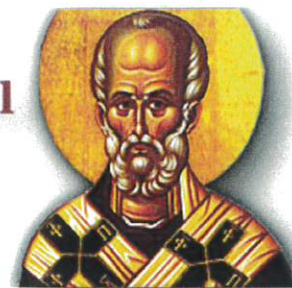




## Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Pittsburgh, PA

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### SEPTEMBER 2020 NEWSLETTER

## September 8



*The Feast of the Nativity of Our Most Holy Lady, the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary is celebrated on September 8 each year. The Feast commemorates the birth of the Mother of Jesus Christ, our Lord.*

The birth and early life of the Virgin Mary is not recorded in the Gospels or other books of the New Testament, however this information can be found in a work dating from the second century known as the Book of James or Protevangelion.

According to the story found in this book, Mary's parents, Joachim and Anna, were childless for many years. They remained faithful to God, but their prayers for a child were unanswered. One day, when Joachim came to the temple to make an offering, he was turned away by the High Priest who chastised him for his lack of children. To hide his shame, Joachim retreated to the hill country to live among the shepherds and their flocks.

As Joachim was praying, his wife Anna was praying at the same time at their house in Jerusalem. An angel appeared to both of them and announced that Anna would have a child whose name would be known throughout the world. Anna promised to offer her child as a gift to the Lord. Joachim returned home, and in due time Anna bore a daughter, Mary.

**ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL**  
**419 S. Dithridge Street Pittsburgh, PA 15213**  
**Reverend Father Christopher Bender, Dean**  
**Reverend Deacon Robert Lykos**

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and click on "Live Streaming Click Here".

On-Line Giving donations are up and running on our web page [www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org) by  
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<https://abundant.co/stnickspgh/give>

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**2020 Parish Council**

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**Service Schedule**

Fall and Winter Hours (September-June):

Orthros 8:30 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 10 a.m.

Summer Hours (July & August):

Orthros 8:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

**Hall Rentals**

If you are interested in renting either our small or large hall,  
please contact our events coordinator Stacie de la Parra, at  
412-901-3181 for more information and availability.

**Metropolis** 412-621-5529 [www.pittsburgh.goarch.org](http://www.pittsburgh.goarch.org)  
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[www.stnickspgh.org](http://www.stnickspgh.org)

[www.stnickscathedralroom.com](http://www.stnickscathedralroom.com)

And look for us on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Saint-Nicholas-Greek-Orthodox-Cathedral-Pittsburgh-PA>

## FATHER'S MESSAGE

*O Lord, how manifold are your works! In wisdom you have made them all; the earth is full of your creatures.*  
Psalm 104:24 [NRSV]

Beloved Sisters and Brothers in Christ:

Greetings of the Ecclesiastical New Year in our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ! Once again, with the arrival of September 1, the Orthodox world celebrates the start of the new year by commemorating God's creation of our world, and indeed, of the entire universe. We also observe September 1 in our time as the "Day of Prayer for the Protection of Creation." The annual message of this day from His all Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew follows.

The purpose of this observance, which began in 1989 at the initiative of Ecumenical Patriarch Dimitrios of blessed memory, is to encourage all of us to give thoughtful consideration to the state of our world, how it has changed in recent centuries due to industrialization and the rise of the consumer culture, and how this has adversely affected living creatures – plants, animals, sea creatures, etc., from the largest, such as elephants who wander the land and whales who roam the deep, to the tiniest, such as plankton in the oceans and insects on the land. Scientists tell us, and we can already see, that, among those who are suffering the most, and whose very future has been called into jeopardy, are we humans.

While there are many environmental hazards that face us, the one which poses the greatest threat is global climate change. By now, this is not news to anyone. Scientists have been warning us for decades. At the same time, however, credible news sources tell us that powerful interests with large sums of money – mostly from the fossil fuel industry – have been working behind the scenes to discredit these "bearers of bad (and inconvenient) news." And, for the most part, they have succeeded. Today, our country is not going forward to meet this challenge, but rather, backward.

Among those who have not wavered in their concern and efforts, however, are many in the faith community, who have remained consistent in their efforts to call attention to this and other looming ecological threats, and to challenge us to meet them. The world leader in many ways in this effort has been our own spiritual father, His All Holiness Patriarch Bartholomew of Constantinople. Once again in his message this year for the Indiction, he sounds the warning and calls us to repentance and change. Please read his encyclical carefully and reflect on how best we can put his challenging words into action – especially as we face the election season which shall soon be upon us.

My own prayer for all of us is that our merciful Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ will extend His mighty hand to guide us, at this critical time, to engage in self-reflection, prayer, repentance, and discernment. May He fill our hearts with compassion for those who are suffering – whether because of the current pandemic, or because of floods, droughts, disease, famine, storms, heat waves, wild fires, plagues of locusts – and guide us to find ways that we can generously assist in their recovery. May He also grant us the foresight to understand how (even though this may not be our intent) today's prosperity and unprecedented technological accomplishments are being purchased at the expense of the future welfare of our children and all generations to come. May they not find our world a much less welcoming and nurturing place due to our profligate and wasteful ways, but rather, commend us, for recognizing the threat before it was too late, and coming together in repentance and humility to heal the earth and restore to our progeny a future full of hope and promise.

In Christ's love,

*Rev. Father Christoph H. Bender*

Rev. Protopresbyter Christopher H. Bender

**SACRAMENTAL LIFE**

**BAPTISMS:**

*It is with great joy that we welcome into the Body of Christ, the Church, our new brothers and sister in Christ, who were all baptized by Fr. Christopher Bender in the larger font at Dormition of the Theotokos Greek Orthodox Church in Oakmont, PA on **August 8, 2020:***

**Tyson (Anastasios) Nelson**, son of Brian and Georgette Nelson, who was born on July 4, 2014.  
Sponsor was Michelle Kotsagrellos.

**Tyrann (Georgios) Nelson**, also the son of Brian and Georgette Nelson, who was born on May 12, 2015. Sponsor was Alexander Demos.

**Tyra (Efstathia) Nelson**, daughter of Brian and Georgette Nelson, who was born on August 17, 2017. Sponsor was Tasso Whipple.

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*With equal joy we also welcome our newest brothers in Christ, who were baptized at Dormition Church in Oakmont by the Rev. Archimandrite Polycarp Rameas on **August 24, 2020:***

**Mieko (Mikos) Baughman**, son of Alexander Baughman and Rachel Love, who was born on September 24, 2015. Sponsor was Heidi Leombruno.

**Ezekiel Baughman**, also the son of Alexander Baughman and Rachel Love, who was born on July 21, 2019. Sponsor was Corinna Baughman.

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***Congratulations to their parents and sponsors, and may God grant all of them Many Years!***

*FATHER'S MESSAGE, Con't*

ENCYCICAL OF PATRIARCH BARTHOLOMEW FOR THE INDICTION  
(ECCELESIASTICAL NEW YEAR) AND THE DAY OF PRAYER FOR PROTECTION OF THE ENVIRONMENT  
SEPTEMBER 1, 2020

By God's mercy Archbishop of Constantinople-New Rome and Ecumenical Patriarch  
To all the plenitude of the Church grace, peace and mercy  
From the Maker of all Creation  
God and Savior Jesus Christ

Our Lord,

Dearest Brother Hierarchs and Beloved Children in the Lord,

It is a shared conviction that, in our time, the natural environment is threatened like never before in the history of humankind. The magnitude of this threat becomes manifest in the fact that what is at stake is not any longer the quality, but the preservation of life on our planet. For the first time in history, humanity is capable of destroying the conditions of life on earth. Nuclear weapons are the symbol of man's Pro

methean titanism, the tangible expression of the "complex of omnipotence" of the contemporary "man-god." In using the power that stems from science and technology, what is revealed today is the ambivalence of man's freedom. Science serves life; it contributes to progress, to confronting illnesses and many conditions that were hitherto considered "fateful"; it creates new positive perspectives for the future. However, at the same time, it provides man with all-powerful means, whose misuse can lead to disaster. We are experiencing the unfolding destruction of the natural environment, of biodiversity, of flora and fauna, of the pollution of aquatic resources and the atmosphere, the progressing collapse of climate balance, as well as other excesses of boundaries and measures in many dimensions of life. The Holy and Great Council of the Orthodox Church (Crete, 2016) rightly and accurately decreed that "scientific knowledge does not mobilize the moral will of man, who knows the dangers but continues to act as if he did not know." (Encyclical, § 11)

It is apparent that the protection of the common good, of the integrity of the natural ecosystems which support us, is the common responsibility of all inhabitants of the earth. The contemporary categorical imperative for humankind is that we live without destroying our environment. However, while on a personal level and on the level of many communities, groups, movements and organizations, there is a demonstration of great sensitivity and ecological responsibility, nations and economic agents are unable – in the name of geopolitical ambitions and the "autonomy of the economy" – to adopt the correct decisions for the protection of creation and instead cultivate the illusion that the pretended "global ecological destruction" is an ideological fabrication of ecological movements and that the natural environment has the power of renewing itself. Yet the crucial question remains: How much longer will nature endure the fruitless discussions and consultations, as well as any further delay in assuming decisive actions for its protection?

The fact that, during the period of the pandemic of the novel coronavirus Covid-19, with the mandatory restrictions of movement, the shutdown of factories, and the diminishment in industrial activity and production, we observed a reduction of pollution and encumbrance of the atmosphere, has proved the anthropogenic nature of the contemporary ecological crisis. It became once again clear that industry, the contemporary means of transportation, the automobile and the airplane, the non-negotiable priority of economic indicators and the like, negatively impact the environmental balance and that a change of direction toward a more responsibly ecological economy constitutes an unwavering necessity.

## *FATHER'S MESSAGE, Con't*

There is no genuine progress that is founded on the destruction of the natural environment. It is inconceivable that we adopt economic decisions without also taking into account their ecological consequences. Economic development cannot remain a nightmare for ecology. We are certain that there is an alternative way of economic structure and development besides the one-sided orientation of economic activity toward the maximization of profit. The future of humanity is not that of homo oeconomicus.

The Ecumenical Patriarchate, which in recent decades has pioneered in the field of the protection of the creation, will continue its ecological initiatives, the organization of ecological conferences, the mobilization of its faithful and especially the youth, the promotion of the environment's protection as a fundamental subject for interreligious dialogue and the common initiatives of religions, the contacts with political leaders and institutions, the cooperation with environmental organizations and ecological movements. It is evident that the collaboration for the protection of the environment creates additional avenues of communication and possibilities for new common actions.

We repeat that the environmental activities of the Ecumenical Patriarchate are an extension of its ecclesiological self-consciousness and do not comprise a simple circumstantial reaction to a new phenomenon. The very life of the Church is an applied ecology. The sacraments of the Church, its entire life of worship, its asceticism and communal life, the daily life of its faithful, express and generate the deepest respect for creation. The ecological sensitivity of Orthodoxy was not created by but emerged from the contemporary environmental crisis. The struggle for the protection of creation is a central dimension of our faith. Respect for the environment is an act of doxology of God's name, while the destruction of creation is an offense against the Creator, entirely irreconcilable with the basic tenets of Christian theology.

Most honorable brothers and dearly beloved children,

The ecofriendly values of the Orthodox tradition, the precious legacy of the Fathers, constitute an embankment against the culture, whose axiological foundation is the domination of man over nature. Faith in Christ inspires and strengthens the human endeavor even before the immense challenges. From the perspective of faith, we are able to discover and assess not only the problematic dimensions, but also the positive possibilities and prospects of contemporary civilization. We call upon Orthodox young men and women to realize the significance of living as faithful Christians and contemporary people. Faith in the eternal destiny of man strengthens our witness in the world.

In this spirit, from the Phanar, we wish all of you a propitious and all-blessed new ecclesiastical year, fruitful in Christ-like deeds, for the benefit of all creation and to the glory of the all-wise Creator of all. And we invoke upon you, through the intercessions of the All-Holy Theotokos, the Pammakaristos, the grace and mercy of the God of wonders.

September 1, 2020

+Bartholomew of Constantinople

Fervent supplicant of all before God

## *FATHER'S MESSAGE, Con't*

### **A CALL TO ACTION TO HELP OUR NEIGHBORS IN NEED!**

Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ: Thank you to all of you for your cards, calls, and prayers for me during my continuing recovery from my recent injury. Thank you also to His Eminence Metropolitan Savas and to Fr. Sarantos Serviou for serving in my absence these past few weeks.

I was especially inspired by Fr. Serviou's sermon on August 30, which addressed the message of that morning's Gospel reading, which was the about the rich young man who comes to Jesus asking what he must do to be saved. When Jesus tells him to follow God's commandments, he assures the Lord that he already observes them. But then he asks, "What do I still lack?" Jesus answers him: "If you would be perfect, go, sell what you possess and give to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; and come, follow me" (Matthew 19:20-21). The young man goes away in sorrow, "for he had many possessions" (Matt. 19:22). As Fr. Sarantos put it, Jesus had encouraged him to "make an investment in his future" (i.e., in God's Kingdom) by helping the poor, but he could not part with what he owned.

We hear this reading every year in order to challenge us to give more thought to how we manage our own resources – do we serve the Lord by helping those in need (see the Parable of the Last Judgment – Matthew 25: 31-46) when we can, or do we turn the other way and ignore the call? This is a question which in a very short time we will have to ask ourselves, because the very temporary and tenuous social safety net of checks in the mail and eviction moratoriums which was instituted by the federal and state governments in the early days of the pandemic to "tide us over" until the economy began to function again has now expired, but the virus is still very much with us – as is the massive unemployment engendered by the shutdown that our economy underwent in order to slow the progress of the virus.

Fr. Sarantos reminded us about the leadership of such people as Spiro Raftis of blessed memory, who founded the St. Nicholas Agape Fund by offering the first donation to get it started, and continued to contribute throughout his life, as well as Helen Hampers and her colleagues in the Philoptochos, whose leadership led to the creation of the St. Nicholas Food Bank. Both efforts offered enormous help to our parishioners and the larger community, in times of crisis such as when the steel mills closed or when serious illness struck, creating families who were suddenly in need. Additionally, we must not forget the remarkable way that our parish reached out to the patients and families from Greece who came here to Pittsburgh when it was still one of the only centers in the world where organ transplants were being successfully conducted -- putting them up for months, feeding them, and taking care of their every need.

Now is a time when we can expect to find ourselves called to rise to the occasion once again and follow the good example of our forbearers in the faith at St. Nicholas. While it is still too early to tell how this might unfold, I can request the following as first steps: 1) First of all, if any of our parishioners find themselves in financial distress due to this unprecedented situation, please do not hesitate to communicate with me by leaving a confidential message on my office phone (412-682-3866, ext. 2). I check for messages on a regular basis. 2) The Church's Agape Fund has fallen considerably over time, as it is called into service. Donations, large or small, would be greatly appreciated. Checks should be made out to "St. Nicholas Agape Fund." (Online donations should make clear that the offering is for this purpose, so that it can be channeled to the right account.) Thank you in advance for your generosity. 2) When the Philoptochos Board meets next week, I respectfully ask them to put this issue on their agenda, so that we can be ready, if and when need arises, to respond on the spot in critical situations.

## GOYA NEWS

Our St. Nicholas GOYA along with Church School and Philoptochos had the opportunity to honor our graduating High School Seniors on July 19 in church immediately after Liturgy. Afterwards a luncheon was hosted by GOYA in the large hall for our GOYA families.

There was a photo slide show presented from the seniors' six years of GOYA. Our graduating seniors are PJ Copetas, Dimitri Gary, Christopher Kefalos, Steven Kefalos, Christos Mavrogeorgis, Christianna Paljug, and George Panousis.

Our graduates future plans include three attending the University of Pittsburgh, two attending St. Vincent College, one attending the Air Force Academy and one attending the US Merchant Marine Academy. Wishing them all great success in their future.







## **Members and Friends of St. Nicholas Cathedral: Help Us Upgrade our Sound System and Wi-Fi Capabilities!**

We all have experienced the deficiencies with the audio and video systems in our Cathedral; whether it's the broken microphones, poor sound quality both in church and over the internet, or inconsistent volume, just to name a few. It is not surprising we have problems with the system; most of it is about 25 years old and is several generations out of date.

There is another serious problem: there are dead spots in our buildings where even the most sophisticated cell phones cannot be used. Imagine an emergency in the lower level that would require someone running upstairs to call for help. Problems with our Wi-Fi system are not allowing Fr. Bender to hold the Orthodox Living classes at church because the Wi-Fi connection is unreliable, making it impossible for him to record these sessions for online viewing.

Before the COVID-19 crisis hit, Parish Council was investigating sound system and Wi-Fi replacement options and the cost is about \$25,000. However, with the shortfall in our budget from the scaled back Food Festival, funds are not available for capital improvements. The only way we can replace these systems in the short term is to reach out to our parishioners and ask anyone who is able, to make a special donation to help make the Divine Liturgy and other services understandable to everyone in the pews and at home on the video stream. This is so important during the COVID-19 crisis.

Please consider making a contribution or pledge toward the new sound system. We would like to finalize whether we can go forward with this over the next 60 days. For checks, designate in the memo field that this is for the sound system upgrade. For on-line donations, select Building Fund in the pull-down menu and enter sound system in the memo field. Any contribution amount will be helpful. We will keep you apprised of the amount of funds collected or pledged and the funds will only be used for the audio/visual upgrade. (\$3,500 has been pledged at the start!!!)

The Maintenance Committee will continue to obtain input, recommendations, and cost estimates for the new system. If there are any parishioners that have experience with these systems, please contact Vasili Copetas, Van Paras, or Jim Machin let them know. At a minimum, the system will include a new mixer/controller, new microphones, new speakers, mounting rack, new router, new boosters, and sound system tuning.



Thank you for your support  
Parish Council and the Sound & Wi-Fi Upgrade Committee

## *GREEK SCHOOL*

St. Nicholas Greek School will be opening in a virtual manner to ensure the welfare and safety of all the students, staff, and their families.

Through the summer, teachers have participated in various webinars to enhance the lessons virtually which will also be helpful when we open in person. Many of the texts have been changed, various activities are being worked on, curriculum is being expanded. These challenging times have brought various resources at our fingertips and fostered us to think outside of the box.

Parents have expressed that they have seen improvements in their children's Greek with them using "Rebooting Greek" throughout the summer months. We will still be using this online program which will be fully completed in September. It is renamed to "Staellinika" which is now endorsed and partnered with the Greek Government and funded by the Stavros Niarchos foundation.

There has not been any further notification for Ellinomatheas Testing which was changed from May to October. A number of our students are preparing for these international proficiency exams which are designed and evaluated at the Center for Greek Language in Thessaloniki, Greece.

Classes for PK through 7<sup>th</sup> are scheduled to start September 26. Adult classes will start around the second week of October.

**To register** or for more information please e-mail or call Maria at [mstamoolis@verizon.net](mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net); 412.963.7283

As a side note a tv series called "to kokkino potami" which is on you tube is an excellent, fast paced, emotional, and historical drama which is highly recommended for those who know some Greek.

# GREEK SCHOOL

## ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL GREEK LANGUAGE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR CHILDREN 2020 - 2021

### Yearly Tuition for Children

1 student=\$170; 2 students , \$155 each=\$310; 3 students, \$140 each=\$420; 4 students, \$125 each=\$500  
Make checks payable to St. Nicholas Cathedral with Greek School in the memo. Plus an additional \$15 per student for books

Session: Pre K – 7<sup>th</sup> \_\_\_\_\_ Proficiency Preparation(TBA) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Please Print)

LAST NAME (English&Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_  
CITY \_\_\_\_\_ state \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
HOME PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ CELL \_\_\_\_\_  
E-MAIL \_\_\_\_\_  
FATHER'S NAME (English & Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
MOTHER'S NAME (English & Greek) \_\_\_\_\_  
School District Children Attend \_\_\_\_\_

List Children's First Names in English & Greek	Age	Grade Amer. School	Name Day	Grade Greek School	Birthdate

Any food allergies? Please list \_\_\_\_\_

IN case of EMERGENCY Εν ώρα ΑΝΑΓΚΗΣ Please give the names of relatives or other persons that could be reached. Children will be taken to Children's Hospital.

Emergency Name \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
Emergency Name \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_

Parent's Signature \_\_\_\_\_

### Parent Volunteering – Your Help is Needed!

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|--|---------------------------------------|
| _____ serving on Greek School Committee        | _____ Substituting                    |
| _____ with Costume fitting                     | _____ March 25 <sup>th</sup> Luncheon |
| _____ with St. Nicholas Bazaar                 | _____ with Greek Language Festival    |
| _____ with Christmas Caroling in nursing homes | _____ with Bake Sale                  |
| _____ with copying                             | _____ being a teacher's assistant     |

*GREEK SCHOOL*

ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL  
GREEK LANGUAGE SCHOOL REGISTRATION FOR ADULTS  
2020 - 2021

Please select

\_\_\_ Beginners

\_\_\_ Intermediates

\_\_\_ Advanced

Yearly Tuition    \$ 275 per student

Checks payable to

St. Nicholas Cathedral

Memo: Greek School

Books are purchased by students  
on their own

Please print

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Home phone \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell phone \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency contact \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency phone \_\_\_\_\_

Have you had previous Greek lessons? \_\_\_\_\_

If so where \_\_\_\_\_

Why do you want to learn Modern Greek? \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## *PHILOPTOCHOS UPDATES*

### **Food Bank**

The Food Bank continues to need your support!  
You can donate by making a check payable to the  
“St. Nicholas Philoptochos Food Bank” or  
through United Way  
by designating the St. Nicholas Food Bank (#3288) through  
your employers United Way contribution.

Questions: contact Elaine Andrianos (412-731-4334) or Denise Daugherty (412-508-1326).

### **Neighborhood Resilience Project Food Drive**

At this time, we are unable to collect food drive donations for  
Neighborhood Resilience Project  
(formerly knowns as FOCUS Pittsburgh).

There is a great need for support during this difficult time for  
many.

We encourage parishioners to take non-perishable food donations directly to Neighborhood Resilience Project  
located at 2038 Bedford Avenue, Pittsburgh, PA 15219.

They appreciate your support!

# STEWARDSHIP

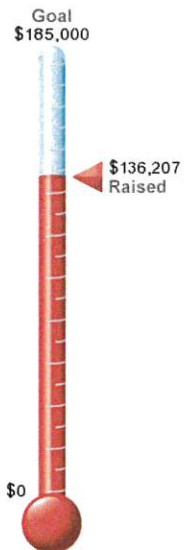
*“A Time for Every Purpose Under Heaven”*

The Stewardship of Time

Ecclesiastes 3

Re-dedicate yourself to God by participating  
in the Divine Liturgy each Sunday and offer your  
TIME, Talent and treasure.

**HELP US REACH/EXCEED OUR GOAL**



2020 STEWARDSHIP		08/25/2020
Total Stewards		279
Total Amount Pledged		\$136,207.00
Average Pledge		\$ 488.20
% Parish Participation to Date		93%
2020 Stewards (GOAL)		300
% of Total Budget to Date		74%
2020 Budget (GOAL)		\$ 185,000.00
Total Giving to Date		\$ 124,351.00
As of:		07/31/2020
Income: Pledges & Basket Collection, Saturday Dinners, Grants & Loans	\$ 257,801.00	
Expenses: Salaries, Utilities, Maintenance, Commitments, etc.	\$ 239,307.00	
	\$ 18,494.00	

# STEWARDSHIP

## 2020 St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral Stewards 08/25/20

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<b>WINTER WORSHIP HOURS BEGIN IN SEPTEMBER</b>		1	2	3	4	5
6 13 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew  Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am	7 HAPPY LABOR DAY!  (OFFICE IS CLOSED)	8 Zoom Philoptochos Board Mtg. 7 pm Father's Zoom Bible Study 8:30 pm	9	10	11	12  (Sept. 12-14: Festival Prep: Please volunteer!)
13 Sunday before Holy Cross Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am  Great Vespers AT Holy Cross Church, Mt. Lebanon, 5 pm	14 Elevation of the Holy Cross  Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am <b>STRICT FAST</b>	15 Zoom Bible Study 8:30 pm  2020 Greek Food Festival: 9/15-16- GYROs, Pastries, Loukoumades (front lawn)	16	17	18	19
20 Sunday after Holy Cross Orthros 8:30 am Divine Liturgy 9:30 am  Food Festival take-outs 11-2, 5-7; GYROs etc. all day	21 Parish Council Meeting TBA	22	23	24	25	26 Metropolis of Pittsburgh Virtual Clergy-Laity Assembly (online)
Father Christopher out of the office September 21- October 3						
27 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am	28	29	30			
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