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Clergy Laity Congress 2002

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To the Most Reverend Hierarchs, the Reverend Priests and Deacons, the Monks and Nuns, the Presidents and Members of the Parish Councils of the Greek Orthodox Communities, the Day and Afternoon Schools, the Philoptochos Sisterhoods, the Youth, the Hellenic Organizations, and the entire Greek Orthodox Family in America

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I greet you in the anticipation of our celebration of the sacred and glorious feast of Pascha, asking for our Lord's continuous blessings of strength and grace as you prepare for the Day of Resurrection through prayer, worship services, fasting, and ministry to those in need.

During this time, preparations are also being made for the meeting of our Biennial Clergy Laity Congress to be held in Los Angeles, June 30 – July 5. This gathering of the faithful from throughout America takes on particular significance in light of the events of this past year. We are reminded on a daily basis that our world is in a time of crisis with tremendous challenges to be overcome and needs to be met. But we also must be aware of the tremendous resources and opportunities we have as Orthodox Christians, not only to assist in addressing critical issues, but also in offering the transforming power of our faith in Jesus Christ. It is this faith, combined with hope and love that will heal relationships and restore peace.

Due to the necessity of Offering Our Orthodox Faith to Contemporary America, the theme of our Congress, and by extension to the commission we have to offer our faith throughout the world, we ask for full participation of the clergy and laity of our Holy Archdiocese in this vital meeting. In being together in one mind, one body, and one heart, we manifest our unyielding commitment to Christ and the work of His Church, and we affirm our unquenchable desire to offer the gift of faith and salvation.

Please let all our parishes enthusiastically participate in the Clergy Laity Congress in Los Angeles and affirm that this will be seminal event, an inauguration of an intense effort to offer to all people what has been given to us by God.

With paternal love in Christ and warm wishes for a blessed Pascha,

†DEMETRIOS

Archbishop of America

We extend our warmest wishes to the following graduates of 2002

High School

John Bicos – San Marino High School
Nick Buzas – San Marino High School
Andrew Duncan – San Marino High School
Ana Marie Efstathiou – Sacred Heart Academy
Daniel Fine – Arcadia High School
Georgia Kefallinos – San Marino High School
Samantha Malisos – La Salle High School

Graduates from Universities

Athanasios Nenes – Ph.D. from California Institute of Technology
Nikole Kitsa Varvitsiotis – Bachelor of Arts in Religious Studies
& Anthropology from the University of California, Berkeley.

Promotion Sunday

Our Sunday School Teachers were recognized by Father Mylonas at the end of the Divine Liturgy on June 9, 2002. Irene Albeck and her family were also recognized in a special way. Father Stathis presented Irene with a hand-painted icon of Jesus Christ. The icon was a masterful work of the iconographer Leto Kofokotiou from Panorama, Thessoloniki, Greece.

The names of our dedicated teachers are: Ann Rouman – Nursery, Sophia Kypreos – Pre-School 3 and 4 year olds, Margaret Vagenas – Kindergarten and 1st grade, Mrs. Angie Stavros – 2nd and 3rd grade, Jenny Tsouvalas – 4th and 5th grade, Maria Grover – 4th and 5th grade, Dena Tripodes – 6th, 7th, and 8th grade, George Kypreos – 6th, 7th, and 8th grade, Bill Tragus – High School, Judy Christopoulos – High School.

**Troparion of the Feast day of
St. Anthony – January 17**

O Father Anthony, you imitated the zealous Elijah. You followed the straight paths of the Baptist and became a desert dweller. By prayer you confirmed the universe. Wherefore, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls.

**Greek Orthodox Archdiocese
Video news Magazine**

“Illuminations,” the first edition of a quarterly video magazine should be ready to be sent directly to dioceses and parishes by the end of May. The magazine will offer an up close look at the work and ministry of parishes, dioceses and the Archdiocese and show how hierarchs, priests and laity are making a difference in the lives of others. For more information, e-mail at communications@goarch.org

General Assembly

June 9th at 5:30 p.m. in the Church hall. A light dinner will be served.

Please come and support our beloved St. Anthony’s Church community

**Christos M. Cotsakos Announces
One Million dollar gift to Hellenic
College/Holy Cross at May 18th
Commencement Ceremonies.**

During commencement ceremonies Saturday, May 18th, at Hellenic College/ Holy Cross Greek Orthodox of Theology in Brookline, MA., Dr. Christos Cotsakos, chairman and CEO of E*Trade Group, offered one million dollars for the continued work and growth of the school. The gift was announced by Dr. Cotsakos at the conclusion of his commencement address which followed the conferral of an Honorary Doctor of Humanities degree from Hellenic College.

Philo托chos

Board Meeting: Wednesday, June 12 at 7:30 p.m.

End of the Year Dinner Meeting: Wednesday, June 26 at Beckham Grill at 7:00 p.m.

Clergy-Laity Conference: June 30 – July 4, 2002. Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles.

Board Meeting: Wednesday, September 11, 2002 at 7:30 p.m.

Pot Luck Dinner Meeting: Monday, September 30 at 7:00 p.m. Location to be announced.

PHILOTOCHOS BOARD

MEETINGS are scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month, and **GENERAL MEETINGS** are schedule on the fourth Wednesday of the month, except during lent when meetings are rescheduled on Tuesdays. Please join us and learn how our chapter helps our Church and community. All Orthodox women are welcome to become members.

Coffee Hour – If you are interested in hosting the coffee hour after Church. Please contact Katherine Skandale at (818) 790 – 5028. Remember, your donations for the coffee hour help our Church. Many beautiful items for the altar have been purchased with your coffee hour donations.

**36 Biennial Clergy Laity
Grand Banquet**

His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios of America and His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony of the Dardanelles cordially invite you to the 36th Biennial Clergy Laity Congress Grand Banquet. The banquet will be Celebrating American Independence Day and the 2002 Congress theme *“Offering Our Orthodox Faith to Contemporary America.”* The Grand Banquet is Thursday, July 4th, 2002. Reception, 6:30 p.m. – Dinner, 7:30 p.m. Location is the Westin Bonaventure Hotel, Los Angeles. Tickets: \$150 Checks payable to 36th Clergy Laity Congress. Send to: 722 Knob Hill Redondo Beach, CA 90277. R.S.V.P. by June 20th Call (310) 353 – 6661.

Vacation Bible School

July 29 – August 2, 2002 at St. Anthony’s Church. It will be an opportunity for your child to learn more about our Orthodox faith, bond with other Orthodox friends through art projects, music and fun activities. For more information, call St.

Anthony's Church or Esther Vavoulis at (818) 790 – 3395 or Irene Albeck at (626) 792 – 8122.

Sunday School Schedule

Promotion Sunday: June 9th, 2002. Students will go to classrooms at 10:00 a.m. and then attend Divine Liturgy with their class.

GOYA Summer 2002

GOYA Beach Outing: June 2nd following the Graduation Luncheon. We will leave for the beach after the graduation luncheon. We will eat lunch and then get on our way and return in the early evening. Please bring clothes to change into and money for food. For more info, call Bill Tragus at the Church.

YAL Fellowship

June 7 – June 9th: St. Anthony's **Young Adult Retreat** at St. Sophia Camp. For more info, call Billy Tragus.

20th Anniversary National YAL Conference

“Offering our Orthodox Faith to Contemporary America” This year's conference will be in Los Angeles from June 27 – July 1, 2002. There will be a unique track of workshops specifically for “College & Career” young adults, ages 18 – 30. An additional “Leadership” track will be offered for young adults over 30 to better prepare them for service in Church Leadership. For more info, www.yal.org

AHEPA

June 4th: AHEPA Meeting at 7:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's upstairs in the AHEPA Meeting room.

June 20 – 23: AHEPA District Convention in La Jolla, CA. A “*golf tournament*” will take place on Thursday, June 20th. A “*Business Networking Workshop*” will take place on Friday, June 21st between 4:00 – 6:00 p.m. at the La Jolla Marriott. Contact Dean Tripodes at

(626) 792 – 9400 for more information. Check the AHEPA website at www.ahepa20.org

July 17 – 20: AHEPA National Convention at the New York Hilton. For more information, call Steve Tripodes at (626) 449 – 0966.

Philanthropia Ministry

The Philanthropia Ministry is a HIV/AIDS & Hospital Ministry. They have a newsletter that goes out to its supporters which includes letters, sermons and information about their ministry. To receive the Philanthropia Ministry newsletter and support their work, contact Father Peter Lambert: (818) 345 – 4724 or check out the website: [Http://hometown.aol.com/philanthropiamin](http://hometown.aol.com/philanthropiamin)

Rummage Sale

Friday & Saturday, July 12 & 13: A rummage sale will be held at the St. Anthony's Hellenic Community center. The hours for the sale are: **Friday, July 12, 2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. and Saturday, July 13,**

2002 from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. St. Anthony VIP's will conduct the sale and its proceeds will benefit our Church. Please consider saving and donating useful and workable items in good condition for this event.

Where to bring rummage sale items: Please bring your items and place them on the stage behind the curtain.

St. Anthony's VIPs

Regular Meeting: Tuesday, June 11, 2002 at 9:30 a.m. at St. Anthony's Community center.

Potluck Dinner: Friday, June 7, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. To be held at St. Anthony's Hellenic Community Center. If you plan to attend the Potluck Dinner and haven't already specified what you will bring, please contact one of the members listed below. Non-members will pay \$3.00 per person for potluck dinner. **Ted Kapenekas:** (909) 596 – 5720 **Katherine Skandale:** (818) 790 - 5028

**Ethnic Food Festival
Holy Virgin Mary Cathedral**

Sunday, June 30th, 2002 from 11:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m. after Divine Liturgy at Holy Virgin Mary Cathedral. 650 Micheltorena Street, Los Angeles. Phone (626) 666 – 4977.

South Bay Greek Festival

July 12, 13 & 14, 2002: St. Katherine's Greek Festival will be at 722 Knob Hill, Redondo Beach. The event will once again be held on the Church grounds. There is plenty of free parking. Please visit their web site at: www.sbgreekfestival.com or call the Church at (310) 540 –2434.

Golden Anniversary Concert

Sunday, April 21, 2002 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Sophia Cathedral featuring The Russian Orthodox Choir of Los Angeles, Vera Gor, Director. For info and reservations call (323) 737 - 2424

**Grecian Festival
Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary**

Grecian Festival by the sea on the Church grounds in Long Beach. Labor Day Weekend – Aug. 31st, Sept 1st & 2nd, 2002. 5761 E. Colorado St., Long Beach. Phone: (562) 494 - 8929

**ZOE
An Orthodox Christian Initiative**

The mission of “Zoe” is to help women who need emotional and spiritual support during crisis pregnancies; to provide confidential access to existing professional agencies; to connect interested women with potential adoptive Orthodox Christian families. Hotline number (877) 436 – LIFE (5433) or call their office at (440) 893 – 9990. E-mail is: www.zoeforlifeonline.org

Icon Painting Workshop

June 8 – July 13 at St. Mark Antiochian Orthodox Church of Irvine. Previous artistic experience is not

necessary. Beginner and advanced students welcome. Call (949) 888 – 9098 or e-mail at: rsm@usa.com

Orthodox Marriage Encounter

Take a Fresh Look at your Marriage. June 7 – 9, 2002 - San Jose/Silicon Valley. September 27 – 29, 2002 – Southern California. Contact Father Jim Pappas at St. George Greek Orthodox Church (559) 233 - 0397

**Hellenic Enlightening
Educational ARTS
Kick-off Fundraising Event**

Saturday, June 8, 2002 at 6:00 p.m. at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church. Advance Purchase \$45 for adults and \$20 for children. For more info call Paraskevi Contos (562) 547 – 6271 or e-mail at: PARASKEVI_C@YAHOO.COM

**St. Sophia Camp Alumni & Family
Camp Weekender**

July 5 – 7, 2002 at St. Sophia Camp. Come relive old memories, make new,

visit with old friends and make new acquaintances in the peaceful and beautiful setting of St. Sophia Camp. Bring your family and friends. Contact Demetre Garpikes at (562) 404 – 4779 or (714) 974 – 1074.

St. Sophia Summer Camp

Come and enjoy the Greek Orthodox camping program at St. Sophia Camp. Campers are from 2nd to 12th grade. 1st week – July 13, 2nd week – July 20, 3rd week – July 27, 4th week August 3. Call St. Sophia at (323) 737 – 2424 or web site at: www.stsophiacamp.org

St. Nicholas Ranch Summer Camp

“Finding our Direction in Christ”
St. Nicholas Summer Camp program will have two weeks this year. July 14 – 20 and July 21 – 27. The weeks will fun and full of adventure, including swimming, hiking, crafts, campfires, sing-a-longs, and much more. For more info call Mike Tervo at: (559) 338 – 2103.



Ἄπολυτίκιον.

Εὐλογητός εἶ, Χριστέ ὁ Θεός ἡμῶν, ὁ πανσόφους τοὺς ἁγίους
ἀναδείξας, καταπέμψας αὐτοῖς τὸ Πνεῦμα τὸ ἅγιον, καὶ
δι' αὐτῶν τὴν οἰκουμένην σαγηνεύσας, Φιλάνθρωπε, δόξα σοι.

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