Beloved Brothers and Sisters in the Lord,

One of the most neglected sacraments of our time is that of Exomologisis, Confession. Confession is one of the Seven Sacraments of our Church and has existed as part of our Christian Tradition from the very beginnings of the Christian Church.

In the Epistle of St. Iakovos (James), who was chosen as the first head of the Church in Jerusalem (probably written about 61 AD) St. James writes these words: Therefore, confess your sins to one another, and pray for one another, that you may be healed.

Isn’t it interesting how the early church thought of sin? They thought of it not in the terms that we often think of it now, as a moral fault or failing worthy of swift condemnation, but rather they considered it a symptom of spiritual illness. Sin can be seen as something that separates us from God, but it can also be seen as the result of our separation from God. Or, to put it a different way, our sinful actions are often symptomatic of our own spiritual illness. And the job of the Church is to HEAL that illness.

So, it is not in accordance to our Christian nature to condemn sinners but to heal them! In the mind of the Church, it is THE SINNER whom God came to save! Christ said very clearly to the Pharisees, I came to not to call the righteous, but the sinners to repentance! Christ takes on our sinful human nature to repair it, to heal it, even at its deepest root, at the root of the will and of the heart.

Christ leaves the 99 sheep to seek out the one who is lost. He rejoices over the returning prodigal, the repentant harlot who turns away from sin, the tax collector who returns the wealth he has wrongly obtained, and the Apostle who laments his thrice denial. Repentance, then, is not so much the pouring forth of sorrow for our sinful actions (which it most certainly can be!) as it is the JOYFUL EMBRACE of the one who FORGIVES US!

The Holy Church, then, can speak in a way that the rest of the world outside the embrace of the Church finds absurd and even offensive, we speak unashamedly of the EROS OF REPENTANCE! For us, it is the greatest JOY to repent because while we may enter the sacrament of confession feeling dejected and ashamed, we leave the same sacrament feeling elevated, joyful and most importantly FORGIVEN!

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Council Report

COVID-19/Coronavirus Containment

Actions

Our church facility remains closed to all ministry groups at the direction of the Metropolis.

Parishioners are able to schedule one-on-one appointments with Father Paul or Father Michael as needed.

For Divine Liturgy, the check-in remains present at the Administration Lobby entry. The protocol of temperature check, masks and social distancing in the church also stays in place.

Catered events are managed separately from Church events by Ernie’s Catering and are subject to the State of Michigan executive orders plus any Oakland County orders. All catered events require masks and social distancing.

Stewardship 2021

The committee consists of Father Paul and Father Michael along with parishioners Niko Parks, Katie Chaka, George Mortis, Terry Zangkas and Tina Souphis as well as Council members Stephen Karniotis, Pat Crosson, Kaethe Economos, Paula Kalevas and Pete Michalakis. The group meets every other Thursday via Zoom. Keep an eye out for communications and letters very soon.

Facilities Update

One of our 8.5-ton HVAC units in the Event Center must be replaced and the Council recently approved a Motion to do so, at a cost not to exceed $12,000. Monies for this replacement would come from the parish Building Fund.

YAL

St. Nicholas YAL has been busy! We made Valentine’s Day kits on Saturday, February 13, and distributed them to church members after liturgy on February 14! Also, we spent two weekends in February volunteering with FOCUS Detroit to prepare meals and distribute them in the community.

We are also excited to announce Outfitted for Good, a new initiative in partnership with FOCUS Detroit. We look forward to working more with FOCUS in the future! If you or someone you know may be interested in joining the group, please reach out to YAL@stnicholastroy.org!

Announcements

Baptism

February 13, 2021

Athina Irene Papasifakis
Daughter of Nicholas & Sarah Papasifakis
Godparents are Nicholas & Amanda Lionas

AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP

Applications for graduating high school seniors and university level (sophomore through professional graduate school) are available online www.ahepadistrict10.org and then select Educational Foundation. The AHEPA Scholarship deadline is April 1, 2021.

Anyone who needs assistance please call Milton Gust at 248-689-4156.

YOUTH PROTECTION TRAINING

The Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, is requiring and mandating that all youth workers will have access to Praesidium’s online abuse prevention training and screening packages using the Armatus® Learn to Protect System. The training session/videos needs to be completed every year and the background check every two years. You will be receiving reminder emails from them indicating their records show that you have previously completed training in the past and are due for additional abuse prevention training in Praesidium’s Armatus Learn to Protect System. You will need to log in at http://praesidiuminc.com/login to see your updated requirements. If you cannot remember your password, please click the link on the login screen to reset your password. The Praesidium Support Team is also available to help you log in or connect with your organization. Please feel free to reach out to them at support@praesidiuminc.com.

Thank you for your continued dedication and commitment to a safe environment!
AHEPA Chapter 40 News

The Officers and Members of the AHEPA Alpha Chapter 40 wish that you are healthy and safe. AHEPA is committed to preserve and promote the principles of Hellenism, Philanthropy, Education, and Civic Responsibility. Now more than ever we must continue to defend these ancient Hellenic ideals for our youth and preserve our heritage.

The AHEPA Chapter 40 is one of the first chapters organized in Michigan and has been very active helping the needs of the St. Nicholas Church and the local Philoptochos organization. In addition, it has offered Educational Scholarships to qualified students and started a $30,000 endowment fund with the Educational Foundation that will offer Scholarships annually in perpetuity.

The AHEPA Chapter 40 has meetings scheduled in the St. Nicholas cultural center except currently via Zoom due to pandemic restrictions. We will be very happy to see you join the local AHEPA Chapter 40. For more information contact the president Tony Manolias at tmanolias@comcast.net or at 248-890-4700.

DAUGHTERS OF PENELLOPE

DOP Winter Fundraiser

Shop with Maple Craft Foods and help us achieve our goal of raising $1,500 for our chapter student scholarship, presented at the District Convention in May

SHOP ONLINE ✶ HELP A STUDENT

- Visit the Maple Foods online store: https://maplecraftfoods.com/pages/daughters-of-penelope
- Click “SHOP NOW”
- Choose your items
- Check out and enter “DOP” as the fundraiser code

G.O.Y.A.

This past month, G.O.Y.A. collected the blankets that were made at home! We delivered them to various hospitals and organizations. We also collected sandwiches and donated them to our usual program! We plan to make sandwiches again this month! As always, please be alert for any future messages from us regarding possible events that are to take place!

METROPOLIS of DETROIT SUMMER CAMP (MDSC)

Camper registration opens on March 15! We are moving forward with hope and a mission to gather safely in Rose City for the 2021 camp season, but also working on a backup plan should our circumstances change. We welcome registration for campers entering grades 3-11 for Weeks 1-5 and entering grade 12 or first year of college for Week Zero. Note, our capacity will be adjusted this season, so don’t wait to register! Staff positions are also available for ages 17 and older. Please visit www.gomdsc.org to register and learn more about our camp programs or call us at 248-909-6372 for more information. See page 13 for the flyer.
Such is our inheritance in Christ! He came to save sinners! Of whom I am the first! These are the words of St. Paul, but they are also our words at every Divine Liturgy as we prepare for the Holy Eucharist (Holy Communion).

With every acknowledgement of our own sin, ESPECIALLY IN THE SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION, comes that most beautiful opportunity to know the joy of unconditional love once again. That is what makes the Sacrament of Holy Confession so sweet! And why the Holy Church speaks of it as an EROS! We experience the love of God and it is so beautiful and so restorative and so gladsome that we hesitate to do anything again that might offend God’s perfect love towards us. Why offend the one who loves us so completely?

Isn’t this a better way to think about repentance than to think of it as some sort of encounter with a judge and a jury? Or do we imagine that God continues to keep the long list of our sins never wishing to expunge even one unless we grovel? God did the “groveling” for us when He as a man ascended the Cross for us. NO humility, NO humiliation was ever greater than that.

We are now in the season of the Triodion. We begin our repentance with joy as we anticipate both the pains and the joys of our repentance. Let us run all the more quickly towards the Sacrament of Confession knowing that in our repentance comes the most beautiful thing there is on earth, reconciliation with God, the endlessly loving embrace of God for our ailing humanity.

I, together with Father Michael, wish you a blessed Triodion and a joyful road towards deeper love for Christ and His All-Glorious Pascha.

Fr. Paul A. Patitsas
OPA! DANCING 2021

As we continue to navigate the COVID-19 pandemic, we are cautiously optimistic about moving forward with hope and safety that we will be able to have OPA!

Dancing 2021, not sure what the format will be, but working on a backup plan should our circumstances need to change. Please stay tuned in the next few weeks for more details.

CAREFUL IN THE NARTHEX!

Though we might be all tired of COVID-19 safety measures, it is still important ESPECIALLY IN THE NARTHEX that we maintain social distancing, wear our masks correctly, and keep our conversation to a minimum. Please arrange to socialize outside the church whether in the parking lot or your homes, but in church please respect safety measures that are in place. For more information related to our COVID-19 protocols and procedures please visit our website.

~Thank you for your support and cooperation.

Y.A.L Partnership with FOCUS

St. Nicholas’ YAL have partnered with FOCUS Detroit to help create and shape a new outreach initiative called "Outfitted for Good" (OFG). OFG serves as a food pantry and clothing closet out of a shipping container on the property of Oasis of Hope in downtown Detroit. We will be creating a “spot” for those in need in the downtown Detroit region that in essence serves a one-stop shop. It offers access to basic necessities, such as food, clean and presentable clothing, and hygiene products, as well as serves as a neighborhood staple, focused on cultivating, enriching, and positively shaping the local community and youth. We hope to have workshops for the youth, neighborhood block parties in the summer, and to overall create a centralized place of hope and support. Our purpose is to serve existing needs and fill the gaps that exist while collaborating with existing outreach ministries, community partners, and existing nonprofit agencies. The COVID-19 pandemic has made the need even greater and access to these ministries more difficult.

Our vision is to expand into a mobile ministry, wherein we can then stretch the outreach of our ministry across the state. Being mobile, we can access and reach various different locations and neighborhoods and ensure that those who are unable to reach essential services due to lack of transportation or other reasons, can have a way to access these resources. We are turning the tables; instead of them reaching out, we are coming to them.

If you have any questions or would like to get involved, please contact Fotini Michalakis.

~Thank you for your support and cooperation.
Philoptochos

Philoptochos has started 2021 with a busy agenda to fulfill our mission to serve others with love and compassion. We started the year by putting into action the National Philoptochos’ new initiative – the #KindnessCounts campaign – which aims to spread kindness through philanthropy, fellowship, and faith in action. In January, we held our annual Vasilopita Luncheon “to-go,” with the proceeds from the luncheon going to the Saint Basil Academy, which provides a safe haven and home for Orthodox children. With the luncheon proceeds, as well as donations from our organizations, parishioners, and an additional donation from our budget, Philoptochos donated $5,000 to St. Basil’s. Thank you for your support!

January also marked the beginning of Human Trafficking Awareness Month. Around the country, and right here in Michigan, men, women and children are forced into prostitution, domestic servitude, and other labor for little or no pay. Human trafficking is a modern-day form of slavery and is a large and growing criminal industry worldwide. To do our part in raising awareness, our Philoptochos Chapter partnered with Sanctum House, a Michigan non-profit that runs a two-year residential program for female survivors of human trafficking. The program offers a safe environment for the women while they work towards a life of transformation in body, mind, and spirit. Our Philoptochos members prepared a Valentine’s Day bag for each of the women in the residential program, which included items from their “wish list.” Our Sunday school children even made Valentine’s Day cards that we included in the gift bags. We also organized a parish-wide collection drive for household items for the facility. We cannot thank you enough for helping us spread love and compassion to these survivors while they embark on a journey towards recovery with courage and conviction!

And while January and February have been busy months for Philoptochos, we are not stopping! We have many events planned for March:

- **March 7:** Meatfare Sunday Spaghetti Lunch “to-go.” $15 per lunch – Order and pay online at the St. Nick’s website.

- **March 14:** Fasolatha “to-go.” $10 per lunch – Order and pay online at the St. Nick’s website.

- **March 31:** Discussion with Fr. Samaras, from the Saints Constantine and Helen parish of West Nyak, NJ, will address the legacy of Saint Basil the Great, emphasizing the city of Nea Caesaria that he established through his unique intelligent compassion. Raised for a part of his youth at our Saint Basil’s Academy, with a mature and tender focus, Father Samaras will relate his experiences there, and that of being the adopted son of His Grace Bishop Kallistos of Zelon. Philoptochos will provide take-away bags with a Lenten snack for all attendees.

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**Receiving Communications via Email - Keeping in Touch With Your Church!**

Interested in receiving the Weekly Church Bulletin and other communications from the church via email? We have a solution!

Please contact the church office at (248) 362-9575 or email the office at Office@StNicholasTroy.org and we will add you to our email distribution list.

It’s that simple. Once set up, you can receive the Church Bulletin the Friday before as well as any communication the church sends out electronically.

But please note: If you unsubscribe for any reason, your email address will be removed and will need to contact the church to add your email address again.
January 2021

Dear Philoptochos Members,

We hope this letter finds you and your family safe and well.

The past year has been one most of us have never experienced before, and one none of us will ever forget. We hope and pray Covid-19 has avoided your families, knowing all too well we have all been affected in many ways, most noticeably not seeing one another at church on Sundays or at monthly meetings.

This year, more than ever, Philoptochos has been called to help those in need. So many in our community: our city, the Metro area, and the state of Michigan, have found themselves in situations beyond their control. Thankfully, we have been able to answer their requests for help. That is because of you. We are blessed with a chapter that is full with members who care. You give of your time, your talents and your treasures.

Because we have not been able to see one another in person, it has been more difficult to keep up to date with our donations and stewardship. Now is the time to renew your membership with Philoptochos. It is also the time to invite others to come join us! Parishioners over the age of 18 years old, and members of the church in good standing, are eligible to join.

When completing your stewardship, please remember the first $15 is sent to the National Philoptochos office and the next $6 is sent to our Metropolis Philoptochos. Any amount beyond $21 stays with our chapter to aid our local donations and commitments.

Please complete the attached membership form today and return it with your payment, payable to: St. Nicholas Philoptochos Society. Please mail to:

Paula Kalevas  
Attn: Philoptochos Membership  
2284 Devonshire Road  
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302

If you have any questions, of course, feel free to contact me: 248-227-9343.  
If you prefer, you may also renew your stewardship online through the St. Nicholas website at:

http://www.stnicholastroy.org/ministries_and_organizations/philoptochos/index.php

With Sisterly Love,

Paula
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
Ladies Philoptochos Society
760 West Wattles Road
Troy, MI 48098

Philoptochos Membership Form for 2021  Chapter 7013

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Please make your check payable to “St. Nicholas Philoptochos Society” and write “2021 Membership” on the check memo line.

Remember, any amount beyond $21 stays with our chapter to help us meet our commitments and aid to those in need.

Send your payment along with this form to:

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Attention: Philoptochos Membership
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The Lenten Lecture Series 2021

Here at Saint Nicholas parish, we are starting a new ministry during the Wednesdays of Great Lent.

Immediately following the Pre-sanctified Divine Liturgies, in our Sanctuary, on the Wednesdays of Great Lent, we have planned a wonderful speaker series for our parish on the topic of Orthopraxia; meaning, literally, Right Actions, but more figuratively meaning Putting our Faith into Action. Parish groups are welcome to sponsor a particular evening that they think would be of interest to their membership, and each lecture is open to all. Below are the dates and topics for the lecture.

March 17th
**Obtaining the Mind of Christ** John Johns Esq., with deep love for the Church Fathers, will introduce us to the best writers and translations of patristic texts, emphasizing our topic of Orthopraxia. He will introduce us to books that will serve as a road map for the lectures to follow. He’s an energetic speaker, so when you listen in, listen well. You won’t want to miss a thing!

March 24th
**Great Vespers** to be held at the Annunciation Cathedral in Detroit for their Matronal Feast. We will not have services here on that day, nor a speaker.

March 31st
**Be Ye Lifted Up!** Fr. Samaras, from the Saints Constantine and Helen parish of West Nyak, NJ, will address the legacy of St Basil the Great, emphasizing the city of Nea Caesaria that he established through his unique intelligent compassion. Raised for a part of his youth at our St Basil’s Academy, with a mature and tender focus, Fr Samaras will relate his experiences there, and that of being the adopted son of His Grace Bishop Kallistos of Zelon. This week’s lecture is being sponsored by the Philoptochos.

April 7th
**Resilience in the Real World.** Dr. Elaine Kotronakis Harper will speak about reaching out to at-risk youth, the science that supports it, and the faith that carries it. She is a graduate of Hellenic College and holds a PhD in psychology. Her expertise on the topic will help us to identify and aid those who could benefit from early intervention. She will also share from her life how spiritual programs kept her grounded and focused in her most formidable years.

April 14th
**Faith in Action (Part 1)** Father John Chakos, an eminent clergyman of our Archdiocese will tell us about the true story of the establishment and growth of Orthodox Christianity in Guatemala. Fr. John has extensive experience as a mission priest in Guatemala, and will bring us up to date on what’s happening there, the success stories, and the stunning and spiritual accounts of lives transformed by the love of Christians, and The Orthodox Faith in action.

April 21st
**Faith in Action (Part 2)** Fr. Demetrius Andrews, Director of Project Mexico, will speak to us about practical ways that we can put our faith into action today! Since his involvement with Project Mexico, Father Demetrius has expanded the international service reach of our Orthodox Christian faithful here in America. He is coming to share the practical side of spirituality. What does Orthopraxia mean for you and me, and what possibilities exist today for service projects to fellow Orthodox the world over and at home. This week’s lecture is being sponsored by the YAL.

Presanctified Liturgy at 6 pm. Lecture will begin at 7:15. COVID seating restrictions apply. Inquiries, please contact Father Paul, or Father Michael at the church 248.362.9575
Presv. Katerina - 248.778.6205 or Patti Spiliadis-Bologna - pattibologna@mac.com

Made possible with the blessings of Metropolitan Nicholas, and by a grant from the St Nicholas Endowment Fund. We look forward to seeing you there!
Happy Easter

Easter Lily Donations

For those interested in making a donation to decorate the altar and the church for Pascha, please fill out the information below.

Please return to the church no later than **Friday, April 23, 2021**

**Donation: $25 per plant.**
Names/memorials will be listed in the Pascha Bulletin.

Please contact Maggie at 248-362-9575 or send an email to office@stnicholastroy.org for any questions or to place the order. We thank you for your support and may God Bless you!

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Friday, June 4th, 2021
Cherry Creek Golf Club
52000 Cherry Creek Dr, Shelby Charter Twp, MI 48316

$125 Registration Includes:
- Continental Breakfast-9am
- 18 Hole Shotgun Start-11am
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AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation Golf Outing

**Event Details**
Friday, June 4th, 2021
Cherry Creek Golf Club
5200 Creek Dr., Shelby Twp., MI 48316
Registration & Breakfast 9:00 am
Shotgun Start 11:00 am
Dinner & Awards Banquet 4:00 pm

**Contest & Course Games**
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- Unlimited use with free buckets of balls

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Welcome bag includes:
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- Golf balls
- Snack & Water

**Registration**

Number of Players X $125=

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DINNER ONLY $50: 

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Golf Co-Chairman  
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Metropolis of Detroit Greek Orthodox Summer Camp
Register Campers and Staff at GOMDSC.ORG

Campers Entering Grade 12/First Year of College
Week 0 June 27 - July 3

Campers entering Grades 3-11
Week 1 July 4 - July 10
Week 2 July 11 - July 17
Week 3 July 18 - July 24
Week 4 July 25 - July 31
Week 5 August 1 - August 7

Ages 19-35
Young Adult September 3 - September 6

We are moving forward with hope and a mission to gather safely in Rose City for the 2021 camp season, but preparing a backup plan should our circumstances change.
THE DAUGHTERS OF PENEOLOPE, CHAPTER #66

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**TOTALS**

Mail order forms to: Leah Marchetti 2007 Cresthill Ave., Royal Oak, MI 48073

Orders **WITH payment** are due by mail no later than **Sunday, March 28**
- Make check payable to: The Daughters of Penelope, Chapter #66
- Mail order forms to: Leah Marchetti @ 2007 Cresthill Avenue, Royal Oak, MI 48073
SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM OBJECTIVES:
The AHEPA Educational Foundation offers financial support to qualified high school students in any academic discipline, applying and accepted by an accredited college or university. This scholarship award can only be used for educational use, tuition and/or books.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS (MUST MEET at least ONE of the following conditions):
Check any that apply  ONLY typed applications will be accepted.

☐ A. Be of Greek descent.
☐ B. Parent(s) are currently members of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.
☐ C. The applicant is either a Son of Pericles or a Maid of Athena.
☐ D. Is a grandchild of a current member of the Order of AHEPA or Daughters of Penelope.

➢ This scholarship is intended only for graduating High School senior students that are continuing higher education.
➢ The scholarship will be awarded with special emphasis on character and intelligence, capacity in chosen field as reflected in school work, scope of interest as reflected in extra-curricular activities, evidence in leadership, and some financial need.
➢ The applications will be reviewed by the members of the District #10 Educational Foundation and their decision will be final.
➢ The awards will be presented at the time designated for the awards banquet planned for Saturday, May 22nd 2021. Please save the day in your calendar.
➢ The recipient will be notified immediately after the selection process so that he or she can make arrangements to attend. (If the recipient is unable to attend the awards presentation, a representative MUST be present in order to receive the award on his or her behalf.)
➢ Applicants MUST USE the scholarship application that indicates the current year on the cover. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

DEADLINE: All required materials must be included with your application and be received no later than APRIL 1ST on the year applying via US Mail and email to Milton A. Gust.

Applicants must send their color wallet size photo in JPG format to: imgust@yahoo.com

DUE DATE: APRIL 1ST, 5:00pm Eastern Time.

ONLY applications received by the due date will be considered.
Anyone interested or wishing to get an application, please contact:

Mr. Milton A. Gust
Executive Secretary
AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation
Telephone: 248.689.4156
imgust@yahoo.com

OR

Download from the website below:
www.AHEPAdistrict10.org/educational-foundation
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- U.S. Citizen, National or Legally residing in the U.S.A.
- Must be a full-time student (12 + credits)
- A cumulative G.P.A. of 3.00 or better.
- Provide an official university or college transcript.
- Provide two letters of recommendation on official letterhead: (1) from your current educational institution; and (2) from the applicant's AHEPA family chapter which must demonstrate active participation and certified membership as stated in the 1st eligibility criterion.

NEED-BASED APPLICANTS MUST PROVIDE A COPY OF THEIR INSTITUTIONAL FINANCIAL AWARD LETTER AND/OR 1040 WITH W-2.
- Provide a 500 word essay as required in the application
  - The applications will be reviewed by the members of the District #10 Educational Foundation and their decision will be final.
  - The awards will be presented at the time designated for the awards banquet planned for Saturday, May 22nd 2021. Please save the day in your calendar.
  - The recipient will be notified immediately after the selection process so that he or she can make arrangements to attend. (If the recipient is unable to attend the awards presentation, a representative MUST be present in order to receive the award on his or her behalf.)
  - Applicants MUST USE the scholarship application that indicates the current year on the cover. Incomplete applications will not be considered.

DEADLINE: All required materials must be included with your application and be received no later than APRIL 1st on the year applying via US Mail and email to Milton A. Gust.

Applicants must send their color wallet size photo in JPG format to: imgust@yahoo.com

DUE DATE: APRIL 1st, 5:00pm Eastern Time.

ONLY applications received by the due date will be considered.
Anyone interested or wishing to get an application, please contact:

Mr. Milton A. Gust
Executive Secretary
AHEPA District #10 Educational Foundation
Telephone: 248.689.4156
imgust@yahoo.com

OR

Download from the website below:
www.AHEPAdistrict10.org/educational-foundation
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Salad, Bread, and Dessert
(Gluten Free option available)
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Family Style available for four (4) or more servings

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BY THURSDAY, MARCH 4
ON THE ST. NICHOLAS WEBSITE
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OR Send order with your check payable to: St. Nicholas Philoptochos
Philoptochos
c/o Cindy Crosson
35292 Curtis
Livonia, MI 48152

DRIVE-THRU ONLY
SUNDAY MARCH 7
(Meatfare Sunday)

PICK-UP
11:30 am
at the Cultural Center Doors

QUESTIONS?
CONTACT
Cindy (248) 217-2987 or
Vasiliki (248) 842-4194

St. Nicholas Ladies Philoptochos Society
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
760 W. Wattles
Troy, Michigan 48084
**March 2021**

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| **1 JUDGMENT SUNDAY** | **2 Book Club 11:00am** | **3 Parish Council Meeting 7:00pm** | **4 Book Club 7:30pm** | **5** | **6 SATURDAY OF SOULS** | Orthros 9:00AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00AM
Saturday Vespers 5:00pm |
| Orthros 8:30 am
Divine Liturgy 9:30am | Bible Study 7:00pm | | | | | |
| Catechism Mini lesson after Divine Liturgy | | | | | | |
| YAL Meeting 7:00pm | | | | | | |
| **8** | **9 MARTYRS OF SEBASTE** | **10 MNIOPTOCHOS Meeting 7:00pm** | **11 ST. SOFYRONIOS Catechism** | **12 ST. SYMEON THE NEW THEOLOGIAN** | **13 SATURDAY OF SOULS** | Orthros 9:30AM
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Book Club 7:30pm
Divine Liturgy 9:00am | | | |
| **14 FORGIVENESS SUNDAY** | **15 LENT BEGINS GREAT CANON I 6:00 PM** | **16 GREAT CANON II 6:00 PM** | **17 Presanctified Divine Liturgy 6:00pm** | **18 GREAT CANON IV 6:00PM** | **19 SALUTATION TO THE THEOTOKOS to Begin** | Orthros 9:00AM
Divine Liturgy 10:00AM |
| Orthros 8:30 am
Divine Liturgy 9:30am | | AHEPA Meeting 7:00pm
DOP Meeting 7:00pm | Lenten Lecture Service 7:15pm | | 7:00pm | |
| Catechism Grades 4-5 12:00pm
6 1:00pm | | | | | | |
| **21 SUNDAY OF ORTHODOXY** | **22 GRAND COMPLINE 7:00PM** | **23** | **24 ANNUNCIATION** | **25 ANNUNCIATION** | **26 SALUTATION TO THE THEOTOKOS to Begin** | Orthros 8:30am
Divine Liturgy 9:30am @ Annunciation Cathedral |
| Orthros 8:30 am
Divine Liturgy 9:30am | | | 7:00pm | 7:00pm | 7:00pm | |
| Catechism Grade 6 1:00pm | | | | | | |
| **28 SUNDAY OF ST. GREGORY PALAMAS** | **29 GRAND COMPLINE 7:00PM** | **30** | **31 Presanctified Divine Liturgy 6:00pm** | **27** | **27** | Orthros 9:30am
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*SUNDAY SERVICES THE SAME! Orthros 8:30 am | Divine Liturgy 9:30 am
PLEASE GO TO WWW.STNICHOLASTROY.ORG.

COFFEE HOUR CANCELLED. ALL SERVICES WILL BE HELD ONLINE.*
Morning Prayer of the Last Elders of Optina

O Lord, grant that I may meet all that this coming day brings to me with spiritual tranquility. Grant that I may fully surrender myself to Thy holy Will.

At every hour of this day, direct and support me in all things. Whatsoever news may reach me in the course of the day, teach me in the course of the day, teach me to accept it with a calm soul and the firm conviction that all is subject to Thy holy will.

Direct my thoughts and feelings in all my words and actions. In all unexpected occurrences, do not let me forget that all is sent down from Thee.

Grant that I may deal straightforwardly and wisely with every member of my family neither embarrassing nor saddening anyone.

O Lord, grant me the strength to endure the fatigue of the coming day and all the events that take place during it. Direct my will and teach me to pray, and love.

Amen.