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PROGRAM

Thursday February 2

9:00 am - 4:00 pm	Registration/Hospitality	Camelback Ballroom Foyer
8:45 am – 10:00 am	Opening Breakfast	Salons K & L
10:00 am – 11:00 am	Speaker – Fr. Nicolas Kazarian and Nicholas Anton	
11:15 am - 12:15 pm	Speaker – Carl Hollister	Salons H, I & J
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Luncheon	Salons K & L
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Forum Speaker – Dr. Costis Maglaras	
5:45 pm - 6:30 pm	New Members / First Timers Orientation	Cottonwood
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Welcome Reception	Phoenician Patio and East Lawn
	· ·	Back up: Salons K & L

Friday February 3

9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Registration/Hospitality	Camelback Ballroom Foyer
8:30 am – 9:30 am	Breakfast	Salons K & L
9:45 am - 10:45am	Lecture	Salons H, I & J
	His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros	
10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Children's Program	TBD
11:00 am - 1:00 pm	General Assembly	Salons H, I & J
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Luncheon	Salons K & L
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Forum Speaker – Yvette Manessis Corporon	
4:00 pm – 5:30 pm	Young Professionals Breakout session	West Lawn
7:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Hellenic Glendi	Camelback Ballroom
11:00 pm	Buses Depart	Off-site
	Young Professionals After Hours Event	

Saturday February 4

7:45 am - 8:45 am

8:30 am - 1:00 pm	Golf Tournament	Golf Course
9:00 am - 1:00 pm	Tennis Tournament	Tennis Courts
9:30 am – 11:00 am	Brunch	Salons K & L
11:00 am - 12:30 pm	Forum Speaker – Panos Panay	
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm	Golf/Tennis Awards Luncheon Players Only	The Tavern Roundhouse
5:45 pm - 6:30 pm	Obelisk and Icon Photo Presentation	Boojum Ballroom
6:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Children's Program	Salon and Patio
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Grand Banquet Reception	Camelback Plaza
7:00 pm - 11:00 pm	Grand Banquet (Black Tie)	Camelback Ballroom
11:15 pm – 1:15 am	After Hours Social	Estrella

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12th Annual Walk/Run

Sunday February 5

9:00 am	Buses will depart from hotel	
9:30 am	Hierarchical Divine Liturgy	Holy Trinity Cathedral 1973 E. Maryland Avenue Phoenix, Arizona 602-264-7863

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Dear Members and Friends,

We have had a busy time in 2022. In the last issue of The Leader, we covered the summer events of the 46th Biennial Clergy-Laity Congress on the historic occasion of the Centennial of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, along with the Consecration of St. Nicholas Church and National Shrine. In the fall, we witnessed the historic visit of His Beatitude Pope and Patriarch Theodoros II of Alexandria and All Africa, who celebrated the Divine Liturgy at the investiture of thirty-six Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle, ten of whom are members of Leadership 100.



Dr. Anthony J. Limberakis, with wife, Maria, receives Centennial Honor from Archbishop Elpidophoros.

We acknowledge the superb leadership of Anthony J. Limberakis, MD, National Commander of the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle, in organizing and overseeing the Archon

MESSAGE FROM OUR CHAIRMAN

events. A member of Leadership 100, he received the accolade of Centennial Honors from His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros.

We also acknowledge the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, which celebrated its 90th Anniversary at the National Philoptochos Biennial Convention. The Convention took place at the same time as the Clergy-Laity. National Philoptochos and many Philoptochos members are also members of Leadership 100, including National Philoptochos President, Arlene Siavelis Kehl (with husband, Dr. Kenneth) and First Vice President, Anita B. Kartalopoulos (with husband, Dr. Stamatios). Both also received the accolade of Centennial Honors from the Archbishop. We reached out to this extraordinary philanthropic organization and include an article on its achievements, with comments by its able First Vice President.

These two organizations play a vital role in our Church, both nationally and internationally. Leadership 100 is

privileged to collaborate with them in advancing Orthodoxy and Hellenism. The regular business of Leadership 100 continued. Despite the economic situation, we were able to keep our portfolio at \$89.8 million, and total assets at \$104.9 million, after significant grant distributions of \$4,555,150, in 2022. Since its inception in 1984,

Leadership 100 has distributed more than \$70 million in grants.

Significantly, we welcomed 62 new members in 2022, including 20 young professionals. There were 30 members who fulfilled. In addition, we presently have 8 new members in the first few

weeks in January, bringing the total to 70 new members. The membership stands at 1,246, with 744 fulfilled.

In addition, we welcome George Soterakis as Chairman of our Audit Committee and thank Michael Bapis, who will remain on the committee, for his service as Chairman. We also welcome John Stratakis as a member of the Grant Committee, replacing Evie Hasiotis, whom we thank for her long and productive service.

Our 32nd Annual Leadership 100 Conference will convene February 2-5, 2023, at The Phoenician in Scottsdale, Arizona. We are blessed to have His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros with us and a program of outstanding speakers, including Dr. Costis Maglaras, Dean, Columbia Business School; Panos Panay, Executive Vice President and Chief Product Officer, Microsoft; Carl Hollister, President, L.M. Kohn & Company; Yvette Manessis Corporon, best-selling author and Emmy Award winning producer; and Rev. Protopresbyter Nicolas Kazarian, Ecumenical Officer and Director of the Department on Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and with Nicholas Anton, Director of Operations, Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America.

I thank you for your valuable support and look forward to personally greeting you in Scottsdale.

With warmest regards,

Chairman

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Demetrios G. Logothetis

32nd Annual Leadership 100 Conference to convene in Scottsdale, Arizona

The 32nd Annual Leadership 100 Conference will convene February 2-5, 2023, at The Phoenician in Scottsdale, Arizona, Demetrios G. Logothetis, Chairman of Leadership 100, announced. "We are pleased to continue our annual conferences with the participation of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros and with a program of outstanding speakers from business, technology and communications, the hallmarks of our contemporary times. We are pleased to note that attendance will reach record levels."

The Conference speakers are Dr. Costis Maglaras, Dean, Columbia Business School; Panos Panay, Executive Vice President and Chief Product Officer, Microsoft; Carl Hollister, President, L.M. Kohn & Company; Yvette Manessis Corporon, best-selling author and Emmy Award winning producer; and Rev. Protopresbyter Nicolas Kazarian, Ecumenical Officer and Director of the Department on Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America with Nicholas Anton, Director of Operations, Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America.

The Opening Forum with Fr. Kazarian and Nicholas Anton will be on Thursday, February 2, followed by an address from Carl Hollister. A Luncheon and Forum will follow with an address by Dr. Maglaras. The Welcome Reception will take place on Thursday evening.

On Friday, February 3, following breakfast, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros will deliver his Lecture. The General Assembly will take place after the Lecture, followed by a Luncheon and Forum addressed by Yvette Manessis Corporon. We are grateful to our beloved member, Maria Pardalis, who once again graciously accepted to organize the children's program for Friday and Saturday. Our co-chairs for the young professionals, Anastasia Pantelidis Bousis and Callie Pantelidis Zoitas, have organized a breakout session and a social event off-site on Friday. The Hellenic Glendi will be held Friday evening.

The Saturday, February 4 events will include a Brunch and Special Forum led by Panos Panay, Golf and Tennis Tournaments and Awards chaired by John Aivazoglou, and a Walk/Run event chaired by Mike Manatos. The Grand Banquet, at which the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Award for Excellence will be presented, will take place on Saturday evening. The Hierarchical Divine Liturgy will be celebrated on Sunday, February 5 at Holy Trinity Cathedral in Phoenix.

Dean of Columbia Business School Costis Maglaras to address Thursday Forum



Costis Maglaras is the 16th Dean of Columbia Business School, and the David and Lyn Silfen Professor of Business at Columbia University. Maglaras received his BS in Electrical Engineering from Imperial College, London, in 1990, and his MS and PhD in Electrical Engineering from Stanford University in 1991 and 1998, respectively. He joined Columbia Business School in 1998. He is a Fellow of INFORMS, an Honorary Fellow of the Foreign Policy Association, a Member of the Economic Club of New York, and a Trustee of Athens College.

Under his leadership, Columbia Business School moved into its new campus, has emphasized the digital future of business, entrepreneurship, the climate change challenge and its impact and opportunity in our economy, and the interface of business and society.

His teaching and research lie on the interface between applied mathematics, economics, and engineering. Recent work has focused on market microstructure of financial markets; information and social networks; and congestion pricing and ride-hailing networks. He has advised 20 doctoral students that have gone on to leadership positions in academia and industry. Outside of the Business School, his experience has primarily focused in the technology sector and in quantitative finance.

Maglaras is married to Niki Kouri. They live in Manhattan with their three daughters.

Microsoft Executive Vice President and Chief Product Officer Panos Panay to address Saturday Forum



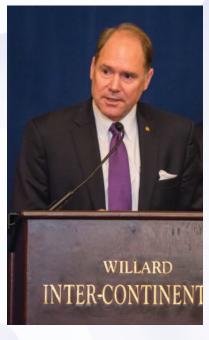
At Microsoft Panos Panay's official title is Executive Vice President and Chief Product Officer, but at his core he's a product maker with an eye for detail and a love of innovation. He leads the vision and strategy for Windows + Devices, which includes the development and design of Windows and Windows 365, Mixed Reality and HoloLens, Education and Modern Life, as well as the development, design, supply chain, and manufacturing of Microsoft hardware, including Microsoft Surface devices.

Under Panos' leadership, the Windows + Devices team blends art, science, and unwavering pride in craftsmanship to create end-to-end experiences that fuse hardware and software, transforming the way people work, live, create, and learn. Since joining Microsoft in 2004, Panay has become known as a creative visionary in product-making. He truly believes that *products are a reflection of the people who make them and the people who use them.* The passion and care that is put into the development of any product from a new feature in Windows to the creation of a new form factor is felt by each person who uses it.

Looking to the future he and his team will continue to innovate and enable advanced technologies, such as bringing cloud and local compute together seamlessly to enable AI powered experiences.

Panay is a devoted husband and father of four. He and his family moved from Los Angeles to the Seattle area 18 years ago to join Microsoft. When he's not at work, he can usually be found spending time with his family, golfing, or cooking.

President of L.M. Kohn & Company and Retired U.S. Army Officer Carl Hollister to speak Thursday morning



Carl Hollister was born near Cleveland, in the city of Willoughby, Ohio. He is the son of Demetria G. (Space) Hollister and Robert E. Hollister, and the eldest of three brothers: George and Christopher.

In high school, Hollister was the

football team captain and played baseball. He went on to play college football for the Grove City College Wolverines, Grove City, Pennsylvania, where he graduated with a B.A. in Economics. He met his wife, Cynthia D. Pappas, at Grove City. He went on to earn an M.A. in Finance at Webster University in Webster Groves, Missouri.

Hollister is a retired U.S. Army Officer with the rank of Major in the Army Reserves, with 21 years active and reserve total service. Seventeen of those years were in Special Operations, with tours of duty in Central America, the Balkans, and Central Asia. He trained at the US Army John F. Kennedy Special Warfare Center and School in Foreign Internal Defense and Unconventional Warfare (FID UW) where he specialized in Psychological Operations and Civil Military Operations. As commander of the Khost Provincial Reconstruction Team in Afghanistan, he was awarded the Bronze Star in 2005. He received noteworthy accolades in the Book "Counterinsurgency in Eastern Afghanistan 2004-2008" written by Robert Kemp of the U.S. State Department.

With over 20 years of experience in the securities industry, Hollister currently serves as President and member of the Board of Directors for L.M. Kohn & Company, a regional S.E.C. Registered Investment Advisor and Broker/Dealer, serving the mass affluent market, small corporate, and non-profit client marketplace. The firm operates 60 branches and oversees \$4 billion in client assets under management. L.M. Kohn & Company is headquartered in Cincinnati, Ohio.

Hollister is a dedicated member of the Greek Orthodox Church and the Order of AHEPA. He serves on the Archdiocesan Council and is an AHEPA Past Supreme President (2017-18) and currently serves on its Board of Directors. He also served as Chairman and CEO for the AHEPA National Housing Corporation (2019-2022), a nonprofit company with a portfolio of over 90 affordable independent and assisted senior living communities nationwide.

An Archon Referendarios, Hollister currently serves on the National Council for The Order of St. Andrew the Apostle and as a member of the of the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Foundation (EPBF) where he serves as the Audit Committee Chairman. He is also a member of the Board for the St. Photios Greek Orthodox National Shrine.

As a member of Saints Constantine & Helen Greek Orthodox Church in Middletown, Ohio, Carl served as a Parish Council President. He also has served as an advisor to the Metropolis of Detroit. Hollister serves on many other boards and advisory councils, including the Cleisthenes Project and the RBC Wealth Management Advisory Board.

He and his wife, Cynthia (Pappas), live in Mason, Ohio, and have a daughter, Alexandra.

Best-Selling Author and Emmy Award Winning Producer Yvette Manessis Corporon to address Friday Forum



Yvette Manessis Corporon is an internationally best-selling author and Emmy Award winning producer. She is the author of Where The Wandering Ends (2022), Something Beautiful Happened (2017) and When The Cypress Whispers (2014). To date, her books have been translated into sixteen languages. Yvette is also currently a Senior Producer with EXTRA where she spearheads coverage of newsmakers, politics, media, and celebrities.

Yvette is a three-time Emmy Award winning journalist who has traveled the world covering the biggest stories in news and entertainment - including Royal Weddings, the Super Bowl, the Met Gala, the Emmy Awards, and countless international red-carpets in between. She has interviewed several sitting Presidents and First Ladies in the White House and spent time covering the Presidential Campaign Trail.

In addition to her three Emmy Awards and multiple Emmy nominations, Yvette is also a recipient of the Silurian Award for Excellence in Journalism and the New York City Comptroller and City Council's Award for Greek Heritage and Culture.

A native New Yorker and daughter of Greek immigrants with deep family roots on Corfu, where all her books are set, Yvette studied Journalism and Classical Civilizations at NYU. She loves combining both of her passions and crafting books from little known moments in history and mythology.

Yvette is also a frequent television guest and commentator. She has appeared on Good Morning America, Today, The View, Dr. Phil, Fox & Friends, Good Day New York, WCBS and Extra, among others.

Yvette lives in Brooklyn, NY with her husband and two children.

Rev. Protopresbyter Nicolas Kazarian,
Director of the Department of Inter-Orthodox,
Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations,
the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America
and Nicholas Anton, Director of Operations,
the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops
of the USA to address Opening Forum



Rev. Protopresbyter Nicolas Kazarian, PhD, was born in France, where he pursued his undergraduate degree at the Saint Sergius Orthodox Theological Institute in Paris (France), graduating with a BA and an MA. He continued

his studies at the University of Cyprus, in Nicosia (Cyprus), and Thessaloniki (Greece), before moving to Switzerland to start an MA in Orthodox Theology at the Orthodox Theological Institute of Chambésy. He completed his Ph.D. in Geopolitics at the Sorbonne (Paris, France). He later attended the 2017 KAICIID International Fellows Program (Vienna, Austria) on interfaith dialogue and was also a visiting fellow at the Orthodox Christian Studies Center of Fordham University.

He has authored two books and over 60 articles about the Orthodox Church, ecumenical dialogue, interfaith relations, and geopolitics in various languages. He has also taught Ecumenical Relations at the Catholic University of Paris and at the Saint Sergius Orthodox Theological Institute. He was recently elected to the Central Committee of the World Council of Churches.

Fr. Kazarian serves as Ecumenical Officer and Director of the Department of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations, the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

He is the parish priest of St. Eleftherios Greek Orthodox Church in Manhattan.



A Chicago native, Nicholas Anton serves as the Director of Operations for the Assembly of Canonical Orthodox

Bishops of the USA. Prior to his current appointment, he held the positions of Ecumenical Officer and Director of the Department of Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America (GOA) from 2018-2020 and Coordinator of UN Programs for the GOA from 2014-2018. While at the UN, he specialized in human trafficking and the human right to water and sanitation. Additionally, he was the Secretary of the Ecumenical Patriarchate's 2018 Green Attica Symposium. He earned an M.Div. from Holy Cross GOST, an MA from Boston College, and a Graduate Certificate in Leadership of Nonprofit Organizations from Southern New Hampshire University. He specializes in negotiation, diplomacy, peacemaking, and change leadership. Nicholas also continues to serve the GOA as a Special Advisor on Inter-Orthodox and Social Issues.

Order of Saint Andrew, Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Adds 36 New Members, 10 of Whom Are Members of Leadership 100

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, accompanied by His Eminence Demetrios, former Geron Archbishop of America, presided at the Investiture of thirty-six new Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate from throughout the United States, ten of whom are members of Leadership 100, following the Divine Liturgy at the Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity on Sunday, October 9, 2022. Also present was His Beatitude Theodore II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa. Like their distinguished brethren in the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle, the new Archons have dedicated themselves to the protection and defense of the Mother Church of Constantinople.

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros told the new Archons: "This day for the installation of the new class of Archons is indeed an auspicious one. For it is occurring in the presence of His Beatitude Theodoros II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa. You are receiving the high office and name of 'Archon' at this first and very special Patriarchal Divine Liturgy, presided over by the one who is enthroned on the See of Saint Mark the Apostle and Evangelist – and on the very day of His Enthronement eighteen years ago, no less."

His Eminence added: "You are being endowed by His All-Holiness Himself with the Offikion that he has personally selected for you. Let his brother Patriarch, standing before you, be a perpetual memorial in your souls of the great honor bestowed upon you, and of the responsibility that you now bear to defend and magnify the Mother Church of Constantinople with all your strength, with all your heart, and with all your mind. May you always be worthy! AEIOI!"

The National Commander of the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle, Dr. Anthony J. Limberakis, said: "To the Archon Class of 2022, we offer our heartfelt congratulations. In addition, we extend our deep appreciation to the Committee to Recommend New Archons chaired by Archon Constantine G. Caras, Esq. who administered the selection process in a most systematic, comprehensive and diligent manner." Caras is a Chairman Emeritus of Leadership 100.

During the solemn Archon Investiture service, His Beatitude presented each Archon with the Cross of St. Andrew along with the official Patriarchal Certificate specifying the Offikion designated by His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew for each Archon.

Archons invested: Asterisk indicates member of Leadership 100.

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Michael G. Psaros, Archon Ostiarios, Presented with The Nicholas J. Bouras Award for Extraordinary Archon Stewardship



Michael G. Psaros is joined by his wife Robin and their daughter Marina as he accepts the Nicholas J. Bouras Award for Extraordinary Archon Stewardship from His Beatitude Patriarch Theodore II. (Photos by J. Mindala)

Michael G. Psaros, Archon Ostiarios, has received The Nicholas J. Bouras Award for Extraordinary Archon Stewardship for his outstanding service to the Orthodox Church as an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate of Constantinople. The Award was presented to Archon Psaros on Friday, October 7, 2022, in the presence of His Beatitude Theodore II, Pope and Patriarch of Alexandria and All Africa, by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and Dr. Anthony J. Limberakis, National Commander of the Order of Saint Andrew the Apostle, Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, at the Bouras Award Dinner during the Order's annual Archon Weekend at the New York Hilton Hotel in New York City.

In a special message commending the selection and congratulating Archon Psaros, His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew stated: "Through his faith, devotion, and dedication to the Mother Church, Archon Michael has shown himself to be the

exemplification of the very best in filial piety, a pietas worthy of Aeneas himself. His many benefactions to the Ecumenical Patriarchate, to the Order of Saint Andrew, to the Holy Archdiocese of America, and to the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine all manifest a deep love and commitment that exceeds even his extraordinary success in industry. Archon Michael represents the very best of what it means to be an Archon - a leader among the Holy and Great Mother Church of Constantinople....Together with his beloved wife Robin and children, Archon Michael G. Psaros is lighting the way to a brighter tomorrow for our Church."

At the conferral of the award, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America spoke to Archon Psaros, saying: "Archon Michael: I address you directly, not that you are in need of any exhortation from anyone; for your enthusiasm and devotion to the Order of Saint Andrew and to the Church are manifest in everything you do. Indeed, your dedication is in evidence on every level of Church life – foremost in your support of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. Your generosity over time, and in particular during the Apostolic Visit of His All-Holiness last year, was vital to the success of the trip. But there is so much more, that I hesitate to make a list, as I am afraid of leaving something out. I know that even when you fill in the gaps, and make possible various events in the life of the Church, it is not for the sake of display."

Dr. Anthony J. Limberakis, National Commander of the Order, said, "The breadth and depth of Archon Psaros' activities in service of the mission of the Order of Saint Andrew is truly remarkable; the National Council has most fittingly recognized his magnificent work by

designating him to be the recipient of this prestigious Award, in recognition of the extraordinary service exemplified by the late Archon National Vice Commander Nicholas J. Bouras of Blessed Memory."

The Psaros Family, in the presence of His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew on the occasion of his Apostolic Trip in October 2021, made a \$3.1 million gift to Georgetown University, to establish the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Orthodox Chaplaincy, endowed by the Michael Psaros Family. This was the first fully endowed chaplain's position in Georgetown University's Campus Ministry program. Archon Psaros and his wife, Robin, also made a \$250,000 gift to the university in 2019 to the sacred space at Copley Crypt where Orthodox Christian Vespers, Liturgies and Catholic Masses are held. This gift funded Orthodox Icons and the Iconostasis.



His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew also visited and blessed "Evyenia's House of Hope" in Weirton, West Virginia, and was then hosted by the Psaros Family at All Saints Greek Orthodox Church, also in Weirton. During the reception at All Saints Church, in the presence of His All-Holiness, the Psaros Family announced it was creating a \$3 million endowment, in the name of Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, to endow the salary of the parish priest.

Michael Psaros of All Saints Greek Orthodox Church in Weirton, WV, The Church of Our Savior in Rye, NY, the Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, in NYC, and The Dormition of the Virgin Mary in Southampton, NY, was invested as Archon in 2014 and conferred with the offikion Ostiarios. He currently serves on the Order's National Council.

Archon Psaros previously served as the Treasurer of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America. He currently serves on the Executive Committee of the Archdiocesan Council. He is also a founding member of FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism; and serves on the Board of Trustees of Leadership 100, the Executive Board of The Hellenic Initiative, and is a member of AHEPA. Archon Psaros also serves in the leadership of The Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew Foundation.

The National Council of the Order of Saint Andrew unanimously voted in 2010 to establish the Nicholas J. Bouras Award. The Award is presented annually to an individual who has demonstrated extraordinary and incomparable stewardship to the Order, empowering Archons to vigorously pursue securing religious freedom for the Mother Church of Constantinople.

The Award is named after the late National Vice Commander Nicholas J. Bouras, Archon Depoutatos, who demonstrated remarkable leadership as a faithful son of the Ecumenical Patriarchate and exemplary steward of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

Past recipients of the Award have included George D. Behrakis (2011), James C. Fountas and John Halecky, Jr. (2012), Stephen J. Yallourakis, M.D., D.D.S. (2013), Christopher Stratakis, Esq. (2014), the Hon. Nicholas Tsoucalas (2015), Theofanis V. Economidis (2016), John A. Catsimatidis (2017), George E. Safiol (2018) and John S. Zavitsanos (2019).

The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society Celebrates 90 Years of Achievement

The National Philoptochos Biennial Convention brought together 317 delegates from chapters nationwide in New York City on July 5, 2022, to celebrate the 90th Anniversary of The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, the separately incorporated official philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America.

The Convention was conducted under the direction of National President Arlene Siavelis Kehl, Convention Chair Anita Kartalopoulos, and Co-Chairs Jeannie Ranglas, Jennifer Constantin, and Eleni Constantinides, and highlighted not only the accomplishments of the organization, but also set a roadmap for the future.

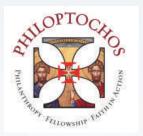
His Eminence, Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, opened the convention by greeting the attendees and honoring President Kehl and Convention Chair and Vice President Kartalopoulos as Archdiocesan Centennial Honorees and presented the Centennial Icon of Christ the Sower to each. His Eminence also honored Vice Presidents Jeannie Ranglas and Stella Pantelidis as Centennial Honorees. The prestigious recognition of Centennial Honoree is in acknowledgement of and in appreciation for many years of steadfast service to the Archdiocese. All four of the Philoptochos leaders are members of Leadership 100, along with the National Philoptochos itself, and many of its members.

His Eminence stated, "the accomplishments of Philoptochos are everywhere throughout our Church, at the National, Metropolis, and parish levels. Your legacy is as deep as any in the Church. You give so much in so many ways, the sisters of Philoptochos never say 'no' to the Church."

The biennial convention is held in conjunction with the Clergy-Laity Congress, which this year celebrated the Centennial of the Archdiocese of America. The Philoptochos delegates, the Clergy-Laity attendees, city officials, the Hierarchs of the Church, and Patriarchal

representatives together bore witness to the historic consecration of Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine at the World Trade Center on Independence Day. National Philoptochos was pleased and honored to have contributed \$2 million for the rebuilding of Saint Nicholas.

As the Philoptochos Convention ended the delegates celebrated 90 years of continuous philanthropy, empowered by their purpose, as expressed in their motto of "Philanthropy, Fellowship, Faith, and Action."



The story of Philoptochos is rich and varied. One of the largest religious women's auxiliaries in the United States— or, as National President Arlene Siavelis Kehl put it, an "army of women"— tackling social and

economic issues like hunger, homelessness, poverty, human trafficking, its reach is as local as it is global.

Yet its beginnings were modest. In the early days of mass migration in the 1800s, women's clubs formed in churches in major cities across the US. The clubs assisted the struggling new immigrants during a historic depression, well before the official formation of the organization in November 1931, by the late Ecumenical Patriarch Athenagoras I, then Archbishop of North and South America.

In 1944, Archbishop Athenagoras inspired National Philoptochos' purchase of the former Rupert Estate on the cliffs of the Hudson. Renamed Saint Basil's Academy, it became a haven for children from war-torn Greece, a school for Greek language teachers and much more. Today, it is still a home away from home for children in need and a centerpiece of Philoptochos philanthropy, which has provided continuing support of \$11,126,270 in the period of 1990 to 2022 alone.

During its nine decades, the charitable work of the society has included aid to Greece during World War II, aid and advocacy for Cyprus after the Turkish invasion, current aid to Ukraine after the Russian invasion, scholarships at Holy Cross School of Theology, a Cardiac Program for Children, the Children's Medical Fund, and the General Emergency Fund to provide immediate response and assistance following natural disasters such as Hurricane Katrina, the Florida hurricanes, Asian earthquake and tsunami, Greek fires, California fires and mudslides, and Iowa floods. Hands-on philanthropic work includes The Wheelchair Project, Make-A-Difference, One Warm Coat, Assistance for Our Troops and Veterans, Feed the Hungry Program, and Operation Classroom.

ING 90 YEARS Arlene Siavelis Kehl receives Centennial Honor from Archbishop Elpidophoros.

Philoptochos continues to respond immediately to needs and crises with philanthropic outreach that extends to each area of the country and throughout the world. This is accomplished

through its National and Metropolis Boards and its close to 25,000 members and more than 400 active chapters, nationwide.

Reluctant to cite figures for its vast array of philanthropy, the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society would rather point to the lives transformed, to the communities healed and to the faith communicated, but Philoptochos has disbursed \$32,059,036 for National Commitments from January 1, 2002 to December 31, 2021. The figure does not include the generous philanthropy of local chapters and Metropolis Boards during this period.

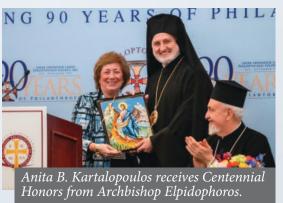
Anita B. Kartalopoulos, Esq., (ABK) recently appointed by Archbishop Elpidophoros as National Philoptochos First Vice President, is a third generation Philoptochos member with a deep commitment and broad understanding for Philoptochos' mission and purpose.

She is an attorney, who has served as Second Vice President, as well as five terms as National Philoptochos legal advisor, and has chaired numerous Philoptochos initiatives to expand the ministry and philanthropy of Philoptochos, the Archdiocese, and the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

As Convention Chairman, she was instrumental in organizing the agenda for the historic meeting and the agenda for the future. She addressed the history and purpose of the organization and how it is planning to meet the challenges of the future in a discussion with Leadership 100 (L100).

L100: Philoptochos is self-described as the official philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, yet it is separately incorporated. How would you explain the relationship between Philoptochos and the Archdiocese?

ABK: The primary purpose of Philoptochos is to be the philanthropic arm of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, and we are both proud and humbled to fulfill that mission. We are, however, an independent entity under New York law, a nonprofit affiliated with the Church, which requires us to provide financial transparency, and which imposes fiduciary duties on us as a National Executive Board. We are a partner to the Archdiocese that has been honorable and has shown great integrity. We are blessed to serve our Church.



L100: What relationship does Philoptochos have with the Ecumenical Patriarchate?

ABK: We love our Mother Church. Philoptochos has always supported

the charitable and benevolent purposes of the Ecumenical Patriarch and the Ecumenical Patriarchate. We have made memorable pilgrimages to Constantinople and have met with His All Holiness. We support the ministry and the mission of the Ecumenical Patriarchate. They are central for us and remain in a

historical place under difficult circumstances. It is a blessing and an honor to support them. We support, for example the soup kitchen that provides daily lunches for Greek Orthodox school children, as well the schools themselves, the Hospital and Nursing Home at Balukli, and much more.



L100: The history of Philoptochos is both rich and diverse, with projects that are local, national, and international,

Church-related, and humanitarian. How does this operate effectively?

ABK: We run such a diverse and multi-faceted organization not only through our organizational structure at all three levels, but also through a highly effective system of committees. An example is the Humanitarian Relief Committee, which interfaces with our National Board and IOCC. A good case study is the recent fires in Evia, Greece. When the devastating fires started, both the Archdiocese and Philoptochos immediately issued appeals. The Archdiocese decided to collaborate with IOCC, as did Philoptochos. We pooled the monies and IOCC did due diligence. Local government and IOCC representatives assessed the damage and identified those who needed aid. During on-site visits with the GOA, representatives of Philoptochos saw the victims and the progress. Having done the due diligence and need assessment, funds were distributed in an agreed-upon voucher process. It was a great and successful collaboration at every level of Philoptochos and the Archdiocese. The accountability and reporting which were managed by the Archdiocese were outstanding.

L100: How does Philoptochos distribute Social Service support?

ABK: It is said that Social Service is the heart of Philoptochos. Standards are set at every level, including the National Board. Every chapter sets a limit on what

they can give to a particular case. This is based upon the chapter's financial strength and ability. An individual whose needs exceed what the chapter can give can appeal for additional help to the Metropolis or National Board, each of which also has a limit. We try to help as much as possible. The need is great.

L100: What guides Philoptochos's giving?

ABK: We look for opportunities to make a difference. From the very beginning, we have asked the same question, "How can we help?" We asked it during the Depression, in World War II, in the war in Ukraine and during the fires in Evia. We do not contribute to brick and mortar "funds" or to pay salaries. I often say that charity is about check-writing, but philanthropy is about engagement. At Philoptochos, we do both.



L100: How does Philoptochos manage its disbursements? Are there criteria for its grants?

ABK: A budget with segregated line items is developed and voted on at every National Biennial Convention. It identifies sources of funding and purposes for which funds will be expended. There is also an Emergency Fund for unanticipated crises and appeals if extra money is needed. We distribute the majority of our funds through a grant process modeled on governmental RFPs. Once a grant request is vetted and approved by our project review and grant committee, it comes to the National Executive Board for approval. We also have a financial committee that conducts financial reviews.

We do the small things, but we do the big things too. When you are giving away money, you have a fiduciary responsibility. We have a sophisticated grant application process, with strict requirements. The recipient must be not for profit, reveal other funding sources and grants from the past five years, provide its audits and articulate

the purpose of the grant. We ask ourselves: "Will our assistance make a difference?"



L100: How are commitments established?

ABK:
Commitments
are approved at
National
Conventions.

Monies are collected at the local and Metropolis levels, e.g., the Vasilopita Fund for St. Basil's. The National Board manages the distribution of funds.

For a proposed new commitment to be approved, for example, it must come up typically from the chapter to the Metropolis, and then to the National Board. There is vetting at every level prior to a vote at the National Convention. Once approved at the National Convention, it then goes to His Eminence for his review and approval.

L100: How would you describe the role of women in philanthropy, in the Church, and in society?

ABK: If you are a leader, a doer and, as a woman, you want to make a difference, and are looking for spiritual enrichment, then Philoptochos is for you. Philoptochos gives the opportunity to women to be the leaders and the deciders, and that empowerment is important. That is what sets us apart. On the local level, we are small enough to give every woman the opportunity to make decisions and are big enough for those decisions to have a national impact.

It is a structure that allows its members to have a direct impact locally and an indirect impact nationally and internationally.

L100: In reflecting on the history of Philoptochos over nine decades, what challenges do you see in its future? How would you characterize the decade of the 2020s?

ABK: The organization, every decade, stands on the shoulders of the members before them, constantly

giving, constantly growing, and giving back to the larger community, as well as its own chapters and members.

With today's technology, we want all the benefits of the inspirational speakers and their presentation at our recent national convention to go back to the chapters. All our amazing presentations are videotaped and are on our website so the content can be used by our chapters for programming and insight. We receive much from our chapters and members, we have to give back as well. Enrichment and education of our Philoptochos sisters are current goals.

Our global approach will keep us alive and growing. Our ministry proceeds hand in hand with the Archdiocese to do more than we could ever do before, for the future benefit of our Church and for all people, to the greater glory of God.

We have great servant leadership by our Archbishop Elpidophoros, our President Arlene Siavelis Kehl, and our Spiritual Advisor, Bishop Athenagoras of Nazianzos. Our horizons keep expanding without losing our local focus.

We have had great leaders and have made great strides. Today, we have our very own Philoptochos Center for Philanthropy, a beautiful building in New York City in historic Murray Hill, which we bought and paid off in record time. Having the Center allows us to better help others, housing our entire staff, functions, and social services.

We keep advancing, but the essential question that has existed from the beginning has not changed; "How can we help?"

We are the army of love, the army of agape.

Please see The Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society: Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Centennial Celebration video at:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5dtC5iYvIiU

Visit the Philoptochos website at: www.philoptochos.org

National Leadership 100 Sunday Observed for Fourteenth Year



Demetrios G. Logothetis with Rev. Fr. Sotirios Malamis at Ascension of Our Lord Church in Lincolnshire, Illinois.

National Leadership 100 Sunday was celebrated across the nation for the fourteenth consecutive year on Sunday, October 23, 2022, the Feast Day of Saint Iakovos.

Parish priests read the Encyclical issued by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America on behalf of the Holy Eparchial Synod at the Divine Liturgy. Materials were distributed, which outlined the support provided by Leadership 100 for the National Ministries of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, as well as for ministries in every Metropolis.

The celebration is held on the Name Day of Archbishop Iakovos of Blessed Memory, or a Sunday in proximity to it, in his honor as the Founder of Leadership 100.

Demetrios G. Logothetis, Chairman of Leadership 100, stated:

"We were pleased that parishes from coast to coast once again participated in acknowledging the support of Leadership 100 on National Leadership 100 Sunday, the occasion of the Feast of Saint Iakovos, reminding us of the vision of our Founder, to which we have remained true after almost forty years."

Chairman Logothetis was invited to speak by Rev. Fr. Sotirios Malamis at Ascension of Our Lord Church in Lincolnshire, Illinois. At the Archdiocesan Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New York City, the Most Rev. Fr. Chysostomos Gilbert, Dean, spoke of the support of Leadership 100 for seminarians and clergy and of his own personal experience in being a beneficiary. He acknowledged Leadership 100 members present, including Vice Chairman James Pantelidis and Executive Director Paulette Poulos, the latter whom he invited to speak at the end of a Memorial Service for Archbishop Iakovos of Blessed Memory.

Paulette Poulos reminded parishioners of the origins of National Leadership 100 Sunday, conceived by then Leadership 100 Chairman Stephen G. Yeonas in 2009 and his intention to have the work of Leadership 100 members as faithful stewards of the Church acknowledged in every parish, reflecting the vision of Archbishop Iakovos.



and Joseph and Anna Kokolakis.



and Steve Georgilakis at St. George Church in Bethesda, Maryland.

leaders, men and women of all ages from every field of endeavor. Since its founding, Leadership 100 has distributed more than \$70 million in grants to support the National Ministries of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, Metropolis Ministries, and humanitarian needs in the nation and around the world.

Other events took place at St. George Church in Bethesda, Maryland, where Mike Manatos and John Sitilides, both members of the Leadership 100 Executive Committee, were invited to speak by Rev. Fr. Dimitrios J. Antokas. At the Church of Our Saviour in Rye, New York, Elaine Allen, a prominent member of Leadership 100, who is Treasurer of the Archdiocesan Council, was invited to speak by Rev. Elias G. Villis. At Holy Trinity Church in Clearwater, Florida, Fr. James Paris presented an Arto to Leadership 100 members, Markos and Sevasti Lagos, and at Annunciation Cathedral in Norfolk, Virginia, Rev. Fr. George Bessinas read the encyclical and made remarks about the role Leadership 100 plays in the support of the life -sustaining National Ministries and the advancement of Hellenism, while a reception

Elaine Allen with Rev. Protopresbyter Elias G. Villis at the Church of Our Saviour in Rye, New York.

was hosted by Leadership members Ted and Maria Stefanis Maroulis and Elaine Kyrus for more than 200 parishioners at the Cathedral's Hellenic Center.

Leadership 100 counts 1,225 members from a broad spectrum of Greek Orthodox





Leadership 100 members, left to right, Maria and Ted Maroulis amd Mrs. Elaine Kyrus prior to Leadership 100 Reception at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Hellenic Center, in Norfolk, VA.



John Payiavlas Honored at 65th National Chios Societies Convention

By Revekka Papadopoulou



John A. Payiavlas addresses National Chios Societies Convention after being honored with the Lifetime Achievement of Chios Societies Award.

Leadership 100 Chairman Emeritus John Payiavlas of Ohio, the son of Greek immigrants from Ohio, with roots in the island of Chios, was honored with the Lifetime Achievement of Chios Societies Award at the 65th National Chios Societies Convention's gala on November 12, 2022, in Cleveland, OH.

The Convention, organized by Chios Society of Cleveland on November 11-13, 2022, returned after a two-year hiatus because of the pandemic, bringing together a large number of Chians from all over the U.S. and Canada.

Archbishop Elpidophoros of America sent a video message praising Payiavlas for his wise counsel, personal support, and his many contributions to the Church, including toward the building of the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine.

Metropolitan Savas of Pittsburgh blessed the opening and the proceedings of the Convention.

Kostas Almiroudis, the Convention's co-chair along with Despina Matheos and Kelli Almiroudis, presented the award to Payiavlas, noting that the Chians of America and Canada are proud of his extraordinary accomplishments as a Greek American Chian.

"John Payiavlas has been our anchor at Leadership 100 and has contributed so very much for over four decades through his wise counsel, guidance, and generous support", said Paulette Poulos, Leadership 100 Executive Director, speaking on behalf of the organization at the award ceremony. "John, together with his wife, Marisa, have been role models and stalwart members. They have also been major supporters of our beloved Archdiocese and numerous organizations affiliated with the Church, Community, and Nation", she added.

Payiavlas was introduced by his old friend Alex Machaskee, retired publisher, president and CEO of Ohio's largest newspaper, The Plain Dealer.

AHEPA's past presidents, Carl Hollister and George Loukas, also spoke about the honoree's exceptional service and presented him with the award.

Born and raised in Warren, OH, John Payiavlas was drafted into the US Army in 1951 and deployed to South Korea. He was one of four Greek Americans to serve in the Greek Expeditionary Force Battalion and was awarded the Commander's Silver Cross of Valor, one of the highest military decorations of the Greek State. Upon completing his duties to the US Army, he returned to his hometown where he founded AVI FOODSYSTEMS, Inc in 1962. He is an Archon Depoutatos of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, a member of AHEPA, an active member and donor of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church of Warren and a founding member of "FAITH: Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism" as well as a member and supporter of many other charities, social and community organizations.



James and Stella Pantelidis Awarded Medal of Saint Paul by Archbishop Elpidophoros of America



James and Stella Pantelidis awarded the Medal of Saint Paul by Archbishop Elpidophoros of America.

His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America awarded the Medal of Saint Paul, the highest honor of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America to James and Stella Pantelidis at Holy Trinity Archdiocesan Cathedral in New York City on December 24, 2022.

James Pantelidis is Vice Chairman of Leadership 100 and an Archon of the Ecumenical Patriarchate, Order of Saint Andrew, and Stella Pantelidis, also a member of Leadership 100, is President of the Holy Trinity Cathedral and formerly Third Vice President of National Philoptochos.

In bestowing the Medal, the Archbishop stated:

"Today, as we commence our celebrations of the greatest gift the world has ever received, I would like to recognize two members of our Cathedral in a very special way.

Because they are both wondrous and precious gifts – not just for our Cathedral family, but for the Archdiocese as a whole, and indeed the entire Omogeneia. James and Stella Pantelidis.

You both are such outstanding members of our community, standing – as it says in the Book of Revelation – as 'pillars in the Temple of God, fixed and immovable.' (Rev. 3:12).

Today, your Archdiocese wishes to recognize both of you with its highest honor. As a couple, you are an example of what is best in a family. And as individuals, you are examples of true service to the Church.

Stella, you have been such a presence here at the Cathedral – a blessing at every turn!

And Jimmy, you are truly our Marathon Man – manifesting faith, determination, patience, and true grit in your every endeavor.

Both of you have offered to this community and to the entirety of the Church innumerable blessings. Whether it was to the local Philoptochos and Parish Council, or to the national ministries like Leadership 100 and the Order of Saint Andrew. You are always there for us, and we want you to know that we are there for you as well!

Today, we embrace you with our highest award, the Medal of Saint Paul, as a token of our high esteem, deep appreciation, and genuine love for you both.

I pray that God will bless you and your family abundantly – with every good and perfect spiritual gift from on high. May your hearts always be filled with the love that you have shared with so many through the decades.

Thank you for your service to Christ and His Holy Church.

Thank you for your bright and shining presence among us.

Thank you ... for being you.

Χριστὸς γεννᾶται! Δοξάσατε! Christ is Born! Glorify Him!"



Archbishop Elpidophoros Awards Helen Carlos the Medal of Saint Paul



Archbishop Elpidophoros awards the Medal of Saint Paul to Helen Carlos

Archbishop Elpidophoros of America awarded Helen Carlos, a member of Leadership 100, with the Medal of Saint Paul, the highest commendation of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, at the Great Vespers of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross at Holy Cross Chapel - Hellenic College Holy Cross in

Brookline, Massachusetts on September 13, 2022.

The Archbishop began his remarks by expressing "great joy" to be at the School at the beginning of the academic year, and the beginning of the Church's ecclesiastical year. He said, "This evening, we commence our celebrations of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, and we acknowledge that we are 'the People and the Inheritance' of which we chant in the festal apolytikion. For you, the future leaders of our communities - clergy or lay understanding your role as 'the People and the Inheritance' is vital, and of the utmost necessity for the health and wellbeing of the Church."

In his remarks on the traditional receiving of the Cross and the Rasson, the Archbishop stated, "If you are receiving these symbols for the very first time, or if you are returning to this holy hill to continue your formation in Christ, remember this: it is not the adornments of the body that are transformative; rather, it is those of the soul. And speaking of transformation, this evening has a very special element – one that is rarely seen at this service. Because we are honoring someone who exemplifies what it means to live as the People who carry the Cross in their hearts, and who ensure the Inheritance of the Church passes on to subsequent generations. I speak, of course, of our gracious sister in Christ, Helen Carlos."

He then called Helen Carlos, a longtime member of the Board of Hellenic College-Holy Cross, to come forward, stating, "I am honored to award you the highest commendation of our Sacred Archdiocese: the Medal of Saint Paul."

The Archbishop continued:

"Helen Carlos has been a hero for this School. Her contributions - both financially and spiritually together with her devoted husband, Ron Hilliard, have literally been lifesaving for our precious School. She has served with excellence as a Board member, both financially and as chair of the fund-raising committee, leading to successful outcomes for Hellenic College and Holy Cross at many levels.

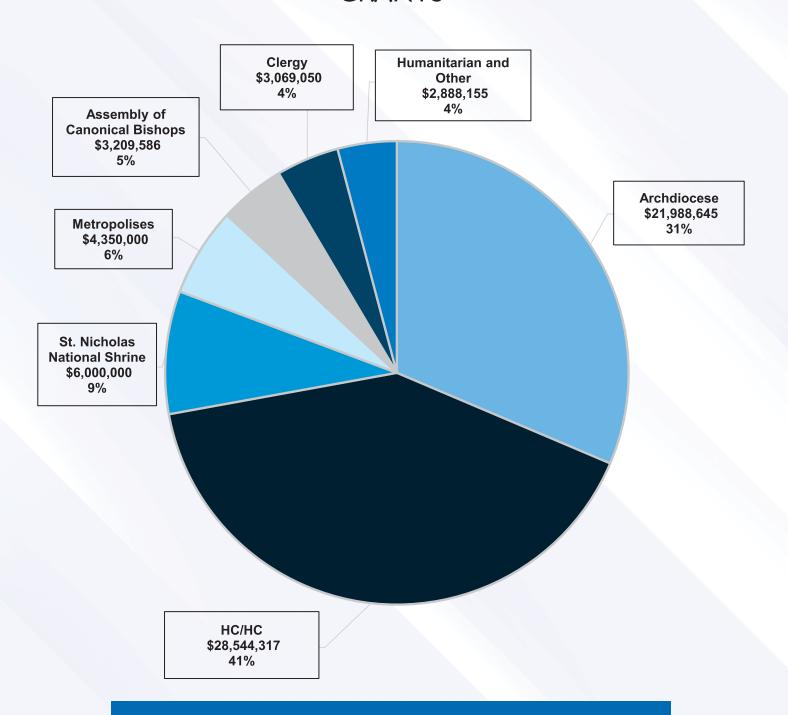
Perhaps, though, her greatest achievement on behalf of our Seminarians is her establishment and support of the Saint Helen's Pilgrimage. This trip, which is offered to all senior seminarians, takes them to the Phanar - the Sacred Center of our Faith. They also travel to the Holy Land, to Thessaloniki and, finally, to Mount Athos. In addition to the spiritual aspects of the pilgrimage, there is also an intensive Greek language component and an exposure to Hellenic history and culture, which is only possible from such personal contact.

The Saint Helen's Pilgrimage is foundational and transformational for our seminarians, providing them a profound context in which to engage their post-graduate work and preparation for ordination.

Helen, you are truly worthy of this medal. For like Saint Paul, you are spreading the Good News of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ by all your efforts – known and unknown. It is only appropriate, then, that you receive this recognition on the Feastday of our School, the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, which you epitomize in every aspect of your life.



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* Hellenic College / Holy Cross Scholarship Program	24,903,617
Archbishop Iakovos Library Fund	1,000,000
Hellenic College / Holy Cross Technology Infrastructure	1,000,000
Hellenic College / Holy Cross (various grants)	733,600
Hellenic College - Office of Vocation and Ministry	406,600
Holy Cross - Certificate in Youth/Young Adult Leadership	250,500
Hellenic College Inc Real Estate Advisory Services	250,000
Greek Orthodox Archdiocese	\$ 21,988,645
Inter-Orthodox, Ecumenical & Interfaith Relations	2,319,700
Internet Ministry and Information Technologies	2,222,200
Marriage and Family	1,873,590
Stewardship, Outreach & Evangelism / Home Missions	1,818,080
Archdiocese Administration, Management, and Leadership Training	1,768,386
Youth and Young Adult Ministries	1,411,730
The Ecumenical Patriarchate	1,232,050
Communications	1,185,559
Archdiocese Committee for Small Parishes - The Small Parish Program	1,020,000
Ionian Village	1,002,821
Greek Orthodox Telecommunications	970,190
Religious Education	695,498
Parish Development and Stewardship	658,241
Digital Typikon Liturgical and Library Project	600,000
Greek Education	586,700
Department of Registry	575,000
2022 Clergy Laity Congress / Archdiocese Centennial	515,000
St. Michael's Home - Expansion Project	500,000
Archives	400,000
Archdiocesan Cathedral of Holy Trinity - Security and Digital Transformation	174,000
Music, Arts & Culture	140,000
Youth Safety Compliance	130,000
200th Anniversary of the Greek Revolution	100,000
St. Basil Academy (Archpastorate of Archbishop Michael)	69,300
St. Photios National Shrine	20,600
St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine	\$ 6,000,000
Metropolis Ministries	\$ 4,350,000
Metropolis Youth Camps	3,060,000
Metropolis Ministries Outreach	540,000
Metropolis of Atlanta - Family Life Ministry	300,000
Metropolis of Boston - Emerging Leaders Ministry	200,000
Metropolis of San Francisco - Family Wellness Center	200,000
Metropolis of San Francisco - Young Adult League (YAL) Conference	50,000

^{*} As of September 2022, 278 recipients of Leadership 100 scholarships are graduates that have been ordained, 41 are still in School and 96 recipients are working for the Church in some capacity.

sembly of Canonical Orthodox Bishops of the United States of America	\$	3,209,5
International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC)		989,3
Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC)		862,8
Orthodox Christian Network (OCN)		450,0
Orthodox Christian Fellowship (OCF)		279,0
Orthodox Christian Prison Ministry (OCPM)		228,3
IOCC - Attica Fires Relief Fund		200,0
IOCC - Hurricane Katrina Relief		100,0
IOCC - US Emergency Response Fund (Hurricanes Harvey, Irma, and Maria)		100,0
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Retired Clergy Pensions		940,8
Elimination of Student Loans of Active Priests		885,0
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Archdiocese Clergy Pension		/50,0
Archdiocesan Presbyters Council - Clergy Retreats, Wellness, and Continuing Education		309,0
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First National Clergy Couple Retreat Takes Place

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Clergy Couple Retreat

With a generous grant from Leadership 100 and the support and hard work of two committees of priests and presvyteres from across the country, the Center for Family Care organized and hosted forty-five clergy couples from all seasons of life and all the Metropolises of the Archdiocese from October 3 to 6, 2022 for the first-ever national Clergy Couple Retreat. This retreat was held at the Hyatt Lodge in Oak Brook, IL, a former retreat center for the McDonald's Corporation. The theme for the retreat was, "Marriage and Ministry: A

Seamless Embrace," which derives from the underlying conviction that healthy and holy clergy marriages are directly connected to healthy and holy ministry.

The theme for the retreat encouraged us to focus our attention on the profound link between the quality of our marriage and family life with ministry as clergy couples. The core of our shared work revolved around four keynote presentations, which served as springboards for personal couples' work and small-group discussions:

1. "Personal and Vicarious Trauma," Dr. George Stavros (Executive Director of the Danielsen Institute at Boston University)

- 2. "Intimacy in Marriage," Fr. Jerry & Helene Hall
- 3. "Gratitude and Forgiveness," Fr. Harry Pappas
- 4. "Communication and Conflict," Fr. Timothy Pavlatos

Couples worshipped together twice daily as husband and wife (something clergy couples rarely get to do), shared common meals, laughed and cried together, heard four outstanding presentations on topics related to marriage, spent time alone working on their marriages with prepared discussion questions, engaged in small-group discussions on various intersections of the clergy-couple marriage and ministry, and enjoyed fellowship with one another in a beautiful, relaxed, natural retreat setting. Metropolitan Nathanael joined the group one evening and offered warm greetings and encouragement to the participants.

Couples were responsible for their travel expenses and lodging. The Leadership 100 grant covered all meals, beverages, snacks, AV equipment, meeting space costs, and welcome bags for the participants. A small fund was set aside from the grant to assist those couples who needed some help with travel and/or lodging. Additionally, the grant covered a small stipend for each presenter, a portion of the expenses for staff members of the Center for Family Care, and for each couple, a copy of the new marriage book, Crowns of Glory and Honor:

Growing Together in Christ, co-authored by Fr. Alexander Goussetis, the Director of the Center for Family Care and Pres. Melanie DiStefano, the Resource Developer.

The Leadership 100 funds were complemented by some of the Metropolises offering a small stipend to couples who attended and a few private donations.

Given the overwhelming positive response to the retreat, both from participants and many who were unable to attend but heard

about it, and the unanimous consensus of the participants to have this gathering every two years, the Center for Family Care has begun to look at dates for 2024 at the same venue. The sacred space this retreat



provided for all of us who attended was remarkable and unique, and opened the door to vulnerability, transparency and a genuine sharing of hearts.

It was a space for us as clergy couples to attend to our marriage in the fellowship of others who "get it," who understand the unique blessings, joys, challenges, struggles, and yes, even trauma, we experience. This gathering was, in fact, a collective investment on the part of both clergy and Leadership 100 in the Church and its well-being, for the measure of the quality of the ministry of a priest, and by extension his wife and family, is directly connected to the health and well-being of the clergy marriage.

On behalf of all the clergy couples who attended and those who will attend future clergy couple retreats, thank you Leadership 100 for your love, care, investment in, and ongoing support for the clergy couples of the Archdiocese. The challenge for the future will be to secure consistent funding so that a clergy couple retreat can be held every two years and become part of the fabric of the calendar of the Archdiocese.



In closing, please allow me to share adjectives used to describe the experience of the retreat and portions of comments from some of the participants:

• The atmosphere was profoundly familial, not in a conventional way, but the deeper sense of being brothers and sisters in the ultimate family of faith created by Christ, sharing the joy and burden of professional ministry from our diverse settings among congregations that have much in common yet with distinct personalities and histories.

- A marriage re-charge
- The retreat helped to highlight the interconnectedness of our health as a couple with the health of the parish.
- What developed in just a few days was a revelation of our sheer, common humanity as we let ourselves descend beneath titles, offices, even dress codes through an astonishing degree of openness and vulnerability about our lives as persons and couples. Far from constituting weakness, such heart-to-heart sharing released the power of the Holy Spirit to move us to tears, prompt us to think in new ways, laugh with abandon, and recognize how deeply we truly belong to each other and need one another...
- Felt this was a safe place
- Energizing, healing, renewing
- Re-connection with my spouse
- An opportunity to be vulnerable with people who are able to mirror the same vulnerability and a great opportunity to feel that we belong to an amazing community of fellow clergy couples who are experiencing the same struggles.

One participant encapsulated the spirit of all the retreat evaluations by describing the retreat as "a lifeblood for my marriage and care from our Church and Archdiocese."

As clergy couples, much of our life is devoted to caring for all the precious people in our parish families, sometimes sacrificing healthy, holy self-care and proper nourishment and care of our marriages. The funding Leadership 100 offered for this retreat tells us that:

- our well-being as persons, couples and families is important,
- the Church loves and cares for us.
- the Church recognizes we are human and need opportunities to cultivate and nurture our marriages,
- and, supporting gatherings such as clergy couple retreats, is an investment in the health and well-being of our parish families and the Church as a whole.

The Liturgical Arts Academy Welcomes Chant and Iconography Students From Across The Country



Liturgical Arts Academy

The Liturgical Arts Academy 2022, supported by Leadership 100 grants, was another resounding success. Offering intensive training in Byzantine Chant and Iconography, The Academy is held once a year in August at the Metropolis of Atlanta's Diakonia Retreat Center in Salem, SC.

This year, 33 chanters from 18 states across the country came to learn and improve their skills in Byzantine chant. The Chant classes have broad appeal to many who are actively chanting in their parishes in both English and Greek. The beginner students receive an intensive overview of Byzantine notation; the intermediate students improve their skills with ornamentation and modulations; while our advanced chanters - many who are protopsaltes - have a master class in more difficult repertoire such as Cherubic and Communion hymns. Each day begins at 7:00 am with an hour and half of Matins in the magnificent Panagia Chapel followed by 5 to 6 hours of class instruction, and ends with an hour and a half of Vespers. Delicious meals and evening discussions, coupled with the opportunity to worship and chant with skilled psaltes, round out the overall immersion in what some of our chant students call "lifechanging".

The Iconography Workshop is held in the beautiful St. Gregory Hall downstairs in the Panagia Chapel. This year, 13 iconography students completed an 8" x 10" gold gilded icon of St. Demetrios the Myrrhbearer. Beginning with a gessoed panel, students learn the history of iconography and the skills of line drawing, gold gilding, color mixing and painting according to traditional methods, which include development of form from dark to light. The artists especially enjoy the rhythm of prayer, work, and fellowship during the week - and the opportunity to worship amidst the heavenly chanting in the acoustically grand Panagia Church.

The Liturgical Arts Academy is also grateful for the grant received from The Renaissance Fund. Their support helps subsidize the registration costs to students, who then take what they learn back as a gift to their parishes. All things work together to the glory of God!

TLAA is for men and women 18 and older, and welcomes people of all jurisdictions and traditions. To learn more about the program, patron, and instructors please visit the websites listed below:

- The Liturgical Arts Academy theliturgicalarts.org
- The Renaissance Fund therenaissancefund.org
- Fr. Anthony Salzman / Image and Likeness Iconography -imageandlikeness.com
- John M. Boyer / The Saint John Koukouzelis Institute - koukouzelis.net
- Gabriel Cremeens and Samuel Herron / Trisagion School of Byzantine Music - trisagionschool.org

ASBM Presents Regional Music Conference & Workshop at Annuncation Church in Mobile, AL



ASBM Workshop

With the blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Alexios of Atlanta, over 30 participants gathered for a Regional Music Conference & Workshop hosted by Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church in Mobile, AL.

The program was presented by the Archdiocesan School of Byzantine Music as part of its outreach efforts to inspire participants to be engaged in their respective music ministries and to pursue their education in Ecclesiastical music.

Participants included parishioners, chanters, choir members, and clergy representing 8 different parishes throughout the region.

His Grace, Bishop Sevastianos of Zelon, offered the opening prayer and officiated the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy on Sunday.

The program consisted of an introductory-level overview of Byzantine Music and a series of workshops where participants learned to chant hymns of Vespers, Orthros, and the Divine Liturgy. Many attendees also participated in live services by chanting in the choir led by Georgios Theodoridis, Archon Music Instructor, and Anastasios Fakinos, Instructor.

The Archdiocesan School of Byzantine Music expressed gratitude to Rev. Fr. Matthew Carter, Proistamenos and Vicar of the Western Conference of the Metropolis of Atlanta, and the entire community of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church for their extraordinary hospitality and heart-felt collaboration in hosting a successful and memorable event.

The Archdiocesan School of Byzantine Music is funded in part by grants from Leadership 100.

IV Next Wraps Up Another Successful Year



Ionian Village announced the completion of IV Next 2022, the highly successful faith-based young adult program.

Approximately sixty young adults and staff from parishes throughout the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America, participated in this year's IV NEXT program from May 31-June 13, 2022. IV Next is the only young adult travel program to Greece that has our Orthodox Faith at its core.

Working together with and funded partially through a grant from Leadership 100, IV Next focused on not only the influential excursions of the classic Ionian Village program, but also, the future of the participants by providing access to mentors from Leadership 100 and ministerial positions in the Church.

Workshops and sessions were led by faithful leaders in the Archdiocese, which allowed participants to not only grow in their faith but take that next key step in their journey as young men and women of the Faith.

Andrew Carrig, an IV Next Staff and member of Assumption Church in Erie, PA, reflecting about the program said, "Seeing these young men and women being engaged not only in the future of their vocational careers, but also in interests related to the Church in the present, brings me excitement as a contemporary."

Fr. Jim and Presbytera Donna Pappas, led workshops on relationships, young adult concerns, and Orthodox decision making.

Elaine Allen offered her talents on lay service in the Church, allowing young people to use their gifts for the Lord.

Steven Counelis, Archon and past IV camper, staff, and Leadership 100 member, addressed the young people on leadership and vocational avenues.



Alex Kushenoff, former IV Program Director, led a discussion on fellowship and the need for young adults to be active in the life of the Church.

Reflecting on this amazing journey, Ionian Village Director Fr. Gary Kyriacou stated, "These young adults are truly ripe for service in the Church. Their love for their Faith and culture, will help secure the Church for years to come. We will be in good hands."

Over 20,000 young people, staff and clergy have participated in the program since its inception. For more information and daily updates, visit Ionian Village social media outlets (Facebook, Instagram, TikTok) or visit www.ionianvillage.org

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