

Saint Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral



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September 16, 2018



St. Spyridon Greek Orthodox Cathedral

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WELCOME!

Welcome to the Saint Spyridon Cathedral in Worcester, Massachusetts. We are honored that you have chosen to worship with us today. It is our hope that your visit here will bring you many blessings from God. Our Church Family worships the Holy Trinity (Father, Son, and Holy Spirit) and every Sunday, the Lord's Day, we commemorate the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. Our mission is to live the Holy Gospel in accordance with the Orthodox Faith; towards sanctification through God's grace in worship, the Divine Liturgy and the Sacraments: glorifying God through all joys and struggles; and as a Church Community, in Christian love, we seek to do His will so that through His mercy, we may attain His Kingdom. We are blessed to have the slippers of St. Spyridon, which are located in a reliquary at the front-left of the Church; please be sure to venerate them. Also, please be reminded that one must be an Orthodox Christian in order to receive Holy Communion. Be sure to tell us if you are visiting or if you are new to our community. If you would like more information about embracing the Orthodox Faith, please see Father Dimitrios or Father Nicholas after the Divine Liturgy concludes. We pray you have a blessed day and that you visit with us again soon.

September 16, 2018 - Sunday After the Holy Cross
16 Σεπτεμβρίου, 2018 - Κυριακή μετά την Υψώσις

MEMORIALS

Elpida Economou - 8 yrs

Stephanos Karcasinas - 12 yrs

ALTAR FLOWERS

Altar Flowers are donated in loving memory of Stephanos Karcasinas by his family

COFFEE HOUR

Coffee Hour is sponsored in loving memory of Demetra Rassias by her family, and Pantelis Venetis by his family

SUNDAY SERVICES

Orthros 8:30am

Divine Liturgy 9:45am

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Sunday School classes begin today. Please send your children to class immediately following Holy Communion

SAINT OF THE DAY

Euphemia the Great Martyr

ΑΓΙΟΙ ΤΗΣ ΗΜΕΡΑΣ

Ευφημίας Μεγαλομάρτυρος

HAPPY NAMEDAY

Stavros & Stavroula

Εισοδικά

Απολυτίκιον

Κατέλυσας τῷ Σταυρῷ σου τὸν θάνατον, ἠνέφξας τῷ Ληστῇ τὸν Παράδεισον, τῶν Μυροφόρων τὸν θρήνον μετέβαλες, καὶ τοῖς σοῖς Ἀποστόλοις κηρύττειν ἐπέταξας, ὅτι ἀνέστης Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, παρέχων τῷ κόσμῳ τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Του Σταυροῦ

Σώσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεύσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

Της Αγίας Ευφημίας

Λίαν εὐφρανας τοὺς ὀρθοδόξους, καὶ κατήσχυνας τοὺς κακοδόξους, Ευφημία Χριστοῦ καλλιπάρθενε, τῆς γὰρ Τετάρτης Συνόδου ἐκύρωσας, ἅ οἱ Πατέρες καλῶς εδογμάτισαν, Μάρτυς ἐνδοξε, Χριστὸν τὸν Θεὸν ἰκέτευε, δωρήσασθαι ἡμῖν τὸ μέγα ἔλεος.

Για τα Μνυμόσηνα

Μνήσθητι Κύριε ὁσ ἀγαθὸς τῶν δούλων σου, καὶ ὅσα ἐν βίῳ ἡμάρτων, συγχώρησον, οὐδεὶς γὰρ ἀναμάρτητος, εἰ μὴ Σὺ ὁ δυνάμενος, καὶ τοῖς μεταστάσι δούναι τὴν ἀνάπαυσιν.

Του Αγίου Σπυρίδωνος

Τῆς Συνόδου τῆς πρώτης ἀνεδείχθης υπέρμαχος, καὶ θαυματουργὸς Θεοφόρε, Σπυρίδων Πατὴρ ἡμῶν, διὸ νεκρά σὺ ἐν τάφῳ προσφωνεῖς, καὶ ὄφιν εἰς χρυσοῦν μετέβαλες, καὶ ἐν τῷ μέλπειν τὰς ἀγίας σου εὐχὰς, Ἀγγέλους ἐσκες συλλειτουργοῦντας σοι ἱερώτατε, Δοξα τῷ σε δοξάσαντι, δόξα τῷ σε στεφανώσαντι, δόξα τῷ ἐνεργούντι διὰ σου πᾶσιν ἰάματα.

Κοντάκιον

Ὁ υψωθείς ἐν τῷ Σταυρῷ ἐκουσίως, τῆ ἐπωνύμῳ σου καινὴ πολιτεία, τοὺς οἰκτιρμούς σου δώρησαι, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός, Εὐφρανὸν ἐν τῇ δυνάμει σου, τοὺς πιστοὺς Βασιλεῖς ἡμῶν, νίκας χορηγῶν αὐτοῖς, κατὰ τῶν πολεμίων, τὴν συμμαχίαν ἔχοιεν τὴν σὴν, ὄπλον εἰρήνης, ἀήττητον τρόπαιον.

Entrance Hymns

Apolytikion

You abolished death by Your Cross; and You opened Paradise to the thief; You transformed the myrrh-bearers' lamentation, and told Your Apostles to preach that You are risen, O Christ God, granting great mercy to the world.

Of the Cross

Save, O Lord, Your people and bless Your inheritance. Grant victory to the faithful against the adversaries of the Faith and protect Your people by the power of Your Cross.

Saint Euphemia

O Euphemia, Christ's comely virgin, you filled the Orthodox with gladness and covered with shame all the heretics; for at the holy Fourth Council in Chalcedon, you confirmed what the Fathers proclaimed to be true. O all-glorious Great Martyr, entreat Christ God that His great mercy may be granted unto us.

For the Memorials

Remember, O Lord, as You are good, Your Servants, and forgive every sin they have committed in this life. For no one is sinless except You, Who have power to grant rest to those who have fallen asleep.

Saint Spyridon

At the First Synod you were manifest as a champion, and a wonder-worker, our God-bearing Father Spyridon. Wherefore, you spoke to one dead in the tomb, and a serpent you changed into gold. And while chanting your sacred services, you had angels celebrating with you, O most holy one. Glory to Him who glorified you! Glory to Him who crowned you! Glory to Him who through you works healings for everyone.

Kontakion

Lifted up on the Cross by Your free will, Christ God, grant mercies to the new commonwealth that bears Your name. Gladden our faithful rulers by Your power, giving them victories over their adversaries. May Your alliance be for them a weapon for peace, an invincible standard.

Ο ΑΠΟΣΤΟΛΟΣ

*Κύριος ἰσχὺν τῷ λαῷ αὐτοῦ δώσει.
Στίχ. Ἐνέγκατε τῷ Κυρίῳ υἱοὶ Θεοῦ, ἐνέγκατε τῷ
Κυρίῳ δόξαν καὶ τιμὴν.*

Πρὸς Γαλάτας 2:16-20

Ἀδελφοί, εἰδότες ὅτι οὐ δικαιούται ἄνθρωπος ἐξ ἔργων νόμου, ἐὰν μὴ διὰ πίστεως Ἰησοῦ Χριστοῦ, καὶ ἡμεῖς εἰς Χριστὸν Ἰησοῦν ἐπιστεύσαμεν, ἵνα δικαιωθῶμεν ἐκ πίστεως Χριστοῦ, καὶ οὐκ ἐξ ἔργων νόμου· διότι οὐ δικαιωθήσεται ἐξ ἔργων νόμου πᾶσα σὰρξ. Εἰ δέ, ζητοῦντες δικαιωθῆναι ἐν Χριστῷ, εὐρέθημεν καὶ αὐτοὶ ἁμαρτωλοί, ἄρα Χριστὸς ἁμαρτίας διάκονος; Μὴ γένοιτο. Εἰ γὰρ ἂ κατέλυσα, ταῦτα πάλιν οἰκοδομῶ, παραβάτην ἐμαυτὸν συνίστημι. Ἐγὼ γὰρ διὰ νόμου νόμῳ ἀπέθανον, ἵνα θεῷ ζήσω. Χριστῷ συνεσταύρωμαι· ζῶ δέ, οὐκέτι ἐγώ, ζῆ δὲ ἐν ἐμοὶ Χριστός· ὃ δὲ νῦν ζῶ ἐν σαρκί, ἐν πίστει ζῶ τῆ τοῦ υἱοῦ τοῦ θεοῦ, τοῦ ἀγαπήσαντός με καὶ παραδόντος ἑαυτὸν ὑπὲρ ἐμοῦ.

THE EPISTLE

*The Lord will give strength to his people.
Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to
the Lord honor and glory.*

St. Paul's First Letter to the Galatians 2:16-20

Brethren, knowing that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

ΤΟ ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΟΝ

Ἐκ τοῦ Κατὰ Μάρκων 3:13-17

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Εἴ τις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἔλθειν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀράτω τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἀκολουθείτω μοι. ὃς γὰρ ἂν θέλη τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ σῶσαι, ἀπολέσει αὐτήν· ὃς δ' ἂν ἀπολέσῃ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ψυχὴν ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ καὶ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, οὗτος σώσει αὐτήν. τί γὰρ ὠφελήσει ἄνθρωπον ἐὰν κερδήσῃ τὸν κόσμον ὅλον, καὶ ζημιωθῇ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ; ἢ τί δώσει ἄνθρωπος ἀντάλλαγμα τῆς ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ; ὃς γὰρ ἐὰν ἐπαισχυνηθῇ με καὶ τοὺς ἐμοὺς λόγους ἐν τῇ γενεᾷ ταύτῃ τῇ μοιχαλίδι καὶ ἀμαρτωλῷ, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπαισχυνηθήσεται αὐτὸν ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐν τῇ δόξῃ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀγγέλων τῶν ἁγίων. Καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι εἰσὶ τινες τῶν ὧδε ἐστηκότων, οἵτινες οὐ μὴ γεύσονται θανάτου ἕως ἂν ἴδωσι τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐληλυθυῖαν ἐν δυνάμει.

THE HOLY GOSPEL

The Gospel According to Mark 8:34-9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

FASTING / ΝΗΣΤΕΙΑ

Regular Fasting rules apply. Abstain from meat and dairy products on Wednesday and Friday.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

HOLY TRINITY

The General Assembly for the Eastern Orthodox Management Corp. (EOMC), which operates Holy Trinity Nursing and Rehabilitation Center will be held on **Tuesday, September 19, 2017 at 7:00 pm** at Holy Trinity, 300 Barber Ave., Worcester, MA. This meeting is open to Council of Eastern Orthodox Churches parish members and all are encouraged to attend.

DIVINE LITURGY is celebrated every Wednesday morning at 9:30am. And please always keep Holy Trinity Nursing Home, it's staff, directors, residents, and families in your prayers. And remember: you can always visit!

NEVER FORGET: Holy Trinity Nursing and Rehabilitation Center is an Orthodox Charity and relies on your donations to continue its mission of providing the best care possible.

HELLENIC ARTS SOCIETY

The Hellenic Arts Society will be hosting an event at the Museum of Russian Icons in Clinton, MA on Saturday, October 13th @ 12pm. There will be a talk about the present exhibit "Icons of the Hellenic World" by the lender and curator, Emmanuel Tiliakos. Admission is free for Hellenic Arts Society members and \$20 for non-members. A light lunch will follow. Contact Matthew Panagiotu for info 508-799-2561.

**Save the date for Hellenic Arts Society annual Dinner Dance w/ Orfeas Orchestra - Saturday Nov. 3rd.*

CHOIR

Our Choir has resumed singing the Divine Liturgy on Sundays. They are looking for more voices, both male and female. Adult rehearsals are held on Sunday mornings @ 9am in the preschool.

Junior Choir rehearsals will begin on alternate Sundays after church beginning September 16th in the preschool. We encourage all children ages 8+ to join the Junior Choir!

ST. SPYRIDON FEEDING MINISTRY

Our Mission: To provide nourishment that feeds one's physical, spiritual and emotional hunger through healthy fellowship.

The Feeding Ministry, with the help of our parish volunteers, is continuing to serve a luncheon meal for those in need on the second Saturday of every month from 11:30am-1pm in the Cotsidas Cultural Center.

October's luncheon (Saturday the 13th), is being donated by Sue Kika, who we'd like to thank in advance for her participation in the Lord's Work. We would also like to thank last month's donors, the Daughters of Penelope.

If you would like to volunteer, sponsor a luncheon or make a donation, please contact:

Savvas Fotiadis 508.873.9836 or Maria Kassos- amkassos@townisp.com

JOB OPENING

Ascentria Care Alliance has clients in Worcester in great need of per diem Greek Language Interpreters. They have members and patients who only speak Greek and they are currently unable to provide them with interpreters. Would you know of anyone or know who we could reach out to in order to spread the word for the interpreter training class we have coming up in Worcester? We are offering an interpreter training class for free (it usually costs \$1,000). Many of the hospitals are now requiring training certificates and credentialing so people can either take our class or they can apply directly for employment if they've already taken a medical interpreter training program.

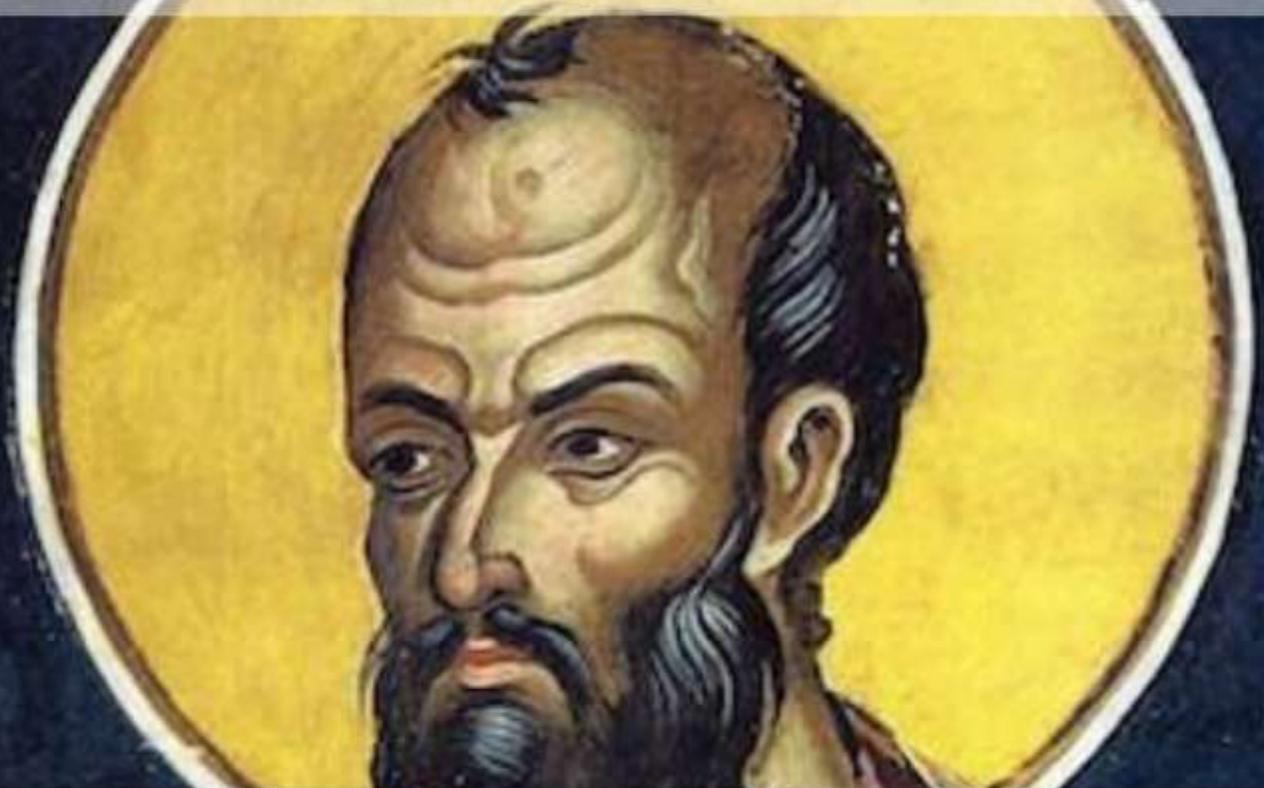
Contact Kathleen Lucier 774-502-7961 for more information.

FESTIVAL THANK YOU

We would like to publicly thank and honor Pantelis Venetis for his many years of service during the Grecian Festival. He was always working to make sure we had enough pastitsio and other goodies.

May his memory be eternal and may God forgive all his sins.

Who is St. Paul?



**Join us to learn about
the strange history of
this incredible man**

Orthodoxy 101 & Bible Study

**Wednesday, September 19 @
7pm in the Tonna Room**

Join the Ranks of the Altar Boys



Altar Boy Field Trip to Hellenic College Holy Cross Seminary

Learn about being an altar boy, explore
the campus, and play sports

Saturday, September 22nd 2018

Depart Church @ 12noon

Return @ 5pm

Contact Fr Nicholas to RSVP
frnicholas.livingston@gmail.com



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Car Wash
Fundraiser

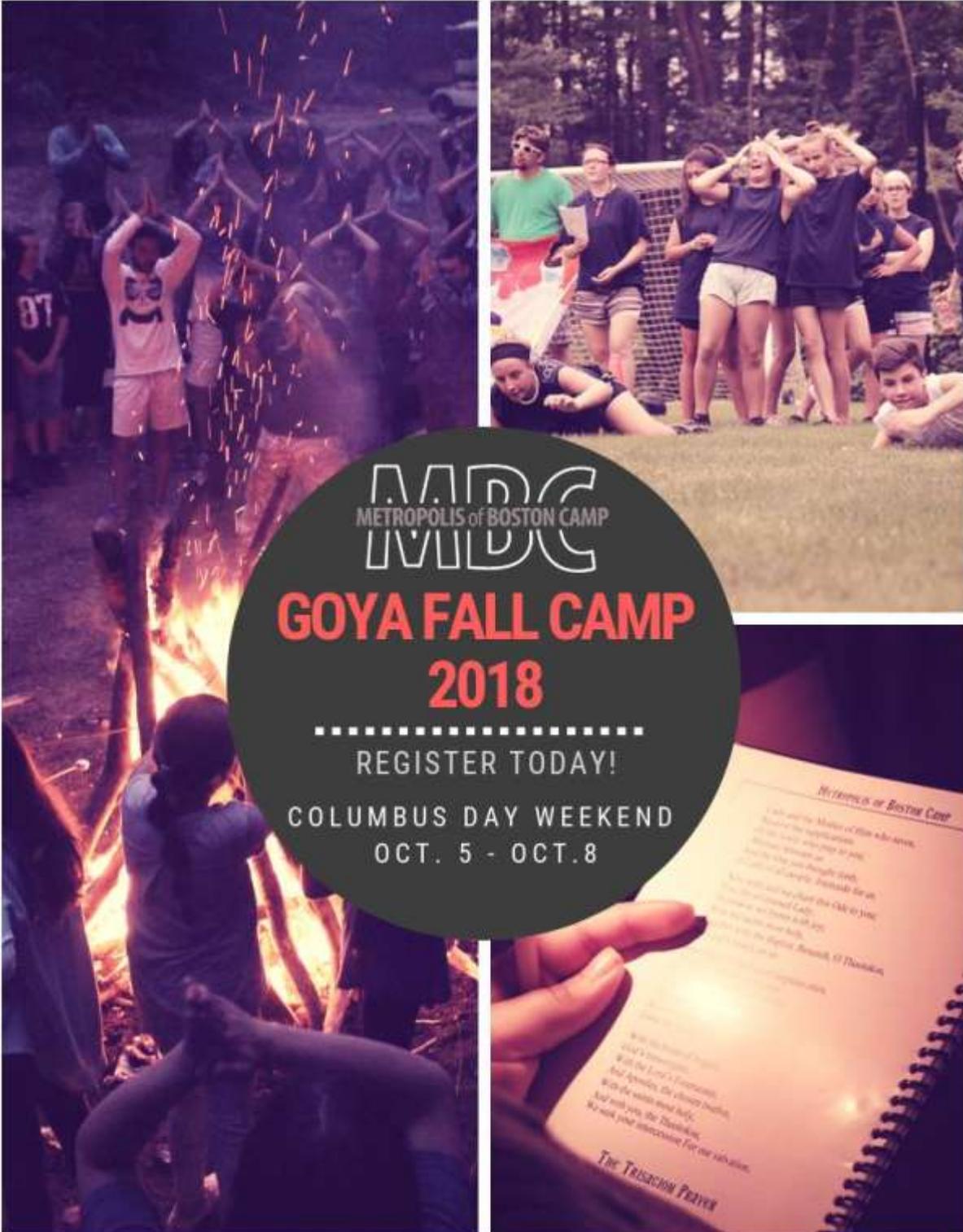
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All donations go to our Project Mexico Fund

Please bring your cars to the back parking
lot immediately following Liturgy

MBC GOYA FALL CAMP

GOYA Fall Camp offers our Campers the faith, fun, and fellowship of summer camp packaged into a weekend retreat program. The weekend will be filled with cabin sessions, camp wide activities, worship, and for the **first time a Sunday outing to Canobie Lake Park!**



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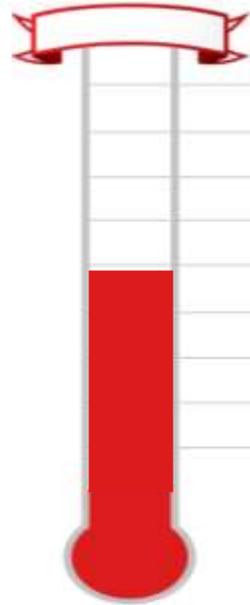


ST. SPYRIDON GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL BURN THE MORTGAGE CAMPAIGN

Family Center Renovation

Burn the Mortgage Committee

Rev. Dr. Dimitrios Moraitis, *Dean*
 Demetrios Moschos, *Chairman*
 Georgia Parafestas, *Parish Council President & Co-Chair*
 Dr. Matthew Panagiotu, *Co-Chair*
 Janice Dionis
 Michael Dionis
 George Fotiades
 George Gourousis
 Celeste Moschos
 Nicholas Paleologos



\$1,450,000
 Our goal

\$512,915.00
 Pledged

\$323,236.00
 Received

Thank You!

Burn the Mortgage Contribution Chart

3 Year Pledge Amount	Annually	Monthly
\$15,000	\$5,000	\$416
\$3,000	\$1,000	\$83
\$1,000	\$333	\$28

Total Cost of Family Center Renovation
\$4,100,000

Total raised by our community during first fund drive \$2,650,000

Remaining Loan Balance to be paid \$900,000 after August refinancing

**It's not too late to donate to the Burn the Mortgage Campaign!
 The Angel Board construction honoring those who have contributed to these efforts is in process and will be in place during Summer 2018!**



AN ICON OF CHRIST



Most Churches that are built in the Byzantine style of the East contain a huge dome in the center. The icon usually painted on the ceiling of such domes is called "The Pantocrator" – Christ the Ruler of All. It depicts Jesus as the One who governs the destiny of the universe.

These icons, often rendered in huge proportions to fill the cupola areas, depict our Lord Jesus Christ seated on a throne. He is the King of Glory. His right hand is normally raised in blessing, while in His left He holds the Gospel Book, usually opened to such a verse as "Come unto Me all you that labor and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest." Sometimes a composite text is used, as from John and Matthew: "Judge not according to appearance, but judge righteous judgement. For with what judgement you judge, you shall be judged."

Symbols of the Evangelists who proclaimed the Gospel to the four corners of the earth are rendered on the four corners of the icon. The man represents Matthew, the lion, Mark; the eagle, John and the bull, Luke. Cherubim, Seraphim and stars can be included in the geometric pattern.

Great spiritual truths are involved in the concept of the Pantocrator. He is the Master, the Ruler, the Lord of all things. Nothing happens without His knowledge. His eyes see all things, even the dark secrets in the heart of man; His ears hear all things, and He knows the motive behind all that is done. Jesus reigns on the Throne, but with compassion for us that is beyond expression. No wonder that on the highest part of the church we place the image of our Lord.

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2018 STEWARDSHIP REPORT

WEEK	2018 TOTAL	PLEDGES RECEIVED	AVERAGE \$ PER PLEDGE	*GOAL STEWARDSHIP BUDGET
37	\$ 211,557.80	494	\$428	\$310,000.00

*Goal amount includes the 2018 Stewardship Budget Receipts of \$310,000.00.

Funds reflect all monies received in 2018.

We suggest you budget your Stewardship contribution as you would your monthly home expenses. Our Cathedral must meet the financial needs of its ministries and annual operating budget by way of our Christian Stewardship Program. It is everyone's responsibility to accept this honor and support our role as a Contributing Steward. Please pledge the Required Stewardship Contribution now, if you have not done so.

May God continue to bless the work of your hands.