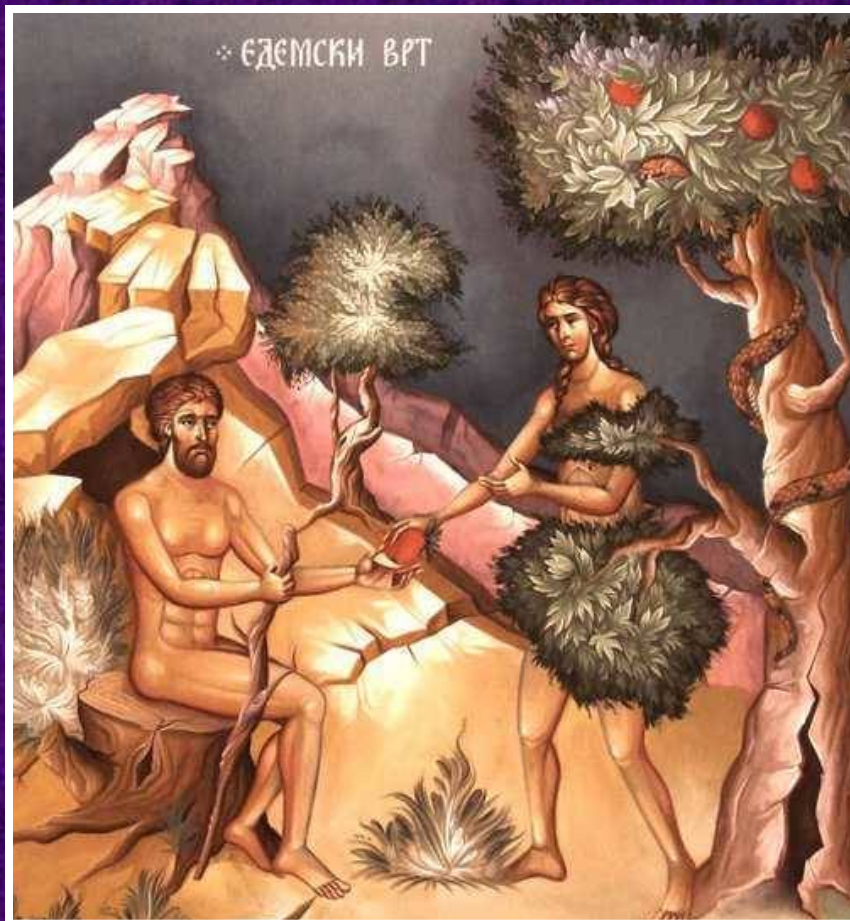


# “The Messenger”

SS. Peter and Paul  
Grzech Orthodox Church  
March 2016



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Rev. Father Panagiotis Boznos, Proistamenos

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Morning Bible Study: Dr. Helen Theodoropoulos

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Philoptochos President: Georgia Ryerson


PROSPHORA: Calliope Prekezes

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Ushering: Bo LaMotte and George Kirie

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Please telephone the Church office (847) 729-2235 during daytime hours for all spiritual emergencies.  
For evening emergencies contact Fr. Panagiotis at (630) 664-2173. God bless you always!

 *Giver of life, open the doors of repentance to me for my spirit goes to Your holy temple early, bearing a wholly defiled temple of the body. But, as compassionate, cleanse it by the loving kindness of Your Mercy.* (Lenten Orthros Service)

We have all faced the same conundrum before in our lives. It is a beautiful day and we decide to take a swim, but how are we going to enter the water. Two possibilities emerge and with each we see the two types of people in this world: those who take a running start, tuck their knees and try to make the biggest splash they can while they jump in without abandon; and those who walk ever so slowly upon their tiptoes into the water as if they were trying to stretch as tall as they can for a doctor to measure their height. Both people want to enjoy the water, yet take different approaches in how they begin that enjoyment. Some can start off in an instant and others need time. Taking one of those people who prefers to gradually enter the water and throwing them in completely might ruin the experience so greatly that they immediately leave the water and decide not to swim that day.

When it comes to the physical and spiritual demands of Great Lent, the Church bets that the majority of the faithful are like that second person, needing to enter slowly to insure their continued participation. Yes, Lent in itself is a preparatory period for Pascha, but even participation in Lent requires preparation. For this reason, the Church gradually introduces the themes and ascetic pursuits of Lent. The Gospels of the Prodigal Son and Publican and Pharisee call our attention to the time of repentance that is on the horizon. Our fasting is eliminated for a week and then slowly increased, first removing meat from our diet, and then eventually dairy. The Church adds Saturday

Liturgies for 3 weeks to accustom us to increased prayer.

This month is split into two sections. The first being the time to test the waters, put our feet in and acclimate to the climate of Lent. The second is the time wherein we are swimming strongly in the waters of repentance, fasting, prayer, and almsgiving. If we were to be thrown into the demands of Lent without a time to warm up to them, the vast majority would exit early, not completing the course of Lent.

Set yourself up for a productive and beneficial Lenten observance by also paying heed to the gradual increase of asceticism. Follow the wisdom of the Church and engage slowly with the demands of Lent. There is a balance which must be struck for all. Be thrown in and you might be taken by surprise and withdraw, look on timidly and you will never enter. This balance is reached in consultation with your Spiritual Father. Work together to find challenging efforts, and to avoid over exertion. Tell him how you typically fast and ask for advice on how to fast during Lent. Determine together the appropriate speed at which to enter the waters of Lent. If you do not have a Spiritual Father, make the cultivation of that relationship one of your driving principles during Lent.

May God grant us all a blessed Lent and guide us to witness and praise His Son's glorious Resurrection.

+ Fr. Panagiotis

## **Q&A with Fr. Panagiotis**

*Can you clarify our church's views on organ donation? I seem to recall something about how Orthodox people should be buried whole, but I am not sure about this. However, this contradicts the wonderful, altruistic donation we can make that helps to restore life to others. There are so many opportunities now to donate lung, kidney, heart, liver, pancreas, corneas, skin, and maybe even other organs from living and deceased donors. M.O.*

Thank you for this question. In response to organ donation there are two, seemingly contrary, views to look at. These are presented by the OCA in a piece related to Bioethics:

First there is the view which maintains that since we are all created in the image of God, the harvesting of organs should be considered a form of mutilation and be thereby prohibited by the Church.

The other perspective is that there is no greater gift that a dying person can give than to donate a vital organ(s) so that someone's life may be improved and/or prolonged. In fact, it might even be said that we are morally obligated to provide these organs, which we will no longer need, as a gift of unconditional brotherly or sisterly love for our neighbor.

Some express the fear that the bodies of humans will be viewed as simply a source of 'spare parts'. This is hardly the situation, at least in this country, whereby Hospital and Medical Centers go to great lengths to insure informed consent; that is to say, a person's organs upon death are not be taken without the expressed written consent of the patient. If an Orthodox Christian has died without leaving written consent to remove his/her organs, they should not be removed. <https://oca.org/parish-ministry/familylife/medical-bioethics-an-orthodox-christian-perspective-for-orthodox-christians>

I present both views together so as not to deny the existence of the first. Organ donation can and sometimes does find opposition within the teaching of the Orthodox Church (we will present some examples). However, the vast majority of pastoral guidance counsels the second view, that organ donation is a gift of life to another and therefore is an act of love and sacrifice for our brothers and sisters in Christ.

Fr. Stanley Harakas clarifies the situations wherein the Church would counsel against organ donation when he states the following in the GOA Pastoral Guidelines for Bioethics:

Organ transplants should never be commercialized nor coerced nor take place without proper consent, nor place in jeopardy the identity of the donor or recipient... The death of the donor should never be hastened in order to harvest organs for transplantation to another person. <http://www.goarch.org/ourfaith/sanctity-of-human-life>

As we can see, these are extreme circumstances. Yet the Church would oppose organ donation if the prospect of potential donation hinders and alters the current course of healthcare for the patient in order to obtain their organs in a timelier manner. The human person must be revered and cared for to the best of the medical staff's ability, and only when the union of their soul and body has been severed are we to see any difference in the course of action by the medical staff between a patient who has elected to donate their organs and a patient who has declined.

The other situation wherein the Church speaks against organ donation is when it is conducted for monetary gain. Now of course in the United States this very act is illegal, so the Church makes no controversial statement here. The question becomes then, do we differentiate between *intact organs* and *bodily tissue or fluid*. I would argue that treating our bodies as commodities is contrary to the dignity of the human person. So yes, selling (as opposed to donating) things such as blood, hair, plasma, reproductive cells etc. is contrary to the spirit of sacrifice required in order to actually share a part of your being with another.

## Wednesday Evenings During Lent

### 6 PM Presanctified Liturgy

Followed By Fellowship Meal &  
SS. Peter and Paul 2016 Lenten Lectures



#### The Great Canon of St. Andrew of Crete

Fr. Panagiotis  
Date: March 16th  
Sponsored by: Parish Council

#### Lenten Observance in the Family Home

Dr. Argy Christofides  
Date: March 23rd  
Sponsored by: Philoptochos

#### St. Gregory Palamas

Dr. Kosmas  
Date: March 30th  
Sponsored by: Men's Bible Study

#### Military Saints of the Church

Fr. Andrew Keakris  
Date: April 6th  
Sponsored by: Cancer Support Group

#### Oratorical Festival Speeches

Date: April 13th  
Sponsored by: Youth Groups

## **Parish Council News**

### **March, 2016**

As our season of Great Lent begins in a few weeks, we wish you a time of spiritual renewal and a holy journey toward Pascha.

The unaudited financial numbers for 2015 are in and the results are mixed. Thanks to your big donations in December which was the second largest month in the past seven years, we were able to meet our target net income. However, that result was primarily due to careful spending. The total number of stewardship families for 2015 was down about 10% from the previous year. We are very optimistic, however, that this downward trend of stewardship families will end, and we will start an increase beginning with 2016.

The reason for the optimism is due to the planned implementation of the Strategic Plan that was developed in 2015. Keith Anderson will lead this implementation committee along with Randa Anderson, Doreen DeSent, Julie Finnegan, Louis Pappamichiel, and Helen Theodoropoulos. Again we appreciate all that participated in the interviews, the census survey, and the opinion survey. In addition, thank you to the 30 parishioners that participated in the Orthodox Natural Church Development survey, the results of which recently became available to us. All of this information will allow the committee to set a schedule for the implementation of the plan. They may even call on you to assist in moving forward.

Our Events and Outreach Committee co-chaired by Christy Gouletas and Mary Ann Langas was again busy the past months. The committee organized another Friday Sack Lunch program in conjunction with the Interfaith Action of Evanston organization on January 29 and then again on February 26. On February 15<sup>th</sup>, the committee hosted a Senior Luncheon at the Glenview Park Center. Many more of these community events are being planned so if you wish to volunteer, please contact Christy or Mary Ann.

As you probably know, one of Patriarch Bartholomew's major initiatives is the protection of the environment. And for those who know me well, I am also dedicated to do whatever possible for improving the environment for our future generations. Consequently, the parish council is considering forming an Environmental Committee. The role of the committee will be to bring greater awareness to our parish and our community on what can be done to mitigate the deterioration of the environment. Following the initiative of the Patriarch, we should be more active right here in our own community. Anyone interested in participating on the Environmental Committee, please see me during the next few weeks.

Yours in Christ,  
George P. Nassos  
Parish Council President

## SACRAMENTS

### +Baptisms

Zacchaios, son of Father Panagiotis and Presbytera Nicole Boznos

Sponsor: Father Steven and Presbytera Nicole Klund

Hannah, daughter of Michael and Lynne Tagge

Sponsors: Michael and Antionette Dorosh

Damian, son of Kevin and Anastacia Bencal

Sponsor: Alex Pouplikollas

James, son of Mark and Katherine Peterson

Sponsor: Christina Crowley

GOD'S BLESSINGS AND LOVE!

## PARISH NEWS

### Welcome to our New Members!

Evan and Anne Marie Adams

George and Maria Delis

Robert Morse

Evangeline Politis

Kostas and Madeline Poulakidas

Christina Xourias

***Dynamis Members:*** Mark your calendars! You do not want to miss any of the special events that are planned: Thursday March 3rd meeting in the youth room - 1:00 p.m; Thursday April 7th meeting in the youth room - 1: 00 p.m DVD showing the life story of St. Paul and St. Nicholas; May 7th Trip to ST. IAKOVOS RETREAT CENTER - Divine Liturgy. Bus service provided by our church and lunch will be provided. Reservations required. June 2nd - ICE CREAM SOCIAL - Cost \$5.00. deadline Sunday May 22nd. If you have not paid dues for 2016 please see Fanny Pappas at the Sunday coffee hour or send check for \$20.00 to Fanny Pappas , 8248 N. Knox, Skokie, IL 60076. Please make checks out to SS. Peter and Paul Church.



COMING EVENTS – 2016

MARCH 5 - SATURDAY - GLENDI 2016 - MARDI GRAS

Chairladies – Julie Mantice and Georgene Shanley.  
Family Pre-Lenten Dinner - Dancing  
Costume Parade - Magician for Children  
Place: Valley Lo Country Club  
2200 Tanglewood Drive, Glenview, IL  
For Reservations call Lucy - (847)-827-5593  
or Jaime- (224) 563-7612

MARCH 26 - SATURDAY - METROPOLIS PHILOPTOCHOS LENTEN RETREAT

Place - Holy Cross Church  
7560 South Archer Road, Justice, IL  
Theme - “Humility: The Key To The Kingdom”  
Registration, Continental Breakfast, Luncheon  
To RSVP, stop at the Philoptochos table on Sundays.

APRIL 8 - FRIDAY - BLOOMINGDALE’S FRIENDS AND FAMILY -  
FUNDRAISER - Card to be mailed with information.

APRIL 9 - SATURDAY - METROPOLIS LENTEN QUILT-A-THON  
Please see flyer on following page.

APRIL 14 - THURSDAY - GENERAL MEETING AND PROGRAM  
Details to be announced.

APRIL 23 - SATURDAY - ANNUAL PALM SUNDAY BAKE SALE  
and APRIL 24 - SUNDAY Baking dates to be announced.

SAVE THE DATE  
PHILOPTOCHOS SPRING FUNDRAISER  
SATURDAY, MAY 7, 2016

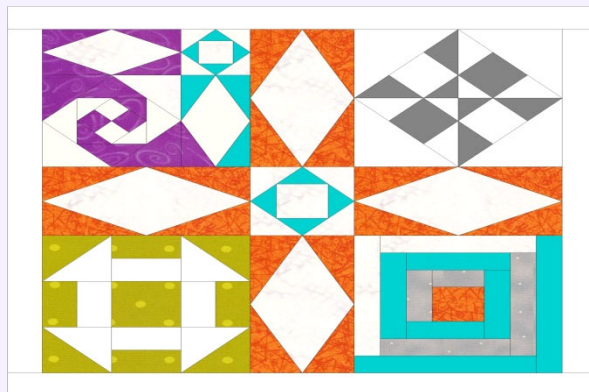
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STUDENT SCHOLARSHIPS - GRADUATE SUNDAY, MAY 22, 2016

The Saints Peter and Paul Philoptochos Society will be offering scholarships to qualified high school seniors whose families are members of SS. Peter and Paul Church and will be attending a college or university in the Fall and who have a cumulative grade point average of B. Forms are available in the church office and must be returned by April 4<sup>th</sup>.

The Philoptochos Society will be offering a \$1,000 scholarship. The Harry Kappos Family will offer a \$1,000 scholarship, the Paulette Kappos Scholarship for Education and Teaching. The Nicholas Corolis Family Foundation for Medicine or Engineering will offer a \$1,000 scholarship given by Jim and Lee Corolis and family.





## *Lenten Project*

## *Quilt-A-Thon*

Sponsored by the Bishop's Task Force on Aids and the Metropolis of Chicago  
Philoptochos Society

Hosted by Saints Peter and Paul Philoptochos

**DATE: Saturday, April 9, 2016**

**TIME: 9:30am-4:00pm**

**PLACE: Saints Peter & Paul Fellowship Hall (Lunch will be provided)**

**WE NEED YOUR HELP!!!**

Please help us send LOVE and COMFORT wrapped in a homemade quilt to babies born HIV positive, babies born affected by alcohol or drugs and infants, children and teens who are hospitalized.

You do not need to know how to sew. We need help to cut, pin, measure and tie square knots. Fabric and supplies will be provided by the Philoptochos. The Fellowship Hall will be transformed into a factory assembly line for the day.

*Sign-up sheets will be available in the Fellowship Hall during coffee hour.*

*Special Note: Please bring your own scissors.*

Monetary donations are welcome. \$15 - \$20 will help cover the cost of one quilt. Any amount would help this worthy cause. Your donation is tax deductible. Please make checks payable to SS Peter and Paul Philoptochos.

For further information please call co-chairs:

Lisa Lehocky (847-815-1805) and Brenda Papson (847-255-2016).



## Summer Camp & Fall Registration

Registration for Summer Camp and 2016-17 Fall Registration for our 2 ½ , 3's 4's and Kindergarten Programs is currently in progress. Please visit the church office for registration forms or contact Renée Tzakis at 847-729-5814.

Christy Gouletas  
1401 Wagner Road  
Glenview, IL 60025



January 04, 2016

## THANK YOU!

Thank you for being the giving type and hosting a blood drive on Tuesday, December 1, 2015. It takes the support and dedication of people like you to make blood drives successful and your time and commitment was appreciated and did not go unnoticed.

As coordinator of the Saint Peter and Paul Greek Orthodox Church Blood Drive, you know that there is no substitute for human blood. Donating blood gives strength, hope, and courage to our community and to those who need it most. Due to your efforts we were able to collect 31 blood products.

On behalf of LifeSource and the patients who are the ultimate beneficiaries, please extend our gratitude to everyone who donated to help others. Their generosity will help our neighbors in need, including cancer patients, critically ill newborns, burn patients, accident victims, transplant patients and many more who require blood products.

I will contact you to discuss your next blood drive as we continue to work together in serving the needs of our community.

Sincerely,

Karen Murphy  
Account Manager

*Sorry I missed meeting you! Look forward to working together in the future.*

KMurphy@itxm.org  
bethegivingtype.org

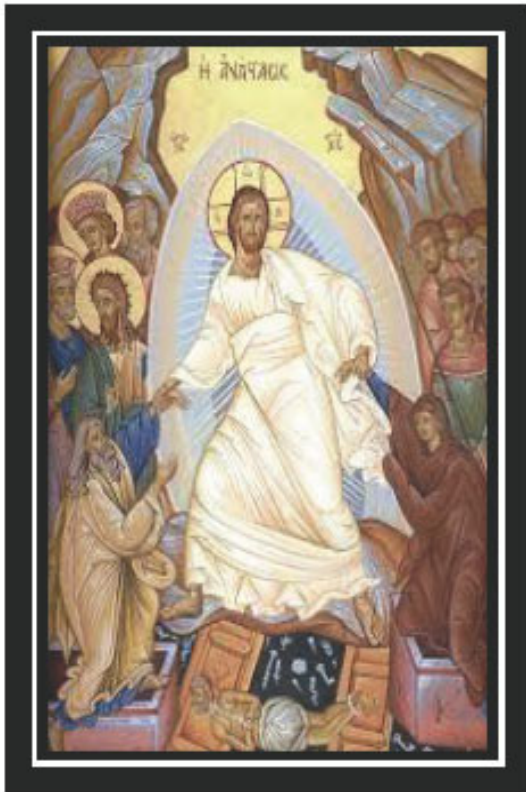
# Old Testament Challenge for Great Lent 2016

## The Path to Pascha

Great Lent is that special time of year when we can slow down from our fast-paced lives and spend more time focused on prayer, fasting and almsgiving in order to grow closer to Christ.

Reading the Bible is an integral part of this Path to Pascha. Since the Church prescribes parts of Genesis and Isaiah for daily study, the reading list below divides these 2 books in their entirety. The daily schedule covers the 40 days of Great Lent.

**New this year!** The day's reading will be posted on our Facebook page (search for SS. Peter & Paul) where you can ask questions about the readings. So be sure to 'like' us on Facebook and join in the discussion.



March 14	Creation Article p. 2
March 15	Genesis 1-3
March 16	Genesis 4-6
March 17	Genesis 7-9
March 18	Genesis 10-12
March 19	Genesis 13-15
March 20	Genesis 16-18
March 21	Genesis 19-21
March 22	Genesis 22-24
March 23	Genesis 25-27
March 24	Genesis 28-30
March 25	Genesis 31-33
March 26	Genesis 34-36
March 27	Genesis 37-39
March 28	Genesis 40-42
March 29	Genesis 43-45
March 30	Genesis 46-48
March 31	Genesis 49-50
April 1	Isaiah 1-3
April 2	Isaiah 4-6
April 3	Isaiah 7-9
April 4	Isaiah 10-12
April 5	Isaiah 13-15
April 6	Isaiah 16-18
April 7	Isaiah 19-21
April 8	Isaiah 22-24
April 9	Isaiah 25-27
April 10	Isaiah 28-30
April 11	Isaiah 31-33
April 12	Isaiah 34-36
April 13	Isaiah 37-39
April 14	Isaiah 40-42
April 15	Isaiah 43-45
April 16	Isaiah 46-48
April 17	Isaiah 49-51
April 18	Isaiah 52-54
April 19	Isaiah 55-57
April 20	Isaiah 58-60
April 21	Isaiah 61-63
April 22	Isaiah 64-66

Coffee Connection:  
*Connecting in Faith and Fellowship*  
An Educational Ministry open to all adults



**March 6**

**“St. Anthony: Monastic Life and the Modern World”**

**March 13th**

**“St. Herman of Alaska and SS Cyril & Methodios:  
Missionary Examples of the Past for the Present”**

Come join us for Coffee and conversation!  
Meet in the youth room under the gym  
immediately following Holy Communion  
until 11:40 a.m.



***“Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us...” Heb 12:1-2:***

# SSPP Project Mexico Trip

July 29th-August 4th 2016

## Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage



*Building Hope for Boys Without Families and Families Without Homes*



### Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage

Since 1988, Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage has been building secure, safe and weather-tight homes for some of the most impoverished families in northern Mexico. Built strictly by volunteer labor, these homes provide families economic security and hope for a brighter future. While serving these families, the volunteers discover that they have been transformed. Through their service to others, they realize that they have received much more than they had given. To date, we have hosted well over 11,000 volunteers on our 16 acre ranch as we continue to humbly bear the burdens of others in the name of Christ.

- ▶ We invite our 11th and 12th Graders to join us for our 2016 Project Mexico Trip
- ▶ Project Mexico has experienced no safety issues in its 27 year history, spanning 11,000 volunteers and 289 homes built
- ▶ The cost is around \$1,000 per child, but many fundraising opportunities will be offered for our children; we will do everything necessary to make sure funding is not a reason your child can not attend
- ▶ You must sign up with Dn Kosmas by email ([frk@sspplview.org](mailto:frk@sspplview.org)) or Chris Atsaves at the Outreach Table by 3/31/2016 (only 10 spots remain)
- ▶ There will be one adult from SSPP for every four High Schoolers attending
- ▶ Many more questions can be answered at [projectmexico.org/homebuilding](http://projectmexico.org/homebuilding)



**HOPE Group:** HOPE is a great way for our infants and toddlers and their parents to get together every week. HOPE Group meets every Tuesday at 10:30am. **If you are interested in helping to lead/coordinate the HOPE Group, please contact Presbyteria Nichole.** If you would like to join in on all the HOPE Group fun, please contact Presbyteria Nichole at: [nichole.boz@gmail.com](mailto:nichole.boz@gmail.com) for more information.

**Faith, Love, & Joy (FLJ)/Family Nights:** This month, we will have our March **FLJ gathering on Friday, March 11th from 6-8pm.** Our **March Family Night** will be on Tuesday, **March 22nd from 6-8pm.**

**Jr. GOYA/Sr. GOYA:** February was another great month for our GOYA ministry. We enjoyed Feed My Starving Children, Whirly Ball, and our Fundays. As you know, **Lent begins this month. Please take a look at the calendar** in this issue of the Messenger to find the added worship opportunities as we prepare for the **Passion and Resurrection of our Lord and Savior.** All youth of our parish will be given a **Passport to Pascha** to track what services they were able to make it to this Lent. Make sure to get yours by the beginning of lent (March 13th's Forgiveness Vespers). Here are our March events:

- On **Monday, March 7th**, we will have our next **Sr GOYA meeting from 6:30-8pm in the Youth Room.** Dinner will be provided.
- All **6th-11th graders are invited to our Metropolis Winter Camp** at the **St. Iakovos Retreat Center on Friday, March 11th to Sunday, March 13th.** See insert in this issue of the Messenger for more information.
- On **Monday, March 14th**, we will have our **Jr GOYA meeting from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room** (immediately after Compline). Dinner will be provided.
- Our next **Senior GOYA Coffee Talk** will take place on Thursday, **March 17th from 6:30-8pm at the Glenview Grind.**
- Our March **Jr/Sr GOYA Outreach Project** will be an **outing to the Greek American Nursing Home on Saturday, March 19th** after Liturgy where we will **decorate cookies for the residents after Liturgy.** We will then take them to the nursing home afterward and spend time with the residents. **Transportation will be provided to and from the nursing home; parents can pick up at SSPP at 3pm.** Lunch will be provided.
- Our **March Family Night** will be on **Tuesday, March 22nd from 6-8pm.** We invite our **Jr GOYAns to join in on the fun**, and our **Sr GOYAns to help with the sessions.**

# SSPP YAL

## SOUP KITCHEN + LUNCH

**JOIN SAINTS PETER & PAUL YAL AS  
WE VOLUNTEER AT THE FIRST  
PRESBYTERIAN SOUP KITCHEN &  
ENJOY LUNCH AFTERWARDS!  
SOUP KITCHEN SPOTS ARE LIMITED  
TO 10.**



**WHERE: 1427 CHICAGO AVE  
EVANSTON, IL 60201**

**WHEN: SATURDAY, MARCH 26TH  
@ 10:45AM**

**RSVP BY MARCH 24TH TO  
FRK@SSPPGLENVIEW.ORG OR  
ALYSSA.MACHINIS1@GMAIL.COM**

THE GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF CHICAGO  
OFFICE OF YOUTH & YOUNG ADULT MINISTRIES ANNOUNCES:

# GREAT ESCAPE WINTER CAMP



*Presenting Ourselves to the Lord*

**Friday, March 11th to Sunday, March 13th  
@ St. Iakovos Retreat Center**

The retreat is from Friday evening to Sunday afternoon and for  
Grades 6th-11th. Bus transportation will be provided.  
Limited to 60 spaces!

**Cost: \$155/camper due by March 4th**  
**Registration Packet available at your parish**  
**or [www.chicago.goarch.org](http://www.chicago.goarch.org)**

If you have any questions, please contact Dn. Chris Avramopoulos  
at 312-337-4130 or [gochicagoyouth@aol.com](mailto:gochicagoyouth@aol.com)



# March 2016



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		1  <b>6:30pm Philoptochos Board Meeting</b>	2 FAST DAY  <b>10:00am Adult Bible Study</b>  <b>7:00pm Strategic Plan Info. Meeting</b>	3 <b>6:30am Men's Bible Study</b>  <i>Agape Daddy &amp; Me</i>  <i>Dynamis Trip to Field Museum</i> <b>4:30pm Greek School</b>	4 FAST DAY	5 <b>8:30am Matins</b>  <b>9:30am Divine Liturgy ~ Satur- day of the Souls</b>  <b>9:30am Greek School</b>  +Sacrament  <b>5:00pm Philoptochos Glendi</b>
6 <b>8:15 am Matins</b>  <b>9:30 am Divine Liturgy</b>  <i>Coffee Connection</i>  <i>Food Pantry Bag Collection</i>	7  <b>4:30pm Greek School</b>  <b>6:30pm Sr. GOYA</b>  <b>7:00pm Divorce Rebuilders</b>	8  <b>7:00pm Newlywed Ministry</b>  <b>7:00pm Cancer Support Meeting</b>	9 FAST DAY  <b>10:00am Adult Bible Study</b>	10 <b>6:30am Men's Bible Study</b>    <b>4:30pm Greek School</b>	11 FAST DAY  <b>Metropolis Winter Camp</b>    <b>6:00pm Faith, Love &amp; Joy</b>	12 <b>8:30am Matins</b>  <b>9:30am Divine Liturgy ~ Holy Ascetics</b>  → <b>9:30am Greek School</b>
13 → <b>8:15 am Matins</b>  <b>9:30 am Divine Liturgy</b>  <i>Coffee Connection</i>  <i>Church School Festival of Faith</i>  <b>7:00pm Forgiveness Vespers</b>	14 FAST DAY <b>Great Lent Begins</b>  <b>4:30pm Greek School</b>  <b>6:00pm Compline</b>  <b>7:00pm Jr. GOYA (after Compline)</b>	15 FAST DAY	16 FAST DAY  <b>10:00am Adult Bible Study</b>    <b>5:00pm 9th Hour and Presanctified Liturgy</b>	17 FAST DAY <b>6:30am Men's Bible Study</b>  <b>4:30pm Greek School</b>  <b>6:30pm Sr. GOYA Coffee Talk</b>	18 FAST DAY      <b>7:00pm Salutations</b>	19 FAST DAY <b>8:30am Matins</b>  <b>9:30am Divine Liturgy ~ St. Theodore and Miracle of Kollyva</b>  <b>9:30am Greek School</b>  <b>11:00am Jr/Sr. GOYA Outreach Project</b>
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