

## SAINT ANDREW GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

## **PHILOPTOCHOS**

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### PHILOPTOCHOS MISSION

To promote
charitable,
benevolent, and
philanthropic
outreach,
to preserve the
sanctity of life and
family, and to
perpetuate and
promote our Orthodox
faith and traditions.

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July 15, 2024

Dear Saint Andrew Parishioners,

We are writing to inform you of the difficult decision to cancel this year's Annual Saint Andrew Rummage Sale that was scheduled for September 6-8, 2024 due to the lack of volunteers that would take on leadership roles in the various organizational categories.

We understand the disappointment this may cause to our loyal supporters, the Saint Andrew Church Community, and local philanthropic agencies who look forward to participating and/or are beneficiaries of our Annual Rummage Sale.

This decision was not made lightly because it is one of two major fundraisers for the Philoptochos. On average, we make about \$6,000 with \$4,500 directly supporting the church and \$1,500 directly supporting the Knitting and Pillow Ministry. We would appreciate any donation to help the church and the knitting and pillow ministry.

If you would like to make a donation, please make checks payable to: Saint Andrew Philoptochos and include Rummage Sale donation in the memo line. You may also use the Church's website online payment system called Abundant and under "Donate" send an electronic payment. Click on the drop down "Fund" and indicate "Rummage Sale Donations."

If you have been doing Spring/Summer cleaning and need places to donate your items, we have included multiple resources with this letter to help identify other charitable organizations that would be happy to receive (and some will pick up) your donations.

### PLEASE DO NOT DROP OFF ANY ITEMS AT THE CHURCH

We appreciate your understanding and support during this time. We hope to be able to resume our Rummage Sale next year and look forward to everyone's involvement.

If you have any questions or concerns, please feel free to reach out to us, Mary Michailidis, call or text 203-249-9390 or email <a href="mailto:mmichailidis@yahoo.com">mmichailidis@yahoo.com</a> or Irene Laoudis call or text 973-300-1332 or email <a href="mailto:ilaoudis@yahoo.com">ilaoudis@yahoo.com</a>

God bless you.

Sincerely,

Mary Michailidis & Irene Laoudis