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February 12, 2021



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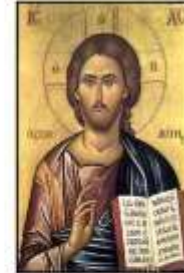
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### Message from Fr. George Tsahakis for Friday, February 12, 2021



Yesterday, Fr. George & Katie Wilson completed teaching our Adult Religious Education series on “Persecution.” During his lesson, Fr. George used the article, **Three Greek Orthodox Christian Hierarchs Who Tried to Stop the Holocaust in Their Country** (reprinted from Pappas Post). [Click here to read it.](#)

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## [GREECE on the GO](#)

Our parish's first GreekFest Drive Thru is less than a month away. The planning team has been busy working on getting the framework set up and we are asking for help from the entire parish. Please click on the [signup here](#) to review all the different roles that are needed to make this event a success.

## [Volunteer for GREECE on the GO](#)

Here is some information about volunteering and the event. It will occur:

- Rain or shine
- Pursuant to local, state and CDC guidelines for volunteers to wear appropriate PPE and maintain social distancing
- At The Fred Amphitheater / 201 McIntosh Trail, Peachtree City

There are 138 volunteer slots to fill, so we need all hands-on deck. Please feel free to sign up for more than one time or role. We have already received commitment from non-parishioners, including a local Boy Scout troop and local high schoolers, and we are excited to connect with other people in our community who support us!

Our wonderful volunteers will need lots and lots of customers to serve, so please remember to help spread the word about this event:

- follow @peachtreecitygreekfest on Facebook and Instagram
- like/share our posts, which helps boost our page so that others see it
- Email, text or post PDF or images (attached)
- [Click here for the final PDF version of the flyer and postcard](#)

If you have any questions about this year's GREECE on the GO, please feel free to contact the following: [Pete Kleto](#) / [Jim Sliwinski](#) for Infrastructure/Traffic Flow, [Steve Butler](#) for Food Production/Distribution, [Tom Farmakis](#) for Volunteer Sourcing/Decorations, [Charles Costas](#) / [Angelique Soulakos](#) for Marketing, and [Manny Haldopoulos](#) for General Concept of Operations.

Thank you in advance for your support!

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Check out  
the menu!



*This year's DRIVE THRU ONLY offerings still promise to make you feel like you're enjoying a meal in the center of Athens. Rain or shine, Greece On The Go brings you some of our favorite foods, including Souvlaki on Skewers, Gyros, Greek potatoes, Greek salad, and yummy pastries! Cars, golf carts, and walk-ups welcome!*

SEE YOU THERE!

March 6, 11 AM - 6:30 PM  
Frederick Brown Jr. Amphitheater  
201 McIntosh Trail,  
Peachtree City, GA 30269

*You'll turn in off of McIntosh Trail and follow directions of volunteers to place your order and pick up food!*



Proceeds will benefit St. Christopher Hellenic Orthodox Church building fund & outreach ministries!

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**Experience authentic Greek cuisine in a Carry-Out  
only event. Golf carts, cars, and walk-ups welcome!**

Frederick Brown Jr. Amphitheater  
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**JOIN US SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 11 AM TO 6:30 PM**



***“He gives strength to the weary and increases the power of the weak.” -Isaiah 40:29***

**Vasilopita:**

Our final tally for Vasilopita is **\$5,456.11**. Tremendous response from our St. Christopher family!!

**Souper Bowl of Caring:**

Thank you for your participation in Souper Bowl Sunday! We have collected \$280 so far! We do not have a can food donation as of yet. You can still contribute to this event throughout the month. Just go to our [website!](#)

**Upcoming Reminders:**

General Meeting      February 21, 11:30      [Zoom Link](#)

Membership Drive      March      [Stewardship payment](#)



Sunday, February 7, 2021

Souper Bowl of Caring - #Tackle Hunger



**Souper Bowl of Caring** mobilizes people of all ages who want to **fight hunger** and poverty in their own communities around the time of the Super Bowl football game.

On its 30<sup>th</sup> anniversary the ministry generated \$10.6 million nationally, benefitting thousands of local charities including "Fayette Samaritans" in Fayetteville, to which our parish donated 275 non-perishable food items in February 2020.

This year 2021, **Loaves and Fishes** - a ministry at "St. John the Wonderworker" in Atlanta, will be the charity to benefit from your generosity. They now serve hot meals Monday through Friday, every day at 9 a.m. to people in need in Atlanta.



On Super Bowl **Sunday** **February 7th**, we ask **each one of us to spare at least one dollar** for those in need.

Make your donations **online** to "**Hands of Love**" through the month of February at:

<https://StChristopherPhiloptochos.square.site>

To learn more, visit [www.TackleHunger.org](http://www.TackleHunger.org)

To volunteer: [www.SaintJohnWonderworker.org](http://www.SaintJohnWonderworker.org)



Below is an excerpt from their website:

## GUIDING PRINCIPLES OF LOAVES AND FISHES

“Daily feeding of those in need is on Monday through Friday at 9:00 AM. With the blessing of Metropolitan Alexios, Metropolitan of the Greek Atlanta Diocese, all the Orthodox churches in Atlanta take part in making the Loaves & Fishes program a successful outreach to those less fortunate.

The Orthodox Churches supply our program with canned goods, left over catering items, money, and volunteers. We feed those in need hot, nutritious meals, and maintain a pantry for families and individuals with access to a kitchen.

*Matthew 25:35: For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you invited me in, 36 I needed clothes and you clothed me, I was sick, and you looked after me, I was in prison and you came to visit me.’*

1) 25:35 For I was hungry, and you gave me something to eat, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink,

This is the basis of the Loaves and Fishes feeding program, the Hungry and Thirsty we feed M-F Breakfast to as many as 60 homeless and poor per day.

2) I was a stranger and you invited me in,

We formerly fed on the patio; we now invite the clients into the same hall our congregation uses for our meals (our home).

3) 25:36 I needed clothes and you clothed me,

We maintain a Clothing Barrel with clothes and shoes for the clients.

4) I was sick, and you looked after me,

We have partnered with St Joseph’s Mercy Care, Grady, and Good Samaritan to

provide Mental, Dental, and Medical care as well as GCAL for suicidal clients.

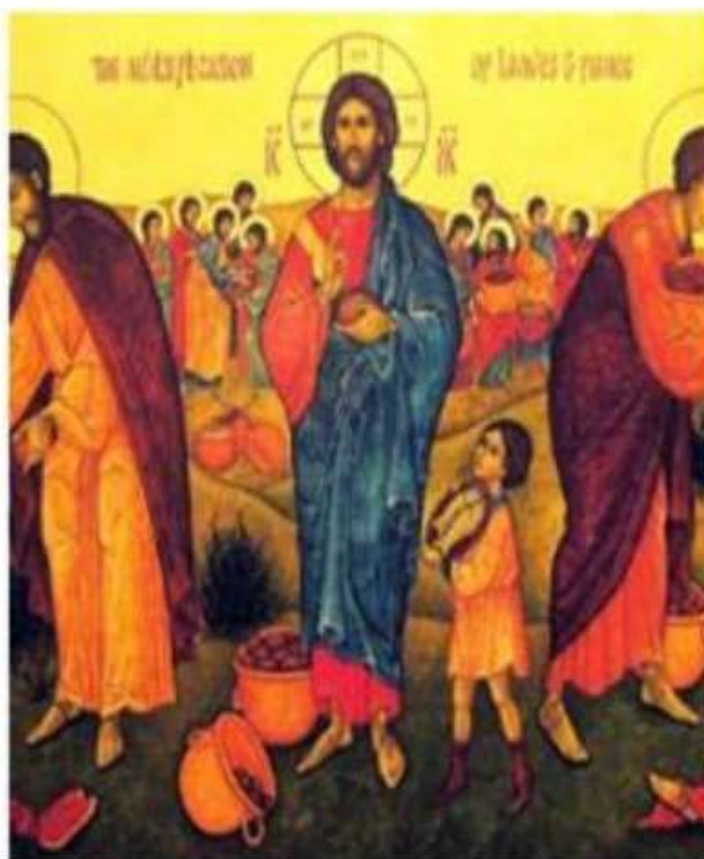
5) I was in prison and you came to visit me.'

We have a prison Ministry manned by Father Chris and Dennis Dunn that visits the jails and prisons.

25:40 "The King will reply, 'Truly I tell you, whatever you did for one of the least.

of these brothers and sisters of mine, you did for me.'

For the Glory of Christ, we care for the Poor and Homeless."



Faithfully, Anna Andreeva-Naydenova, "Hands of Love" Philoptochos  
Ministry Chair

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## CYBER SECURITY WATCH

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**CYBERCRIME HAS BEEN INFILTRATING OUR LIVES FOR YEARS.**

More recently, parishes and religious communities around us are being targeted by a phishing scam where the attacker poses falsely as the parish priest and asks the recipient for money usually in the form of gift cards.

**EDUCATE** yourselves and others about the dangers of emails and phone scams.

**YOUR PARISH PRIEST** *should never* reach out via personal email to request immediate financial assistance. Be vigilant if you do receive an email that fits this description! Here are some *do's* and *do not's* to guide you:

### DO NOT...

- ❌ reply to the message
- ❌ click on any links
- ❌ download any attachments
- ❌ use the contact information provided in the email
- ❌ share personal or financial data via email or phone

### DO...FOLLOW THE 3 V'S

- ✅ **VIGILANCE** requires that you should question every email that comes in
- ✅ **VERIFY** the email by contacting your parish
- ✅ **VERY OFTEN** change your passwords

**REPORT CYBERCRIME IMMEDIATELY** to the following Federal agencies and to the Archdiocese:

- **Federal Trade Commission:** [ftc.gov/complaint](http://ftc.gov/complaint)
- **FBI:** [fbi.gov/tips](http://fbi.gov/tips)
- **Archdiocese Technical Support:** [techsupport.goarch.org](http://techsupport.goarch.org)

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Copy & paste this link in your browser:

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By subscribing you will receive notifications when we are Live and  
St. Christopher will qualify for a custom YouTube URL



## Church Re-Opening Guidelines

During the first phase of the re-opening of St. Christopher Church, a limited number of households will be permitted at each worship service *by following two simple steps.*

Extra services will be offered to accommodate our St. Christopher Parish Family if your first choice is not available.

**Step 1:** [Click here to Read and Agree to "Returning to Worship: Important Information"](#)

**Step 2:** [Click here to "Pre-Register for Services"](#)

*\*Please note that unless you pre-register, you will not be permitted to enter into the Church. We cannot accommodate walk-ins at this time.*

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For questions, please email [communications@saintchristopherhoc.org](mailto:communications@saintchristopherhoc.org)

or call the church office at (770) 347-7729.

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