



## DORMITION OF THE THEOTOKOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

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**Reverend Father Michael A. Gavrilos, Parish Priest**

Dear Parish Family of Dormition of the Theotokos,

Greetings in Christ!

We hope this letter finds you well and filled with joy as we embark on an exciting journey together. We are thrilled to announce that, for the first time in over a decade, our combined GOYA with Ypapanti of East Pittsburgh will be hosting the upcoming GOYA Basketball Tournament during the weekend of February 14-16.

This tournament is a cherished tradition for our GOYAnS, providing them with an opportunity to engage in friendly competition, deepen their faith, and spend quality time with their Orthodox friends. Many of you may recall the joy and fellowship these tournaments brought when you or your children participated, and we are overjoyed to bring this experience to our youth once again.

As you can imagine, hosting an event of this magnitude requires tremendous effort, planning, and support. Highlights of the weekend will include the Saturday night "GOYAntines" Dinner and Dance, which will be held at our Church at the Grand Hall for the GOYAnS and at Riverside Landings for parents and chaperones. On Sunday, we will gather for church services at our Church and share a breakfast with the tournament community after in the main hall. It promises to be a weekend full of fellowship, faith, and fun.

Dina Tsambis is working to coordinate volunteers to help with both events, including setup and preparation. If you are interested in **volunteering** that weekend, please call or text Dina at 724-622-6921. Your time and talents are greatly needed and deeply appreciated. If you have already signed up to help - THANK YOU!

In addition to volunteer support, we are also seeking donations and sponsorships to offset the rising costs associated with hosting the tournament. Expenses for court rentals, referees, trophies, and food have increased significantly, and we want to ensure that our GOYAnS have an unforgettable experience. Here are some specific sponsorship opportunities:

- **\$500** GOYAntines Dinner Sponsor
- **\$500** Breakfast Sponsor
- **\$250** Decoration Sponsor
- **\$100** General Fund
- **\$50** Candy Sponsor

We are also seeking donations of baked goods, individual candies for our candy buffet, and items for our Candy Grams. Every contribution, whether big or small, will make a meaningful difference.

If you would like to become a sponsor or make a **MONETARY** donation, please call or text Kristin Ioannou at 412-638-8889. For donations of **baked goods or candy**, please call or text Dina Tsambis at 724-622-6921

Your love and support mean the world to us, and we are incredibly grateful for the dedication of our parish community. Together, we can create an unforgettable weekend for our youth and showcase the warmth and hospitality of our parishes. Let's make this tournament one to remember!

With heartfelt thanks and love in Christ,

Kristin Ioannou/Dina Tsambis