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Pastoral Message from Fr. George, August 22, 2025



Special Thanks to Our 2025 GreekFest Chairs

"Each of you should use whatever gift you have received to serve others, as faithful stewards of God's grace in its various forms." – 1 Peter 4:10

With heartfelt appreciation, Fr. George and our parish family extend our deepest thanks to our GreekFest chairs for their superb leadership and dedicated service. Your tireless efforts, vision, and commitment have made this year's celebration a true reflection of our St. Christopher community's spirit and hospitality. Thank you for guiding us with grace and excellence!



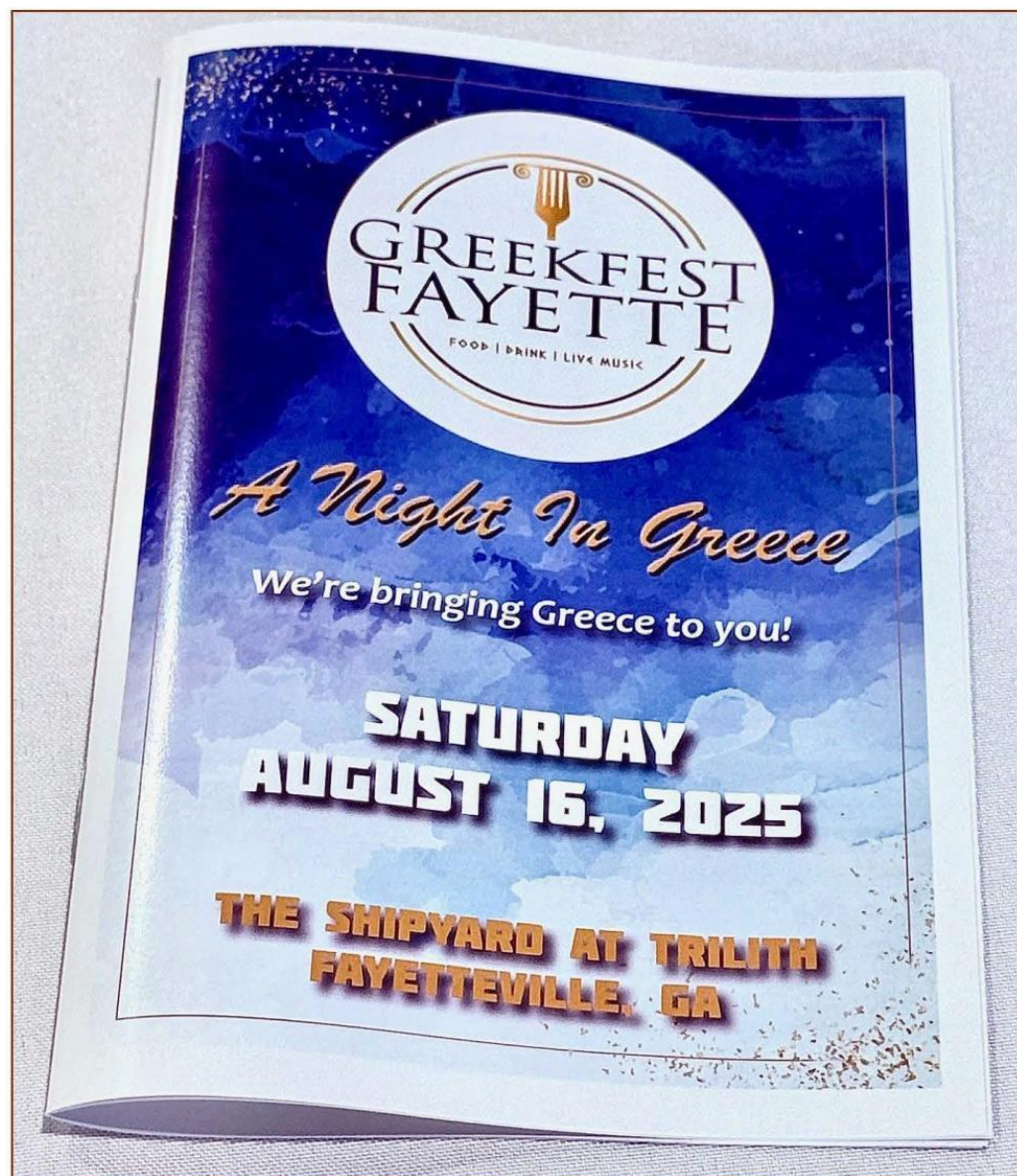
GreekFest 2025, part of St. Christopher Church in Peachtree City, GA, was an unforgettable event thanks to the generous support and joyful presence of our parishioners, patrons, and sponsors. With the delicious and unlimited food we added the vibrant music and spirited dances, topped with the fellowship that brought us closer together. Every moment was a testament to the beauty of community fellowship and support.

We thank everyone for helping us create a night that will live on.

Σας ευχαριστούμε από καρδιάς! We thank you from the heart!



From the moment we entered The Shipyard at Trilith, it was pure joy—sunshine, laughter, and the irresistible aroma of grilled souvlaki and tiropita filling the air. We danced to live Greek music, cheered during the traditional dance performances, and even tried to master a few steps ourselves. OPA!

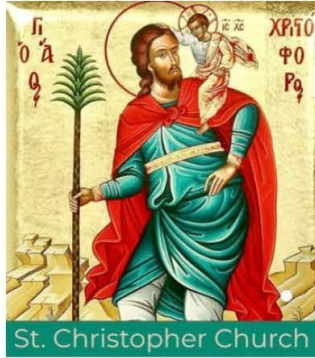




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This Is A Season of Worship, Witness, Fellowship, & Service



Dear Beloved Parishioners,

As we journey through this sacred month, our parish offers many opportunities to deepen our faith, strengthen our fellowship, and serve with love. We invite you to participate fully in the life of our Church.

Sunday Services

Join us every Sunday for Divine Liturgy and spiritual nourishment. Come early for Orthros and stay for coffee hour fellowship, followed by Religious Education classes.

Paraklesis Services

Experience the comforting prayers of the Supplication to the Theotokos throughout the Dormition Fast. A time for healing, intercession, and peace.

Feasts of the Transfiguration and Dormition

Celebrate with us the Feast of the Transfiguration of our Lord on August 6th and the Dormition of the Theotokos on August 15th. These holy days remind us of Christ's Glory and the Theotokos' loving protection.

GreekFest Fayette – A Taste of Greece

Mark your calendars for our annual GreekFest on August 16th. Enjoy authentic Greek food, music, dancing, and cultural exhibits. A joyful celebration for the whole community! Invite friends and neighbors to experience the joy of our heritage!

Religious Education Classes on Sundays

Our new Religious Education year begins August 10th. Classes for all ages will deepen your understanding of the Orthodox faith and prepare hearts for Christ. Our Adult Religious Education Class is a great opportunity for catechumens – newcomers interested in becoming Orthodox through the Sacraments of Baptism and/or Chrismation.

Philoptochos Ministry

Join our Philoptochos women in acts of love, compassion, and service. From preparing baked goods to raise funds for charitable needs to making Prayer Shawls, this ministry brings comfort and hope to those in need.

A Call to Action: Reaching, Shining, Building Together

Let us reach out to our neighbors, reflect the light of Christ, and build a stronger parish family. This initiative invites every member to participate in the life and growth of our Church.

Together, let us be the Church—alive in worship, active in service, and radiant in God's love through witness and fellowship. Amen! +Fr. George Tsahakis



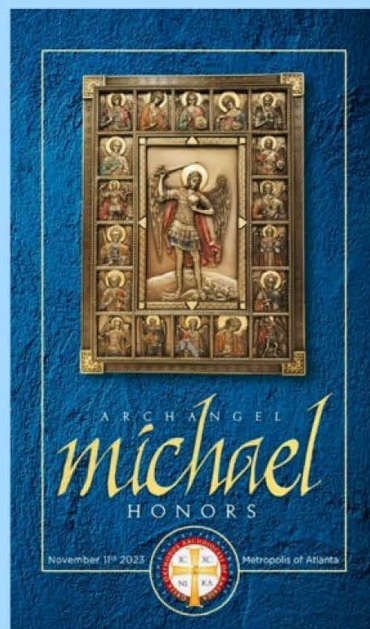
Teacher Teams	Room Location	Grade Levels
Susan Kleto/ Jackie Sarantis	Youth Room between the 2 restrooms	3yrs-1st Grade
Presbytera Marinda Tsahakis Kat Towne Lydia McGee	Upstairs	2nd-4th Grade
Angelique Souliakos Aimee Panos Becky Butler	Bookstore	5th-7th Grade
Katie Wilson	Conference Room	8th-12th Grade
Fr. George Tsahakis	Nave	Adults

Our Religious Education Classes resume THIS SUNDAY!

*You are invited to join us on Saturday, November 8th
and Sunday, November 9th, as His Eminence
Metropolitan Sevastianos and our Metropolis
Family recognize the 2025 parish honorees from the 75
parishes throughout the Metropolis of Atlanta.*



Milena Taylor

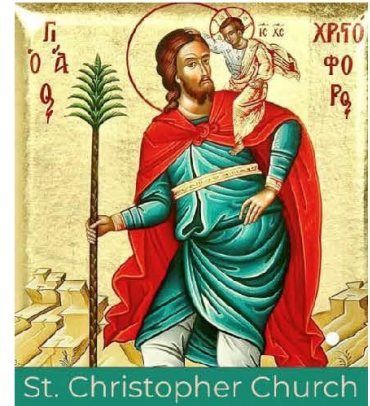


Bill Wiley

**Congratulations to our
2025 Parish Honorees**

Beloved Parish Family,

With heartfelt gratitude, I thank each of you for your faithful and generous financial pledges to both our operating and building fund budgets. By God's grace and your unwavering commitment, we have met our budget projections year-to-date—a remarkable testament to your love for Christ and His Church.



As your Spiritual Father, I commend the sacrifices you have made to sustain our ministries and help build our future church complex. Too often, we overlook the quiet generosity of others, but today I pause to celebrate and acknowledge your stewardship and thank you.

Let us be reminded of the words of King David:

"All things come from You, and of Your own we have given You."

— 1 Chronicles 29:14

I also thank our Lord for our highly successful **GreekFest Fayette** event. What a blessing it was to witness the many hands and hearts that helped plan and prepare us for this joyful event.

Thank you deeply for your great help and support—from our Chairs, Patrons, Sponsors, and Friends who joined us in fellowship and celebration.

May the Lord bless you abundantly for your sacrificial offerings, and may our parish continue to grow in faith, love, and unity.

With love in Christ, *+Fr. George Tsahakis*

Join Us Often with Your Family

Sunday, August 24th – Eleventh Sunday of St. Matthew

8:00 Orthros

9:00 Divine Liturgy & Blessing of Prayer Shawls

10:45 Religious Education Classes (for all ages)

11:45 Philoptochos General Meeting

Friday, August 29th – Beheading of St. John the Baptist

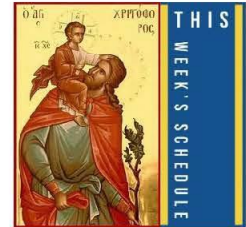
9:00 Divine Liturgy (Day of Strict Fast)

Sunday, August 31st – Twelfth Sunday of St. Matthew

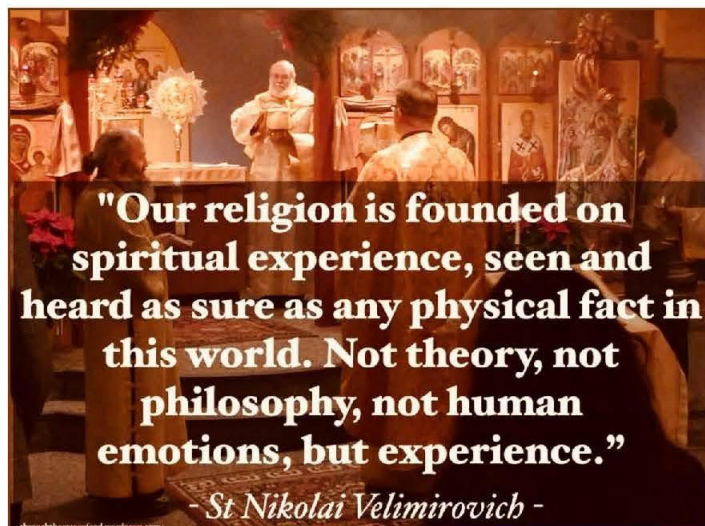
7:45 Orthros

9:00 Divine Liturgy (No Divine Liturgy on Labor Day weekend)

11:00 Let's EAT!



*Come, and be strengthened in your witness of Orthodoxy
through regular worship, fellowship, and service with us.*



T -5 DAYS AND COUNTING

Time to finish those last rows and tie up all the loose ends!! On **Sunday, August 24th**, Fr. George will bless our newest collection of shawls which will be donated to the Coweta Samaritan Clinic.

What is the Coweta Samaritan Clinic you ask?

MISSION: To provide high quality, compassionate healthcare in a faith-based environment for Coweta County residents in need.

VISION: A healthier community where adults in need have access to high-quality healthcare.

VALUES: STRIVE

- Servanthood, Teamwork, Respect, Integrity, Value, Excellence

For more information and other ways to assist, please visit their website,

<https://www.csc cares.org/>



Don't feel left out if you cannot make a prayer shawl. On **August 24th**, bring something from their standard **Wish List** (items needed year 'round to share with their patients):

Toiletry Kit Items, including full-sized:

- o Shampoo
- o Soap
- o Deodorant
- o Toothpaste
- o Toothbrush

Food Pantry items:

- o Canned meats, vegetables, etc.
- o Granola bars
- o "Pop-top" meals (ravioli, etc.)
- o Ramen noodles

Refrigerated items:

- o Individual yogurts
- o Single serve juices and milks
- o Nutritional drinks (Ensure, Boost)
- o Individual fruit cups

Other Wish List Items:

- o \$10 Kroger Gift Cards
- o Books - new or gently used books, including children's books
- o (During cooler months) Warm coats, winter hats, and gloves—new or clean and gently us

Questions about the Prayer Shawl Blessing or Coweta Samaritan Clinic? Please contact Susan Kleto, shkleto@email.com or (678) 877-9115.



Philoptochos Save the Dates!



- Aug 24 **General Philoptochos Meeting (open to all)**
- Sept 7 Fanaroupita Event and **Board Meeting**
- Oct 4 Koulourakia 8:30am
- 15 Tiropita Batter 8:30am
- 17 & 18 **2** folding days 8:30am
- 19 **General Philoptochos Meeting (open to all)**
- 22 Spanakopita Batter 8:30am
- 24 & 25 **2** folding days 8:30am
- Nov 1 Kourambiethes Baking 8:30am
- 2 Paximadia- after Religious Education
- 14-15 Baklava make, bake and cup 8:30am
- 16 **Board Meeting**
- 17 Almond Cookies 8:38am
- Box and Bow 4pm
- 18-19 Dolmathes make, bake and package 8:30am
- 21-22 Bake Sale Pick up

Fanouropita Luncheon Bake Sale And Auction



Sunday, September 7
Begins at Coffee Hour
Ends at 11:30

Benefits Youth Activities in our Metropolis

We will have a kids \$1 table, too!!

Contact Helen Psihountas at (770)-298-4493

Fanaroupita Luncheon

You're invited to bring a soup or
sandwiches to feed 10 people!

Bake Sale and Auction

We need your favorite cakes, pies,
breads, or Fanaroupita
for the sale and auction.



Wellspring Living



HANDS OF LOVE

Together



Transformation is Possible

All Sundays in August 2025:

Wellspring Living

Wellspring Living **transforms the lives** of girls and boys 12-17 and young women 18 and older in our neighborhoods, who are **at risk** or **victims of sexual exploitation**.

Headquartered in **Atlanta**, since 2001, it provides **restorative services** - housing, healing and education through its residential, community-based programs and post-program support. It impacts the lives of more than 300 individuals yearly.

"Hands of Love" ministry will be accepting monetary donations in the red box in the church narthex.

For online donations:

<https://stchristopherphiloctochos.square.site/product/hands-of-love/57?cs=true&cst=custom>



The "Wellspring Treasures" store on 116 Peachtree City East Shopping Ctr. in **Peachtree City** is also accepting **gently used furniture** and **clothes**. To learn more or to volunteer: <https://wellspringliving.org>

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

Building Our Future: Join Our \$1.5M Capital Campaign

Dear Parish Family,

We are excited to announce the launch of our \$1.5 million Capital Campaign, a five-year endeavor to build our future home. This is an incredible opportunity for us to come together as a community and create a space that will serve and inspire for generations to come.



To make this vision a reality, we encourage everyone to fill out pledge cards now. Our lenders are looking for a strong show of commitment from the parish, and your early pledges are crucial to meeting their requirements. As we consider discussions with outside donors, our ability to demonstrate the Parish Family's commitment to the capital campaign is an integral part of the process and success to raise funds from outside our parish. During our last campaign, we raised an impressive average of \$264K per year, and with your continued support, we are confident we can do it again.

Your participation is vital. Please continue your existing commitment to the stewardship fund and start giving to the new capital campaign or consider increasing your existing building fund pledge amount. Together, we can turn our dreams into reality.

Let's build our future home with faith, dedication, and collective effort. Please consider completing the online pledge card today, [St Christopher Capital Campaign Pledge Card Link](#), so we can show the lenders our unwavering commitment and take the next steps toward our shared goal.

Here are some examples to consider:

GIVING SCENARIO 1: Currently giving \$100/month <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$40 to Building Fund• \$60 to Operations <i>During the Building Fund Campaign</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$80 to Building Fund• \$60 to Operations <div>Total Giving Increase = 40%</div>	GIVING SCENARIO 2: Currently giving \$200/month <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$100 to Building Fund• \$100 to Operations <i>During the Building Fund Campaign</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$200 to Building Fund• \$100 to Operations <div>Total Giving Increase = 30%</div>	GIVING SCENARIO 3: Currently giving \$300/month <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$100 to Building Fund• \$200 to Operations <i>During the Building Fund Campaign</i> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• \$200 to Building Fund• \$200 to Operations <div>Total Giving Increase = 33%</div>
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Please consider giving with your heart.

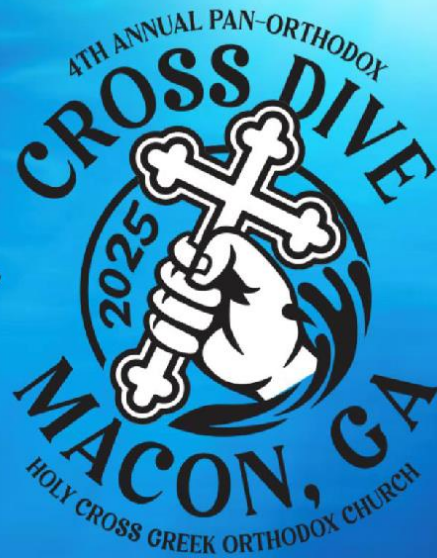
With gratitude and hope,

Tom Farmakis



Come and
DIVE
Back In!

**SATURDAY,
SEPTEMBER 13TH**



HOLY CROSS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH,
along with the AIOPA
(Atlanta Inter-Orthodox Parish Association),
invites you to our **NAME DAY** celebration and
4TH ANNUAL PAN-ORTHODOX CROSS DIVE!

**\$15 PER PERSON
(FREE FOR CLERGY,
DIVERS & CHILDREN
8 AND UNDER)**

**FOR FULL EVENT DETAILS:
[WWW.HOLYCROSSGA.ORG/
CROSS-DIVE](http://WWW.HOLYCROSSGA.ORG/CROSS-DIVE)**

**SCAN
HERE TO
REGISTER!**



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