I WOULD LIKE TO WISH each and every one of you a blessed and happy new year.

In our faith, we all have a patron saint. Most people have their patron saint as their namesake. I ask for the intercession of Saint Constantine and Saint Katherine everyday.

Did you know that there are some saints with special spiritual gifts? I would like to share a list of some of these Orthodox saints who have been given this grace for our intercession:

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A WISE MAN ONCE SAID, “The longest journey begins with but a step.” As we look toward the New Year, I’m reminded how much those words apply to so many of our community’s ongoing initiatives. Along the way, we come to appreciate that taking that “first step” is sometimes the most difficult and the planning and preparation necessary to make the start of any “journey” a reality can be exhaustive. Not all these “journeys” are new, but our Council’s motivation remains constant when it comes to the good of our community. Here are just a few of the “journeys” that lay ahead in the coming year:

Our strategy for a renewed stewardship program is in its infancy. “First steps” have been taken and many more will follow in the coming months. We held a most productive regional seminar in late October and urge all stewards to become more active in the life of our Church by participating in the ministries available to everyone.

Our newly established Council of Ministries will hold its inaugural meeting in January (Tuesday, the 22nd at 7:00pm) and with it, the advent of improved communications and an emphasis on the ministries of our community. A Catalogue of Ministries will be available in the first quarter of 2013.

Church upkeep and beautification in the coming year will be noteworthy. New doors to the side entrances of the sanctuary and repainting the exterior of the Church will be very visible improvements and we’ve already put in place the mechanism to provide the community with a new parking lot by next summer, funds permitting. Plans are also in place for landscaping around the church and Community Center. Additionally, a new storage room in the Community Center will be constructed along with installation of new lighting and other needed improvements.

Our educational programs in the Greek School and Bilingual Preschool remain vibrant. As we continue to enjoy success and develop our educational programs, our next logical step is to explore the possibility of establishing a Kindergarten for the benefit of our community. More on this later as developments warrant.

So many “journeys,” so many “first steps.” And while some of these initiatives have been in the planning stages for some time, that only makes the reality of their completion all the more rewarding. And while some “journeys” are longer than others, in the end, we always achieve superior results when all of us—Parish Council and parishioners—unite and work together to improve our community for everyone.

Please join us as we take these “first,” and subsequent, steps in the coming year toward a more vital and loving Saint Katherine Community.

Your support and prayers are always welcomed.

Jim Stoucker, President, Parish Council
CATECHETICAL (SUNDAY) SCHOOL

When He had been baptized, Jesus came up immediately from the water, and behold, the heavens were opened to Him, and He saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and alighting upon Him. And suddenly a voice came from heaven, saying, “This is My beloved Son, in whom I am well pleased” (Saint Matthew 3:16-17).

As January begins, our classes will focus on the Theophany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. The celebration of Epiphany and its significance will be emphasized.

This month, Mr. John Moses will conduct a game of Jeopardy with the First through Third Grade classes. The focus of this activity will consist of questions and answers on content already covered in those respective sections from September to the present. The purpose of Jeopardy is to enhance the classroom program and to see how much our students retained over the months.

Mr. John Doulis will begin music with our Seventh through Twelfth Grade classes. From September through December our First through Sixth Grades had music; now, our choir director will go into hymnology with our upper grades. Mr. Doulis is also organizing a formal youth choir. Please see him for details and watch for information in both DOXA and church bulletins.

Through the curricular studies and activities within our classrooms, the systematic music instruction led by Mr. Doulis, and the Jeopardy experience prepared by Mr. Moses, our aim is to provide a full, spiritually nurturing, and absorbing curriculum. We look forward to the 2013 New Year. May God bless us as we endeavor to glorify Him in His vineyard here at Saint Katherine.

Peace to you all who are in Christ Jesus (1 Peter 5:14).

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Announcing the 2013 St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival. Your help is needed.

The 2013 Oratorical Festival Season has begun across the country, and the children and young adults of Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church are invited to participate.

The Oratorical Festival challenges our children and young adults to delve into the rich heritage of the Orthodox Faith as each participant is rewarded through their enrichment in faith and in development of writing and public speaking skills.

The topics, tips, and bibliography are available at the Department of Religious Education website at http://www.goarch.org/archdiocese/departments/religioused/sjcof.

Our parish will conduct its festival in the Spring and we need volunteers to help prepare for and conduct the festival. In particular, we need someone to chair the festival. To volunteer, please contact either Christian Deme ter at 703-534-5669 or Ray Vazquez at 703-723-7424.

LOOKING FOR A TUTOR?

Najy Issa, Altar Boy Captain and GOYAn, is offering free tutoring for students, elementary through high school, in the following subjects:

Sciences  
Math  
History

Contact Najy at 703-655-9144 or Najy.Issa@gmail.com

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ΕΛΛΗΝΙΚΟ ΣΧΟΛΕΙΟ/GREEK SCHOOL

Ο ΔΕΚΕΜΒΡΙΟΣ ΜΗΝΑΣ ήταν γεμάτος με διάφορες δραστηριότητες, αλλά κυρίως ήταν μίας ξεχωριστής χαράς! Γιατί η κορονίδα των γεγονότων είναι τα Χριστούγεννα και φυσικά η Χριστουγεννιάτικη γιορτή! Αν και δεν είχαμε αρκετό χρόνο στη διάθεσή μας για περισσότερη δουλειά, εν τούτοις με τη βοήθεια όλων των μαθητών, των δασκάλων, των γονέων, τόσο του Ελληνικού Σχολείου όσο και του Καθηγητικού, των προπόντων της Παιδείας και της εκκλησιαστικής χορωδίας, εν τούτοις καταφέραμε να βίωσουμε και φέτος με το όμορφο χριστουγεννιάτικο πρόγραμμα μας το μήνυμα της Θείας Γέννησης του Ιησού Χριστού. Θερμότατες ευχαριστίες ανήκουν σε όλους, αλλά και στους γονείς που προσφέραμε την ομορφότερη δέξιωση μετά την γιορτή μας, καθώς και στα παιδιά που τραγούδησαν τα Κάλλαντα. Ξεχωριστή χαρά πήραμε και στο χριστουγεννιάτικο πάρτι, την παραμονή της χριστουγεννιάτικης γιορτής. Το Ελληνικό και το Καθηγητικό Σχολείο πρόσφερε πίστια στα παιδιά και ο Άγιος Βασίλειος μοίρασε δόρα.

Τον Ιανουάριο θα έχουμε τη χαρά και την τιμή να συναντηθούμε με τους γονείς και τους κηδεμόνες των μαθητών μας για να συζητήσουμε την πρόοδο τους και να δώσουμε τους ελέγχους προόδου στις 18 και στις 19 Ιανουαρίου 2013.

Στις 27 Ιανουαρίου θα έχουμε αρτοκλασία στην εκκλησία μας για την γιορτή των Τριών Ιεράρχων που είναι οι πολύχρωμοι, προστάτες Άγιοι των Ελληνικών Γραμμάτων.

Να σημειώσουμε στο ημερολόγιό μας το Αποκριάτικο Γλέντι που θα γίνει το Σάββατο στις 9 Μαρτίου 2013.

Καλή και Διμηνιώρικη να είναι η Νέα Χρονιά, γεμάτη πρόοδο και προκοπή!

GREEK SCHOOL

WHILE THE TIME AVAILABLE to prepare for the Christmas Pageant was limited, the 2012 performance was one of the best in recent history! Many thanks to everyone for all their help—including the parents, students, and teachers of the Greek School, the Catechetical (Sunday) School, and the Paideia Preschool. Many thanks, also, to the members of the Church Choir and the volunteers who graciously gave their time to make pageant a success. Furthermore, we had the opportunity not only to receive, but also to live the message of the Birth of Christ! Many thanks to all and to the parents for the beautiful reception and also to our students for the singing of Kalandra! The Christmas party was also beautiful! Students and teachers gave and received joy. The Greek School and the Catechetical (Sunday) School offered pizza and Saint Basil gave presents to our students.

On January 18 and 19, the teachers will meet with the parents to discuss the progress of their children and give them the report cards. On Sunday, January 27, we will celebrate the Three Hierarchs, the Patron Saints of the Greek Letters, with an artoklasia in church.

Mark the Apokreatiko Glendi on your calendars: Satur-

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Join an OCMC Orthodox Missions Teams
Mission Teams serve our Holy Orthodox Church's unending mission effort that all people may come to know the saving love of our Lord. Be a living witness as a family on a Family Outreach Team in Albania, take part in stewardship training in Uganda, or offer your talents on other OCMC Teams in 2013. Team applications and details are available online at www.ocmc.org or call the OCMC at 877-463-6787 (ext. 142) for more information. Email John Demakis at demakis9931@gmail.com if you are interested.

OCMC Benefit Dinner, Saturday, March 2
Our fifth annual OCMC Benefit Dinner will take place on Saturday, March 2 at the Saint Luke Orthodox Church in McLean. Pan-Orthodox Vespers will start at 5:00pm, hors d’ouevres at 6:00pm, and dinner at 7:00pm. Our main speaker will be Fr. John Parker who is the newly appointed Director of Missions and Evangelism for the Orthodox Church in America (OCA). Fr. Parker is a dynamic speaker and has been on several mission trips with the OCMC. The title of his presentation is Here I Am Lord, Send Me! How every Christian Can Accept the Great Commission. Tickets are $55 for adults, $30 for those under the age of 18, and free for children under the age of 6. Contact Gregory McKinney at steward1310@gmail.com, Betty Slanta at slanta@verizon.net, or Skip Mersereau at jwmster@gmail.com.

Diaper Collection a Success
The diaper collection on December 9 was a big success. More diapers than ever were collected and distributed to several food pantries in the area. Thank you all for contributing. Our next diaper collection will be Palm Sunday, April 28.

Monument Walk for Missions
A committee has been formed, with Joseph and Carolyn Perez as co-chairs, to coordinate our first-ever Monument Walk on the Mall for Orthodox Missions. Although we had originally planned to do the Walk during the Cherry Blossom Festival, it was decided that this would not be practical because of the large crowds. We are now planning the Walk for the Fall of 2013. More details will be shared as they become available.

Appalachian Outreach
The Habitat for Humanity office in Martinsburg is working on a 6-day “blitz build” project to build a house, no longer concentrating on work projects at people’s houses. The Habitat Office was involved in interior painting the first week of December 2012. The Carr Family house (the one which our mission team started to construct this past summer) might be completed by the time you receive this newsletter. We are discussing working on one of the “blitz buildings” in the spring. More details in next month’s DOXA.

HOMELESS SHELTER

Hygiene and Survival Kits
On December 9, the day of our Christmas Pageant, our entire community came together to assemble the Hygiene and Survival Kits for Bailey’s Crossroads Homeless Shelter. The kits were delivered to the shelter on December 11. Our entire Saint Katherine community was involved in collecting the various items. Each church organization contributed at least one item. Thanks to all. The director of the shelter, Mr. Tom Nichols, was so impressed with this outpouring of love that he asked to come to our next meeting to thank us personally.

Feeding the Homeless
Our Missions and Outreach Committee served dinner at the shelter on Tuesday, December 11. We served our usual Greek style chicken, rice, and vegetables. It was a blessing to serve those less fortunate. On January 15, our GOYA will prepare and serve dinner and on February 20 our Daughters of Penelope will serve. The Adult Bible Class will serve in March and April, Paideia will serve on April 12, and Greek School will serve lunch on April 13. Thanks to all our Saint Katherine organizations for helping in this important ministry.

Clothing and Toiletries Collections
We continue to collect new and used (clean) clothing and toiletries for the shelter. There is a collection bin in the foyer of our community center. They are in special need of winter clothing such as coats, scarves, gloves, and hats.
On November 27, Everyday Saints earned Russia’s prestigious “Big Book” literary award by popular vote. But for a book already a marvel there and posed to soon go global, that was just icing on the cake:

The phenomenal success of Fr. Tikhon’s book is “causing a real shock to all the booksellers in Russia,” as one baffled critic has written. This book, written by a priest and modestly displayed in several Moscow bookstores, not only instantly exhausted its print run of 60,000 copies, but also a second printing of 300,000 copies. Those copies left the shelves within one month. Less than a year has passed since the book’s release and the book has been reprinted six times—a total of 1,100,000 copies. The total number of electronic versions purchased is estimated at no fewer than three million copies. Moreover the book is being translated into 10 European languages and will soon be sold all over the world. (PRNewswire, October 5, 2012)

What’s the appeal? Everyday Saints is comprised of eminently readable vignettes of memorable people. Written in an easy conversational style, most chapters focus on individual Russians of great charisma and strong personality, both secular and faithful. All are surprisingly well characterized over just a few pages each.

If, during the time that I was living there, someone had asked for the name of the most difficult person in the Monastery of the Pskov Caves, the answer without doubt would have been only one name: the Treasurer of the Pskov Caves Monastery, Archimandrite Father Nathaniel. What’s more, this choice would have been made unanimously by all the priests, by all the novices, all the monks, by all the ordinary civilians, by all the Communists from the local administration of the KGB, and even by all the local dissidents. As a matter of fact, Father Nathaniel was not merely difficult. No, indeed! He was extremely difficult! (p. 57)

Fr. Nathaniel, however, reveals himself as always giving “the very last ounce of himself to whoever person who, even for a few minutes, had been sent to him by the Lord God.” These are people of Tikhon’s intimate acquaintance, many of whom are still alive today. His accounts bring home the vitality and relevancy of Orthodoxy in the re-awakening of Mother Russia.

Only one thing about the book is disquieting. The Archimandrite doesn’t shrink from recounting the unexplained phenomena and clairvoyant episodes that often accompany these staretsi and impact their spiritual children. It sometimes feels like a guilty pleasure reading about the miracles of such holy ones. Are we looking to these wonders for validation of our faith? Is that why the book is proving so popular? And if so, is that the right reason for treasuring it?

For more information, visit the book’s official website: www.everyday-saints.com.

Archimandrite Tikhon Shevkunov, a former film student, is abbot of the Sretensky Monastery in Moscow.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!!!

COMMUNITY POT LUCK DINNER
(OPEN TO EVERYONE!!)

February 8, 7:00pm

The church will provide drinks and dessert.

You should bring a main dish (enough to feed your family, plus one).

Join us in fellowship as a community and make new friends!

See you there!

RSVP to frcostas@stkchurch.com or 703-671-1515 by Monday, February 4, so we have an idea of how much to buy.
Family Fun Night!

JOIN OUR FAMILY NIGHT . . .

fun, dancing, and a delicious dinner!

Saturday, January 26, 2013
5:00pm - 10:00pm

John Henry Band
DJ Pete
Cash Bar
Face Painting
Traditional Greek Dance Performances
Raffle Tickets
1 for $5, 3 for $10, 7 for $20

Win great prizes: restaurant gift certificates, electronics, and more!

All proceeds benefit the Saint Katherine Paideia Bilingual Preschool and Nursery

To reserve a seat and purchase your raffle tickets, call or email today . . . space is limited!

703-909-2256 or paiideiaffn@gmail.com

Snow date: February 2

Adults $30 | Children $10 | Kids 5 & under FREE
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7pm Liturgy/Agiasmos  
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Teachers’ Meeting and  
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PHILOPTOCHOS (by Eleni Kanakos, President)

HAPPY NEW YEAR! We wish you a healthy and happy 2013! The Philoptochos will bake the Vasilopita that Fr. Costa will cut for the community on Sunday, January 13.

I am pleased to say that our Christmas Bake Sale was a huge success. Many thanks to Andrea Ballard, Georgia Chronis, Elvira Garnett, Eleni Papastergiou, and all the ladies who helped make this happen.

Thanks to those of you who donated door prizes as well as hats and gloves for children in need at our Christmas Luncheon. We are especially grateful to the Lampros family for donating the beautiful cross, Louizos Goldsmith who donated the sapphire earrings, and all the generous businesses who donated gift certificates for the raffle prizes. These prizes will certainly be cherished and enjoyed!

As we start this new year, let’s work together to increase our stewardship, our participation, and our efforts as a whole. I know that together, we can make 2013 our most successful year yet!

Please note that our 2013 Philoptochos Directory will be distributed at our Seniors’ Valentine’s Day Lunch. Be sure to join Philoptochos by January 15 so that your name will be included.

PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP DRIVE

All women of our parish are encouraged to join Philoptochos. Please keep in mind that $22 of your stewardship goes directly to our National and Metropolitan New Jersey Philoptochos. Any donation over that $22 amount is retained by our local chapter.

Please send your name, address, telephone number, and email address, along with your check payable to Saint Katherine Philoptochos, to Mrs. Eleni Kanakos, Philoptochos President, 3149 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041. Thank you in advance for joining Philoptochos!

Please indicate if you are interested in assisting with the following activities: baking, missions, Thanksgiving Luncheon, Valentine’s Luncheon, membership, and/or Festival. Also indicate whether you would prefer to receive Philoptochos announcements by email or phone.

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DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE (by Jane Moore, Pres.)

Our CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON at the Westwood Country Club, hosted with the Saint Katherine Philoptochos, was an enormous success—decorations were beautiful, food was delicious, and the entertainment was spectacular!

Gearing up for next year . . . please don’t forget that we, along with the AHEPA #438 Peter N. Derzis Chapter, are sponsoring the Ric Edelman Financial Seminar on Wednesday, January 16, beginning at 6:00pm in Founders’ Hall. Please make every effort to attend, and to bring a friend with you. There is no cost for the seminar, and everyone will receive Ric Edelman’s book, Rescue Your Money for free.

Our next meeting will be held on Sunday, January 13 following the second liturgy. From all the Sisters in Hellenic Chapter #283, may you receive many blessings and much health and happiness in 2013!

WOMEN’S BOOK CLUB

We will finish our current book about Saint Seraphim on January 9. We will begin our new book, Heaven is for Real: A Little Boy’s Astounding Story of His Trip to Heaven and Back by Todd Burpo and Lynn Vincent, on January 23. This has been a New York Times bestseller for many many weeks! Some copies have been ordered for our bookstore and the book can easily be bought at your local bookstore, Amazon.com, and many other venues since this is a popular book.

I hope that with this new book we can have some new members join us! This is a book that is not intimidating and I think we will have some interesting discussions. Let’s enjoy the beginning of the new year with fellowship and a good book!

You can email Fay Mpras at 703-865-5776 in the evenings or email her at faympras@gmail.com.

SAINT KATHERINE BOOKSTORE

After Christmas Sale!! Everything in the bookstore is 20 percent off (rounded to the nearest dollar). Christmas items are limited, so visit early for the best selection.

The bookstore is open most Sundays after each liturgy. You may also call Sophia Tsangali at 703-671-1515 if you would like to visit during the week. As always, we thank you for your continued patronage and support. Saint Katherine Bookstore is a mission of Saint Katherine Church. May the Lord grant you many blessings in the New Year!
ΠΡΟΣΕΥΧΗ ΓΙΑ ΜΙΑ ΕΥΛΟΓΗΜΕΝΗ ΧΡΟΝΙΑ

Χριστέ μου,

Βοήθησέ μας να ξεκινήσουμε με αισιοδοξία την καινούργια χρονιά.

Να είμαστε περισσότερο υπομονετικοί στον πόνο και περισσότερο γενναιόδωροι στην χαρά του συνανθρώπου μας.

Εσένα ζητούμε να έχουμε οδηγό στον καλόν αγώνα της αρετής.

Εσύ που είσαι καρδιόγνωστης και γνωρίζεις ποιό είναι το συμφέρον της ψυχής μας εξέπαιδε τό κάθε τι μέσα μας και βοήθησέ μας να τακτοποιηθεί τό κάθε θέμα σύμφωνα με τό δίκο Σου θέλημα.

Να γράψουμε το βιβλίο της Καινούργιας Χρονιάς με Αρετή και Αγάπη.

Να έχουμε την Δύναμη να αγονιζόμαστε με Υπομονή, με Συγχωρητικότητα, με Αισιοδοξία, με Πίστη, στις ατομικές, στις οικογενειακές, στις φιλικές, στις σπουδαστικές, στις επαγγελματικές σχέσεις.

Η καρδιά μας να είναι νέα και καθαρή γιατί μόνο κοινά Σου "ανακαινισθήσεται ως αετού η νεότης σου".

Αν απαραγηθούν τις κακές συνήθειες και να αρχίσουμε μία νέα ζωή κοινά Σου.

Δόσε μας καινούργιες ευκαιρίες για να καλλιεργήσουμε περισσότερο τον ψυχικό μας κόσμο.

Χάρισέ μας μία καρδιά πονετική, συγχωρητική, ανεξίκακη που θα πάλλεται ακατάπαυστα στους μελωδίκους χτύπους της αγάπης που Εσύ ποδεί.

Μία καρδιά που θα συγκινείται βαθιά μπροστά στον ανθρώπινο πόνο και θα χαίρεται ευλυκρινά μπροστά στην χαρά των αδελφών.

Εσύ μόνο μπορείς να χαρίσεις αυτήν την καρδιά: "Καρδιάν καθαράν κτίσαν εν εμοί ο Θεός και πνεύμα ευθές εγκαίρησον εν τοις εγκάτοις μου."

Μέσα στις ατελείωτες υποχρεώσεις που μας πολιορκούν καθήμερα να ασκηθούμε περισσότερο χρόνο για προσευχή και εκκλησιασμό.

Μπότις στις καρδιές των παιδιών μας την δύναμη της πίστεως και ασφάλεια την ζωή τους.

Βοήθησε τα παιδιά μας κάθε μέρα να αγαπούν περισσότερο Εσένα και τον συνανθρώπο.

Καρδιόγνωστα Κύριε, βοήθησέ μας να κατανοήσουμε το μήνυμα Σου "ο έξω ήμισύ ανθρώπου διαφθείρεται αλλά ο έσωθε θα ανακαινισθεί ημέρα τη ημέρα." Το νέο έτος ας είναι πραγματικά νέο, αληθινά χαρούμενο και ευτυχισμένο κάτω από την Θεία Σκέψη Σου. Αμήν.

REGISTRY

Funerals
Dimitrios Koukis (November 21)
James Evangelos Poulos (November 24)
Hariton M. Constant (December 6)
James Brackman (December 7)

May their memory be eternal.

WOMEN CANCER SURVIVORS
The American Cancer Society has given us several copies of their catalogue "tlc" Tender Loving Care. It is especially geared to women who have had cancer and chemotherapy and/ or radiation treatments. It includes many items for sale including hats, wigs, other clothing and "post-surgical necessities." For a free copy, contact Fr. Costa or Dr. John Demakis at demakis9931@gmail.com.

We also still have several copies of the book Of Tears and Triumph by Georgia and Bud Photopulos. This is the story of a brave Greek Orthodox woman who battled breast cancer for 30 years. Georgia was the first person ever asked by the American Cancer Society to run a national breast cancer hotline. It is an uplifting and inspirational book. Georgia recently died of heart disease. Bud has donated several copies of their book to our church. Please call Fr. Costa for a free copy.

Thank you to Mrs. Evdokia Mitchell who prepared many meals in her own home for Fr. Costa to deliver to the shut-ins of our community. Gia ta heria sou, Evdokia!
SUNDAY CHURCH DUTY ROSTER

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My hero is Saint Basil of Caesarea, who we celebrate on New Year’s Day. He was an influential theologian who helped write the Nicene Creed and a true warrior and defender of our faith. In addition to his work as a theologian, Saint Basil was known for his care of the poor and underprivileged. Saint Basil established guidelines for monastic life which focus on community life, liturgical prayer, and manual labor. Together with Saint Pachomius, he is remembered as a father of communal monasticism in Eastern Christianity. He is considered a saint by the traditions of both Eastern and Western Christianity.

We celebrate his compilation of the Divine Liturgy on the first five Sundays of Lent and the eves of the Nativity, Theophany, and Holy Week. Saint Basil was also the first person in history to set up outreach ministries in society such as hospitals, nursing homes, and hospices.

He was truly a missions-minded Bishop. This is why, for us at Saint Katherine, he is a great example for us to imitate and emulate. He says, “I had wasted much time on follies and spent nearly all of my youth in vain labors, and devotion to the teachings of a wisdom that God had made foolish. Suddenly, I awoke as out of a deep sleep. I beheld the wonderful light of the Gospel truth, and I recognized the nothingness of the wisdom of the princes of this world.”

Therefore, I want us to ask for the prayers of Saint Basil so that, we too, through the use of our resources and labor may be of help to those in need.

May your new year be full of God’s blessings and good health.

In Christ,

Fr. Costa

Stop by our table, after both liturgies or you can fill out the form below and put it in the offering basket, to register your card for the Safeway program benefiting our church. For more information, contact Elvira Garnett at villa45@hotmail.com or 703-425-3675.

Safeway Card # ________________________
First and Last Name ________________________
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Home Phone # ________________________

The Hellenic Society ProMetheas invites you to

A presentation by Dr. Harry Mavromatis, Emeritus Professor of Physics at the American University of Beirut, on his recent book, Lost Edens. This presentation will take place Saturday January 12, 8:00pm

Saint George Greek Orthodox Church
7701 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, 20817
and
Greek Letters Day Presentation on Saturday, January 26
Information to follow in the Sunday bulletin.
Please consider listing your profession or business on our church website. Please fill out the order form, available at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/misc_forms, in its entirety. If you choose to list only your profession, please fill out that portion only. If you choose to list your business, please fill out that portion only. The cost per year is $25 for a professional listing and $100 for a business listing. The directory is online at http://www.saint-katherines.org/about_us/business-and-professional-directory. You may choose to renew your listing automatically for the next year by checking the box on the order form. If you are paying by credit card, your card will be charged for the renewal on or about January 1, 2014. If you are paying with cash or by check, you will be contacted prior to your renewal date. Credit card payments may be made on the church website via PayPal. All listings will be reviewed and acceptance will be determined at the discretion of the Business Directory Committee. A printed version of the directory will be distributed annually with listing additions available quarterly.

Below are samples of how your listing will appear on our website.

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**Professions:**

**Engineering**

George Pappas  
Electrical Engineer  
www.georgepappas.net  
555-555-5555

**Businesses:**

**Places of Worship**

**Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church**  
3149 Glen Carlyn Road, Falls Church, VA 22041  
703-671-1515  
www.saint-katherines.org

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We look forward to receiving your listing!

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**SAINT KATHERINE PROFESSIONAL AND BUSINESS DIRECTORY**

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STEWARDSHIP

SHOWN BELOW is a list of families and individuals who made their pledge for the 2012 Saint Katherine Stewardship Program from November 1 through November 30, 2012. Thank you for responding to the needs of our church.

Our 2013 stewardship pledge form is below. If you have not yet sent a pledge, please complete and return the form to the Church Office as soon as possible. Alternatively, you may pledge online today at www.saint-katherines.org/stewardship. Your church and community depend on your stewardship commitment.

Any questions? Please contact Anna Vassilopoulos at avassilopoulos@stkchurch.com or 703-671-1515.

Ms Kelly Bletsis
Mr Constantinos Bokis and
Mrs Papadopoulou-Bokis
M/M Theodoros Brotsis
Mrs Mandy Caras
Daniela Carcani
Mrs Anastasia Copeland
Ms Rosemary Filou
M/M Tim Kalyvas
Mrs Anastasia Kitsantas and
Mr Stephen Willett

M/M John Koukis
Mr Nick Liappis
Dr E.C. Papailias
Mrs Anastasia Papalios
M/M Frank Rajendra
Mr Peter Retsinas
M/M Anastasios Sakkas
M/M George Sarris
Elena Sava
Mr Christakis Trahili

2013 STEWARDSHIP FORM

Stewardship is based on the fact that all that we have and all that we are comes from God. We commit ourselves to stewardship as a way of thanking God for all His blessings—returning to Him a portion of the time, talent, and treasure He has given us. Good stewardship of time means we share some the 168 hours in a week with God and caring for others. Good stewardship of talent means we identify our talents and use them to glorify God and help other people. Good stewardship of treasure means we give a portion of our income to the Church and other charities.

During the year 2013, we ask that everyone consider fulfilling their stewardship on weekly basis. This will allow our church to better plan activities and expenses.

I (my family) pledge(s) $_______ per week of financial stewardship to Saint Katherine Greek Orthodox Church.

Name: _____________________________________________________________________________________
Address: ___________________________________________________________________________________
City, State, Zip: _____________________________________________________________________________
Telephone and email address: __________________________________________________________________

THE IMPORTANCE OF SUNDAY

The primacy of Sunday is affirmed by the liturgical practice of the early church. St. Justin the Martyr, writing around 150 AD, notes that “it is on Sunday that we assemble because Sunday is the first day, the day on which God transformed darkness and matter and created the world and the day that Jesus Christ rose from the dead” (First Apology, 67). Sunday has always had a privileged position in the life of the Church as a day of worship and celebration. On Sunday, the Church assembles to realize her eschatological fullness in the Eucharist by which the Kingdom and the endless Day of the Lord are revealed in time. It is the perpetual first day of the new creation, a day of rejoicing. It is a day for community, feasting and family gatherings.
ANNUAL APOKREATIKO GLENDI
Saturday, March 9, 2013

Buffet Dinner, Dancing, Prizes!
Giant Raffle and Chinese Auction!

For more information, please contact
Elena Lagos
(703-241-1176 or pedakia@aol.com)
or
Sophia Tsangali (703-671-1515)

This fun family event is open to the entire community!
The time, cost, and other details will be announced soon.
ATTENTION POSTMASTER:
Please expedite. Dated material.