



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ

November 7, 2022

To the Very Reverend and Reverend Clergy,
Esteemed Members of the Metropolitan Council,
Esteemed Members of the Parish Councils and Philoptochos Sisterhoods,
Faculty and Students of the Catechetical and Greek Afternoon Schools,
Directors and Participants of all Youth Organizations,
Devout Faithful of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey,
Beloved Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

In celebration of the feast of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of New Jersey's holy protector, Saint John Chrysostom, Archbishop of Constantinople, I greet all of you with much love and joy.

Kindly know that in a grateful expression of honor and esteem for our saintly patron, I would like to request that **on Sunday, November 13, 2022, the feast of St. John Chrysostom, a special offering tray be passed in all of our parishes** for the strengthening of our Metropolis' ministries and outreach. Your gracious benevolence and financial assistance are most important for the continued support and upbuilding of our Metropolis' many vibrant ministries and ongoing administrative needs. For "He who supplies seed to the sower and bread for food will supply and multiply your seed for sowing and increase the harvest of your righteousness." (2 Corinthians 9:10) And so, may our Good and Loving Lord multiply the fruits of your good works and reciprocate unto you His heavenly gifts in rich abundance.

Extending to all of you my archpastoral blessings and wholehearted prayers for a spiritually prosperous fast of the Nativity, I remain

With much paternal love in Christ,

† ELPIDOPHOROS
Archbishop of America