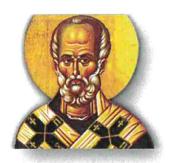
#### OCTOBER 3, 2021 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LUKE

Hioeromartyr Dionysios the Areopagite, 2<sup>nd</sup> Bishop of Athens; Rusticus and Eleutherios the Martyrs; John the Chozebite, Bishop of Caesaria

Tone 6 Orthros Gospel 4



#### WELCOME TO ST. NICHOLAS CATHEDRAL!

VISIT www.stnickspgh.org TODAY for news and updates about our parish! CLERGY: Rev. Fr. Christopher Bender and Rev. Dn. Robert Lykos Father's Cell & Email: 724-630-3483; frchbender@verizon.net

PROTOPSALTIS: Konstantinos Fekos

CHANTER: Steve Andrews

CHOIR DIRECTOR: Steve Andrews

ORGANIST: Haley Cobb

Questions about our Parish? Email <u>church@stnickspgh.org</u> or call 412-682-3866 <u>Our Sunday worship schedule: Sept. 5 – May 31: Orthros 8:45 a.m. & Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.</u>

**WELCOME, VISITORS!** You are honored guests here at St. Nicholas Cathedral and welcome at all our services. We invite you to receive the Holy Eucharist (Communion) if you are an Orthodox Christian who has prepared yourself through fasting, prayer, and confession. If you are not Orthodox, or are Orthodox but have not prepared, we respectfully invite you instead to come forward at the end of the service for a blessing by the priest and a piece of blessed bread (antidoron).

## Our Mission & Vision Statements The MISSION of St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral is to Proclaim the Gospel of Jesus Christ in a Spirit of Unity and Love for All through Worship, Service, Education, Fellowship and Outreach.

Our VISION is to be a Welcoming and Growing Parish, Striving to Live the New Life in Christ according to the Teachings and Traditions of the Greek Orthodox Faith.

Watch Sunday services, which are still streaming live from St Nicholas Cathedral at <a href="www.stnickspgh.org/">www.stnickspgh.org/</a> and click on "Live Streaming Click Here."

On-Line Giving donations are up and running on our web page www.stnickspgh.org by clicking please donate button - or you may access the donation page by using https://abundant.co/stnickspgh/give

PLEASE JOIN US for coffee and fellowship following services, hosted by GOYA.

<u>Today is Church Music Sunday</u> where we honor all choirs and cantors. A special tray will be passed in honor of our choir.

#### TODAY:

- Church School Begins
- GOYA will hold their second meeting TODAY followed by their Annual Mission Walk for Guatemala. All 7th through 12th graders are welcome. Looking forward to seeing everyone. Donations are still being accepted and checks payable to Holy Cross Mission Fund may be mailed to St. Nicholas GOYA or may be given to any GOYAn. If you have any questions please contact the co-chairs of this walk, Elina Antoniades at elinabarbara@icloud.com or Toula Darakos at toula.darakos@icloud.com. Thank you for supporting this mission.
- Philoptochos General Meeting after church. ALL ARE WELCOME!

#### THIS WEEK AT ST. NICHOLAS:

• Monday, Oct 4: GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.

• Tuesday, Oct 5: GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m.

• Wednesday, Oct 6: Orthodoxy Now! (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.

• Sunday, Oct 10: Trisagion Service for Evyenia Pappas (10 years)

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#### SPECIAL HYMNS OF THE DAY (SMALL ENTRANCE):

As the clergy are exiting the altar, we hear the Resurrection hymn for the Tone of the week (Tone 6): Άγγελικαὶ δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνῆμά σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἵστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἅδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήντησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωήν, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι. When the angelic powers appeared at Your grave, the soldiers guarding it feared and became as dead. And standing by the sepulcher was Mary who was seeking Your immaculate body. You devastated Hades, not afflicted by it. You went to meet the virgin, and granted eternal life. You resurrected from the dead. O Lord, glory to You. [SD]

At the procession with the Gospel the usual **Eisodikon (Entrance Hymn)** in Tone 2 is chanted: Δεῦτε προσκυνήσωμεν καὶ προσπέσωμεν Χριστῷ. Σῶσον ἡμᾶς Υἱὲ Θεοῦ, ὁ ἀναστὰς ἐκ νεκρῶν, ψάλλοντάς σοι ἀλληλούϊα. "Come let us worship and fall down before Christ. Save us O Son of God, who arose from the dead. We sing to you, Alleluia."

As the Clergy reenter the Sanctuary, the Resurrection hymn in Tone 6 is repeated. Then, we hear the hymn for St. Dionysios the Areopagite: Χρηστότητα ἐκδιδαχθείς, καὶ νήφων ἐν πᾶσιν, ἀγαθὴν συνείδησιν ἱεροπρεπῶς ἐνδυσάμενος, ἤντλησας ἐκ τοῦ σκεύους τῆς ἐκλογῆς τὰ ἀπόρρητα, καὶ τὴν πίστιν τηρήσας, τὸν ἴσον δρόμον τετέλεκας, Ἱερομάρτυς Διονύσιε. Πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν. Having learnt kindness, and being always steady and sober, vested with a good conscience as befits a priest, you drew out from the Chosen Vessel the secrets of God. And having kept the faith, you have finished the fair race, O Hieromartyr Dionysius. Intercede with Christ our God, entreating Him to save our souls. [SD]

Next, we chant the Hymn for our Church's Patron Saint, St. Nicholas (Tone 4): Κανόνα πίστεως καὶ εἰκόνα πραότητος, ἐγκρατείας Διδάσκαλον, ἀνέδειξέ σε τῇ ποίμνῃ σου, ἡ τῶν πραγμάτων ἀλήθεια· διὰ τοῦτο ἐκτήσω τῇ ταπεινώσει τὰ ὑψηλά, τῇ πτωχείᾳ τὰ πλούσια, Πάτερ Ἱεράρχα Νικόλαε· πρέσβευε Χριστῷ τῷ Θεῷ, σωθῆναι τὰς ψυχὰς ἡμῶν. The truth of things have revealed you to your flock as a rule of faith, an icon of meekness, and a teacher of temperance; for this cause you have achieved the heights by humility, riches by poverty. O Father and Hierarch Nicholas, intercede with Christ God that our souls be saved.

Finally, we hear the seasonal Kontakion for the Theotokos (Tone 2):

Προστασία τῶν Χριστιανῶν ἀκαταίσχυντε, μεσιτεία πρὸς τὸν Ποιητὴν ἀμετάθετε. Μὴ παρίδης άμαρ-τωλῶν δεήσεων φωνάς, ἀλλὰ πρόφθασον, ὡς ἀγαθή, εἰς τὴν βοήθειαν ἡμῶν, τῶν πιστῶς κραυγαζόντων σοι Τάχυνον εἰς πρεσβείαν, καὶ σπεῦσον εἰς ἱκεσίαν, ἡ προστατεύουσα ἀεί, Θεοτόκε, τῶν τιμώντων σε. Ο Protection of Christians that never falls, intercession with the Creator that never fails, we sinners beg you, do not ignore the voices of our prayers. O good Lady, we implore you, quickly come unto our aid, when we cry out to you with faith. Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who protects now and ever those who honor you. [SD]

EPISTLE: 2 Corinthians 4:6-15. Brethren, it is the God who said, "Let light shine out of darkness," who has shone in our hearts to give the light of the knowledge of the glory of God in the face of Christ. But we have this treasure in earthen vessels, to show that the transcendent power belongs to God and not to us. We are afflicted in every way, but not crushed; perplexed, but not driven to despair; persecuted, but not forsaken; struck down, but not destroyed; always carrying in the body the death of Jesus, so that the life of Jesus may also be manifested in our bodies. For while we live we are always being given up to death for Jesus' sake, so that the life of Jesus may be manifested in our mortal flesh. So death is at work in us, but life in you. Since we have the same spirit of faith as he had who wrote, "I believed, and so I spoke," we too believed, and so we speak, knowing that He who raised the Lord Jesus will raise us also with Jesus and bring us with you into His presence. For it is all for your sake, so that as grace extends to more and more people it may increase thanksgiving, to the glory of God. [RSV]

GOSPEL: Luke 6:31-36. The Lord said, "And as you wish that men would do to you, do so to them. If you love those who love you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners love those who love them. And if you do good to those who do good to you, what credit is that to you? For even sinners do the same. And if you lend to those from whom you hope to receive, what credit is that to you? Even sinners lend to sinners, to receive as much again. But love your enemies, and do good, and lend, expecting nothing in return; and your reward will be great, and you will be sons of the Most High; for he is kind to the ungrateful and the selfish. Be merciful, even as your Father is merciful." [RSV]

## 2021 Stewardship Pledge Cards are in the Narthex (Just ask a member of Parish Council)

If you have already submitted your 2021 Stewardship Commitment, THANK YOU! If not, please take the time to make your financial Stewardship Commitment today and complete the talent portion of the card to enable OUR Community to grow and carry on the mission of our faith.

\*\*HELP US REACH/ EXCEED OUR GOAL!!\*\*

Goal \$185,000 \$134,147 Raised

"And now these three remain: Faith, Hope and Love. But the greatest of these is LOVE." Corinthians 13:13

<u>2021</u>	<b>STEWARDSHIP</b>
Total Stewards	281 (GOAL 300)
Total Pledged	\$134,147.00 (GOAL \$185,000.00)
Avg. Pledge	\$477.39

#### PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

**Philoptochos General Meeting** is **today** after church. We welcome anyone interested in Philoptochos, current members and those interested in finding out more. Hope to see you there.

Respectfully,
Maria Bardakos
Philoptochos President
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral

#### **CHOIR NEWS**

The St. Nicholas Choir began their choir fiscal season on Sunday, September 19th! We begin at 10:00AM!!
I am looking forward to seeing everyone there!! There is a choir book waiting for you!!
COME JOIN OUR CHOIR FAMILY!!
Please make sure that you are fully vaccinated.

#### SIXTY CLUB and GUESTS

WELCOME BACK LUNCHEON OCTOBER 14<sup>th</sup>

> Central Diner & Grill Robinson Town Center Individual checks

Reservations are limited, due October 10th

Contact Alice Gary @ 412-249-8612 or Fran Hanna @ 412-731-0790 or <a href="mailto:jchmac@comast.net">jchmac@comast.net</a> Bus leaves St. Nicholas at 12:15 p.m., estimated time of return 3:30 p.m.

#### DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE/AHEPA

The Daughters of Penelope and AHEPA will have a combined meeting in the fellowship room with refreshments on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

#### Support GOYA Mission Walk for Guatemala

On October 3rd, 2021 St. Nicholas GOYA will be participating in a walk at Schenley Park supporting the vital work of the mission trips in Guatemala.

#### The money earned from this event will be used for:

- Building hospitals
- Establishing a seminary
- Translating liturgical/theological books
- Sewing vestments/other liturgical coverings
- Providing parishes with icons/liturgical utensils
- Assisting less fortunate members of the church
- Supporting other mission teams



#### How Can You Help?

You can support this cause by sponsoring a GOYAn on their mission walk. They will be looking for sponsors over the next few weeks. An additional option includes mailing a check to the church made payable to Holy Cross Mission Fund.

If you have any questions please contact the chairs of this event, Elina Antoniades at elinabarbara@icloud.com or Toula Darakos at toula.darakos@icloud.com.

NOTE: the following article from the Religious News Service provides a good description of how and why Orthodoxy came to Guatemala, and how it is developing over time.

#### Led by 'Father Revolutionary,' Indigenous Guatemalans turn to Orthodox Christianity

Spurred by the conversion of a beloved former Catholic priest, Orthodox Christian communities have popped up in some 120 villages across northern Guatemala and southern Mexico.



The Indigenous Orthodox Christian community participates in a procession for Palm Sunday around the village of Aguacate, Guatemala. Photo by Fr. Evangelios Pata and Fr. Thomas Manuel

(RNS) — When the clergy and seminarians of the St. Andrew's Seminary in Aguacate, Guatemala, roll into town they have their work cut out for them. "On day one, we did the liturgy, 10 baptisms, and seven chrismations," explained the Fr. Thomas Manuel, an Orthodox Christian priest. "Then the next day, we did another visit, we had nine confessions, the Divine Liturgy, four chrismations, three weddings and a baptism." The men's workload is their own doing. Established only a decade ago in a country traditionally dominantly Roman Catholic, Guatemala's Orthodox Christian community is so successful that its few clergy are in a constant state of being overwhelmed.

Guatemala's border with Mexico is a region of volcanic mountains and fertile farmland. For centuries, this area has been largely occupied by the Indigenous Maya people, whose great pre-Columbian Mesoamerican civilization once spanned from Mexico's Yucatan Peninsula to El Salvador's Pacific coast.

Like the rest of Latin America, since the arrival of the Spanish, for centuries religious expression in the region had mostly been dominated by the Roman Catholic Church. That's changing fast. Guatemala has been in a state of religious flux since in the mid-1990s and the end of the country's decades-long civil war.



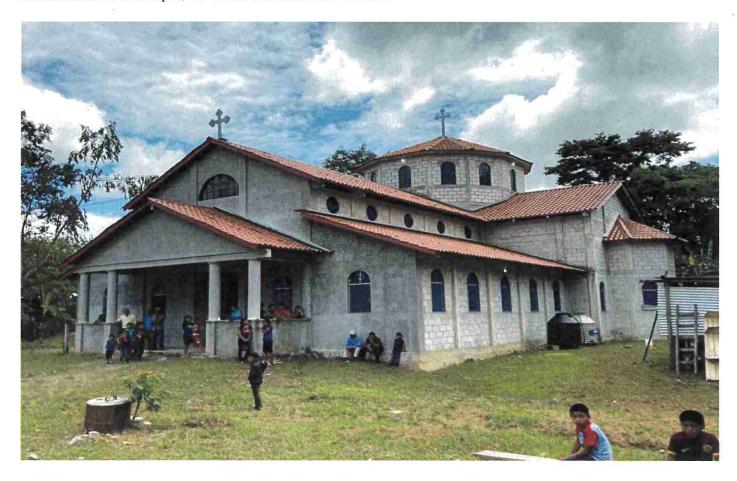
Guatemala, red, located in Central America. Image courtesy of Wikipedia/Creative Commons

While in 1970 Guatemala was more than 90% Catholic, today less than 45% of Guatemalans identify that way. Another 42% identify as Protestants, according to a 2019 report by <a href="the U.S.">the U.S.</a> State Department. One aspect of the country's changing religious landscape is the conversion of Indigenous people in the north of the country to the Orthodox Church in 2010, the work of a charismatic former Catholic priest and one-time parliamentarian, Fr. Andres Giron.

Long before he left the Catholic faith, Giron became a pariah to many in Guatemala's establishment for his impassioned support of land reform. As a priest, Giron associated himself with the most impoverished and dejected portions of Guatemalan society: Indigenous communities that had barely survived an attempted genocide by the Guatemalan army in the early 1980s. According to <u>a 1988 profile</u> in The New York Times, Giron earned himself the nickname "Father revolutionary" by both his supporters and opponents.

Though not Indigenous himself, five of Giron's own family members were slain amidst the violence of the civil war, and in a country where land is jealously held by a tiny but powerful elite, advocating for land reform put a target on Giron's head, forcing him, at times, to carry a weapon for his own protection or hire armed guards as he traveled from village to village. It was in those villages that Giron became disillusioned with the Catholic Church. "They never had a favored status within the scheme of things" explained Fr. John Chakos, who knew Giron well. "but Father Andres began to speak on their behalf."

Many Indigenous people flocked to Giron's worship services. "He was their hero, their Moses," Chakos explained. "One community after another joined his church." He was soon expelled from the Catholic Church for his efforts, dampening his movement. After a series of assassination attempts, he went into exile in Mexico.



The Orthodox Christian parish of St. John the Baptist in Los Angeles Ixcan, Guatemala. Photo by Fr. Evangelios Pata and Fr. Thomas Manuel

The Maya were also disenchanted with Catholicism. Largely ignored by the official leadership, they had also had enough of the liberation theology espoused by dissident Catholic priests, which helped to inspire anti-government rebels. "The people were not happy with the political focus of the Catholic Church," Chakos said.

Some opted out of religion entirely. About 11% of Guatemalans identify as nonreligious today. Others were attracted to Pentecostal and other evangelical sects, but their appeal was limited, as the leaders of these groups were aligned with U.S.-backed government troops. Yet others adopted pre-Christian Indigenous traditions.

In short, they were hungry for a new direction when Giron came to lead them to Orthodoxy. Giron had spent much of his exile in Rome, where he had discovered the Greek Orthodox Church. Upon his return, he introduced his former flock to so-called "Non-canonical" movements that are Orthodox-adjacent.

At the same time he reached out to Chakos, who spent more than 30 years as an Orthodox priest in the U.S., to discuss the possibility of bringing his community into the Orthodox mainstream. By 2010, Giron completed his conversion to Orthodox Christianity and was followed by masses of his followers. He passed away in 2014, but others have continued his work.



The Orthodox Christian community holds a traditional funerary procession for Jesus on Good Friday, after commemorating his crucifixion that morning, in Aguacate, Guatemala. Photo by Fr. Evangelios Pata and Fr. Thomas Manuel

Estimates of how many converts there are vary widely. Claims that the community numbers more than 100,000 seem exaggerated: The last time the Eastern Orthodox Church saw a mass conversion on such a scale, it was the pagan Slavs of Kievan Rus, a precursor to the Russian Empire in the 9th century. Manuel is far more conservative, putting the total between 10,000 to 15,000 at most.

What's inarguable is that in the last decade, Orthodox Christian communities have popped up in some 120 villages across northern Guatemala and southern Mexico. The largest is in Aguacate, where the seminary is located, with about 1,000 members. Most churches draw closer to 100.

"It's still a pretty staggering number of people," said Manuel, a U.S.-trained missionary who relocated to Guatemala with his family to help build the community into a self-sufficient parish of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. Even if you put it at 8,000, or 10,000, you know, that's still a huge population of people that go from one tradition to another overnight."



Clergy and seminarians of the St. Andrew's Seminary in Aguacate, Guatemala. Photo by Fr. Evangelios Pata and Fr. Thomas Manuel

There are only five native priests to serve the community, including their vicar, Fr. Evangelios Pata, but Manuel is hard at work training more. Right now, there are 10 students in the St. Andrew's Seminary — named for Andres Giron. The usual Orthodox curriculum has been adapted for Guatemalan circumstances. Unlike in the U.S. where seminarians must have already completed a college degree, at St. Andrew's, they only require a high school diploma, a more common terminal degree in Guatemala.

Another requirement is that they speak Spanish: For most of the Indigenous Orthodox faithful in Guatemala, Spanish is a second language. But it is a necessary lingua franca, as in their home villages, some 22 different languages are spoken.

Manuel's students have also had a more hands-on training than most Orthodox priests receive. "I think of them as super-seminarians, because they do everything from study to building construction," he said. In addition to building churches and community centers, the priests have also helped to set up a much-needed medical clinic at the cathedral in Aguacate.

"This medical outreach is quite extensive," Chakos explained. "We bring doctors in from the United States, and they come in to offer medical services, because people in these villages that we serve have relatively little access to medical care professionals."

Manuel dreams of what could be done with more help. "I would like to see it so that this first batch of 10 seminarians multiplies to 50," Manuel said. He also hopes the community will be able to set up more educational institutions and medical clinics as they spread. But most of all, he believes his job is to help them become self-sufficient communities who can chart their own spiritual path within the Orthodox Church without outside help.

Though Manuel has come from a foreign land to build churches, "the real missionaries," he said, "are the five Indigenous priests, the seminarians and all the people for whom this is their country, this is their home."



#### From the Church School Desk:

Today, **Sunday**, **October 3**, **2021**, the bells will start to ring again for the beginning of Church School with an Agiasmo Service (Blessings of the Water)!

As the Church School Director, I am looking forward to working with my staff, teachers and **YOU** (the St. Nicholas parishioners) to enrich the lives of our children. St. Nicholas is our spiritual family and we all should take part in educating our **you**th (the **you** of tomorrow). As a community, we need to show our children our love and devotion to our Orthodox faith

This year's Church School theme is OUR CHURCH. OUR SPIRITUAL HOME.

Every week your child is encouraged to bring "a donation" to Church School (this will help them learn the lesson of "stewardship"), plus, be assigned homework: Do something nice for someone!

Please take the time to look over the attached 2021-2022 Church School Calendar, fill out the registration form (and bring it to class) and volunteer **your** time, talent and treasure to help **our** children.

I would like to thank the parents in advance for sharing your children with us every Sunday! But, what can you do to help? You can help our Church School program, in the final analysis, your child, by bringing him/her every Sunday. Encourage your child to tell you about the lesson taught for the day, as well as, the craft brought home. Pray with your child. (Each lesson should begin and end with Prayer.) Attend worship services together as a **family**; Divine Liturgy starts at 10:00 a.m.

And thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!

Yours in Christ,

Miss Michelle



### Church School Schedule

### 2021-2022

Sunday, October 3, 2021		Church School Begins
Sunday, November 14, 2021		Godparent/Special Friend Sunday
Sunday, November 28, 2021	No Classroom Attendance	Thanksgiving Break
Sunday, December 12, 2021		St. Nicholas Bazaar
Sunday, December 19, 2021		Christmas Pageant
Sunday, December 26, 2021	No Classroom Attendance	Christmas Break
Sunday, January 2, 2022	No Classroom Attendance	Christmas Break
Sunday, January 9, 2022		Church School Resumes & Vasilopita Cutting
Sunday, March 13, 2022	Participation in Procession	Sunday of Orthodoxy
Sunday, April 10, 2022		Parent Sunday
Saturday, April 16, 2022	Saturday of Lazarus	Communion Breakfast/Making of Palm Crosses
Sunday, April 17, 2022	Classroom Attendance	Palm Sunday
Sunday, April 24, 2022	No Classroom Attendance	Easter Sunday
Sunday, May 1, 2022	No Classroom Attendance	Food Festival
Sunday, May 22, 2022		Commencement

#### **Registration Form**

#### St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral

#### **Church School**

Parent's Names				
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Substitute Teacher				Oratorical Festival
St. Nicholas Bazaar				Communion Breakfast
Christmas Pageant				Easter Egg Hunt
Snacks				Outreach Projects

Thanks for sharing your children with us every Sunday!

#### St. Nicholas Greek School

The first day for the 2021-2022 Greek Language Classes at St. Nicholas Cathedral began on Saturday, September 18. It was enjoyable to start the year off in person and see the children and their families. Many new families joined this year and we brought back a Pre-Kindergarten Class. The first day included the traditional Aghiasmo Service (Blessing of the Waters) to bless everyone and start the year off with much needed prayers.

Greek Language Classes for children are offered on Saturday mornings from 10am to 12:30pm. We offer classes from Pre-Kindergarten to 7<sup>th</sup> grade. Classes focus on acquisition of the language, and incorporate our culture, history, and Orthodox faith. The first day ended with the annual "Ice cream social." Teachers this year are: Kyriaki Bouzos, Sophie Vroulos, Elissavet Voreadi, Dr. Vasiliki Moragianni, Maria Stamoolis, Katia Liangou, Dimitra Agapitou, Toula Protopapa, and Katerina Mavriki.

During the second week of October, some students will be taking the Ellinomatheas proficiency exams from Greece at St. Nicholas Cathedral. Our church is the testing center for the Metropolis. These tests are usually administered in May but due to Covid they were rescheduled to October.

We are still working on the schedule for Adult Greek Languages Classes with Toula Protopapa. For information and registration, please e-mail Maria Stamoolis at <a href="mailto:mstamoolis@verizon.net">mstamoolis@verizon.net</a> or phone at 412.963 7283.

On November 6, the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh's 8<sup>th</sup> Annual Greek Language Festival and Quiz Bowl will take place at St. Nicholas Cathedral. And on November 9<sup>th</sup> at 8pm a zoom presentation will take place by Dr. Elias Petrou on the Revolution of 1821 which will be geared for children and open to everyone.

May our Lord and Panaghia guide us with educating our children.

#### 1st DAY OF GREEK SCHOOL











## THINK PINK

BAKE SALE

On Sunday,

October 17th, 2021

(Following liturgy)



HOSTED BY

## **Daughters of Penelope**

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Cathedral

Donations of baked goods or monetary donations are welcome.

Proceeds fund breast cancer awareness.

## JOY, HOPE & Little Angels

# TRUNK or Treat

Friday, October 22

6:00 - 9:00 p.m.

St. Nick's Parking Lot & Fellowship Hall 419 S. Dithridge Street

Join us for a pumpkin craft, pizza, s'mores & trunk or treating! RSVP to Nikki Lykos (nvlykos@gmail.com or 412-897-8208)













## Do you know about Yiayia and Papou's history? The Family Wants to Know!!!

Tell about your family's beginnings through the

## OF WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA

#### What is the Digital Greek American Cultural Center of Western PA?

A living, cloud-based, on-line museum and cultural center that will exhibit the history and accomplishments of the Greek American community of Western PA

#### Why is it being created?

For current and future generations of Greeks and non-Greeks to digitally learn about family origins, their cultural history, and the founding values Greeks brought to our region

#### When will it be open?

The Inauguration of the Center will take place on November 7, 2021, as part of the Celebrations of the 80th Anniversary of the Dedication of the Greek Nationality Room in the Cathedral of Learning at the University of Pittsburgh

#### How can you participate?

This is a community-wide call for video testimonials of family histories including scanned photos and documents. Your family's history is important for keeping future generations in our community, as well as our sister communities, informed about our history and contributions to the region

#### Keep Yiayia's and Papou's history alive.

To ensure your family's history is included for the opening event, please submit your video testimonial and any scanned photos/documents by October 4, 2021.

Submissions received after will be added on a continuous basis following the opening event. For more information on how to participate, please reach out to:

contact@pahellenicfoundation.org

#### **OCTOBER 2021**

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy Church School begins with an Agiasmos  After church: Philoptochos General Meeting	GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.	5 GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m.	6 Orthodoxy Now! (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.	7	Pittsburgh Hosts Orthodox Young Conference Octo Including Saturd Dance at St. Nick	Adult ober 8-10 ay Night Dinner
GOYA Meeting & Walk for Missions  10 3rd Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.	GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.	GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m. DOP & AHEPA meeting	Orthodoxy Now! (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.	14 60s Club Luncheon at Central Diner	15	16 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
Sunday of 7th Ecumenical Council Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. THINK PINK Bake Sale GOYA CAR WASH	Parish Council Meeting 7:00 p.m.  GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.	GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m.	Orthodoxy Now! (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.	21	22 Little Angels, HOPE & JOY Trunk or Treat 6:00 p.m.	Greek School 10:00 a.m.
6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke Orthros 8:45 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m. PARISH ASSEMBLY	GOYA GIRLS Basketball 6:30 p.m.	26 Great Martyr Demetrios Orthros 9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.  GOYA BOYS Basketball 7:00 p.m.	27 Orthodoxy Now! (via Zoom) 7:30 p.m.	28	29	30 Greek School 10:00 a.m.
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