

GOOD NEWS

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April - July 2018

From the Desk of
Rev. Fr. Angelo Maggos

Letter from Metropolis of Detroit;
Metropolis Appointed Parish Council; Parish Registry

Youth Ministry and Organizations News

From the Desk of Fr. Angelo

First of all I would like to begin by saying how excited Presvytera Teri and I are to become part of the Annunciation Rochester community. The welcoming and warmth we have received from this community is truly a tribute to the essence of φιλοξενία that is characteristic of the Greek culture. We were impressed by the large attendance on these past Sundays, especially in summer which are traditionally lean in attendance. In meeting the newly formed Parish Council I was very impressed by their intense love for this church and the Rochester community. In my initial discussions with them I could easily sense their vigor and determination to expand the sense of community that has been the legacy of this Annunciation church. Also impressive was the make-up of the Board which is equally blended with both men and women, young and experienced. Each of these persons represents a vital voice that is present not only in our parish but in all parishes across the Archdiocese.

Most of you have heard that I entered the priesthood later in life so that the majority of my life experience is in the business world; Mechanical Engineer, US Army officer, General Motors Supplier Quality Manager, and owner of an Engineering consulting firm. My previous parishes were the Annunciation GOC of Kalamazoo MI, and the Assumption GOC of Flint, MI. I was blessed in both of those parishes to have had wonderful experiences and a Parish Council-Priest relationship that enabled us to accomplish great things for the size of those parishes. That is why I am confident that with the size and desire of this community we can do nothing else then become one of the single largest presences in the Rochester area. To accomplish this I will have a relentless focus on three things: community, education, and leadership.

Community - The heart of any Orthodox church is her community. A church without loving and supportive people is just a building. This parish has a legacy of community spirit and all of us together will work to expand that sense of community. But that's just part of the work to be done. Our parish will become a beacon of outreach in the Rochester community as I want us to expand our presence in Rochester, both through our philanthropy and our sense of pride as active participants in Christian outreach and ministry.

Education – We cannot begin to shine as a beacon for others if we ourselves don't know who or what we are as Orthodox Christians. As we become more educated about our faith we will more clearly recognize the importance that community has on each of our lives. Also, a solid understanding of our own purpose as Christians will enable us to more clearly explain to others the beauty of Orthodoxy, especially those who will join our Annunciation family.

Leadership - Any organization, whether secular or spiritual, needs leaders who can inspire, support, and provide the resources necessary for our community to grow. However this growth must be a blend of sound business principles guided by Christian values. The Orthodox model of leadership is a synergy of the Parish Council and the Priest working together to accomplish this growth. Equally important is that our leaders demonstrate effective mentoring of the next generation of leadership within our community and work to encourage other members of our church community to take on leadership positions whether on Parish Council or on the many other ministries available.

In closing Presvytera Teri and I are looking forward to becoming part of the Annunciation family and making wonderful and long-lasting friendships here in our new home.

LETTER FROM THE METROPOLIS OF DETROIT

Fr. Catalin Mott, Metropolis Appointed Parish Council, and
Faithful of Annunciation Church
962 East Avenue
Rochester, N.Y. 14607

May 3, 2018

Dear Fr. Catalin, Metropolis Appointed Parish Council, and Beloved Faithful of Annunciation Church of Rochester, N.Y.

Christos Anesti-Christ is Risen!

On behalf of His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas and the Representatives, Fr. William Bartz, Mr. Patrick Crosson, and myself, I thank you for receiving us in your Parish last week.

During our visit, we met with the Past Presidents of the Parish Councils, the Festival Committee, the Young Adults, various individuals, the Philoptochos, and with many of you at the Town Hall Meeting. We heard you and we listened to you. We promised you that we would give a report to His Eminence and a recommended course of action. The general report included: Assessment, Overview, Outcomes, and Recommended Course of Action. The Recommended Course of Action includes: 1.) Appoint Interim Parish Council of Appointees who were recommended by the three Metropolis Representatives to the His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas [5 men/4 women], 2.) Review and Assess Leadership and its Status, 3.) Ensure Transparency of Financials & Communications on Metropolis Web site (link), and 4.) Provide Metropolis presence throughout the year via meetings and visits with regularity. As was stated numerous times and publicly during our visit “that recommendations will be made of which some will be liked and some will not.”

First course of Action which His Eminence has implemented and directed is an **appointed** Parish Council made up of 5 men and 4 women who were recommended by the Metropolis Representatives. They include both seasoned and also young adult faithful willing to serve the Lord and His Church and to work to bring stability. In the Lord’s words, “Many are called but few are chosen.” We thank them for accepting this sacred trust. **The appointees: Alexia Georgiou, Demetrios Kolokouris, Kathy Markakis, Alan Makovsky, Nicolleta Pinopoulos, Jim Stathopoulos, Eric Vangellow, Peggy Votsis, and Evangelos (Van) Zisis.** Today, they will be sworn in and will elect officers, and the first Parish Council Meeting will be this week May 9 at 7:30 p.m. with Mr. Patrick Crosson attending.

The Third Course of Action is the **link** which begins the Transparency and Communication to the faithful of the Parish. It presently has last year’s financials and general recommendations by the Representatives to the Metropolitan. The Appointed Parish Council and its Officers will be added soon.

Link:

https://www.detroit.goarch.org/uploads/6/5/2/9/65299921/rochester_financial_report.pdf

Again, we thank you all, each and every one of you. We look forward to working together and collectively to bring forth a spirit of mutual respect and reverence in serving our Resurrected Lord and Savior Jesus Christ.

On behalf of the Metropolitan,
Fr. Dean Hountalas, Chancellor

OATH OF OFFICE OF OUR METROPOLIS APPOINTED PARISH COUNCIL

Father Catalin administered the Oath of Office to our Metropolis Appointed Parish Council on Sunday, May 6, 2018. Immediately following the Oath of Office, the Parish Council elected Officers.

Demetrios Stathopoulos - President
Alexia Georgiou - Vice President
Nicoletta Pinopoulos - Secretary
Eric Vangellow - Treasurer
Demitri Kolokouris - Assistant Treasurer

Kathy Markakis
Alan Makovsky
Peggy Votsis
Evangelos Zissis
Evangelos (Van) Zissis



FROM OUR PARISH COUNCIL



Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation

May 7, 2018

My Fellow Parishioners

Christos Anesti! Christ is Risen! As we celebrate the Resurrection of our Lord and Savior, we are writing to follow up on what was disseminated to the Parishioners this past Sunday by Fr. Mot. As was announced during the Liturgy, His Eminence Metropolitan Nicholas has appointed, via the recommendation of his representatives Fr. Dean Hountalas, Chancellor of the Metropolis of Detroit, Fr. William Bartz and Mr. Patrick Crosson, the following nine (9) individuals to serve on the Parish Council (PC) of the Annunciation Church

Ms. Alexia Georgiou
Mr. Demetrios Kolokouris
Dr. Kathy Markakis
Mr. Alan Makovsky
Ms. Nicoletta Pinopoulos
Mr. Jim Stathopoulos
Mr. Eric Vangellow
Ms. Peggy Votsis
Mr. Evangelos (Van) Zissis

These men and women were selected by His Eminence to begin the process of bringing our Parish together. Our goal is to work, collectively, to return our Church to one that is organized, harmonious and most of all, a loving place that one can feel welcome to attend always. That was the history that our Parish was founded on and that is what we will strive to achieve again going forward.

This past Sunday, after the Divine Liturgy, the new PC assembled for the first time and installed the following as the Executive Committee (EC):

Jim Stathopoulos-President
Alexia Georgiou-Vice-President
Nicoletta Pinopoulos-Secretary
Eric Vangellow-Treasurer
Demitrios Kolokouris-Asst. Treasurer

As you may have already noticed, the composition of this Board and the Executive Committee is a mixture of young and old, youth and experience. This is not coincidental, but intentional. It was done to recognize that ALL our Parishioners are needed to work together to make our Parish successful. This process has already started the tremendous work being put in to make our annual Festival a reality, even with a delayed start.

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The newly assembled PC recognizes the work and effort of the immediate past Parish Council in a variety of areas, and very importantly in the successful Centennial celebration of our Annunciation. Despite some setbacks in recent months, we look forward to the future. In this next year, through mutual efforts of the new Parish Council and the community as a whole, we look forward to building on the foundation of the first one hundred years and from here, that we will continue to grow into a strong and vibrant community.

We will do our best to be available to those who seek us out and most of all, transparent to all in our community as to the status of and with information regarding our Annunciation Parish. We hope with this transparency you will be able to trust what is being said and to know that our Parish is solidly on a path of mutual respect, growth and vibrancy.

Until we have established a web portal on our own website, the Metropolis of Detroit has set up a portal that allows you to view information of interest regarding our community. This includes the correspondence from His Eminence, financial statements of the Parish as of 12/31/2017 and other information as it becomes available. The link to this information is as follows:

https://www.detroit.goarch.org/uploads/6/5/2/9/65299921/rochester_financial_report.pdf

During the next twelve (12) months, we are hopeful that you will notice a change in our Parish: one that is welcomed and most importantly, that you as a member of our community are part of. All of us are committed to doing exactly what we have outlined and been entrusted to do by our Hierarchy. We are hopeful that you will give us that trust as well as we begin a new chapter in the history of our Parish.

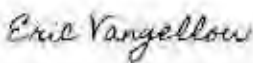
In His Service,

Parish Council
Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation

2018 Parish Council Executive Board



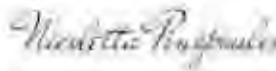
Jim Stathopoulos, President



Eric Vangellow, Treasurer



Alexia Georgiou, Vice-President



Nicoletta Pinopoulos, Secretary



Greek Orthodox Church of the Annunciation

2018 Parish Council Members

Andreas Spyridis

Dimitrios Kokorinos

Alan Makovsky

Alan Makovsky

George Lantz

Evangelos (Matt) Zotos

Polly Whelan

Kathy Makala

Peggy Votis

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PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council, along with the Annunciation community, would like to bid farewell to Father Catalin Mot and Presbyteria Felicia, as well as Sebastian and Daniel. Thank you for everything you did for the Parish and Community! You will be missed but will be part of the Annunciation Family forever! Best wishes in your next endeavors. Please come and visit us soon.

All of us here at the Annunciation Community welcome Father Angelo Maggos and Presbyteria Teri to Rochester and the Annunciation Parish Family! Fr. Angelo has expressed interest and encouragement that parishioners join together for Coffee Hour after Liturgy in fellowship and conversation. If you did not get a chance to meet Father and Presbyteria on July 1st, please take the opportunity in the next coming Sundays!

PARISH REGISTRY	
In Memoriam: Αιώνια η Μνήμη May their memory be eternal	
+ George Nicholas Tsilibes was interred on March 23, 2018.	
+ Thomas Tziatzou was interred on April 20, 2018.	
+ Andrew Carafos was interred on July 27, 2018	
+ Olga Vaughn was interred on July 6, 2018	
Baptisms:	
• April 15 - Eliana Grace Mondschein daughter of Kevin Mondschein and Christina Theodoridis by her Godmother Kristina Passamonte.	
• April 21 - Isabella Pamela Swisher daughter of Erik Swisher and Katerina Lianos by her Godfather Constantinos Lianos.	
• April 21 - Jacob Christopher Gavin by his Godmother Maria Karvounidis.	
• April 22 - Carolina Dimitra Pease daughter of Brandon Robert Pease and Vasiliki Demkou was by her Godmother Suzanne Jolevski.	
• May 6 - Ari James Antoniou son of Constantinos Antoniou and Rachel Walker by his Godparents Rina and Erik Swisher.	
• May 6 - Joseph Peter DiPietro son of Thomas DiPietro and Sarah Vanderbrook by His Godmother Magdalene Economou	
Weddings:	
• Kimberly Fleischhauer and Philip Demkos were married on July 7, 2018.	
• Agathi Georgiou and Edward Zachary Graham were married on July 21, 2018.	

**Please remember that Wedding and Baptismal candles are available for purchase.
For further information call the church office or 752-7432**

PHILOPTOCHOS

Dear Annunciation Family,

It's absolutely amazing that a whole calendar year is almost over and we are in the 4TH quarter. Many changes have occurred in our Annunciation family and we must stay strong and persevere through them. Philoptochos is the "right hand of the church", and will continue on its course to do everything in its power to extend fellowship and lend a hand where there is a need.

Foremost, we welcome Fr. Angelo Maggos and Presvytera Teri Maggos along with the new parish board. We wish them God's speed and a renewed spirit.

In the last issue of the Good News, Philoptochos had just started to meet its obligations to the Metropolis and Nationals. We have made great progress in meeting these commitments. As was mentioned previously, our first responsibility was to St. Basil Academy, than we continue with social services, autism assistance, Saint Photios Shrine, OCM & SAMP, Hellenic College Holy Cross, Sisterhood of Saint Basil, and the IOCC. Wow, we have come far but we still have to continue in our dedication to fulfill our mission of philanthropy. Please keep in mind that as an organization these are our responsibilities and we need to take them seriously. We still have the remaining few months of 2018 to complete our obligations. To our Philoptochos members dues are \$30.00, and part of these dues are sent to Nationals/Metropolis too. I must say that without the hard work of the Philoptochos Society and our amazing Annunciation family this cannot be accomplished.

The role that each of us plays within our Annunciation family has such a profound affect in everything that we do. Your donations to the "coffee hour basket" helps to support 13 local organizations in the Rochester area, your donations in "memory of your loved ones" helps us to sponsor and support places such as hospice homes, women and children, and anyone in need within our Annunciation family. All of this takes time, talent and most of all your financial support.

Within our "church house" Philoptochos hosted its sister parish Annunciation of Buffalo, NY during the March 24th celebrating the two Evangelistrias. It was a pleasure for Philoptochos to sponsor the breakfast for Greek/Sunday School on March 31st, the Saturday of Lazarus. We look forward to next years making of the palms. On Holy Thursday April 5th, chair person Despina Georganopoulos and the ladies of our Annunciation gathered to dye over 500 eggs. The ladies of the Annunciation on April 7th were ready and willing to prepare food for fellowship for Mid-Night Resurrection.

On May 6th, we held our spring Mother's Day fundraiser brunch. Thanks to all that participated in making it a great event. Philoptochos thanks George Anagnostakos, John Keventzidis, George Nassis, Mike Naselaris and all those that helped in cooking all the food. Philoptochos also wishes to thank the following young men who at a minutes notice help Philoptochos and the Annunciation. Niko Antoniou, George Naselaris, John Kiriakidis, Damianos Strembenis, and Dimitri Hantes. Philoptochos definitely needs the assistance of all the men. Remember gentlemen, you too can join Philoptochos. Also, Jay's Diner provided and donated all the delicious chicken wings. Thanks to chair person Olga Nassis and all the amazing ladies who made this event such a success. Congratulations to all the winners that won the raffle prizes.

In addition Philoptochos's outreach charity for the spring 2018 was the House of Mercy. Philoptochos is proud to announce that on July 9th, with Fr. Angelos and representatives from Philoptochos we presented Sister Grace and Sister Rita with a check for five hundred dollars. Please visit our philoptochos page and view the video.

Therefore, all the raffle baskets, tray passing and luncheons that you all attend as an Annunciation family truly makes a difference for those in need. I encourage all of you to visit the House of Mercy. As part of our outreach philanthropy "Feed the Hungry", three Philoptochos ladies Andrea Vangellow, Olga Petrou, and Olga Nassis peeled and cleaned over 250 boiled eggs which were turned into egg salad. These meals were served at the Bethany House which is one of Philoptochos outreach charities. Thanks to Andrea V., Olga P., and Olga N. lunch was served in the Rochester community.

Finally, Philoptochos Year End Celebration at Bazil's Restaurant was a great way to end our year and enjoy each others company. Thanks to all those that attended. We look forward to next year.

Philoptochos General Meeting: September 16, 2018. We hope to see all of you then.

On behalf of Philoptochos I sincerely thank you and I'm humbled to be a part of such a great organization. Please visit the Metropolis Philoptochos web-site and learn about this amazing philanthropic organization.

I leave you with a quote: "SUMMER AFTER ALL, IS A time when wonderful THINGS CAN happen to quiet people." Deb Caletti

God Bless America and the Annunciation on East Avenue.

President-Niki Chamberlain

CHOIR

Our choir had a wonderful year and were blessed with new members Eleni Pallogudis and the return of David Markakis. We are always hoping to recruit new members so please join us when we return in the fall on September 9th.

Our organist Alex Jones is graduating from the Eastman School of Music and we wish him well and thank him for two years of assisting the choir. We will be conducting a search for a new organist for the fall.

As always, we thank our dedicated members of the choir!

-Zoi Varahidis and Julie Eveleigh, Co-Directors



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION (RE)

Our Youth RE raised \$187.00 through our Mission Coin Box collection. The money will be used by the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) to support their mission and vision: "to make disciples of all nations by bringing people to Christ and His Church." Thank you to all of our students, teachers and parents who contributed to this project. Your generosity is most appreciated.

-Nicoletta Pinopoulos

GREEK SCHOOL

March 25 - 197th Greek Independence Day Celebration



GOYA

Our GOYANS have continued the tradition of honoring and congratulating all Annunciation mothers on the celebration of this year's Mother's Day (March 13). They offered each mother and grandmother present that day a flower, as a token of appreciation for the loving care they always give to their children and grandchildren. We hope everyone had a wonderful Mother's Day Celebration with their family, and let's not forget to honor our mothers every day of the year!



ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM ORATORICAL FESTIVAL

On March 11, 2018, our Parish has again hosted the annual St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. This year we had two participants, one in the Junior Division (grades 7-9), and the other in the Elementary Division (grades 4-6), we will work to increase that number next year! We will start discussing with the children as soon as the new 2019 Oratorical Festival Manual is out, we will begin preparing our youth to think about their topics of choice.

We would like to thank the judges, Mr. Constantine Zalas, Dr. Christine Kerxhalli, and Mr. Daniel Mot who gave great encouragement and suggestions to our participants!

The Elementary Division participant, Angie Strembenis from the 5th grade Sunday School class, did a wonderful job presenting her speech. The Elementary Division only takes place at Parish level, but we encourage Angie to continue to participate and thus prepare for when she will qualify for the Junior Division. Great job, Angie!



Our Junior Division participant, Ana Dobrot from the 7th grade Religious Ed class, spoke on "*Discuss how prayer, fasting, serving others, or study of Orthodoxy assists you with your relationship with Christ and the Church*". She then went on to participate to the District level of the Oratorical Festival, in Buffalo NY. It was a great experience for her, and she represented our Parish with pride, receiving second place in the competition qualifying her for the Metropolis-level competition that took place in Detroit, MI, on May 19, 2018. We congratulate Ana for representing our Parish and expressing her faith!

In the following editions of the Good News, we will publish our participants' speeches from this year. For



Don't forget to register for ST. TIMOTHY CAMP

Saturday, August 4 through Friday, August 10

For more information access: <http://www.sttimothycamp.org>.

MISSION AND OUTREACH COMMITTEE



On April 30, a group from our church volunteered at Open Door Soup Kitchen. Thanks to Vicky Makovsky, Maria Vasho and Presbytera Felicia Mot.

We encourage all parishioners interested in serving the needy, and in particular our GOYANS (who can also get community hours credit for it) to join us in this very meaningful activity! We must never forget that “As each one has received a gift, minister it to one another, as good stewards of the manifold grace of God.” – 1 Peter 4:10

If interested in joining this Committee, please contact Kimm Stathopoulos

SPRING CLEANING



On April 21, 2018, a group of enthusiastic volunteers decided to brave the still chilly weather and prepare our beloved Church grounds for the Paschal celebrations. Maria Dembeyotis, Ana Hantes and her nephew, Kristo Zenga, Maria Hagen, Presbytera Felicia and Taso Kolokouris got together and worked on cleaning all around the Church. The work was so successful, that towards the end of the “work shift”, the sun had already peeked out and the weather started warming up! Thank you all for bringing the spring back to Rochester!

ATTENTION ALL PARISH ORGANIZATIONS!

We are updating our email Contact List for **all** of our Parish Organizations! Please send the name and email address of your organization’s contact to:

goodnews@annunciationrochester.org

ATTENTION ALL ANNUNCIATION PARISHIONERS

In an effort to be sure we have everyone on our mailing list for the Good News newsletter and for email notifications of upcoming events we are in the process of updating our email Contact List. If your email or address has changed please contact the church office or email this information to:

office@annunciationrochester.org

ANNUNCIATION FEAST DAY CELEBRATION



LENTEN RETREAT



PALM SUNDAY FISH LUNCHEON



A SPECIAL THANK YOU

- to Peter Gines and Family for donating all the food!
- to George Anagnostakos, Dimitrie Vasilakis, George Kasandrinos, Eleftherios Barbas and Ioannis Kev-entzidis for preparing the outstanding fish luncheon!
- to all the ladies who helped: Presvytera Felicia Mot, Chairperson; Eleni Babasidis; Akrivi Bitsas; Maria Gines; Ana Hantes; Fotini Kasandrinos; Mary Manou; Ourania Mitrousis; Agapi Natcias; Nancy Papanu; Olga Petrou; Dina Theodorakakos; Marianthe Zisis!

HOLY WEEK AND PASCHA 2018



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PASCHA EASTER EGG HUNT



UPCOMING CHURCH SERVICES

- + **Friday, August 3, Paraklesis to the Theotokos, 6:00 pm**
- + **Monday, August 6, Holy Transfiguration Orthros 9:00 am; Divine Liturgy 10:00 am**
- + **Wednesday, August 15, Dormition of the Theotokos Orthros 9:00 am; Divine Liturgy 10:00 am**

OUR *15th* YEAR!

**2018
GREEK
FEST**

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SUN. 11 AM - 8 PM

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If you are interested in volunteering to help at their Festival please contact the church office or call Holy Spirit GOC direct at 585-244-1976

FESTIVAL REPORT

Greetings,

Thank you to everyone who came to celebrate and support the 2018 Greek Festival! We had a great turnout and we are very proud of the hard work, teamwork and camaraderie that took place in our parish throughout the past 5 weeks! We came together as a community and made it happen!

I wanted to take some time to thank all those who have made this past weekend a reality:

The man who inspired us to get together and make the festival happen was Alan Makovsky. His speech at the Town Hall meeting was encouraging and captivating, and it certainly motivated a lot of parishioners to step up and volunteer their talents, including Elina Kokorotsis, Peggy Votsis, Nicoletta Pinopoulos & Alexia Georgiou for their coordination, organization and management of the festival logistics.

A very special thank you to all the ladies and gentlemen who came to church each week for the past month to help with the baking and cooking. Under the leadership of Despina Georgantopoulos and Mary Manou, we were able to complete baking and cooking within a week – usually it takes a month to prepare! Despina and Mary received a special appreciation plaque on Sunday evening of the Festival.

Thank you to our Creative Team: John Loury (Marketing Analysis & PR); Alexia Georgiou (website & festival rebranding); Agathi Georgiou (PR); Alexandra Hristodoulou (Social Media); Thanasi Hristodoulou (Poster), Spiros Peter Kapatos (Photography), George Nassis (Printing); Alexandros Hatzigiannidis (Festival & Volunteer t-shirts).

Thank you to the countless volunteers from the Annunciation Community that came out to help in all the various booths and food stations. Under the leadership of the following Chairs, we were able to have a successful festival: Pete Kokorotsis at the Food & behind the scenes planning; Dean Stathopoulos at the Bar & for setting up the stage; Juan Linares and family at the Mezes tent; Voula Gatsis and all the ladies of Agia Paraskevi at the Loukoumades; Voula Bitsas and family at the Salads; Mary Reformat at the Pastries; Helen Eisenberg & Litsa Gonzales at the cashier's tent; Antonis Georgiou and Pan-Hellenic at the Kafenio; Sevi Stathopoulos and Emily Haas at the Boutique; Maria Hagen and family at the Bakaliko; Julie Everleigh at the Religious Booth; Christine Kerxhalli (16 Church Tours with 182 participants!); Maria Dembeyiotis and all the Dance Teachers & Dance Groups; Taso Kolokouris for set-up and tear-down; Eric Vangelow, Demetri Kolokouris, Mike Naselaris and the Treasury team for their support throughout the festival!

Thank you to all the vendors under the Marketplace Tent: Alexandros from Kosmima Jewelry; Alexandros Hatzigiannidis and Thanasi Hristodoulou for their artistic design; Hellenic Cultural Society; Antonios Kasandrinos for the Olive Oils and Vinegars!

Thank you to all the sponsors for their contributions, and special thanks to A&G Meats & Rochester Meats for their generosity and for lending us their trucks. Great thanks also to Paul & Chris Theodorou at EMS for all the electrical work and support throughout the festival, and finally all the security and police officers keeping our grounds safe!

We had a very special guest this weekend who came here from the Metropolis of Detroit, His Eminence, Metropolitan Nicholas. We are humbled he came to spend a few days with our Annunciation Community and support our 2018 Greek Festival.

Last but not least, thank you to the past Festival Chairpersons for paving the way for us to follow in their footsteps. We are looking forward to what the future will bring!

Let's focus on our future! Opa!

Evangelos (Van) Zissis
2018 Festival Chair



2018 FESTIVAL RESULTS

Please note that the financial results presented will change slightly when additional information becomes available.

Congratulations! This year's Festival was successful on many levels. We should be proud that we came together as a community, provided \$17,000 in financial support to area charities, and generated roughly \$70,000 for our Church!

A couple points to keep in mind as you review this preliminary report;

1. Sales were down from our record performance in 2017. There are likely a number of reasons for this but overall the weather was the main culprit. Hot on Thursday and Friday, a cool start on Saturday, and Sunday, well it was a total wash-out. Regardless, the food and dancing were excellent and the volunteers did an amazing job.

2. Expenses -

a. Food/Pastry expense included \$6,500 for two new steam tables.

b. Paper expense will drop by roughly \$5,000 after we receive a check from our supplier for items returned after the festival.

c. Manpower and Payroll increased over 2017. Additional volunteers will help us reduce this expense moving forward.

d. Signature Ware includes the volunteer tee-shirts.

Going forward, we are looking to learn best practices from other successful Greek Festival's. Please let us know if you have family or friends in other communities that may be willing to share their ideas. Also, please send any questions you may have about this report to my attention at finance@anunciationrochester.org.

Thank you,
Eric Vangellow, PC Treasurer

Anunciation Greek Festival
Comparative Profit & Loss
January through July 16, 2018

	Jan - Jul 18	Jan - Jul 17	% Change
INCOME			
410101 - JEWELRY	\$2,800	\$2,040	71.3%
410104 - ART - PETER ZOIDIS	\$0	\$6,725	-100.0%
410301 - FOOD	\$177,525	\$221,080	-15.7%
410305 - PASTRY	\$50	\$0	100.0%
410307 - SAGANAKI/CALAMARI	\$0	\$0	0.0%
410308 - BAKLAVA ICE CREAM	\$0	\$0	0.0%
410309 - LOUKOUMADES	\$0	\$0	0.0%
4105 - BAR	\$59,019	\$78,300	-24.0%
4106 - FESTIVAL DONATIONS	\$3,398	\$9,286	-63.4%
4107 - KAFENEO	\$11,745	\$14,010	-16.2%
4108 - BOUTIQUE	\$9,631	\$14,177	-32.1%
4109 - RELIGIOUS BOOTH	\$465	\$1,047	-55.6%
4110 - KIDDIE VILLAGE	\$5,118	\$9,851	-47.8%
4111 - OTHER CASH INCOME	\$1,844	\$328	463.5%
4112 - MISCELLANEOUS	-\$25	\$500	-107.2%
4114 - ADVERTISING INCOME	\$1,470	\$7,000	-79.0%
4115 - BAKALIKO	\$4,440	\$6,521	-33.0%
4122 - POST FESTIVAL FOOD SALES	\$0	\$0	0
TOTAL INCOME	\$276,278	\$371,178	-25.3%
EXPENSE			
5101 - ADVERTISING	\$17,573	\$26,395	-33.0%
5102 - RENTAL EQUIPMENT	\$22,493	\$29,351	-23.0%
5103 - PERMITS/LICENSE	\$315	\$459	-31.4%
5104 - MANPOWER	\$22,950	\$17,489	31.8%
5105 - FOOD/PASTRY EXPENSE	\$73,122	\$78,158	-6.0%
5107 - BAR EXPENSE	\$15,148	\$21,033	-28.0%
5108 - PASTRY EXPENSE	\$0	\$0	0.0%
5109 - BAKALIKO EXPENSE	\$3,731	\$3,760	-0.8%
5110 - KAFENEO EXPENSE	\$875	\$892	-2.0%
5111 - PAPER	\$15,746	\$11,635	33.6%
5112 - BOUTIQUE EXPENSE	\$8,012	\$2,169	174.6%
5113 - RELIGIOUS BOOTH EXPENSE	\$376	\$902	-58.3%
5114 - KIDDIE VILLAGE EXPENSE	\$7,200	\$7,304	-1.4%
5115 - SPECIALTY ITEMS EXPENSE	\$0	\$5,780	-100.0%
511701 - START UP CASH	\$0	\$0	0%
5116 - ENTERTAINMENT	\$8,450	\$8,800	-4.0%
5119 - BANK CHARGES	\$55	\$2,443	-97.8%
5120 - SET UP EXPENSE	\$4,374	\$3,754	13.2%
5123 - SIGNATURE WARE	\$1,850	\$0	100.0%
5600 - PAYROLL EXPENSE	\$800	\$0	100.0%
TOTAL EXPENSE	\$201,703	\$216,327	12.3%
Net Ordinary Income	\$76,575	\$154,851	
PLUS Raffle ticket sales income	\$19,700	\$40,800	
LESS Raffle winnings expense	\$5,281	\$21,300	
LESS Charities expense	\$0	\$0	
	\$86,994	\$154,849	

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