

THE ASSUMPTION CONNECTION

May
2018



MORNING BIBLE STUDY	Mondays	10:30—12:30pm
PHILOPTOCHOS MEETINGS.....	Bi-Monthly Meetings	
GOYA MEETINGS	TBA	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION .. K-7.....	Sundays	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—PREK.....	Sundays	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—ADULT.....	TBD	
PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS.....	2nd Wednesday of the month	6:15 pm
FISH FRY	Fridays	3:00—8:30pm
VOLUNTEER @ CENTER FOR HOPE.....	3rd Wednesday of the month	11:00—1:00pm
GREEK DANCE PRACTICE — TEENS.....		TBD
GREEK DANCE PRACTICE — KIDS.....		TBD
CHOIR PRACTICE	1st Thursday of the month	6:00 pm

MAY 2018

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- 5: Blessing of the Buses 11-1 pm
- 6: Last day of Religious Education
Family Roller Skating 1:30 pm
- 8: Philoptochos Meeting 1:00 pm
- 9: Parish Council Meeting 6:15 pm
- 12: Baptism of Irene Leighton 4 pm
- 13: 40 Day Memorial for Nick Kondyles
DOP sponsoring Mother's Day cake
- 16: Center for Hope 11-1 pm
- 17: Divine Liturgy Ascension of Christ 10:30 am
- 19: Katheryn Menoutes 1 Year Memorial 11:30 am
AHEPA/DOP District Convention, 5:30 pm
in Ann Arbor, MI
- 20: 40 Day Memorial for Sandy Bachakes Kraemer
DOP Honoring High School & College Graduates
- 26: Baptism of Alexander Hountalas
- 27: PENTECOST!

JUNE 2018

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- 13: Parish Council Meeting 6:15 pm
- 20: Center for Hope 11-1 pm
- 23: Super Draw Raffle & Donkey Races

Prosphoron Schedule

May

6: Steinhoff, Olga
13: Stergiopoulos, Mary
17: Stickley, Bill & Lesley
20: Stone, Paula
27: Vergos, Nitsa

June:

3: Vitinaros, Nick & Effie
10: Kovanis-Wilson, Todd & Loukea
17: Wright, Jeff & Kay
24: Yeotis, Art & Susan

July:

1: Yeotis, Catherine
8: Yeotis, Hon. Thomas & Meg
15: Yiannatji, Helen
22: Yiannatji, Irene
29: Zaravelis, Fani

Please make 4 loaves of Prospora and bring them to church by 9:30 on the morning of the service. Be sure to include your lists of names to give to Father for the prayers: one list is for those who are living and the other for those who have died. If you choose not to make Prospora, please send a check to the church for \$20 made payable to “*Philoptochos*” with a note stating it is for Prospora. Be sure to include your list of names. If you have questions, please contact Athena Kalatzis at 694-4295.

Therefore, confess your sins to one another and pray for one another, that you may be healed. The prayer of a righteous person has great power as it is working. — James 5:16

PLEASE PRAY FOR:

Elizabeth Barrows; Tina Holland’s Father; George Giannouris;
Nikolaos Karabinas; Mary Kottalis, Dino Kondyles;
Chryssoula Kondyles; Ted Lowe; Achilles Marks;
Charlie Paraschos; George Pappadakis and Gloria Watson

HOLY CONFESSION

Wednesdays 3—5 pm

Fridays 3—5:30 pm

OR BY APPOINTMENT

To schedule an appointment, call Fr. Angelo at 810-471-0316

From Fr. Angelo:

JOB OR MINISTRY?

"...so in Christ we who are many form one body, and each member belongs to all the others. We have different gifts, according to the grace given us... let him use it in proportion to his faith. If it is serving, let him serve; if it is teaching, let him teach; if it is encouraging, let him encourage; if it is contributing to the needs of others, let him give generously; if it is leadership, let him govern diligently; if it is showing mercy, let him do it cheerfully." Romans 12:5-8

Now that Pascha has arrived and each of us have been infused with the Light of Christ it is important that this energy be used in a Christian and purposeful way. Service, when used in the context of Church, is referred to as a *ministry* since that work has the dual purpose of accomplishing a necessary task within the church but also equally important it is a silent evangelizing to others who see that work and are inspired to join in. However in order to be properly called a ministry we must be careful to distinguish it from a "job". Oftentimes when we approach and perform a task it's hard for others to tell the difference between doing a job and performing a ministry? On one side you see parishioners time and time again joyfully doing tasks others wouldn't even consider doing... even for a salary. Others you see go about their tasks at the church with the same look on their face as you would see on a worker at a slave labor camp. So let's begin by looking at some examples of ministry vs. job:

If you are doing it because no one else will, it's a job. If you are doing it to serve the Lord, it's a ministry. Most of us can relate to having had to do things we could barely stand to do, but it needed to be done and we stepped up. Ideal? Hardly. But it's that reality of "staying until the work is done" that creates in us a vision which can lead to real passion. The Old Testament Book of Hosea is a wonderful example of this. The prophet Hosea is called to take as his wife a woman whose reputation is less than honorable (Hosea 1:2). Not quite the "soul mate" Hosea was looking for, but in obedience to God he takes her as his wife. Further, God commands Hosea to stay by his wife as she consorts with other men, and he does. We are all called at times to do that which is less than a glamour job, but as Hosea did, we need to understand that the higher purpose is our obedience to God and the needs of His Church.

If you do it because someone else said it needs to be done, it's a job. If you are doing it because you see that it needs to be done, it's a ministry. Here as our example is that reluctant prophet, Jonah. At God's calling, Jonah fled out to sea and had himself flung overboard during a storm to face certain death. But God's Will shall be done and He provided salvation to Jonah through a great fish, and had him brought back to Nineveh to complete the task He had commanded. (Jonah 1-3:2)

If you're doing it just good enough to get by, it's a job. If you're doing it to the best of your ability, it's a ministry. Doing something just well enough can sap all the joy out of any task. Look for

the higher purpose and focus on that as the goal. However, on the other side of that argument is the reality that as created beings, perfection is beyond our capability. I can testify to many things that have been done at our Church this past year that were done "just well enough", not because of lack of desire but because just well enough was better in those instances than not at all. It is a reality that growth and transformation in a church can be very messy and chaotic. Trying to achieve perfection becomes an overwhelming impossibility causing unnecessary strife so that sometimes "better done than perfect" is appropriate.

If you'll do it only so long as it doesn't interfere with other activities, it's a job. If you're committed to staying with it even when it means letting go of other things, it's a ministry. We have some at our Church who are giving from deep reserves of energy and resources that are far beyond what we think of as a typical contribution of time and effort. They sacrifice other activities in their lives for the betterment of our church and as such become a wonderful "light" to remind us of what is truly important. But taken to extremes, this seemingly productive drive can create an imbalance in that person's overall life. We need to be attuned to recognize this imbalance, in ourselves and others, and correct parts of the ministry that are unduly interfering with other critical activities (family life, work, leisure) and allow permission to correct the imbalance. This is why delegating and multiplying involvement is so vital.

If you quit because no one praised you or thanked you, it was a job. If you stay with it even though no one seems to notice, it's a ministry. True...but not realistic. People need to be thanked every now and then and we should recognize and personally thank those who have donated from their God-given gifts. St Paul himself faced this same issue as he spoke to the Romans and Thessalonians who were suffering at the hands of those opposed to the Christian faith: *"Therefore encourage one another and build each other up, just as in fact you are doing. Now we ask you to respect those who work hard among you..."* Romans 1:12 and 1 Thessalonians 5:11.

The ministries offered in our church here in Grand Blanc are many and varied and are meant to appeal to different tastes and desires...*and there is room enough for everyone's talent.* As we begin the new year (as reckoned from the joy of Christ's resurrection), let us take time to consider the gracious Gifts each of us has been given by our Lord, and consider what how we can apply them to the many ministries here at the Assumption Church. And remember, if you have a calling or an idea for a ministry we don't currently offer please let me or any of our Parish Council members know, as there's always room for more of His Grace to abound.



FEED THE BUS, FEED OUR STUDENTS

1 in 3 Grand Blanc students receive free or reduced lunches (2,500+ children)
1 in 3 Grand Blanc students **DO NOT** receive these 2 additional daily meals during the summer months

HELP US FILL OUR PANTRY FOR THE SUMMER

Needed: Non-perishable food items

Needed: hygiene, paper, cleaning, laundry products
(these items cannot be purchased using Food Stamps)

FEED THE BUS

SATURDAY, MAY 19, 2018

from 9 am – 3 pm

GB HIGH SCHOOL PARKING LOT



Partnering with **GENISYS CREDIT UNION** to benefit the Grand Blanc FISH Food Pantry – open to all residents living in the Grand Blanc Community School District



Contact: fishofgrandblancmi@gmail.com or Barb at 810.293.4828

(FISH is a 501 (c)3 All Volunteer Organization)

ALL DONATIONS STAY WITHIN THE GRAND BLANC COMMUNITY

Xristos Anesti! Christ is Risen!

It is always so nice to see all the children attending and participating in the Holy Week services and the Agape service every year. The annual Easter Egg hunt was able to be held outside this year. The kids had a great time looking for the eggs. Thank you to all the Dad's that made sure the eggs were "hidden" well for the children to find.

Our kids have continued to have much success with the bake sale table each Friday at our Fish Fry. Total sales for the month of March were \$829. Please remember we are assigning weeks for all Hope, Joy, & GOYA parents to bake items for the Bake Sale. Items need to be at church by Friday at 2:00 pm. If you are unable to bake on your assigned week please make a \$20 donation for supplies and we will bake for you. It is also **very imperative** that you let us know the week before that you are unable to bake so that we can plan for the baking. The schedule again is as follows:

May 4 th – Photiou	June 1 st - Carpenter
May 11 th - Smith	June 8 th - Federick
May 18 th - Stavritis	June 15 th - Grousopoulos
May 25 th - Batsios	June 22 nd – Hagler
	June 29 th - Haralambous

Please remember that the proceeds of these bake sales go towards all the fun events that we hold for the kids throughout the year as well as their charitable events. These charitable events include supporting our churches mission each month in the lunch serving at Catholic Charities Center For Hope and the 200 gift bags that the children put together at Christmas for the clients at the Center For Hope.

Religious Education classes will finish up for the year on May 6th and we will hold RE Graduation on Sunday, May 13th. We are very proud of all our students and the hard work they have done throughout the year in learning about our Faith. We look forward to seeing everyone back in the classrooms in September. We will be having a family roller skating day on Sunday May 6th at 1:30 for all the children in our program.

Sincerely,

Religious Education Committee

Lori Photiou, Vivian Federick, Ageliki Carpenter

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

SUPER DRAW

\$20.00 Per Ticket

1st Prize: \$3,000 2nd Prize: \$2,000

3rd Prize: \$1,000 4th Prize: \$500

5th Prize: \$300

Drawing held on June 23, 2018 during the
Assumption Greek Races & Dinner at 6:00 .m.

Dinner Ticket is \$25 per person in advance or \$30 at the door

If 500 tickets are not sold the drawing will convert to a 50/50 drawing.

Need not be present to win.

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FAITH * FRIENDSHIP * PEACE * LOVE



ONLINE REGISTRATION NOW OPEN
for Campers and Staff

VISIT **GOMDSC.ORG** TO REGISTER

Program for Young Adults (Entering Senior Year or College):

Week Zero: June 24 – June 30, 2018

Programs for Youth Entering Grades 3-11:

Week 1: July 1 – July 7, 2018

Week 2: July 8 – July 14, 2018

Week 3: July 15 – July 21, 2018

Week 4: July 22 – July 28, 2018

Week 5: July 29 – August 4, 2018

PHONE: (248) 909-MDSC (6372) * gomdsc@gmail.com

Please Join Us for the Second Annual – **Blessing of the Busses**



In keeping with the spirit of “The Blessing of the Bikes” please join us for **The Blessing of the Buses!**

The Particulars: Open to all. Especially VW Buses Owners across all generations and types of Bus, This is a rain or shine event with a covered cookout to immediately follow.

The festivities continue with an evening party at Groveland Camp Ground

When: Saturday, May 5th 2018; 11:00AM

Where: Assumption Greek Orthodox Church

2245 East Baldwin Road; Grand Blanc, MI 48439

Contact and RSVP: Jim Christopher: 810-217-1280 cell

jtchristopher@Comcast.net

A small donation of \$10 per person is suggested to help cover the cost of the cookout



PLEASE ANSWER GOD'S CALL TO HELP THOSE IN NEED!
THE KITS WILL BE ASSEMBLED ON:
SUNDAY, MAY 20TH - DURING COFFEE HOUR

1. Buy a one-gallon plastic bag with a zipper closure and fill it with the following items:
 - One hand towel
 - One washcloth
 - One comb
 - One nail clipper or metal nail file
 - One bar of soap (bath size)
 - One toothbrush (NO TOOTHPASTE)
 - Six Band-Aids
2. Secure kits in a box and download the IOCC Emergency Kits Coupon to fill out and include on the outside of each one.
3. Clearly mark the outside of the box with the words "Health Kit", apply the correct amount of postage (It will cost about \$2-\$3 per kit to cover the cost of shipping to the (warehouse) and mail the box to the following address:

IOCC/Church World Service
Brethren Service Center Annex
601 Main Street
PO Box 188
New Windsor, MD 21776

Be sure to include the name of the parish,
group or individual sending the kits on
the box.

Love in Christ,
Your parish representative,
Ruth Karabina



Daughters of Penelope May News

Help us honor all graduates from

High School,

College,

and

Graduate School

on

May 20,

after church



We are also honoring all Women of the Parish on Sunday, May 13th, so be sure and attend.

PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY

Christos Anesti! We hope you had a wonderful Easter!

Our next meeting will be **Tuesday May 8, 2018 at 1:00** at the church. Hostesses will be Tessie Komodromos and Olga Steinhoff.

We are looking for volunteers to help set up, serve and clean up on future Sunday's at the coffee hour. If you want to help, please contact Diana Lillar, at 989-739-2289.

Thank you,
Diana Panos-Lillar
President



*Happy
Mother's
Day*



American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association

Flint Chapter #141

2245 E Baldwin Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439

May 2018

Dear Brother Ahepans, and fellow Assumption Parishioners,

Xristos Anesti! Christ is Risen! Happy Easter and Happy Spring!

It looks like winter is finally behind us, and we are ready to move onto the next season of growth and renewal, (I hope with warmer temperatures too). High school and college graduations are upon us also, and we will be acknowledging them both, as well as announcing the recipients of the Ahepa/Daughters Scholarship, with a presentation at the church. See bulletin for details.

Ahepa Sunday is to be held on Sunday, May 20, 2018. This is an opportunity where the Archdiocese recognizes the contributions made by the Ahepa/Daughters Family and their members throughout their churches, local communities, nation, and worldwide. We will be offering a luncheon after church, as a fundraiser to continue our local efforts for the coming year.

This year the Ahepa District #10 Convention is being held Saturday, May 19, 2018 in Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Please contact me if you want to attend and/or share a ride. I am hoping we can make a strong showing from Flint for this event.

We are still in the planning process for a poker/cigar/whiskey night. As well as organizing philanthropic activities to assist with our local community senior citizens. Details to come at a later date.

Our church is in need of volunteers for the next Spring Clean-up. Please pitch in any way you can and look for details in the bulletin or contact Cathy Yeotis to see how you can help. Also, Bro. John Hountalas is planning to apply asphalt pavement sealer in several areas of the parking lot and looking for volunteers to help out. Contact him for coordination dates and times.

Since the last newsletter, a few more people expressed an intent to join the chapter. Hopefully we can initiate them and a few more at our next chapter meeting. They were inspired by the renewed enthusiasm they heard about, and look forward to new future events and activities. Please share the news and invite others to join the organization.

If anyone would like to join the organization or would like additional information, please contact me at jnlcosta@sbcglobal.net or call my cell phone (810) 730-7989.

Fraternally,

MORTGAGE DRIVE

(FROM 4-1-2017 TO 4-1-2018)

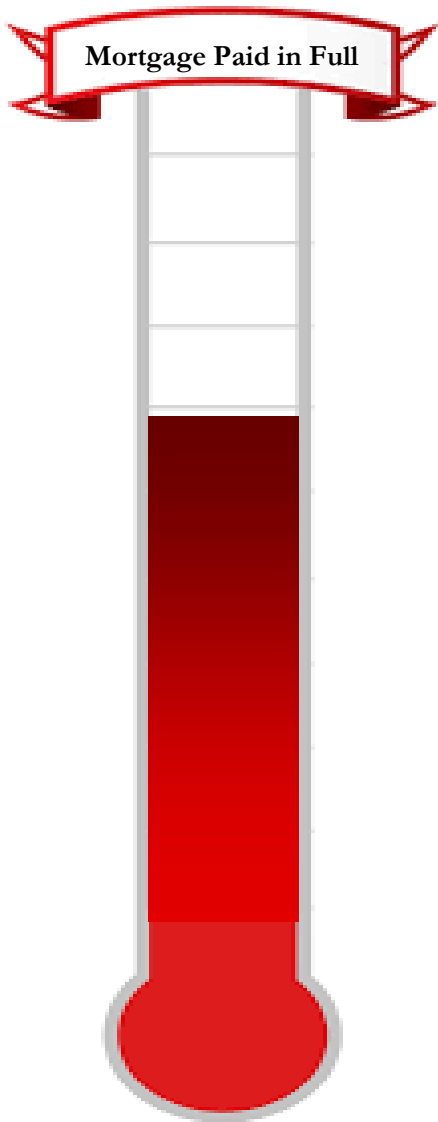
The following individuals and organizations have contributed this year to the Mortgage Drive:

1. Dr. Nicholas Bakris
2. Karen Begley
3. Andy Brown, Jr.
4. Dennis & Debra Chinonis
5. John & Linda Chinonis
6. James & Liz Christopher
7. Helen Dalbo
8. Mark & Penelopi Drolet
9. Dimitri & Brittany Hountalas
10. John & Tasia Hountalas
11. Yanni Hountalas
12. Agape Kallis
13. Penny Kallis
14. Athena Kalatzis
15. John & Karen Kaloydis
16. Nikolaos & Stephanie Karabinas
17. John & Karen Kaloydis
18. Pavlos & Ruth Karabinas
19. Jeff & Nancy Lauster
20. Susan MacPherson
21. Fr. Angelo & Presvytera Teri Maggos
22. Dr. George & Aleka Mandelaris
23. George & Laura Mersinas
24. Electra Nicolaou
25. Carol Photiou
26. Lucas & Lori Photiou
27. Mike Potsos
28. Steve & Martha Poulos
29. JoAnne Schultze
30. Bill & Lesley Stickley
31. Angelos & Betty Vlahakis
32. Robert & Clarita Wexstaff
33. Robert Wilson
34. Catherine Yeotis
35. Hon. Thomas & Meg Yeotis
36. In Memory of Helen Anagnos
37. In Memory of Christ & Margaret Anastor
38. In Memory of Elaine Bakris
39. In Memory of Tim Bograkos
40. In Memory of Cleo Contos-Coulacos
41. In Memory of Rose DeShano
42. In Memory of London Eisenbeis
42. In Memory of Kristina Erickson
43. In Memory of Lou Glampetioni
44. In Memory of John Helton
45. In Memory of John Jimos
45. In Memory of Tony Karakitsos
46. In Memory of Tom Lamberson
47. In Memory of Sue Lauster
48. In Memory of Richard Leach
49. In Memory of Kathryn Menoutes
51. In Memory of Michael Michaelou
52. In Memory of Aristoteles Panos
53. In Memory of Niki Panos
54. In Memory of Pauline Preketes
55. In Memory of Brian Salutes
56. In Memory of Tommy Stergiopoulos
57. In Memory of Cleo Tarlas
57. In Memory of Gus Vergos
58. In Memory of Sandra Zemore
59. Daughters of Penelope
60. Religious Education
61. V.I.P.'s
62. Assumption Catering
63. Blessing of the Buses
64. Chili Cook-Off
65. Food Sales for Mortgage Reduction
66. Sunday Brunch
67. 2nd Tray
68. ABC Auto Repair
- ¹⁴69. Excel Dental/MI Implant Solutions

Mortgage Drive:

In 4 years, we have reduced our mortgage balance more than \$200,000 due in part to the generosity of you, our parishioners, through donations and mortgage drive brunches, and the Greater Flint Orthodox Endowment Fund, in addition to our regular monthly payment. Every donation made is applied directly to reduce the principal balance. Thank you all for your continued support in reducing our debt. With our regular monthly payments and your continued support, we are on track to pay off our mortgage in 4 to 5 years.

Parish Council



As of 2-31-18 our
balance is:
\$354,012.53

Thanks!

Your generous donations to the Mortgage Reduction Drive have reduced our mortgage balance by:

- \$1,000.00 in March 2018
- \$8,405.00 for calendar year 2018
- \$201,061.65 since we started the mortgage drive in 2013.

INCOME AND EXPENES FOR MARCH 2018

INCOME FOR MARCH 2018

Fish Fry Income	\$19,879.29
Poker Night Income	\$8,599.00
Misc. Income	\$5,465.17
Stewardship Income	\$8,968.32
Trays/Candles	\$1,809.51
<i>Total Income for March 2018</i>	<i>\$44,721.29</i>

EXPENSES FOR MARCH 2018

Church Monthly Operating Expenses	\$21,939.00
Church Miscellaneous Expenses	\$2,580.64
Fish Fry Expenses	\$11,533.26
Poker Night Expenses	\$3,376.00
<i>Total Expenses for March 2018 (unaudited)</i>	<i>\$39,428.90</i>

<i>Variance for Month</i>	<i>\$5,292.39</i>
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2018 MEMORIAL DAY CEMETERY BLESSINGS

(Monday, May 28th)

Father Angelo will be performing the cemetery blessings in the order and times listed below. Those wishing for Father to visit another cemetery may call the church office to make arrangements. Please list the names of your loved ones down below for Father to commemorate at the gravesite.

Sunset Hills Cemetery at 9:00 a.m. (Section 3 Right of Chapel)

G- 4413 Flushing Rd., Flint, MI 48504

Crestwood Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. (Garden of Calvary)

2020 E. Hill Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439

Evergreen Cemetery at 11:00 a.m. (Section 11 – 3rd Block)

G-3415 E. Hill Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439

Great Lakes National Cemetery at 1:00 p.m.

4200 Belford Rd., Holly, MI 48442

Gracelawn Cemetery is by appointment only.

NAME OF DECEASED - ΟΝΟΜΑΤΑ ΝΕΚΡΩΝ

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The Archangel Gabriel Greek Orthodox Church in Traverse City broke ground on their new sanctuary and community hall on Sunday 22 Apr, 2018.

The church has not had its own building to this point, and had been using other buildings for its church services.

The groundbreaking was performed by Fr Ciprian Streza, presiding priest of Archangel Gabriel Orthodox Church, and Metropolitan Nicholas Metropolitan Nicholas of Detroit, assisted by Fr Alex Radulescu.

Hi Eminence Bishop Nicholas stated that *"...what's unique is that we have begun this groundbreaking process which opens up the whole future for this community."*

The ceremony started with a brief service outside at the church's location in Williamsburg off US-31. Priests then anointed the site by pouring holy oil on a cross-marked stone tablet before getting to work with some shovels. The construction of the new church is being funded entirely by donations. A completion date has yet to be determined.

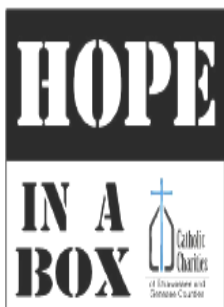
Below is the artist's conception of the new church.



HAPPY
Mother's Day



1. Gold Child Size 3 Booty
2. White & Red Beaded Necklace with cross



Need of the Month
Genesee County

May:
Hand & Bar Soap



FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

BUDGET PERIOD
02/20/18
Accrual Basis

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of Flint Profit & Loss Budget Overview January through December 2018

	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>
Ordinary Income/Expense	
Income	
Revenue And Other Support	
Gross Receipts -- Iconography	7,200.00
Gross Receipts - Building (Cap)	4,800.00
Gross Receipts - Donations	30,000.00
Gross Receipts - Fish Fry	48,000.00
Gross Receipts - General	144,000.00
Gross Receipts - Golf Outing	25,000.00
Gross Receipts - Poker Night	15,000.00
Gross Receipts - Raffle Income	56,250.00
Gross Receipts - Trays/Candles	15,400.00
Total Revenue And Other Support	<u>345,650.00</u>
Total Income	345,650.00
Cost of Goods Sold	
Cost of Goods Sold	
Purchases - Fish Fry	29,280.00
Purchases - Golf Outing / Fees	4,800.00
Purchases - Golf Outing/ Prizes	3,200.00
Purchases - Poker Hall	9,520.00
Purchases - Raffle / F&B	6,500.00
Purchases - Raffle / Payouts	22,400.00
Total Cost of Goods Sold	<u>75,700.00</u>
Total COGS	<u>75,700.00</u>
Gross Profit	269,950.00
Expense	
Advertising	3,500.00
Bank Service Charges	900.00
Building and Property Security	1,200.00
Contributions - Gen Charities	4,000.00
Continuing Edu- Seminars & Conv	4,960.00
Continuing Edu - REC	1,000.00
Contributions - Cath Charities	4,650.00
Contributions - Metropolis	1,200.00
Credit Card Settlement Fees	1,200.00
Dues & Subscriptions	500.00
Dues & Subscriptions - Parish	28,211.00
Equipment Rental	3,240.00
Flowers & Gifts	9,000.00
Honorariums	870.00
Iconography	600.00
Insurance Expense - General	5,880.00
Insurance Expense - Health	29,025.00
Insurance Expense - Workers Com	680.00



FROM THE PARISH COUNCIL

10:37 AM
02/20/18
Accrual Basis

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church of Flint Profit & Loss Budget Overview January through December 2018

	<u>TOTAL</u>
	<u>Jan - Dec 18</u>
Interest Expense	20,000.00
Landscaping Expenses	1,500.00
Laundry & Uniforms	250.00
Library, Books, Journals	400.00
Licenses, Fees, Permits	1,150.00
Office Supplies	600.00
Outside Services	600.00
Pension Plan	7,800.00
Postage and Shipping	1,500.00
Professional Fees	6,000.00
Publishing & Printing	300.00
Repairs and Maintenance	
R&M - Cleaning	1,500.00
R&M - Goyette	2,400.00
R&M - Lawn Care / Snow Removal	9,000.00
R&M - Other	6,000.00
R&M - Pest Control	600.00
Total Repairs and Maintenance	<u>19,500.00</u>
Salaries - General	15,000.00
Salaries - Priest	
Priest Benefits	32,400.00
Salaries - Priest - Other	41,160.00
Total Salaries - Priest	<u>73,560.00</u>
Supplies	8,000.00
Taxes	
Taxes - FICA	1,200.00
Total Taxes	<u>1,200.00</u>
Telephone Expense	2,078.00
Trash Removal	1,500.00
Tray/Candles Expense	2,400.00
Utilities	
Utilities - Comcast	3,870.00
Utilities - Consumers	19,360.00
Water	5,000.00
Total Utilities	<u>28,230.00</u>
Total Expense	<u>292,185.00</u>
Net Ordinary Income	<u>-22,235.00</u>
Net Income	<u>-22,235.00</u>



As we look around our church and her property, we see things that may need repair in the next few years. To that end, the Parish Council has started a **Property Improvement Fund**, initially funded by Fish Fry donations. The Property Improvement Fund gives everyone another option for your generous donations. Property Improvement Fund Balance as of March 31, 2018 is \$7,296.41.

NEW PROCEDURE FOR RECEIPTS

Due to the rising cost of mailing receipts for every donation received by the church, the Parish Council has established the following procedure for receipts:

When you mail in a donation to the church, or drop it off in the office, a receipt will not be mailed or given to parishioners of Assumption Greek Orthodox Church. Your cancelled check can be used as proof of your payment, as well as the contribution statement you receive from the church at the end of the year. This includes donations for stewardship, mortgage reduction, iconography, festival, cash raffle, golf outing, memorials, miscellaneous, etc.

If you require a receipt, please contact the church office during normal business hours (Tuesday – Friday 10:00 AM – 3:00 PM) or see a Parish Council member on Sunday's.

Receipts will continue to be mailed to non-parishioners.

FRIENDS OF THE METROPOLIS 2018 CONTRIBUTIONS (JAN 1—MAR 1)

Assumption Parish

Maggos, Fr. Angelo & Presvy.
Teri

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Chinonis, John & Linda

Kalatzis, Athena

Kallis, Agape

Kaloydis, John & Karen

Karabinas, Pavlos & Ruth

Schultze, JoAnne

Yeotis, Catherine

FISH FRY FRIDAY

3—8:30 PM

Come and see why our Fish Fry was voted one of the best in Genesee County. We use only Icelandic Cod



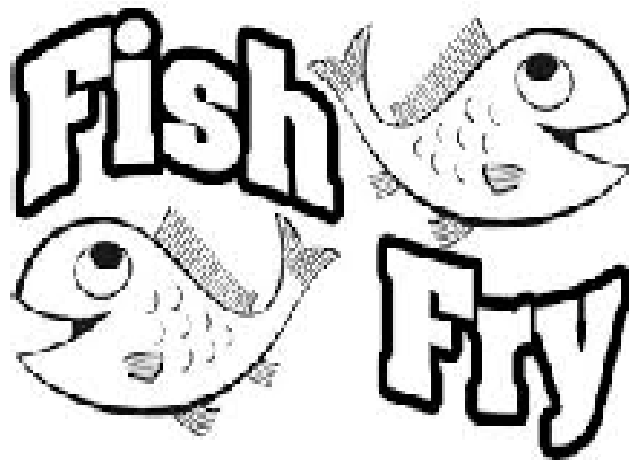
Our varied menu also offers these delicious choices:
Baked Fish * Baked Potato * Plaki * Pastitsio * Clam Strips
Chicken Strips * Fish Sandwich * Baked Chicken * Gyros
Mac and Cheese * Shrimp Basket * Greek Salad * Rice Pudding

And don't forget to support the Bake Sale to benefit
Hope, Joy & GOYA and Catholic Charities!

We welcome volunteers. Call the church if you would like to volunteer to help on a Friday night.

Teens: This is a great opportunity to earn your Community Service Hours for school.

Fish Fry Total Sales for March 2018 were \$19,879.29.



**Here is your chance to support our
Assumption Fish Fry and promote
your business at the same time!**

Advertise in our continuous loop!

\$100 for a 1 year ad!

Contact John Hountalas for details

810-701-5164

STEWARDSHIP 2018

STEWARDSHIP LIST: Your name will only appear on the Stewardship List if a filled out and signed stewardship card and a payment has been received.

Allard, Clyde & Georgia	Gintsis, Nick & Dorothy	Maggos, Stavro & Mary
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Anagnostopoulos, Nick & Anna	Grousopoulos, Lambros & Lena	Manutes, Nick & Maria
Asa, Darwin & Barbara	Hagler, Gary & Marian	Margaritis, George & Sofia
Bachakes, Katheryn	Helton, Voula	Martorelli, Sophia
Bakris, Dr. Chris	Heos, Pamela & Brancheau, Jeff	Menoutes, George
Bakris, Dr. Nicholas	Holland, Nick & Jennifer	Mersinas, George & Laura
Batsios, Eftyhia	Holland, Rick & Tina	Michaelou, Sevesti
Batsios, Evangelos	Hountalas, Dimitri & Brittany	O'Keefe, Derek & Michelle
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Bistolaridis, Antonios & Maria	Hountalas, Yanni	Pagonis, Voula
Bograkos, Tim & Sandra	Iakovidis, Tony & Vicki	Panos, Spiridoula
Bograkos, Vera	Iordanou, Bill & Lisa	Pappadakis, Nikki
Brown Jr., Andy	Joseph, Patti	Paraschos, Sam & Sandra
Burani, Paul & Vasiliki	Joynt, Elaine & Duffy, David	Pavlis, John & Pat
Carmean, Mike & Denise	Kalatzis, Athena	Photiou, Carol
Carpenter, Rob & Ageliki	Kallis, Agape	Photiou, Lucas & Lori
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Chiavaras, Lucille	Kallis, Susan	Poulos, Steve & Martha
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Chinonis, John & Linda	Kapellas, Katina	Rogind, Sally
Chinonis, Katie	Karabinas, Nikolaos & Stephanie	Schultze, JoAnne
Chinonis, Sandi	Karabinas, Pavlos & Ruth	Stamatis, Tom & Sandra
Christakis, Zach	Kitsonas, William	Steinhoff, Amanda
Christopher, Jim & Liz	Kokkinakos, Peter & Tula	Steinhoff, Dr. Stephanie
Chuleas-Williams, Anna	Komodromos, Tessie	Stergiopoulos, Mary
Clinton, Mike & Kathy	Kondyles, +Nick & Chryssoula	Stickley, Bill & Lesley
Costa, John & Laura	Kontorousis, Dimitre & Jacqueline	Vergos, Dr. Peter & Susie
Costa, Kyriacos & Vasilia	Kossaras, Dean & Joyce	Vergos, Nitsa
Dalbo, Helen	Kottalis, Mary	Vitinaros, Nick & Effie
Dau, William & Joanne	Koutrouvidas, John & Nina	Wilson, Todd & Kovanis-Wilson, Loukea
Davlatas, Alex & Alexis	Kus, Michael & Alexis	Wright, Jeff & Kay
Delbridge, Ray & Carol	Kuzmanovsky, Kosta & Shao-Chi	Yeotis, Art & Susan
Dobbins, David & Nicholas	Lauster, Jeff & Nancy	Yeotis, Catherine
Douros, Athanasios	Leighton, Matt & Argyro	Yeotis, Hon. Thomas & Meg
Drolet, Mark & Penelopi	Lillar, Diana	Yiannatji, Helen
Fahoome, Calliope	Livaditis, Argie & Angela	Yiannatji, Irene
Falaras, Mary	Liveratos-Dobbins, Dr. Maria	Zaravelis, Fani
Ferich, Andrew & Voula	Koutrouvidas, John & Nina	Zaravelis, George & Georgine
Frantzis, Kanellos & Alexandra	Lowe, Ted & Ann	
Garceau, Greg & Sia	Maggos, Father & Presvytera	

Mortgage Reduction Food Sales:

Pastitsio OR Moussaka

Half Pan — \$25.00 — Serves 9-12

Spinach Cheese Pie

Tray — \$25.00 — 15 Pieces

Olympic Greek Feta

2 1/2 pounds—\$8.00

Tiropita (Cheese Triangle)

12 Pieces — \$10.00

Grecian Style:

Green Beans
\$15

Peas
\$15

Rice Pilaf
\$10

To order, call John Hountalas
810-701-5164

ALLOW 1 WEEK NOTICE

Philoptochos Sweet Bread Sale

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SMALL \$5.00 LARGE \$8.00

CHURCH USAGE / HALL RENTAL FEES

(Approved by Parish Council Effective November 10, 2015)

For the Sacraments of Holy Marriage and Holy Baptism (there is no charge for Funeral or Memorial Services)

CHURCH USAGE FEE

Member in good standing of Assumption Church Grand Blanc – Minimum \$500 paid-up stewardship for previous year and up-to-date present year stewardship	Non-member at Assumption Church Grand Blanc
No fee for use of the church for sacraments	\$250 fee for use of the church for sacraments

Any deviation from this policy must be approved by the Parish Priest and Parish Council President and must be presented to them at least one month prior to the proposed sacrament date.

HALL RENTAL FEES

Member in good standing of Assumption Church Grand Blanc – Minimum \$500 paid-up stewardship for previous year and up-to-date present year stewardship	Non-member at Assumption Church Grand Blanc
Flat Fee of \$600 for Hall Rental (includes clean-up) If church dishes are used, dishwasher will be supplied at a cost of \$\$50 (cannot bring own dishwasher)	Flat fee of \$1,100 for Hall Rental (includes clean-up)
Members in good standing only Sunday – Thursday Hall Rental: \$300 minimum for 3 hours - \$100 each additional hour up to a maximum of \$600 Renter responsible for hall clean-up (no kitchen usage)	If church dishes are used, dishwasher will be supplied at a cost of \$\$50 (cannot bring own dishwasher)

PAYMENT IN FULL DUE 30 DAYS IN ADVANCE.

If you pay your stewardship using the offering envelopes provide in the church you must write “stewardship” on the envelope to ensure processing as stewardship. Unmarked envelopes will be considered a contribution only.



COFFEE HOUR

Each week, the Parish Council provides refreshments for Coffee Hour, and the women of the VIPs help with set up, serving and clean up afterwards as they have been doing for many years.

However, anyone (family, individual, group) can sponsor a coffee hour, be it for a birthday, anniversary, memorial, or just because. If you are interested in sponsoring a coffee hour, please contact a parish council member, or let the church secretary know during regular office hours.

If you have a collection tray for a coffee hour that you sponsor, please let a parish council member know what the funds should be used for (church general fund, memorial donation in memory of a love one, iconography fund, mortgage, etc.)

Those sponsoring a coffee hour are responsible for set-up, providing the food items, and for clean-up. Coffee, water, milk and/or juice will be provided by the Parish Council. If you would like the assistance of the VIPs in setting up, serving and clean up, please let Voula Pagonis know IN ADVANCE.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Scheduling of Memorial Services

All Memorial Services must be **scheduled through the church secretary** so that they may be placed on the church calendar.

Refreshments

Philoptochos no longer provides the refreshments. However, any family having a Memorial may sponsor the Coffee Hour and bring food.

If the family is providing food, Philoptochos will assist in set up and clean up. However, the family must contact the Philoptochos President, Diana Lillar, at least 2 weeks prior to the time the Memorial is scheduled with the church.

Koliva

If anyone is in need of Koliva, please contact Diana Lillar (of Philoptochos) for the names of those available to make it. The standard rate is \$150. **It is the responsibility of the family to arrange for Koliva.**

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION AND ANTIDORON

“With the fear of God, faith and love draw near”

Receiving the Body and Blood of Christ is a solemn matter, and a time to approach the Cup of Christ with reverence, awe and respect.

In order to provide respect for the solemnity of the Eucharist, we have established the following order for the receipt of Holy Communion:

- ◆ *Newly Baptized or Chrismated*
- ◆ *Choir Members*
- ◆ *Far Left Side Pew*
- ◆ *Main Body of church* released by the Parish Council members *by row*, starting at the **BACK** of the church. Children will receive Communion with their parents. Please remain standing in your pew until a Parish Council member releases your row to receive Holy Communion.

After Liturgy is completed, ushers will release you by row to receive Antidoron. Please go up the center aisle and exit down the side aisles, as it is inappropriate to turn your back when the Body and Blood of Christ is present at the Altar.

MEMORIAL DONATIONS

Donations made at an Orthodox Funeral service in memory of the departed are typically collected by the church, which then presents the names and final donation amount to the designated surviving family member. At that time the family has the opportunity to decide on distribution of those funds and can determine if they would like to use memorial funds to purchase an item for the church in memory of the departed from a published list of approved items. (This list will be posted in the church office). We ask that should the family desire to purchase an item they indicate this to the priest and Parish Council by the time of the 40 day memorial, otherwise those funds will be released to the operating fund of our church. Any memorial donation checks not marked “*Assumption Church*” will be distributed for the purpose indicated on the check.

ASSUMPTION GOC MEMBER POLICY

The current approved policy for Parishioner Status of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church (AGOC) of Grand Blanc, Michigan is as follows:

Parishioner - Person Baptized and Chrismated according the rites of the Orthodox Church. and attending the AGOC.

Parishioner - Member in Good Standing:

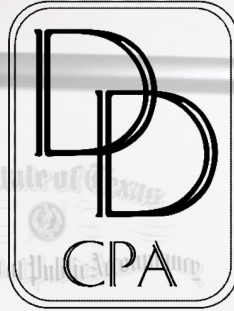
- Person in compliance with Section 1 and 2 of Article 18 of the Uniform Parish Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese.
- Person with an AGOC pledge card on file and current in pledges for active and preceding year.

In-Active Parishioner - Person not in compliance with requirements for Parishioner or Member in Good Standing as defined above.

Parishioners and In-Active Parishioners can receive all sacraments at AGOC but are required to pay church usage fee as per Page 19.

Any deviations from this policy must be approved by the Parish Priest and Parish Council President and must be presented to them at least one month prior to the proposed sacrament date.

Stewardship Policy - Only cash, check or credit card can be accepted as payment of stewardship. Donations of items or services cannot be accepted for stewardship in lieu of monetary payment.



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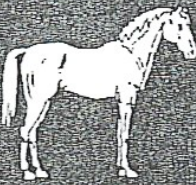
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