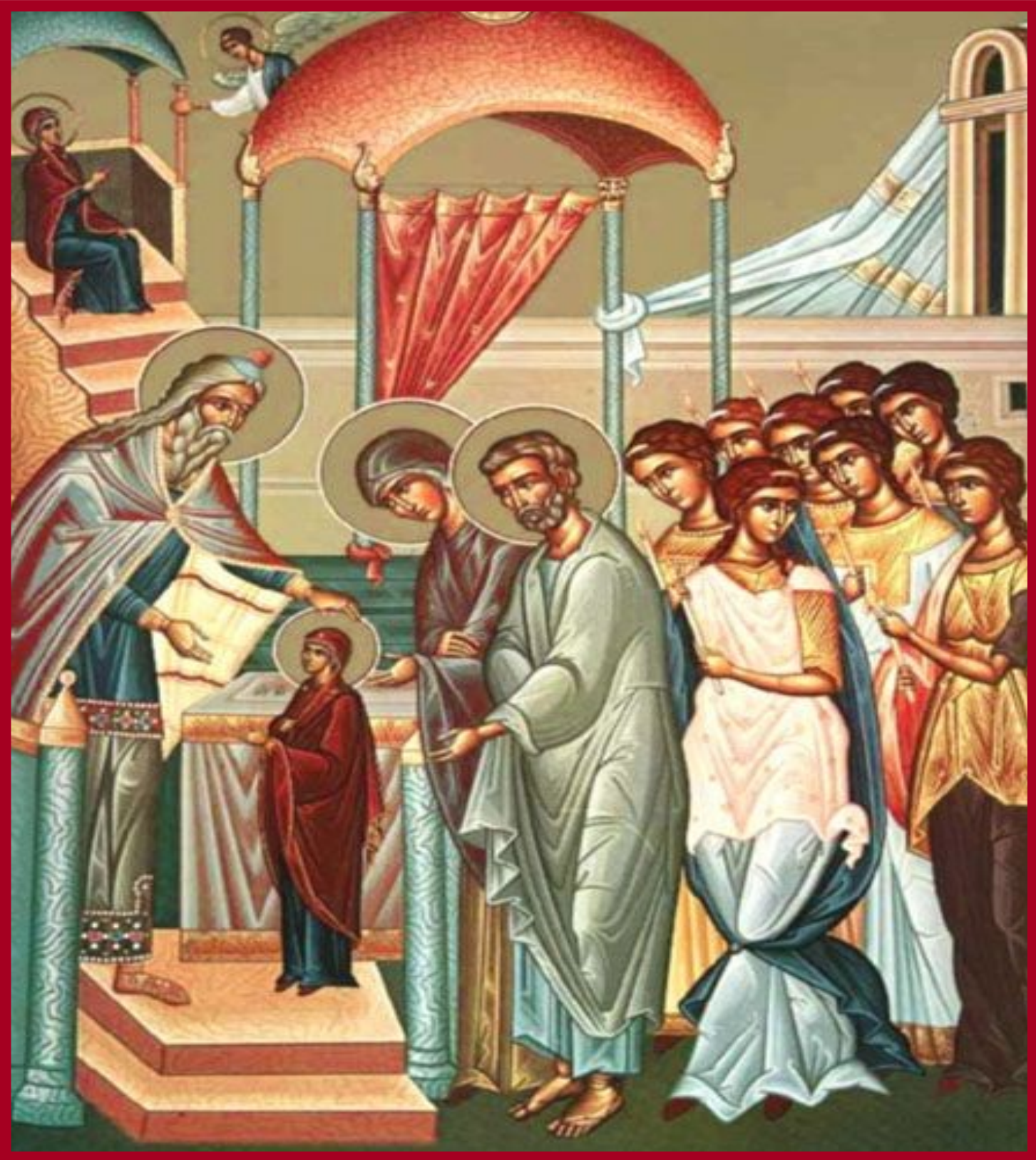


THE ASSUMPTION CONNECTION

November
2020



MORNING BIBLE STUDY	TBA	
PHILOPTOCHOS MEETINGS.	TBA	
GOYA MEETINGS	TBA	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION . . K-7.	TBA	
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION—PREK.	TBA	
PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS.	See Below	
FISH FRY	Fridays	3:00—8:30pm
CHOIR PRACTICE	TBA	

NOVEMBER 2020

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- 1: Daylight Savings Time Ends - Turn clocks back 1 hour
- 3: Election Day
Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 11 - 12 am
- 4: Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 8 - 9 pm
- 8: Fall General Assembly
- 9: Divine Liturgy St. Nektarios 10 am
- 10: Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 11 - 12 am
- 11: Parish Council Meeting 6:15 - 8:15 pm
Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 8:30 - 9:30 pm
- 12: Divine Liturgy St. John Chrysostom 6 pm
- 17: Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 10 - 11 am
- 18: Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 8 - 9 pm
- 21: Divine Liturgy Nativity of the Theotokos 10 am
- 22: Parish Council Elections
- 23: Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 11 - 12 am
- 24: Divine Liturgy St. Katherine 10 am
Virtual Orthodoxy Explored 8 - 9 pm
- 26: Thanksgiving Day - Office Closed
- 27: Office Closed

DECEMBER 2020

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
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- 3: Divine Liturgy St. Barbara 6 pm
- 9: Parish Council Mtng 6:15 - 8:15 pm
- 12: Divine Liturgy St. Spyridon 10 am
- 24: Royal Hours 9 am
Vespers Divine Liturgy for the Eve of Nativity 6 pm
- 25: Divine Liturgy Nativity of Christ 10 am
- 31: Divine Liturgy St. Basil the Great 6 pm

Prosporon Schedule

November:

- 1: Photiou, Maroulla
- 8: Politis, Rita
- 13: Potsos, Dimitrios & Stergoula
- 22: Poulos, Chris & Debra
- 29: Poulos, Eleanor

December:

- 6: Poulos, Steve & Martha
- 13: Richards, Ken & Kathy
- 20: Rivette, Matthew & Lori
- 27: Rogind, Sally

Please make 3 loaves of Prospora and bring them to church by 9:00 am on the morning of the service. Be sure to include your lists of names, both living and dead, to be read during the Proskimide (Preparation) Service: 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 "Assumption Greek Orthodox Church" with a note stating it is for Prospora. Be sure to include your list of names. If you have questions, please contact the church office, 810-771-4611.

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:

Lucas Paul; Nikolaos Karabinas;
George Pappadakis; Charlie Paraschos

Sunday Reader Schedule

November

- 1 Debra Chinonis
- 8 John Costa
- 15 Ruth Karabina
- 22 Tim Welch
- 29 Cathy Yeotis

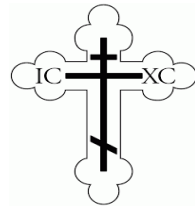
December

- 6 John Kaloydis
- 13 Debra Chinonis
- 20 Tim Welch
- 27 Ruth Karabina

If you are unable to make your assigned reading date, please contact the church office, 810-771-4611 so we can find a replacement. Thank you!



FROM REV. FR. JARROD RUSSELL



Beloved parishioners and friends of Assumption Church,

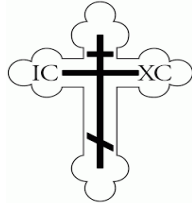
It has been a wonderful blessing to see all the faithful parishioners returning to the Assumption Church after we reopened. We look forward to seeing everyone returning in the coming days. As this is the month we celebrate the civil Thanksgiving Holiday as a nation, we should all be extremely thankful that the Assumption Church is now fully open again! Everyone is welcome to attend the Divine Services on Sundays and Feast Days. We only ask that those attending wear a face covering (with exceptions for very young children and those medically unable to wear a face covering) and observe the directions posted in the narthex.

As we return to Church, we are encouraged to arrive on time for the Divine Liturgy, which begins on Sunday at 10:00 am. Sometimes, however, we will be running late, and it is good to refresh our memory about when we can and when we cannot enter the Church during the Divine Liturgy. There are signs posted in the narthex that remind us we do not enter the Church during the following times:

1. The Small Entrance
2. The Reading of the Epistle
3. The Reading of the Gospel
4. The Great Entrance
5. The Creed



FROM REV. FR. JARROD RUSSELL



6. The Invocation of the Holy Spirit (Consecration)
7. The Lord's Prayer
8. The Entire Time (Before & During) for Holy Communion

The sign adds the General Rule that we “do not enter the Church whenever the priest is facing the congregation.” Thus, we do not enter the Church when the priest is censuring the icons and congregation, and we definitely do not enter the Church during the sermon. These are very helpful reminders for all of us. Ideally, we will not need the reminders as we will arrive on time for the Divine Liturgy so we can prayerfully seek unity with our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

My brothers and sisters in Christ, we give glory to God for all the many blessings that He has bestowed upon our families and each one of us. We demonstrate our thankfulness by worshiping Him in truth and spirit at the time designated by His Church. May our Lord Jesus Christ continue to illumine and guide our Assumption Church family.

With love in Christ,

Rev. Fr. Jarrod Russell

Hope, Joy, & GOYA Corner

We hope you were all able to watch our 1st recorded session "Back to School Orthodox reminders (Reminding ourselves how to live our Orthodox Christian faith every day and everywhere)." The schedule for the next sessions are listed below. Reminder, since we are unable to hold RE classes in our classrooms, we will be holding a session once a month after Liturgy in the church with Father and the children in attendance. These sessions will be recorded and posted on our AGOC RE Facebook page. We will then hold a Zoom session one night the week before the next session. We ask every family to do their best to participate in all these sessions. The only thing that is especially important for our children during this pandemic is to keep their closeness to their church family. The sessions and topics are as follows:

1. October 25: Thanksgiving Prayers to God (True Thanksgiving is thanking God in prayer)
2. November 22: Giving Back to God (The Entry of the Theotokos into the Temple as a model for our giving back to God)
3. December 20: Glorifying Christ at His Birth (Christ is Born! How will we glorify Him?)

Due to the current restrictions for gatherings we are unable to have our annual Christmas Tree cutting, Christmas party with Santa, Kalanda, and Christmas Play this year. We hope and pray that by fall of 2021 things will have changed with the pandemic and we will be able to once again resume our normal activities.

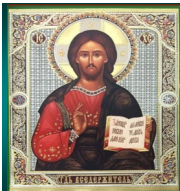
Remember all the proceeds of the bake sales fund ALL the activities we do throughout the year; provide personal needs bags for the clients of Catholic Charities Center For Hope at Christmas, support our Assumption Church in many ways such as; lunch serving at Catholic Charities Center For Hope, landscaping, maintenance, the mortgage drive, and the memorial fund. Without your help in making items for sale none of this would be possible! We will use the same method of assigning weeks like we have the last few years. The schedule is below so you can plan accordingly.

Date	Name 1	Name 2
10/2/2020	Holland	Karakitsos
10/9/2020	Kovanis-Wilson	Kraemer
10/16/2020	Leighton	Mavrikos
10/23/2020	O'Bee	Panos
10/30/2020	Paraschos	Photiou
11/6/2020	Smith	Stavridis
11/13/2020	Batsios	Carpenter
11/20/2020	Federick	Grousopoulos
12/4/2020	Haralambous	Holland
12/11/2020	Karakitsos	Kovanis-Wilson
12/18/2020	Kraemer	Leighton

Sincerely,

Religious Education Committee

Lori Photiou and Ageliki Carpenter



FROM YOUR PARISH COUNCIL

AGENDA – Fall General Assembly 2020

Sunday, November 22, 2020 – Immediately Following the Divine Liturgy

1. Call to Order PC President
2. Opening Prayer Parish Priest
3. Election of General Assembly Chairman and Secretary
4. Opening Remarks PC President
5. Approval of previous General Assembly Minutes GA Chairperson
6. Priest's Report Parish Priest
7. Treasurer Report PC Treasurer
8. Ministry and Organization Reports
 - a. Fund Raising Events Chairs of Events
 - b. Stewardship
 - c. Religious Education
 - d. Philoptochos
 - e. VIPs
 - f. Choir
 - g. GOYA
 - h. Daughters of Penelope
 - i. AHEPA
9. New Business
10. Old Business
 - a. Iconography Project Report
11. Call for Questions
12. Call for Adjournment GA Chairperson
13. Closing Prayer Parish Priest

In the interest of time and to allow ample time for a full and open discussion all ministry updates will be provided as a hard copy at the General Assembly meeting from which questions can then be asked.

Parish Council Elections



**CLICK HERE
FOR CANDIDATE**

Dear Members in good standing: The General Election will be held Sunday, November 22nd following the Divine Liturgy in the hall, from 11:30 am to 1:30 pm, following social distancing requirements. Members in good standing, in accordance with the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church member policy (see newsletter) may vote in the upcoming election. Voter eligibility also requires that you have been a member in good standing for a minimum of 3 months. Due to the social distancing requirements, please cut out the ballot below, make your selections, place it in a sealed envelope with your name clearly written on the envelope (not the ballot), and bring it to church on November 22nd. This year, due to covid-19 restrictions, you may also mail the ballots to the Church. Please be sure to indicate on the envelope that a ballot is contained so that it will not be opened until election day. All mailed ballots must be received by November 21st in order to be counted.

**ASSUMPTION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH – GRAND BLANC
GENERAL ELECTIONS – NOVEMBER 22, 2020**

OFFICIAL BALLOT

For Parish Council: Vote for up to **FOUR (4)**.
Place an (X) in front of the names of your choice.

_____	Debra Chinonis	_____	Joyce Kossaras
_____	Lori Photiou	_____	Tim Welch

Write In: _____

On the Reception of Holy Communion **by Rev. Fr. Demetrios E. Tonias, PhD**

“For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world.” (John 6:33)

At every Divine Liturgy, the priest calls the faithful to approach the Chalice and receive Holy Communion with “the fear of God, faith, and love.” Throughout the Orthodox Christian world, the faithful come forward, make the sign of the Cross, and receive the Body and Blood of Christ. At this moment, as Fr. Alexander Schmemmann notes, “the time has now come to offer to God the totality of all our lives, of ourselves, of the world in which we live.” As the priest offers Holy Communion, he declares to each communicant that these precious and life-giving gifts are for “the remission of sins and eternal life.”

In these days of COVID-19, concern for physical well-being has caused some to forget the truths which Orthodox Christians have believed for two millennia. Such concern provides us with an opportunity to remind ourselves of our core beliefs and to reaffirm that which the Church has taught from its earliest moments.

The bread and wine are truly the Body and Blood of Christ. At the Mystical Supper, the Lord told His disciples that the bread was, in reality, His Body and the wine, in truth, His Blood. At the consecration, this transformation takes place when the priest asks God to, “Send down Your Holy Spirit upon us and upon the gifts here presented and make this bread the precious Body of Your Christ, and that which is in this Cup, the precious Blood of Your Christ, changing them by Your Holy Spirit.” From the earliest moments of the Church, the Fathers have expressed the belief that the bread and wine are truly the Body and Blood of Christ. St. Justin Martyr proclaimed, “We have been taught, the food which has been made into the Eucharist by the Eucharistic prayer set down by Him, and by the change of which our blood and flesh is nurtured, is both the Flesh and the Blood of that incarnated Jesus.” Similarly, St. Gregory of Nyssa wrote that, “The bread is at first common bread; but when the mystery sanctifies it, it is called and actually becomes the Body of Christ.”

Communion is the foundation of our relationship with God. Christ offered bread and wine to the Apostles as a means of communion and union with Himself. Fr. John Meyendorff describes our reception of the Eucharist as “the intimate union

of the human person with the Triune God.” Immediately after the Mystical Supper, the First Eucharist, Christ told His disciples, “I will not leave you as orphans; I will come to you. Yet a little while and the world will see Me no more, but you will see Me. Because I live, you also will live. In that day you will know that I am in My Father, and you in Me, and I in you” (John 14:18-20). Thus, St. Symeon the New Theologian tells us that, through Holy Communion, we become like “the burning bush of Moses.”

There is no difference between the Mystical Supper and the Divine Liturgy. The Eucharist that Christ instituted in the Upper Room before His Passion is the same that we celebrate today. St. John Chrysostom instructed the faithful of his church that, “The offering of today is in no way inferior to that which Christ offered, because it is not men who sanctify the offering of today; it is the same Christ who sanctified His own. For just as the words which God spoke are the very same as those which the priest now speaks, so too the oblation is the very same.”

Communion is the antidote to sin and the path to eternal life. We receive Holy Communion for the remission of sins and eternal life. Writing in the early second century, St. Ignatius of Antioch told the church in Ephesus that Holy Communion “is the medicine of immortality, the antidote we take in order not to die but to live forever in Jesus Christ.”

A message for us today. In the age of COVID-19, what does this mean for the faithful?

The Body and Blood of Christ lead us to eternal life and union with God, not sickness and death.

The Eucharist that we receive today is the same as that which the Apostles received from Christ before His memorable and lifegiving Passion.

When we receive Holy Communion, we have Christ moving and indwelling within us.

The bread and wine that we receive is truly the Body and Blood of Christ—they are holy and everything they touch is holy.

Thus, our Ecumenical Patriarch instructs us that:

The Mystery of the Divine Eucharist is non-negotiable because we believe that through it is transmitted to the faithful the Body and Blood of the Savior Christ “unto the remission of sins and life eternal” and it is impossible

that through this Mystery of Mysteries any disease might be communicated to those who partake. For this reason, the Church remains steadfast and immovable in its teaching towards the essence of the Mystery of Holy Communion.

As to the mode of distributing the ineffable Mysteries to the faithful, the Church, respecting Holy Tradition ... finds no need for a change of this mode, especially under pressure from external factors.

For the entire life of the Church, there has been no alteration to these most basic beliefs concerning Holy Communion. For the faithful, there is no question. For those who struggle with this belief, it is good to recall the words of the father of the boy with an evil spirit, “Lord, I believe; help my unbelief!” (Mark 9:24). There is nothing wrong with struggling to believe, this is the task of every Christian. It is wrong, however, for the unbelieving to attempt to lead the faithful to disbelief. Put simply, as Christians we either believe that we receive Holy Communion unto eternal life, or we don’t.

These are indeed challenging and difficult times, but they are temporary. “Jesus Christ is the same yesterday, today, and forever” (Hebrews 13:8). The belief that the Body and Blood of Christ leads to life and not death is central to our faith. This is the faith of the Apostles, the faith of the Fathers, and the faith of the Orthodox everywhere and at all times. May God bless and keep our families safe and lead us all to the knowledge of His truth.

Source: http://boston.goarch.org/news/metropolis_news/2020/2378.html





His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas of Detroit led the Great Vespers for the Feast Day of the Dormition of the Theotokos, the Feast Day of the Assumption Church. It was a blessing to have His Eminence present for the celebration along with the other visiting clergy. The photos are from the Facebook page of the Metropolis of Detroit.



We were blessed with a visit by His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas of Detroit when he joined us for the Divine Liturgy on September 20 and offered an inspiring sermon. His Eminence was present to celebrate the 5th anniversary of Fr. Jarrod's ordination to the priesthood. The photos are from the Facebook page of the Metropolis of Detroit.





Greetings in the Lord! Christ said: “I am the light of the world. Whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life” (John 8:12). In these challenging times, it’s essential that we remember we have the light of Christ with us and that we share that light with a world increasingly shrouded by darkness. Thank you for your continued support, because it wouldn’t be possible for us to share Christ’s light without you.

Last month, Dan Christopulos rejoined OCMC as our new Director of Development! Dan was OCMC’s first missionary and subsequently served on our OCMC Board. His experience and commitment to Orthodox missions will be great assists as we further develop OCMC’s Development and Communication ministries with his leadership.

We also recently kicked off the 2020 Virtual Trek4Missions and its been a great success! Orthodox Christians around the country have been quick to jump in, et active, and raise awareness and support for Orthodox missions.

With your faithful support, even in these difficult times, we are able to bring Christ’s hope to a hurting world. Please keep us and our missionaries in your prayers, as we pray for your as well. Thank you, and may our Lord continue to bring His light to your life so that we collectively share it with those still in darkness.

Yours in Christ,

Fr. Martin Ritsis

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Executive Director



***Philoptochos Society
Annual Christmas Card***

(\$15.00 Minimum)

For the small donation of \$15.00 per family listing, your name will appear on our beautiful Community Christmas Card.

**Deadline for Registration:
Tuesday, December 1, 2020**

May you all have a most blessed Christmas!

Please fill out the form below, cut and mail or bring it personally with your check to the Church Office.

Please print or type your name and family members **EXACTLY** as you wish it to be printed on the card.

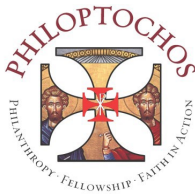
Name(s): _____

Address: _____

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Amount enclosed: \$ _____ **Cash** _____ **Check#** _____

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Assumption Church, 2245 E. Baldwin Rd., Grand Blanc, MI 48439



Philoptochos Mission Statement

To aid the poor, the destitute, the hungry, the elderly, the sick, the unemployed, the orphaned, the imprisoned, the widowed, the disabled, the victims of disaster, to under-take the burial of impoverished persons and to offer assistance to anyone who may need the help of the church through fund raising efforts; and

To promote the charitable, benevolent, and philanthropic purposes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, through instructional programs, presentations, lectures, seminars and other educational resources;

To preserve and perpetuate Orthodox Christian concepts and the Orthodox Christian Family, and through them, to promote the Greek Orthodox Faith and traditions in accordance with its doctrines, canons, discipline, divine worship, usages and customs;

To promote participation in the activities of the Greek Orthodox Community, with the cooperation of the Parish Priest and the Parish Council.

The charitable work of the Society shall be performed with discretion, courtesy and kindness.

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church LADIES PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY 2021 DUES

The benevolent works of Philoptochos are a continuation of Christ's ministry on earth. I humbly accept the opportunity to return to God a portion of the time, talents and resources with which He has gifted me.

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Minimum Member Dues: \$30.00

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\$15.00 is distributed to National Philoptochos
\$6.00 is distributed to Metropolis Philoptochos
and the balance remains in our chapter.

We rely on your Stewardship to help fund our many efforts to help those in need. Our hope and goal is for every woman in our Assumption Parish to join!

Please give or send your dues to Agape Kallis. Thank you!



God Parent Sunday is Sunday, November 8th



Due to HIPAA privacy rules, hospitals no longer provide a list of Orthodox patients to us. Therefore, if you or a loved one are, or will be, in the hospital, please contact Fr. Jarrod or the church office for a pastoral visit. Also, please notify Fr. Jarrod or the office if a friend or family member is in a rehab center, nursing home, assisted living facility or under hospice care.

Thanksgiving in All Things by Presv. Joy-Anna Corona

“Rejoice always, pray continually, give thanks in all circumstances; for this is God’s will for you in Christ Jesus.” – 1 Thess. 5:16-18

I have always loved Thanksgiving. The table laden with favorite foods that, for hours, have tempted your senses with the aroma of their delicacies. The warmth of home and hearth, the time devoted to family when every other concern takes second place. Even when, during high school in upstate New York I was violently ill with the flu going around and couldn’t partake of the meal, I still loved the day.

Thanksgiving, as many have surely said, is a peculiarly “American” holiday that, in its truest form, is most “blessable” by the Orthodox Church. Setting aside a day to consider the blessings in one’s life – practicing that art of the glass being half “full” rather than half “empty”.... Thanksgiving gives us a day in which to practice what we preach, and to be uplifted by the effort.

Did you know that the word “thanksgiving” appears in the Bible in its various forms (thanksgiving, thanks, thankful, etc.) nearly 140 times? Likewise, that the Greek word for Thanksgiving, *Eucharistia*, contains within it the word meaning “Grace” or “Gift”, *Charis*? At its core, when we contemplate Thanksgiving, we’re contemplating graces or gifts in our lives, things/people/situations which we, as Christians, offer our gratitude to our Good and Loving Lord for.

And, truly, “it is meet and right to do so”.

As Christians, though, we don’t stop there. The amazing thing is that Christians thank God for everything!!!! In ALL circumstances, we glorify God, because we have the conviction that God is able to work for good through absolutely everything that happens to us! Not to suggest a blind naiveté, but rather, that we endeavor as Christians to thank God for all things, even for things like affliction or suffering, because we believe that God can work through all circumstances, and that some GRACE can be found even amidst our struggles. To fall short in this effort is to essentially tell God that we agree with Him on some things, but not on others: “We’ll thank you, God, for our health, but not for our sickness. We’ll thank You for our comfort, but not our affliction or poverty.” *“We’ll thank You when we get what WE want, but NOT when we don’t get what WE want.”*

Living a life of Gratitude takes practice, prayer and inspiration!!! It’s not easily done, and ever a goal to be reaching toward. Fortunately, we are given the most wonderful example to imitate in the Life of our Lord Jesus Christ, Who:

“...on the night when He was betrayed, or rather when He gave Himself up for the life of the world, took bread in His holy, pure, and blameless hands, gave thanks, blessed, sanctified, broke, and gave it to His holy disciples and apostles, saying, ‘Take, eat, this is My Body which is broken for you...; Drink from this all of you, this is My Blood, of the New Covenant...’”

On the very eve when our Lord anticipated His suffering, passion, and crucifixion, He gave thanks. Even though He prayed that God His Father might remove the cup of suffering from Him, He accepted it – “Not My will, but Thine, be done”.

Let us be encouraged today by the example of Our Lord Who “gave thanks in all circumstances”, and Whose sacrifice instituted “The Great Thanksgiving” – the *Eucharist itself* – which we celebrate every Sunday! Who knew that we, as Orthodox Christians, actually celebrate Thanksgiving every Sunday?!?

Fr. Thomas Hopko of blessed memory once said that an ungrateful person is Dead; they may be existing, but they are not LIVING!! And Fr. Alexander Schmemmann, who preached his very last sermon on Thanksgiving Day 1983, began it by stating, “Everyone capable of gratitude is capable of salvation and everlasting joy”!

Thanksgiving is *who we are as Christians*. It is the very content of our Christian Life! So, as we set our tables for the holiday, as we gather around them and offer our gratitude, let us also recall the sacrifice of Our Lord Who made our Thanksgiving even possible. And let us then beseech Him to give us the Grace to thankfully live out whatever circumstances Life presents to us, so we may truly imitate Him and become witnesses to His Love, Life and Joy throughout the world!

Source: <https://www.familywellnessministry.org/thanksgiving-in-all-things/>



Catholic Charities
Center For Hope
Soup Kitchen
Adopt A Day

Anyone interested in sponsoring one of our Catholic Charities Center For Hope lunch days can do so by donating \$300 to Assumption to cover the food costs. Please see John Hountalas or Lori Photiou to schedule.



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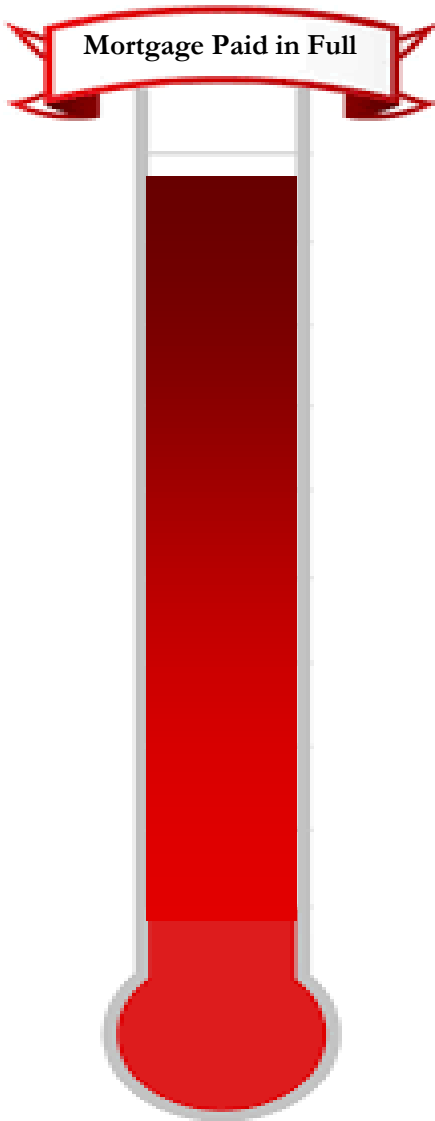
Need of the Month
Genesee County

November:
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Soap

Mortgage Drive:

This past March, it was 7 years since we started our Mortgage Drive. We have been able to lower our Mortgage by more than \$640,000 during this time. Approximately \$380,000 of this amount has been from fundraisers, your generous donations and from the Endowment Fund. The remainder is from our Monthly Mortgage Payment. Thank you for your continued support, we are almost there. Our goal is to pay the mortgage in full by the end of 2021. That is also the 100th Anniversary of our Church.

Parish Council



As of 9-30-2020
our balance is:
\$83,451.13

Thank You!

MORTGAGE DRIVE

(FROM 11-1-2019 TO 10-1-2020)

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

1. Clyde & Georgia Allard
2. Rev. Fr. John & +Presvytera Artemas
3. Karen Begley
4. Dennis & Alexis Branoff
5. Dennis & Debra Chinonis
6. Linda Chinonis
7. Katie Chinonis
8. James & Liz Christopher
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16. John & Tasia Hountalas
17. Yanni Hountalas
18. Efstratia Janis
19. David Duffy & Elaine Joynt
20. Athena Kalatzis
21. Agape Kallis
22. Penny Kallis
23. Susan Kallis
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28. Jeff & Nancy Lauster
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30. Yanni & Aspasia Mavrikos
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32. Tim & April Paraschos
33. Carol Photiou
34. Lucas & Lori Photiou
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36. Steve & Martha Poulos
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38. JoAnne Schultze
39. Allen & Olga Steinhoff
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58. In Memory of Maria Contagianni
59. In Memory of James & Chryssee Daros
60. In Memory of Evangelos Douros
61. In Memory of London Eisenbeis
62. In Memory of John Helton

MORTGAGE DRIVE

(FROM 11-1-2019 TO 10-1-2020)

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

63. In Memory of Tom & Goldie Heos
64. In Memory of John Jimos
65. In Memory of James (Giannakopoulos) Johnson
66. In Memory of Harold Kallis
67. In Memory of Tony Karakitsos
68. In Memory of Alex Karatza
69. In Memory of Anne Kossaras
70. In Memory of Sandy Bachakes Kraemer
71. In Memory of Tom Lamberson
72. In Memory of Ted Lowe
73. In Memory of George Margaritis
74. In Memory of Achilles (Ike) Marks
75. In Memory of Kathryn Menoutes
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86. In Memory of Heather Williamson
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88. DOP Kafi Night
89. DOP Mardi Gras Bar Tips
90. Endowment Fund
91. Religious Education
92. V.I.P.'s
93. Assumption Catering
94. Blessing of the Buses
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99. Hall Rental Linens & Liquor Add On
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Iconography Fund

As you know, we have begun our Iconography Project. We want to thank those who have purchased an icon or just donated a little to help with this. There are still icons available for purchase. If you would like to purchase an Icon or even just donate a little to the project, please contact John Hountalas (810-701-5164) or Father Jarrod. Thank you for your generosity.

The following individuals/families have contributed to the Iconography Project:

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Assumption Church Community Update

Our Church newsletter is one of the ways we keep in touch with one another. Each month there are special events in the life of the Church that should be shared with our entire community. This is especially true in terms of baptisms, weddings, and funerals. We will now be dedicating space in each newsletter to announce baptisms, weddings, and funerals that occur at Assumption Church as well as those involving community members that are celebrated at other Orthodox Churches. If you would like to submit an announcement regarding a baptism, wedding, or funeral that has been celebrated at an Orthodox Church other than the Assumption Church, please send it directly to Fr. Jarrod (fjarrod@gmail.com).

August:

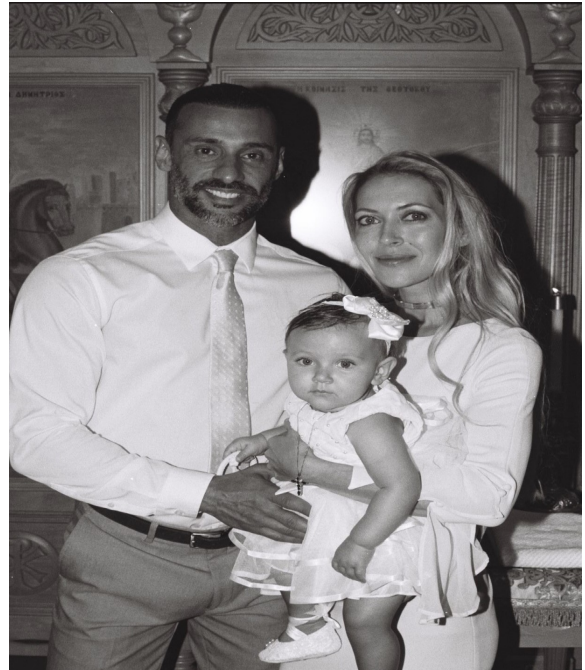
Baptism of Sapphira Sirakis

September:

Funeral of Achilles (Ike) Marks

October:

Baptism of Dimitra Hountalas



MONTHLY CHURCH EXPENSES - SEPTEMBER 2020

These are the operating expenses we incur every month. These amounts do not include any repairs or maintenance to church property and equipment or seasonal expenses. Any questions regarding the monthly expenses should be directed to the Parish Council President or Treasurer.

Accounting Fees	\$ -
Alarm	\$ 90.85
Allocation	\$ 2,405.33
Copy Machine/Printer Rental	\$ 673.37
Health Insurance	\$ 1,599.00
FICA Taxes	\$ -
General Insurance	\$ 1,861.00
Archdiocese Pension Plan	\$ 700.00
Maintenance Plan -m Heating & Cooling	\$ 206.00
Mortgage Loan	\$ 2,566.15
Parish Stewardship Software	\$ 6.50
Pest Control	\$ 50.00
Salaries	\$ 7,668.80
Towels/Aprons	\$ 39.90
Trash	\$ -
Utilities: Cable	\$ 370.01
Utilities: Electric	\$ 1,286.24
Utilities: Gas	\$ 127.83
Utilities: Water	\$ 489.13

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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 September 30, 2020 is \$7,202.32.

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.

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Bakris, Dr. Nicholas	Grousopoulos, Lambros & Lena
Batsios, Christos & Ashley	Hagler, Gary & Marian
Batsios, Efthya	Haralambous, Frank & Vania
Batsios, Evangelos	Heos, James & Cassie
Birtsas, Sandra	Heos, Pamela & Brancheau, Jeffrey
Bistolaridis, Antonios & Maria	Herzog, Mary Caris
Bograkos, Tim & Sandy	Holland, Nick & Jennifer
Bograkos, Vera	Holland, Rick & Tina
Brown Jr., Andy	Hountalas, Dimitri & Brittany
Buterakos, Jim & Roxanne	Hountalas, John & Tasia
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Clinton, Mike & Kathy	Kallis, Penny
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Michaelou, Sevasti	Stergiopoulos, Mary
Nikolakeas, John & Polin	Thornton, Jerry & Demi
Nitsos, Emma	Van Dyke, Ryan & Amy
Nitsos, George & Candy	Vergos, Nitsa
O'Keefe, Derek & Michelle	Vergos, Dr. Peter & Susie
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Pagonis, Voula	Walker, Bruce & Kathy
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Panos-Lillar, Diana	Wright, Jeff & Kay
Panos, John & Irene	Yeotis, Art & Susan
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Pappadakis, Nikki	Yeotis, Dean & Lynda
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Peters, Jeff & Maria	

Mortgage Reduction Food Sales:

Pastitsio OR Moussaka Half Pan — Serves 9-12 — \$25.00
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Jimmy's Plaki Tray — \$25.00

Spinach Cheese Pie Tray — 15 pieces — \$25.00

Greek Feta 2 1/2 pounds — \$9.00

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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.

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.

MEMORIAL SERVICES

Scheduling of Memorial Services

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

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.**

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.

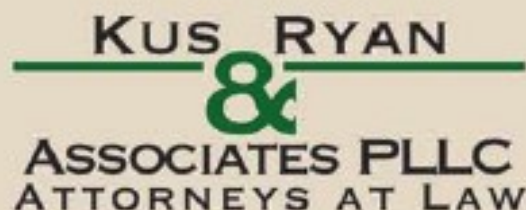
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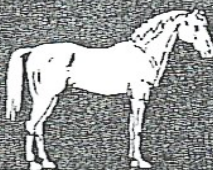
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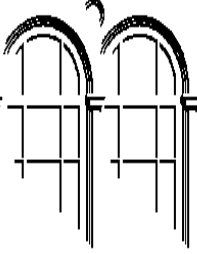
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