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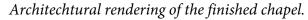


Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Daylight Savings Time Ends Philoptochos Artoklasia Parish Assembly follows Liturgy	2	3 11:30 am Seniors Lunch Meeting	5:30 pm Paraklesis 6:30 pm Finding our Faith in the Gospel of Matthew	5	Kendall Greek Festival (6-8 th)	7 2-4pm 8 th Annual Philoptochos Autism Tea, HCC
7 th Sunday of Luke President's Brunch after Liturgy	9	10	11 Veteran's Day	Lamplighter Deadline 7 pm Great Vespers at St John Chrysostom, Hobe Sound	7 pm Vesperal Liturgy at St Philip, Davie North Miami Greek Festival (13-15 th)	14
8 th Sunday of Luke Daughters of Penelope Founders Day Coffee Hour	16	Philoptochos 10am Board Noon Members Lunch and mtg.	6:30 pm Finding our Faith in the Gospel of Matthew	19 7 pm Parish Council Meeting	20	Presentation of the Theotokos 9 am Orthros 10 am Liturgy Nameday Dinner Dance
22 9 th Sunday of Luke	23	24 Saint Catherine Nameday Great Vespers 7 pm, followed by Philoptochos Reception	25 Saint Catherine Nameday 9 am Orthros 10 am Liturgy	26 Happy Thanksgiving Office Closed give unto the	thanks	28
29 13th Sunday of Luke 5 pm, Great Vespers at St Andrew, Kendall	30 Saint Andrew 9 am Orthros 10 am Liturgy		thros le Study nday School	for he is	good. Gree	ek School day and Friday m

His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios sends his greetings and love to our Saint Catherine family.

The Panagia Chapel is currently under construction. The construction photos are of the lower level which is the fellowship hall. The Nave will be the next floor above.

There will be 10 handmade doors and one hundred windows of three different sizes. They are available for donation for the Glory of God or in memory. The lower two photos are of our Fall clergy retreat last month.

















Dinner Dance

Saturday, November 21, 2015 at 6:30PM

St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church is celebrating its annual Nameday Dinner-Dance and you are all invited!

Enjoy an evening of dinner, Catered by **Gourmet Design Catering** (Patrick) with a fabulous menu, main desserts from
LadyBug Cake Creations & dancing with Live Music heralding
from the New York area - The **Aegean Duo**.





Date: Saturday, November 21st, 2015 at 6:30 pm

Location: The Cultural Center, adjacent to the

St. Catherine Greek Orthodox Church

110 Southern Boulevard

West Palm Beach, FL 33405

Ticket Price: \$75.00 per guest

\$40.00 per Student (ages 12-22)

\$10.00 per child 11 and under (Includes pizza and sitter)

Information & Tickets: Call the church office at 561-833-6387 or Co-chairs: Maria Balasis 561-758-7345 *or* Theodora Farsaliotis 561-289-3098.

Dinner Dance News/Update

You should have already received your invitations—If you haven't, please contact the church office at 561-833-6387 or one of the Co-Chairs:

Maria Balasis 561-758-7345 or Theodora Farsaliotis 561-289-3098.

If you weren't aware, we will be featuring a sitter service for the children 11 and under in the small hall. The \$10 charge is to cover pizza and the sitter. Children will be occupied with coloring, puzzles, games, and movies.



A BIG Shout out to all the Saint Catherine Greek School Moms! Thank you all for coming together to help us out with putting the Dinner Dance Invitations together!

It was GREATLY appreciated! Thanks also to the group who helped with getting them in bulk mail.

And we would also like to take the time to acknowledge Yota Halitov for all her help with the Journal Ads!

You are the best!!

Co-Chairs: Maria Balasis Theodora Farsaliotis

Saint Catherine Philoptochos

Cordially Invites You and Your Friends To Our

Eighth Annual Afternoon Tea

To Benefit Autism and Other Charities





Entertainment: Belles of Harmony, BAK Middle School Guest Speaker: Ann Cevene-Eisenberg, MS Executive Director Palm Beach School for Autism

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A minimum donation of \$25 per ticket
All Donations to be made to: St. Catherine Philoptochos



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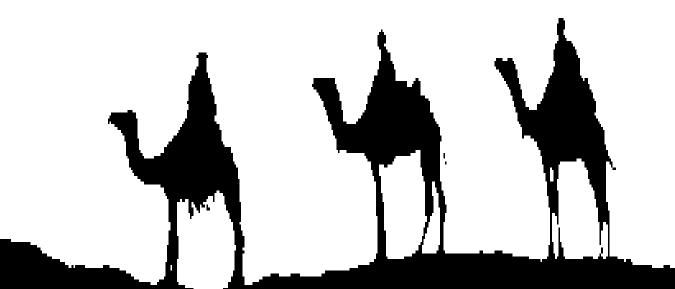


Candlelight Service Nativity Program & Dinner

Hosted by St Catherine's Sunday School

Saturday, December 19that 5:00 p.m.

Candlelight Service & Nativity Program
St. Catherine's Greek Orthodox Church
Followed by Dinner & Music in the Cultural Center



Dinner & Homemade Desserts | Raffle Prizes Live Music & Christmas Caroling \$20 Donation. All Children Free Here at Saint Catherine Church, our Philoptochos Ladies Society apply themselves diligently to meet the high

standards set by those who came before.

The recent Fanouropita Event was a success as eight baked trays of pitas were donated and distributed after liturgy.

Our parishioners gave monetarily to support the Atlanta Metropolis Youth Programs and the donors enjoyed eating the delicious Fanouropitas. Agios Fanourios was honored.

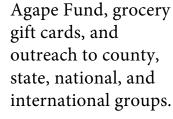
The ongoing and most recent charity

work of the group, includes the following: (Quoted from the National Ministry Commitments of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society).

National Philoptochos Emergency Fund: Enables Philoptochos to respond immediately to national or international disasters.

National Sisterhood of Presvyteres Benevolent Fund (NSP): Provides short- term support for clergy and their families in scrisis.

And others: Saint Catherine Church,



Dates to remember:

• Sun. Nov. 1~Patron Saints Cosmas & Damianos-Artoklasia. We will host coffee hour to honor the 40 Day Memorial for Aspasia

Matsoukas, a 71-year member of Philoptochos.

• Sat. Nov. 7~ Philoptochos Annual Tea, 2-4 pm. Ticket is \$25.00 minimum donation. See our page 6 ad for more information.

• Tues. Nov. 17~

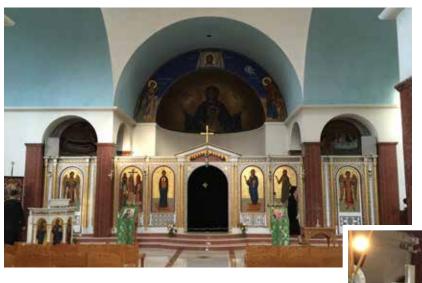
Member Lunch Meeting, 12 noon; 10 am Board Meeting.

- Tues. Nov. 24, 7 pm~Saint Catherine Vespers and Philoptochos Reception
- Weds. Nov. 25~Saint Catherine Liturgy and Coffee Reception

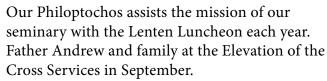
Pictured: Harris and Anna Zaharia with friends. Anna is a long time member of Philoptochos. Anna giving her husband, Harris, his 95th Birthday Party. The Zaharias also recently celebrated their 59th Wedding Anniversary.

Sincerely, Sophie H. Caras, President

Holy Cross School of Theology









Thanks Volunteers

You're a Blessing!

You may not see all the behind-the-scenes action that happens at the church but any piece of paper that you receive in your mailbox usually has been touched by a number of faithful volunteers. Here are our helpers from

September and October. Many thanks to all:

- Vanya Frangiskakis
- Elli Kalafatis
- Annette Mitchell
- Helen Owens
- Fannie Patsis
- Vilma Pavlos
- Hope Peroulakis
- Evangelia Pikounis
- Christina Riebman
- Vicki Sarides
- Helen Stamas













Godparent's Sunday

The role of the Godparent in the Orthodox Church is an important one. Along with the parents, the Godparent is charged with the responsibility of assisting in the spiritual development of the child. The Godparent is embraced as part of the "spiritual family" of that child.

On Sunday, October 18, 2015, Saint Catherine Sunday School honored and fostered the Godparent/Godchild relationship by hosting a Godparents' brunch and program. The church as a community called to mind the importance of this bond in Christ and encouraged the development of the relationship.

Special appreciation is sent to all of the parents, Godparents, Grandparents, friends and parishioners who attended the brunch and program and dedicated their time to make this event such a special one.

Many thanks to Demetrios
Theodossakos who planned, organized,
cooked the wonderful brunch, as well as
to John Frangiskakis and Steve Pavlakos
for their time in assisting and cooking
in the kitchen. Finally, much gratitude
is sent out to Costa Panais and John
Calomiris of the Dune Deck Café for the
generous food donations.









another and had a lot of fun.

They've also gone through their first month of Goya Sunday's which was quite successful. The children have given back to the church by helping out in Sunday School, helping out the Philoptochos Ladies with the coffee hour, and by making wonderful cards for the Cards for Kids organization.

Let's keep up the good work in the months to come!

Until next month...

Greek School

november news



Saint Catherine's Greek School PTO, staff, parents, and students would like to thank everyone for their support of our garage sale.

We would especially like to thank all those who donated items. With your help we were able to raise over \$850 to help parish families in need. We are planning on a spring garage sale as well, so keep us in mind during Spring Cleaning!!!

And another big 'thank you' to all who supported our students on Oxi

Day. It is with great pride that we honor those who fought for freedom!

We look forward to seeing you at our Christmas program on Dec. 13, 2015!



HAPPY THANKSGIVING!!!



New Year's Eve Darty Hosted by Saint Catherine and the Order of AHEDA, Palm Beach CHapter #18

December 31, 9 pm at Saint Catherine * Tickets \$40

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CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Approaching the Christmas Holidays,
parishioners are encouraged to purchase a Memorial
Flower to honor a deceased member of the family. The
Poinsettia pots will be on the solea during the Christmas
season. Suggested donation per plant is \$20. Names to
be memorialized will be published in the bulletin and a list
of donors will be published in the January Lamplighter.
Your flowers may be removed from the solea after New
Year's Day. Chair: Mary Athanasakes

Orders must be placed by December 15 Checks Payable to Philoptochos Society of Saint Catherine

Name of Departed Loved one(s) Memorial Flowers for Christmas (One Line for each pot, please) Print clearly

Name of Donor:

To place an order, contact the church office or Demetra Galazoudis.



Our Community Christmas Card

Sponsored by The Daughters of Penelope, Leda Chapter 59 With your \$15 donation,

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Mobile, AL
Penelope's Place (Domestic Violence Center)—
Brockton, MA

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Saint Catherine Greek Orthodox Church:
Sunday School, Greek School and GOYA
University of Miami Sylvester Cancer Center
W.I.N. Hellas (Women in Need) Domestic Violence
Center--Greece

Committee Co-Chairs: Sue Chiungos and Alex Pflieger
The Christmas Card will be printed with the names of all donors
and will be mailed to all members of Saint Catherine.

To be included, fill out the info below and mail it, along with your \$15 check to Alex Pflieger
at the address listed. Forms and checks are due by November 21st.

Please make your check payable to *Daughters of Penelope Leda #59*.



Alex Pflieger 5280 N. Ocean Dr. #15 F Singer Island, FL 33404

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Leda Chapter 59 West Palm Beach

Dear Sisters,

November 15, our Daughters' chapter is hosting an elaborate coffee hour to raise money for our scholarship fund.

It's also approaching the holidays so be sure to check out our yearly Christmas Card flyer on page 15.



By supporting these two efforts, you are supporting our young people's learning. What an important way to help the next generations of leaders.

Watch for our other special events coming up:

Christmas Party~December 5, 2015 Fashion Show~January 30, 2016 In Theta Pi, Betsy Pascal

On Saturday, October 10, 2015, AVDA (*Aid to Victims of Domestic Abuse, Inc.*) held their 16th Annual Race for Hope, a 5K/10K race to raise awareness and funds for victims of domestic abuse, and Leda Chapter 59 was a "Bronze Sponsor." Joanne Dalber manned our sponsor table at the event.

In addition to our sponsorship, we had four of our very own chapter members participate in the event, Maria Balasis, Joanna Musgrove, Nicke Musgrove, and Roselee Stefanopoulos.

Roselee came in first in her category, Maria came in second in hers and Nicke came in third in hers! Additionally, Roselee's husband, George, also participated, and came in second in his category!



Our parish Ministries and organizations resumed activities last month following summer vacation.
It is heartwarming to see our parish "buzzing" with enthusiasm and with ambitious plans for the Ecclesiastical New Year which began on September 1st.

parishioners, whose participation of Time and Talent are attributable to this wonderful start of the New Year.

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We especially

thank you, our

With year-end rapidly approaching, most sincere appreciation is extended by Father Andrew and the Parish Council to those

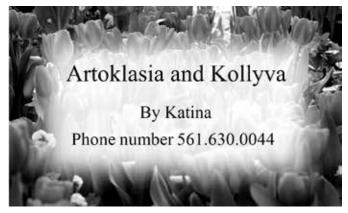
who have completed their 2015 Stewardship Commitment and to those who are fulfilling their weekly, monthly, or other scheduled contributions with the intent to fulfill their pledge by year-end.

Your Stewardship donation truly makes a positive difference as these monies provide the foundation for our Parish Ministries.

For those participating in leadership positions of our Ministries and church-related organizations and to parents of our Greek School students, if you have yet to complete your commitment for 2015, we humbly request you do so as soon as possible.

We also humbly request those of you who have yet to send a remittance for 2015 to please do so. Everyone's financial support is needed to keep our parish and our Ministries viable. Thank you.









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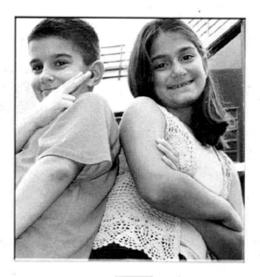


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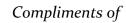
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