

## Ιέρα Μητροπολίς Νέας Ιέρσεης

November 28, 2022

The Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy, Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils, Philoptochos Sisterhoods and the PTO/PTA, Directors/Principals and Teachers of the Afternoon Greek Schools of the Northern New Jersey Region of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey

My Beloved in the Lord,

I pray that my letter finds all of you well. With the blessings of His Eminence, Archbishop Elpidophoros of America our Sacred Metropolis of New Jersey will once again be celebrating Greek Letters and the Feast Day of the Three Hierarchs, St. Basil the Great, St. John Chrysostom and St. Gregory the Theologian, the Ecumenical Teachers of our Holy Orthodox Faith and profound supporters of Education. Furthermore, these Great Saints and Illuminators are the Protectors of our Teachers, the educators who have devoted their life to the service of our Church and our children.

It is my pleasure to announce that the Metropolis Celebration for the Northern New Jersey Region will take place on <u>SATURDAY</u>, JANUARY 21, 2023, AT 5:00 PM AT SS. <u>NICHOLAS, CONSTANTINE & HELEN GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH IN ROSELAND</u>, <u>NJ.</u> We are honored that His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America will be present, together with His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia, and that the new Consul General of Greece Mr. Konstantinos Konstantinou will be delivering the Keynote Address.

The beautiful program will include the students of the area Greek Schools, as they narrate various poems, sing songs, and Greek dance with great pride. Please join us for this beautiful event as we gather together to honor the Three Hierarchs, and to celebrate the work of our Greek School Educators and our Greek School Students.

Please R.S.V.P. by contacting the St. Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church at 973-251-2920 no <u>later than Monday, January 13, 2023</u> so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Conveying to you the paternal love and blessings of our Chief Shepherd, His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and wishing you a most blessed Nativity Season, I remain

At the Direction of the Archbishop,

Archim. amistof. O'i konouid

+ Archimandrite Christoforos Oikonomidis Chancellor