

The Epistle

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Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

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The True Passover - Pascha

In ancient times gods were defined by a place – just consider all the temples the ancient Greeks erected to honor their gods, and we all know they resided on Mount Olympus. However, the God of Israel was not defined by a place, but by an event. This was unique amongst all the religions of antiquity! How many times do we read in the Old Testament, “I am the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, *the God who brought you out of Egypt.*” The Passover was the event *par excellence* that defined the people of Israel. In the same way, Christ revealed Himself not in a specific place, but by in an event – His Passover – the Resurrection.

We read about the Passover in the book of Exodus. Through the burning bush, God calls Moses and Aaron to go to the Egyptian King and in God’s name demand that he let the enslaved Hebrews leave Egypt. Pharaoh replied, “I do not know your God and will not let the Hebrew people go.” He then commanded that the Hebrews be more severely burdened. Then Moses, at God’s command, brought down upon Egypt, one after another, ten plagues, so that Pharaoh would agree to release the Hebrew people from the land of Egypt. At the word of Moses, the water in the rivers, lakes and wells was turned into blood; hail and locusts destroyed all the plants; a three-day darkness covered the whole of Egypt. Beginning with the second plague, every time he called Moses, he asked him to pray to the Lord to put an end to the misfortune and promised to let the Hebrews go. However, as soon as the plague passed, Pharaoh again hardened his heart and refused to let them go. Then the final, tenth and most frightful plague came down.

Before the tenth plague, the Lord commanded the Hebrews to choose for each family a lamb that was one year old, slaughter it, cook it and eat it with unleavened bread and bitter herbs, without breaking any of its bones. They were then to smear the blood of the lamb onto the lintel and doorposts of their houses. The Hebrews did as God commanded them. That night the angel of the Lord struck down all the first born (the first male offspring) in Egypt, from men to the cattle. He *passed over* only those houses on whose doors the mark with the blood had been made. Lamentation went up from every part of Egypt. Pharaoh summoned Moses and commanded him to leave Egypt with the Hebrew people as soon as possible.

The day of the Hebrews’ deliverance from bondage in Egypt forever remained in their memory. On this day the Lord established the main feast of the Old Testament, called *Pascha*. The word *Pascha* means “passover,” – the angel of death passed over the Hebrew dwellings. Every year on the evening of this day the Hebrews slaughtered and prepared the Paschal lamb and ate it with unleavened bread. This feast lasted for seven days.

The Paschal lamb, by whose blood the first born of the Hebrews were delivered from death, foreshadowed the Savior Himself, Jesus Christ, the Lamb of God, Whose blood delivers all the faithful from eternal death. The Old Testament Hebrew Pascha prefigured our New Testament Christian Pascha. In the Old Testament Pascha, death passed over the dwellings of the Hebrews. Thus also in the Christian Pascha, the Resurrection of Christ, eternal death has passed over us. The Risen Christ, having freed us from the slavery of the Devil, has given us eternal life. Christ died on the Cross on the day when the Paschal lambs were slain, and He rose immediately after the Hebrew Pascha. This is why the Church always celebrates the Resurrection of Christ after the Jewish Passover and calls the feast Pascha.

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

The mission of Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church is to safeguard the 2,000 year old Traditions handed down by Christ and His disciples, by encouraging members to participate actively in the Sacramental life of the Church, and by furthering our knowledge of the Faith through education. In order to realize our role as stewards of God's vineyard and to grow spiritually as individuals and as a Parish, we will share our Faith with those who seek the knowledge of God, welcome and embrace all who join us in worship and fellowship, and reach out to those in need. Fulfilling our mission will draw us closer to God and His Kingdom, and allow us to experience the love of God (Agape) in our Parish and community.

Rev. Father Simon Thomas
Parish Priest

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MONDAY – FRIDAY * 9 A.M. – 5 P.M.

GREEK ORTHODOX ARCHDIOCESE OF AMERICA * METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO

President's Report

Brothers and Sisters,

At its regular meeting on March 14, the Council approved minutes of the February meeting, reviewed financial reports, received reports from the Buildings and Grounds, and Rentals Committees, and approved proposed revised Parish Bylaws that will be presented to the Parish Assembly in May for final approval.

In addition, the Council appointed Eleni Tziouvaras as Chair of the 2011 Greek Festival. Thanks to Eleni for her willingness to serve! Festival planning meetings will begin soon.

At the Parish Council retreat on March 12, the Council discussed proposed revised Parish bylaws and reviewed the list of Parish ministries. Given the modest size of our Parish, we will further discuss possible consolidation and refinement of our ministry efforts.

If you have not already done so, please be sure to submit your stewardship commitment card for 2011, as this will aid the Parish Council in managing the annual budget.

Again this year, we will hold a vigil during Holy Thursday night. The vigil will begin immediately after the Holy Thursday night service (about 10:15 p.m.) with readings from the Psalter and from the Gospels, will and continue until the beginning of the Holy Friday morning service at 9 a.m. If you would like to read, please contact me (tcondos@verizon.net or 683-4821). We will assign time slots once we determine the number of available readers.

On behalf of the Parish Council, may your Lenten journey be illuminating! Καλή Σαρακοστή!

In His service,
Theony Condos

LEADERSHIP TRAINING SEMINAR

BUILDING THE HOUSE OF GOD: You are a Member of the Body of Christ The Critical Role of Parish Leadership in Stewardship, Outreach and Evangelism

Please join His Eminence Metropolitan Gerasimos at a Leadership Training Seminar in your area. This one-day seminar is open to all people in parish leadership – Parish Council members, Philoptochos, Sunday School, Youth Ministry, Choir, Dance, Festival and more! Bring an open mind and open heart and learn how you can enhance your parish stewardship program, and serve the needs of the greater community through outreach and evangelism.

Guest Presenter: Rev. Father James W. Kordaris, Director
Stewardship, Outreach and Evangelism, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America

Fr. James Kordaris serves the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America as Director of Stewardship, Outreach and Evangelism. Fr. Kordaris was born and raised in Minneapolis, Minnesota and has BA (1979) and MBA (1983) degrees from the University of Minnesota. At St. Mary's Greek Orthodox Church in Minneapolis, he served in many capacities, including Parish Council President and Stewardship Chair. Following twelve years in the financial services industry, he entered Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, receiving his Master of Divinity degree in 1999. He was ordained to the Diaconate in 1998 and to the Priesthood in 1999. He has served parishes in Jamaica, NY and Roslyn Heights, NY, and currently serves the parish of Saint George on West 54th Street in Manhattan.

Saturday, April 9, 2011, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m., Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church – Redondo Beach

*Donations will be accepted to defray the expense of lunch.
Please contact the Metropolis Office at 415-753-3075 for more information.*

The Akathist Hymn

Fifth Saturday of Lent (April 9th)



On the Fifth Saturday of Great Lent, the Saturday of the Akathist, we commemorate the “Laudation of the Virgin” Icon of the Most Holy Theotokos.

In about the year 626, when the emperor Heraclius was fighting the Persians in the East, the Khan sent forces of Persians, Avars and Slavs to attack Constantinople by land and by sea. Patriarch Sergius urged the people not to lose heart, but to trust in God.

Enemy ships filled the sea, especially the Golden Horn, and on land the adversaries were ready for attack with foot-soldiers, horses, and engines of war. Though the citizens courageously withstood them, yet they were few in number and would be unable to repulse the attack of such a great host. Hence, they could not count on any other means of salvation, except the protection of the Theotokos. A procession was made around the city with the Cross of the Lord, the robe of the Virgin, the Icon of the Savior not made by hands,

and the Hodigitria Icon of the Mother of God. The Patriarch dipped the Virgin’s robe in the sea, and the city’s defenders beat back the Khan’s sea forces. And truly, suddenly a violent tempest broke up all the ships and submerged them, and the bodies of the invaders were cast out near the Blachernae quarter of the city where the famous Church of the Theotokos stood. Taking courage from this, the people went forth from the city and repulsed the remaining forces, who fled out of fear.

In 673, the city was miraculously delivered yet again, this time from an invasion of the Arabs. On two other occasions, in 655 and 705, the Theotokos protected the city from Saracen invaders. Then in 717-718, led by the Saracen general Maslamah, the Arab fleet laid siege once more to the city. The numerical superiority of the enemy was so overwhelming that the fall of the Imperial City seemed imminent. But then the Mother of God, together with a multitude of the angelic hosts, appeared suddenly over the city walls. The enemy forces fled in disarray, struck with terror and thrown into a panic at this apparition. Soon after this, the Arab fleet was utterly destroyed by a terrible storm in the Aegean Sea on the eve of the Annunciation, March 24, 718. It was only on this occasion of the great miracle wrought for the Christian populace of the Imperial City on the eve of the Annunciation that the hymn “To you, the Champion Leader” was composed, most likely by Saint Germanus, Patriarch of Constantinople.

Thenceforth, a special “feast of victory and of thanksgiving” was dedicated to celebrate and commemorate these benefactions. In this magnificent service, the Akathist Hymn is prominent and holds the place of honor. A feast day dedicated to the Laudation of the Virgin was established to commemorate these victories. The Akathist to the Mother of God is believed to originate from this period, and its use has spread from Constantinople to other Orthodox lands.

The icon before which the Akathist was sung was given to the Dionysiou Monastery on Mt. Athos by Emperor Alexius Comnenos. There, it began to flow with myrrh. This icon shows the Mother of God seated on a throne, and surrounded by Prophets with scrolls.

The hymn is often split into four parts and sung at the “Salutations to the Theotokos” service on the first four Friday evenings in Great Lent; the entire Akathist is then sung on the fifth Friday evening. The four sections into which the Akathist is divided correspond to the themes of the Annunciation, Nativity, Christ, and the Theotokos herself.

Liturgical Calendar

Friday, April 1st

Fourth Salutation to the Virgin Mary – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 2nd

Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 3rd

Sunday of St. John of Climacus

Orthros – 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Monday, April 4th

Great Compline – 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 6th

Presanctified Liturgy – 6:00 pm

Friday, April 8th

Akathist Hymn – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 9th

Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 10th

Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt

Orthros – 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Monday, April 11th

Great Compline – 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 13th

Presanctified Liturgy – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 16th

Lazarus Saturday

Orthros – 8:00 am

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, April 17th

Palm Sunday

Orthros – 9:00 am

Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Bridegroom Service – 6:00 pm

Monday, April 18th

Holy Monday

Bridegroom Service – 6:00 pm

Tuesday, April 19th

Holy Tuesday

Bridegroom Service – 6:00 pm

Hymn of Kassiani

Wednesday, April 20th

Presanctified Liturgy – 9:00 am

Sacrament of Holy Unction – 6:00 pm

Thursday, April 21st

Holy Thursday

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil – 9:00 am

Passion Service of the Twelve Gospels – 6:00 pm

All-Night Vigil at the Cross

Friday, April 22nd

Holy Friday

Royal Hours – 9:00 am

Great Vespers of Descent from the Cross – 3:00 pm

Lamentations Service – 6:00 pm

Saturday, April 23rd

Holy Saturday

Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil – 9:00 am

Canon of the Resurrection – 11:00 pm

Resurrection & Divine Liturgy – 12:00 midnight

Resurrection Meal to Follow

Sunday, April 24th

Great & Holy Pascha

Agape Vespers – 12:00 noon at Manning Park

Agape Picnic to Follow

Monday, April 25th

Feast of St. George the Great Martyr

Orthros – 8:00 am

Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

WISHING YOU ALL A BLESSED PASCHA!

2011 Offering Opportunities for Pascha

The following is a list of items needed for the special services during Great Lent, Holy Week and Pascha. Your donations are much appreciated and add to the beauty of our services. Please let us know if you would like to make a donation toward any of the items listed below.

General Items:

- 10 Containers of Olive Oil (\$30 each) – \$300
- 3 Boxes of Charcoal (\$30 each) – \$90
- 4 Beeswax Candles for Solea (\$50 each) – \$200

Great Lent:

- Flowers for the Icon of the Annunciation - \$100

Palm Sunday:

- Palm Plants for Palm Sunday – \$100
- Flowers for Icon of the Triumphant Entry into Jerusalem – \$100

Bridegroom Services:

- Flowers for Nymphios Icon – \$100

Holy Wednesday Unction Service:

- Olive Oil for Holy Unction - **Donated**
- 7 Beeswax Candles (\$10 each) – \$70

Holy Thursday Crucifixion Service:

- 3 Candles for the Cross of Christ (\$25 each) - \$75
- 12 Candles for Gospel Readings (\$10 each) – \$90 (**3 Donated**)
- Flowers for the Icon of the Crucifixion – \$100
- Wreath for the Cross of Christ – \$100

Holy Friday Apokathelosis Service:

- New White Linen Sheet for the Body of Christ – \$25
- Rose Petals – \$30

Holy Friday Lamentation Service:

- Rose Petals – \$30
- Rose Water – \$25
- Flowers for the Epitaphion – \$600
- Orchid for the Gospel – \$25

Holy Saturday Divine Liturgy:

- Rose Petals - **Donated**

Holy and Great Pascha:

- 3 Beeswax Candles for the Resurrection (\$25 each) – **Donated**
- Flowers for the Resurrection Icon – \$100
- 12 Easter Lilies (\$25 each) – \$300
- 8 Orchids for Resurrection (\$40 each) – \$320

May you have a blessed Lent

Red Easter Eggs

In the past, parishioners have offered to dye red Easter eggs that are distributed in Church following the Service of the Resurrection as well as at the Easter Picnic. This year we will need over 30 dozen eggs dyed. Would you be able to dye 2 dozen eggs? If you have the time and could do more than 2 dozen, that would be greatly appreciated. If so, please contact the church office with the amount you will donate.

All eggs should be delivered to the Church by Holy Thursday, April 21st. Please leave them in the kitchen refrigerator. Thank you very much for your contribution. It is greatly appreciated.

P.S. Please hard boil eggs sufficiently!

Saint Barbara MS Walk 2011

Join our *Santa Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Team* at **9 am on Saturday, April 9th at Leadbetter Beach!!!** Walk, Run, Volunteer or make a contribution!

In 2010, we raised \$1,760 and had 15 walker/runners/strollers/baby carriers! Last year we were named the 6th largest team participant, and in years past we were named the Largest Team Contributor! Our goal this year is to raise over \$3,000 as we have done in 2008 & 2009. Let's keep up the great work and show how committed we are to helping our local community! Contact **Pres. Stephanie** at **685-5751** or s_c_thomas@yahoo.com for more info, to make a donation, or register to walk/run.

May Day Celebration

The Greek Heritage Society of Southern California celebrates its 25th Anniversary with a May Day Celebration Προτο Μαϊουτικο Πανηγυρι! **Sunday, May 1, 2011, 5:00 p.m. at St Nicholas Church**, 9501 Balboa Boulevard, Northridge, California. Buffet Dinner * Dancing * Λαχειο Tickets are \$30/adults (\$40 at the door) and \$20/children. Reservation deadline is April 30th. See the flyer on the information table in the hall or for more information call 310-528-8214.

NEWS & NOTES

40 Day Blessing ...

Melina Jade Ramirez, on March 20th, daughter of Alexandra and Michael Ramirez

Baptisms ...

Laurel (Evangelia) Hermann, on February 27th, daughter of Steven and Talina Hermann

Funerals ...

Joseph Khoury, on March 10th, son of Elias and Arwa Khoury. May his memory be eternal!

In Memory of ...

Stephen Redding, from Gicas & Stella Pollalis, Chuck & Nikki Hayes

Parish, Youth & Young Adult Ministries

Early Christian History Class

This class explores the first three hundred years of Christian history and presents the remarkable people, the ancient places, and the events that changed history. This class takes place at the **Santa Barbara Public Library** in the **Faulkner Gallery**. The next class is **Tuesday, April 12th**, from **6:30 p.m. until 9:00 p.m.** Please join us!

Philoptochos

Philoptochos will be assisting with **dying red eggs and arranging flowers for Easter** and invites the Parish to volunteer along with us to prepare for the Lord's glorious Resurrection. Contact Kara Osborn to help or look for the signup sheets in the Reception area.

Reservations for the Palm Sunday Luncheon will be taken beginning April 3rd. Look for a table with signups in the Hall. Luncheon cost, \$10/adults, children no charge. Please bring friends and family!

Also, Philoptochos is happy to present support for our Missions Orphanage projects and will be sending representatives to the Missions Luncheon March 27th. Finally, Philoptochos will be taking donations for both **KidsNCancer and International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)** in supporting cancer patients and disaster relief in Japan, New Zealand and other countries in need. Requested are travel size soaps and toiletries for IOCC, and "Santa Barbara" themed treats and products for Kids n' Cancer. Donation boxes for each cause are in the Church Hall. Contact Connie Pappas Hillman to find out how you can help.

As always Philoptochos is accepting new members and is looking forward to expanding its involvement in the community in the near future. This is an exciting time to participate in the Philoptochos Society! Please contact Kara Osborn for more information or attend the next meeting on April 10, 2011 following the Liturgy service.

Dance Groups

.....Kali Anastasi to all. In observance of Lent, dance practice will resume after Easter with new materials for the new dance year.

Choir

The choir is getting younger! We are delighted with the addition of two new young musicians to our ranks! **Xeni Tziouvaras**, singer and pianist, is now adding her lovely voice, talent and enthusiasm to the Soprano section, and **Elena Velliotes**, singer and clarinetist, also brings her sweet voice and joy to the Soprano section. It is exciting to hear their angelic voices Sunday mornings, and we are hopeful that other young students will be inspired to come up and give the choir a try!

Lent is the perfect time to join! The Easter hymns offer deeply moving poetry, such as the **Kassiani Hymn sung Holy Tuesday evening**. It is a hymn of exquisite beauty and depth. Arranged by Dr. Frank Desby, of blessed memory, Kassiani's Hymn never fails to stir the soul and spirit. The very first hymn of the Resurrection Service, the **Defte Lavete Fos**, *Come Ye and Receive the Light*, and the Resurrection communion hymn, **Soma Hristou** arranged by Dr. Tikey Zes, are two more beloved hymns in the Orthodox tradition.

Young Adult League

YAL will be taking a break for Great Lent in order to attend various services during the week. Emails will be sent out periodically as to which services we will be attending as a YAL group during April. If you are new to Santa Barbara/St. Barbara GOC please contact Diana Georghiou at dolfingearge@hotmail.com or st.barbarayalcentralcoast@gmail.com or mobile (805) 284-8455 to place you on our contact list, receive all updates, a calendar of events, etc.

Sunday school

Happy Spring! It has been such a blessing to listen to the joyful noises coming from the Sunday School classrooms this past season. From diving into the Liturgy and discovering the symbolism in our Church to discussing common struggles we all face, the Sunday Scholars have been hard at work learning about our faith. In this season of Lent, especially, they have been discovering and discussing ideas.

Community Organizations

Order of AHEPA, Santa Barbara Chapter 243

www.ahepa20.org/chapters E-mail ahepa243@gmail.com

Our chapter has recently sponsored 3 outstanding speakers to our monthly meetings: Professor Apostolos Athanassakis, Professor of Classics UCSB, spoke about "Homer-Who was he and why is he important?" Ernest Kolendrianos, M.D., spoke about "Men: Stay Healthy at any Age... Your Checklist for Health!" California restaurateur, Petros Benekos, lectured on the topic "Hellenic California Cuisine." Our intention is to promote and create an atmosphere for Hellenic Ideals to apply to everyday living. Our chapter can soon be seen assisting Alex Haimanis with his efforts to raise funds for orphanages in Albania, Guatemala, and India during a lunch after Church on March 27. We want to congratulate our newest members who were recently initiated into our Chapter: Ernest Kolendrianos, Tom Kapernekas, Mike Osborn, and Chris Kolendrianos. We also want to congratulate our Chapter Treasurer, Chris Compogiannis, for his 50 years of continued and valuable service to AHEPA. We also honored Jim Arger for his heartless time and devotion as an invaluable volunteer on behalf of Saint Barbara's parish community. If anyone is interested in joining our AHEPA Chapter please call Jim Arger at 310-903-2688.

Daughters of Penelope, Santa Barbara Chapter Delos 103

www.dophq@ahepa.org

Please make sure to place your Koulourakia orders by April 8th with pick up dates on Saturday of Lazarus (April 16) and Palm Sunday (April 17). The order form is in the Epistle and also available on the table in the Orthodox Center. The El Camino Real District 20 Scholarship applications are now available for those students whose parents are members in good standing of District 20 AHEPA and Daughters of Penelope. The deadline to mail applications is April 30. Please contact Lisa Stathopoulos at 967-1025 for scholarship applications or obtain applications from the website www.ahepa20.org. If you are interested in becoming a Daughter, please call Helen McGillivray at 965-6727.

Scholarship Program 2011

The Scholarship Committee is pleased to announce the Scholarship Program guidelines for 2011. Applications can be picked up in the church office from April 17 until May 16. They can also be requested by email. Applicants must be high school seniors or students enrolled in a postsecondary institution who are, or whose parents/legal guardians are, stewards in good standing of Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church during 2010 and 2011. ("Good standing" is defined in the Uniform Parish Regulations, or UPR, as being current in stewardship and other financial obligations to the Parish, abiding by all the regulations in the UPR and the Parish Bylaws, and cooperating in every way toward the welfare and well-being of the Parish.)

Selection criteria, in order of priority, are the following:

- (1) **Church Involvement:** Young people who are actively involved in the life of the parish will be given preference over those who don't participate or do so only marginally. Students who are attending college in another city and who participate in the life of the parish near their college will likewise be given preference over those who don't participate or do so only sporadically.
- (2) **Financial Need:** Some students who are very active in the parish may not need financial help, while for others a parish scholarship may be a tremendous blessing. Thus applicants will be asked what they anticipate their financial need to be, whether they are applying for financial aid at their college or university, and whether they are currently receiving financial aid.
- (3) **Academic Record:** This criterion includes grade point average as well as extracurricular activities.
- (4) **Community Service.**

All materials must be received in the **Church Office by 5:00 P.M. on May 17, 2010**. No late materials will be accepted, and none will be returned. All information received will be kept strictly confidential.

Volunteers for April 2011

Epistle Readers:

3 Greek: Voula Aldrich English: Connie Pappas Hillman
10 Greek: Tom Pappas English: Mona Zozos
17 Greek: George Mamalakis English: Ruth Angelos

Acolytes:

George Ioannidis (Captain), Dean Papazacharioudakis (Assistant Captain), Tasso Ioannidis, Cainan Iorio, Jacob Kaminsky, Dean Richardson, Dimitri Richardson, Jack Rottman & William Rottman

Ushers:

3 Paul Tziouvaras, Terry Keramaris, George Papazacharioudakis, Jim Peters
10 Peter Stathopoulos, Mary Mendoza, Richard Mendoza, Nick Pappas
17 George Mamalakis, Theony Condos, Mary Mamalakis, Art Markos

Prosporo Bakers:

3 Theony Condos
10 Connie Pappas Hillman
17 Helen Ioannidis

Altar Flowers:

3 Available
10 Available
17 Available

Coffee Fellowship Hosts:

3 Available
10 Available
17 Palm Sunday Luncheon

2011 Stewardship

Alexander, Pam
Alexander, Sophie
Anderson, John & Catherine
Angelos, Dr. James & Ruth
Anthes, George & Stacie
Anthimiades, Dorothy
Anton, Alice
Arger, Jim & Carol
Argyropoulos, Demetri
Argyropoulos, Elias & Tina
Argyropoulos, Symeon & Antoinette
Ballas, Gus
Barth, Charles & Pam
Baskous, Dan & Jeanette
Batalas, Marika & Peter Withers
Benbow, Peter & Olya
Bocek, Dan & Christina
Campbell, Gordon & Elene
Carralejo, Karen Stathis
Carroll, John & Lexy
Chachakos, Bill
Chachakos, Jim
Cocores, Ted & Christine
Condos, Bessie
Condos, Theony
Cosmides, George & Nasia
Daphne, Laurel
Demourkas, John & Dana
Demourkas, Katina
Demourkas, Matina
Demourkas, Nicholas
Dimitriou, Michael & Jasmine
Dovas, George & Pat

Earl, Gordon & Iuliana
Fakinos, George & Barbara
Fell, Ryan & Anastasia
Fenger, Ellen
Fictum, Mary and Katina
Fisher, Cleo
Galanoplis, Beatrice Peg
Gastouniotis, Dean & Georgia
Georghiou, Margo
Haimanis, Alex
Hanges, Andrew & Georgia
Hanges, Paul
Hayes, Chuck & Nikki
Hillman, Chris & Connie
Hroundas, George, JoAnn & Angelos
Hull, Dorothy
Jensen, Cynthia
Kallas, Anthony & Agnes
Kaminsky, Ian & Iris
Kenrick, Sophia
Keramaris, Terry
Khoury, Cherif
Kolendrianos, Chris & Megan
Kolendrianos, Ernest & Andriana
Konstantine, Eve
Kwiatkowski, Jackson
Langel, Randy & Pattis Stathis
Laury, John & Helen
Mamalakis, George & Mary
Martin, Nick
Martin, Ted
McFadden, Timotheos

Mendoza, Alexis
Mendoza, Richard & Mary
Nicolaou, Jaime & Soteris
Osborn, Michael & Kara
Papador, Georgia
Papazacharioudakis, George
Pappas, Anastasios & Carolyn
Pappas, Nick
Penoff, Dana
Peters, Jim & Linda
Petronakis, Sam & Anna
Phillips, Emanuel
Pollalis, Gicas & Stella
Poulakos, Jennifer
Poulis, William
Poulos, Steve
Ramirez, Michael & Alexandra
Redding, Stephen & Angie
Rishwain, Jeff & Connie
Roen, Curtis & Georgina
Roig, Francesc & Kathleen
Sears, Jack & Emilie
Smith, Catherine McDavid
Stathis, Cy & Helen
Stavros, Terilee Anastasia
Swider, Bob & Christy
Theofanous, Theo & Danae
Thomas, Fr. Simon & Pres. Stephanie
Trigonis, Alex & Alexandra
Tullis, Bud & Barbara
Tziouvaras, Ahileas & Polyxenie
Tziouvaras, Paul & Vivi

"Come and See"

SAINT BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

2011 CONFIDENTIAL STEWARDSHIP COMMITMENT CARD

Please complete and return this card to St. Barbara's.

Individual or Family Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State _____ Zip _____

In gratitude for God's blessings I/we make the following financial commitment to the ministries of St. Barbara's:

- \$50/mo. (\$600/yr.) \$75/mo. (\$900/yr.) \$100/mo. (\$1200/yr.) \$200/mo. (\$2400/yr.)
 \$300/mo. (\$3600/yr.) \$500/mo. (\$6000/yr.) Other (Please specify) _____

My/our pledge will be paid in installments of \$ _____ on a (circle one) weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

I would like to pay with Cash Check Automatic Bill Pay (EFT Debit), or Credit Card.

Signature _____

Date _____

The dollar amounts above are **CONFIDENTIAL**. You are advised to consult your CPA or tax professional regarding the deductibility of all or part of this gift.
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FAMILY INFORMATION- PART 2

	You	Spouse	Children / Age
Name:	_____	_____	_____ /
Home Phone:	_____	_____	_____ /
Cell Phone:	_____	_____	_____ /
Work Phone:	_____	_____	_____ /
Email:	_____	_____	_____ /
Occupation:	_____	_____	_____ /

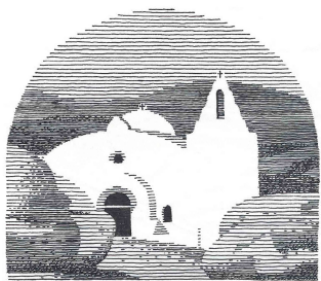
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TIME & TALENTS SURVEY FORM - PART 3

Please check ✓ those items in which you or a member of your family has some expertise or interest.

If not listed, please add on the line labeled "Other".

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bible Study | <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Ministry: GOYA, JOY, HOPE | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Retreats/Church Camp | <input type="checkbox"/> Philoptochos Society | <input type="checkbox"/> Construction/Repair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Real Estate Management | <input type="checkbox"/> Finance | <input type="checkbox"/> Folk Dancing: Teacher or Student |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Transportation/Volunteer Drivers | <input type="checkbox"/> Family Night Events | <input type="checkbox"/> Gardening/Grounds Maintenance |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Teaching/Sunday School/Nursery | <input type="checkbox"/> Missions/Philanthropy | <input type="checkbox"/> Clerical Assistant/Office Help |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Medical | <input type="checkbox"/> Legal | <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Tree |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Greek School: Teacher or Student | <input type="checkbox"/> Ushering/Welcome | <input type="checkbox"/> Disaster Preparedness |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Choir/Chanting | <input type="checkbox"/> Computer: General/Web Site Mgt | <input type="checkbox"/> Parish Directory |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Young Adult Activities/YAL | <input type="checkbox"/> Mechanical/Plumbing/Electrical | <input type="checkbox"/> Publicity/Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors: Activities/Visitations | <input type="checkbox"/> Reader (in Divine Liturgy) | <input type="checkbox"/> Other |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking/Baking | | |



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