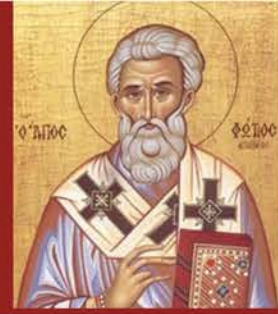


A Good Word - Λόγον Αγαθόν

NEWSLETTER OF THE GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH



METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH PHILOPTOCHOS ANNUAL DAFFODIL LUNCHEON

The Metropolis of Pittsburgh Ladies Philoptochos Society held its annual Daffodil Luncheon on Saturday, April 5, 2025. The event was hosted by the Holy Trinity Pittsburgh Philoptochos with close to 130 guests from Philoptochos chapters across the Metropolis of Pittsburgh in attendance. Congratulations to Chapter president, Marianne Stearns, Assistant Treasurer, Sandy Schall, Fr. John Touloumes, and the entire Holy Trinity Daffodil Luncheon Committee for organizing and hosting a such a lovely event. From the beautiful centerpieces to the colorful balloon arch, every detail was perfectly executed! Approximately \$30,500 was raised from the luncheon that will benefit the Metropolis Philoptochos Seminarian Our Future Fund and the Emergency Fund. Banquet Center caterers and Holy Trinity parishioners, Evan and Kelley Kaparakos, generously provided the meal for the luncheon at no cost to the Philoptochos. Jeana Watenpool, president of the Pittsburgh North Chapter of the Mrs. Claus Club was the guest speaker. The Mrs. Claus Club is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing hope,



Daffodil Luncheon Committee with His Eminence Metropolitan Savas



From left to right: Joyce Spanakis, Marianne Stearns, Jeana Watenpool (President of the Mrs. Claus Club), Metropolitan Savas, Melissa Bradfield, Ursula Bresnei, and Sandy Schall

prayer, comfort baskets, and personal contact with individuals of all ages suffering from cancer. Jeana and others from the organization gave touching remarks about the work they do. On behalf of the Metropolis Philoptochos, President Joyce Spanakis, presented Jeana with a check for the Mrs. Claus Club in the amount of \$500. His Eminence Metropolitan Savas gave remarks, and in honor of National Poetry month and the Daffodil Luncheon theme, eloquently read the words in English of the Hymn of Kassiani from Holy Tuesday, a poignant poem entitled Easter in the Cancer Ward by Nicholas Samaras, and William Wordsworth's "I Wondered Lonely as a Cloud."

It was a beautiful day filled with love, fellowship, and joy! We give Glory to God for the blessings He gives to our Philoptochos so that we may in turn be a blessing to others.



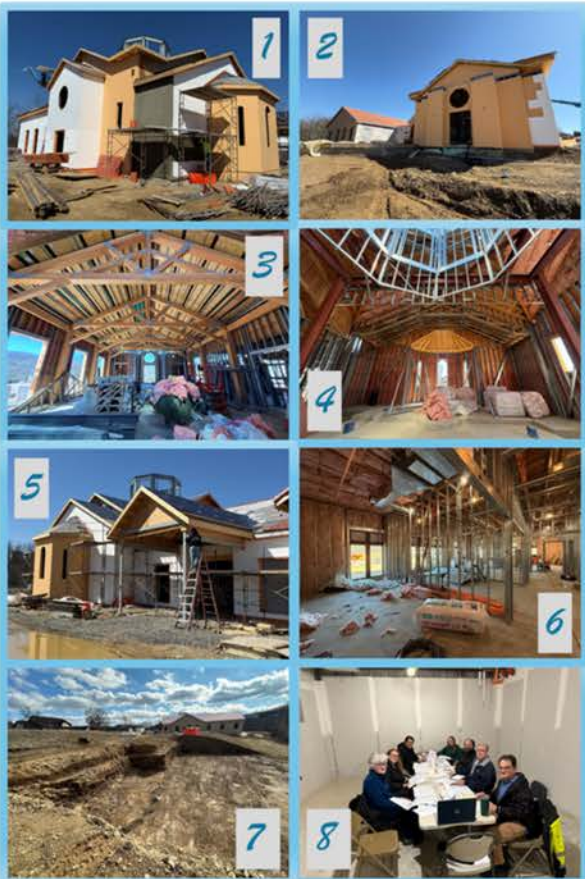
YOUR CLERGY AT THE 2025 CLERGY FAMILY SPRING RETREAT



His Eminence Metropolitan Savas and the Metropolis of Pittsburgh clergy and families attended the Annual Clergy Family Spring Retreat at Antiochian Village Conference and Retreat Center in March.

NEW METROPOLIS CENTER APRIL UPDATE

We are getting closer to the finishing line for the public fundraising campaign and the construction!



1. Left - Social Hall, Right - Chapel
2. Main Entrance to Hall (at rear)
3. Social Hall
4. Chapel
5. Canopy Over Main Entrance
6. Offices
7. Residence Excavation
8. Meeting in Basement (Drywall!)

(Projected for late Summer/early Fall 2025). We cannot wait to open YOUR new Metropolis Center and share the wonderful facilities with YOU, the community of our Sacred Metropolis. Please consider a contribution to the campaign. For online donations please scan the QR code below or mail your donation to:

New Metropolis Center
PO Box 640729
Pittsburgh, PA
15264-0729

Please make checks payable to "Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Pittsburgh" with NMC Donation written in the memo.



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF PITTSBURGH

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Sat. Aug. 23rd
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It costs approximately \$1,000 per day to operate our Metropolis - including Metropolitan Savas's Archpastoral visitations, preparations for summer camp and GOYA retreats, our vital registry, and more.

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