A Message from Father John
Father John Kostas

What “Greek” in Greek Orthodox Really Means

The word “Greek” in the name “Greek Orthodox Church” does not mean that the Orthodox Church is meant exclusively for the nation of Greece or the Greek people.

Rather, “Greek” serves as a reminder that the Orthodox Church preserves the fact that the life and teachings of Jesus Christ were proclaimed in a world that was deeply shaped by Greek civilization. The apostles were Jews who understood Jesus as the fulfillment of the promises and prophecies of the Hebrew Bible. Nonetheless, Greek thought, Greek art and Greek literature formed their culture and ‘thought world’. The New Testament was written in Greek, the common language of its day, much as English is today.

With the conquests of Alexander the Great four centuries before Christ, the many widely different lands of the eastern Mediterranean – Greece, Asia Minor (present day Turkey), Syria, Egypt, Mesopotamia and Palestine – were joined together in this ‘Hellenistic’ culture.’

By the time of Christ, this culture had come under the rule of the Roman Empire. St. Paul himself, the Divine Apostle, was a strict Jewish Pharisee before his conversion, but he was also a Roman citizen of Greek-speaking Tarsus who spread the Gospel to the major Greek cities of Antioch, Thessaloniki, Corinth and Ephesus. And, of course, he wrote his letters in Greek, using the epistolary and rhetorical traditions of Hellenistic literary art.

As Christianity spread, the early Church came to depend more on Greek philosophy, especially Plato, to express the teachings of Christ. These writers are called the Greek Church Fathers. They extended the venerable tradition of Greek literature, once used for the epics of Homer, the tragedies of Sophocles and the dialogues of Plato, to include sublime works of Christian theology.

With the conversion to Christianity of the Roman emperor Constantine the Great, the stage was set for the establishment of a Church that was Orthodox in creed and Greek in its liturgy and hymns. In short, the “Greek Orthodox Church.” Or put another way, a Church that is in direct historical continuity with the Apostles and the early Christian communities they founded, expressed in categories of thought and expression suitable to the times. Just as our Church is called to be today.
Our Life Together

Births
Cooper George and Quincy Walker
Parents: Michael & Metra Kootsikas
April 26, 2018

Baptisms
Amalia Antigone Bazakos
Parents: Elias & Sarah Bazakos
June 10, 2018

Marriages
Jacob Houseman to
Kassandra Hanson
May 19, 2018

Deaths
Jack Manzavrakos
May 11, 2018
James Axiotis
May 20, 2018
Stavros Stavrou
May 20, 2018
George Traficante
June 12, 2018
May their memory be eternal.

Our Sympathy
We extend our sympathy to Cathy Selin and family on the passing of her brother, Nicholas Lekas, on May 30, 2018, in Florida. May his memory be eternal.

Thank You
A big thank you to the Hellenic Post 129 American Legion for their generous donation to the Junior Olympics. The Legion gave a monetary gift to help defray the cost of transportation to and from Chicago.

Share YourShelf
July’s recipient of Share YourShelf contributions is FOCUS Minnesota.
Immediate needs in July: monetary donations
In lieu of grocery and hygiene items, Share YourShelf will be accepting monetary donations for FOCUS Minnesota during the month of July.
FOCUS Minnesota is in the process of relocating, and is not able to store tangibles. However, they are not closed! Until they relocate, FOCUS continues to support those in need by serving meals, making sandwiches for children’s lunches, and creating a mobile medical clinic.
On Sunday July 1, instead of grocery bags, Share YourShelf will distribute envelopes after the Divine Liturgy. If you are interested in making a monetary donation, please take an envelope, fill it with cash or a check, and return it to the church office. Checks can be made to St. Mary’s, with “FOCUS Minnesota” in the memo line. All donations will be sent to FOCUS at the end of the month.
Together, we can continue to support the Food Occupation Clothing Understanding Shelter of those in need in the Twin Cities!

Memorial Prayers
Sunday, July 1
Soterios (Jim), Lula, and Pamela Peltekos

Sunday, July 8
Nicholas Lekas (40-days)
(brother of Catherine Selin)
John and Constance Lekas
(parents of Catherine Selin)
Karli and Lorraine Selin
(parents of Steve Selin)

Sunday, July 22
Tom Checheris (1 year)

Sunday, July 29
Haralambia Papadakis (5 years)
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
Saturday, July 7
Saint Kyriake
Orthros – 9:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 10:00 a.m.

Wednesday, July 11
Saint Euphemia
Evening Divine Liturgy – 6:00 p.m.

Tuesday, July 17
Saint Marina
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Friday, July 20
Elias the Prophet
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Thursday, July 26
Saint Paraskevi
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Friday, July 27
Saint Panteleimon
Orthros – 8:30 a.m.
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 a.m.

Fellowship and Study Groups

Adult Senior Bible Study
Tuesdays, July 10 and 24
1:30 p.m., Fireside Room

Intercessory Prayer
On Summer Break.

Men’s Fellowship
Friday, July 13
7:00 a.m., Fireside Room

Evening Men’s Fellowship
Tuesday, July 17
6:30 p.m., Gus & Cristina Nicklow’s home
1050 Willow View Drive, Orono

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

Senior Citizens
Tuesday, July 10
12:00 noon, Terrace Room

Women’s Bible Study
On Summer Break.

In the Bookstore

By Becky Myerly

In Stories from the Gerontikon (pronounced YEH-rohn-dih-kohn) Christos Gousidis has adapted and illustrated stories and lessons from the ancient Desert Elders into a format that is very accessible and appealing to young people today using graphic panels (think comic books) and interactive activities. Reverend Father Michael Monos translated the Greek text into English. The publisher of the Greek edition of this book wrote in the prologue that the purpose of this book “is to instruct and encourage us to imitate the lives of these saints, and to assist us to tread spiritual pathways with discernment.” A few of the story titles are “Saint Anthony and the Angel,” “Blessed Are the Peacemakers,” “The Virtuous One,” and “Entering Paradise with Ease.” Stories from the Gerontikon is really a book for everyone because the stories and wisdom are relevant, interesting, and thought provoking for people of all ages and stages, with Christian values communicated clearly, yet gently. This is a good book to read and share as a family. For those who want to read more of the Desert Elders, there are copies of The Sayings of the Desert Fathers and The Forgotten Desert Mothers: Sayings, Lives and Stories of Early Christian Women—all available in the bookstore!
Parish News & Events

Taste of Greece
September 7-9, 2018

Stop by the Great Hall on Sundays after Liturgy to lend your support to our Taste of Greece celebration in September. Members of the Festival Committee will be on hand to answer questions, sell tickets, and help you sign up to volunteer at the Festival. Here’s what you’ll find at the Festival table:

- Sign up to volunteer
  - Purchase Festival tickets at a discount *(five free tickets for every 50 purchased through the month of July)*
    - Pick up your Taste of Greece poster, flyers, and lawn sign
    - Learn about this year’s plans and events

New this year...enter to win cold cash!

$100 prize: Volunteer for two shifts or more (one ticket for every two shifts)
$200 prize: Complete a sponsorship form for a business, yourself, or your family
$200 prize: Submit a sponsorship form for a business to become a Festival sponsor (one ticket per submission)

Each of these items must be completed by July 15 to qualify for the drawing.

Remember, we need your help and support, so stop by, purchase tickets, and sign up to volunteer for our 30th Taste of Greece Festival!

Interested in baking? Check out the baking schedule on the Philoptochos page in this issue. We have lots of opportunities for baking a variety of pastries.

Lost and Found
Are You Missing Something?

Effective July 1, we will only be holding lost and found items for 30 days before donating the items to charity. We have a large selection of keys, eyeglasses, water bottles, and jackets. Smaller items are kept outside the office while coats and jackets remain hanging in one of the two coat rooms. If you think you may have left something at the church or in one of our event spaces, please be sure to call the office or check the lost and found shelf. Again, after 30 days items will be donated to a local charity.

Summer Giving

If you are out of town during the summer, or planning to be away, don’t forget to send in your financial commitment or go to the Church’s website and set up your giving via a charge/debit card or set up your giving through your bank. Our bills and other financial commitments don’t go on vacation! Thank you for keeping St. Mary’s in mind.

Congratulations, College Graduates

John Moe, son of Peter and Christine Moe, graduated from the U of M Carlson School of Management on May 14 with a dual major Bachelor of Science degree in Business and Entrepreneurial Management. John is the twenty-ninth person in the DeMoss/Moe family to attend the U of M.

Katharine Chadwick, daughter of Andrea Faches and Eric Chadwick, graduated Xavier University December 15, 2017, with a Bachelor of Science degree, majoring in biology. Katharine remains in Cincinnati where she is employed by Crossroad Health Center. Katharine plans to enroll in a physician assistant program in 2019.

The Church and Office will be closed on Wednesday, July 4, in observance of Independence Day.
by Sandra Anderson

Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry Minnesota

May 20 was the official Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry Sunday. This weekend is always a difficult time to focus on a ministry due to the fact it is our end of church school year and our awesome fun jam. However, it is important that we share some info with you about the ministry and its work.

OCPM-MN is affiliated and fully supports the national OCPM, which is the official prison ministry of the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States.

Our mission as volunteers is to fulfill the calling of our Lord Jesus Christ to minister to prisoners and with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, help them attain salvation. (Matthew 25). Our intent is to help them prepare for transition into society, and also support their families.

Our local OCPM is Pan-Orthodox with volunteers from St. Mary’s Greek, St. George Greek, St. Mary’s Coptic, St. Mary’s Cathedral, and St. George Antiochian Orthodox churches. After two years of planning, recruiting, and training, we were able to offer our first Bible study in 2005 at the Lino Lakes Men’s (medium security) Prison. In 2007 we were asked to start a study at the Shakopee Women’s Facility as well.

Besides the weekly study, on every fifth Sunday we offer a Typica Service at the Lino Medium Facility. We have service booklets with our own volunteer choir (from St. Mary’s OCA) chanting and singing the hymns. We have a beautiful iconostasis, a priest (or deacon, based on availability), and offer an anointing/blessing at the end of the service. Approximately 65-85 men join us and it is a joy to see them come up for the blessing. Sign up is a week in advance so they know that the Orthodox are coming and they want to join us! The men love the service and many of them, upon being released from medium to minimum security, join us at our weekly study. We recently added a worship service at Shakopee and it has been well received.

OCPM also holds a reunion breakfast quarterly to the released prisoners and their guest so we can stay connected as they work through the difficulties of life on the outside. Imagine after 30 years staring over again? We also have a book ministry, a letter writing ministry and of course, Angel Tree, which offers Christmas presents to the children of incarcerated parents.

Saint Mary’s Church volunteers are: Sandra Anderson, Joan Calott, Carol Karos, Paul Karos, Bob and Hope Kennedy, Gail Pappas, Kathleen Wendland (choir), and Don Shipp. If you have any questions stop one of us or go to ocpm-mn.org. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Rick Wagner, Director, at 866.318.4238, ext.101.

Here are ways you can volunteer or support OCPM: Bible study volunteer, reunion volunteer, Typica Service volunteer, book ministry volunteer, Angel Tree volunteer, and most importantly, through prayer.

Healing House

Carol Smith, Hope and Bob Kennedy, Cheryl Dragotis, and Linda Hodge went to Healing House recently where they served 18 moms and nine kids and had dinner together (Carol made homemade fried chicken). The ladies visited with the children, played, and did a craft while Bob met the moms in the Chapel for a Bible study.

We serve at Healing House every other month on the third Saturday. We would love to have more of you join us. This is a kid-friendly ministry! Our next date to host is July 21, 5:00-8:00 p.m. Please contact me in the office if you have any questions.

Gift of the Heart for Our Servicemen and Women

Our HOPE and JOY group along with some brave parents and Julie, met in the Terrace room for dinner and card making for some soldiers overseas. I connected with a local guard troupe stationed in Kuwait. I brought all my ‘stampin’ goodies and we stamped, glued, colored and inscribed cards for 40 soldiers. They also made individual treat bags with various treats and supplies.

We have received some lovely thank you notes already. They are posted on the bulletin boards in the hallway. Please stop by to read these beautiful messages of thanks to St. Mary’s.

The notes and treats from home mean so much to those stationed so far away. If your family or ministry would like to do this kind of project, please contact me in the office.
Festival Bake Sale Session Schedule
June sessions filled the freezer with thousands of pieces of baklava and kourambiethes! The remaining baking sessions are listed here, and we ask you to mark your calendars and plan to join us! Come for a couple hours or full sessions. Seasoned and novice bakers welcome.

- August 10: Baklava Sundae Prep – August 10
- Melomakarona – tbd
- Paximathia – August 22
- Koulouria – August 24
- Diples – August 28 (fry) and August 30 (honey)
- Packaging and Set-Up – September 4-6

Continuing: Hands-On Summer for Women and Children!
All summer Philoptochos is supporting women and children through a variety of activities. In June we toured and brought donations to Tandem (WeAreTandem.org) – read more below – and served the first meal to our Families Moving Forward guests. Here’s what’s coming:

Wednesday, July 11, 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.: Days for Girls Service Day
- Around the world, girls and women resort to using rags, mattress stuffing, banana leaves, feathers, and even cow dung to manage their menstruation. Days for Girls (DFG) kits provide a safe, beautiful, washable, and long-lasting alternative along with vital health education and opportunity to attend school every day. (DaysForGirls.org)
- Come to the Terrace Room for an hour, an afternoon, or the day to make DFG kits.
- Donations welcome: Girls underwear (sizes 8-14), gallon ziptop freezer bags, travel sized soap, dark colored washcloths, embroidery floss.
- If desired, bring your own sewing machine, serger, sharp fabric scissors.
- Chair Sofia Johnson, 952.500.2991, SofiaCheronisJohnson@gmail.com.

Healing House Backpacks for Kids
- Healing House is a residential, Christ-centered, drug and alcohol recovery program that allows children to live with their moms and works on reunification. (MetroHope.org/women-s-program) For the third year, Philoptochos will buy all needed school supplies for the children of Healing House.
- Shopping, backpack stuffing and delivery in August. Watch for details.
- Chair Sandra Anderson, 612.825.9595, sandy@stmarysgoc.org.

Some thoughts about Tandem by Linda Stanton
Before I visited Tandem this past week, I had a very different impression of what they do. After meeting with their executive director, Kimberly, for a tour of their facility in so Minneapolis building, I came away with a much more enlightened viewpoint.

They do so much more for moms experiencing crisis pregnancy. Their mission is to provide the support, affirmation and motivation for moms to grow and improve their lives. This includes volunteer work opportunities to collect points that the mom can then use in the thrift store. There are educational classes in managing everyday finances, relationships, parenting and Bible basics, to mention some.

It all starts with counseling and medical care, as needed. Tandem partners with Fairview Riverside hospital for medical oversight. Ultrasounds can be done, and medical care given throughout the pregnancy. The staff provides emotional support all along the way. Material support in the form of diapers, baby clothes and maternity clothes are also provided.

But it’s not just for pregnant moms, Tandem aims to build up relationships with the moms and “ littles,” as they refer to the children, to be like a family which so many of the moms are missing in their lives. There is even a day care center.

They push moms to be motivated to improve their situation, just like riding a 2-seater bike. Not only the staff, but the mom needs to be pedaling in the same direction, putting in the same amount of effort to see progress.

Our visit was very heartwarming - a blessing. It’s a ministry that is worth supporting.

Cookbook for Sale in August!
With nearly 400 recipes, 140 contributors, faith-related content, family stories, and initial profits going to FOCUS Minnesota, there’s lots to love about the new St. Mary’s cookbook, Come Sit at Our Table: A Celebration of Food! Cookbooks will be on sale for $20.00 at the August 16 FOCUS Fundraiser, the Taste of Greece Festival, and after Sunday Liturgies beginning in mid-August. How will these cookbooks support FOCUS Minnesota?
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1 cookbook will buy one laundry voucher.
4 cookbooks will buy one food pack for four.
5 cookbooks will buy one week’s shampoo distribution.
8 cookbooks will buy lunch for 80 at a teen youth shelter.
20 cookbooks will buy one full year of coffee for Sunday meals.
165 cookbooks will buy one month’s salary for the part-time medical clinic administrator.

NEW! Cookbook Assembly on Tuesday, August 7, 4:00-8:00 p.m., in the Terrace Room. Join us if you can!

Back by Popular Demand: Bling (and More) Sale!
Returning in September is our Bling Sale to support Philoptochos’ philanthropic endeavors! What is it? A sale of once loved but now little worn jewelry! And this year, we’re adding in favorite accessories of purses and scarves!
Start looking at your collections and determining what pieces you’re ready to give to this fun and worthwhile fundraiser! Donations will begin in August.

Thank You…
...to Jamie Amacci, Cheryl Dragotis, Jayne Klatt, and Tia Muchulas for hosting the Philoptochos meal for the Families Moving Forward guests.

Coming Up…
- August 10
  Baklava Sundae Prep
- August 14: 6:00 p.m.
  Dormition Vespers and Reception
- August 15: 9:30 a.m.
  Dormition Liturgy and Reception
- Melomakarona: tbd
- August 22
  Paximathia
- August 24
  Koulouria
- August 28 (fry) and August 30 (honey)
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- September 4-6
  Packaging and Set-Up

Thank You, Teachers!

We extend a huge thank you to all our Church School teachers and staff who made the 2017-2018 school year so great:
Nursery: Heather Koutroupas and Natalie McMonagle
Pre-kindergarten, 3 years old: Krissa Rovolis, Joanne Schlavin, and Mary Jo Katras
Pre-kindergarten, 4 year olds: Alexandra Richardson, Kathy Richardson, and Krisanthi Sikkila (sub)
Kindergarten: Candace Hanson, Katie Possis, and Lisa Andreakakis (sub)
First grade: Diane Atsidakos, Lani McCollar, and Cristina Nicklow (sub)
Second grade: Dena Tortorelis, Nancy Gallos, and Steve Gallos
Third and Fourth grades: Diane Powers, Pam Gilbert, Andrea Kottas, Christina Worrall (sub), and Christina Hennessy (sub)

Thank You, Teachers!

Andrea Tiggas has won the AGAPE Award for the Metropolis of Chicago and will be honored at a Philoptochos Awards Breakfast during the Clergy-Laity Congress this month in Boston. AGAPE represents All Generations Accomplishing Philanthropic Endeavors and is awarded to individuals who embody the true spirit of “Philanthropia”. With over 450 Philoptochos Chapters throughout the country, we are so happy that Andrea has received this recognition. Congratulations!

Fifth and Sixth grades: Tia Muchulas, Michele Bruning, and Amy Wehr
Seventh and Eighth grades: Steve Wehr, Maria Lind, and Theo Estep
Ninth and Tenth grades: Vangie Nicklow, Dean Tortorelis, John Possis
Eleventh and Twelfth grades: Jon Klein, Dca. Alexandria Kalina, David Rist, and Birhane Baye
Substitute teachers: Presbytera Janis Kostas, Athena Rieck, and Gina Boosalis
Special needs help in class: Libby Cheolis
Secretaries: Maria Smith; Kally Youngdahl, and Mark Johnson
Administrators: Fr. George Dokos, Fr. Jason Houck, Sandra Anderson, Doria Saros
Just the other day a couple of our close friends told me that Missions and Outreach is not something that they know anything about. If my friends of 13 years are confused about St. Mary’s missions, now would be a good time to talk about our purpose to serve others. So, what are your personal obligations to Church missions? What do Scripture and Holy Tradition teach us about missions? How can our Mission and Outreach Team help?

Jesus told us not just to feed the soul but also to “feed the hungry, welcome the stranger, clothe the naked, shelter the homeless, care for the sick and have compassion for the prisoners.” —Matthew 25:35-36.

Test your understanding of St. Mary’s Missions and Outreach by taking this short quiz. Check your answers by visiting the St. Mary’s Welcome and Information Table on Sunday.

1. Choose the letter of the correct statement.
   a. St. Mary’s shares our gifts in obedience to God.
   b. We serve others.
   c. We grow spiritually, and so we serve ourselves.
   d. All of the above

2. Which of these four statements is false.
   a. Go and make disciples, Matthew 28:18-20, “All authority has been given to Me in heaven and on earth, Go therefore and make disciples of all the nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all things I have commanded you; and lo, I am with you always, even to the end of the age.”
   b. We are called in scripture Matthew 25:35-36, “for I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you took me in; I was naked and you clothed me, I was sick and you visited me; I was in prison and you came to me.”
   c. In 1998, St. Mary’s vision in the master plan was to establish a Missions and Outreach Ministries Team.
   d. The primary goal of the Team is to provide financial assistance by sending checks to local organizations.

3. True or False
   a. St. Mary’s parish vision calls us to five tasks. The five tasks are to Hear, Pray, Grow, Serve, and Share.
Our Children and Youth Mission Statement
To cultivate a safe and welcoming environment for kids by nurturing healthy relationships within the church family. We will teach the youth by building a strong foundation of knowledge, and together, we will experience the Orthodox tradition by following the four circles of youth ministry: Liturgia (Worship), Diakonia (Service), Martyria (Witness), and Koinonia (Fellowship), leading our youth to develop, by their own free will, a personal relationship with God and to pursue union with Him.

What's Happening?

Senior GOYA
Wednesday, July 18: 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. at Simpson House.
We will be serving a meal to the homeless in the shelter. You will be receiving emails from Jon regarding this opportunity.

Instagram
* GOYA parents and participants, follow us on our Instagram account: St. Marys GOYA . (It is a private account, so you must request to follow us)

Summer Reading Program
If you are entering kindergarten through eighth grade in the fall, consider joining our St. Mary’s Summer Reading Program. Check the display outside the bookstore for a complete reading list. For questions, please contact Presbyter Alexandra, alexandrahouck@gmail.com.

Feedback
If you have any feedback you would like to share about the youth program, please go to the St. Mary’s website. Under the “Youth Section,” click on the “Youth Program Feedback” link. You can go to this at any point in the year if you have any comments, suggestions, or concerns regarding our youth program(s). After you fill out the form, it will be forwarded to a member of the parish council and be reviewed for follow up.

Parents, be on the lookout in your email for Summer activities!

Enjoy your summer!!!

Vacation Church School
by Mary Makres
Saint Mary’s just completed a week of Vacation Church School and it was a huge success. Thank you to all the volunteers who helped to make this possible. Under the direction and leadership of Dena Tortorelis and Krissa Rovolis, the week’s theme was “Saddle Up for Salvation.” The western theme was carried out through the entire program from preschool “Blue Buckaroos” to the fifth and sixth graders “Purple Posse” group. On the second day of class, even the four year olds knew they belonged to the “Galloping Greenhorns” group! The children attended morning and afternoon prayer sessions in the church, learned about icons, the cross, did craft projects to take home, and also helped with a service project for the community. We would like to express our thanks, gratefulness, and appreciation to Dena Tortorelis and Krissa Rovolis for their devotion, hard work, organization, and clever theme of “Saddle Up for Salvation.” Our children are the greatest asset St. Mary’s has, and this was a wonderful investment in them. How very fortunate and blessed were the children who were able to attend the week of Saddle Up for Jesus.

Saint Mary’s Wins Big!
We are pleased to announce our very own Anna Karos placed second in the Senior Division for the National St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival sponsored by the Archdiocese. Many of us had the pleasure of hearing Anna’s inspiring speech during our parish Festival. As the winner from our parish, Anna then competed at the Metropolis level winning first prize in the Senior Division from parishes throughout the Midwest. Anna and her family traveled to Chicago the weekend of June 9-10 for the National Festival. St. Mary’s is proud to have such a dedicated and well spoken teen represent our parish and Metropolis at the National Festival. Congratulations, Anna!

Saint Mary’s 2018 participants in the Junior Olympics in Chicago
Happy Independence Day!
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