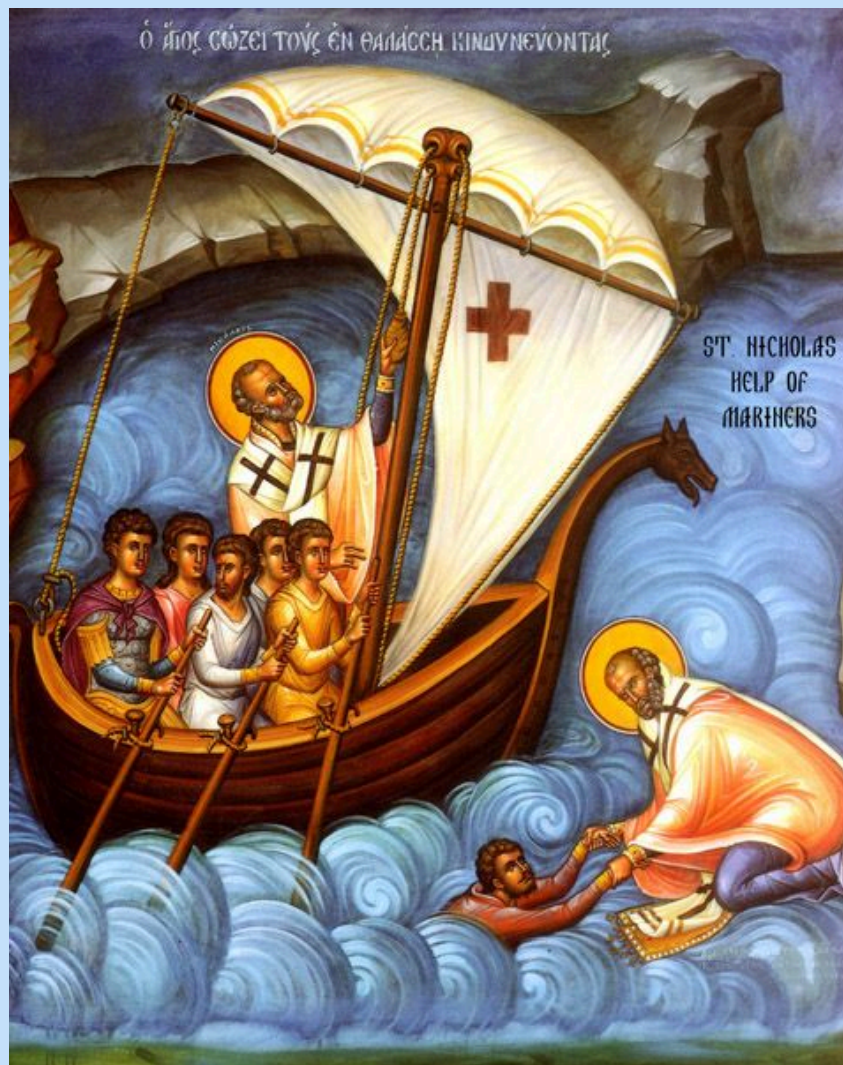




## ST. NICHOLAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH WEEKLY ONLINE BULLETIN

*We are a Christ-centered community that welcomes all to worship, to pray,  
to serve others and to learn our Orthodox faith*

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**JOIN US  
FOR  
WORSHIP**

**September  
20th**

**Sunday after  
Holy Cross**

**8:00 AM  
ORTHROS**

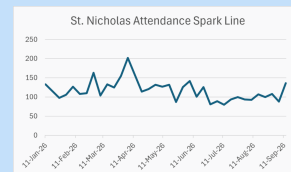
**9:00 AM  
DIVINE LITURGY**



**ALSO  
ONLINE**



**ATTENDANCE**  
September 13: 88  
2025 Average: 136  
(Click graph for report)



**MEMORIAL:**

**Theodora Parsenios, Nicholas and Sevasmia (Silva) Blavos,**  
mother and grandparents of Fr. George Parsenios

**Mario Luiz Leardini (40 Days),**  
brother of Lariza Panagiotou

**FELLOWSHIP HOUR:**

We wish to thank the **Project Mexico Leadership** for last week.

*Follow us* @stnicholaslex  
**ON ALL SOCIAL MEDIA**



**Follow and like us! We like you!** ❤️

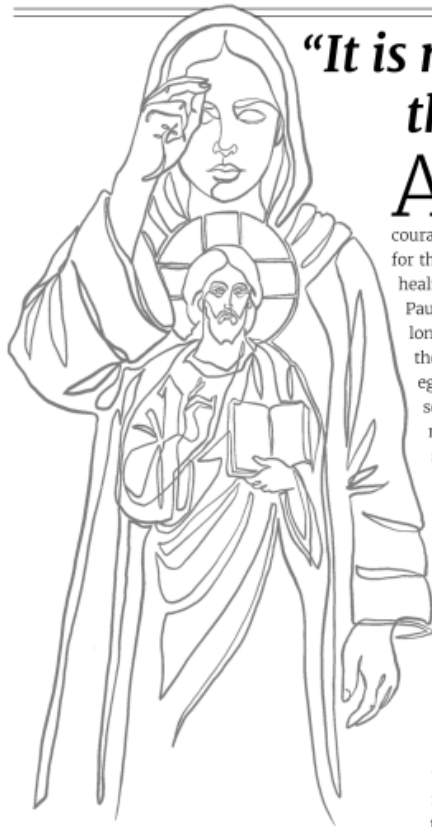


# DIAKONIA

A National Ministry of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

REFLECTIONS FROM TODAY'S READING | *Galatians 2:16-20*

Fr. George Parsenios (HCHC '96)



## “It is no longer the ‘ego’ that lives.”

A healthy, balanced ego is essential for being a healthy, balanced Christian. God does not want his followers to be timid souls filled with self-loathing. He wants strong and courageous personalities who are so confident in the love of God for them that they share His love generously with others. But a healthy ego is not egotistical. And removing egotism is what St. Paul has in mind in today's epistle reading when he says, “It is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me” (Gal. 2:20). Here, the word “I” is in Greek *egō*. Distinguishing between a healthy ego and unholy egotism requires wisdom and a great deal of self-examination. Two things are helpful to consider. First, we must remember to pray for our enemies. St. John Chrysostom says that St. Paul prayed more for his enemies than others pray against their enemies. Egotism makes us think that crimes against us are unforgivable. A healthy ego will defend itself against abuse, as both Jesus and St. Paul did during their ministries. But Christ said from the cross, “Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.” In the same spirit, St. Paul said, “When reviled, we bless.” Praying for enemies crucifies egotism. Second, we must imitate the example of Christ, who came not to be served, but to serve (Mark 10:45). The world does not exist to be dominated but to be served. Do we always need to point out where others are wrong? Can we not rather find ways to respect others with differing opinions? Do we squeeze every penny from business transactions? Should we not instead strive to find ways to be fair to all sides? St. Paul would rather be wronged than disturb the harmony of the Church (1 Cor 6). We must do likewise.

Fr. George Parsenios is Professor of New Testament at Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology. [www.hchc.edu](http://www.hchc.edu)



Diakonia is made possible by a generous grant from **Leadership 100**

Scan for today's service text

[bit.ly/parishtexts](http://bit.ly/parishtexts)



## PRAYER LIST

Click on the list above to offer your prayers for those in need of prayer

[PRAYER IN TIME OF NEED](#)



## Printable Version

[What do you want to be?](#)

## ANNOUNCEMENTS:

# YOUTH CHOIR AND PIZZA!

September 2026

Dear Sunday School Parents,

We are very excited to introduce a new opportunity for our children at St. Nicholas: Youth Choir & Pizza! 🎵🍕

Once a month, our Sunday School children and teens will gather for a fun and engaging youth choir session with Laura Dyer, where they will learn beautiful hymns of our Orthodox faith, enjoy time together with their friends, and, of course, share some pizza!

### 🎵 Youth Choir & Pizza Schedule

Please save these dates for our monthly gatherings with Laura Dyer:

October 4th  
November 1st  
December 13th  
January 10th  
February 7th  
March 7th  
April 4th  
May 9th  
June 6th

Our goal is simple: to help our children experience the joy of being an active part of the life of the Church. Throughout the year, the children will learn approximately three to four hymns. Once they have learned each hymn, they will have the special opportunity to join our adult choir and chant it together during a Divine Liturgy. Imagine how beautiful it will be to see and hear our children standing alongside our choir and offering their voices to God! But this ministry is about more than learning music.

We want our children to feel that St. Nicholas is their church, their community, and a place where they belong. We hope Youth Choir & Pizza will give them another reason to look forward to coming to church, seeing their friends, participating in Sunday School, and growing together in their Orthodox faith.

No previous singing or chanting experience is necessary. Every child and teen is welcome! We want this to be relaxed, joyful, and fun. Come sing, learn, laugh, eat some pizza, and be part of something special! 🎵🍕

Parents, your support makes all the difference. By bringing our children together and encouraging them to participate, we are helping them build friendships, create wonderful memories, and develop a connection to the Church that we pray will remain with them throughout their lives. We can't wait to hear our children's voices filling St. Nicholas!

With love in Christ,

Rev. Father George Parsenios

Ghada Massabni  
Chant Ministry Coordinator



# sunday SCHOOL

## Sunday School Calendar Notes

**There will be NO classes on:**

October 11  
November 29  
December 27  
February 14  
April 18  
May 2  
May 30

**Potential last day of classes: June 6**



# Khachkar Studios Project

Mid-Year 2026 Update

A transparency, engagement & stewardship partnership at **St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church**, Lexington, MA

**\$75,000**

Received to date

**\$300,000**

Potential over the next four years

St. Nicholas is putting Khachkar Studios' model into practice—*financial discipline, world-class benchmarking, and management excellence*—to build trust, deepen participation, and strengthen stewardship across the parish.

## Financial Transparency & Projections

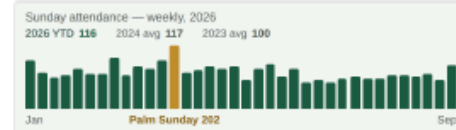
- 2024 financials published online and made downloadable **Done**
  - 2025 financial results posted (Feb 2026) **Done**
  - Presentation & explainer videos posted for the parish **Done**
  - Five-year projection completed with explainer video (May 2026) **Done**
  - CPA financial review completed (Aug 2026) **Done**
- Financials & projections posted at [stnicholaslex.org/financial/financial-transparency](https://stnicholaslex.org/financial/financial-transparency)

## Formation & Stewardship

- "Ignite the Flame" stewardship workshop with Bill Marianes — 25 attended (Apr 2026) **Done**
- Sunday School Teacher Development program on Zoom (Mar 2026) **Done**
- Bible Bowl competition **Planned**
- Daily Bible readings — in development **Planned**

## Engagement & Attendance

- Weekly video invitations to Liturgy, in regular rotation **Ongoing**
- Weekly attendance published in the Sunday bulletin **Ongoing**
- Relationship-building gathering with younger parishioners (Jun 2026) **Done**



## In Progress & Next

- Leadership Master Class (2026) **In progress**
- Outreach to lapsed parishioners **In progress**

The **BENEFITS** framework guiding the work—the extraordinary benefits of financial discipline:

- |                             |                    |                       |                      |
|-----------------------------|--------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|
| <b>B</b> Biblical Wisdom    | <b>E</b> Educating | <b>N</b> New Faithful | <b>E</b> Environment |
| <b>F</b> Financial Strength | <b>I</b> Identity  | <b>T</b> Track Record | <b>S</b> Stewards    |

A promotional poster for the Jimmy Fund Walk for Dana-Farber. The poster features a large light blue circle on the left containing the text "I'M WALKING for the next cancer breakthrough" in red. To the right of this circle is a yellow circle with the "JIMMY FUND WALK for Dana-Farber" logo, which includes a star icon and the text "PRESENTED BY HYUNDAI". Below the yellow circle, the text "Walk Day is 10.04.26" is displayed in red. A red-bordered box contains the names "Emily and Zoe". At the bottom left are the Dana-Farber Cancer Institute and The Jimmy Fund logos. At the bottom right is the text "To support my walk, visit" followed by a URL.

**I'M WALKING**  
for the next cancer breakthrough

**JIMMY FUND WALK**  
for Dana-Farber  
PRESENTED BY HYUNDAI

Walk Day is  
**10.04.26**

Emily and Zoe

To support my walk, visit  
<http://danafarber.jimmyfund.org/site/TR?pg=pers>

Dana-Farber Cancer Institute | The Jimmy Fund

### Dear Fellow Parishioners:

I am reaching out today because I'm raising money for my 2nd Jimmy Fund Walk this Oct 4. This is a cause that is incredibly close to my heart and this year our daughter Zoe (almost 15) asked to walk with me. If you are able to contribute, any amount makes a massive difference.

Below are links to our fundraising pages:

[Zoe's Fundraising Page](#)

[Emily's Fundraising Page](#)

Thank you all for your generous support last year and for considering a donation this year to this important cause. Every dollar raised goes directly toward finding a cure and providing compassionate, world-class care to both pediatric and adult cancer patients.

Thank you all so much for your ongoing love and support!

With gratitude,  
**Emily Babalas & Zoe Blake**

# VOLUNTEERS

## *Needed!*

The Gyro Fest is fast approaching. We need your help  
to make a difference!

### **BAKLAVA WORKSHOP THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 24**

10:00 A.M. ASSEMBLY  
1:00 P.M. FOR PACKAGING

MANY HANDS WILL BE REQUIRED TO COMPLETE TWELVE  
PANS OF BAKLAVA AND PACKAGE.

PLEASE SIGN ROSTER NEXT TO KITCHEN WALL.

### **VARIETY PASTRIES FOR FESTIVAL DUE: WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21**

AS IS CUSTOMARY FOR OUR FESTIVALS, WE ARE  
REQUESTING YOU TO SIGN UP FOR BAKING PASTRIES OF  
YOUR CHOOSING TO SELL AS VARIETY PACKAGES.

EVERYONE'S HELP WOULD BE APPRECIATED.

PLEASE SIGN ROSTER NEXT TO KITCHEN WALL.

**If you have any questions, please contact the church office  
781-862-6453**

# 2026 GYROFEST BANNER SPONSORSHIP PROGRAM

Dear Families and Friends of St. Nicholas,

Our annual Gyrofest is coming up on **September 26!** As one of our parish's largest community outreach and fundraising events, it brings people together while supporting the ministries and mission of our church.

Please consider the opportunity to participate in our Banner Sponsorship Program. Banners will be prominently displayed inside the festival tent throughout the event.

There are two sponsorship options:

- **\$300 – Individual Banner Sponsorship**

Display your business name, family name, memorial or a personal message on your own banner. If you sponsored a banner previously, we'll reuse your existing banner unless you'd like to make changes.

- **\$125 – Friends & Families Banner**

Have your name included on a shared banner recognizing the many families and friends whose support helps make Gyrofest possible.

Your generosity directly contributes to the success of this important fundraiser and helps us continue serving both our parish and the wider community.

Please complete the order form by **September 11, 2026**.

Form instructions:

1. Please choose a banner type and scan/send completed form to [Maria Decoulos](#)
2. Logos and images must be submitted as camera-ready art or as electronic files. Acceptable electronic files should all be at least 300 dpi in the following formats: PDF, PNG, JPEG, TIFF and emailed to [Maddison Kokkinos](#)
3. Payments can be made by check to "St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church" memo GYROFEST. For [ONLINE](#) payments, scroll to Gyro Festival Donation.

Thank you for your continued support and for being an important part of our Gyrofest family. We are truly grateful for your generosity and look forward to seeing you on September 26!

*The 2026 Gyrofest Marketing Team*

*(Maria Decoulos, Angelina Le, Sophia Le, Stasi Le, Maddison Kokkinos, Bridget McMahon)*



**Blood Cancer  
United**



Dear St. Nicholas Family,

It's that time of year that I participate in a Triathlon event 🏊🚴🏃 for the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society/Blood Cancer United, to raise money to fight blood cancer. The new name "Blood Cancer United" was adopted to clarify that they support research for ALL blood cancers, not just Leukemia and Lymphoma.

This year, I am dedicating my event in honor of a dear and longtime friend, Presvytera Elaine from St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox church in Weston, which many of us know. She is bravely battling a very aggressive form of Acute Myeloid Leukemia (AML) and has a challenging road ahead.

First and foremost, I am asking for your fervent prayers for Presvytera Elaine, that God grant her strength as she goes through this challenging time and for healing and a full recovery. And second, I ask for your support to fund important cutting edge research that helps saves lives.



My heartfelt Thanks for your past support and consideration for this important cause. A Tax-Deductible donation can be made by clicking on the link below or scanning the QR code above.

<https://pages.lls.org/tnt/team/yourway26/ykatsarake>

With Much Gratitude and Appreciation.

-Yiota Katsarakes

## HELP BRING THE GOSPEL TO LIFE – DAILY:

We're looking for volunteers to help Fr. George share a short daily Bible reading with our parish. If you have a heart for Scripture and a few minutes a day, this is a simple and powerful way to serve. Young adults especially encouraged and all are welcome. Interested? Reach out to Mary at [office@stnicholaslex.org](mailto:office@stnicholaslex.org).

## **Be the Invitation:** Record a Weekly St. Nicholas Video

Our parish is inviting **you** to help welcome others to Divine Liturgy in a simple and meaningful way.

Each week, parishioners record a short video invitation connected to the Sunday Gospel, just 10–20 seconds, spoken from the heart.

### **How it works:**

-  Scan the QR code to sign up for a date
-  Record a short video on your phone
-  Speak naturally (like inviting a friend)
-  Upload your video (due 5 days before your Sunday)



No need to be perfect. Joy, warmth, and authenticity matter most.

Each video posted also helps support our parish through a special grant opportunity.

Thank you for helping us share the love of Christ and build connection in our community.

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## MINISTRIES

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### **FOOD DONATIONS WANTED**

Please share your non-perishable, unexpired food items in the food donation cart in St Irene's Hall.

This basket will stay in the Hall and be donated when ever it is full.

If you have any questions please ask Emily Babalas  
([edbabalas@gmail.com](mailto:edbabalas@gmail.com)).

### Strategic Planning Update

(Click the Strategic Plan Implementation report below)

## Strategic Plan Implementation Update June 21, 2026



|                            |                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |
|----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Religious Education</b> | <b>Co-Captains: Maria Decoulos and Judy Gray</b>                                                                                                                                                                              |
| <b>Accomplishments</b>     | Executed the goal: At least 80% of parish youth completed a revised and updated full academic year Sunday School program with goals and objectives for each grade level.<br>Student presentation planned for June Graduation. |
| <b>Plan</b>                | Consider setting the next set of goals for Religious Education.                                                                                                                                                               |

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| <b>Stewardship and Engagement</b> | <b>Co-Captains: Penelope Tzougros and Stephanie DeVasto</b>                                                               |
| <b>Accomplishments</b>            | Presented findings to the Strategic Implementation Team.<br>Completed evaluation of adult and youth stewardship programs. |
| <b>Plan for Next Month</b>        | Determine conscious overlap with the Outreach Committee.<br>Finalize adult and youth stewardship program.                 |

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| <b>Renovation Program</b>  | <b>Co-Captains: Carol Bearse and Bob DeVasto</b>                                                                                                                                             |
| <b>Accomplishments</b>     | Completed fundraising brochure to share with potential donors.<br>Reengaged architects to better understand engineering costs.<br>Met Geotech engineer onsite to address conservation items. |
| <b>Plan for Next Month</b> | Scheduled fundraising planning with the fundraising consultant in July.<br>Start fundraising in July.                                                                                        |

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| <b>Outreach, Evangelism, and Welcoming (OEW)</b> | <b>Team Members: Emily Babalas, Charlie Marge, Nicholas Zervoglos</b> |
| <b>Plan for Next Month</b>                       | Project Mexico Trip planned. Several parishioners are participating.  |

Thank you to all the co-captains and team members for the great progress on implementing the strategic planning goals.

## Community Transformation Team



CTT (RENOVATION) UPDATE

\*\*\*September Update\*\*\*

We are excited to welcome you back to our September News Update!

We have met with the group of engineers who will be surveying the St. Nicholas property: they include the Mechanical/Electrical, Civil, Structural, and Geotechnical engineers. The Civil engineer will be conducting a site visit on Sept. 8 and 9. The other engineers will begin their work around October 5. We will notify you about each visit and what the visit entails. We are making great progress!

In addition, our Capital Campaign begins in earnest this month. Please think about how you can contribute to our beautiful new facility. If you have any questions, please ask one of our team members.

As always, thank you for your patience and support!

Please check out our [website](#) where we provide all the latest information and developments regarding the transformation of our facility.

If you have any questions, please contact Carol Bearse Mackintosh.

## Stewardship



August 2026

Happy September...back to school and pending Gyro Fest!

I am happy to report the following data on our pledges/giving since January 1, 2026:

| # of Pledges (individuals) | Pledge amt (total) | # of indiv/ fam paid | Amt paid (total) | % Amt paid (total) | Remainder to goal |
|----------------------------|--------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 48                         | \$111,782.00       | 118                  | \$162,020.98     | 73.3%              | \$37,979.02       |

We are just weeks away from the St. Nicholas 2026 Gyro Fest! Who is ready to GIVE STEWARDSHIP TO ST. NICHOLAS? We have a wide variety of options to do this - physically able to be on site to prep, day of, or clean up after? Great! Got some constraints and only able to support from a far? That's fine! Can't give your time or talents but want to give a monetary donation towards the ingredients we need to make our delicious meals? You can do that too (sign up in the hall, give via check, cash, or One Church as listed below)! As I said in my last communication, I am so excited for this Gyro Fest and to see the outpouring of Stewardship we will be displaying. Whether this is your first year with us or 20th, we appreciate the impact you have on St. Nicholas.

Also, we are almost at 75% of our 2026 goal 9 months into the year...pretty spot on! Here's to 100% by December (or sooner!)

Quick links:

- Want to sign up for a church ministry? Fill out this survey: <https://www.onechurchsoftware.com/stnicholasform3>
- Want to submit a pledge? Go to <https://stnicholas.onechurchsoftware.com/>, log in, and follow the prompts under the "Give" tab
- Want to give a donation?
  - OPTION 1: If you already have a One Church account, submit an offering by going to <https://stnicholas.onechurchsoftware.com/>, log in, click [Give Now](#) (on the gray bar on the left of your screen), and follow the prompts
  - OPTION 2: If you don't have a One Church account, submit an offering by going to <https://www.onechurchsoftware.com/stnicholasform3> and follow the prompts
  - OPTION 3: Mail in a checkbook to St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church, 17 Meriam Street, Lexington, MA, 02420
- Questions? Contact [stewardship@stnicholas.org](mailto:stewardship@stnicholas.org)

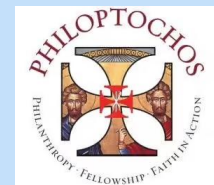
For those who have pledged and/or given thus far - THANK YOU!

Alexis Papathanasiou (Dr. Alexis Zallas, DVM)  
Stewardship Chair

## August 2026 UPDATE

## SEPT 2026 Honor Roll

## Philoptochos



## Click for the 2026-27 Philoptochos Meeting Schedule

## St. Irene's Philoptochos Stewards as of June 21, 2026

### PHILOPTOCHOS MEETINGS FOR 2026 - 2027

**Monday, SEPTEMBER 14. 6 PM.** POT LUCK DINNER and discuss our Paint Night for October 16.

**Sunday, OCTOBER 18** ~ after coffee hour. Discuss Christmas party.

**Sunday, NOVEMBER 8** ~ After coffee hour. Discuss St. Nicholas Feast Day Celebration on Saturday evening, **Dec. 5 and Sunday, December 6.**

**Sunday, DECEMBER 13** ~ after coffee hour. Discuss Bake Sale on December 20.

**Sunday, JANUARY 10** ~ after coffee hour.

**Sunday, FEBRUARY 7** ~ after coffee hour. Discuss Palm Sunday lunch? Also, discuss

**Feb. 14** having a chocolate coffee hour with proceeds from a basket going to the American Heart Association. We all contribute something chocolate for the coffee hour and we wear red.

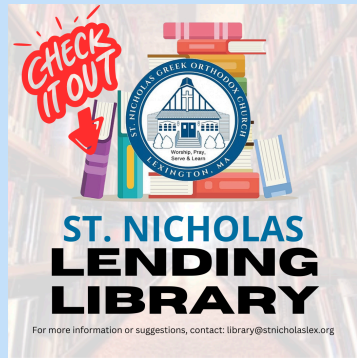
**Sunday, MARCH 7** ~ after coffee hour.

**Sunday, APRIL 11** ~ after coffee hour.

**Sunday, MAY 16** ~ after coffee hour.

**Monday evening, JUNE 7** ~ END OF THE YEAR

## Lending Library



### NOTES FROM THE LIBRARY:

#### **NEW BOOK DROP AT THE LIBRARY!**

The library is pleased to announce the following new additions: the complete five volumes of the Philokalia, the classic collection of Orthodox spirituality, Alexander Schmemmann's Introduction to Liturgical Theology, the two volumes of The Collected Works of Metropolitan Kallistos Ware, the mini classic Feast of Faith, by Archbishop Paul of Finland, and finally, Psalm Verses of the Orthodox Liturgy, which provides all the liturgical psalm verses for 80 services throughout the year.

Also, new arrival for children,, from Potamitis Publications, the 13 Volume set My Synaxarion—A Saint for Every Day, including the new Lenten Ocean, Paschal River, your family guide for Triodion, Great Lent, Holy Week, Pascha, and Pentecostarion!

Please email the [library](mailto:library@stnicholaslex.org) if you have any requests or questions, we'd love to hear from you.

## Fellowship

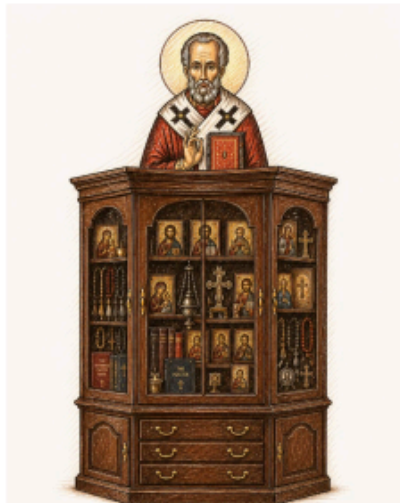


### REMINDER:

Do you enjoy a nice cup of coffee and a piece of pastry following each Sunday's Divine Liturgy? Of course, you do. That's why we're asking those who have not sponsored a Sunday fellowship hour in a while to please sign up for the many opening dates available. We all like to chit-chat with our fellow parishioners with a coffee in-hand. So, please step forward. It's real easy.....all you need to bring is some pastry (nothing fancy) and a gallon of milk. The church supplies the rest (napkins, plates, cups, etc.). If you have questions, just call the church office.

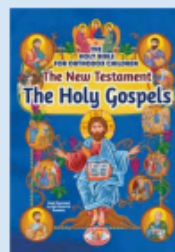
Thanks much for answering this appeal. We all will appreciate and thank you.

# THE ST. NICHOLAS GIFT NOOK



## GRAND OPENING GIFT

*Newly Released Orthodox Children's Bible*



In collaboration with The St. Nicholas Library, we have a limited number of the new Potamitis Publishing large format "The Holy Bible for Orthodox Children" (Free of charge on a first-come, first-served basis while supply lasts)

To request a copy, speak with Eleni Saledas or email The St. Nicholas Library.

**Stop by and explore a curated selection of authentic Orthodox treasures**  
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**OUR INAUGURAL COLLECTION IS SOURCED DIRECTLY FROM:**



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Timios Prodromos Monastery  
Akritochori, Greece



Draw Near Designs  
Original Orthodox artwork



## Scan to Pay • The Honor System

The Gift Nook operates on the honor system.

Our preferred payment method is scanning the QR code. Select "St. Nicholas Bookstore / Gift Nook" and specify what you purchased in the memo field.

Cash or checks are also welcome. Write down what you purchased and place the envelope in the drop box next to the cabinet.

## Hey Ministry Leaders and eBulletin Contributors!

*Keep your updates fresh and informative!*

Email any digital photos or updates to [rdiorio18@gmail.com](mailto:rdiorio18@gmail.com) by noon on Friday, and they will appear in the electronic bulletin. Also be sure to copy [office@stnicholaslex.org](mailto:office@stnicholaslex.org) by Wednesday noon if you would like the content to appear in the paper bulletin.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

# Gyro Fest

Outdoor Festival • Free Admission

September 26, 2026 • 11 AM - 9 PM

17 Meriam St., Lexington, MA

**Gyro** (Chicken & Beef)  
**Spanakopita**  
**Salad**  
**Dolmathes**  
**Loukoumades**

**Frappes**  
**Pastries**  
**Beer & Wine**  
**Greek Spirits**

**Live Greek**  
**Music 5-9 PM**

For more information:  
[office@stnicholaslex.org](mailto:office@stnicholaslex.org)  
[www.stnicholaslex.org](http://www.stnicholaslex.org)  
(781) 862-6453



The St. Irene's Philoptochos invites you  
to a special evening event!

# ***SIP & PAINT NIGHT!***

*Sip, paint  
& have FUN!*

**October 16, 2026  
6:30 PM**

St. Irene's Hall  
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church  
17 Meriam Street, Lexington, MA

***\$50 per person***

## ***Event Highlights***

- Easy step-by-step painting guided by Art by Katerina
- All art supplies included
- Complimentary beverages & mezedakia
- Take home your very own masterpiece
- No experience necessary

## ***For Reservations***

Please make checks out to **St. Irene's Philoptochos**.  
Contact Stephanie DeVasto at (617) 908-9372 or  
stephbob1976@aol.com for information and tickets.

**ART** by Katerina



SAVE THE DATE!

# GREEK DINNER DANCE

✝️ A NIGHT OF GREEK FOOD, MUSIC & DANCING  
➡️ **ALL FOR A GREAT CAUSE!** ➡️

Join us in supporting the **Metropolis of Boston Camp**  
and helping create meaningful experiences  
for our Greek Orthodox youth.



SATURDAY,  
DECEMBER 12, 2026



7:00 PM –  
11:00 PM



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ARCHANGELS  
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
25 Bigelow Ave  
Watertown, MA



DELICIOUS  
GREEK DINNER



DJ &  
MUSIC



DANCING  
ALL NIGHT



ALL FAMILIES  
WELCOME!



#### INTERESTED IN SPONSORSHIPS?

We'd love to partner with you!  
Reach out to **Maria** for any  
sponsorship opportunities  
or ways to get involved.

#### CONTACT MARIA:

☎ 781-535-8305

✉ [Mariakritikos@gmail.com](mailto:Mariakritikos@gmail.com)

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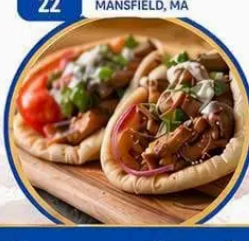
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# 2026 Greek Festivals

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| <b>MAY 15-16</b><br>ST. PHILIP CHURCH<br>NASHUA, NH                   | <b>JUNE 20-21</b><br>ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH<br>MANCHESTER, NH  | <b>AUGUST 22-23</b><br>ST. GEORGE CHURCH<br>PITTSFIELD, MA          | <b>SEPT 17-20</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CHURCH<br>BROCKTON, MA                  |
| <b>MAY 22-24</b><br>ST. VASILIOS CHURCH<br>PEABODY, MA                | <b>JUNE 25-27</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>PORTLAND, ME    | <b>AUGUST 29</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>HOLYOKE, MA              | <b>SEPT 17-19</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>NORWICH, CT                   |
| <b>MAY-JUN 29-31</b><br>TRANSFIGURATION CHURCH<br>LOWELL, MA          | <b>JUNE 26-28</b><br>ST. CATHERINE CHURCH<br>BRAINTREE, MA  | <b>AUGUST 29-30</b><br>ASSUMPTION CHURCH<br>MANCHESTER, NH          | <b>SEPT 18-20</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL – BOSTON<br>BROOKLINE, MA     |
| <b>MAY-JUN 29-31</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CHURCH<br>WOBURN, MA             | <b>JULY 10-11</b><br>ST. GEORGE CHURCH<br>CENTERVILLE, MA   | <b>SEPT 4-5</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CHURCH<br>DOVER, NH                 | <b>SEPT 18-20</b><br>ST. GEORGE CATHEDRAL<br>MANCHESTER, NH               |
| <b>JUNE 4-7</b><br>ST. ATHANASIOS CHURCH<br>ARLINGTON, MA             | <b>JULY 10-11</b><br>ST. GEORGE CHURCH<br>DARTMOUTH, MA     | <b>SEPT 4-5</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>LEWISTON, ME              | <b>SEPT 19-20</b><br>STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN CHURCH<br>ANDOVER, MA       |
| <b>JUNE 6-7</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>DANIELSON, CT               | <b>JULY 10-12</b><br>ST. DEMETRIOS CHURCH<br>SACO, ME       | <b>SEPT 4-6</b><br>ST. GEORGE CHURCH<br>LYNN, MA                    | <b>SEPT 19-20</b><br>ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST – BOSTON<br>BOSTON, MA          |
| <b>JUNE 12-14</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>LOWELL, MA                | <b>JULY 11-12</b><br>ASSUMPTION CHURCH<br>IPSWICH, MA       | <b>SEPT 4-6</b><br>STS. ANARGYROI CHURCH<br>MARLBOROUGH, MA         | <b>SEPT 25-27</b><br>ST. NECTARIOS CHURCH<br>ROSLINDALE, MA               |
| <b>JUNE 12-14</b><br>TAXIARCHAE CHURCH<br>WATERTOWN, MA               | <b>JULY 17-19</b><br>ST. SPYRIDON CHURCH<br>NEWPORT, RI     | <b>SEPT 11-13</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CHURCH<br>CRANSTON, RI            | <b>SEPT 26</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>CONCORD, NH                      |
| <b>JUNE 18-21</b><br>STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN CHURCH<br>CAMBRIDGE, MA | <b>JULY 24-26</b><br>ANNUNCIATION CHURCH<br>NEWBURYPORT, MA | <b>SEPT 11-12</b><br>HOLY TRINITY CHURCH<br>FITCHBURG, MA           | <b>OCT 16-17</b><br>ST. LUKE CHURCH<br>EAST LONGMEADOW, MA                |
| <b>JUNE 19-20</b><br>ST. NICHOLAS CHURCH<br>PORTSMOUTH, NH            | <b>JULY 25</b><br>DORMITION CHURCH<br>BURLINGTON, VT        | <b>SEPT 11-13</b><br>DORMITION CHURCH<br>SOMERVILLE, MA             | <b>NOV 4-6</b><br>ST. SOPHIA CHURCH<br>NEW LONDON, CT                     |
| <b>JUNE 19-21</b><br>ST. SPYRIDON CATHEDRAL<br>WORCESTER, MA          | <b>AUGUST 21-23</b><br>ASSUMPTION CHURCH<br>PAWTUCKET, RI   | <b>SEPT 11-13</b><br>ST. GEORGE CATHEDRAL<br>SPRINGFIELD, MA        | <b>NOV 6-7</b><br>HOLY APOSTLES STS. PETER & PAUL CHURCH<br>HAVERHILL, MA |
|                                                                       | <b>AUGUST 22</b><br>ST. GREGORY CHURCH<br>MANSFIELD, MA     | <b>SEPT 12-13</b><br>STS. CONSTANTINE & HELEN CHURCH<br>WEBSTER, MA | <b>DEC 5</b><br>ST. GEORGE CHURCH<br>KEENE, NH                            |



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