

GOOD NEWS

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From the Desk of
Rev. Fr. Angelo Maggos

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From Fr. Angelo

Prodigal Son or Elder Son?

As we approach Great Lent, the Church prepares us by placing specific Gospel readings before us with themes of repentance, forgiveness, and love. The Triodion period will begin with the Publican and the Pharisee, with the following Sunday the parable of the Prodigal Son.

The story of the Prodigal Son offers to us three significant characters Father, Prodigal Son, and Eldest Son, each one essential to understanding three vital aspects of our Christian faith. This story presents two sons, each of which has fallen into sin and the loving father who deals with each of them with compassion, love, and mercy. We are tempted to read this story as an allegory but by doing so we miss a vital piece of this story if we disconnect it from the context of Luke's Gospel.

Just prior to Jesus relating the story of the Prodigal Son He is having a meal with sinners and tax collectors, which led the Pharisees and the scribes to grumble saying, *"This fellow welcomes sinner and eats with them."* Jesus hears them and says *"Which one of you, having a hundred sheep and losing one of them, does not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the one that is lost until he finds it? And when he comes home, he calls together his friends and neighbors, saying to them, 'Rejoice with me, for I have found my sheep that was lost.'"*

Luke 15:1-7

This will be central to the theme of the Prodigal Son. In response to the Pharisees and Scribes who were grumbling at His behavior, The Prodigal Son is Jesus' answer of His actions of sharing a meal with sinners who *"were coming near to listen to Him."* While we don't know if there was repentance on the part of the sinner and tax collectors, we do know that Jesus' message fell on deaf ears when later we read that The Pharisees...*"heard all this, and they ridiculed him."* (Luke 16:14)

The characters are introduced with the words, *"There was a man who had two sons."* This would have brought to remembrance the stories of Cain and Abel, Isaac and Ishmael, and Jacob and Esau, but in Jesus' story neither son turns out to be the righteous Abel, faithful Isaac, or clever Jacob but instead prideful, self-centered, and impetuous spending their days attentive to the vices of the world."

This story, like many others in the Gospel, spoke to the people of Jesus' time while also speaking to us today. The character of the younger son would have spoken directly to those whom Jesus was sharing a meal. The eldest son, on the other hand represented the Pharisees and Scribes who, from their perspective have labored for years in service to God, been obedient to the Law, serving in the Temple and ensuring the salvation of the Nation of Israel, but have forgotten the message of love, mercy, and compassion preferring to *"...tie up heavy loads and put them on other people's shoulders, but never lift a finger to ease their burden."* (Matt 23:4)

But the characters of the elder and younger son are not directed just at specific individuals present when Jesus related the story of the Prodigal Son, but also represent us today. We, when drawn away from God chasing the material things of the world, are like the younger son, and when we acknowledge and are truly repentant of our sins we again are like the younger son. But also, when we, under the temptation of pride, boast of our own deeds and righteousness are like the elder son. The only character who remains constant is the character

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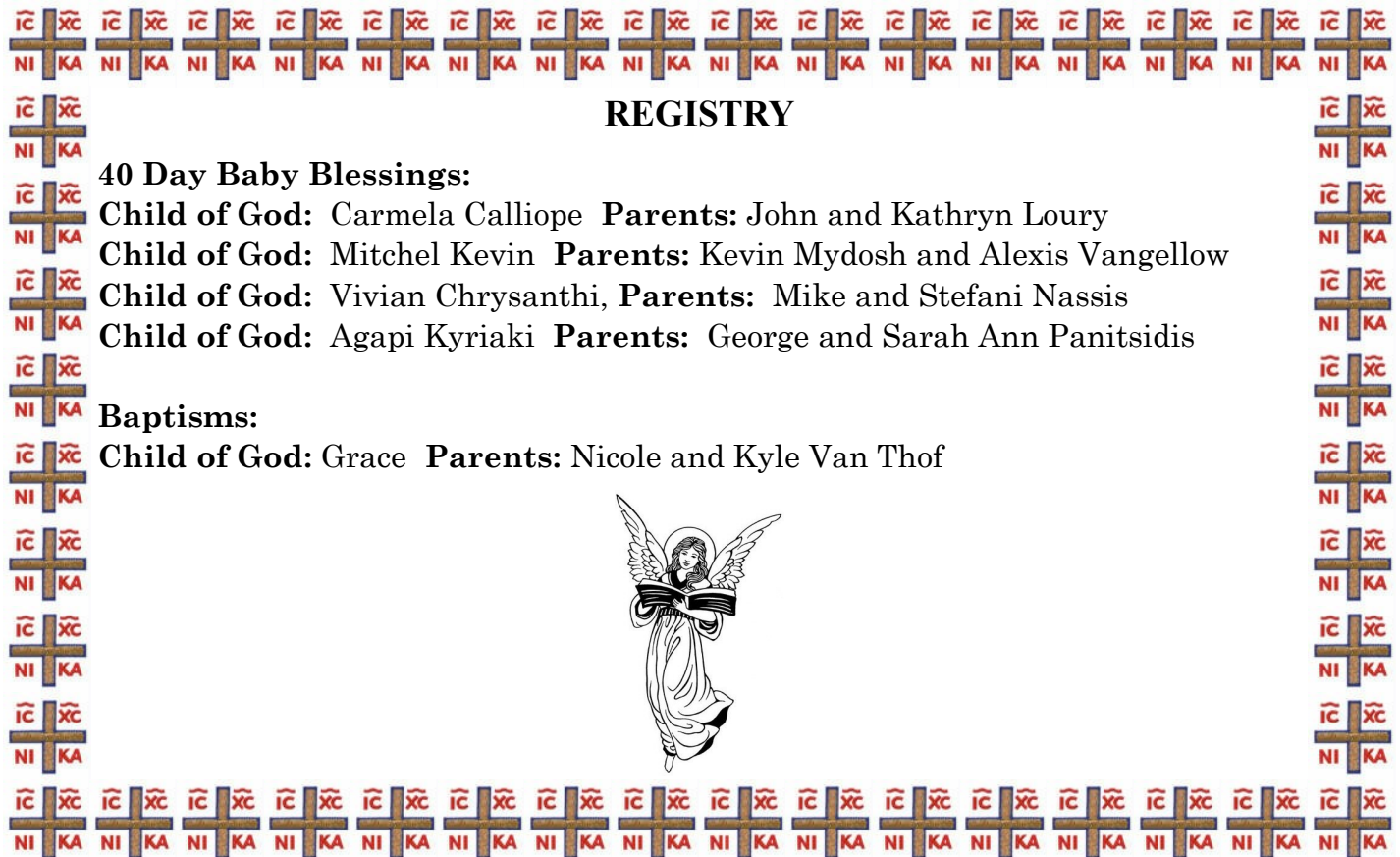
of the father who like our heavenly Father allows us to exercise our free will, knowing that, darkened by sin, we will often abuse that free will. Even so He remains steadfast in His love and does not “*spurn the sinner but sets repentance as the way of salvation.*” (excerpt of priest prayer during the Trisagion Hymn)

In both sons we see the danger of the most malevolent sin, which began with Adam and Eve and continues through today, the sin of pride. The younger son's pride allowed him to believe that he alone knew what was right, not even asking for the advice of one older and wiser. The eldest son, however, exhibited not only pride, but envy and hypocrisy evident in what he considered his righteous and justified behavior. St. Gregory of Nyssa in his homilies spoke of these sins in particular as disfiguring Man causing him to become a slave to those sins, or passions, which ultimately lead to death.

Trapped in the web of pride and envy, the younger son separated himself from his father's love and support. In the same way the sin of pride trapped the elder son who separated himself from his family by refusing to attend the joyous celebration of his brother's return, envious of his father's treatment of the younger son. Equally neither son trusted in the love and wisdom of their father choosing instead to suffer under the consequences of their own misguided reason.

Finally, note that the father's treatment of each of his sons is atypical of what we would expect. With the younger son the father does not offer any advice to his son as he ventures off into the world (compare this with Tobit's advice to his son Tobias (Book of Tobit, Chapter 4). With the older son, rather than chastise him for his harshness towards his brother and himself, the father rather comforts him with the same words that Jesus left His disciples, "...remember, I am with you always, to the end of the age." (Matt 28:20)

Great Lent calls us to first recognize how we have allowed ourselves, through pride and envy, to fall victim to the same perils as the two sons. Next, we are called to model ourselves after the younger son by acknowledging our destructive vices and seek repentance rather than letting our pride become an obstacle to repentance thus hardening our heart to what God the Father has called us to be; His image and likeness.



EVENTS AND CHURCH SERVICES

+2 February, Fri. - Divine Liturgy of the Presentation of Christ in the Temple (Υπαπαντή)

Orthros 9:00 AM; Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

4 February, Sun. - Godparent Sunday

7 February, Wed. - Young Adult Meet-Up: Living Roots Rochester

8 February, Thurs. - Agia Paraskevi Women's Greek Dancing and Socializing, 6-8 PM. Light appetizers & drinks \$5 donation.

10 February, Sat. - Philoptochos Valentine's Luncheon. This will be a catered meal in the Hall at Church. More details to follow.

22 February, Thurs - Seniors Club Meeting, 11:00AM

23 February, Fri. - Indy Go-Karting - All kids 12 and older.
More details to follow.

25 February, Sun. - Triodion Begins

7 March, Thurs. - Agia Paraskevi Women's Bingo Night,
6-8 PM Light appetizers and drinks provided. Prizes and Raffles!

9 March, Sat - 1st Saturday of Souls, Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

16 March, Sat. - 2nd Saturday of Souls, Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

16 March, Sat. - Apokriatiko Dance, 5:00 PM - see flyer on page 10 for more information.

18 March - GREAT LENT BEGINS

23 March, Sat. - 3rd Saturday of Souls, Divine Liturgy 10:00 AM

13 April - Saturday at the Rochester Memorial Art Gallery - We have invited Dr. Jeanne Constantinou back as our 2024 Lenten Speaker. She will be speaking on her new book, *"The Crucifixion of the King of Glory: The Amazing History and Sublime Mystery of the Passion."*



Sunday School every Sunday after Holy Communion, 10 September through May.

On-going adult Orthodox study programs:

- **Bible Study every Tuesday, Zoom, 7pm starting 26 September**
- **Orthodox Questions and Answers every Thursday, YouTube, 7:00 PM.**
- **On-Line Orthodox Catechism on our website under the EDUCATION tab.**

Greek School every Saturday, 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM, 23 September through May

Philoptochos Valentine's Day Party

Sat., Feb. 10, 2024

11 a.m.-1 p.m.

Annunciation Church Hall

Menu:

Scrambled eggs

Potatoes

Bacon

Sausage

French toast

Quiche

Chicken salad

croissants with
grapes and walnuts

Fruit

Dessert

Door Prizes

\$15 per person

All are welcome!

Maria E. will be available to collect dues

RSVP by Sun. Feb. 4th

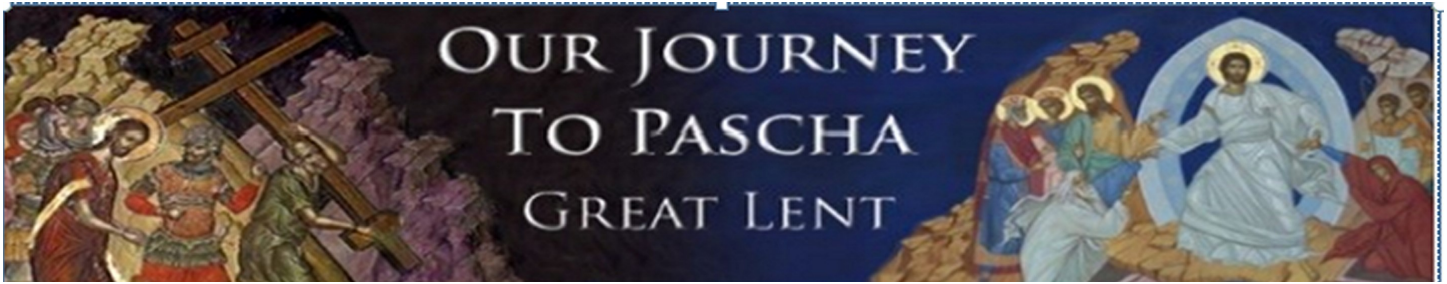
Helen Eisenberg 585-737-9960

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Ψυχασάββατο
Saturday of Souls

+9 March, Sat. - 1st Saturday of Souls
+16 March, Sat. - 2nd Saturday of Souls
+23 March, Sat - 3rd Saturday of Souls
More information to follow

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However, Despina has once again offered to make a large community Koliva for the 1st and 3rd Saturday of Souls services. If you would like to contribute to the community Koliva, the suggested donation is \$20.00. To contribute, contact Despina 966-9055 or Akrivi 352-0536, or the church office.



FLOWERS FOR LENTEN AND EASTER SERVICES

The following list of items are those used to decorate during Great Lent and Holy Week Services, to include the Tomb of Christ “Epitaphio”. It is a time for each of us to reflect and participate in this labor of love. We have arranged to have a variety of pricing so as to encourage everyone to donate one or more of the items listed.

You can donate by:

- Placing your donation in the “Easter Flower” envelope located in the church pews
- Calling the Church Office or stop by the Church during business hours (10 am - 3 pm M-F)
- Mailing your donation to the Church

FLOWERS FOR ICONS

1 st Salutations	\$140.00
2 nd Salutations	\$140.00
3 rd Salutations	\$140.00
4 th Salutations	\$140.00
Akathist Hymn	\$140.00
Sunday of Orthodoxy	\$ 75.00
Annunciation Feast Day	\$140.00
Sunday of the Holy Cross	\$120.00
Saturday of Lazarus	\$120.00
Palm Sunday	\$100.00
Nymphios Icon (Sun-Tues)	\$120.00
Nymphios Procession Icon (Sun)	\$140.00
Crucifixion of Christ (Thurs).	\$120.00
The Un-nailing of Christ	\$120.00
Empty Tomb (Holy Sat. Morning)	\$120.00
Resurrection Icon	\$120.00

GREAT LENT & HOLY WEEK ITEMS

Rose Water for Epitaphio	\$25.00
12 Gospels Candles	\$120.00
Candles for the Crucifix	\$ 50.00
Priest Resurrection Candle	\$150.00
Eggs for Resurrection Service	120 Dozen
Daffodils - Sun of Holy Cross	\$ 60.00
Crown of Thorns (Holy Thurs)	\$ 65.00
Palms for the Crosses	\$150.00
Garland for Nymphios	\$ 50.00
Holy Unction Oil	\$ 25.00
Epitaphio Flowers	\$1600.00
Rose Petals	\$150.00
Bay Leaves	\$ 75.00
Potted Easter Lilies	\$125.00

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
2024 SERVICES FOR GREAT LENT AND HOLY WEEK

Saturday, 3/9	1st Saturday of Souls	10:00 am
Saturday, 3/16	2nd Saturday of Souls	10:00 am
LENT BEGINS MONDAY, March 18		
Saturday, 3/23	3rd Saturday of Souls	10:00 am
Saturday, 4/27	Raising of Lazarus, Divine Liturgy	10:00 am
Sunday, 4/28	PALM SUNDAY	10:00 am
	Palm Sunday Luncheon immediate following the Divine Liturgy	
Monday, 4/29	Bridegroom Matins	6:00 pm
	HOLY MONDAY	
	Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service	6:00 pm
Tuesday, 4/30	HOLY TUESDAY	
	Nymphios (Bridegroom) Service - Hymn of Kassiane	6:00 pm
Wednesday, 5/1	HOLY WEDNESDAY	
	Holy Unction (2 services available)	4:00 pm & 7:00 pm
Thursday, 5/2	HOLY THURSDAY	
	Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil	10:00 am
	Office of Holy Passion (Twelve Gospels)	6:00 pm
Friday, 5/3	HOLY FRIDAY	
	Kids Holy Week Retreat	9:00 am to 2:00 pm
	The Royal Hours (Decorating Epitaphio)	10:00 am
	Vespers of Apokathelosis (Descent from the Cross)	1:00 pm
	Office of Lamentations (Epitaphio)	8:00 pm
Saturday, 5/4	GREAT AND HOLY SATURDAY	
	Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil	10:00 am
	HOLY PASCHA RESURRECTION SERVICE	11:00 pm
Sunday, 5/5	HOLY PASCHA AGAPE SERVICE (Sunday of Love)	11:00 am

Please note that all the services of the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy will be alternated between Annunciation and Holy Spirit. Salutations to the Theotokos will begin at 5pm.

**Η ΕΥΑΓΓΕΛΙΣΤΗΣ ΤΗΣ ΘΕΟΤΟΚΟΥ
ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΕΣ ΤΗΣ ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ ΚΑΙ ΑΓΙΑΣ ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΟΣ**

Σάββατο, 4/27	Θεία Λειτουργία - Ανάσταση του Λάζαρου Πρόγευμα μετά την Θεία Λειτουργία	10:00 πμ
Κυρακή 4/28	Θεία Λειτουργία - Των Βαΐων Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου	10:00 πμ 6:00 μμ
Μεγάλη Δευτέρα 4/29	Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου Το τροπάριο της Κασσιανής	6:00 μμ
Μεγάλη Τρίτη 4/30	Ακολουθία του Νυμφίου	6:00 μμ
Μεγάλη Τετάρτη 5/1	Μυστήριον του Αγίου Ευχέλαιου	4:00 πμ 7:00 μμ
Μεγάλη Πέμπτη 5/2	Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλλείου Τα Πάθη του Χριστού (Δώδεκα Ευαγγέλια)	10:00 πμ 6:00 μμ
Μεγάλη Πρασκευή 5/3	Σαρακοστιανή κατασκηνώση του παιδικού κατηχητικού Ακολουδία των Βασιλικών Ώρων Η Αποκαθήλωσης Ο Επιτάφιος Θρήνος (Τα Εγκώμια)	9:00 πμ - 2:00 μμ 10:00 πμ 1:00 μμ 8:00 μμ
Μεγάλο Σάββατο 5/4	Θεία Λειτουργία του Μεγάλου Βασιλλείου Αγία και Μεγάλη Κυριακή του Πάσχα (Θεία Λειτουργία της Αναστάσεως)	10:00 πμ 11:00 μμ
Κυριακή του Πάσχα 5/5	Ακολουδία της Αγάπης	11:00 πμ

***Χριστός Ανέστη εκ νεκρών, θανάτω, θάνατον πατήσας
και τοίς εν τοίς μνύμασι ζωήν χαρισάμενος.***

Παρακαλούμε να σημειώσετε ότι όλες τες ακολουθίες, Λειτουργία των Προηγιασμένων και Χαιρετισμούς της Θεοτόκου, θα γίνεται στις 5μμ.

From the Desk of the Annunciation Youth Director

Happy 2024 everyone!

We have kicked off the year with a strong start! Our Altitude all ages meetup was a big success with kids and teens joining forces for epic games of dodge ball and more! Likewise, our monthly Young Adult Meetup saw its largest numbers yet for a night at the superbly themed Iron Smoke Distillery; plus, our January-long Diaper Drive benefited many families in need.

Looking forward to February, we will see the return of our Sweet Cases Youth Service project where our young ones will be assembling and designing packages to distribute to children who are in the foster care system (sponsored by Sunday School). Being that it is the month of romance, we figured that it would be an ideal time for a wine night for our Young Adults at Living Root. For our older youth (specifically, anyone 48" and above), we will be holding our annual IndyKart racing night. Do you have what it takes to beat Father Angelo or our youth director on the raceway?

Additionally, we will be reintroducing our monthly teen/GOYA meetings from long ago for a Leap Year pizza/game night. Going forward, we hope to hold similar meetups on the last Monday of every month if interest persists.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 4th - Sweet Cases Annunciation Youth Service Project 2024 (approx. ages preK-12)

Feb. 7th - Young Adult Meet-Up: Living Roots Rochester (ages 21+)

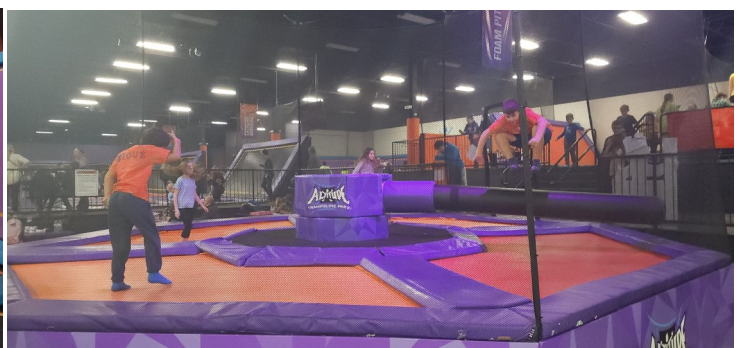
Feb. 10th - Philoptochos Valentine's Day Party (all ages)

Feb 23rd - IndyKart Raceway Go-Karting Night (48" and up)

Feb 26th – Teen Meet-Up (ages 12-18)

Images from the Altitude all ages meetup

January 13, 2024



GREEK SCHOOL PRESENTS

APOKRIATIKO

COMMUNITY DANCE



SATURDAY,
MARCH 16
5:00pm

\$40* ADULTS
\$10 under 21
*ticket includes
dinner and 1 free drink



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benefit our Greek School program



2024 ADVERTISING/SPONSORSHIP DIRECTORY

To increase awareness among our community of the broad range of experience and services available from our parishioners, we are encouraging both parishioners and any vendors to our church to advertise their business and/or family name in our monthly newsletter.

In order to help defray the costs of printing and mailing, this will be a Sponsorship Directory listing only. Advertising images will no longer be used in order to reduce the overall printing cost of the Newsletter. The Newsletter is printed each month during the year, except for one or two months that would be combined.

If you are interested in adding your business or family name to our Sponsorship Directory, the annual Sponsorship Fee is \$150.

Business or Family Name: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Contact: _____

Website: _____

Please make your checks payable to “Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church”.

GOOD NEWS SPONSORS

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Highland Park Diner
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Konstantinou's Restaurant
Log Cabin Restaurant & Catering
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Riki Family Restaurant
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The Nutcracker Family Restaurant
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Philoptochos
ReMax Plus
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Chapels

ANNUNCIATION FAMILIES

Frank and Patty Cost
Jennefer & Perry Noun, Bill Noun
Have a wonderful fellowship
Mary Manou
Nassis Family

In Loving Memory



Edna Helen Collins Ferris

October 6, 2023

Edna lived her life with unsurpassed kindness, wisdom and selflessness who, by her example, led others to strive to be better people.

Sweet Edna we hold you in our hearts as our hero and protector until we meet again in Heaven.

Memory Eternal

Hall Rental Policy for 962 East.

We are excited and eager to finally be able to safely reopen our beautifully renovated church Hall to our community. However, the new renovations, along with the intent to lease the Hall to non-parishioners also, requires us to establish a higher degree of formality regarding rental of the new Hall. To assist in this transition, we have secured a dedicated Hall Manager, Sara Tone, who will be responsible for maintaining the Hall Lease calendar, process booking for both parishioner and non-parishioner, showing of the Hall and coordinating contract requirements and signatures. Our church secretary is no longer responsible for Hall scheduling or coordinating any Hall lease activities. With this in mind, we are establishing the following set of guidelines when leasing our Hall.

Attached is a pricing schedule and usage guide for both parishioners and non-parishioners. The fee to rent the Hall for a Parishioner in Good Standing is \$500 total. A signed Rental Agreement and payment of lease fee are required to reserve a date. All guests are expected to respect all Hall rules laid out in the Hall Lease Agreement. All trash and food stuffs must be disposed of properly at the end of your event. See the Hall Lease Agreement for specific information on the use of decorations.

To qualify for the parishioner rate, the person leasing the Hall must be a member in Good Standing for the current year. *Member in Good Standing* status requires a stewardship card on file for the current year and a reasonable payment amount made towards the current year's stewardship pledge.

To begin the Hall Lease process please go to the homepage of our Annunciation Church website. At the bottom of the home page, you will see a button labeled "**Hall Rental**." Click there to fill out the request form and you will then be contacted by our Hall Manager.

Note that use of the Hall for recognized church organizations or ministries is at no cost, however they are still required to complete the [Hall reservation form](#),¹ to ensure their dates are blocked from use by the Hall manager. This form can be accessed at the bottom of the home page of our church website.

Generally speaking, Hall rental *includes* the following. (Please see the HALL Contract for the full details)

- a) Six (6) hours of rental time
- b) Tables and chairs setup according to a previously agreed upon floor plan*
- c) Limited kitchen access (warming and cold storage privileges only)
- d) Hall cleaned prior to event
- e) Trash bins and bags

The six (6) hours of rental time does not count against setup time and the timing for this should be arranged with the Hall Manager. This rental *does not include* the following.

- a) Linens for tables, glassware, flatware, and china
- b) Food service utensils and dishes

Full kitchen privileges requires a \$350 kitchen usage fee if the food will be prepared using the Hall kitchen(s). If the lessee plans on using a catering service that cater, if they are not on the Approved Cater List, must be approved by the Hall Manager prior to use of the Hall kitchen(s).

* Set-up of the hall does not include taking down or removing any tables due to lack of personnel to do this. Parishioners are free to take down tables but must reset them after the event. Taking tables down could be done through the set-up fee. For non-parishioners events set-up fees are added to the lease price.

We appreciate your patience and understanding as we transition to this new policy which we believe will serve to benefit us both from a financial and community perspective.

Angelo E. Maggos
Fr Angelo E. Maggos
Priest, Annunciation GOC

Jim Stathopoulos
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President, Annunciation GOC

¹**Note:** The link to the *Hall reservation form* is available on our website. The form is also available in the Church Office.

HALL Rates, Access and Requirements

	Recognized Church Organization	Parishioner in Good Standing	Non-Parishioner
Hall Lease Fee	No Charge	\$500	Starting @ \$1000. Final price dependent on type of package selected.
Hall Lease Deposit	N/A, however, the Church Organization MUST complete the Hall Registration¹ form to secure the date/time.	Full amount required at time of reservation. Completion of the Hall Registration¹ form to secure the date/time.	\$500 deposit at time of reservation. Completion of the Hall Registration¹ form to secure the date/time.
Hall Balance	N/A	N/A	Balance due two (2) weeks before event takes place.
Hall Lease Time	No later than 10pm	No later than 10pm 6-hour event time. Setup time does not affect this time. Additional time is \$100/hour	No later than 10pm 6-hour event time. Setup time does not affect this time. Additional time is \$100/hour
Kitchen Privileges	Full privileges	Full privileges but requires a \$350 usage fee	None
Cancellation Policy	N/A, however Church Organization MUST notify the Hall Manager 2 weeks prior to the event if their event is cancelled.	Hall lease fee recoverable if Hall Manager is notified no later than two (2) weeks prior to event.	Hall lease fee recoverable if Hall Manager is notified no later than two (2) weeks prior to event.
Use of Caterers	At discretion of the Organization but must be approved by PC.	At discretion of the organization but must be approved by PC.	Must be selected from church approved catering list.
Setup and Cleanup	Responsibility of the church ministry or organization that is leasing the Hall.	If the Lessee is not providing the setup, then setup fee is \$100. Setup plan required no later than 2 weeks prior to the event.	Setup is included in Hall leasing fee. Setup plan required no later than 2 weeks prior to the event.

¹Note: The link to the *Hall reservation form* is available on our website. The form is also available in the Church Office.

Annunciation Policies

MEMORIAL FUNDS DISTRIBUTION POLICY

All monies received during a funeral or memorial service that are made out to the church, that is, checks marked with “Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church” or cash with the envelope marked with “Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church” will be used for purposes in support of church operation.

These could include support of recognized church ministries, sacramental articles purchased for the church proper or for ongoing campaigns such as Hall Renovation or other capita improvements.

If it is desired that these monies are to be used for other wishes that the family may have the family must ensure that they announce that theses checks or cash be designated as such.

All monies received for funerals are tracked and family members will receive a listing of those who donated, typically within 40-60 days following the date of the funeral. In addition, for all monies received designated “*Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church*,” donors will receive a letter thanking them for their donation to the church in memory of the deceased.

POLICY FOR DOCUMENT PREPARATION:

There is a required processing charge of \$40 per document. This charge covers research, preparation and routing of documents such as Certificate of Residency, Certificate of Freedom to Marry, Reissued Marriage Certificate, Reissued Baptism Certificate and Certificate of Death. Additional documents are \$20.00 per document.

WEDDINGS:

We have wedding candles in the office for purchase which is required at the time of the ceremony. The donation for the plain one is \$30.00. \$100 would be for the decorated ones. Lena has them in the office. The Stefanos are sold out - Lena does have catalogs for Stefanos in the Office if anyone is interested in shopping on-line.

BAPTISMS:

We also have baptismal candles, \$30 for the large plain candle and \$7 each for the two (2) smaller plain candles. If you are interested in purchasing decorated candles, the larger one is \$50, the two (2) smaller ones are \$25 for the set.

MEMORIALS:

The family which is sponsoring the Memorial is asked to:

1. Contact the Parish Secretary to arrange scheduling the memorial for that day.
2. Coordinate the preparation and delivery of Koliva (if used). The Church Office can provide information on persons who can prepare Koliva. The standard rate for the preparation of Koliva is \$150.
3. Provide Coffee Hour food items.



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH of the ANNUNCIATION

962 EAST AVENUE

ROCHESTER, NY 14607

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Office and scheduling requests: office@agocroc.org

Stewardship and finance related questions:
finance@agocroc.org

CLERGY:

Rev. Fr. Angelo Maggos, Presiding Priest

Email: agocny@gmail.com

CHURCH OFFICE HOURS;

Monday through Friday 10:00 am to 3:00 pm

Secretary: Lena L. Livecchi

Email: office@agocroc.org

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