



# The Light



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NEW JERSEY

## ***Message from Father George - The Eucharist***

"The Eucharist .... is the central mystery of the Church. It is the source and the summit of her life. In it the Church is continuously changed for a human community to the body of Christ, the temple of the Holy Spirit, and the holy people of God.

The Eucharist, according to Saint Nicholas Kabasilas, is the final and greatest of the mysteries "since it is not possible to go beyond it or add anything to it. After the Eucharist there is nowhere further to go.

We all must stand, and try to examine the means by which we may preserve the treasure to the end. For in it we obtain God Himself, and God is united with us in the most perfect union".....

Through the Eucharist divine life flows into us and penetrates the fabric of our humanity.

The future life is infused into present one and is blended with it, so that our fallen humanity may be transformed into the glorified humanity of the new Adam, Christ.

The Eucharist is our "medicine of immortality and the antidote against death, enabling us to live forever in Jesus Christ," according to Saint Ignatios."

*"Introduction to the Divine Liturgy by Fr. Alkiviades Calivas. The Divine Liturgy of the Saint John Chrysostom."*

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In keeping with Fr. George's message about The Eucharist, the attached hymn is sung during Holy Communion. The hymn is from Psalm 135/136 (Verses 1-4), and the translation is as follows:

*O give thanks unto the Lord for He is good, Aleluia;  
for His mercy endureth forever, Aleluia.*

*O give thanks unto the God of gods, Aleluia;  
for His mercy endureth forever, Aleluia*

*O give thanks to the Lord of lords, Aleluia;  
for His mercy endureth forever, Aleluia*

*To Him who alone doeth great wonders, Aleluia;  
for His mercy endureth forever, Aleluia.*

I hope you enjoy!

Father John was on deployment at the time we published this newsletter. Father John will supply articles for us in future editions. As always, our prayers are with him and his family.

*The Light* will be published every two months by the communications committee of the Greek Orthodox Parish of Loudoun County. The next deadline for content is December 15. Contact Susan Dorn ([ssdorn@aol.com](mailto:ssdorn@aol.com)) for details.

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# President's Letter

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

During the first two years of our existence, our early strategy and focus, from an administration standpoint, has been to secure a place of worship, develop organization and structure, and establish all ministries and cultural programs. These efforts were necessary ‘first-steps’ that now allow us to fully function as a church. With the foundation of our church established, we must now focus our attention toward two concurrent efforts that will allow us to move our parish from where we are today to where we need to be. Our goals now become: 1) to accept a full-time Priest, and 2) to build a church. For the sake of brevity in this letter, I will only address the first of two concurrent missions. I will address the second mission in the next newsletter.

## Accepting a Full-time Priest

As Fr. John’s military assignment to Iraq approached, it became clear the Metropolitan was interested in assigning a full-time Priest to our parish. This, of course, is very encouraging as it shows the faith and commitment our Metropolitan has toward our parish. The message sent back to the Metropolitan was that, although acceptance of a full-time Priest is a top priority of our parish, our young parish of two years is simply not in a financial position at this time to accept the offer and the responsibility that comes with it.

As much as we know that our future is bright and our growth depends upon having a Priest available to serve our parishioners on a full-time basis, we take the acceptance of a Priest and the responsibility of ensuring proper support of him and his family very seriously. It would be unfair to him and his family, as well as to our parishioners, if we were to accept a Priest prematurely and be unable to meet our financial obligations. Our parish has a good reputation, but that would quickly change if we, through impatience and desperation, accepted a commitment that we could not sustain. Such an outcome would result in a loss of trust from the Metropolitan, our parishioners, and any future prospective Priest that might be interested in serving our parish. It was clear; **we need to be patient!**

The message sent back to the Metropolitan is that we expect to be in a financial position by September 2010, two years from now, to accept a full-time Priest. In the meantime, we have requested, and Fr. John has accepted, to return to our parish as interim-proistamenos once he returns from Iraq. Although nothing is ever certain in military life, it is understood at this time that Fr. John would be assigned in the area at least until September 2010. There is little visibility as to Fr. John’s assignment and therefore, availability to our parish beyond that date. **So, our goal is now clear – we must prepare to accept a full-time Priest by September 2010.**

Based on your knowledge of what it takes to live in Northern Virginia, one of the most expensive areas in the country, you can do the math as to what it would take to support a full-time Priest. Including benefits, the number ranges between \$100k and \$130k, depending upon the level of experience. Some may think that this is a lot of money. For those that do, please recognize that a Priest works 24/7 and usually requires his Presvytera to stay home to raise the children, rather than earn a second income. It’s the least we can do to support someone who has given their life to serving God!

## What Is Our Role?

The ability to cover this obligation is directly tied to your **STEWARDSHIP** in the church. The government might reconsider if we changed our mission to one that fraudulently registers voters, but I don’t think the Archdiocese would go along.

Your stewardship matters a great deal toward reaching our goal as a parish! Without your consistent support, our parish would not exist. We are not just stewards of a parish, but stewards of our beautiful Orthodox Christian faith, proudly and selflessly doing God’s work in Loudoun County. Our children and future generations will reap the benefits of our sacrifice and realize the importance of making God their first priority in life.

During the first two years of our existence, we have seen our stewardship grow from 85 families to approximately 125 families. Stewardship receipts have grown from approximately \$100,000 (2006) to over \$140,000 (2008), with an average stewardship pledge of about \$1150 per family. For our parish to accept a full-time Priest, we estimate that we will need stewardship receipts to reach approximately \$200,000. Based upon our current average stewardship pledge, we need 175 stewardship families to reach this goal, 50 more than our current status, realized over the next two years.

Therefore, our stewardship goals are as follows:

- 2008 (Forecast): 125 families (\$140,000)
- 2009 (Budget): 150 families (\$170,000)
- 2010 (Budget): 175 families (\$200,000)

With the grace of God, this is certainly achievable, but we need your help. Our 2009 Stewardship drive will begin soon with Stewardship Sunday scheduled for Sunday November 16, 2008. You can help us realize our goal of funding a full-time parish Priest in two years by doing one or more of the following:

- Sign a 2009 Stewardship Pledge form and return it to the church,
- Encourage friends and family to become stewards of our parish,
- Consider increasing your stewardship pledge for 2009

As a final note, this isn't about numbers and dollars; this is about a very noble, worthy and God-serving endeavor that we are working toward. The funding of a full-time parish Priest is vital to our mission "to serve as a beacon and witness of the message of Christ through divine worship, preaching, teaching, and living of the Orthodox Christian Faith." With Stewardship Sunday approaching, please consider your role in our worthy mission. The 2009 Stewardship slogan is very fitting "**If not you, who? If not now, when?**"

With love in Christ,

Michael Koutsourais

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## Philoptochos

Niki Lelis, President

It's hard to believe it's November, with the holidays just around the corner.

The Philoptochos is busy with supporting the Loudoun Abused Women's Shelter, assisting with furniture collections for people leaving the Loudoun Homeless Shelter and assisting families in need, as well as helping within our Parish. We are happy to say that our bookstore is open now after service each Sunday so stop by on Sunday.

Here are a few activities we are planning to do this month. Our **Membership Tea** will be on Saturday November 15 late in the afternoon at church. We look forward to seeing new friends, as well as "old" friends joining us at the tea. More details will be sent out and put on the church calendar. This year we are going to do something different, we are going to have a bake-sale for Thanksgiving. The **bake sale** will be held on Sunday, November 23. So look for more information on the goodies that we will be selling!

Our Philoptochos monthly meetings are held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7:30pm until 9:00pm at our Parish. The next meetings will be November 10 and December 8. See you there.

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## ATTENTION ALL COLLEGE STUDENTS

Parents-it's okay for you to fill this out for your student! The Ladies of Philoptochos want to know where you are so please send us your info.

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Phone(cell) \_\_\_\_\_

College Name \_\_\_\_\_

Drop this in the mail to the Greek Orthodox Parish of Loudoun County, 21580 Atlantic Blvd., Building D, Unit 160, Dulles, VA 20166, or email this info to : silvercps@hotmail.com (subject line-GOPLC), or drop it in the Sunday Tray.

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# Capital Building Campaign – “For the Glory of God”

“Whoever desires to come after Me, let him deny himself, and take up his cross, and follow Me” – Mark 8:34

During this second year of our existence, and in continuation of the work and sacrifice that has brought us to this point, we propose to embark on a major capital project to build a Byzantine-style Greek Orthodox Church to worship our great Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, and the necessary facilities in order to increase opportunities for religious education, fellowship and the growth of our ministries.

At the dawn of the third Christian millennium, a new and holy task appears before our faithful parishioners. As our grandparents and parents were faithful in their time, so too must we be faithful in our time. In the past few years, inspired by the activity witnessed in the growth of our parish and its ministries, let us embark on a project that will impact the lives and souls of thousands of people over many generations -- and for all eternity!

Phase I of the project is to acquire land, perform civil, architectural and structural design, and construct the Community Center. The Community Center will be used as a temporary house of worship in addition to its use for educational, social and business functions. To begin Phase I of the project, the goal is to raise \$3 million through pledges fulfilled and gifts offered over a period of five years. To be successful, we will need the true sacrifice of all our stewards. Participation is the most important component! In justice, we seek gifts of equal sacrifice, not equal amounts. Only you can measure the abundance of blessings you have received and are able to return in time, talent and treasure for God’s work as we unite to continue the mission of Jesus Christ through The Greek Orthodox Parish of Loudoun County, Virginia.

**‘Thank You’ to those that have pledged their support for our Capital Building Campaign. If you have not submitted your pledge, please make this a priority today. We need true sacrifice of ALL our families in order to meet our goal.**



## *Capital Building Fund Contributors*

### **Major Benefactor (\$100,000)**

Anonymous #1

### **Grand Contributor (\$25,000)**

Mr. & Mrs. Michael Koutsourais  
Mr. & Mrs. Dean Economou

### **Contributor (\$10,000)**

AHEPA #438

Mr. & Mrs. Nicholas Zangos  
Mr. & Mrs. Vasilis Fotopoulos  
Ms. Nikoleta Lelis  
Mr. & Mrs. Christos Alexandrou  
GOPLC Greek School

### **Donor (\$5,000)**

Mr. & Mrs. Ernest Kyriazi  
GOPLC Philoptochos  
Mr. and Mrs. Frank Galasso  
Mr. and Mrs. Jerry Pollatos  
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## *Contributor Categories*

Arch-Contributor - \$1,000,000

Major Patron - \$500,000

Grand Benefactor - \$250,000

Major Benefactor - \$100,000

Benefactor - \$50,000

Grand Contributor - \$25,000

Contributor - \$10,000

Donor - \$5,000

## **Capital Building Campaign: “For the Glory of God” Pledge Form**

**Please make your check payable to the Greek Orthodox Parish LC Building Fund**

I am honored to assist the **Greek Orthodox Parish of Loudoun County, Virginia.**

I am interested in becoming a/an \_\_\_\_\_ contributor.

I/we therefore pledge to the campaign as follows:

Total Pledge: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Down Payment: \$\_\_\_\_\_

Balance Due: \$\_\_\_\_\_

I/we prefer to pay the balance:  Monthly  Quarterly  Semi-Annually  Annually

Over a period of:  1 year  2 years  3 years  4 years  5 years  Other \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Donors may make tax-deductible commitments to the Capital Building Campaign in the form of pledges, cash, property, securities, real estate, and planned gifts such as life insurance and bequests. Pledges can be fulfilled over a five-year period, in whatever increments are most appropriate to you. All gifts, regardless of the amount, are very much appreciated and can be applied to future memorial or naming gift opportunities.

For more information, please visit our web site – [www.greekorthodoxloudoun.org](http://www.greekorthodoxloudoun.org) or contact Michael Koutsourais, Parish Council President, at [Mkouts1@aol.com](mailto:Mkouts1@aol.com).

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## **HOPE&JOY**

Our HOPE & JOY children have been busy preparing for two very important upcoming events. On Saturday, Dec. 6th, we will be visiting the Sunrise Assisted Living Home to bring them some Christmas cheer. Besides singing Christmas Carols to the residents during their Social Hour, we will bring them some home-baked Christmas cookies and give them some special Christmas Crafts that our children have been working on.

On Friday, December 12, we will be visiting the children at the INOVA Loudoun Hospital pediatric unit and pediatric ER. We will also spread some very well needed Christmas cheer there by singing Christmas Carols, bringing them Christmas presents and special Christmas crafts that we have made for them. The Director of the pediatric center will give our children a tour of the brand new pediatric unit at the hospital followed by a question/answer session with juice and cookies!

Our next meeting will be Saturday, November 15th and will be centered around discussion and activities about helping those in need, and treating people with love, respect and kindness. We will be finishing up our Christmas crafts for our upcoming events, and practicing our Christmas carols.

We welcome all children between the ages of Kindergarten to 5th grade to join our HOPE & JOY! Please contact Kathy Kendrat at (703)669-5865 or [kmkendrat@aol.com](mailto:kmkendrat@aol.com) for more information if you have not already registered.

# Save The Date...

A look ahead to the upcoming spiritual, social and educational activities

## November

<b>Sunday November 2nd</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b>	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Saturday November 8th</b>	<b>Dinner Dance and Silent Auction</b>	6PM Cocktails 7:30PM Dinner
<b>Sunday November 9th</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b>	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Monday November 10th</b>	<b>The Ladies Philoptochos Monthly Meeting</b> Contact Philoptochos President Niki Lelis (nlelis@cox.net) or VP Cynthia Smith (silvercps@hotmail.com) for more information.	7:30 PM
<b>Saturday November 15th</b>	<b>Philoptochos Membership Tea</b>	Late afternoon
<b>Saturday November 15th</b>	<b>HOPE &amp; JOY Monthly Meeting</b>	4:00PM - 5:00PM
<b>Sunday November 16th</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b> Please join us after Church for our General Assembly and Stewardship Sunday. The support and participation of the Parish has been a blessing as we grow into our 3rd full year. Please join us as we plan for the future. We need your help...	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Sunday November 23rd</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy Philoptochos Bake Sale</b>	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Thursday November 27th</b>	<b>Thanksgiving Day Divine Liturgy</b>	10:00 AM
<b>Sunday November 30th</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b> No Sunday School Classes	8:30 AM 10:00 AM

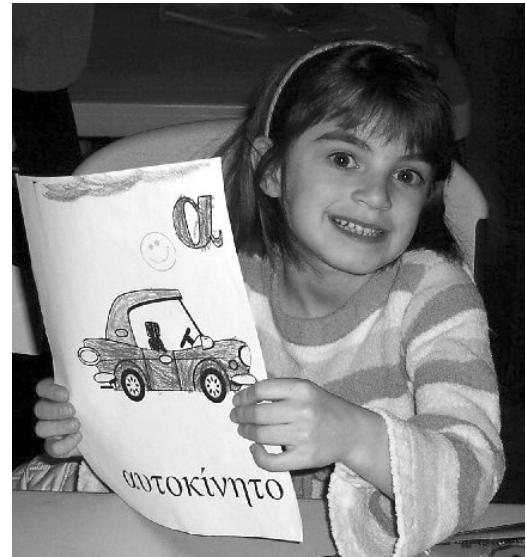
## December

<b>Saturday December 6th</b>	<b>HOPE &amp; JOY Monthly Meeting</b> Sunrise Assisted Living Home Visit Practice	2:15PM - 4:30PM
<b>Sunday December 7th</b>	<b>The Ladies Philoptochos Monthly Meeting</b> Contact Philoptochos President Niki Lelis (nlelis@cox.net) or VP Cynthia Smith (silvercps@hotmail.com) for more information.	7:30PM
<b>Friday December 12th</b>	<b>HOPE &amp; JOY Event @ Loudoun Hospital</b> Meet in the front lobby of Hospital	3:45PM - TBD
<b>Sunday December 14th</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b> No Sunday School. 3rd Annual Christmas Pageant. Please join us as our Children perform a wonderful Christmas Pageant for all of us to enjoy. Brunch with Santa after Christmas pageant.	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Sunday December 21st</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b> No Sunday School Classes	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Wednesday December 24th</b>	<b>Christmas Eve – Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil</b>	6:00PM
<b>Sunday December 28th</b>	<b>Orthros Divine Liturgy</b> No Sunday School Classes	8:30 AM 10:00 AM
<b>Wednesday December 31st</b>	<b>Vespers Liturgy of St. Basil</b>	6:00PM

# “Why Do We Have to Go to Greek School?”

Like many of you, my employer requires that I attend meetings, seminars, workshops and the like that will help in my job. As a Parent Liaison for the Loudoun County Public Schools, my job is to act as a communication bridge between parents and the school on any number of issues. Recently, I attended a meeting about how I could better communicate with families who speak a language other than English. With over 4,000 children enrolled in English as a Second Language (ESL) in the county, and over 85 different countries represented in my own elementary school, I found it very informative.

The speaker, Al Evangelista, is an Italian immigrant and Director of ESL for Loudoun County. His presentation only underscored what I have believed all along. That while it is difficult to leave your homeland and immigrate to a new country, you adapt to certain things faster than others. Clothing, food, climate, living conditions are among the easiest adaptations. It is the language, however, that is among the last and hardest thing to change. Why? because a person’s language identifies who they are, where they come from. In essence, a person’s language **is** them.



If you have ever traveled internationally and got to “people watch” (a favorite pastime of mine) you may have seen people from like countries meeting each other in a foreign land. What is the first thing people do when they discover they are the same nationality? They don’t compare clothes or go out for their native food, they immediate talk to each other in their common language. The language of their homeland. The language of them.

So when my own daughters ask me “Why do we have to go to Greek school? We don’t speak Greek at home.” I gently remind them that Greek is the language of our church, the language of their Papou and Yiayia, the language of their culture, the language of their past and the language of who they will become. It is the language of them.

I know in these economic times it may be hard to justify the expense of Greek language school. Believe me, two children in Greek school is a tough sell to my husband, Mr. Dorn. However, in my opinion, Greek language school is not an after school activity where you paint pots or string beads. What Greek school does is teach a skill that remains as long as you live. As I call it, a life skill.

Even though classes have begun, we still have openings in our school and I would urge any parent who has been on the fence about Greek school to enroll their children. We are very fortunate to have five smart, dedicated and gifted teachers who are devoted to providing your children with the best Greek language education. We are blessed to have them and this program and we as a community should work to ensure its success. Your children may thank you one day. At least that’s what I tell my kids.

Susan Dorn

Director, The Greek Language School

*Registration forms for Adult and children’s language classes can be found on our web site or in the church reception area.*

## Announcements

On behalf of the Alexandrakis Family and myself, I would like to thank everyone for their love and support on the passing of my partner, Peter Alexandrakis. Love, Niki Lelis

# Catechetical School

This year the Sunday School students in each class are involved with various activities. Each teacher has worked very hard to ensure that the students are actively learning about our faith. Here is a synopsis of some of the things the students by grade:

## **Pre-K/Kindergarten**

Miss Donna's Pre-K/Kindergarten class is learning a lot of new things this year! Some of the things we are learning include: the Lord's Prayer both in English and Greek; how to cross ourselves; what we see, do, and how we are supposed to behave when in Church; how our families are important; and how our lives at home should reflect what we do and say at Church. We will also learn about some of the major feast days (such as Christmas and Pascha), why we celebrate them, how we celebrate them, and why they are important to us.

## **1st Grade**

Miss Joanne's first graders are looking forward to another fun year. We are continuing our focus on the Lord's Prayer. Most of the children can recite it from memory and now we have focused on the meaning. We are also examining our day to day activities that we do to help us become better Christians. Our last few lessons have focused on The Fruits of the Spirit and how God wants us to help others.

## **2nd Grade**

Miss Valerie's 2nd Grade class has been learning all about themselves. They have been learning how we believe that God has made every person very special. That God helps us to learn every day. They learned that the Bible teaches us how to live. That God cares about how we feel. That God wants to help others. With this lesson the students were given a chart on how they can help at home. The students also learned how we can help others during the year. Also the students have been learning that we should always be thankful to God. With this lesson the students learned how Noah was thankful to God when he and his family got off the ark.

## **3rd and 4th grades**

Miss Carol's 3rd and 4th grade students are currently learning what it means to become disciples of Jesus Christ through giving of themselves, and their faith. We reach out to our church, our community, and internationally, through the International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) and the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC).

## **5th and 6th grade**

Miss Melisa's 5th & 6th grade students are currently learning the Symbol of the Orthodox Faith which is the Nicene Creed. They are memorizing each line but also learning the greater meaning. The students are discussing the history of the Creed and gaining an understanding of its significance to Orthodox Christians.

## **7th – 9th Grade**

Mrs. Kendrat's 7th-9th grade Sunday school class is very busy. The main focus of the curriculum is "What it means to be a Christian." We have briefly studied some of the Father's of the Old Testament and church history of the Israelites and their slavery in Egypt, leading up to Moses and the 10 Commandments. We have discussed why God gave the Israelites the 10 Commandments, and are working our way into the New Testament and the Greatest commandment given by Jesus Christ..."You shall love the LORD your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind and you shall love your neighbor as yourself." Matthew 22:37-39. This Greatest Commandment will be the foundation of our study of "What it means to be a Christian."

## **10th-12th grades**

Mr. Zangos' students in the senior grades are learning how the Gospel principles apply in today's society. The teachings of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ are just as relevant today as they were two thousand years ago. As Orthodox Christians we are to be equipped with the truths of our faith, and know how to apply them as we enter into adulthood and have to deal with life's daily challenges.

The Sunday school teachers would like to thank you for giving us the opportunity to help you in the spiritual growth and development of your children. Please don't hesitate to contact us if you have any questions about what your children are learning.

# Contact List

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# S t e w a r d s h i p

## 2008 HONOR ROLL OF STEWARDS

As of October 19, 2008

\* New stewards since last newsletter shown in bold

Questions? Email: [crebok@comcast.net](mailto:crebok@comcast.net)

# of Stewardship Families	Total Pledged (\$)	Stewardship Received (\$)
126 total (40 new, 86 returning)	\$143,790	\$118,113

Steve & Kristin Adams  
 Mark & Andrea Alexander  
**Peter, George & Steven Alexandrakis**  
 Christos & Tracey Alexandrou  
 Spiro & Eftychia Anthony  
**Theodore & Martha Apostolou**  
 Bill & Nancy Aubin  
 Nick & Lynne Avdellas  
 Luke & Valerie Avramides  
 Mitch & Jeanette Aydlette  
 Ronald & Mina Baldinger  
**Daniel & Barbara Balkey**  
 Robert & Marina Blair  
 Tim & Diane Boone  
 Matthew and Dina Brady  
**John & Penelope Broening**  
 Chad & Julie Burke  
 Chris & Joanne Canellos  
**Pete & Elena Chambers**  
 Greg Cherpes  
 Nicholas & Hilda Christos  
 Edward & Alexis Cleveland  
 Dean & Maria Coulopoulos  
**Panayiotis & Athanasia Dacey**  
 Chris & Misty Damvakaris  
 Michael & Sophie Delpierre  
 William & Helen Demestihas  
 Aristos & Anna Dimitriou  
 Christos & Helena Dimitriou  
**Michael & Aspacia Dintini**  
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 David & Susan Dorn  
 John & Maria Drapas  
 Anna & Bruce Dressel  
 Dean & Lia Economou  
 Martin & Donna Egan  
 Ioanna & Zenon Epaminonda  
 Carol & James Epperley  
 Kosta & Irene Fostieris  
**Vasilios & Joan Fotopoulos**  
 Gary & Lillian Funk  
 Frank & Melisa Galasso  
 Francis George  
**Anthony & Carol Georgelas**  
 Angeline Gillas  
 Evangelia Gonzales  
**Michael & Sophia Grinnan**  
 Nick Grivas

Nick & Dorothy Harris  
 John & Eugenia Hobson  
 Katherine Hoenig  
**Jimmy & Catherine Hontos**  
**Mary Ivie & Oscar Basiliko**  
 Nicholas & Helen Jougas  
 Andrew & Vasiliki Kaffes  
**Fr. John & Presv. Michelle Kalantzis**  
 Themis Kalaris  
 Alex & Trisha Kantsios  
 Nicholas & Constantina Kass  
 Bill & Kathy Kendrat  
 Catherine Kesari  
 Dimitri & Yolanda Kesari  
 John & Paula King  
 Marianne Koukli  
 Jim & Dee Koutris  
 Mike & Effie Koutsouras  
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 Ernest & Helen Kyriazi  
 Nick & Elaine Lailis  
**Alexandra Lampros & Hal Hallet**  
 Nikoleta Lelis  
 Marc & Ellen Lieberman  
 Nick, Alice & Nellie Louh  
**Stephen & Marianne Lunceford**  
**Zachary & Paula Malachias**  
 John & Ismini Manuel  
 Angelike Maoury  
 Stan & Julie Maoury  
 Evangelia Mayer  
 George & Tina Michallas  
 George & Debra Mokhiber  
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 Vasil & Elisabeth Nika  
 Chris & Katrina Panagides  
 Aris & Georgia Papadopoulos  
**Demetrios & Dimitra Papalabrokopoulos**  
 George & Maro Paraskevopoulos  
 Sean & Kristen Parkinson  
 Eleni & Frank Pecjak  
 Jonathan & Janet Perezous  
 Andreas & Vicki Pippos  
 Louis & Athena Poehlman  
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 Arqilea & Majlinda Polo

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 Keith Pullman  
 John & Panajote Qesari  
**Nicholas & Anastasia Ramfos**  
 Elias & Vasilia Ravaris  
 Travis & Christie Rebok  
 James & Mary Rigas  
 Alex & Mia Sapountzis  
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 Frank Sofocleous  
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**Stavros & Virginia Stephanakis**  
 Peter & Moska Stratis  
 Silviu Sulita  
 Angelo & Anna Tjoumas  
 Mihail & Tanya Tomazos  
 John Tsaknis  
 Michael & Maria Tsapos  
 John & Karen Tsitos  
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 Jennifer Vlachopoulos  
 Elaine & Paul Voketaitis  
**Rev. Fr. Alexander & Kathleen Webster**  
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 Steve & Ianthe Yeatras  
 George & Timea Zangos  
 Nicholas & Carol Zangos  
 Christos & Christina Zirps

*There are still a couple of months left in the year and our 2008 pledge goal of \$150,000 is within reach. Thank you to all who have made their 2008 pledge commitments already. If you have not yet completed a 2008 Stewardship Pledge card, one can be found in the Narthex or online at [www.greekorthodoxloudoun.org](http://www.greekorthodoxloudoun.org).*

*To be eligible to vote at the upcoming November 16, 2008 General Assembly meeting, each Committed Steward must be up to date with his/her contributions for the year.*

*Thanks to all for your continued generosity and support!!*

***If not YOU...***  
**WHO?**

**STEWARDSHIP SUNDAY**  
**&**  
**GENERAL ASSEMBLY**

**November 16<sup>th</sup>, 2008**

**will be held immediately following the Divine Liturgy**

**A light lunch will be served during Fellowship Hour**

**We need all of our families to be stewards of time, talent and treasure. The Parish Council and Stewardship Committee sincerely hope you will submit your 2009 Stewardship Pledge Card at this time. Additionally, please look to sign up to be involved with the various groups, committees and ministries of the Church.**

**We need everyone's support to meet the needs of the Parish in 2009.**

***If not NOW...***  
**WHEN?**



**SAVE the DATE:**  
**Sunday, December 14**  
**BRUNCH with SANTA**

**Time: After Service and Our Christmas Pageant  
Around Noon Time**

**Where: Founders Hall, Ashburn Fire House  
Ashburn Road, Ashburn, VA**

## **Our Coffee Hour Needs Your Help**

Fellowship after Divine Liturgy is a essential component of our church community. We are in need of families to volunteer to host coffee hours from November through January. Families are also encouraged to co-host coffee hours with other families. Contact Cynthia Smith at 703-478-0522 or at silvercps@hotmail.com to sign up.

2 Nov-Jolanda Kesari and family

9 Nov-

16 Nov-Stewardship Sunday-Parish council

23 Nov-

30 Nov-

7 Dec-Niki Lelis and Cynthia Smith

14 Dec-

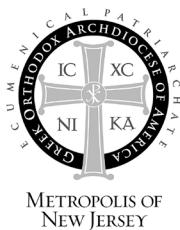
21 Dec-

28 Dec-

4 Jan-

## **GOYA NEWS**

On Saturday, November 22, GOYA plans to attend the St. George festival. There will be food, dancing, and shopping! Everyone and their families are welcome to come with the GOYANS so mark your calendars. GOYA is currently holding a food drive with the Loudoun County Interfaith organization. Please bring in canned food items and drop them off in the box in the coffee area.



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