A Message from Father Jason

Father Jason Houck, Associate Priest

The Icon of Theophany—what is in the water with Christ?

Have you ever taken a look at the icon of the Baptism of our Lord? You might have noticed the two curious figures in the Jordan River, along with Christ. Some icons have them, while others do not.

The icon of Theophany has two perplexing figures. First, the figure in the lower left corner may pique our curiosity. This figure symbolizes the Jordan River, in which Christ was baptized. He holds a large vase, pouring out water, supplying the Jordan River. Notice his movement backwards—surprised and taken aback at the presence of Christ in the river.

The second figure, in the lower right corner is a sea monster, symbolizing the seas and oceans of the world. Notice—it, too has turned back, away from Christ—in fear! Psalm 114:3-5 reads, “The sea looked and fled, Jordan turned back. The mountains skipped like rams, the hills like lambs. What ails you, O sea, that you flee? O Jordan, that you turn back?”

What does that Psalm have to do with the Baptism of our Lord? Christ is the fulfillment of the Law and the Prophets (Matthew 5:17). We understand certain verses in the Old Testament fulfilled in Christ’s life. One such example is Psalm 114:3-5 in which the Jordan River, the sea, and all creation react to the presence of the Lord. The icon of the Baptism of Christ recalls these Psalm verses—creation is astounded at the presence of the Creator in physical form on earth!

What lesson can we take from this today? We, too, can take some time to contemplate the appearing of God in the flesh on Earth. At Christ’s baptism, God the Father spoke, “This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased” (Matthew 3:17). We too, can be astounded at Christ’s humbling Himself for us—to the point of taking the form of a servant (Philippians 2:7). We, too, can be astounded that the Word became flesh and dwelt among us (John 1:14).

We, too, can be astounded that God revealed Himself as the Holy Trinity at

Fr. Jason’s column continues on page 2.

All contributions intended for 2016 must reach our office no later than 12:00 noon, Thursday, December 30.
Our Life Together

Baptisms
Eliana Joy
Parents: Michael & Amber Damergis
November 26, 2016
Haakon Apollonius
Parents: Dustin & Linnea Elbing
December 10, 2016
Solomon Robert
Parents: Amanuel & Kristen Medhanie
December 11, 2016

Christmation
Lukas Andreas Nicolopoulos
December 10, 2016

Marriages
David Harty to Esme Gerogeorge
November 26, 2016
Ross McHugh to Karen Boosalis
November 26, 2016
Jade Schiesser to Emily Kasemeotes
December 8, 2016

Deaths
George Zahhos
December 7, 2016
May his memory be eternal.

Memorial Prayers
Sunday, January 15
Rolland L. (Rollie) Blake (40 days)
Angeline Ellis (40 days)
George Zarifis (10 years)
Richard D'Ambrogio (5 years)
Chris Pappas (45 years)
Nick Pappas (27 years)

Sunday, January 29
Mary DeMoss (1 year)

Thank You
A couple notes from Joyce Uptown Foodshelf:
Thank your for donating 151 pounds of food in September. Your support for our community is sincerely appreciated!
Our Festival guests donated 2,523 pounds of food over the three day Greek Festival!

Share YourShelf
January recipient of Share YourShelf contributions is Joyce Uptown Food Shelf.
Sunday, January 1
Canned fruits and vegetables
Sunday, January 8
Cereal (hot and cold)
Sunday, January 15
Canned Meal – large cans (e.g.: chili, pork and beans)
Sunday, January 22
Coffee and tea
Sunday, January 29
Hygiene items (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, conditioner)

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–Matthew 25:37

Fr. Jason Houck
Associate Priest

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Fr. Jason’s column concluded.
the Baptism of our Lord. Let us take some time this month to contemplate this astounding mystery—that the Lord of all, the Immaterial God, the Creator of All, became man, lived among us, took the form of a servant, and revealed Himself—in order to save His own creation! O Christ our God, who appeared and revealed Yourself, glory to You!
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Education, Fellowship, & Worship

Sunday Schedule
Saturday Great Vespers – 5:00 p.m.
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Weekday Schedule
Thursday, January 5
Eve of Theophany
Royal Hours – 9:00 a.m.
Vesperal Divine Liturgy and
Great Blessing of Water – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, January 6
Holy THEOPHANY
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy and
Great Blessing of Water – 9:30 a.m.

Julian (Old) Calendar Nativity Eve
Vigil – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 7
Julian (Old) Calendar NATIVITY
Hours and Confession – 9:30 a.m.
Festal Divine Liturgy – 10:00 a.m.
Reception follows Liturgy

Tuesday, January 17
Saint Anthony the Great
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 18
Saints Athanasios and Cyril
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 25
Saint Gregory the Theologian
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Monday, January 30
The Three Hierarchs
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship and Study Groups

Adult Senior Bible Study
On Winter Break

Intercessory Prayer
Wednesday, January 4
10:30 a.m., Nave Chapel

Men’s Fellowship
Friday, January 13
7:00 a.m., Fireside Room
• Please note date change.

Saturday Bible Study
Every Saturday in January
9:00 a.m., Fireside Room

Senior Citizens
On Winter Break

Women’s Bible Study
Wednesdays, January 4 and 18
11:00 a.m., Fireside Room

Julian Calendar Christmas
January 6 & 7
The Resurrection of Christ Russian Orthodox Church of Fridley will celebrate the Nativity at St. Mary’s on Friday and Saturday, January 6 and 7, 2017.

Everyone is invited to join the celebration beginning on Friday evening at 6:00 p.m. with Great Compline and Matins. 7:00 p.m. is the anticipated arrival of the Myrrh-streaming Icon of the Theotokos from Hawaii. The Feast of the Nativity will be celebrated with Hours and Confession at 9:30 a.m., followed by the Festal Divine Liturgy at 10:00 a.m. at St. Mary’s. A reception in the Terrace Room follows the Liturgy. For more information, contact Fr. John Magram, 763.574.1001.

Koinonia

Edina Koinonia
Thursday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.
Fireside Room, St. Mary’s
952.929.5428 (Tia Muchulas)

Lake Calhoun Koinonia
Sunday, January 22, 5:00 p.m.
Fr. George & Presbytera Christa’s home
612.825.1067

Northeast Metro Koinonia
Friday, January 20, 6:30 p.m.
Maxine Bitsianes’ home
612.789.3319
• Please note change for January.

West Metro Koinonia
Thursday, January 26, 7:00 p.m.
Gus & Cristina Nicklow’s home
952.476.7624

Pastoral Guidelines
Baptisms
A person who wishes to sponsor a candidate for Baptism or Chrismation must be an Orthodox Christian in good standing and a supporting member of an Orthodox parish. A person may not serve as a godparent if the Church has not blessed his or her marriage or, if civilly divorced, he or she has not been granted an ecclesiastical divorce, or for any other reason he or she is not in communion with the Orthodox Church. Baptisms may not be performed during Holy Week.
**Parish News & Events**

**Winter General Assembly**
*Sunday, January 29, 11:30 a.m.*

The Winter General Assembly, Budget Approval, will take place on Sunday, January 31, 11:30 a.m., in the Great Hall. Copies of the budget and the agenda will be available early in the New Year.

**Orthodox Game League Night**
*Saturday, January 28*

The Winter Game League Night will be Saturday, January 28, at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, 1111 Summit Avenue, St. Paul. The fun begins at 7:00 p.m. Please bring a munchie or dessert to share. Contact Nikki Beauchamp, 612.910.2943, if you have any questions.

**Parenting University**
*Friday, January 13*

The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago Family Synaxis introduces **Parenting University, a new way to connect with Orthodox parents and hone your skills for the most important job of your life!** on Friday, January 13, 2017, 6:30-9:00 p.m., at St. Mary’s. The featured speaker will be Fr. John Rallis of St. John the Baptist Church in Des Plaines, Illinois. The evening begins with the Paraklesis service at 6:30, followed by the presentation and fellowship. RSVPs are appreciated. Please call the Church Office, 612.825.9595, to make reservations.

**Coffee Hour Hosts Needed**

Opportunities abound to host a Sunday coffee hour this winter. As of the printing of this issue, the available Sundays are: January 1, 8, 22; February 19 and 26; and March 5, 12, and 19. To schedule a coffee hour, just call the Church Office. Keep in mind that not all Sundays may be open for memorial prayers due to the liturgical calendar or events at St. Mary’s.

When hosting, please provide 300 cookies of your choice, or the equivalent of a pastry of your choice. You may also choose to order cookies through the Church Office. The charge is $90.00. Saint Mary’s provides the coffee and basic paper goods. The hosts provide two people to pour coffee, cleaning up the tables and debris, emptying the coffee urns and rinsing them, and making sure the kitchen is as it was found when arriving that morning. An instruction sheet is sent to each host prior to hosting Sunday.

**House Blessings**

During January and February, Fr. George and Fr. Jason will be dedicating time each week for house blessings. They look forward to seeing as many parishioners as will allow them to visit! To schedule a blessing, please send an e-mail request to: stmarysgoc@stmarysgoc.org or call the Office, 612.825.9595.

In an effort to be more efficient, we are booking appointments by quadrants.

- **January 6-14:** Southwest Quadrant
  *Bounded by Highway 394 on the north and 35W on the east.*

- **January 15-21:** Northwest Quadrant
  *Bounded by Highway 394 on the south and 35W on the east.*

- **January 22-28:** Northeast Quadrant
  *Bounded by Highway 94 on the south and 35W on the west.*

- **January 29-February 4:** Southeast Quadrant
  *Bounded by Highway 94 on the north and 35W on the east.*

If the preceding dates do not work, we will have open scheduling will take place February 5-18.

**Catechism Classes**

The Winter Term of the MEOCCA-Sponsored Catechism Classes has been announced. The dates and topics are listed on-line and on the registration form. Classes meet on Mondays, 7:00-9:00 p.m., at St. George Greek Orthodox Church, St. Paul. The classes are open to all, whether considering chrismation or just wanting to learn more about Orthodoxy.

Classes begin Monday, January 9, and run through Monday, April 3, with the exception of February 27, Clean Monday/First Day of Great Lent.

The texts used are: “Introducing the Orthodox Church” by Anthony Coniaris, “The Orthodox Church” by Kallistos Ware, “The Orthodox Way” by Ware, and “The Faith” by Clark Carlton. All can be purchased through St. Mary’s Bookstore.

There is no charge for the classes. Please register on-line: http://www.nicks-trip.org/meocca/registration_form4.htm

Paper forms are located outside the Church Office.
Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! Philoptochos is ready to continue its service to the parish, community, and world through the end of 2016 and into the New Year. We welcome everyone to participate in our events and help us help others in the coming weeks and months.

**Gift Memberships**
With just a few days left before Christmas, why not purchase the gift of philanthropy? A 2017 Philoptochos membership makes a perfect stocking stuffer for the special women in your life. Membership is open to women 18+ years. Your gift is tax deductible with your check serving as your receipt. A $25 minimum is requested.

Purchases can be made in the Great Hall on Sunday, or send your check payable to Philoptochos with Gift in memo line to St. Mary’s and we will send you the certificate.

**Vasilopita Sale for Children of St. Basil’s Academy**
Our annual vasilopita (sweet bread) fundraiser for St. Basil’s Academy is here! The final day to preorder bread in time for New Year’s Day is Sunday, December 18 at the Philoptochos table in the Great Hall. Pick up is on Wednesday, December 28, 3-7pm in the Great Hall. Vasilopita will also be sold for $12 each on Vasilopita Sunday, January 8, 2017. Chair: Toni Bazakos.

On Saturday, January 7, 10am, we are slicing vasilopita for distribution to the congregation the next day. Please join us in the church kitchen – bring a bread knife and cutting board, if possible. Chair: Sofia Johnson.

**Theophany + Undecorate the Church**
Friday, January 6
Following the Theophany service, join us to take down the Christmas decorations that we’ve enjoyed throughout the season. All help is welcome! Chair: Andrea Tiggas.
Sunday, January 22: Philoptochos Meeting after Liturgy
Join us in the Terrace Room for fellowship, our meeting to approve the 2017 budget, and to learn about upcoming events. Members and prospective members welcome… we always have a good time together!

**Movie Night Returns!**
Friday, January 27, 7:00 p.m.
Bring your family and friends to the Terrace Room to watch My Life in Ruins, starring Nia Vardalos and rated PG-13! This collaborative event is co-hosted by the Daughters of Penelope and Philoptochos, and together we’re raising money for Tubman Family Crisis & Support Services.

Tubman helps women, children and families struggling with relationship violence, substance abuse and mental health. Throughout the Twin Cities, Tubman provides safe shelter, legal services, counseling, elder care resources, youth programming and community education while guiding and sustaining individuals and families on the journey from chaos and fear to healing and restoration. [www.tubman.org](http://www.tubman.org).

Admission is free! Your purchase of concessions, VIP seating, raffle tickets, and other surprises will go to Tubman. Kids are welcome to wear their jammies and bring a favorite pillow!

**Thank You…**
- To Sofia Johnson, who chaired the November Days for Girls Service Project, to all who donated items, to the 17 women who braved inclement weather to attend, and to the women who continue to sew in their homes to make even more product. At the time of this writing, 231 reusable feminine hygiene pads + 83 drawstring bags were sewn and completed, and 235 girls panties, 173 washcloths, 80 ziploc bags, 61 standard & 15 travel bars of soap, 12 sewing kits, 5 suitcases, and a bag of friendship bracelet floss was donated.
- To Pamela Nelson for chairing the That’s My Pan! fundraiser for FOCUS Minnesota, and to all who made purchases and donations for new signage at FOCUS.
- To the decorators, who made the church look beautiful for the season: Chair Andrea Tiggas, Athena Dascalos, Presv. Christa Dokos and children, Lisa Hafey, Vangie Karakatsanis, Cindy Karos, Tina Menter, Tia Muchulas, Donna Psihos, and Popie Rakes.
- To the many Parish Christmas Party volunteers, including organizers Presvytera Christa Dokos, Paulette Hastings, Annette Legeros and Barbara

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Dear Parishioners,

Thank you for your generous gifts of time, talent and treasure. Know that your contributions make a difference every day to the St. Mary’s community.

Give, Give, Give!

One day, a person complained to his priest that the Church and Christianity is one continual “give, give, give.” To which the priest replied, “Thank you very much for the finest definition of Christianity I have ever heard. You’re right, Christianity is all about a constant “give, give, give.” God giving His only Son to the world to show His unconditional love. His Son Jesus giving His life on the cross to forgive our sins and destroy death. Then our Lord’s disciples giving all they had to make sure God’s Good News of love was preached to all people everywhere. They not only gave away their homes and businesses, but even gave up their lives as martyrs in gratitude to God! And after all that giving of God to the world, yes, God does ask His followers of today to imitate His own generosity by giving – by offering back from all that He ultimately has given each person! So, yes, the Church and Christianity is one continual “give, give, and give,” but from a good and holy perspective!


2017 Stewardship Campaign Kick-Off

In November, we kicked off the 2017 Stewardship Campaign with our annual Stewardship activities. We heard sermons with inspirational messages about stewardship as well as testimonials from parishioners about the importance of St. Mary’s in their lives. At the Ministry Fair, we perused opportunities for contributing our time and talents through the many ministries St. Mary’s offers us. We each also received our stewardship materials for 2017 in the mail.

Please review the materials and prayerfully consider how you want to fulfill your stewardship contributions to St. Mary’s in 2017.

Consider getting involved in a ministry or activity that you have not participated in previously. We all have something we can offer that will make a difference to others. Also consider increasing your financial contribution. Even the smallest increase makes a difference.

Please complete the Fair Share contribution form, as well as the Time and Talent form, that was included in the mailing and return to the church office by the end of 2016. Receiving the Fair Share forms early helps the parish plan for the future when we know what we can expect to receive during the year.

Financial Update

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Thank you for your love and support of St. Mary’s.
Nichols; Set Up Crew: Georgia Andron, Tia Muchulas, Barbara & Costas Nichols, Popie Rakes, Andrea Tiggas; Kitchen Staff: Tom Chresand, Peter Dress, Jim Geogleris, Elena & Sean Gabor, Mark Macres, Gigi Tiggas, Louis Tiggas, Harriet Witt; Stephen Wehr and all the Student Entertainers & Servers.

- To AHEPA for inviting the families of Healing House to their Children’s Christmas Party, to Donna Psihos for coordinating transportation, gift giving and hosting of our guests, and to her team of helpers: Paulette Hastings, Donnarae Louricas, Rose Moshou, and Gigi Tiggas.

- To Vasilopita Chair Toni Bazakos who, with Giannoula Bakritzes, baked dozens of loaves of delicious sweet bread for our fundraiser for St. Basil’s Academy.

The Calendar + Looking Ahead…

- Wednesday, December 28, 3:00-7:00 p.m. Pick up pre-ordered vasilopita
- Friday, January 6, 11:00 a.m. Take down decorations
- Saturday, January 7, 10:00 a.m. Slice vasilopita
- Sunday, January 8 Vasilopita Sunday
- Tuesday, January 17, 6:30 p.m. Board meeting
- Sunday, January 22, after Liturgy Philoptochos meeting
- Friday, January 27 Movie Night co-hosted by Daughters of Penelope and Philoptochos
- Thursday, February 9 Ladies Night Out
- Sunday, February 12 Membership Drive + Sweet Sunday
- Friday, February 17 Sitari workshop
- Sunday, February 26, after Liturgy Philoptochos meeting

Holy Land/Russia Pilgrimage

Fall 2017

Informational Meeting

Iconographer Deb Korluka will be leading a pilgrimage to the Holy Land and Russia next Fall. Several meetings about the pilgrimage are scheduled in the upcoming weeks. The next meeting will take place at St. Mary’s Greek Orthodox Church after Liturgy on Sunday, January 15.

The meetings present and discuss itinerary and cost details about the pilgrimage taking place in the Fall of 2017. The Holy Land portion of the tour will consist of nine days in the Holy Land with a return back to the USA on day ten or the option to continue onto St. Petersburg, Russia. Projected cost for the Holy Land portion will be $1,300.00 plus air (travel insurance and tips) with a minimum of 20 participants.

This tour will be hosted by Icon Art Studios under the leadership of Tom Rudquist and Deb Korluka. We are excited to share with you an educational and spiritual journey equipped to deliver a very warm and unique experience by gathering together our personal contacts both in the Holy Land and Russia. Please contact Deb Korluka at akorluka@aol.com for tour materials. A registration meeting will take place in March 2017.
Our Youth and Young Adult Ministry Vision

To provide an Orthodox Christian example, reinforcing the efforts of our parents, inspiring in our youth agape love and the spiritual desire to pursue Christ, his holy Church, and the truest sense of his holy Orthodox Community.

Our Youth and Young Adult Ministry Goals

To offer programs that foster spiritual growth in Christ. • To offer religious education that applies to daily living.
To offer service to God and his holy creation. • To offer fellowship that connects youth to Christ, his Church, and the greater Orthodox community.

What’s Happening?

**Faith Group**

Faith Group is a parent/child playgroup geared towards families with children ages 0-5. It is a wonderful way to meet other young families and become involved in the church. It is held nearly every other Wednesday from 9:30-11:00 am during the school year and includes play time and socializing in the Great Hall, followed by a short lesson and snack in the Terrace Room. If you have questions or comments, please contact coordinator Julie Karos, juliekaros@hotmail.com, or 773.320.7730.

Upcoming January meeting dates:
- Wednesday, January 4
- Wednesday, January 18

**Hope and JOY**

We have a couple events planned for Hope and JOY kids in the next couple months...

Saturday, January 14, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
Bowling at the **Brunswick Zone XL**
12200 Singletree Lane, Eden Prairie 55344
Please RSVP by Friday, January 6 to Georgia: greekborba@hotmail.com or 612.978.2793
Be sure to have your shoe sizes when RSVPing!

Saturday, February 4, 3:00-5:00 p.m.
**Grand Slam**
12425 River Ridge Boulevard, Burnsville 55337
Please RSVP by Friday, January 27 to Georgia: greekborba@hotmail.com or 612.978.2793
Please sign up soon!!

**Junior GOYA**

Wednesdays, January 4 and 18, 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Youth Room, St. Mary’s Church

**Senior GOYA**

Friday, January 6, 6:15 p.m.
Party at the Hadjiyanis home

Wednesday, January 11, 6:15-8:00 p.m.
Meeting at the Tortorelis home

**How to Pray!**

**A weekend Retreat at Camp St. Croix for 6-12 Graders**
**January 13-16, 2017**
Youth will discuss the topic of prayer, experience camp fires, worship together, play fun games, and get to know each other. The camp is sponsored by St. Mary’s OCA Saints (FOCA Junior Chapter).
The cost is $160.

RSVP to Matushka Lisa Tucci as soon as possible, by calling 612.599.0814 or Email: lisatucci71@gmail.com
For more information on Camp St. Croix, visit: www.ymcamn.org/camps/camp_st_croix

**The Twelve Days of Christmas - Greek Style**

Performed at the annual Christmas Lunch
Photos from Some Recent Saint Mary’s Events

Parish Christmas Luncheon, December 3

Philoptochos President Paulette Hastings and Fr. George Dokos

Annette Legeros and Vicky DiGiovanni at the punch bowl

Tom, Tom, Tom, and Tom Chresand Entertain (Louis Tiggas, Peter Dress, Sean Gabor, and the real Tom Chresand)

Saint Nicholas Celebration, December 4

Peter Dress chopping onions

Saint Nicholas with Tony and Tony Forchas

Fifi Kafkas and Ernie Konstas demonstrate their culinary prowess

Photos courtesy of John Kafkas.

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Let all who love their words come together, and honor with hymns the three greatest lamps of the thrice-brilliant Godhead, who illumined the world with the rays of their divine teachings; the sweet-flowing rivers of wisdom, who watered all creation with the streams of the knowledge of God—Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, together with John who possessed a golden tongue. For they always intercede on our behalf with the Trinity!

–Hymn of the Three Hierarch, 1st Tone

Commemoration: January 30
# January 2017

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Saint Basil the Great  
Circumcision of Christ  
“The Messenger” Deadline  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy | Church and Office Closed | 9:30am-Faith Playgroup  
10:30am-Intercessory Prayer  
11:00am-Women’s Bible Study  
6:15pm-Junior GOYA  
No Small Blessing of Water Service | Eve of Theophany  
9:00am-Royal Hours  
6:00pm-Vesperal Divine Liturgy and Great Blessing of Water | **6**  
HOLY THEOPHANY  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy and Great Blessing of Water after Liturgy-Undecorating the Halls  
6:15pm-Senior GOYA Party | **7**  
Synaxis of John the Baptist  
Julian (Old) Calendar Nativity  
9:00am-Bible Study  
9:30am-Hours and Confession  
10:00am-Divine Liturgy after Liturgy-Christmas Reception  
5:00pm-Great Vespers |
| **8**  | **9**  | **10**  | **11**    | **12**   |        |          |
| Sunday after Theophany  
Vasileopia Sunday  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy  
Church School  
12:30pm-Basketball Practice |  |
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| Twelfth Sunday of Luke  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy  
Church School  
12:30pm-Basketball Practice | 6:00pm-Greek Dance Practice | St. Anthony the Great  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy  
6:30am-Philoptochos Board Mtg.  
Simpson House Dinner | Sts. Athanasios and Cyril  
8:30am-Orthros  
9:30am-Divine Liturgy  
9:00am-“The Messenger” Mailing  
9:30am-Faith Playgroup  
11:00am-Women’s Bible Study  
6:15pm-Junior GOYA | 5:30pm-Icon Class |  |
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