharakis (Laouto)

6:00 pm: Cocktails
6:30 pm: Dinner
8:00 pm: Dancing

Adults: \$65
Students (13-17): \$30
Children 12 and under: Free

Early order special: \$480 for table of 8
if purchased by January 12, 2025



Purchase tickets online using the QR code above or the link below: <https://www.zeffy.com/ticketing/2025-cretan-glendi>

e-ticket price will have a default donation to the website. Next to "Contribution" select "other" and add \$0

Please get your tickets early! Only 350 tickets will be sold. The last day to purchase tickets is Tuesday, January 21, 2025. Absolutely no tickets will be sold at the door!



GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA
METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA

The Enthronement of
His Eminence
Metropolitan +SEVASTIANOS of Atlanta

Saturday, January 25th, 2025
at 10 o'clock in the Morning
Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation

His Eminence will serve
His First Divine Liturgy as Metropolitan
on Sunday, January 26th, 2025
with a reception to follow in his honor.

Purchase and/or reserve tickets at
<https://www.atlmetropolisevents.org/tickets>

Drivers Needed

Drivers are needed to transport our Hierarchs during the weekend of January 23-26, for the Enthronement of Metropolitan Sevastianos. We need drivers to pick up a Hierarch from the airport and transport him to the hotel as well as a return trip to the airport. There is a need for Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday afternoon or evening. Details to follow on itineraries, names, etc.

If you are willing and able to help for any or all of these days, please contact Alex Miltiades, amiltiades@holytransfiguration.info or 770-605-2629.

Thank you

SATURDAY, JANUARY 25TH

The Men's Choir will sing at Annunciation Cathedral during the Enthronement

SUNDAY, JANUARY 26TH

The Mixed Choir will sing at Annunciation Cathedral during Metropolitan Sevastianos's first Divine Liturgy

JOIN US AS WE DISCOVER CHRIST IN THE PSALMS

LIFE AND FAITH TRANSITIONS GROUP

PRAYER · EXPLORATION · PERSONAL AND SPIRITUAL
GROWTH · STRONGER RELATIONSHIP WITH OUR
LORD · CONFIDENTIALITY · LIVELY DISCUSSIONS ·
RESPECTFUL LISTENING AND SHARING · SERVICE TO
OUR LORD



Join us as we journey through the Psalms using *Christ in the Psalms* by Fr. Patrick Henry Reardon and *The Orthodox Study Bible* as our guides.

Our discussions focus on supporting and encouraging each other through the myriad of life and faith changes, challenges and transitions. Our goal is to nurture personal and spiritual growth, to strengthen our relationship with our Lord, Jesus Christ, and to enhance our service to others on behalf of our Lord.

UPCOMING SESSIONS VIA ZOOM:
FEBRUARY 1 AND 15, MARCH 15, APRIL 5 AND 26, MAY 10 AND 24
FROM 10 AM TO 11:30 AM

For more information and a Zoom invite, please reach out to BJ Spanos at 404-771-9335 or by email at spanosbj@gmail.com



SOUPER BOWL

FEBRUARY 2, 2025

PLC PARISH HALL AFTER LITURGY

ADULTS \$15

KIDS (10 AND UNDER) \$10

COME MEET NEW FRIENDS, SUPPORT PHILOPTOCHOS,
ENJOY HOMEMADE SOUP



Transfiguration Orthodox Academy

Invites you to our

OPEN HOUSE

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 4TH, 2025

RSVP REQUIRED BY JANUARY 31ST

We invite all K-8th grade families interested in applying for the 2025-2026 school year. Meeting with our TOA family will give you a glimpse into what makes our school a nurturing and outstanding academic environment, filled with the love and light of Christ.



Location: Parish Life Center Lower Level
Time: 10:30 AM - 12:00 PM



OPEN HOUSE AGENDA

- Meet our Head of School
- Teachers & Curriculum
- Campus Tour
- Q&A Session

CONTACT US

- @TOAMARIETTA
- office@toamarietta.com
- 770- 924-3030

RSVP HERE



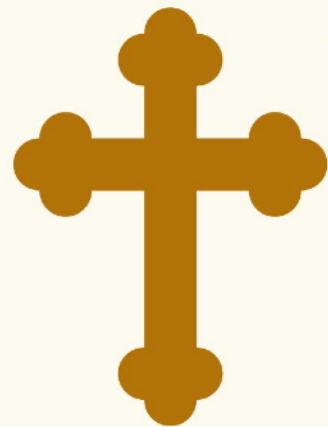
www.tinyurl.com/TOAOpenHouse

We invite you to the
ORTHODOX
Divine Liturgy
IN CARTERSVILLE, GA
February 15 & March 8

10:00 am

At

St. Francis of Assisi
Catholic Church
850 Douthitt Ferry Road
Cartersville, GA 30120



Sponsored by
Holy Transfiguration Greek
Orthodox Church of Marietta



AHEPA CHAPTER #519
Presents the 12th Annual

Scholarship GAME Night

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22ND
DOORS OPEN AT 6.00 PM
DINNER AT 7.00 PM
GAMES START AFTER DINNER

PARISH LIFE CENTER
3431 TRICKUM RD,
MARIETTA, GA 30066

All Profits Provide College Scholarships for Deserving Students in the Atlanta Area

Your \$120 donation includes a fabulous dinner
(steak, salmon, all the sides, dessert buffet, open bar),
and an exciting evening of games. (Dinner only, \$60 donation.)

Winnings provide you entries for prize drawings at the end of the evening!
Come and make it a Date Night!!!

To RSVP

Email: ahepachapter519@gmail.com or **Call or Text:** 678.525.1344

Proceeds benefit the AHEPA Mother Lodge Chapter No. 1 Educational Fund, Inc.
(AHEPA - American Hellenic Educational Progressive Foundation)



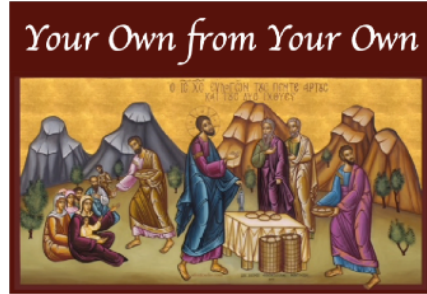
2025 Stewardship Campaign

How to submit your 2025 Membership/ Stewardship Card:

1. PAPER: Grab a paper Stewardship form from a Parish Council member in the Narthex on Sunday. You may mail back the completed paper form to the Church or drop the completed form in the offering tray.

2. ONLINE: You can complete the Online Membership/Stewardship Form at <https://forms.gle/D6aTSDEMtm9W3Rgd6>.

3. SCAN: use this QR code. Simply point your camera on the QR code and click the yellow link that appears within your picture frame.



So You Know

Operating Income and Expense 01/01/24-12/31/24

Income Received:	\$1,028,659
Total Expenses:	\$1,029,814
Net Income:	—\$1,155

Stewardship Report as of 01/17/25

# of Pledges to date:	75
Pledges to date (\$):	\$275,846
2024 Budget:	\$1,160,000
\$\$\$ needed to reach budget:	\$984,154

Philoptochos Impact Report 2024



TOTAL IMPACT: \$30,062

Be a part of the
impact.

Join Philoptochos!

Membership
Luncheon
Jan. 19th

Receiving Holy Communion

Orthodox Christians who have prepared spiritually are invited to come forward “with the fear of God, with faith, and with love” to receive Holy Communion.

Non-Orthodox Christians may receive the blessed bread (*antidoron*) offered at the conclusion of the service, but not Holy Communion. They may come up to receive a blessing during Holy Communion if they wish.

Preparation for Holy Communion includes confession of sins (even of sinful thoughts) and repentance, making peace with those around us, forgiving those who hurt us, asking for forgiveness from those we have hurt, and prayer. There is a special set of prayers called "Preparation for Holy Communion" to help prepare.

If you have further questions regarding the proper preparation for Holy Communion, please speak with Fr. Panayiotis.

TRANSFIGURATION ORTHODOX ACADEMY

JOIN OUR MISSION! ✨ MAKE AN IMPACT, GAIN EXPERIENCE, AND BE PART OF OUR SUPPORTIVE, FAITH-DRIVEN COMMUNITY!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

K-8 GRADE HYBRID CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

- K-8 Classroom Assistance
- Event Assistance
- Recess Monitors
- Administrative Support



EST. 2023

REQUIREMENTS

- Availability for a few hours, Tuesdays/Thursdays
- Love for education and Willingness to serve
- Respect for our Orthodox Christian Values

READY TO JOIN?

Email Us: office@toamarietta.com
Visit Our Website: <https://toamarietta.com/>