

Cathedral News

Saints Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral



Dean's Desk

In previewing the newsletter prior to its publication, reference is made several times to the end of the summer season and the excitement of the beginning of our regular ministry programs. Leaders of our ministries have met during the summer months to prepare their schedules, and we thank our dedicated volunteers for all their efforts on behalf of our church members.

As I have mentioned before, September first is a better date for the new year with the change of the season and the beginning of the school year among many other activities. The First Ecumenical Council in 325 A.D. recognized this as decreed that the Church Ecclesiastical Year would begin on September first. The Church begins her new cycle with a Divine Liturgy, in which prayers are offered for fair weather, seasonable rains, and an abundance of the fruits of **the earth. The Gospel lesson for the service commemorates Jesus' entry into the synagogue in Nazareth, where He was given the book of the Prophet Isaiah. He opened it and found the place where it is written, "The Spirit of the Lord is upon Me, for which cause He has anointed Me..." (Luke 4:16-22 for the entire passage). Thus began the ministry of our Lord and our continuance of His ministry as we begin the new ecclesiastical year.**

As with the traditional date of January first, we can make "resolutions" as to what we wish to achieve in the new year. Our priority should be our growth in the likeness of Christ and to bring glory to His holy name through our personal lives as well as in the life and activity of our church community. Worship underlies our commitment to our Lord, and we should be regular attendees (and on time!) for our liturgical services. Using our time, talent, and treasure, we should offer our services or participate in the many ministry offerings of our **parish. Parents should follow the Biblical admonition (Proverbs 22:6) to "Train up a child in the way he should go, and when he is old he will not depart from it". Our youth programming is only as effective as the parents support it by insuring that their children participate as much as possible. With so many negative influences on our children, only a Christian household re-enforced by our programs at church can we hope to negate what our children are exposed to on a daily basis.**

May our Lord bless each of you as we once begin a new church year.

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Centennial Gala

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 7TH, 2017
AT FIVE O'CLOCK IN THE EVENING

THE OMNI HOTEL

Be sure to purchase your tickets now because space is limited. The deadline is September 10th, so that the Omni may be informed and that we can finalize seating arrangements. We continue to offer sponsorships so that the full expense of the GALA may be covered.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3, 2017

Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΗ ΜΑΤΘΑΙΟΥ

8:15 a.m. Orthros (Morning Prayer)
9:30 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

Epistle Reading: I Corinthians 16:13-24
Gospel Reading: Matthew 21:33-42
Acolytes: John Vithoulkas*, Daniel Bazianos*, Theodore Singletary, Yianni Spears, Blake Georges, James Seevers, Ioannis Bissi, Christopher Singletary, Nicholas Blankenship, James Bubrovsky

Epistle Reader: Ben Loucas
Parish Council Liaison: Frank Thomas
Ushers: Stephen Halsey, Ken Collins, Tony Spears, Chris Demetrius
Narthex Duty: Steve Julias, George Kokorelis
Welcoming: Andrea Junes Baker

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2017

Sunday Before Holy Cross

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΠΡΟ ΤΗΣ ΞΥΩΣΕΩΣ

8:30 a.m. Orthros (Morning Prayer)
10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

Epistle Reading: Galatians 6:11-18
Gospel Reading: John 3:13-17
Acolytes: Gabriel Romito*, Mercer Reed*, Stamate Theofanos, Zach Edwards, Anthony Maratos, Connor Andre, George Sotos, Christopher Chavez, Christos Rubis

Epistle Reader: Gabriel Romito
Parish Council Liaison: Frank Thomas
Ushers: Mike Hall, Tom Kirk, Michael Fotopoulos, Scott Gerard
Narthex Duty: Lex Dunn, Maria Bartz
Welcoming: Maria Tarasidis

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 17 2017

Sunday after Holy Cross

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΜΕΤΑ ΤΗΝ ΞΥΩΣΙΝ

8:30 a.m. Orthros (Morning Prayer)
10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

Epistle Reading: Galatians 2:16-20
Gospel Reading: Mark 8:34-38 9:1
Acolytes: John Vithoulkas*, Nikolas Chubb, Yorgos Flegas, Thomas Halsey, Spencer Warner, Ethan Hawkins, Andrew Vithoulkas, Luke Branch, Theodore Moss

Epistle Reader: Ethan Hawkins
Parish Council Liaison: Frank Thomas
Ushers: Pat Branch, Jim Seevers, Athena Conte, Andy Ziu
Narthex Duty: Lambros Deligan, Maria Tarasides
Welcoming: Dianna Gettas

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 2017

First Sunday of Luke

Α ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΟΥ ΛΟΥΚΑ

8:30 a.m. Orthros (Morning Prayer)
10:00 a.m. The Divine Liturgy

Epistle Reading: II Timothy 3:10-15
Gospel Reading: Luke 5:1-11
Acolytes: Nikos Mouris*, Timothy Tymowski*, John Galanides, Ben Loucas, Nikitas Karousos, Nicholas Spears, Jimmy Spence, Manoli Loupassi, Nicholas Stratiou, Niko Loucas

Epistle Reader: Peter King
Parish Council Liaison: Bill Lucas
Ushers: Nick Morris, Effie Fotopoulos, Chris Stathis, Scott Hawkins
Narthex Duty: Bill Lucas, Chris Kalentzos
Welcoming: Mark Chronis



Fall Worship Times Begin
September 10th, 2016:
Orthros 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy 10:00 a.m.



Parking

As we begin our Fall programs, we remind our members that we are not to use our neighboring church's parking lot except for the one section closest to Antrim road.

Leisure Group

September 19th we begin Leisure Group again. Join your fellow Senior Citizens for fellowship and a delicious meal. At 11:30 we begin with a short prayer service followed by luncheon served and prepared by the Ladies Philoptochos Society. Please stay for Bingo



August Parish Council Update

Youth Director Dean Tiggas highlighted our summer youth activities and plans for the fall. Vacation Church School went very well as did Camp Good Shepherd. Many plans for the different age youth are being finalized for the new ecclesiastical year.

Steve Julias offered the financial report. Although June showed stewardship donations down, July was outstanding for a summer month and put us **ahead of last year's pace.**

Expenses remain within the budget except for a slight increase in utilities and expenditures for our updated HVAC control panel.

Maria Reed reported how our record breaking Greek Festival Financials are being finalized and the numbers look exceptional. The post-festival meeting was held and there was good feedback. Issues with two vendors are being addressed.

The building report submitted by Mike Pantele showed many issues being attended to and proposed upgrades as bids are being solicited. Air conditioning concerns in the kitchen and House of Worship have been repaired. The painting of the first floor and the refinishing of the floor in the Dombalis Hall are out for bid.

Maria Bartz shared that Faith Night at the Diamond was a tremendous success with over one hundred fifty Cathedral members present to watch Fr. Nick throw out the first pitch (a strike!). Appreciation was expressed to George Kokorelis and John Ashikis for organizing such a fun outing. Sylvia Evans and Maria Violaris were commended for an outstanding second exhibit.

Under old business, the new configuration for the narthex was discussed. Maria Tarasidis has secured funding for two

proskinitaria (icon stands) for our smaller children. The plaque in remembrance of John **Matthews' dedication to our** coffee fellowship has been installed. The condition of the Bibles in the pews was discussed and options will be explored.

For new business, a new insurance carrier has been chosen which offers better coverage at a far better rate. Maintenance issues for the house at 4110 Kingcrest were addressed. Allocation of the Festival profits into various funds was approved. Funds for upgrading our Cathedral website and donations to the National Forum of Church Musicians and the Pastoral Counselling Center were approved. The contract for our Commemorative Album and Funding to restart our bookstore were also approved. At the suggestion of two City Council members, developing a relationship with a sister city in Greece will be explored.



Philoptochos Coffee Hour

August 20th, the Eleventh Sunday of Matthew. The special coffee hour was in honor of Finnie Theofanos for his 90th birthday. Xronia Polla Finnie! There was a cake and so many of our ladies brought something for the coffee hour to help him celebrate. May God grant him many years! Thanks to those that brought something and to those that helped with the setup and cleanup.



2017
ST. ELPIS
GREEK FESTIVAL
Friday & Saturday - Sept. 29 & 30
11:00 am to 10:00 pm
810 W. Poythress, Hopewell, Va.



Authentic Homemade Greek Foods;
Live Greek Music, Greek Dancing,
Church Tours, Gift Items and More
Yiasou!!!! Kali Orexi!!!!



Please reserve the date for our
Centennial Celebration
October 6th, 7th & 8th

Weekend Events

Friday, October 6th at 7:00pm	Welcome Home Reception in the Dombalis Hall
Saturday, October 7th at 10:00am	Optional Tours of Downtown Richmond
Saturday, October 7th at 5:00pm	Centennial Gala at The Omni Hotel
Sunday, October 8th at 10:00am	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service for our Parish Founders & Forefathers
Sunday, October 8th at 1:00pm	Centennial Picnic at the Carillon Shelter at Byrd Park

Tickets for the Centennial Gala are available for purchase through the Church Office or in the Dombalis Hall following Sunday Liturgy.

For additional details, including lodging at The Omni, ticketing and tour reservations please visit www.vagocathedral.org

Upcoming Centennial Events

September 2017

Saturday, September 16th at 7:00pm - *Hellenic Influences on Thomas Jefferson*
Please join the Hellenic Society Paideia of Virginia in the Dombalis Hall at this unique cultural presentation recognizing the many Hellenic Influences on Thomas Jefferson.

Rising from the Ashes: New Buildings, New Visions, New Faces

The newest exhibit showcasing our Cathedral's history is now open! Please make sure to take a moment and enjoy our community's rich history and this beautiful exhibit! Thank you to Sylvia Evans who envisions the exhibit, collects items, and completes all installations; to Marian Violaris as graphic designer for generating the poster; to Tom Kazas as editor for textual revisions; and to Dean Tiggas for help in the installation of the display cases.

A Special Thank You

The Steering Committee would like to thank all of the individuals and organizations who have so generously offered their time, talents and treasure to support our Centennial Celebrations. Their hard work has helped make this year of celebrations possible. In particular, we would like to recognize Maria Tarasidis for her many behind the scenes efforts to make each of our events a warm and welcoming opportunity for fellowship.

Gala Sponsors

We thank the following members who have responded as sponsors for our 100th Anniversary GALA Celebration!

Receiving your sponsorship now will help in planning for the Gala celebration. Your donation will help cover the expenses for the banquet, including tickets for those who may not be in a position to purchase one.

Should you have any questions, please call the Cathedral office or me.

Thank you for your generosity.

Maria Keritsis
Sponsorship Chairman

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David Saleeba
Ernie and Renee Simopoulos
Scott and Georgia Stolte



THOMAS JEFFERSON'S
MONTICELLO

Hellenic Influences on Thomas Jefferson September 16, 2017 7:00 p.m.

We in Virginia are well acquainted with the many accomplishments of Thomas Jefferson. What we may not realize is the influence of classical Greek ideals and culture in his thinking. He was fluent in classical Greek. He corresponded with the renowned classical Greek Scholar Adamantios Korais from Chios. In his letters, he expressed sympathetic feelings for the cause of Greek Independence. Much more could be written in this article, but it will be better expressed in a presentation by Dr. Gaye Wilson, the Shannon Senior Historian at the International Center for Jefferson Studies. Plan to attend this enlightening presentation in the Dombalis Hall on September 16th at 7:00 p.m.

Walking Tours for Saturday, October 7th, 2017

Ancients in Our Neighborhood

- 10 a.m. Virginia State Capitol Guided Tour (free)
- 11:15 a.m. Guided stroll through the classically inspired buildings of historic Richmond (free, departs from State Capitol)
- 12:15 p.m. Box Lunch at the Valentine Museum (\$12.00)
- 1 p.m. Guided tour of the 1812 Wickham House tour featuring Grecian inspired original wall paintings and furnishings (\$8.00)
- 2 p.m. Hotel Shuttle to Omni

For reservations call Sylvia Evans (804) 285-0124

Suggested Tour:

The Valentine First Freedom Center at the corner of South 14th Street and Cary Street- (**Look for Fr. Dombalis'** name on the recognition tablet) Self-guided tours Tuesday-Sunday, 10 a.m.-5 p.m., free and open to the public.



100th YEAR COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM ORDERS & PLEDGES



CALLING ALL MEMBERS...

Get your hardcover 100th Year Anniversary Book with any Patron Pledge! Make a pledge, submit your family photos & story and preserve your spot in history.

Or simply place your book order for your personal copy.

See samples and get details at our Pledge Table during coffee hour, in the Dombalis Hall.

Summer Dates: August 13th & 20th

Fall Dates: Every Sunday, September 10th through October 29th

100TH YEAR COMMEMORATIVE ALBUM

PATRON PLEDGE LEVEL:

GOLD Patron: Full Page \$1,000

(Includes up to 4 photos, text (up to 250 words) & 1 Hardcover Anniversary Book)

SILVER Patron: Half Page \$500

(Includes up to 2 photos, text (up to 175 words) & 1 Hardcover Anniversary Book)

BRONZE Patron:

Commemorative Album Sponsor \$100

(Family Name Printed, Includes 1 Hardcover Anniversary Book)

Pledges & Book Orders, now through Oct 29, 2017

For More Details Contact: Athena Agapis: asagapis@comcast.net (804-379-8720)

Vera Gerard: cmbtov@aol.com or Vicky Kokorelis: vkokorelis@gmail.com

Where Has the Summer Gone???

It is that time of year again, the hot days of summer are still around, but the schedule of the summer has ended and been replaced by that of the busy and full fall schedule! As we start the Ecclesiastical New Year on September 1st, so do we start a new year of ministries and activities here at the Cathedral. We are excited to be offering the youth ministries you have come to know such as Greek & Religious Education, GOYA, Greek Dance Groups, Community Outreach opportunities, family ministry events, OCF, and Toddler Group. Additionally we are planning more HOPE/JOY events, young professional ministries, and new parents groups. As always, we want your input in the youth ministries. If you believe

something can be improved or you have something to offer, let Dean know. We will be giving regular opportunities to give feedback by sending out surveys for both parents and kids. We can do nothing here at the Cathedral without the support of our members, especially the parents of our youth.

This year, we are looking forward to giving more responsibilities to the youth of the Cathedral. We are blessed to have dynamic school systems in the Richmond area that do such an amazing job of preparing our youth as well as giving them responsibilities beyond that of the classroom. We believe that the youth, whether in grade school or going into their senior year of high school, are prepared to take things into their own hands, and make the youth ministries of the

Cathedral their own. The GOYA officers for this upcoming year have already been sending out welcome letters and placing calls to the incoming GOYA age kids, as well as being very involved in the planning of the calendar.

If you want your kids to be involved with the youth ministries of the Cathedral, contact me via email at tiggasd@vagocathedral.org or by calling the Cathedral office.

I am so looking forward to this year full of activity and growth, but most importantly I am looking forward to strengthening the existing relationships with the youth and continuing to build new ones as well as being a resource to them and the families of our Cathedral community!

Dean Tiggas
Youth Director and
Pastoral Assistant



Christian Education News

Where did this summer go? As not only Labor Day, but as the new liturgical year approaches, so does the start of our Sunday School Year.

Often times we make resolutions at the beginning of the calendar year to begin new habits. We have the opportunity to build new habits with the start of the school year as well. Attending Sunday School, learning about Christ and how to be more like Christ, is an incredible gift and positive habit we can instill in our children.

This year, we are trying out something new for registration. You can now go online to register your child(ren) at goo.gl/oB7K4h. Be sure to complete the form by Friday, September 8. We need all students – new and returning – to be registered to help our teachers best prepare for their students.

On Sunday, September 10 the teachers will be in the Andre Room to meet their students and register any students that have not yet been registered online. Class will begin Sunday, September 17.

We are thrilled to yet again partner with the Cathedral Outreach Ministry Committee for the annual Teacher Supply Drive. This gives us yet another opportunity to instill the habit in our children of giving like Christ gave. On September 10, we ask that families bring the following items that correspond to the **student's grade:**

3 and 4 Year Olds:
construction paper

Kindergarten and Grade 1:
Expo markers

Grades 2 and 3:
pencils and eraser toppers or large erasers

Grades 4 and 5:
children's scissors

Grades 6 and 7:
notebook paper

Grade 8: three ring binders

Grades 9 through 12:
composition notebooks

We look forward to seeing you at the first day of class on Sunday, September 17! As always, please do not hesitate to contact either of us with questions, concerns, or suggestions on how we can make our children's Christian Education experience even more fulfilling.

In Christ,
Marianna Maratos and
Chelsea Sopko



AHEPA Minute



It's that time that one might say "summertime is over"!

For some folks, it is a time for joy, for others, not so much. Either way, hopefully everyone finds themselves refreshed and getting back to our regularly scheduled activities, here at home. With great anticipation, we continue with the events and recognition of our **Cathedral's 100 year** anniversary. Notably, the Gala dinner and dance at the Omni **Hotel and an "old fashion"** picnic at Bryant Park. The AHEPA Richmond Chapter #83 has been a part of this church and community for the majority of those years and

pleased to be part of these celebrations. We are presently going through our old photos and documents in an effort to properly archive and to share with all to see. This year, the AHEPA and the Daughters of Penelope will be hosting the 2018 District Workshop in February. By popular demand, we are excited to serve you at our annual Champagne Luncheon on February 18, and the Community Scholarship Luncheon on May 20. We will again be providing shredding services to destroy your old documents in April, as well as sponsoring an AHEPA Appreciation event (TBD).

Most importantly, we will be working hard to ensure continued scholarship funds for our college students.

We are holding our first regularly scheduled meeting on September 14 at 7:00p.m. A Pizza & Wine kickoff will be prior, at 6:00 p.m., with the Daughters of Penelope.

The AHEPA brothers need your support! If you are a member, please come to the **next meeting to find out what's new**. If not, please consider joining! The AHEPA meets the 2nd Thursday of each month at 7:00 p.m.

Penelope's Pen



Calling all members of Antikleia Chapter! We are ready to start our new year with our first meeting on September 14, 2017. This will be a Pizza and Wine Kickoff Dinner with our AHEPA brothers at the usual time of 6 p.m., and our meeting starting at 7 p.m. Pizza and wine will be provided, and sisters can bring a side dish or dessert to share.

This meeting will give us a great opportunity to reconnect and share our summer adventures, but it is also a very important meeting. In addition to being the first of the year, we will be discussing our participation in the upcoming 100-Year Celebration Community Picnic. Sisters are urged to make a point of attending

the September 14 meeting and everyone should stay alert for forthcoming information about the picnic. If you are not a member but are interested in joining our organization, please come to the meeting or get in touch with an officer or member who will provide the information you need to become one of us.

In other news, we recently learned that the daughter of one of our sisters has been awarded a graduate scholarship from the Daughters of Penelope Foundation. With great **humility, but also a mother's natural pride, I am pleased to write that Margarita "Dee" Demetriadis** has been awarded a Big Five Graduate Scholarship to continue her graduate studies with the University of South Carolina Graduate School of Library

Dee Demetriadis



and Information Science. The officers and members of Antikleia congratulate her and look forward to her continued success.

Until next month,
Penelope's Scribe
Shelia Demetriadis



Please know that someone from the Commemorative Album Committee will contact you in September to discuss your organization's input. More information will follow on how your organization will be included in the album.

Community Outreach Ministry

Once again it is time for our annual school supply drive. **Look for the "apple tree" poster in the Cathedral foyer.** Pick a paper apple off the tree with the name of a school supply (a pack of pens, a dozen pencils, notebooks, etc.) that you would like to donate. Purchase the supply and return it to the Cathedral by September 10. The supplies are for our parishioner-teachers and teachers at John B. Cary Elementary School in Richmond. Cary Elementary also is looking for reading and math mentors for the fall semester. To learn how you can help, call Beth Ann Lucas at 804-965-9751.

The August 18 meal at the Reinhart House was provided by the Cathedral Choir. It was the 23rd consecutive meal the Cathedral family has provided to the Reinhart House, which provides inexpensive lodging to out-of-town families visiting loved ones in St. **Mary's Hospital's intensive care unit.** The September

meal is scheduled for September 19 and will be provided by the Community Outreach Ministry committee.

Volunteers are needed this fall to help pick up and drop off University of Richmond students and Virginia Commonwealth University students for our Sunday church services. If you are willing to add your name to the pool of drivers, please Calypso Bletsos at 804-307-8146. Your assistance would be needed only about once a month.

Thanks to Vera Gerard for her donation of a large supply of dental products that will be used in our ICU comfort kits. The comfort kits include items that are helpful for families who spend hours in the waiting rooms at the Medical College of Virginia.

Tennis players, get your rackets ready. On October 22, a tennis tournament will be held at the Midlothian Athletic Club to benefit the IOCC International Orthodox of Christian

Charities). Look for more information in upcoming bulletins. Sponsors and volunteers are needed. For information, please call Mark Chronis at 804-337-7422.

If you are interested in the **work of the Cathedral's** Community Outreach Ministry Committee, please visit us at the September 10 coffee hour, which will be sponsored by the committee. The committee is always interested in new projects and new members. Our next meeting is at 7 PM on Thursday, August 31st at the Cathedral – all are invited to attend. If you have an Outreach project in mind, please call our chairman, Jim Katsaros at 804-241-1632.



Philoptochos Corner

Our summer is coming to an end. I hope everyone enjoyed a beautiful summer. There are just a few notes for September. There is a change in our calendar- TORCH CLUB will meet the 2nd Tuesday of the month and LEISURE GROUP will meet the 3rd Tuesday of the month.

Calendar of Events:

Sept.10: Holy Cross Tray
 Sept.12: Torch Club
 Sept.13: Board meeting 5:30
 Sept.17: Philoptochos meeting & Coffee Hour
 Sept.19: Leisure Group -

-Kathryn Helen Geranios

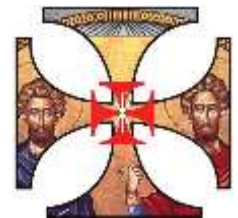
COFFEE HOUR

August 13th and August 15th (Dormition of the Theotokos)
 The coffee hour on August 13th was in honor of our college students who will be leaving for college. The best of luck to them. Tuesday, August 15th, the Falling Asleep of the Theotokos. The coffee hour for both days was excellent. So many of our faithful parishioners **bringing something.....and** many brought for both days. Thank you very much to everyone, and a special thanks to those that helped setup and clean up.

Athena & Maria Conte,
 Presvytera Vivian, Maria Keritsis, Chrissy Fanis,

Cleo and Irene Calos (in memory of their husband/father, Gus), Ero Spears, Melissa Marrion, Mary Gretes, Wanda Ellis, Danai Yannis, Rita Constantine, Joanne Sotos, Maria Hamdjian, Heidi Derdevanis, Georgia Vithoukas, Popie Gellios, Argie Livaniou, Maria Tarasidis, Virginia Vanias, Becca Lambrinides, Athena Agapis, Eri Giouzis, Ekaterini Hatzigiannidis, Elaine Tsamouras, Georgia Georges

Our next coffee hour will be Sunday, September 17th. If you would like to bring something, please let Vangie know at baklava751@hotmail.com. In case you forget to let her know, there will be a sign-up sheet in the kitchen.





Greek School News

Greek School will hold its annual open house on September 11th at 5:00pm!

If you haven't already registered, you may do so at that time. The cost is \$150 for the year. We will then have a blessing by Father Nicholas in the sanctuary, followed by a meet and greet with the teachers. We look forward to seeing you there!

100 Year Celebration T-Shirts!

Pre-order your 100 Year Celebration commemorative T-shirt

The cost is \$15.00 and proceeds help benefit the youth ministries of the Cathedral

Sizes small through XXL are available

Purchase in the hall after Liturgy on Sundays or contact Dean Tiggas:

tiggasd@vagocathedral.org



Greek Dancer Registration

Dancer Registration and the start of dance practice is Monday September 18th.

All three younger groups Apha, Doxa and Neo Kyma will have registration and practice if time allows. Registration material will be available and the registration fee is \$50 a dancer as previous years. New Alpha dancers need to be first graders in school to be able to enter the group. If you have any questions please communicate with Peggy Christofakis at pchristofakis@gmail.com

Toddler Group

Thursday mornings, we host a Toddler Group. We meet from 10:00 a.m.-11:00 a.m. The morning includes a simple lesson, an arts & crafts project and a visit to the House of Worship. For more information or if you wish to participate, please contact our Youth Director, Dean Tiggas at the Cathedral Office 355-3687 or email him at tiggasd@vagocathedral.org.

Register Today!



Sunday, October 22, 2017 | 2 pm – Finish

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NTRP levels 6.5 and below
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September 2017



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1 Beginning of the Ecclesiastical Year 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy	2
3 8:15 a.m. Orthros 9:30 a.m. Divine Liturgy	4 Labor Day Holiday	5	6 7:00 p.m. Choir	7 10:00 a.m. Toddler Group 6:00 p.m. Vespers for the Nativity of the Theotokos in Fredericksburg	8 Nativity of the Theotokos 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	9 9:30 a.m.—1 p.m. Regional Christian Education Workshop in Newport News
10 8:30 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Tray for Holy Cross Sunday School Registration 5 p.m. Kick Off for GOYA	11 5:00 p.m. Greek School “Open House”	12 6:00 p.m. Torch Club	13 5:30 p.m. Philoptochos Board Meeting 7:00 p.m. Choir	14 Exaltation of the Cross 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 6:00 p.m. SS. Cosmas & Damianos Mtg. 6:00 p.m. Daughters of Penelope & AHEPA Kickoff (meetings to follow)	15	16 9:00 a.m. Newport News Youth Day 7:00 p.m. Hellenic Influences on Thomas Jefferson
17 8:30 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy Philoptochos Meeting	18 4:45 p.m. Greek School 5:30 p.m. Greek Dance Registration 6:00 p.m. Parish Council	19 11:30 a.m. Leisure Group	20 7:00 p.m. Choir	21 10:00 a.m. Toddler Group	22	23 Virginia Beach Mission Walk 9:00 a.m.—2:00 p.m.
24 8:30 a.m. Orthros 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy	25 4:45 p.m. Greek School 6:00 p.m. PTA 6:15 p.m. Greek Dance	26	27 7:00 p.m. Choir	28 10:00 a.m. Toddler Group	29 St. Elpis Greek Festival in Hopewell 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.	30 St. Elpis Greek Festival in Hopewell 11:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.

Community Registry

Baptisms:
 Timothy Tarazi, son of Joseph and Wafa Tarazi, was baptized on July 23rd at **St. Katherine's in Falls** Church, Virginia. Wasim Farrah and Martha Sotos served as godparents.

Georgia Adell Popp, daughter of Steven and Catherine Popp, was baptized on July 29th. Christina Popp served as the godparent.

Angeliki Sotiria Tzambika, daughter of Thanasi and Paraskevi Koutsos was baptized on July 30th, in Rhodes, Greece. Ekaterina Thavvou and Manuel Sotos served as godparents.

Katina Ellie Melis, daughter of John and Anna Melis, was baptized on August 19, 2017. Maria Komianos served as the godparent.

Deaths:
 Maria Syrovatka passed from this life on August 1, 2017. We express our sympathy to her husband Vladimir and family.

Thank you:
 We thank Mike Hall for pruning and shaping up our Patio garden plantings. It looks great!

Book Donation – We thank David Saleeba for donating Saleeby-Saliba World Wide Family to our library. It is an impressive publication which

includes the history of **David's family.**

Congratulations:
 We congratulate Konstantinos and Evelyn Trekas on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary!

Faith Night at the Diamond was a success!

Our Cathedral was out in great numbers with over 165 from our community attending. We wish to thank George Kokorelis (left) for his efforts in coordinating this fun filled and memorable night. We were the largest group in attendance that evening.



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