

The Epistle

October 2012

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

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The Essence of a Spiritual Community

When we decide to join the Orthodox Church we are joining a community of believers in the Trinitarian God who promises us eternal life. As we come together in worship, we come as equals of all differing backgrounds, occupations, and ages. There are no earthly status parameters in this gathering. We are all equal in our quest to be united with God in eternal life. We realize that it does not matter what worldly success we achieve, but that our relationship with God is what is most important. The place of worship is beautiful with many icons and symbols of our community's long history. We see images of martyrs who gave their lives for God over a thousand years ago. There are images of Jesus Christ and the Mother of God. We see the Crucifix and numerous icons about different aspects of the life of Christ. This space is quite different than our normal worldly space, lifting us up to the reality that we are gathering together to enter into a heavenly realm, a place where earth and heaven are one. This is the nature of the Divine Liturgy. It takes us from our daily lives of worldly care to a heavenly realm where we are joined with the saints and angels to have a direct communion with God. In this egalitarian and beautiful environment with its 2000 year history and traditions we are humbled and are able to let go of our egotistical nature and seek mercy from God. We praise and glorify Him with prayers and hymns. We are surrounded with others who share our belief and quest to become united with Him and supported in His teaching that to love God we must love all those gathered with us as well as our enemies. In this gathering we feel connected and one with each other as well as God. We feel nourished, secure, and peaceful in our hearts. We experience a true sense of community that cannot be found in any other way except through our common relationship with God.

St. Cyril of Alexandria (+444) writes the following about the reason we all come together in this place of worship:

The Savior Himself declares, "Whoever eats My Flesh and drinks My Blood abides in Me and I in him." By this statement it is to be seen that Christ does not say He will be in us only after the fashion of some relation that is solely intellectual, but also through a participation truly according to nature. Just as if someone were to entwine two pieces of wax together and melt them with a fire, so that both are made one, so too through participation in the Body of Christ and in His Precious Blood, He is united in us and we too in Him. In no other way can that corruptible nature be vivified except by being united bodily to the Body of Him who is, by His very nature, life: that is, the Only-begotten. (Commentary on John, on 15:1)

Through our partaking of the true Blood and Body of Christ we are in a real sense united as one Body in Him. This is the essence of an Orthodox Christian community based on 2000 years of Christian Tradition.

There is a new Book out titled *Religion for Atheists* by Alain de Botton which was recently reviewed in the *Wall Street Journal*. The author uses the surface attributes of our worship to theorize that we can build communities based on the outward elements of our worshipping community. He thinks we can take God away and use the artifacts of our worship to create meaningful communities. Without God, without our faith in His saving power, without joining with Him in Communion through partaking of His Blood and Body, there can be no such unity that this provides. This atheist's view is doomed to failure as he does not understand the true nature of the Church and our gatherings. We should be concerned about such secular views as it can easily permeate our own as well as our children's world view. True community only comes from a shared faith and a shared worship that includes Holy Communion of His real presence. We must practice it with faith and zeal for His love. It is through our example that others such as this author clamor for the kind of community we too often take for granted.

(Written by Deacon Charles Joiner, St. George Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Greenville, SC)

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.

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President's Report

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The new Ecclesiastical Year has begun and our Ministries are again active for the Year. Particularly our choir which is continuously recognized as one of the finest in the Metropolis under the direction of Andriana Kolendrianos and our Sunday School under the direction of Angela Canfield.

We are saddened by the passing of George Poulos. May his memory be eternal!

During October we will be having a visit from Fr. Tom Paris, the father of Fr. Paul Paris, our former Parish priest. We have also invited our Chancellor V. Rev. Apostolos Koufallakis from San Francisco.

Lastly, our Fall General Assembly will be coming up on October 21st. Please plan on attending as a number of important issues will be discussed and voted on.

As always, please feel free to discuss any issues as we move forward in 2012.

In His Service, Jim Peters

Saint Barbara Prayer List

Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew
Archbishop Demetrios of America
Metropolitan Gerasimos of San Francisco
Metropolitan Jeronimos of Mwanza
Father Simon & Presvytera Stephanie and children
Parishioners of St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church

Parishioners of St. Barbara's in Kazinga, Tanzania
Christina Demourkas (Recovery from Surgery)
Sorel (Sophia) Kolendrianos (Rett Syndrome)
Anne Martin (Health)
Photini Plouffe (Cancer)
Jheri Redding (Lyme Disease)

Liturgical Calendar

Sunday, October 7th
3rd Sunday of St. Luke
Orthros – 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Saturday, October 13th
Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 14th
Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council
Orthros – 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Thursday, October 18th
Feast of St. Luke
Orthros – 8:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Saturday, October 20th
Feast of St. Gerasimos
Orthros – 8:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am
Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 21st
6th Sunday of St. Luke
Orthros – 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am

Tuesday, October 23rd
Feast of St. James
Orthros – 8:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 9:00 am

Thursday, October 25th
Great Vespers – 7:00 pm
(In Camarillo)

Friday, October 26th
Feast of St. Demetrios
Orthros – 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am
(In Camarillo)

Saturday, October 27th
Great Vespers – 5:00 pm

Sunday, October 28th
7th Sunday of St. Luke
Orthros – 9:00 am
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 am



Saint Luke the Evangelist

October 18th

The Holy Apostle and Evangelist Luke, was a native of Syrian Antioch, a companion of the holy Apostle Paul, and a physician enlightened in the Greek medical arts. Hearing about Christ, Luke arrived in Palestine and fervently accepted the preaching of salvation from the Lord Himself. As one of the Seventy Apostles, Saint Luke was sent by the Lord with the others to preach the Kingdom of Heaven during the Savior's earthly life (Luke 10:1-3). After the Resurrection, the Lord Jesus Christ appeared to Saints Luke and Cleopas on the road to Emmaus.

Luke accompanied Saint Paul on his second missionary journey, and from that time they were inseparable. When Paul's coworkers had forsaken him, only Luke remained to assist him in his ministry (2 Timothy 4:10-11). After the deaths of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul, Saint Luke left Rome to preach in Achaia, Libya, Egypt and the Thebaid. He ended his life by suffering martyrdom in the city of Thebes.

Tradition credits Saint Luke with painting the first icons of the Mother of God. "Let the grace of Him Who was born of Me and My mercy be with these Icons," said the All-Pure Virgin after seeing the icons. Saint Luke also painted icons of the First-Ranked Apostles Peter and Paul. Saint Luke's Gospel was written in the years 62-63 at Rome, under the guidance of the Apostle Paul. In the preliminary verses (1:1-3), Saint Luke precisely sets forth the purpose of his work. He proposes to record, in chronological order, everything known by Christians about Jesus Christ and His teachings. By doing this, he provided a firmer historical basis for Christian teaching (1:4). He carefully investigated the facts, and made generous use of the oral tradition of the Church and of what the All-Pure Virgin Mary Herself had told him (2:19, 51).

In St Luke's Gospel, the message of the salvation made possible by the Lord Jesus Christ, and the preaching of the Gospel, are of primary importance. Saint Luke also wrote the Acts of the Holy Apostles at Rome around 62-63 A.D. The Book of Acts, which is a continuation of the four Gospels, speaks about the works and the fruits of the holy Apostles after the Ascension of the Savior. At the center of the narrative is the Council of the holy Apostles at Jerusalem in the year 51, a Church event of great significance, which resulted in the separation of Christianity from Judaism and its independent dissemination into the world (Acts 15:6-29). The theological focus of the Book of Acts is the coming of the Holy Spirit, Who will guide the Church "into all truth" (John 16:13) until the Second Coming of Christ.

The holy relics of Saint Luke were taken from Constantinople and brought to Padua, Italy at some point in history. Perhaps this was during the infamous Crusade of 1204. In 1992, Metropolitan Hieronymus (Jerome) of Thebes requested the Roman Catholic bishop in Thebes to obtain a portion of Saint Luke's relics for the Saint's empty sepulcher in the Orthodox Cathedral in Thebes.

The Roman Catholic bishop Antonio Mattiazzo of Padua, noting that Orthodox pilgrims came to Padua to venerate the relics while many Catholics did not even know that the relics were there, appointed a committee to investigate the relics in Padua, and the skull of Saint Luke in the Catholic Cathedral of St. Vico in Prague.

The skeleton was determined to be that of an elderly man of strong build. In 2001, a tooth found in the coffin was judged to be consistent with the DNA of Syrians living near the area of Antioch dating from 72-416 A.D. The skull in Prague perfectly fit the neck bone of the skelton. The tooth found in the coffin in Padua was also found to fit the jawbone of the skull.

Bishop Mattiazzo sent a rib from the relics to Metropolitan Hieronymus to be venerated in St Luke's original tomb in the Orthodox Cathedral at Thebes.

Parish, Youth & Young Adult Ministries

Choir

We enthusiastically welcome new singers to join us for the 10 a.m. Divine Liturgy.

Youth Choir

The Youth Choir is getting in full swing, now that the Sunday School year has begun again. We will continue working on the Communion Hymns and Trisagion while introducing hymns for upcoming Feast Days. Keep hold of your "Soson Kyrie" from the Elevation of the Cross (September 14). We'll come back to it during Lent.

Practice this month will take place after church on October 7th and 21st and is open to all Sunday School children; for more information, contact Sophia Kenrick at 967-1470 or louloudaki@gmail.com.

Philoptochos

Philoptochos held its first meeting on September 8th and is making improvements to increase participation of its members and welcome new members to the chapter. **Please attend our next meeting to be held on October 7th, following liturgy and coffee hour hosted by Philoptochos.** We will be holding elections at this meeting, so if you are a member, please do your best to attend. Also, Philoptochos is proud to announce that it will be doing a Spanakopita bake sale this year. Signups to help with this will be available at the meeting.

2012 membership dues are currently being collected! We ask that you keep in mind the first \$20 goes to our "per capita" tax to both the National and Metropolis offices. Please send your check to either the Church Office or to Vivian Pahos (2121 Chapala St., CA 93105) for "Philoptochos" in memo you may write Stewardship.

Orthodox Social Network

All couples are welcome, from the not yet newlywed to those with children taller than they are. Check you inbox for upcoming information on the October event.

VIP's

The V.I.P. Seniors started off a new season by having a potluck lunch and meeting on September 6th. After a delicious lunch, members worked on a busy agenda. The first item on the list was a plan to visit **Demetria Winery along with a picnic on October 4th.** The second item on the agenda was to plan a **"Thanksgiving Luncheon" on November, 15, 2012.** This occasion requires a lot of planning and work. Any senior interested in attending and participating please call Sofija Nedic at 967-2680.

Sunday School

One of the purposes of Sunday School is to help build our Parish, the Body of Christ, through offering Christian education to all ages. Sunday School is a way to teach living faith. Our Sunday School theme this year is prayer, prayer being the spiritual food that strengthens our whole being. This theme will be intertwined with the curriculum that teachers are working from. This curriculum includes topics from the Old and New Testament, Church History and Traditions, Prayer, Ethics and Spirituality. These broad topics are broken down into age appropriate lessons. These weekly lessons are a supplement to Divine Liturgy, so I encourage all families to develop the habit of regular church attendance for both the Liturgy and Sunday School.

The first day of Sunday School was on September 9th. Teachers, students, and families were all excited to begin the school year. We have about 40 students! Thank you families!!

Toumba Dance Group

Toumba practices will be on Sunday's after Divine Liturgy on **October 14th & 28th.**

Greek School

Greek language classes for 2012-2013 will meet Tuesdays at 6:00 pm in the Redding Center. Please contact Georgia Gastouniotis at 683-4919 or email at ginagaston@verizon.net.

Community Organizations

Order of AHEPA, Santa Barbara Chapter 243

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

AHEPA continues to be a vibrant organization. The mission of the AHEPA Family of Santa Barbara is to promote Hellenism, Education, Philanthropy, Civic Responsibility and Individual Excellence. Santa Barbara Chapter 243 has a goal to expand and strengthen its educational efforts and the lifelong development of mind and body, the classic Hellenic definition of Paideia. We have our meetings on the third Monday of the month, usually at Harry's Plaza Café in the Ranchero Room, starting at 6:30 p.m.

Ahepa and the Daughters of Penelope, in conjunction with the church of Saint Barbara, will hold a Glendi on October 27th in the Church Hall. Please see the flyer in this Epistle and RSVP!

We have had many speakers at our meetings and will continue to do so. Each of the meetings with a guest speaker will be open to members of the community and we invite you to join us, have dinner, and listen to an inspiring and informational speaker. We try to have the names and topics of the speakers announced in the Epistle in advance so that members of the community will be advised and attend.

We are open to new members who want to be a part of our organization. If you are interested in joining, or attending a meeting to see if you would like to join Ahepa, please call Bill Poulis at (805) 682-4733.

Daughters of Penelope, Santa Barbara Chapter Delos 103

www.dophq@ahepa.org; www.dopdistr20.org

The **Annual Daughters of Penelope Garage Sale is Saturday, October 6th**, at 139 E. Calle Laureles. If you have any items you would like to donate to the sale, please contact Terry Keramaris at 682-1592, or drop by the morning of the sale and discover what treasures you really need to have! Proceeds will benefit our chapter's philanthropies.

Our Annual Holiday Pasty Sale is approaching. Please submit your orders so you will be guaranteed some tasty treats for the holidays. See the order form included in this Epistle.

For more information about the Daughters of Penelope you can visit the national website at www.daughtersofpenelope.org, as well as our district website at www.dopdistr20.org. If you are interested in becoming a Daughter, please call Helen McGillivray at 965-6727.

Santa Barbara-Patras Sister Cities Group

The Greek Community of Santa Barbara has selected Patras, Greece as a Sister City with Santa Barbara due to the similarities in geographical situation, culture, tourism, and higher education. Patras has a population of 180,000, roughly the same as that of the greater Santa Barbara area. It's geographical situation, combines sea and mountains, giving the area a Mediterranean climate with cool summers and mild winters.

Patras has an indigenous cultural scene that revolves around annual music, drama, and poetry festivals. The Carnival, attracts thousands of tourists from throughout Europe. The two Universities, a Technological Institution and their connected research institutes, Patras is an important scientific center. Like UCSB, the University of Patras enrolls about 25,000 students.

The region in Patras retains some of its traditional winemaking and a small agricultural and fishing sector. The Achaia Clauss winery, founded in 1861, produces and exports wines of excellent quality throughout the world.

We are working to make the Sister Cities relationship between Santa Barbara and Patras a firm, long-term relationship, built on direct contact and people-to-people programs that range from cultural, athletic, student, professional, industrial and commercial exchanges of all types. It is a dedication of friendship and understanding between people of similar yet different cultures and attitudes....it will be a discovery, an adventure...an opportunity to enrich our lives as well as those of our sister city... and it will be FUN!!!

For a Membership Application and more information, please contact Georgia Gastouniotis at ginagaston@verizon.net or our Secretary George Papazacharioudakis at gpapazach@msn.com

Get your Axxess Book Oct. 7 & 14!

- Visit the table set up after church on Sundays either outside or in the Orthodox Center for more information or contact Presvytera Stephanie Thomas (805.685.5751)
- Proceeds benefit equally between Youth Groups and Dance Groups.
- \$30 for an Axxess discount book (we earn \$10 of every book sold)
- The book pays for itself after the second use, then you get discounts year-round!
- Don't forget! Final day of Axxess sales are Oct. 14th!

NEWS & NOTES

Weddings...

Evangelia Nikolaou & Nathan Nelson on September 1st, the sponsors are Arin Nikolaou & Dimitrios Grigoratos

Deaths...

George Poulos, September 16th, sister of Jane Poulos

Memorial Services...

Deacon James Edward Fryer on September 2nd, husband of Laurel and father of Elsa

Nathalie Gleboff and Anne Bronson on September 30th, mother and sister of Catherine McDavid Smith

In Memory of...

Fr. Alexander Kile, by Nadya Penoff

Peter Galanoplis, by Pam & Charles Barth

Christo Matosian, by Nick Matosian

Waren Hull, by Mary Bekakos, Ellen Fenger, Gicas & Stella Pollalis

Nick Tragos, by Alex Haimanis to Mission Tanzania, Ernest & Andriana Kolendrianos, William Poulis

Meronic Costas. By Ernest & Andriana Kolendrianos, Ellen Fenger, Chris, Dennis & Jeanette Baskous

Kosta Frangos, Ernest & Andriana Kolendrianos

Theony Condos, by Ernest & Andriana Kolendrianos

Debbie Pappas, by Ernest & Andriana Kolendrianos

Volunteers for October 2012

Epistle Readers:

7 Greek: Alex Trigonis	English: Yianni Magoulias
14 Greek: Terry Keramaris	English: Tasso Ioannidis
21 Greek: Nick Pappas	English: Dean Papazacharioudakis
28 Greek: Angelique Chuchas	English: Randy Langel

Acolytes:

Connor Blake, Tasso Ioannidis, Cainan Iorio, Dimitri Richardson

Ushers:

7 Paul Tziouvaras, George Papazacharioudakis
14 Alex Haimanis, Nick Pappas
21 Jim Peters, Peter Stathopoulos
28 William Poulis, Brian Iorio

Prophoro Bakers:

7 Connie Pappas Hillman
14 Georgia Gastouniotis
21 Angelique Chuchas
28 Valerie Katsikis

Altar Flowers:

7 Available
14 Peter & Olya Benbow
21 Sophie Alexander & family
28 Available

Coffee Fellowship Hosts:

7 Philoptochos
14 Presvytera Stephanie
21 No Host
28 Stewardship Committee

Come Celebrate a Harvest of Commitment

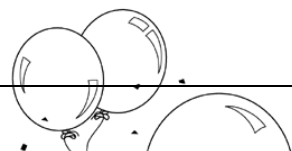


"I choose you and appointed you that you should go and bear fruit ..." (John 15:16)

Please join the Stewardship Committee after church on Sunday, October 28th, for the 2013 Stewardship Kick- Off Coffee Fellowship in support and love for St. Barbara.

He is the vine; we are the branches.

NEW



2013!

Make your plans to be with your St. Barbara family as we welcome in the New Year. Our evening will include a delicious prime rib dinner, American and Greek dancing, and a midnight (or 9 pm) toast with Champagne & sparkling cider. Watch the ball drop on our big screen TV.

**Early Bird Tickets!
RSVP before November 30th
Adults: \$30 / Children: \$20***

***Childcare and a pizza dinner will be provided for children 10 years of age and under in the Education Center. Please bring PJ's, a pillow and sleeping bag for each child. Children 17 and under that prefer the pizza dinner are also included.**

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MONDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2012

**4 PM, Orthros; 5 PM Divine Liturgy of Saint Basil
6:30 PM Hors d'oeuvres and cocktails
7 PM Dinner & Dancing**

Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Adults _____ x \$30 = \$ _____

Children _____ x \$20 = \$ _____

Children requiring childcare _____

Total (to Saint Barbara GOC) \$ _____

If you would like to be seated next to or near another family, please make that notation below.

**PLEASE ENCLOSE PAYMENT AND SEND TO:
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1205 SAN ANTONIO CREEK ROAD
SANTA BARBARA, CA 93117**

Reservations without payment will not be recorded

Stewardship 2012

Aldrich, Voula
Alexander, Pam
Alexander, Sophie
Anderson, John & Catherine

Angelos, Dr. James & Ruth
Angelos, Nick
Anthes, George & Stacie
Anthimiades, Dorothy

Anton, Alice
Arger, Jim & Carol
Argyropoulos, Demetri
Argyropoulos, Elias & Tina

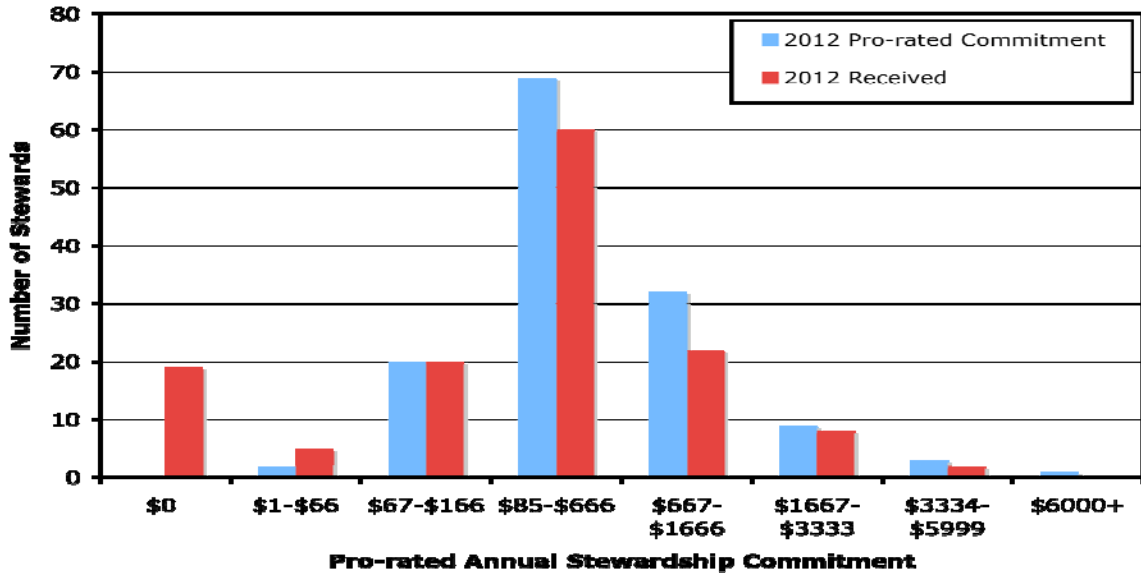
Argyropoulos, Symeon & Antoinette	Hroundas, George, Joanna & Angelo	Papazacharioudakis, Penny Cocores
Ballas, Gus	Hull, Dorothy	Pappas, Anastasios & Carolyn
Barth, Charles & Pam	Hunt, Barbara	Pappas, Nick
Baskous, Jeanette	Iorio, Brian & Alexandra	Penoff, Dana
Benbow, Peter & Olya	Jensen, Cynthia	Penoff, Nadya
Berrett, Sam & Julie	Kallas, Anthony & Agnes	Peters, Jim & Linda
Blake, Tom & Krista	Kaminsky, Ian & Iris	Petronakis, Sam & Anna
Bocek, Dan & Christina	Kapernekas, Tom & Sasha	Phillips, Emanuel
Campbell, Gordon & Elene	Katsikis, Valerie	Plouffe, Photini
Canfield, Taylor & Angela	Katsiroubas, Nick	Pollalis, Gicas & Stella
Carlton, Gary & Karen Stathis	Kenrick, Sophia	Poulakos, Jennifer
Carroll, John & Lexy	Keramaris, Terry	Poulis, William
Casserly, Terrence & Eugenia	Khoury, Cherif	Poulos, Steve
Chachakos, Bill	Kingsbury, John & Katerina	Ramirez, Alexandra & Michael
Chachakos, Jim	Kolendrianos, Chris & Megan	Rishwain, Jeff & Connie
Chuchas, Alex & Angelique	Kolendrianos, Ernest & Andriana	Roen, Curtis & Georgina
Cocores, Ted & Christine	Kourakis, Matthew & Stefanie	Roig, Francesc & Kathleen
Compogiannis, Chris	Kwiatkowski, Jackson	Santoli, Giuseppe & Sofia
Condodina, Alice	Lamb, Glory	Sears, Jack & Emilie McMinn
Condos, Bessie	Langel, Randy & Patti Stathis	Smith, Catherine McDavid
Condos, Theony	Lasswell, Theophilos & Dorothea	Solomon, Karen
Cosmides, George & Nasia	Laury, Helen & John	Spanos, Andrea & Luigi Ottieri
Daphne, Laurel	Magoulias, Efstratios Jon "Yianni"	Stathis, Cy & Helen
Demourkas, John & Dana	Mamalakis, George & Mary	Stathopoulos, Pete & Lisa
Demourkas, Katina	Manos, Michelle	Stockmal, Steve & Mariella
Dovas, George & Pat	Martin, Nick	Swider, Bob & Christy
Dyer, Hugh & Angie	Martin, Ted	Terzopoulos, Christina & Marc Schillinger
Earl, Gordon & Iuliana	Matiosian, Mace & Phyllis	Theofanous, Theo & Danae
Fakinos, George & Barbara	McFadden, Timothy	Thomas, Fr. Simon & Presvytera Stephanie
Fenger, Ellen	Mendoza, Alexis	Tragos, Bill & Lilli
Fictum, Jeff, Mary & Katina	Mendoza, Richard & Mary	Tragos, Christian & Tracy
Fisher, Cleo	Moreno, Lindsey & Paul	Tragos, Nick
Galanoplis, Beatrice (Peg)	Nedic, Sofija	Trigonis, Alex & Alexandra
Gastouniotis, Dean & Georgia	Nicolaou, Jaime & Soteris	Tripodes, Nikitas & Dena
Georghiou, Diana	Osborn, Michael & Kara	Tullis, Bud & Barbara
Georghiou, Margo	Pahos, Mike & Vivian	Tyler, Max & Marisa
Goumas, Helen	Pantages, Greg & Rea Goumas	Tziouvaras, Ahileas & Polyxeni
Haimanis, Alex	Papadaki, Hariklia	Tziouvaras, Paul & Vivi
Hanges, Andrew & Georgia	Papademetriou, Adelphi Seraphima	Velliotes, Louie
Hanges, Paul	Papador, George & Tracy	Vogel, Marina
Hayes, Chuck & Nikki	Papador, Georgia	Winford, Gerald & Stamatina
Hillman, Catherine	Papalexis, Jim & Lee	Zozos, Presvytera Mona
Hillman, Chris & Connie	Papazacharioudakis, George	

Stewardship 2012

The Stewardship Committee will hold their kickoff on Sunday, October 28. Come discover the new stewardship theme for 2013, pick up your new stewardship packets, and get ready to make your commitment for the New Year!

As we head into the last quarter of 2012, the Stewardship Committee would like to thank everyone who has made a commitment for the year. With all the hustle and bustle of summer vacation, it's easy to fall behind in fulfilling your commitment. As of August 31, only 51% of stewards (69 out of 136) were up-to-date with their commitment. Moreover, 14% (19 out of 136) had not contributed at all for the year. Everyone should be receiving a statement with amount committed and amount fulfilled for the year. Please make every effort to get up to date with your stewardship. These funds are *essential* for keeping our church and ministries going!

Stewardship Commitment vs. Received (as of August)



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2012 Christian Stewardship Commitment Card

I/We _____ Phone _____
Please Print

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Commit to Stewardship in the amount of \$ _____ to Christ and His Church for January – December of the year 2012, in gratitude for the gifts He has bestowed upon us. Our Commitment will be paid in installments of \$ _____ on a (please circle one) weekly, monthly, quarterly, semi-annual or annual basis.

Signed: _____

- The amount being committed has increased from last year
- The Address above has changed from last year

You are advised to consult your CPA or other tax advisor regarding the deductibility of all or part of this gift. The dollar amounts above are CONFIDENTIAL. For Authorized Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church Personnel Only

