

**Greek Orthodox Church
of Saint George
Bethesda, MD**



**2016 Parish Ministries &
Organizations**

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History of Saint George

The first public meeting for the purpose of forming a Greek Orthodox parish in Montgomery County was held on Friday evening, March 12th, 1965, at the Davis Memorial Library in Bethesda, Maryland.

Heading the group were four leaders of deep faith and strong convictions. Those four pioneers in the movement were William Condrell, Pete Collis, John Glakas and George Seymore. Chairing the meeting was William Condrell who would emerge as the leader of the movement and serve as the parish's first president. Not all in attendance were in favor of establishing a new parish. Some opposed the endeavor out of genuine concern that the new parish could not be sustained financially; others felt that it would financially hurt the two city churches.

A few days later, Jimmie G. Deoudes, made an offer that was too generous to refuse. He and his wife Thelma owned a magnificent five-acre piece of property on Bradley Boulevard, next to the Bethesda Country Club. On the property there was a White House where Jimmie and Thelma had raised their three children. The price was \$100,000. The community could occupy the property almost immediately and not make any payments for three years. The announcement of the offer raised the enthusiasm of the participants to the highest possible level. The Jimmie Deoudes offer served as a catalyst to the movement. Jimmie expressed only one wish that the group was happy to accept and honor, his wish was that the church to be built on the grounds of the property be named Saint George.

On March 12, 28 families signed the charter membership roll. A motion to obtain a charter and proceed with the establishment of a church community was passed by those attending the meeting. Seventeen people were chosen to serve on the Executive Committee to advance the decisions of the assembly. They were William K. Condrell, Chairman, John T. Glakas, Vice Chairman, George Seymore, Treasurer, Rosemary Manis, Secretary; Nicholas J. Albanes, Pete J. Collis, Marie Chaconas, Jimmie G. Deoudes, Kay Koutsandreas, Gus Levathes, Louis P. Maniatis, Peter Panarites, Dino G. Pappas, Bradley A. Peavy, Agamemnon P. Perros, Dr. Andrew Tegeris and Dr. Anastasios Tousimis.

The Committee began its work almost immediately. In a letter addressed "To All Members of the Greek Orthodox Faith Living in Suburban Maryland," it announced the formation of the group with the goal of establishing a church in Montgomery County. The letter invited them to attend the next meeting to be held on March 29, at the Davis Memorial Library, in Bethesda. The letter mentioned the acquisition of the property: "We are happy to announce that a group formed on March 12 to establish a Greek Orthodox Community in the Maryland suburbs, has acquired five acres of conveniently located land on Bradley Boulevard upon which a new Greek Orthodox Church will be erected in the foreseeable future. There is a great opportunity for your participation." The letter was followed with a personal campaign headed by two sisters, Rosemary Manis and Becky Levathes. The campaign was necessary to fulfill the basic requirements set by the Archdiocese for recognition of a new parish and the granting of the charter. Those two requirements were: 50 new families who before joining the group were not members of any of the area churches and fifty thousand

dollars in the bank to assure that the new parish had the strength to support itself.

As the movement was gaining strength, the opposition from the city churches was getting stronger. The movement for a church in Montgomery County was called schismatic. These claims and accusations prompted Father George Bacopoulos, Chancellor of the Archdiocese, to pay a visit to Washington to ascertain that the procedures set for the establishment of a new parish were followed faithfully. In the meantime the new community, though not yet recognized by the Archdiocese and without an assigned priest, began to function as a regular community. On May 13, 1965, about 300 people attended an open house to view the newly acquired property and the first picnic of members was held on July 4 on the site under a staggering 106-degree temperature. In October 1965, the Educational Program was initiated. About 50 children enrolled in the Saturday School where they were taught lessons in religion and culture and participated in athletic events. This proved successful in every respect and continued each week as the community grew and prospered.

The Archdiocese took notice of the community's progress and on March 15, 1966, Archbishop Iakovos came to Washington to meet with the priests and parish councils of Saints Constantine and Helen and Saint Sophia Cathedral as well as the Executive Committee of the new community in Bethesda. The Archbishop rejected the opposing claims of the local churches saying, "You are concerned about the reduction of your numbers in members and finances," and then pointing to the Bethesda delegation, he said: "I am concerned about these people and their children who wish to go to church and practice their religion". Being

encouraged by the words of the Archbishop, the Executive Committee intensified its efforts to meet the requirements for the recognition and looked toward the future.

Nicholas Andris, a prominent businessman, was asked and accepted the task to chair the Building Fund Committee and coordinate the efforts of the community to construct a building that would house the religious, educational, cultural and social activities. The first meeting of the Committee was held on November 21, 1966, and laid the ground for a new campaign. On May 10, 1967, the new community reached its milestone. The requirements for the granting of the Charter were met. On that date funds in excess of \$50,900 were placed in escrow and the number of members had reached 134 families.

Finally, on June 12, 1967 the Greek Archdiocese of North and South America officially welcomed Saint George as one of its parishes. Father Theodore Chelpon, representing His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos, and His Grace Bishop Silas, the presiding Bishop of the first Archdiocesan District, explained to the Assembly the responsibilities of the new parish and presented a set of the by-laws according to which the new parish was to be governed. On September 12, 1967, Fr. Dean Timothy Andrews was assigned by the Archdiocese as the first priest of Saint George. He officiated at the first Divine Liturgy of the new parish on Sunday, September 17, 1967 at the Bradley Hills Presbyterian Church in Bethesda.

Clergy

Protopresbyter Dimitrios .J. Antokas, Presiding Priest

Father Dimitrios has been serving as Presiding Priest of the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George since 2006. He received his theological education (Master of Divinity) and priestly formation at the Hellenic College of the Holy Cross in Brookline, Massachusetts. Following his graduation, he served as Director of Social Service programs for the City of New York, as well as Coordinator of Environmental policy for the New York City Department of Transportation. He married Presvytera Maria (Tsarnas) and has two sons, John and Elliott. He was ordained to the Diaconate and Holy Priesthood in 1990 and served a number of parishes in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese, including Assistant Priest at St. Demetrios Church in Jamaica Queens, NY; Presiding Priest at the Transfiguration of the Lord Church in Corona, NY; and the Presiding Priest at Holy Trinity Church in Westfield, NJ. He then assumed the position of Executive Director of the Archbishop Iakovos Leadership 100 Endowment Fund at the Archdiocesan Offices in New York City. He has served on a variety of social service and ecclesiastical boards and committees, including as an officer and member of the Council of Churches in New York City; the Alumni Board of the Hellenic College of the Holy Cross; the Senior Ministerium of Westfield, NJ; Interfaith Works of Montgomery County, MD; and serves as the Chairperson of the Greater Washington Orthodox Clergy Council. Fr. Dimitrios notes, *“My Greatest joy and fulfillment as a Priest is to watch this faith community, young and old, reach out to God and grow ever closer to the One who offers them love and to each other in that same love and caring.”*

Father George Khitiri, Assistant Priest

Father George was born in the country of Georgia, during its Soviet-Communist period. He came to the United States in 1993 as an exchange student at the Hellenic College of the Holy Cross in Brookline, MA. There he met Presvytera Areti and married her. They have three children, Catherine, Andrew, and Paul. He was ordained to the Diaconate and Holy Priesthood in 2001. He began his ministry serving in Minneapolis, MN (St. Mary's Orthodox Church) and Shreveport, LA (St. George Orthodox Church). One of the most enduring experiences of his young ministry came on the day he celebrated his first Divine Liturgy as a Priest – 9/11/2001, the day of the tragic terrorist attack in New York City, Pennsylvania, and at the Pentagon. The senseless act of violence brought the brokenness of humanity into sharp focus and with it, the need for an effective healing ministry. Apart from English, Fr. George speaks Georgian, Russian, and Greek. In addition to his regular pastoral responsibilities, three areas of his life and ministry motivate him: the study and teaching of Sacred Scripture, active ministry to youth, and a deep concern for the correct teaching of the Orthodox faith through Religious Education. *“These three aspects of our faith go hand in hand,” said Fr. George. “The Word of God inspires us to spread its positive message to our young people and to take seriously the teaching and understanding of the Orthodox Christian faith in order that the Church’s voice may be heard in the public square where it is greatly needed.”*

Parish Council

The Parish Council is the administrative body of a Church community elected by its stewards for the purpose of working together with the Parish Priests in fulfilling the mission and goals of our community.

Historically, clergy and laity have worked together in dealing with matters of the Church's life. The Parish Council is an example of the synergy of clergy and laity; it is a vehicle for implementing the ongoing mission of the Church and planning the necessary strategies, policies, procedures, and activities that will enable the Parish to move forward in accomplishing God's work.

Upon being elected to serve a special ministry you are now an official representative of the Church and thus are expected to exert every effort to exemplify its sacred character and spirit. Upon election to this trusted office, you assume three basic obligations which will help guide you in your ministry:

The most important responsibility of the Parish Council is to assist the Presiding Priest in the administration of the ministries of the Parish. Some of the principal roles employed by effective Parish Councils include, but are not limited to: planning, developing, organizing, and implementing stewardship programs and various educational ministries of the Church; reporting and communicating to the parishioners the work and ministries of the Church at the Metropolis and Archdiocese levels; and recruiting and training others for further service. The Parish Council must also abide by Local, State, and Federal statutes applicable to the Parish and by the UPR.

Philoptochos

The Philoptochos (“friend of the poor”) is the philanthropic arm of the Church. The mission of the Philoptochos is to aid those less fortunate and in need – the hurt, the troubled, and the poor. Our fund raising efforts enable us to offer support, outreach, and financial assistance to individuals and families in need. St. George Philoptochos (Chapter #1019) is a vibrant group whose devotion of heart, time, labor, and treasure, support the various philanthropic pursuits on a local ‘chapter’ level, as well as Metropolis of NJ and National Society levels.

The St. George Philoptochos is open to all women (at least 18 years of age) who are stewards of St. George Bethesda parish. Men (at least 18 years of age) are also welcome to join as “non-voting associate members”. The Chapter meets on the evenings of the second Tuesday of every month (unless otherwise noted). Philoptochos provides Orthodox Christian fellowship along with the opportunity to participate and support local, national and worldwide Chapter philanthropic endeavors.

For information regarding membership, charitable activities, ongoing fundraising efforts, and calendar of events, contact Melina Assimakopoulos-Cohen (President 2015-17) at stgphiloptochos1019@gmail.com.

Religious Education

Adult Religious Education

The Scriptures state that “my people will suffer for a lack of knowledge.” (Hosea 4:6). It’s not enough to simply provide religious education for our children. An educated laity is a strong laity and the key is educating our adult faithful. The type of education provided is also critically important. Church and real life are not separate things. “The spiritual” and “the practical” are also not separate entities. The life of the Church is life, and to that end we all need to understand how our faith applies to every aspect of our lives, not just what we do on Sundays.

To support our adults, St. George offers adult religious education every Sunday from September through May. These are not classes on high theology that are difficult to understand. They focus on the “down to earth” and practical ways we should understand our Orthodox Christian faith. In His parables to the masses, Christ always used practical examples from everyday life that His audience could relate to in order to help them understand God. St. George adult education uses the same model and spirit. Its goal is to help our adults create an understanding and ever increasing consciousness of God in their hearts and minds so that living the faith becomes as natural as breathing. For more information please contact Michael Haldas at michael.haldas@verizon.net.

Bible Study

This is a great setting in which to learn and grow towards Christ and towards one another, to share our spiritual experiences and insights, and enjoy Christian fellowship.

We will be studying the book of Genesis. Bible study meets on Thursdays at 10:30 a.m. & 7:30 p.m. in the Library or Vending Room depending on the number in the group. For additional information please contact Father George Khitiri, at FrGeorge@stgeorge.org.

Vacation Bible School (VBS)

VBS offers morning prayer service, outdoor activities, music, playground, crafts and/or other activities that will be centered on our Pan-Orthodox religious theme. Organizers are a group of dedicated Orthodox parents, Priests, St. George Parishioners, Sunday School teachers, St. George Youth Group Counselors in Training.

Dates for June 2016 will be announced in January. For further information please contact director, Stella Kostolampros at vbsofst.george@gmail.com

Sunday School

The Sunday School program at St. George is designed to educate our children in worship and in the fundamental beliefs of the Orthodox Faith. Through prayer, discussion, and formal teaching, we hope to hand on the sacred tradition to more than 400 students from nursery school to grade 12. At the heart of the tradition is the firm belief that Christ's love heals us, the Church's community sustains us, and our love for each other supports us.

Please help us by volunteering your time, treasure and/or talent whether by teaching children, assisting teachers, helping students with special needs, getting involved in outreach projects or taking charge of special fundraising events. For additional information, please contact Athena Kranias, Sunday School Director, at akranias@hotmail.com.

2016 Sunday School Calendar

January 10	Vasilopita Sunday
February 14	Godparent/Godchild Sunday
February 26	5th Graders make Prosforo
February 28	5th Grade presentation of incense
March 6	Oratorical Festival
March 11	Apokriatiko Glendi
March 20	Sunday of Orthodoxy/Procession of Icons
March 25	Youth Retreat
April 10	1st Grade recites Lord's Prayer
April 17	2nd Grade Ten Commandments
April 23	Communion Breakfast/folding of Palm Crosses
April 24	No Class; Palm Sunday
April 29	Good Friday: 2nd & 3rd Grade Myrophores
May 1	No Class; Pascha
May 15	Sunday School Awards Ceremony
May 22	No Class; St. George Greek Festival
June 5	High School/College Graduation and Teacher Appreciation Brunch

Educational Programs

Greek School

The mission of the St. George Greek School is the teaching of Greek language and culture, tradition, history of Greece, mythology, the observance of religious and Greek national holidays and participation. For additional information, please contact Greek School Director Mrs. Eirini Iatrou at eirini.iatrou@gmail.com.

Class Schedule

- *Friday School*
Pre-K4's through Seventh Grade, Ellinomathias Test Level A1
5:00 pm–7:00 pm Greek School
7:00 pm–7:30 pm Dance Lessons
- *Saturday School*
Pre-K3's through Ellinomathias Test Levels A1, A2, B1, B2, Γ1, Γ2
10:00 am–1:00 pm Greek School
1:00 pm–2:00 pm Dance Lessons
- *Adult Classes*
Beginner: 7:00 pm–8:30 pm on Thursday
Intermediate: 7:15 pm–8:45 pm on Monday
Advanced: 7:00 pm–8:30 pm on Tuesday

Greek school is sponsoring two annual Parish Events for the whole family: the Parish's New Year's Eve dance and the traditional Apokriatiko Glendi, a costume party where parents and children are invited to dress up and celebrate the apokries. For additional information about these events please contact the Greek School Board at StGeorgeGreekSchoolBethesda@gmail.com

2016 Greek School Calendar

January 8–9	Vasilopita Cutting
January 23–24	Report Card Distribution
January 24	Greek School Artoclasia in Church honoring the Three Hierarchs
March 11 at 7:00pm	Apokriatiko Glendi
March 19	Greek Independence Day Program for Friday and Saturday School
March 25–26	Last Day of Dance
April 29	Holy Friday; No Greek School
April 30	Holy Saturday; No Greek School
June 11	End of Year Program; 7 th Grade Recognition Friday & Saturday Schools

Greek Preschool

St. George Greek Preschool provides an environment where children 18 months to 5 years old can grow and develop intellectually, emotionally, spiritually and physically while being immersed in the Greek language. Children enjoy games, arts and crafts and engaging activities while learning.

Limited spaces remain in classes for this school year.

Classes for the 2015-2016 School Year

- 18-24 Month Olds (Alpha): Tues. & Thurs. 9:30am to Noon
- Two Year Olds (Beta): Tues. & Thurs. 9:30am to Noon
- Two Year Olds (Gamma): Mon., Wed. & Fri. 9:30am to Noon
- Three Year Olds (Delta): Mon., Wed. & Fri. 9:30a.m. to Noon

- Three Year Olds (Epsilon): Tues. & Thurs. 9:30am to Noon
- Four Year Olds (Zeta): Mon., Wed. & Fri. 9:30am to Noon
- Four Year Olds (Eta): Tues. & Thurs. 9:30 am to Noon
- Three & Four Year Olds (Theta): Tues. & Thurs. 1:00pm to 3:30pm

The following options are also offered:

- Early Drop Off: 8:00am–9:30am
- Lunch Bunch: Noon–1:00pm
- Conversational Greek: 1:00–3:30pm Mon., Wed., & Fri.

For more information:

www.StGeorgeGreekPreschool.com

Director Marilena Tsirigotakis-Michalas, at

marilenamichalas@gmail.com or 301.346.4110

Preschool board at St.George.Greek.Preschool@gmail.com

For Families Interested in the 2016-2017 School Year:

Open House for new families, January 10th, following Divine Liturgy. Registration occurs in January & February of each year.

2016 Greek Preschool Calendar

Jan. 4	Classes resume
Jan. 18	No School; Martin Luther King Jr. Holiday
Feb. 1 & 2	No Classes; Parent/Teacher Conferences
Feb. 15	No School; President’s Holiday
Feb. 27	Silent Auction

March 19	Greek Independence Day Program at 4:15pm
April 25–29	No School; Holy Week
May 2	No School; Easter Monday
May 19–20	Field Trips
May 24–25	End of the Year Class Celebrations
June 12	End of the Year School Party and Yearbook Distribution

Youth Programs

Altar Boys

Boys from grade three and up are welcome to serve the Lord during Divine Liturgy in the altar. For additional information contact Gregory Glaros at geglaros@gmail.com.

St. George Dance Troupe

The children learn traditional Greek dancing in 4 different levels and perform at various events, including the annual Greek Festival.

- *Level 1 Kindergarten (age 5) through 3rd grade*
Practice Sundays 12:15pm–1:00pm (Kindergarten only until 12:35pm)
 - *Level 2 Grades 4th–6th*
Practice Sundays 1:00pm–2:00pm
 - *Level 3 Grades 7th–9th*
Practice Tuesdays 7:00pm–8:00pm
 - *Level 4 Grades 10th–12th*
Practice Tuesdays 8:00pm–9:30pm
- Questions for all levels, please email Evelyn Xeron at pxeron@gmail.com.

Youth Choir

We are fortunate to have a separate Liturgy for the Sunday School in the Chapel which is unique to St. George. All youth from the ages of 8 and up are invited to participate in the Youth Choir. The focus is on growing spiritually through liturgical music and participating every Sunday in the Divine Liturgy in the Chapel. Rehearsals will start promptly at 9:15 am every Sunday. Additional rehearsals may be needed for special events like the Christmas Pageant. For calendar details, please see the Sunday School Calendar. For additional

information, please contact Patty Apostolides at patty@pattyapostolides.com.

GOYA

GOYA is a youth group for students in grades 7-12 whose focus is faith, friendship, fellowship, and community outreach. Activities include multi-level/skill basketball teams playing in tournaments with other Orthodox churches; spiritual, religious, and cultural excursions and events; volunteering and community outreach activities, and age appropriate fun activities. For additional information on basketball, contact Evelyn Xeron at pxeron@gmail.com. For all other GOYA activities please Aleka Kaloudelis at aleka_george@yahoo.com or Dennis Kaloudelis, President, at Demosthenesk@outlook.com.

PLEASE PARTICIPATE IN FEED THE Hungry!! Every third Sunday 9:30am in the Kitchen!!

2016 GOYA Calendar

January 8	Youth Night
January 16–17	Metropolis of New Jersey Folk Dance Festival at Annapolis, MD
January 22	Youth Night
January 24	Pizza Sale Fundraiser
February 5	Youth Night
February 6–7	Richmond, VA Basketball Tournament (via carpooling with overnight stay)
February 14	Godparent Sunday (No Basketball practice for some teams; check with team coaches.)
February 19	Youth Night
March 4	Spaghetti Sauce Preparation

March 6	GOYA Spaghetti Luncheon and Oratorical Festival
March 11	Apokriatiko Glendi
March 12–13	St. Demetrios/Baltimore Basketball Tournament
March 18	Youth Night (TENTATIVE)
March 25	Lenten Retreat at St. George
May 1	Easter
May 9	Mother’s Day
May 13	Youth Night
May 15	GOYA Board Elections for 2016–2017
May 20–22	St. George Greek Festival
June 5	Graduation Sunday
June 19	Father’s Day & Induction Sunday for 2016–2017 Board

HOPE & JOY

The purpose and mission of HOPE and JOY is for children ages 4–11 to have fun and to build a strong connection with their church and faith through fun activities, including sports, crafts, outreach projects, faith enrichment, social events and much more. We meet on select Friday evenings at Church in the Founders Hall. Please come and join us! All parishioners are welcome.

All above meetings are held from 7:00–9:00 pm unless otherwise noted. Meeting dates are subject to change. Additional meetings, group outings and outreach activities may be scheduled. Depending on the Greek Dance schedule, some meetings may begin at 6:30 pm.

Families meet at 7:00pm, we break bread with pizza, pasta and salad that is blessed by Father George. Following dinner, the children gather for an informational Orthodox lesson given by Father along with a story and take home craft.

This is a family event; children must be accompanied at all times by their parents or another responsible adult (i.e., please no “drop offs” unless you have coordinated with another parent to monitor your children). We also encourage parents to monitor their children when playing in the gym.

Please join us and encourage other parishioners to join!!

For any questions about our meetings and programs, please contact Fran Solovieff at fpvlantis@aol.com or Maria Campbell at mariadcampbell@yahoo.com.

There is a \$40 registration fee for 1 child – add \$20 for each additional child.

2016 JOY/HOPE Calendar

Most Meetings are held on Friday nights from 7:00pm–9:00pm in the Founders Hall

January 8 and 22

Wreath & Table Arrangement Sale (TBD)

Saturday movie outing at Montgomery Mall (Date and Time TBD)

February 12 and 26

Sunday, February 14, Valentine’s Day Luncheon

March 11 and March 25

Apokriatiko Mask making and costumes

Lenten Retreat during the day, no evening meeting

April 1 General Meeting

Outing During Lent, no general meeting during lent.

May 6 and 20

General Meeting

End of the year party! Awards for best Attendance for Sunday School.

Philanthropy

Feed the Hungry

We cook and deliver meals to the shelters served by St. George on the third Sunday of each month. Volunteers are needed to help cook and deliver meals to the shelters.

Students can earn community service hours. For more information contact Margo Oge at margotoge@yahoo.com

The Kollecas House

In collaboration with the National Institutes of Health, the Kollecas House provides temporary housing for the patient and their immediate family from Greece. For more information on this ministry, please contact Eva Borsas at eborsas@hotmail.com.

Challenge Fellowship/Liturgy

On the third Saturday of every month, St. George lovingly offers the Divine Liturgy followed by fellowship hour for our mentally and physically challenged parishioners as well as families with members who have Alzheimer's.

Additional Ministries/Organizations

Book Store

When looking for gifts for Name Days, Birthdays, Weddings, or other special occasions you will find many meaningful selections at our book store: Chalice, Icons, Bible Study and Liturgical Books as well as Greek Cook Books and the popular "Guide to Greek Traditions and Customs in America." The book store is open on Sundays from Noon to 1:00pm.

Adult Choir

A warm and welcoming invitation to all: come and offer your talents in worship, praise and thanksgiving to God with the faithful on Sundays. Rehearsals are held, as needed, in the choir loft either weekday evenings or Sundays after Church. Sunday morning preparation for Liturgy begins at 9:30am. The choir schedule is posted on the St. George website. For more information contact Paul Mavromihalis at pmavromihalis@gmail.com or 301-455-6785.

Fifty Plus Club

The St. George Fifty Plus Club organizes and hosts numerous activities and events which include lectures, presentations, interesting day trips, and much more. In addition, Brunches are scheduled on the first Monday of each month at 10:00am at the Original Pancake House, 12224 Rockville Pike in Rockville, MD. Regular meetings with lunch are scheduled on the second Wednesday of each month at 11:00am in the Founders Hall of St. George. New members and guests are always welcome. For additional information, please contact Maria Kopsidas at 240-421-9909.

St. George Greek Festival

Each year, the community of the Greek Orthodox Church of St. George comes together to share our culture, food, music, and religion with the local community. This is our largest fundraiser of the year and your participation makes our event a success!!

Dates: Typically, our Greek Festival is held the first weekend of May, except when the dates conflict with Easter. This year our Greek Festival will be held May 20–22, 2016.

Hours: Friday & Saturday: Noon–10pm; Sunday Noon–8pm

Festival Executive Committee: Due to the size of our event, we now manage this event by committee. Please let Father Dimitrios (frantokas@stgeorge.org) or Victoria Kantsios Alex (vkantsios@comcast.net) know if you are willing to serve in this role. Our planning starts in November and runs through June to include time for Parish feedback.

Station Leads: We are always looking for individuals to help run (or start learning) the ins/outs of each facet of the Greek Festival. Please let the Executive Committee know if you are interested in assisting with the management of a particular area:

Planning	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Graphic Design	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Website
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Communication (TV & Print)	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Ad Book
Execution	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food Preparation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Music
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Food Line/Salads	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Take-Out Friday
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Souvlaki/Gyro	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Souvlaki Mezze
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Pastries	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Calamari
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Frappe	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Loukoumades
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Yiayia’s Attic	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bar

• Church Tours	• Kids Corner
• Cashiers	• Parking/Shuttle
• Main Set-Up	• Vendors
• Daily Clean-Up	• Daily Set-Up

We look forward to your participation for another successful event in 2016.

Stewardship

As parishioners, we each are called and entrusted to the care and functioning of our Holy Church. The act of being a Steward is to devote our time and talent as well as our treasure to manage, maintain, and grow both the facilities and the missions and ministries of our St. George community. We encourage all parishioners to fully and actively participate. For more information on how you can help, please contact Barbara Spyridon Pope at barbaraspyridonpope.stgeorge@gmail.com.

Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George 2016 Stewardship Form

Family Name	
Address	
City	
State	
Zip	
Home Telephone	
Email	

	Member	Spouse	Child/Age
Name			
Work Telephone			
Mobile Telephone			
Occupation			

My/Our 2016 stewardship pledge is: \$ _____

Automatic Payments

- Log into CCB: <https://stgeorge.ccbchurch.com/login.php>
- Go to "Give" (left hand menu)
- Select "Repeating Gift" radio button
- Select "Stewardship 2016" from drop down menu under Gift Complete Amount
- Select "Frequency" & "Date" for payment
- Follow remainder of directions

By Mail Payments

- Make checks payable to *Greek Orthodox Church of Saint George* and include "Stewardship" in the memo line. Please return at any Divine Liturgy, or through the mail:
7701 Bradley Boulevard, Bethesda, MD 20871