

The Vineyard

“I AM THE VINE, YOU ARE THE BRANCHES” (John 15:51)

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PROISTAMENOS MESSAGE

SPIRITUAL THERAPY



Metropolitan Hierotheos of Nafpaktos Greece, who is also a monk in the Atheonite tradition of Hesycasm has written a book entitled “Orthodox Psychotherapy”. While not a psychotherapist in the traditional sense, Metropolitan Hieotheos shares in his book, with much insight, the work that he did as a young hieromonk, in the areas of pastoral care and youth work.

Having studied the various schools of psychotherapy in the West, he became deeply aware of the problems which plague modern families and individuals, realizing that society today understands the nature of humanity and spiritual life very differently from the ways in which they are understood by the Church. The Church on the other hand, exists for the purpose of healing the soul and enabling us to come closer to God. Metropolitan Hierotheos tells us that the Church is a hospital for the illnesses of the soul. The English word “psychotherapy” comes directly from the Greek, “cure of the soul”.

The Mysteries (Sacraments) have been given to us, by God to cure us of the effects of sin, whether these are emotional, spiritual, or family problems. In fact, St. Ignatius referred to the Eucharist as “the medicine of immortality.” To be effective, this medication must be taken regularly. It should be accompanied with prayer, confession of sins, fasting, not only certain food items, but also from behaviors that are incongruent with a Christ-centered life. Additionally, preparation for the reception of Holy Communion must include, as well as be followed up, by acts of beneficence. All these components constitute a healthy life which leads to the healing of the effects of sin in our lives.

Unfortunately, many Orthodox Christians today ignore our Orthodox spiritual heritage. When problems arise we need to remember that we have the weapons of prayer as well as the Sacraments, that the Church has to offer us that the Church has to offer us, to combat these afflictions. If we don’t utilize, these resources, then we tend to become “couch potatoes”, spiritually speaking.

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Memorials at Conclusion of Divine Liturgy
Fellowship in Church Hall Following Divine Liturgy

WEEKDAY/HOLY DAY SERVICES.....9:00 A.M.

Parish Programs

ALTAR BOYS - Each boy serves in the Altar once every four weeks.

BIBLE STUDY - Tuesdays 11:30 A.M.

CHILDREN'S GREEK CLASS - Tuesdays - 4:00 P.M.

CLASS FOR THOSE ENGAGED TO BE MARRIED - As scheduled.

CLASS ON THE ORTHODOX FAITH - Wednesdays - 7:00 P.M.

FOLK DANCE GROUPS - Rehearsals Sundays - 1:00 P.M.

G.O.Y.A - 1st Sunday and 3rd Friday of the month

PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY - First Wednesday of the month - 7:00 P.M.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION - September to June each year.

CHOIR - Thursdays 7:00 P.M.

ST. JOHN'S GOLDEN STARS - Meets informally.

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SPIRITUAL THERAPY

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If this process continues, it can lead to physical, emotional as well as spiritual illnesses, which are deadly, and often toxic to those around us.

Let me be more specific. In our own community here at St. John's, it is not uncommon to observe family problems such as bullying, verbal and, at times, even physical abuse of wives, husbands, and even children. There are people who seem to have no problem humiliating their spouses, even in church. Sometimes there is an outward show of piety—Kissing the priest's hand, coming forward for Holy Communion, when just moments before, the same person engages in hateful gossip or some other type of inappropriate behavior. Some people seem to believe that the solution to any problem lies in money. Others apparently feel that adultery, fornication, lying, slander, theft, threats and intimidation are all perfectly acceptable, at least when they are kept secret. But, of course, God knows, and most of the time our friends also know.

What is the result of this kind of behavior? Imagine going to the doctor with chest pains, afraid that you might die. The doctor learns that you have lived on junk food all of your life and that you smoke, drink and never exercise. Can a doctor provide you with a medicine that will cure you over night? It seems doubtful. The road to health is possible, but takes time and determination. In Christ, however, we have a miracle cure: the forgiveness of sins and a new life in the Holy Spirit. It becomes ours when there is genuine repentance and the fear of God.

I would like to encourage the families here at our parish to take seriously the spiritual tradition which has been passed on to us. Let each and every one of us take the time, as well as make the effort, to examine the status of our spiritual state.

As we begin a new calendar year, let us make a real effort to exercise the virtues of love and respect for one another, in order that we can improve our spiritual state in the new year.

May the Lord, who loves mankind, who gives us strength and guidance lead us into a new era of spiritual health, both individually, as well as a community.

In His service,

Fr. Nicholas

AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF FR. JOHN KARIOTAKIS

I was born on the island of Crete in 1956. In 1970, at the age of 14 yrs, I entered the Rizarios Seminary in Athens and graduated in 1975. The same year I was successful at the national exams and was admitted to the University of Athens, School of Theology. During my last year of studies at the University (1979) I was married to Kathy Schaper of Fort Wayne, IN. After graduating in March of 1980, we immigrated to the USA.

In 1981 I was ordained by Bishop Timotheos of Detroit (12/6 Ann Arbor, MI to the Holy Diaconate and Christmas Day of 1981 at Middletown, OH to the Holy Priesthood).

A week after my ordination, in my first Parish assignment, I joined Fr. Elias Stephanopoulos at the Holy Trinity Parish in Portland, OR. Here my only child, daughter Evangelia, was born in 1982. I served as the assistant priest in Portland from 1/1/1982 to 12/31/1985.

On 1/1/1986 I assumed the pastoral responsibilities of the Proistamenos at the Parish of St. Nicholas in Tacoma, WA. I served in Tacoma for almost 7 years (1/1/1986 to 9/15/1992)

My next assignment was as the Proistamenos at St. Spyridon Parish in San Diego, CA from September 1992 to February 2004. Meanwhile Presvytera Kathy had passed away in the year 2000 after a lifelong battle with Cystic Fibrosis. In 2003 I asked and received a paid Sabbatical of 6 months from St. Spyridon's Parish. Upon my return from the Sabbatical (Feb 2004) I was assigned by His Eminence Metropolitan Anthony to lead the newly established Mission at San Juan Capistrano, CA.

I served at the Mission at San Juan Capistrano from Feb. 2004 to September of 2006.

In October of 2006 I was assigned as the proistamenos of St. John the Baptist parish in Salinas, CA where I still serve until the end of 2010. I consider it a very special blessing that his Eminence has placed his trust in my humble person and has assigned me to serve our Lord through service to His people at St. John's in Anaheim. I kindly ask for your prayers, patience, understanding and support and I am looking forward to a fruitful ministry to the Glory of God and to the benefit and edification of His people.

Fr. John Kariotakis

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

“Rejoice! For unto us a Child was born, and unto us a Son is given!”

Kala Xristougenna

As I went through the Christmas cards to mail, one stood out with this simple message, “Wishing You Love “, and I thought that this is my wish for all of you, “Wishing you Love this time of the year and for the years ahead” .

For December and the New Year, let us do as one who works in his garden and plucks out the weeds. Let us remove harsh and unhappy thoughts; toss aside memories of past hurts and differences and replace this with fresh new seeds of Love, Harmony and Unity.

Let us visualize what beautiful memories tomorrow would bring as we plant new seeds of Faith and Hope and strike down the weeds that are in the way. What more can we all wish for each other but to repeat the message “Wishing You Love” because whoever loves much, does much and we have much to do as we start a new year.

I would like to share with you a few lines of a poem that I found, from our past Philoptochos President, Pat Panichas:

“Give me the faith of adventure, Lord
The courage to try the new
The will to press on in spite of the dark,
Knowing I walk with you...

Give me the faith of desire and hope
The inward urge to achieve
All things are possible with You
Oh, Lord, let me believe.”

COMING EVENTS FOR DECEMBER & JANUARY:

Philoptochos General Meeting - Wednesday, December 1st ; 6:30 PM

VERY IMPORTANT Please make this meeting. We have a major issue to vote on and it requires our membership to vote on this.

It is also our Christmas Pot Luck meeting and we would appreciate a Hot or Cold Hors D'oeuvres for 6 or more people and your unwrapped toys, games, toiletries, clothing (S,M,L,XL) for children up to 18 years of age to be given to the Anaheim Fire Dept. for the needy children to brighten up their Christmas.

Vasilopeta, Sunday, January 16th—Please bake your beautiful Vasilopeta's, bring to church on that Sunday, to help raise money for St.Basil's Academy

Philoptochos Membership Tea - Saturday, January 22, 2011

Philoptochos Sunday/Humanitarian Award - January 23, 2011

May the Spirit of Christmas be with you and may God continue to bless you and your families throughout the New Year.

Mary Ohanian, President

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS

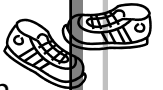
Rejoice! Christ is born!

Thanksgiving Drives – November 2010



Our Church School students helped make Thanksgiving brighter for those less fortunate. We worked together with Philoptochos and raised money in the month of November that went towards purchasing gift cards to give to needy families. The cards were to be used to buy what was needed to make a lovely Thanksgiving dinner. Our students wanted to help some of the many families with children in need.

Our Church School also collected gently used coats and shoes for the less fortunate. Again, we partnered with Philoptochos to collect these items for Burlington Coat Factory's Warm Coats and Warm Hearts Drive and for Soles4Souls. Our children brought in items that no longer fit them, knowing that they would be given to children who needed them.



Poinsettias Fundraiser – November 2010



We would like to thank those who supported our Poinsettia Fundraiser. Monies raised will go towards upcoming Church School projects.

Religious Education Seminar – November 2010



We represented our church at the Metropolis' Religious Educators Workshop and Seminar. There were presentations from area priests and administrators. It was a fun and informative day.

Christmas Program – December 12, 2010



What better way to celebrate our Lord's birth than by watching our Church School students performing in our beautiful Christmas program. We have already begun practicing and the students are all excited. Please plan on joining us afterwards in the hall for refreshments and festivities. We will also have activities for the youth, a bake sale and a visit from Santa.

We wish you all a blessed Christmas and a healthy and happy 2011!

Kally Attard and Patricia Bangos, Directors

JANUARY 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 New Year's Day 
2 Sunday before Theophany	3	4 Greek School, 4pm	5 The Royal Hours, Great Vespers and Liturgy of St. Basil and Lesser Service of the Blessed Waters, 9am	6 HOLY THEOPHANY, 9am Great Vespers of St. John, 7pm	7 SYNAXIS OF JOHN THE BAPTIST, 9am	8
9 Sunday after Theophany	10	11 Bible Study, 11:30am Greek School, 4pm	12 Orthodox Faith Class, 7pm	13 Choir Practice, 7pm	14	15
16 12th Sunday of Luke (Ten Lepers) Vasilopeta Sunday	17 St. Anthony, 9am	18 St. Athanasios & Cyril, 9am Bible Study, 11:30am Greek School, 4pm	19 Orthodox Faith Class, 7pm	20 Choir Practice, 7pm	21	22 Philoptochos Membership Tea 
23 14th Sunday of Luke (Blind Man) Philoptochos Sunday & Humanitarian Award	24	25 Bible Study, 11:30am Greek School, 4pm	26 Orthodox Faith Class, 7pm	27 Choir Practice, 7pm	28	29 Christian Scott Pappas Benefit
30 Three Hierarchs	31					<div style="background-color: #cccccc; padding: 5px; text-align: center;"> Orthros, 9am Divine Liturgy, 10am </div>

WORSHIP SERVICES



Sunday, January 2, 2011

10th Sunday of Luke

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am

Wednesday, January 5, 2011

**The Royal Hours, Great Vespers and
Liturgy of St. Basil and Lesser
Service of the Blessed Waters, 9am**

Thursday, January 6, 2011

HOLY THEOPHANY, 9am

Friday, January 7, 2011

SYNAXIS OF

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, 9am

Sunday, January 9, 2011

Sunday after Theophany

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am

Sunday, January 16, 2011

12th Sunday of Luke (Ten Lepers)

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am

Monday, January 17, 2011

St. Anthony, 9am

Tuesday, January 18, 2011

St. Athanasios & Cyril, 9am

Sunday, January 23, 2011

14th Sunday of Luke (Blind Man)

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am

Sunday, January 30, 2011

Three Hierarchs

Orthros & Divine Liturgy, 9am



PROSFORO SCHEDULE

December 5 Mrs. Dimitra Klentos
December 6 Mrs. Dimitra Klentos
December 12 Mrs. Voula Kitsigianis
December 19 Mrs. Anastasia Mandas
December 24 Mrs. Joanne Kalogeropoulos
December 25 Mrs. Joanne Kalogeropoulos
December 26 Mrs. Alexandra Margias
December 27 Mrs. Alexandra Margias
December 31 Mrs. Katherine Glavas

WOMEN WHO LOVE TO BAKE!!

We are looking for additional volunteers to help in this vital and ongoing aspect of Orthodox Church life. If you like to bake, and are willing to offer the Prosforo for Communion, please call the church office or Joanne Kalogeropoulos (714) 991-8126.

CHURCH REGISTRY

BAPTISMS

NOVEMBER 13, 2010
ZOE CHRISANTHI GARCIA
Proud Parents: Jose & Chrisann Garcia
God Parents: Harry & Debra Travlos,
Vasileke Stratouly

+ FELL ASLEEP IN THE LORD +

NOVEMBER 10, 2010
Carol (Katerina) Kritikos

+ *May their memory be eternal* +

MEMORIALS

NOVEMBER 28, 2010
Nicholas Dovalis - 40 Days
Virginia Dilworth - 1 Year
John Dilworth - 3 Year

DECEMBER 5, 2010
Kalliopi Mavritsakis - 1 Year
Irene Harbilas - 10 Year
William Vasili Pergantis - 27 Year


DECEMBER 12, 2010
Vasilios Arvantis - 9 Month
Connie Andros - 1 Year

DECEMBER 19, 2010
Matina Bonorris - 10 Year
Diamanti Bonorris - 40 Year
Georgia Halia - 1 Year
Elia Halia - 20 Year
Katerina Kritikos - 40 Day
Anastasia Gouma - 40 Day
Vasilios Sklavounos - 33 Year
Slavroula Sklavounos - 14 Year
Nicholas Tsarnas - 3 Year

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SAVE THE DATE

THURSDAY
JANUARY 6, 2011
ST. JOHN NAME
DAY

ACOLYTES OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST



TEAM 1	TEAM 2
<p>George Dalis Nicholas Foutris Kosta Dalis Gregory Roumpos Nicholas Pieratos Alexios Angeletakis</p>	<p>Dimitri Pappas Bradley Jung Kyriakos Alyousef Michael Bangos Kyriakos Psaras Anthony Christofer Robert Glinkie Christopher Glinkie Donald Glinkie Harry Foutris</p>
<p>January 23, 2011 February 20, 2011</p>	<p>January 2, 2011 January 30, 2011</p>
TEAM 3	TEAM 4
<p>John Hourigan Stefan Malmlund Alexander Malmlund Aristos Malmlund Carl Cantonis Aleko Culp Dean Athanasiou</p>	<p>George Alexopoulos Niko Begakis Argirios Alexopoulos Speros Mantas Dimitri Dimopoulos Paul Stephens</p>
<p>January 9, 2011 February 6, 2011</p>	<p>January 16, 2011 February 13, 2011</p>

1.) The Divine Liturgy begins promptly at 10:00 AM. Please be vested no later than 10:05 AM.

2.) Clothing preference is white (or light) shirt and tie with dark shoes. NO SNEAKERS PLEASE.

The Stewardship of St. Stephen the Archdeacon and Protomartyr - Dec. 27



“...when the number of disciples was multiplying, there arose a complaint against the Hebrews by Hellenists, because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. Then the twelve summoned the multitude of disciples and said...brethren, seek out from among you seven men of good reputation, full of the Holy Spirit and wisdom, whom we may appoint over this business...And they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and the Holy Spirit...”

(Acts 6:16)

Stephen was the first of the seven deacons ordained by the Holy Apostles in order to provide service to the poor. This is why he is regarded the “Archdeacon,” the first among deacons.

Born into a faithful Jewish family, he spent his youth studying the Old Testament and desired to become a rabbi. Stephen was driven with the desire to be the most competent rabbi so he became the student of the famous ravincial theologian, Gamaliel. Stephen lived during a time when the Christian Church was being established. Upon completion of his studies, Stephen questioned the validity of the Christian teachings. In short time, he discovered its truth in Jesus Christ, the Risen Messiah. The descent of the Holy Spirit fifty days following the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ inspired many to be baptized (Pentecost). The first Christians sold all their possessions and made their offerings at the feet of the Apostles. This generous act was one that freed them from worldly cares and enabled them to live as one community. However, the growth of the Church meant that the Apostles had less time for prayer and ministry. To assist them, the Apostles established the ministry of the diaconate.

As the Archdeacon, Stephen did more than serve the material needs of the Christian community, he also preached with a knowledge and power that comes only from God. The leaders of the Jewish community in Jerusalem became angry at Stephen’s ability to bring people to belief in Jesus Christ and brought charges of blasphemy against him. As Stephen stood before the Jewish tribunal, **“the council looking steadfastly at him, saw his face as the face of an angel”** (Acts 6:15). In chapter seven of the Book of Acts we read the account of Stephen’s remarks to high priest and his council. As he spoke of God’s love and kindness their hatred towards him grew and they were convinced that he should be put to death. As he concluded his God inspired testimony Stephen said: **“Look! I see the heavens opened and the Son of Man standing at the right hand of God!”** This infuriated them and they dragged him out of the city and **“they stoned Stephen as he was calling on God and saying, ‘Lord Jesus, receive my spirit.’ Then he knelt down and cried with a loud voice, ‘Lord, do not charge them with this sin.’ And when he said this, he fell asleep”** (Acts 7:39-40). Being the first to give his life for Christ earned him the title of “Protomartyr”.

How did this young Christian express his stewardship to his new Church and Faith? A learned scholar of the Old Testament, Stephen did not aspire for positions of leadership or honor as other learned men would expect, but to a life of service and teaching. He was ordained a deacon, and as such, he spent his life assisting the priests in their liturgical functions and teaching the people everyday. As a deacon, but a position that was offered in imitation of Christ Whose example is one of servant leadership. We, too, can learn from the example of St. Stephen if we contemplate upon the words of St. Paul in his Second Epistle to the Corinthians and apply them to our lives: **“For we do not preach ourselves, but Christ Jesus the Lord, and ourselves your bondservants for Jesus’ sake”** (2 Cor. 4.5).

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YOUR HEART NOR GIVING,
YOUR HAND.



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We thank them and we invite the others to make their gift to their church.

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* Christ Manes

* Alberta Keffalas

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**If you do not wish to receive monthly pledge envelopes, please call the church office.*

As of
November 19, 2010
Total Pledges: 360
Goal: 600
Total Pledged:
243,488.00
Budgeted Goal:
\$285,000.00
Amount left to reach
Goal:
41,512.00

PROSFORO

COORDINATOR NEEDED



We are in need of a "Prosforo Coordinator". At the present there are eight (8) women regularly baking the Prosforo for church. We are in need of a coordinator to assign the services to each baker. Please call Fr. Nicholas to offer your services if you are interested in helping in this important ministry of our church.

YOUTH CORNER

GOYA

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4th

Pan Orthodox Bible Bowl at St. Mary's Romanian Orthodox church in Anaheim.

SAVE THE DATE



FEBRUARY 18 - 21,
2011

FDF & CHORAL

Photos from the past 50 years.



Celebrating the past

The 50th Anniversary Committee is looking for photos from Church activities, weddings, baptisms and other events that have occurred at our Church over the past 50 years. So, bring in those photos of your wedding, your children's baptisms, GOYA parties and events, festivals, dances, and everything else you have that we can share with the Community. Cindy Kezos is collecting the photos or you can leave them in the Office for her. The photos will be returned to you. When you're at Church on Sunday, stop by the Bulletin Board to see the latest photo montage...you just might be in there!



SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

50TH ANNIVERSARY

It All Begins With YOU!

As we kick off our 50th Anniversary Celebration fund raising drive!

**Purchase One (or MORE!)
\$100 Benefit Drawing Tickets!**

**Win One (or MORE!) of the
Following 7 Cash Prizes:**

\$5,000 1st Prize

\$2,500 2nd Prize

5 Additional Prizes at \$500 Each

The Grand Prize Drawing takes place January 6, 2011,
during the Vespers Name Day Dinner to honor and celebrate
our Patron Saint, Saint John the Baptist.

Benefit Drawing tickets make great Christmas gifts for your family
and friends. This is one gift with the opportunity to keep on giving!
A win-win for everyone, so why not share the wealth?

**For Benefit Drawing Tickets,
See Your Parish Council Members
or
Contact the Church Office!**

Mark your calendars!

The weekend of October 8, 2011,
will be "a chryssi epetios" in the life of our parish, as we
celebrate the Golden Anniversary of St. John the Baptist
Greek Orthodox Church in Anaheim, California. Opa!

"Let the Celebration Begin"

St. John the Baptist Greek Orthodox Church
50th Anniversary Celebration



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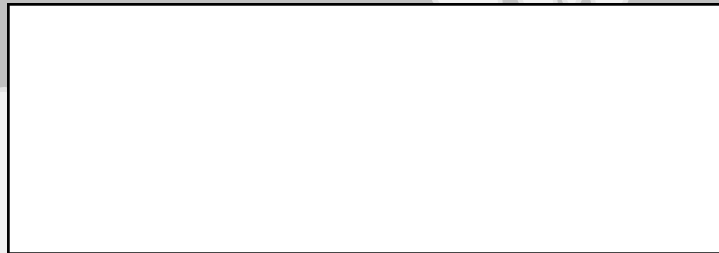
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"Behold, I send my messenger before thy face, who shall prepare thy way; the voice of one crying in the wilderness: Prepare the way of the Lord, make his paths straight -- "

(Mark 1:2-3)

