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Sunday of the Holy Cross, March 19, 2017

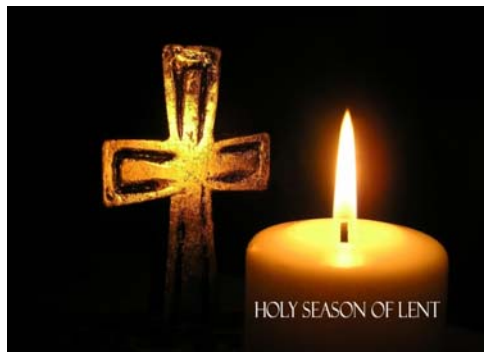
WEEKDAY SERVICES - Καθημερινές Λειτουργίες:

Every Thursday Paraklesis to the Panagia Gorgoepikoos — 6:00 PM

Pre-Sanctified Liturgy — Wednesday, March 22, 2017 at - 6:00 PM St Demetrios, Weston(Lenten meal to follow) Complete schedule enclosed.

Heretismoi - 7:00PM Friday evenings March 24th, & 31st the Akathist Hymn

Annunciation of the Virgin Mary - Sat., March 25th, Orthos 8:45 Liturgy 9:45AM



HYMNS OF THE DAY

Resurrectional Apolytikion in the Plagal Second Mode: O Christ, the angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the guards were as dead, and Mary stood by the sepulcher, seeking Your sacred body. You destroyed Hades yet remained untouched by it. You encountered the Virgin and through her, bestowed Life. Glory to You who has risen from the dead!

Ἄγγελικαὶ Δυνάμεις ἐπὶ τὸ μνήμᾳ σου, καὶ οἱ φυλάσσοντες ἀπενεκρώθησαν, καὶ ἴστατο Μαρία ἐν τῷ τάφῳ, ζητοῦσα τὸ ἄχραντόν σου σῶμα. Ἐσκύλευσας τὸν Ἄδην, μὴ πειρασθεὶς ὑπ' αὐτοῦ, ὑπήνησας τῇ Παρθένῳ, δωρούμενος τὴν ζωὴν, ὁ ἀναστάς ἐκ τῶν νεκρῶν, Κύριε δόξα σοι.

Apolytikion for Sun. of the Holy Cross in the First Mode: Lord, save Your people and bless Your inheritance, granting our rulers to prevail over adversaries, and protecting Your commonwealth by Your Cross.

Σώσον Κύριε τὸν λαόν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου, νίκας τοῖς Βασιλεύσι κατὰ βαρβάρων δωρούμενος καὶ τὸ σὸν φυλάττων διὰ τοῦ Σταυροῦ σου πολίτευμα.

Seasonal Kontakion in the Plagal Fourth Mode: To you, Theotokos, invincible Defender, having been delivered from peril, I, your city, dedicate the victory festival as a thank offering. In your irresistible might, keep me safe from all trials, that I may call out to you: "Hail, unwedded bride!"

Τὴ ὑπερμάχῳ στρατηγῷ τὰ νικητήρια, ὡς λυτρωθεῖσα τῶν δεινῶν εὐχαριστήρια, ἀναγράφῳ σοὶ ἡ Πόλις σου Θεοτόκε, Ἄλλ' ὡς ἔχουσα τὸ κράτος ἀπροσμάχητον, ἐκ παντοίων μὲ κινδύνων ἐλευθέρωσον, ἵνα κράζω σοί, Χαῖρε νύμφη ἀνύμφευτε.

Receiving Holy Communion - We welcome to this celebration of the Divine Liturgy those Christians who are from other Christian Denominations and who are not fully united with us. Sadly, it is a consequence of the divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend to you an invitation to receive Holy Communion. Orthodox Christians believe that the Eucharist is the work or action of the celebrating community signifying a oneness of faith, life, and worship of the believing community. Reception of Holy Communion by Christians not fully united with us would imply a oneness which does not yet exist, and for which we must pray. **However, all present** are welcome to partake of the Antidoro (blessed bread) which is distributed at the end of the Liturgy Service.

EPISTLE READING

Prokeimenon. Plagal Second Mode. Psalm 27.9,1.

O Lord, save your people and bless your inheritance.

Verse: To you, O Lord, I have cried, O my God.

The reading is from St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:1-6.

BRETHREN, since we have a high priest who has passed through the heavens, Jesus, the Son of God, let us hold fast our confession. For we have not a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weaknesses, but one who in every respect has been tempted as we are, yet without sin. Let us then with confidence draw near to the throne of grace, that we may receive mercy and find grace to help in time of need. For every high priest chosen from among men is appointed to act on behalf of men in relation to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He can deal gently with the ignorant and wayward, since he himself is beset with weakness. Because of this he is bound to offer sacrifice for his own sins as well as for those of the people. And one does not take the honor upon himself, but he is called by God, just as Aaron was. So also Christ did not exalt himself to be made a high priest, but was appointed by him who said to him, "Thou art my Son, today I have begotten thee"; as he says also in another place, "Thou art a priest for ever, after the order of Melchizedek."

Προκείμενον. Plagal Second Mode. ΨΑΛΜΟΙ 27.9,1.

Σῶσον, Κύριε τὸν λαὸν σου καὶ εὐλόγησον τὴν κληρονομίαν σου.

Στίχ. Πρὸς σέ, Κύριε, κεκράξομαι ὁ Θεός μου.

τὸ Ἀνάγνωσμα Πρὸς Ἑβραίους 4:14-16, 5:1-6.

Ἀδελφοί, ἔχοντες οὖν ἀρχιερέα μέγαν, διεληλυθότα τοὺς οὐρανοὺς, Ἰησοῦν τὸν υἱὸν τοῦ θεοῦ, κρατῶμεν τῆς ὁμολογίας. Οὐ γὰρ ἔχομεν ἀρχιερέα μὴ δυνάμενον συμπαθεῖσαι ταῖς ἀσθενείαις ἡμῶν, πεπειραμένον δὲ κατὰ πάντα καθ' ὁμοιότητα, χωρὶς ἁμαρτίας. Προσερχώμεθα οὖν μετὰ παρρησίας τῷ θρόνῳ τῆς χάριτος, ἵνα λάβωμεν ἔλεον, καὶ χάριν εὐρωμεν εἰς εὐκαιρον βοήθειαν. Πᾶς γὰρ ἀρχιερεὺς, ἐξ ἀνθρώπων λαμβανόμενος, ὑπὲρ ἀνθρώπων καθίσταται τὰ πρὸς τὸν θεόν, ἵνα προσφέρῃ δῶρά τε καὶ θυσίας ὑπὲρ ἁμαρτιῶν· μετριοπαθεῖν δυνάμενος τοῖς ἀγνοοῦσιν καὶ πλανωμένοις, ἐπεὶ καὶ αὐτὸς περικείται ἀσθένειαν· καὶ διὰ ταύτην ὀφείλει, καθὼς περὶ τοῦ λαοῦ, οὕτως καὶ περὶ ἑαυτοῦ, προσφέρειν ὑπὲρ ἁμαρτιῶν. Καὶ οὐχ ἑαυτῷ τις λαμβάνει τὴν τιμὴν, ἀλλὰ καλούμενος ὑπὸ τοῦ θεοῦ, καθάπερ καὶ Ἀαρῶν. Οὕτως καὶ ὁ Χριστὸς οὐχ ἑαυτὸν ἐδόξασεν γενεθῆναι ἀρχιερέα, ἀλλ' ὁ λαλήσας πρὸς αὐτόν, Υἱός μου εἶ σύ, ἐγὼ σήμερον γεγέννηκά σε. Καθὼς καὶ ἐν ἐτέρῳ λέγει, Σὺ ἱερεὺς εἰς τὸν αἰῶνα κατὰ τὴν τάξιν Μελχισεδέκ.

GOSPEL

Sunday of the Holy Cross

The Reading is from Mark 8:34-38; 9:1

The Lord said: "If anyone wishes to come after me, let him deny himself and take up his cross and follow me. For whoever would save his life will lose it; and whoever loses his life for my sake and the gospel's will save it. For what does it profit a man, to gain the whole world and forfeit his life? For what can a man give in return for his life? For whoever is ashamed of me and my words in this adulterous and sinful generation, of him will the Son of man also be ashamed, when he comes in the glory of his Father with the holy angels." And he said to them, "Truly, I say to you, there are some standing here who will not taste death before they see the kingdom of God come with power."

Κατὰ Μάρκον 8:34-38, 9:1

Εἶπεν ὁ Κύριος· Εἴ τις θέλει ὀπίσω μου ἐλθεῖν, ἀπαρνησάσθω ἑαυτὸν καὶ ἀράτω τὸν σταυρὸν αὐτοῦ, καὶ ἀκολουθείτω μοι. ὃς γὰρ ἂν θέλη τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ σῶσαι, ἀπολέσει αὐτήν· ὃς δ' ἂν ἀπολέσῃ τὴν ἑαυτοῦ ψυχὴν ἕνεκεν ἐμοῦ καὶ τοῦ εὐαγγελίου, οὗτος σώσει αὐτήν. τί γὰρ ὠφελήσει ἄνθρωπον ἂν κερδήσῃ τὸν κόσμον ὅλον, καὶ ζημιωθῇ τὴν ψυχὴν αὐτοῦ; ἢ τί δώσει ἄνθρωπος ἀντάλλαγμα τῆς ψυχῆς αὐτοῦ; ὃς γὰρ ἐὰν ἐπαισχυνθῇ με καὶ τοὺς ἐμοὺς λόγους ἐν τῇ γενεᾷ ταύτῃ τῇ μοιχαλίδι καὶ ἀμαρτωλῷ, καὶ ὁ υἱὸς τοῦ ἀνθρώπου ἐπαισχυνθήσεται αὐτὸν ὅταν ἔλθῃ ἐν τῇ δόξῃ τοῦ πατρὸς αὐτοῦ μετὰ τῶν ἀγγέλων τῶν ἁγίων. Καὶ ἔλεγεν αὐτοῖς· ἀμὴν λέγω ὑμῖν ὅτι εἰσὶ τινες τῶν ὧδε ἐστηκότων, οἵτινες οὐ μὴ γεύσονται θανάτου ἕως ἂν ἴδωσι τὴν βασιλείαν τοῦ Θεοῦ ἐληλυθυῖαν ἐν δυνάμει.

Welcome to all who worship with us this Sunday. *Please join us for coffee fellowship immediately following the Divine Liturgy.*

Memorials:

3 month - *Maria Gizanis*

11 year - *Vasilios Vasiliadis*

May their memory be eternal. Αιώνια η Μνήμη!

Coffee Fellowship is being sponsored by the *Gizanis Family*.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Sunday School - Paschal Food Drive until - April 9th. Students will be collecting food & monetary donations to help the less fortunate.

Greek School - Tues. March 21 (4:00) Thurs, March 23 (4:00) Sat., March 25 (10AM)

Stewardship Seminar - Thursday, March 23, District 9 (Watertown) Parish Leadership Development Seminar at the St. Nectarios Parish, 39 Belgrade Avenue, Roslindale.

6 -7 pm Dinner, 7 pm Keynote Presentation, 8 – 9pm Discussion Groups on the following topics: **Stewardship, Religious Education** (for Sunday School Teachers) **Youth & Young Adult Ministry** (for all parish youth workers), **Finance** (for Parish Council Pres. & Treasurers). ***This Leadership Seminar is for ALL Ministry Leaders of the Parishes of District 9. Please join us!***

Greek Independence Day: Our Greek School will celebrate Greek Independence Day in Metaxas Hall following the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, March 26**. Our children have prepared a beautiful program of poems and songs. Please join us in celebrating the sacrifices made for our independence.

2017 IONIAN VILLAGE SUMMER EXPERIENCE: Session 1: June 24 –July 13, Session 2: July 21 – August 9, 2017 Each session is identical in daily schedule and travel locations, so your camper may choose the session that best fits their summer plans and school schedule. Both sessions are open to campers entering 9th grade in the fall of 2017, through those who will complete the 12th grade in the spring of 2017. **Registration begins March 1st at 12PM.** www.IONIANVILLAGE.ORG

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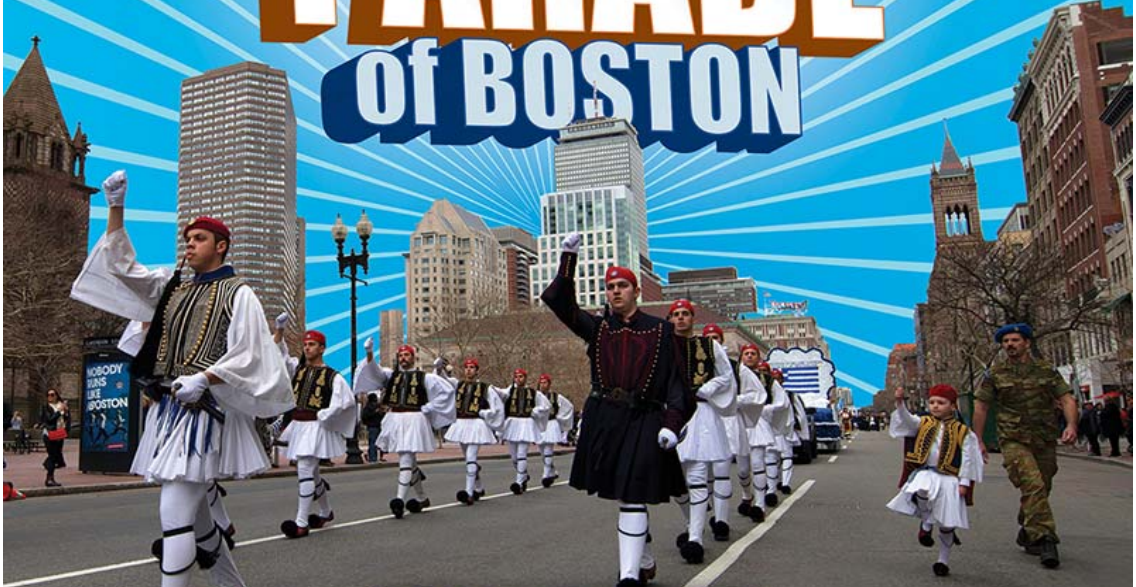
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Lenten Pre-Sanctified Liturgies

“Let my
prayer
rise as



incense
before
You ...

... and the lifting up of my hands, as an evening sacrifice.”

HOLY COMMUNION AND FELLOWSHIP ON THE FOLLOWING DATES:

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Wednesday, March 8 (at Annunciation Cathedral, Brookline)
162 Goddard Avenue, Brookline, MA (6:00 pm – 7:30 pm)

Wednesday, March 22 (at St. Demetrios, Weston)
57 Brown Street, Weston, MA (6:00 pm – 7:30 pm)

Wednesday, April 5 (at Taxiarchae, Watertown)
25 Bigelow Avenue, Watertown, MA (6:00 pm – 7:30 pm)

Following the Pre-Sanctified Liturgy on these days, the host community will offer a Lenten dinner for all in attendance. An informative discussion over dinner on a Lenten theme will also take place. All are invited to join in prayer on these days – young and old alike.



Pre-sanctified Liturgies are here at the Taxiarche Church, Watertown, on March 29th & April 5th at 6:00 PM, with a Lenten potluck meal to

Holy Week and Pascha Flowers

Palm Sunday, April 9 - Pascha, April 16, 2017

Palm Sunday Divine Liturgy

Palms & flowers - \$500

Icon for Palm Sunday flowers - \$75

Palm Sunday Evening

Iconostasis Gate flowers - \$200

Altar Table flowers - \$75

Holy Wednesday

Icon of the Mystical Supper flowers - \$75

Holy Thursday

Icon of the Crucifixion flowers - \$75

Holy Friday

Epitaphio flowers - \$800

Kouvouklion dome flowers - \$300

Icon (Extreme Humility) flowers - \$75

Holy Saturday & Pascha

Bay Leaves & Rose Petals - \$100

Resurrection Banner - \$100

Icon of the Resurrection flowers - \$100

Narthex Resurrection Icon flowers - \$75

Paschal Candle - \$50

Easter Lilies - \$25 each

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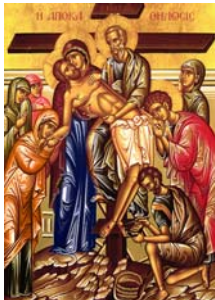
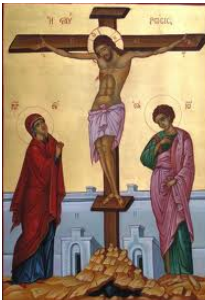
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SCHOLARSHIPS

Calling All High School Seniors & Undergraduate Students 2017 - 2018 Taxiarchae Scholarship Application

Applications for the 2017-18 Academic Year *are now available in the display case right outside the church office, or online at the Taxiarchae website: www.goarchangels.org.*

Applicants or their families must be stewards in good standing of the Taxiarchae/Archangels Church as of December 31, 2016. Eligible applicants must be a graduating high school student that has been accepted to a College, University, or a Professional School; or a College Undergraduate entering their Sophomore, Junior, or Senior year are also eligible to apply. A special scholarship has been established for individuals who are pursuing a career in Nursing.

Scholarship applications MUST be submitted by Wednesday, May 31, 2017 (without exception) to the Church office. The Scholarship Committee members are: Costas Karageorgis, Nick Racheotes, Joy Vlahos, and Patryce Georgopoulos.

Hellenic Women's Club, INC., EOK Scholarship Academic Year 2017-2018 Each award will be \$5,000.00.

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For more information including applications, please visit the website:
www.hellenicwomensclub.org, *Deadline is June 15, 2017.*

The AHEPA Headquarters 2017 National Scholarship

The AHEPA District 8 Scholarship

For the first time our Chapter A406 will offer the “**Fr. Metaxas Scholarship**” on a merit-only basis. It is available to all children & grandchildren of our Taxiarchae Community. Deadline for all applications are **May 1, 2017**. For more information and applications, please call [617-935-1746](tel:617-935-1746) .



Greetings to all members of our Chapter, their families and all of the Taxiarchae community as we go through Lent, celebrating the Salutations, Annunciation, and Greek Independence Day March 25! Happy Name day to **Gerassimos, Cyril, Alexios**, and all whose Saints are commemorated in March.

Harris J. Booras
Chapter #406

AHEPA celebrates its **95th** year as the main Greek-American organization with Chapters in the US, Canada, Europe and elsewhere. It has maintained an ever-present profile, always ready to send aid whenever a disaster hits people all over the globe. We maintain good relations with the US Government and Congress (via the Greek Caucus) in our effort to project our Hellenic values and ideals which have formed the basis of our Western Civilization.

We are fast approaching our goal of **\$1M** for the **St. Nicholas National Shrine** with many Chapters and Communities donating \$10K or more. We continue to send aid for Feeding the Children of Greece. A Philhellene recently donated **\$1.25M** in support of the AHEPA Hospital in Salonika which has many needs due to the economic crisis. This is just an example in a series of many over our 75 years.

AHEPA HQ is offering again the **2017 National Scholarships. AHEPA District 8 Scholarship** forms also are available. **PLEASE NOTE:** Locally, our chapter A406 will offer for the first time our own **Fr. Metaxas Scholarship** on a merit-only basis, available to children/grandchildren of all members of the Taxiarchae community. Deadline for all applications is **May 1**. For information and applications, call [617-935-1746](tel:617-935-1746).

Our next Chapter Meeting will be held on March 9, 2017 in the Atrium of the Taxiarchae Hellenic Cultural Center. The Social gathering with refreshments will start at 7 PM followed by the regular meeting at 7:30 PM. The agenda will include:

- Discussion of results/actions taken at the District 8 Workshop & for the Tri-District Convention of May 5-7th.
- Processing of membership applications, as submitted. Dissemination of many more applications locally!
- Officers' reports
- Plans by committees on upcoming activities (Greek Independence Day, AHEPA Day event, District 8 business, Fr. Metaxas Scholarship applications, book awards to Greek School graduates, etc.)
- Remarks by District and Supreme officers, if present.
- Plans for new activities and other discussions and proposals for the benefit of the Order of AHEPA

Please attend this meeting, we have many items to discuss! Thanks to all who sent their Membership Dues for the Year 2017 by February 28! You may win in the June drawing and your dues will be reimbursed! (A new incentive!) As we approach our **100 years (Centennial in 2022)** please recruit friends, family members and members of the Taxiarchae Community who may be interested in joining our AHEPA chapter. We need new innovative ideas to sustain and expand our chapter membership and continue our proud work for the next 100 years!

Tavli / Backgammon continue on Fridays at the Atrium (or alternate location), 10:00 AM to 1:00

Fraternally, **Constantine B.Lagos, Treasurer /email communications** (covering for ailing Secretary Athanasios Vulgaropoulos

Please let us know if a brother is sick or in need. Contact President John Abate or any officer listed below:

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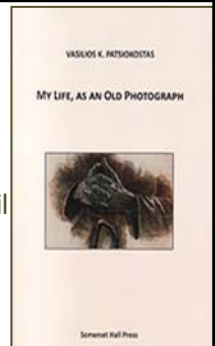
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