

Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation

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Sunday, September 4 | 12th Sunday of Matthew

Babylas the Holy Martyr, Moses the Prophet & Godseer, Our Righteous Father Anthimus of Coroucle in Cephallenia, Anthimos the new ascetic, Hermione the Martyr, daughter of St. Philip the Deacon

Next Week's Memorials

40 Day Memorial for Athanasios Papadias
1 Year Memorial for Mary Joanne Jones
2 Year Memorial for Athanasios (Mike) Platanis
10 Year Memorial for Emmanuel (Manoli) Platanis
21 Year Memorial for Ina Jones
23 Year Memorial for Presbytera Constance Edwards
50 Year Memorial for Charlie (Constantinos) Jones

Atlanta Greek Festival Volunteers Needed

We can't do it without you! Please click <u>HERE</u> for th SignUp Genius website and use code: ATLGOC Come by the table & pick-up posters & yard signs in Carlos Hall.

A.R.K Adult Religious Knowledge

Virtual classes begin this Wednesday, September 7, 2022 via Zoom at 6:00 pm

Wednesday "NITE" Life

Road to Orthodoxy

Annunciation Afternoon Greek School

Wednesday, September 7, 2022
Blessing of the Waters will take place in the Cathedral followed by a brief "Meet the Teacher"

Click <u>HERE</u> to register

Atlanta Orthodox Clergy Brotherhood

Click <u>HERE</u> to read the September issue of The Orthodox Chronicles, a newsletter of the Atlanta Inter-Orthodox Parish Association

Parish Contact Information

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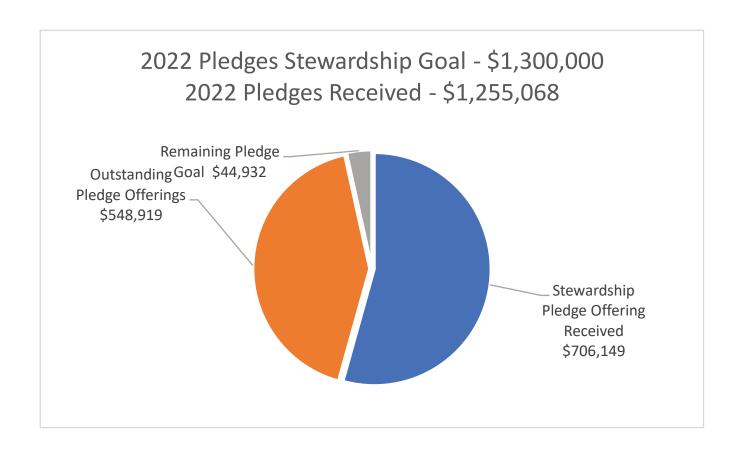
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Stewardship

We want to thank you for your continued support of the Cathedral during this difficult time. We are still one community, worshiping and praying together.



Support our Cathedral



Text "ATLGOC" to 73256



See a member of Parish Council



Scan this QR Code

Or visit us at **atlgoc.org** to light candles and submit names for prayers, manage your online giving, make a quick donation, and more.

Ministries

Service to others for the glory of God

"Church Ministry", refers to any person, persons, program or organization of the Church, who or which, alone and together, labors in love to accomplish the work of God's Holy Church here on earth.

Sunday School

Labor Day Holiday Sunday School Classes are not held.

HOPE & JOY

September 11th
In the Gym following Sunday School
He who wrestled with God...and won!!

GOYA

GOYA Board Meeting via Zoom Today at 1:00 pm

September 10th GOYA Meeting and Activity in the Gym 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Golden Group

Save the date for our first Golden Group Luncheon of the season on Thursday, October 13 in Kartos Ballroom. Come and get the scoop on upcoming speakers, activities, and trips. We will also play BINGO with a variety of prizes! Golden Group activities are open to all those in our community who are at least sixty years young! If you have any suggestions for the coming year or if you, or an organization you belong to, would like to sponsor a luncheon in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please contact Jean Economy (404) 876-3536 or Cindy Stanton (770) 925-1220.

Afternoon Greek School

We look forward to beginning another school year with our Afternoon Greek School on Mondays and Wednesdays.

As of today, we have 16 students signed up for classes. In order for the program to be sustainable, we must have at least 25 students. Until we do have the minimum amount of students our classes will be put on hold.

For that reason, we are asking you to please click <u>HERE</u> to register for classes today, so we will know when the minimum number of students has been met

Annunciation Day School

The 2023 Tax Credit/ Reduction applications are now open!

Would you like a free way to reduce your tax liability every year? The Apogee State Tax Credit program can help! It's an easy and fast way for YOU to decide how our state spends your tax dollars.

If you are single, you can redirect up to \$1,000 of your state taxes and if married, up to \$2,500. There's even a greater benefit if you own an LLC or S-Corp as you can deduct up to \$10,000 in state income taxes owed.

Signing up takes less than 3 minutes!

Visit www.apogee123.org and choose Annunciation

Day School as your school recipient.

We would like to thank and acknowledge the following parishioners who have participated in the scholarship program to date:

Costa Panos/Realty Associates of Atlanta, Solon & Marianna Patterson, Mark & Dimitra Moraitakis, Stephen & Maria Chininis, Jimmy & Toula Kostopoulos, Manuel & Deidre Chaknis, James Burk and Helen Panos, Nicholas Grivas, Chris & Pattie Arapoglou, Jimmy Nakos, George & Eleny Katsoudas. Dr. Bruce & Meredith Beau, Eric & Amanda Kocefas-Russo, Dr. Andrew & Vicky Soulimiotis, Drs. Greg & Christine Esper, Taso Costarides, Stephen & Gabriela Lucas, Kosta & Carolyn Bozzuto, Taso Costarides



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS $^{\text{OF}}$ ATLANTA IEPA ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΑΤΛΑΝΤΑΣ

September 1, 2022

To the Reverend Clergy, Monastics & Deacons, the Parish Councils, Philoptochos Chapters & to our beloved Youth and Young Adults of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Atlanta:

My beloved Children in the Lord,

Beginning the first of September, I greet you with love and joy in the Name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ, as I offer my blessings and best wishes for a happy and spiritually prosperous Ecclesiastical New Year!

As we continue to observe the ancient custom of beginning a new year at the end of the summer harvest, we see that so many other aspects of our lives begin during this fruitful season. Having taken time to rest and refresh ourselves this summer, our beloved spiritual children return to both their secular and catechetical schooling, as well as various programs for the benefit of their souls (such as HOPE, JOY, and GOYA). Similarly, our adult parishioners will find opportunities to return to their Bible Studies, and even our Clergy will come together this fall for a retreat that will offer both fellowship and spiritual knowledge.

In the Gospel reading for September 1st, we learn that Christ too, used the season of the harvest to announce the beginning of His Ministry. He entered the synagogue of Nazareth, and taking the book of the Prophet Isaiah, read, "'The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring good news to the poor. He has sent me to proclaim release to the captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favor.' And he closed the book, and gave it back to the attendant, and sat down; and the eyes of all in the synagogue were fixed on him. And he began to say to them, 'Today this scripture has been fulfilled in your hearing.' All spoke well of him and were amazed at the gracious words that came from his mouth." (Luke 4:18-22)

The words of this reading are so full, that we could talk about their promise of hope, of gladness, and of justice. However, let us instead imagine the wonder of the people who were able to hear the Lord—their Creator—speak words written about Him hundreds of years before He was born into the flesh! When discussing this very passage, Origen of Alexandria says, "How much would I wish that this assembly gave such testimony. I wish that the eyes of all (of catechumens and faithful of women, men and children) - not the eyes of the body, but the eyes of the soul - would gaze upon Jesus. When you look to Him, your faces will be shining from the light of His gaze."

My beloved Brother Clergy, my dear Laity—brothers, sisters, and children—may we begin this new Ecclesiastical Year as an opportunity to grow strong in the Word of God, in thought and in action. Only when we gladly receive the Good News, will we receive our sight, then becoming freer and richer in spiritual blessings. When we carefully study the Gospel and try our best to walk in its ways, we shall not only see Him with the eyes of the soul, but begin to live with Him, as He lives in us. May it be so, this year, and all the days of our lives, I remain,

With paternal blessings and with much love in Christ,

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Metropolitan of Atlanta

SEPTEMBER PHILOPTOCHOS MEETING





A light dinner will be served

In addition to hearing about our exciting upcoming Philoptochos events and meetings, we will also have a presentation on women's health.

We look forward to seeing you!



Parishioners Welcome



Join Us for Food & Fun at MOE'S & Support Our School!

20% OFF SALES (including take out)
WILL BE DONATED BACK TO ADS!

PLEASE MENTION "ADS SPIRIT NIGHT"
AT THE REGISTER



SEPTEMBER 13, 2022 1:00 - 6:00 PM 2484 BRIARCLIFF ROAD







OUR ATLANTA GREEK FESTIVAL IS RETURNING IN PERSON FOR THE FIRST TIME SINCE 2019!

WE NEED EACH MEMBER OF OUR PARISH TO HELP BY VOUNTEERING, PREPARING, DANCING, SINGING, AND SUPPORTING OUR CATHEDRAL'S PREMIER CULTURAL, HISTORICAL, AND RELIGIOUS EVENT!

Ecclesiastical Calendar

Sunday, September 4	Orthros in the Cathedral Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral	8:00 am 9:30 am
Wednesday, September 7	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Metropolis Chapel	8:15 am
Thursday, September 8 Nativity of the Theotokos	Orthros followed by Divine Liturgy in the Metropolis Chapel	8:15 am
Sunday, September 11	Orthros in the Cathedral Divine Liturgy in the Cathedral	8:00 am 9:30 am

The Cathedral & Metropolis Offices will be closed on Monday, September $5^{\rm th}$ in observance of Labor Day.

Events & Activities

Tuesday, September 6	GOOFS Coffee & Doughnuts in Kafenion Clergy Brotherhood Meeting in the Boardroom Philoptochos Board Meeting via Zoom	9:00 am 11:00 am 6:00 pm
Wednesday, September 7	Mah-jongg & games in the Kafenion (open to everyone) ARK Classes via Zoom Journey to Oneness via Zoom	10:00 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm

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Sunday, September 4	No Sunday School or Greek Dance GOYA Board Meeting via Zoom	1:00 pm
Monday, September 5	No Annunciation Day School, Labor Day Observed	
Tuesday, September 6	Annunciation Day School ADS Girls Volleyball Game vs. Heritage in the Gym	8:00 am 4:30 pm
Wednesday, September 7	Annunciation Day School Annunciation Afternoon Greek School Blessing of the Waters	8:00 am 5:00 pm
Thursday, September 8	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Friday, September 9	Annunciation Day School	8:00 am
Saturday, September 10	GOYA Meeting and Activity in the Gym	5:00 pm
Sunday, September 11	Sunday School following The Prayer of Thanksgiving HOPE & JOY in the Gym folllowing Sunday School Greek Dance Practice in the Hellenic Center	