

# The Voice of Saint Anthony

Monthly Newsletter of Saint Anthony Greek Orthodox Church

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#### Father Peter's Message



It is with great excitement that, on Sunday November 4th, our Ladies Philoptochos conjunction with our community will be hosting: "Family Outreach Sunday" (a day of Outreach and Fellowship for Orthodox Christians, Families

and Friends). This is a day devoted to bringing to church those we may have lost and those we would love to gain, making them a part of our Saint Anthony community. The first question we might ask ourselves is; "why are we, as Orthodox Christians, reaching out to those outside of our parish?" Quite simply, bringing others to God is a vital part of our Church's mission of salvation. And, I believe, as I hope you do, it is essential that we not keep our faith a secret anymore. There is a popular book written by an Orthodox Priest entitled "Orthodoxy, A Well Kept Secret." In his work, the

author correctly states that we have the true faith (which is what Orthodoxy means), however we do not do a very good job of delivering our message to people in this country. It is indeed a well kept secret from mainstream America. Thus, it is important that we reach out to our inac-Orthodox Christians, searching for the true faith, and to the "unchurched," by meeting their needs through the love of the Church. Our own Archbishop Demetrios addressed this issue when he was quoted as saying " It is the Parish, in the local community which has been, is, and will forever be the central, indispensable agent for offering our Orthodox faith to contemporary America."

What should be our vision for our community's future? I believe we should open our new church doors and invite people from outside in. The parish is the presence of the Universal Church. It is called to witness to those within and those outside the community of believers.

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Orthos 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

#### **Church office hours:**

Monday-Thursday 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Friday 9:00 am to 12:00 Noon

Closed on Saturday & Sunday

#### **Publication Reminder:**

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## President's Message



Our 2007 Pasadena Greek Fest was a resounding success, thanks to the collective efforts of many dedicated parishioners. It was truly a community event. Though I remain disappointed that we did not have someone step forward to Chair the event, last year's

Co-Chair, Julie Balas, and I were able to work as a team to make sure everyone accomplished what they needed. I want to thank Julie for all of her dedication, effort, and love for St. Anthony. We were very fortunate to have her take a leadership role once again for our community.

Many, many other parishioners gave their time, treasures and talents to host a beautiful event. We were forced into our mid-September dates this year, due to the availability of the kitchen staff, but we could not have been more blessed to have landed on the best weather weekend in September. As I saw the rain fall the following Saturday, I shuttered to think about the impact it would have had on all of our hard work.

There are so many people to thank and I will not be able to list everyone who so generously gave their time and financial support. Please know how grateful the community and I are to each of you for everything you do. There are few people, however, that were so instrumental in making things happen, that I would be remiss in not personally thanking them here. Charlie Christodoulelis, another one of our past Festival Chairs, always makes sure the tents, equipment, crews, and so much more happen. Dena Romios was an amazing gift as she worked tirelessly in the weeks leading up to the Festival to procure so much of the foods and supplies - much of it through donations. Nick Demopulos

took a couple weeks off of work to make sure things got done, no matter how big or little the task – Nick did so with a smile. Again, there are so many others who deserve special thanks.

As we now begin plans for our Golden 50th Anniversary Greek Fest, I am hopeful that we will announce a Chair or set of Co-Chairs in the coming months.

In September, we also all came together for Father Stathi's One-Year Memorial. It is hard to believe that one year has passed already, but it was truly magnificent to see the church filled and seeing his legacy thrive. He would have been so proud to see how much we've accomplished and have grown this past year. He wanted so much for St. Anthony, and he truly saw the potential we held as community. For me, the most moving part was seeing all of those Altar Boys and Sunday School children gathered up at the Altar with Father Peter during the Memorial Service. Father Stathi so loved the children and he wanted us to move forward as a community and build upon the foundation created over the past 50 years.

Finally, we are at a point where we have installing our new Church Doors. The journey has been long and with the generosity of so many people, we raised the funds needed to begin this project. The doors have been under construction at the manufacturer, Sicola Inc., for the past 6 months and we started installation on October 1st. The installation has now been completed and our beautiful doors stand tall.

Steven Pappas Parish Council President



#### Fr. Peter's Message (Continued From Page 1)

If we really believe that the Orthodox faith contains the fullness of the Truth, then we have the great responsibility - the Great Commission - to share it with all people. We are commanded by Christ to "Go therefore and make disciples of all nations.." He commissioned us to transform the parish into an agency of Christian outreach.

The American culture offers us great opportunities to conduct successful parish renewal, outreach and evangelism. I believe it is time for a new beginning and a renewed effort to inspire creativity in our extended community. It is our responsibility not to hide our light under the bushel, but to let it shine before all people, especially the people we can most easily effect, those in Southern California.

So, in practical terms, what should we all do on Outreach Sunday? The most important thing is to make a commitment to attend church on Sunday, November 4th. The church should be <u>full</u> to show that the church community is full of life, full of vigor, and that the Holy Spirit is alive and working in our community, which it is. We should also make every effort to be in church by <u>10:00AM!</u> We know that we will be finished worshiping and completed by 11:30AM. Certainly we can devote an hour and a half to worshiping God and showing our guests that God is a priority in our lives. Let's all make that commitment to

God and to our church. If possible, we should invite someone to the service. We all know people who have strayed away from our church, someone who is disenchanted with their current church, or even someone who is unchurched. Remember it is our obligation as a church to be the ambassadors of our church. Did you know that family members have the greatest influence in persuading an unchurched person to come to church. And did you know, that a decision to return to a church is usually made within a few minutes after arriving at the church. Finally, we all need to be meeters and greeters on that day; true ambassadors.

Family Outreach Sunday will be hosted by our devoted and committed Ladies Philoptochos. As always, we thank them for their love and devotion. Essentially, however, it is up to all of us to bring and welcome all those who attend on November 4th. We should heed the immortal words of St. John Chrysostom, "Each of us has an apostolic mission to arouse the fervor of the Spirit in our brothers and sisters." I longingly look forward to seeing all of you at Family Outreach Sunday.

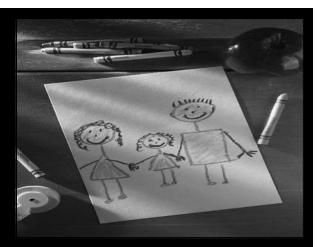
In Christ,

Fr. Peter



# Family Night

November 2, 6:30 pm
Join us for dinner & fellowship
Bring the entire Family
Join in the FUN!



# Honoring Our Past... Building Our Future

With the blessing of His Eminence
Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco
The Saint Anthony
Capital Campaign Committee
Invites You To

A Special Evening with His Eminence

Celebrating the exciting progress toward our New Saint Anthony Community Center

St, Anthony Hellenic Cultural Center 778 So. Rosemead Blvd. Pasadena, California

Friday, November 16, 2007

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Seating is limited
Please R.S.V.P. by November 9, 2007
to Mrs. George Koudanis

1601 Grandridge Ave. Monterey Park, CA 91754 323-721-8862

\$50.00 per person

Make checks payable to St. Anthony Greek Orthodox Church We are looking forward to seeing all of you there!



# Family Outreach Sunday

A Day of Outreach & Fellowship for Orthodox Christians, Families and Friends.

On Sunday, November 4th the Parish Council, the Outreach Committee, and the ladies of Philoptochos, and our entire parish will host

#### **OUTREACH SUNDAY**

As Saint John Christostom said in 396 AD, "Each of us has an apostolic mission to arouse the fervor of the Spirit in our brothers and sisters."

Each of us knows a family member or friend who has fallen away from active participation in the life of the Church. We encourage all active members to reach out to inactive family members and Orthodox friends to join us for a special Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship in our Church Hall.



For additional information & resources visit www.outreach.goarch.org

#### **Metropolis News**

#### Metropolis of San Francisco Launches New Website

September 27, 2007

The Metropolis of San Francisco announces the launch of their newly designed website located at <a href="https://www.sanfran.goarch.org">www.sanfran.goarch.org</a>. This new site includes an updated Calendar of Events for the Metropolis, Current News, Encyclicals and Speeches from Metropolitan Gerasimos, as well as a comprehensive list of ministries within the Metropolis of San Francisco.

This website was designed by Joel Sullivan, a sophomore in the Masters of Divinity program at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. Sullivan grew up in Portland, OR, and attended the University of Portland, graduating in 1998 with a BS in Electrical and Computer Engineering. He worked as a computer programmer in San Diego for eight years prior to enrolling at Holy Cross. While in San Diego, Sullivan was a member of the St. Gregory of Nyssa parish in El Cajon, CA.

Through the generous support of the Bishop Anthony-Philoptochos Seminarian/Student Aid Endowment Fund, students from the Metropolis of San Francisco attending Hellenic College/Holy Cross School of Theology receive substantial funding for their tuition, room and board and associated expenses. Students are then asked to contribute 100 hours of community service to the Metropolis of San Francisco or one of its ministries. Because of Sullivan's tremendous technical background, he was a perfect candidate to lead this important project for the Metropolis. The Bishop Anthony-Philoptochos Seminarian/ Student Aid Endowment Fund was established in 1986 and continues to be a tremendous source of support for the young men and women from the Metropolis of San Francisco who attend Hellenic College/Holy Cross.

In addition to Sullivan's excellent work and attention to detail, the Metropolis extends its thanks to the staff of Internet Ministries, especially Jamil Samara and Andrew Constantinou, for their support and assistance in sharing design ideas, technical help, and facilitating the successful implementation of the ModX Content Management System.

#### Message from His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos

September 27, 2007

Let them praise His name with the dance; Let them sing praises to Him with the timbrel and harp. (Ps. 149:3)
Beloved brothers in the Lord; Instructors, parents and participants of the annual Folk and Choral Festival:

The importance and value of the FDF ministry cannot be overstated, for it provides our young people an opportunity to experience the power, truth and beauty of our rich Faith and Culture. Through FDF, we encourage and perpetuate our rich Greek heritage, and our devotion to the Greek Orthodox values as they are practiced within our Churches. Truly, the only appropriate response for all of this is song and dance.

Our Faith and Culture are meant to be shared with all people. Therefore, we must make sure to successfully hand down the tradition of our forebears to the new generations so that they too will offer the rich treasure of the Orthodox faith and Greek culture to our society. FDF is one means towards this end. It is my hope that this ministry will continue to remain true to its purpose and vision, but this cannot happen without your involvement. It is with this in mind that I request your presence at one of the following regional meetings that will be held in the upcoming months in order to discuss the future and vision for FDF:

Portland: Sunday, Oct. 21, 7pm-9pm, Holy Trinity Cathedral; (503) 234-0468

Oakland: Monday, Oct. 29, 7pm-9pm, Ascension Cathedral; (510) 531-3400

Los Angeles: Tuesday, Nov. 12, 7pm-9pm, St. Sophia Cathedral; (323) 737-2424

I am requesting the presence of all priests, dance instructors, parents and dancers. I am deeply grateful for your dedication and love for this ministry. All those planning to attend need to contact their parish priest a week prior to the meeting. Together as co-workers in the Lord's vineyard, let us come together to ensure that FDF continues to expose and instill the treasures of our Faith and Culture to the next generation of Greek Orthodox faithful.

With Paternal Blessings, Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco

#### INITIATED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF OUTREACH & EVANGELISM

Garrison, NY – The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Department of Outreach & Evangelism is pleased to announce the Annual Family Outreach Sunday. This program encourages active parishioners to invite inactive family members and Orthodox Christian friends for a special day of fellowship and spiritual renewal. Many are aware of Orthodox friends and relatives that have fallen away from active involvement in the Church. Jesus Christ calls each one of us to engage in active outreach to these relatives and friends. Archbishop Demetrios of America refers to this calling as "...a particularly integral aspect of our Orthodox Christian identity that is worth our cultivating, cherishing and sharing."

Family Outreach Sunday has been developed in cooperation with the Ladies Philoptochos Society and the Center for Family Care at Saint Basil Academy, and is modeled on successful Outreach Sundays carried out in the parishes of Birmingham, Alabama and Milwaukee, Wisconsin. All parishes are encouraged to choose a Family Outreach Sunday in November that best fits their parish calendar.

National Philoptochos President Georgia Skeadas included an outline of this program in her fall letter to the local chapters in which she encouraged all to support and participate in Family Outreach Sunday efforts in their parishes. Mrs. Skeadas describes this initiative as "a noteworthy program that the National Philoptochos Society wholeheartedly endorses and supports."

Father Constantine Sitaras, Director of the Center for Family Care at Saint Basil Academy has praised Family Outreach Sunday as "...an excellent complement to our efforts to affirm the importance of the family as a blessed gift from God and to address the specific needs of families as they try to live in a very challenging culture and world." Father Sitaras sees Family Outreach Sunday as a "win-win" proposition for all involved and hopes to see the program become an annual parish event. Information and Family Outreach Sunday posters have been sent to all parish clergy throughout the Archdiocese.

Program materials are available on the website of the Department of Outreach & Evangelism at www.Outreach.goarch.org. Our Parish will host Family Outreach Sunday on November 4th

Did you know that family members have the greatest influence in persuading an unchurched person to come to church?

(Source: Surprising Insights from the Unchurched by Thom S. Ranier)

# Who will you bring to church on Family Out Reach Sunday?

A Day of Outreach & Fellowship for Orthodox Christians, Families and Friends

On Sunday, November 4th our parish will host OUTREACH SUNDAY.

"Each of us has an apostolic mission to arouse the fervor of the Spirit in our brothers and sisters." ~ Saint John Christostom 396 AD ~

#### **Philoptochos News**

Congratulations to the newly elected St Anthony philoptochos executive board and board members with Maria Kokoris as President. We have many exciting activities planned for the coming year. A very special thank you to the previous board and officers for their devoted service to Philoptochos and our community.

We would like to thank Maria and Jim Kypreos for opening their lovely home to Philoptochos for an afternoon tea honoring Presbytera Aida last month. This very successful event was attended by over 70 ladies.

Please plan to support the National Philoptochos Children's Medical Fund Luncheon on Saturday, November 10, 2007. This momentous event will be held at the Fairmont Hotel in Newport Beach. Proceeds from this event will help children afflicted with life threatening illnesses; children's hospitals and children's medical programs. For reservations contact Marina Kookootsedes at (949) 855-4437.

#### **Community Outreach:**

Volunteers are needed to serve dinners at Pasadena Union Station on thefirst Wednesday of each month. A generous donation from a dedicated St. Anthony parishioner has made it possible to continue with this worthwhile program. For information, please contact Irene Albeck at (626) 792-8122.

#### **Coffee Hour:**

The Church Coffee Hour needs your help. Please call Maria Kypreos at (626) 914-6269

to sign up to host a Coffee Hour after Church on Sundays. It is a nice way to promote fellowship and welcome new members to our church family. Donations collected during Coffee Hour are used as a "Church Altar Fund" which helps to purchase the many needed items for our Church such as altar boy robes, religious books, and many other items needed in our altar.

Sunday, November 4th we will be honoring the National Patron Saints of Philoptochos, Cosmas & Damianos by hosting the Coffee Hour. We will also be celebrating Family Outreach Sunday, by continuing to encourage all families to come to church and worship together and to participate in the many programs available at St Anthony.

#### **Christmas Benefit Luncheon:**

Mark your calendar now for St. Anthony Philoptochos Annual Benefit Luncheon and Fashion Show to be held on Saturday, December 8, 2007 at The Ritz-Carlton Huntington Hotel in Pasadena.

Proceeds from this year's event will benefit City of Hope Breast Cancer Research, the Pasadena Neighborhood Family Center, the Families in Transition Program and several other community charities.

For reservations and information please call Dorothea Malina (818) 241-9533 or Tashia Vagenas (626) 792-9939.

Submitted by Pamela Buzas

#### **Philoptochos Prayer**

God, who has made all men in Thy likeness and lovest all whom Thou has made, reconcile us with one another and with Thee, and as Thy son and our Savior was born of a Hebrew mother, but rejoiced in the faith of a Syrian woman and of Roman soldiers, welcomed the Greeks who sought Him, and suf-

fered a man from Africa to carry His cross, so teach us to look upon the members of all races as fellow heirs of the Kingdom of Jesus Christ Our Lord, thy only begotten Son, Savior and Lord and Redeemer, the Kingdom of Love, Peace, Grace and Immortality, Amen.

#### **Greek Fest 2007 Sponsors and Donors**

We sincerely thank all of our generous friends who have helped make Pasadena Greek Fest 2007 our most successful ever. Final figures will be provided at our General Assembly Meeting on December 2<sup>nd</sup>.



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#### St. Anthony Mentoring Program (SAM)

We are gathering names and contact information of people that would be interested in participating in the St. Anthony Mentoring program (SAM) that is in the process of forming.

We would like to counsel our youth in the areas of college selection, academic guidance and career advice. Your experience and training can help provide useful insight, knowledge and advice to our youth as they

navigate college and career paths.

We are endeavoring to hold our first event on Friday, January 11, 2008.

Please contact Ted Vavoulis

tvavoulis@vweconomics.com

626-862-5093

ASAP if you would like to volunteer.

#### **Greek Dance Diakonia Project**

# KIDS HELPING KIDS AT ST. ANTHONY'S SECOND ANNUAL WALK-A-THON

On Saturday, Oct. 13, St. Anthony's Greek Folk Dance Groups held its second annual walk-a-thon to benefit the National Philoptochos Children's Medical Fund. Over 60 enthusiastic walkers from our community registered to walk, run, or ride around the pedes-

trian path outlining the beautiful Brookside Golf Course in Pasadena.

The walk-a-thon raised about \$3,300 for the Children's Medical Fund. Also in lieu of walking, many generous donations from parishioners were received appreciatively. Thank you to all who participated and supported this worthy cause.

# Save the Date! St. Anthony's FDF Preview Night on February 9, 2008! More details to come!



#### **Moms N Tots**

Moms N Tots classes meet every Monday morning from 10-10:45 am. Ages 6 months to 4 1/2 years old are welcome to join in. Activities include crafts, singing, story time, playtime and much more!

Come join the fun, there is no preregistration necessary!

#### **SPECIAL EVENT**

On Monday, October 29th we will be having a Halloween/Fall Celebration. The children are welcome to wear their costumes. We will be welcoming back Michele Prappas to run the program that day. Don't miss out on the fun!



For more information about Moms N Tots please contact Nicolette Fuerst at 626-458-9816 or email nicolette8868@yahoo.com.





The St. Anthony GOYA has been organized and has met twice during the month of October.

The first meeting was following Family Night where GOYANS came up with possible events for this year. They were very enthusiastic about forming their group. Everyone participated by suggesting fun outings, service projects and social interchurch activities.

The second meeting was a fireside chat at the Vavoulis Home where the GOYANS had dinner with Father Peter. Dinner was followed by a getting to know each other activity along with conversation and s'mores by the fireplace.

There are already about 25 young people in the St. Anthony GOYA. If you have not been able to attend any of the meetings please feel free to contact Mrs. Vavoulis at <a href="mailto:Evavoulis@aol.com">Evavoulis@aol.com</a> so you can be on the GOYA email list or call 818-730-5508.

# All 7th through 12th graders are welcome.

The GOYA will be choosing officers soon, so please join the group and become involved.

#### **FAMILY NIGHT, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND**

After dinner GOYA will have a short meeting to finalize details of upcoming events followed by a service project. GOYANS will be making blankets for children at Children's Hospital and City of Hope.

Each GOYAN was asked to bring soft fleece fabric 60 inch by 60 inch. They can bring 2 coordinating fabrics or just one. Choose patterns you think children and teens would enjoy. We will be cutting strips on end of the fabric and a knot will be tied to connect fabrics. Single blankets are OK too. Please bring in sharp fabric scissors.

Please attend this meeting even if you don't bring in fabric for project. We need lots of helping hands.

#### **GOYA TENTATIVE CALENDAR**

FAMILY NIGHT, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2ND

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER, 16th

NO MEETING

due to the St. Anthony Capital Campaign/ Metropolitan's Dinner.

#### **NOVEMBER 30th Activity TBA**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2007**GOYA meeting following Family Night dinner

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2007
GOYA Christmas Party Location and time TBA

#### FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2008

GOYA -St. Anthony Mentoring (SAM) Night following Family Night Dinner





#### **Sunday School News**

The church and the home are a team that must be supportive of one another in guiding the child's spiritual development. The home cannot do it alone. The church cannot do it alone. Together we form the team that molds the Christian conscience of our children. Parents, the Church urges you not to shirk the all-important responsibility of instilling in your child the virtues of love, giving, kindness, truth and forgiveness that Jesus taught and preached. Clothe them feed them, protect them and love them but above all do not neglect their spiritual development. This alone can provide the Christcentered inner peace and well being that is essential to God's children the challenging world today. We thank you for actively sharing with the Church in the important responsibility of your child's spiritual growth and development.

Yours in Christ, The Catechetical Teachers of Saint Anthony

Margaret Vagenas and assistant Stefanie Angelopoulos, Preschool, Mrs. Nikki Zacharias Millward and Mrs. Irene Albeck, Kindergarten/First Grades, Mrs. Angie Stavros, Second/Third Grades, Mrs. Jenny Tsouvalas and assistant Helene Tripodes, Mrs. Dena Tripodes, Sixth/Seventh/Eighth grades, Mrs. Maria Grover, High School, and Mrs. Judith Christopoulos, a vital instrument in our Sunday school program, a renaissance individual.

\*\* Please be sure to complete registration forms, primarily for the safety of your children and for communication between Sunday school and families.



## **BIBLE BOWL**

# SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2007, SAINT NECTARIOS CHURCH, COVINA

Bible Bowl is opened to all sixth graders through high school.

#### What is Bible Bowl?

Bible Bowl is a Pan Orthodox program that brings together young people from other Orthodox Churches as well as our Greek Orthodox Church.

#### How can I participate?

Go online to Saint Anthony's website and print out all the information you will need to study.

Wow! That is more than I want to study. Yes, it is a lot of information but when you are with friends it becomes interesting and study time becomes times. Pick an area of interest and study that area. A must read is the story of Saint Xenia. A favorite and his icon is in our church, Saint Haralambos, Matthew, Chapter 5 you will remember from your second/third grade lessons. Man landed on the moon on the date we celebrate the feast date of this Saint, his story is in 3 Kings Chapter 19, and some of you made drawings of the Seven Ecumenical Councils in your middle school classes. Well, I am going to stop here. Come join your friends, Dr. Kokoris, Mrs. Christopoulos and others for a great time while learning about your church and Bible.

We will be an awesome team!

# Sunday School Schedule 2007-2008

September 9 Registration Begins

November 18 Turkey Raffle

December 16 Christmas Program
March 16 Saturday of Lazarus
April 25 Holy Friday Retreat

May 4 Godparent Sunday (Note new date)

June 8 Last day of Sunday School

#### No Classes **Classes Meet** September 16 (Festival) September 23, 30 October 7, 14, 21, 28 Nov. 25 (Thanksgiving) November 4, 11, 18, Dec. 23, 30 (Christmas/New Year) December 2, 9, 16 Feb. 17 (President's Weekend) January 6,13, 20, 27 April 27 (Pascha/Easter) February 3, 10 24 May 25 (Memorial Day Weekend) March 2, 9, 16, 23, 30 April 6, 13, 20 May 4, 11, 18 June 1, 8



"Let the little children come to me, and do not hinder them, for the kingdom of heaven belongs to such as these. Matthew 19:1

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#### **Stewardship**

1.Rev. Peter & Presv. Aida Stratos 2.Presv. Maria Mylonas 3.Adamopoulos, Virginia &Peter A. 4. Akopiantz, Aphie 5. Akrotirianakis, Barbara & Nicholas 6.Akrotirianakis, Joseph N. 7. Albeck, Gregory 8.Albeck, Irene 9.Alex, Helen & Larry 10. Andreou, Patricia & Panicos 11. Andrianopoulos, Alex 12. Angelopoulos, Angela 13. Angelopoulos, Vassilis & Christianakis, Mary 14. Angelos, Nicholas 15. Angelos, Sophia & James 16.Anton, Helen & Gus 17. Arapostathis, Mary 18. Athanasoulis, Tina & Chris 19. Athans, Tina & Dean P. 20.Attalla, Maryam 21.Attalla, Philip "Ted" 22.Bacoyianis, Sotiria 23.Balas, Julie & Dino 24.Baliotis, Tina & Demetrios 25.Becker, Connie & Brian L. 26.Becronis, Christina 27.Betinis, Harriet J. 28.Bicos, Eleni & Chris 29.Bicos, Kalli & Dino 30.Bicos, Marietta & Steve 31.Bicos, Mary & Soterios 32.Bicos, Sophia & Corvelo, Steve 33.Bissias, Michele & Peter N. 34.Bogosyan, Margarita 35.Bonorris, Donna & Pete 36.Bonorris, Helen 37. Bowers, Connie & Terree 38.Bozikis, Demetra 39. Broussinos, Angeliki & Chris 40.Brown, Niki 41.Burkard, Penelope & Frank J. 42.Buzas, Pamela & John 43. Caire, Terese & John 44. Caranikas Hurrell, Alexis 45. Chames, Anastasia D. 46.Chames, Jim 47. Christie Christina 48. Christodoulelis, Eva & Charles 49. Christodoulelis, Helen 50.Christodoulelis, Tanya & Jim 51. Christodoulou, Christine & Chris-52. Christopoulos, Judie & Gus 53. Christopoulos, Karen & Tom 54. Christopoulos, Louie 55.Christopoulos, Lynette & Anthony

56.Christy, Angene

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58.Coccia, Tina & Joe 59. Cocores, Christine & Ted 60.Cokias, Karen & Jason 61.Coroneus, John 62. Courlas, Elaine C. 63. Courlas, Georgia & George 64.Courlas, Marianna 65.Covey, Richard & Pappas, Diane 66.Cristofi, Marion & Pete 67.Cusimano, Dionthe & Jim J. 68.Dallas. Athena & Soterios 69. Dallas, Petra & Greg 70. Damilatis, Eleni & Demetrios 71.Darlas, †Argyro & Tom 72.Darlas, Kim & Bill 73. Darlas, Laura & Taso 74. Darlas, Paula 75.Darras, Mary Ann 76. Daughters, Janine & Chris 77. Deligiannis, Susan & †Fotios 78. Demetriades, Elizabeth & Demetrios 79. Demetriou, James E. 80.Demopulos, Elizabeth & Andrew 81.Demopulos, Nick 82.Demos, Anna 83.Demos, Nick & Maria Karras 84.Dewar, Mary & Andrew 85.Diamond, Anastasia 86.Dieguez, Kiriaki & Marvin 87.Dimitrakopoulos, Efterpi & **Panagiotis** 88. Dimitrakopoulos, Pete 89. Dogris, Julie & Nicholas J. 90.Drulias, Esther & James 91.Drulias, Roseann & Bill 92. Dupas, Katherine & George 93. Dupas, Vangie & Ted 94.Efstathiou, Theodora & Dean 95.Fletcher, Wendy & Emanuel John- 151.Karvelas, Marina & Kosta 96.Fryer II, Kay & Norman L. 97.Fuerst, Nicolette & Jay 98. Galanis, Myrtice & John 99. Gallagher, Eleni & Matthew 100.Gatsoulis, Dorothea & Philip 101. Gavalas, Cleola & George 102.Gelt, Pana & Brian 103. Gerontides, Angela & John 104. Giakas, Vasiliki 105. Giannoulias, Eftehia & Andreas 106. Giannoulis, Anna & Tony 107. Gianopoulos, Dorothea & George 164. Kirimis, Nitsa & John 108. Gittings, Maria & Bryan 109. Grafos, Tania & Tom 110.Grover, Maria & James 111.Hagelis, Bill 112.Haile, Knoit

113. Halias, Joanne & John

114. Halias, Sara & Louie 115. Halkias, James T. 116.Haralambos, Aliki 117. Haralambos, Anthony & Kathleen 118. Haralambos, Page & Tom 119. Harper, Christina 120.Harris, Klio & Nick 121.† Hasabalas, Helen 122. Hatzidakis, Christi & John 123. Hickey, Vasiliki & David 124. Horaites, Anthony M. 125. Horaites, Kalliope 126. Housos, Dena & Gus 127. Hronas, Maria & James 128. Huffaker, Donna 129. Jacovides, Helen 130.Johnsen, Eleni & Robert 131.Kades, Christine 132.Kades, Vicki & Louis 133.Kalambakas, Nick P. 134. Kalivas, Anastasia 135.Kalivas, Elene & George 136.Kalivas, Pota & George N. 137.Kallas, Debra & Mark 138.Kallis, Larry 139.Kalyviaris, Joanna & Socratis 140.Kamar, April & Bassily 141.Kanakaris, Heather & Nathan Aceves 142. Kaparos, Lily & Stefanos 143.Kaplanis, Joan & Peter 144.Karagias, Helen & Tasos 145.Karaioannoglou, Jeanne & Phae-146.Karalexis, Demetra 147.Karamaras, Andriana & John 148.Karatzas, Chris 149.Karatzas, Mersina & John 150.Karvelas, Esther & Mike 152.Kasdagli, Dimitra & Mark Nastri 153.Katem. Basil N. 154. Katopodis, Georgia & Aristotle 155.Katsas, Alexandra 156.Katsas, Asimina & Andreas 157. Katsenis, Peter 158.Katzaltzes, Gina & Nickolas 159.Kefalas, Evelyn & John 160.Kefalas, Nina & Modestos 161.Kefallinos, Vicky & Nick 162.Kiotas, Stavrula & Alex 163.Kirimis, George D. 165.Kitridou, Rodanthi C. 166.Kleftogiannis, Konstantina 167.Kleissas, Athena & Nick 168.Kokoris, Maria & Nicholas 169. Kolokotrones, Carolyn & James Α.

170.Kontolefas, Nora 171.Koudanis, Helen & George 172. Koulos, Joanna & Konstantinos 173. Koulos, John 174.Koutras, Alexander E. 175.Kouvelis, Katherine & Peter 176. Kundanis, Christine 177.Kundrat, Joseph 178.Kvitne, Kaliroi & Ronald 179. Kypreos, Maria & James 180.Lagousis, Kendra & Ted 181.Lakon, Christa & Paul 182.Lakon, Valerie & Peter P. 183.Lanergan, Xenia & Philip 184.Lappas, Andrea 185.Lappas, Virginia & Dino 186.Ledis, Stella & René 187.Livanos, Parise 188.Loutsos, Anna/ Loutsos, Georgia & Grajeda John 189.Lucas, Anthia & John 190.Lucas, Katherine 191.Lykos, Tina 192. Macris, Catherine & George 193. Makris, Maria & Ted 194. Malahatis, Sophia & Mike 195.Malamis, William J. 196. Malina, Dorothea 197. Malisos, Fontaine 198. Mallis, Mary Ann & Paul 199. Maloof, Heba 200. Manousadjian, Sonia 201.Martin, Sam & Debbie 202. Mastrodemos, Susan & Nikolaos 260. Poulos, Yiota 203.Mathioulakis, Claudia & Stan 204. Mavredakis, Vivian & George 205. Mavridis, Angela & Peter 206.McClain, Anastasia & Terrell 207.McGregor, Kristen & Rick 208.McNulty, Jennie & Christopher 209. Mechalas, Bessie 210. Menemenlis, Kate & Dimitris 211. Messerotes, Vera 212. Millward, Niki & Steve 213. Mitropoulos, Venetia & Nick 214. Mitsos, Irene & Nicholas 215. Mobayen, Chrissa & Syrus 216. Moreno, Eva Elizabeth 217. Moutzouridis, Vasiliki & Peter 218. Mowrey, Anthony 219. Mowrey, Robert D. 220.Nelson, Eric L. 221. Nichols, Joyce & Jim 222. Nicklaus, Eleni & Brian 223. Nicolaidis, Nicolas 224.Nikolaidou, Maria 225.Nunez, Alyssa & Angel 226. Palamiotis, Thetis & Nicholas A. 227.Pamphilis, Kim & John 228. Panagiot, Anastasia & Harry 229. Panagiota copoulos, Aliki & Nick

230. Papadatos, Sophia & Taki 231. Papavasiliou, Chrisoula & Sotirios 232. Pappas, Alex P. 233. Pappas, Carolyn & Anastasios 234. Pappas, Cathy & Peter 235. Pappas, Christine & Steven N. 236.Pappas, Hope & Constantine 237.Pappas, James P. 238. Pappas, Jennifer & Dean 239.Pappas, Michelle & Peter J. 240. Pappas, Peter A. 241.Pastis, Leah & Arry 242. Pastis, Louis 243. Pastis, Patricia 244. Pastis, Vivian & Gust 245.Patzakis, Andrea & John 246. Pavlis, Mary & Eleftherios 247. Paziouros, Konstantina & Nick 248.Pegadiotes, Georgia & Sam 249. Pegadiotes, Ioanna & Stelios G. 250.Pegadiotes, Maria & George S. 251.Pegadiotes, Stan S. 252.Perris, Gregory D. 253. Peterson, Caterina & Donald C. 254. Petropoulos, Anastasios & Eleni Tsaggouri, 255.Petrossian, Stacy & Rafic R. 256.Petrov, Michelle & John 257.Pla, Thena & Fernando Jr. 258. Polychronis, Eleftheria & Theodore 259. Poulopoulos, Jenny 261.Randall, Victor 262.Rellos, John 263.Rigas, Harula & Jerry 264.Riley, Evangelia & Thomas 265.Rouman, Ann A. 266.Roybal, Eric & Anna Corona 267.Roumbos, Popi 268. Sahpazis, Georgia 269. Saigh, Mark & Suchy, Mara 270. Sakellariou, Vasileia & Dimitris 271.Samaan, Evett & Nader 272.Sanders, Henry 273. Sarantos, Dimitra & Khevin De Vaughen 274. Scolinos, Mary 275. Scolinos, Stephanie & Michael 276.Shankwiler, James & Alexandria 277. Siatras, Christiann & Christos 278.Skandale, Elizabeth 279.Skandale, Helen 280.Skandale, Katherine & George 281.Sohl, Lynette & Fred 282. Soewers, Stephanie & Randy 283. Spanidis, Despina & Dr. Ray-

mond Raven

284. Stavropoulos, Demetra

285. Stavropoulos, Peter & Theodora 286. Stavros, Angelina & George N. 287. Suchy, Gregoria K. & Raymond 288. Syrengelas, Sophia & Christos 289. Tangalos, Helen & Tony 290. Tarazi, Ellie & John 291.Tempesta, Christine & John 292. Theoharatos, Jeannie & Christos 293. Tisopoulos, Tara & Laki 294. Treantafelles, Georgia & An-295.Treantafelles, Helen & George 296.Treantafelles, Vivian & Stan 297. Treantafelles, Zoi & John 298. Trigonis, Fotene & Constantine 299. Tripodes, Dean S. 300. Tripodes, Dena & Nikitas 301. Tripodes, Koula J. 302. Tripodes, Mary 303. Tripodes, Steven G. 304. Tripodis, Helene & Ioannis 305.Tsagalakis, Sam & Joanie 306.Tsevdos, Alice 307. Tsigkounis, Catherine & Charalambos 308.Tsouvalas, Jenny & John 309.Udria, Mary & Juan 310. Vagenas, Eleni & Peter K. 311. Vagenas, George 312. Vagenas, Georgia & John 313. Vagenas, Janet & Peter 314. Vagenas, Joella & Nick 315. Vagenas, Margaret & Spiros 316. Vagenas, Nicolicha & Vasilios 317. Vagenas, Sophia 318. Vagenas, Tashia & Alex 319. Vallas, Valerie 320. Varelas, Maria & Gus 321. Vasilomanolakis, Francine 322. Vavoulis, Esther & Ted 323. Vayos, Charlene & Nick 324. Vidalakis, Zoe & Perry 325. Vlahos, Tasia & Weldon Stama-326. Vorgias, Alma & Zacharias 327. Vorgias, Maria 328. Walker, Elizabeth & Damion 329. Webster, Jennifer & John 330.Wojcik, Pamela & Radoslav 331. Wood, Cindy & Grant 332.Xanthos, Lisa 333.Xanthos, Pantele 334.Yagjian, Anita & Michael 335. Youlios, Frieda 336.Zanetos, Alison & Dean 337.Zanetos, Christina 338.Zanetos, John 339. Zarifes, Tina & Peter J. 340.Zoumas, Christine & Michael

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# General Assembly Meeting & Stewardship Sunday

**December 2, 2007** 

Please plan on attending!