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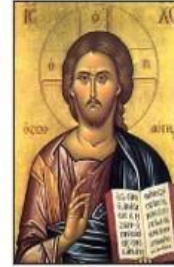
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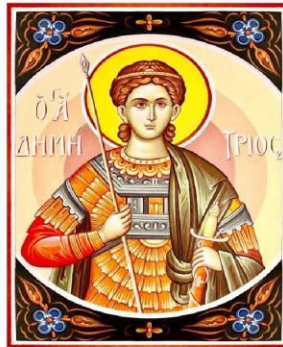
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### Message from Fr. George for October 28, 2022



***Join us for our annual remembrance of St. Demetrios' Feast Day this Wednesday.***

We will celebrate a Divine Liturgy on the anniversary of the first Sunday Divine Liturgy of our parish history, October 26, 2003. The service is from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. to accommodate the work schedules of those wishing to attend.

***Thanks to members of our Building Committee who attended yesterday's meeting.*** They are preparing an update for our General Parish Assembly on Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars to ensure your presence.





In last week's message, Fr. George invited parishioners to discuss the **Parable of the Seed Sower** with our family and compose a story so that this lesson Christ Jesus taught stays in our hearts. *Fr. George shared the insightful message Faye Georgeo wrote during his sermon on 10/23. [Click to view archived video.](#)*

Faye's reflection was inspired by her purchasing fresh apples from a North Georgia orchard last week to make applesauce, juice, pies, and jelly. She concluded, *"So I guess my point is, that we need to stay in the Word where we are nourished, fellowship with others, and remember that our fruit, no matter how small or bruised, will indeed nourish another weary traveler on the way."* Thank you, Faye, for sharing your spiritual message to help us in our "walk with the Lord." May we always share!





On Sunday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, Basil shared with our parish family the joy he experienced on his 8<sup>th</sup> Birthday. How blessed the world became when God blessed his mother, Ashlie with his birth. Basil shared his delicious “Batman” birthday cake she made him. ***What a wonderful world to have such precious souls share it with us!***

***Praise and thanks to our Mary Tagalos Ramsaier-Kirk for sharing her journey with breast cancer and her faith at a recent breast cancer awareness event.*** While Mary had her annual routine mammogram late last year, had she not practiced self-examination, her cancer would



have gone undetected. With additional imaging, she is now undergoing treatment and has responded well to her recent surgery. ***Let us join together in prayer for her continued healing and recovery.***





Every Sunday this is one of the views I look forward to seeing as I offer the Divine Liturgy and prepare for the Lord's Holy Eucharist to be consecrated and distributed to you, God's faithful: ***"Hearken, O Lord Jesus Christ our God, from Your holy dwelling place and from the throne of glory of Your Kingdom, and come to sanctify us, You Who are enthroned with the Father on high and are present among us invisibly here. And with Your mighty hand, grant Communion of Your most pure Body and precious Blood to us, and through us to all the people. Amen."***



Magnificent sunrise at Diakonia Retreat Center lake last week as Fr. George and our Metropolis of Atlanta Clergy were walking to Panagia Chapel for Divine Liturgy with His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios. The following verse captures the feeling we experienced...

***“because of the tender mercy of our God, whereby the sunrise shall visit us from on high to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”  
(Luke 1:78-79)***

## Icon with Corresponding Scripture for Family Reflection



Then Jesus was led up by the Spirit into the wilderness to be tempted by the devil. He fasted forty days and forty nights, and afterwards He was famished. The tempter came and said to Him, "If You are the Son of God, command these stones to become loaves of bread." But He answered, "It is written, 'One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes from the mouth of God.'" Then the devil took Him to the holy city and placed Him on the pinnacle of the temple, saying to Him, "If You are the Son of God, throw Yourself down; for it is written, 'He will command His angels concerning You,' and 'On their hands they will bear You up, so that You will not dash Your foot against a stone.'" Jesus said to him, "Again it is written, 'Do not put the Lord your God to the test.'" Again, the devil took Him to a very high mountain and showed Him all the kingdoms of the world and their splendor; and he said to Him, "All these I will give You, if You will fall down and worship me." ***Jesus said to him, "Away with you, Satan! for it is written, "Worship the Lord your God, and serve only Him." Then the devil left Him, and suddenly angels came and waited on Him. (Matthew 4:1-11)***

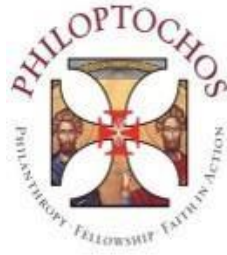


## Join us for Thanksgiving Sunday on October 30<sup>th</sup>

*(Commemorations for October & November)*



**This coming Sunday we will thank God and celebrate Name Days, Birthdays, Wedding Anniversaries, and other special occasions that occur in October or November. Congratulations to everyone celebrating their special events and thanks to all who offer our parish their gifts for God to use and multiply. After this Sunday, our final Thanksgiving Sunday for 2022 will be December 4<sup>th</sup>. Please join us and offer thanksgiving.**



## **HELP WANTED!!**

We need many hands  
as Philoptochos finishes up the  
Fall Bake Sale season. Come for how  
ever long you can stay to help!

November 5- Kourembiethes, 9am-?

November 10- Baklava, 4-8pm

November 11- Karithopita, 4-8pm

November 14- Packaging Day, 5-8pm

**Contact Helen for any questions. 770-298-4493**

**[helenpsihountas@gmail.com](mailto:helenpsihountas@gmail.com)**



## 2022 Philoptochos Holiday Bake Sale

This is the last call for ordering all your holiday goodies!

**Order deadline November 4th!**

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#### Philoptochos Society Fall Pastry Sale

*"To promote charitable, benevolent and philanthropic outreach to preserve the sanctity of life and family and to perpetuate and promote our Orthodox faith and traditions."*

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Pickup Dates: Friday, November 18th 3:00 pm – 6:00 pm @ Church Address

Saturday, November 19th 9:00 am -12:00 pm @ Church Address

Order Deadline: November 4, 2022	Quantity	Cost/Dozen	Total
<b>Spanakopita:</b> Spinach & Cheese stuffed phyllo triangle 		\$ 15.00	\$
<b>Tiropita:</b> Cheese stuffed phyllo triangle 		\$ 15.00	\$
<b>Baklava:</b> layers of phyllo filled with chopped nuts and sweetened and held together with syrup or honey 		\$ 20.00	\$
<b>Kourambiedes:</b> sugar dusted butter cookie 		\$ 15.00	\$
<b>Koulourakia:</b> twisted butter cookie 		\$ 10.00	\$
<b>Karidopita:</b> Greek walnut cake 		\$ 20.00	\$
<b>Sampler Dozen:</b> Package containing 3 each of Baklava, Kourambiedes, Karidopita and Koulourakia		\$ 25.00	\$
<b>Pastitsio:</b> luscious layers of seasoned ground beef, pasta, and a creamy bechamel sauce baked to perfection 		\$40.00 12"x9" pan	\$
<b>TOTAL DUE:</b>			\$

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PHONE TO: 817-690 6610 (ask for Dedee Panayis) EMAIL TO: [wreay@yahoo.com](mailto:wreay@yahoo.com)

YOU CAN ALSO ORDER ONLINE AT

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[Click here](#) to download the PDF of the Pastry Order Form.



## All Sundays in October: Division of Family and Children Services of Fayette County, Georgia



We will be accepting **gift cards for food** or monetary donations to assist the **Fayette County Division of Family and Children Services**. Areas served are **Brooks, Fayetteville, Peachtree City, Tyrone, and Woolsey**. **FCSFC investigates child abuse**, facilitates **placement in foster homes** for children, helps low income and out-of-work parents get back on their feet, and assists with **childcare costs**.

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Your donations to the Fayette County Division of Family and Children Services will be of immediate help to a child, or a troubled family.

Faithfully,

**Anna Andreeva-Naydenova**, "Hands of Love" Philoptochos Ministry Chair



Benefiting Children's Healthcare of Atlanta

Tue, Nov 1, 2022 - Nov 30, 2022

Your support has the power to make a difference.

Each year, Children's Healthcare of Atlanta treats hundreds of thousands of kids. As a not-for-profit, generous contributions from fundraisers help to ensure that CHOA can continue to provide the best possible care to kids now and in the future.

By fundraising through [Click for Kids](#), you can make a greater impact than ever before. It's simple and fast and gives you the chance to help CHOA by contributing via our [existing AIOPA campaign](#).

Please share [the link](#) with your parishioners or use it to directly to donate as a parish.

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# Youth, Education and Hellenic Culture

## Young Adult Retreat



### Early Bird Price Ends Monday!

It is time to Make Meaningful Relationships as Young Adults.

Join us for a weekend of fellowship and spiritual renewal at the Diakonia Retreat Center November 18-20, 2022.

[Register Today!](#)

## 2022 Winter Youth Rally

December 27-30, 2022 - Atlanta, GA

### Important Dates:

Individual Registration early bird price ends 11/13

**Team Registration Deadline is 11/14**

Individual Registration ends 12/04



[Read More!](#)

## 2023 Hellenic Dance Festival

January 13-16, 2023 - Atlanta, GA

### Important Dates:

**Team Registration Deadline is 10/31**

Individual Registration early bird price ends 12/15

Individual Registration ends 01/07/2023



[Read More!](#)



*We welcome you to join us in person  
to encounter Our Lord & Savior.*

***"For where two or three are gathered in My name, I am there among them."*** (Matthew 18:20)  
We welcome you to join us at St. Christopher Church for worship, fellowship, service, and witness of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. As we encounter Him together, may our collective intercessions help to bring a spirit of healing and peace to our world. We encourage you to bring your family and friends and grow ever closer to God together with our parish family.

During your visit, please be aware according to CDC guidelines, indoor mask mandates are relaxed for those areas of the US where hospitals are not greatly impacted by COVID-19 cases. In response, His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios on March 2nd wrote to the Metropolis of Atlanta faithful offering His guidance. [Please read it by clicking here.](#)

As before, those who continue to wear masks have every right to do so, whether or not our parish falls into a low or medium risk area. Whether others continue to wear masks for the sake of their friends or family, or even out of caution for their own health, their decisions should be respected as demonstrations of Christ-like love.

***Note: Under Georgia law, there is no liability for an injury or death of an individual entering these premises if such injury or death results from the inherent risks of contracting COVID-19. You are assuming this risk by entering these premises.***

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