Join us on a Lenten Journey to the Resurrection

ALL ARE WELCOME
The Old Testament pre-figuration of the bodily resurrection:  
Our historical lineage to Pascha

The Valley of Dry Bones
The hand of the Lord was on me, and he brought me out by the Spirit of the Lord and set me in the middle of a valley; it was full of bones. He led me back and forth among them, and I saw a great many bones on the floor of the valley, bones that were very dry. He asked me, “Son of man, can these bones live?” I said, “Sovereign Lord, you alone know.”

4 Then he said to me, “Prophesy to these bones and say to them, ‘Dry bones, hear the word of the Lord!’ 5 This is what the Sovereign Lord says to these bones: I will make breath enter you, and you will come to life. 6 I will attach tendons to you and make flesh come upon you and cover you with skin; I will put breath in you, and you will come to life. Then you will know that I am the Lord.’”

7 So I prophesied as I was commanded. And as I was prophesying, there was a noise, a rattling sound, and the bones came together, bone to bone. 8 I looked, and tendons and flesh appeared on them and skin covered them, but there was no breath in them. 9 Then he said to me, “Prophesy to the breath; prophesy, son of man, and say to it, ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: Come, breath, from the four winds and breathe into these slain, that they may live.’”

10 So I prophesied as he commanded me, and breath entered them; they came to life and stood up on their feet—a vast army. 11 Then he said to me: “Son of man, these bones are the people of Israel. They say, ‘Our bones are dried up and our hope is gone; we are cut off.’” 12 Therefore prophesy and say to them: ‘This is what the Sovereign Lord says: My people, I am going to open your graves and bring you up from them; I will bring you back to the land of Israel.

13 Then you, my people, will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and bring you up from them. 14 I will put my Spirit in you and you will live, and I will settle you in your own land. Then you will know that I the Lord have spoken, and I have done it, declares the Lord.’”

Ezekiel 37:1-14 taken from the Holy Friday Night Lamentation Service
GREAT LENT HAPPENINGS

All Evening Lenten Services begin at 6:15PM

NEW this Lent is the serving of the Compline Service (APOTHEPNON) on Various Monday evenings, March 18, April 1, 8, 15,

AS USUAL—the Wed night Pre-Sanctified & and the Fri night Salutations in our parish and the Sun evening joint services with the various Orthodox parishes in our state. ALL ARE POSTED IN OUR CALENDAR PAGE.

Confessions may be scheduled on Weds (by advance appointment)

ADULTS—throughout the morning or early afternoon

YOUTH—between 3-5PM.

Other days can certainly be arranged. Note that at this time in our parish, only Fr Andrew hears confession. Appointments can of course be made with any Orthodox priest as indeed parishioners from other parishes come here to Cranston. Be reminded as well, that confession is available all year long, not just in Great Lent.

SPECIAL THIS LENT:

PULPIT EXCHANGE—between our parish and the St Sahag & Mesrob Armenian Parish—Fr Shnork Souin will be our guest preacher on Sunday night March 24 and our Fr Nick, will preach at their parish on Friday night, March 29.

LADIES RETREAT—Friday overnight, April 5 at the St Methodios Faith & Heritage Center in NH, featuring guest speaker in the person of Lisa Foster (a practicing Orthodox Christian), director of “Mindful Transformations.” Reserve your spot on the bus by March 29 to Nancy Harritos 781-8011, or, nharritos@yahoo.com

FAMILY NIGHT—for households with children age 4-18), Saturday April 6 from 5:30-8PM, featuring pediatrician, Dr Pauline Pappas at Massachusetts General Hospital and instructor at Harvard Medical School. She will address parents on the topic “Gifting Children with Faith & Values Through the Complexities of Modern Life” while the children will be supervised in age appropriate groupings. A light dinner will be served. RSVP by March 29 through the parish office, list out the ages of your children when you reserve.

HELLENIC COLLEGE / HOLY CROSS VISITATION TO OUR PARISH

SUNDAY APRIL 14—Fr Christopher Metropolis, school president, along with students (including a student chanter from Constantinople) will be with us on the 14th, the 5th and last Sunday of Great Lent. Our liturgy will be very special with the chanting of Vasileios Grigoriadis (Hellenic College senior).
In This Issue
See a special Thank You letter we received from Greece (translated as well into English) regarding that marvelous Philoptochos Medical outreach back in 2017.

Lenten Reading from Our Bookstore
Visit our parish bookstore to purchase inspirational reading material (or borrow from our parish library). Also remember that the Greek Red Dye is also available.

GREEK INDEPENDENCE DAY PARADE IN BOSTON - Sun April 7
Once again our Parish Council has chartered a bus to make it easy for people to go to the parade. Parade begins at 1:00pm from Boylston St. to Charles St.
There is no fee for children & adults - voluntery offering is accepted.
Lunch and snacks will be provided on the bus.
BUT RESERVATIONS ARE REQUIRED.
Contact <ageorge711@yahoo.com> or by telephone 401-580-0112.
Departure from Cranston at 10:30am, & from Pawtucket at 11am,
returning around 4/4:30PM.

SPRING FOOD FAIR BAKING DATES
Tuesday, April 2nd @ 5:00pm
Tuesday, April 16th @ 5:00pm
Come join the fun and learn how the process is done, a tradition
that will keep going and going, thank you for your time and efforts.
A great gift, time given to your church.

REMINDER: Holy Thursday Morning Vesperal/Liturgy
of the Mystical Supper will be served at 7am (not 6am).
(Appumption Parish-Pawtucket will serve it @ 6am and St Spyridon-Newport @ 8am).

Lost and Found
If anyone has lost a diamond stud earring please call the office (401) 942-4188. One was found about a month ago. We will have you come to the office with the other matching earring so we may be able to identity the owner. Thank you.

Recent Deaths
Gregory Poulos age 89, of Warwick, RI passed away on 3/12/2018. His funeral and burial was held on 3/15/2019.~May his memory be eternal~
Annunciation Youth Ministries
From the Desk of Fr. Nick

Oratorical Festival Review 2019
Our 2019 Oratorical Festival featured outstanding speeches prepared by our young people! Fr. Nick was deeply impressed with how our young people identified, personalized, and sought to share their deep love of our faith.

GOYA Lock-In
Theme: Staying Orthodox in an Un-Orthodox World
Our GOYA Lock-In was an opportunity to reflect on the challenge of identifying as Orthodox Christians in today’s society. We began our evening with Vespers led by Fr. Nick, then had a Q and A session regarding our Orthodox Faith, with visiting HCHC Students followed by an activity and discussion. Following this we played games and watched the “Greek Freak” (Giannis) take on the Los Angeles Lakers!

Annunciation Youth Ministries Night!
Our Annunciation Youth Ministry enjoyed a Saturday afternoon at the URI Rams Basketball game! There were over 51+ parents & youth in attendance as our youth enjoyed entertainment, exciting action, and fellowship with one another!

Dr. Pappas Youth Family Night-April 6th
On April 6th we will have our Gifting Children with Faith & Values through the Complexities of Modern Life Family Night Led by Dr. Pauline Pappas who is a knowledgeable and faithful Pediatrician who has a unique perspective. A light dinner will be served prior to the presentation and youth activities will be provided for children (ages 4-18). Donations Welcome. Please RSVP by March 29th to Fran at the Annunciation Parish Office (401) 942-4188 / office@annunciationri.org. If you have specific questions you’d like Dr. Pappas to address, please submit them with your RSVP.

Good Friday Retreat-April 26th
Our Youth will participate in their annual Good Friday Retreat “Through the Cross...Joy” Sessions will be held which engage our children and encourage them to reflect on the Passion of our Lord and Savior as well as anticipate his Glorious Third-Day Resurrection! This retreat will be for children of all ages!

Metropolis of Boston GOYA Summer Camp
If you have not, please register for our Metropolis of Boston Summer Camp! If you have any questions please see Fr. Nick.
Dates are as follows: Summer Camp 2019,
Session 1: July 8 - July 14, Session 2: July 15 - July 21, Session 3: July 22 - July 28,
Session 4: July 29 - August 4
For more information on our Metropolis of Boston Camp. Please Visit https://www.metropolisbostoncamp.org/
Young Adult News
From the Desk of Fr. Nick
Calling all Young Adults and Young Professionals

Our YAL is expanding to a ministry entitled Providence Young Adults/Young Professionals. We have begun to gather contacts for this expanded ministry of our Parish. Do you know any Young Professionals or Young Adults in the Providence Area that would be interested in a ministry that was focused on them? This ministry will focus on fellowship, networking, and topics and events pertinent to the life of Orthodox Young Adults in the Providence Area.

Bryant University Orthodox Christian Fellowship
Bryant University will be opening their Chapter of the Orthodox Christian Fellowship! Their E-Board has been set and includes members of our Parish! There are currently sixteen members and their E-Board includes our very own Alexis Arsenis as President and Angelica Provost as Vice-President. Fr. Nick will serve as the Spiritual Advisor to the group. We look forward to our Bryant College Students identifying with our Church of the Annunciation as their Parish away from home! God bless their ministry.

YAL Ski Weekend
Our Young Adults had an exciting weekend at our 2019 YAL Ski Trip! The Trip was held at the St. Methodios Center in New Hampshire. They enjoyed a weekend of fellowship, discussion and fun on the Slopes! Their theme was "Hearing Christ in the Noise" as they discussed the challenges of Young Adults today as well as the strengths of their presence in the parish. They also took part in activities, prayer, and enjoyed meals together which they prepared themselves!

IV Next
Ionian Village Next is a Ministry of our Archdiocese located in Greece specifically for our Young Adults aged 19-24. Through a varied schedule that includes churches and monasteries, meetings with political and religious figures, and museums and archaeological sites, participants will become intimately familiar with all aspects of Greece, her culture and people.

For more info please visit: https://www.ionianvillage.org/next

Applications for IV Next 2019 are due March 24th, 2019!
2019 PLEDGE PROGRAM REPORT
We have to date 225 parishioners with a pledge of $128,757.00
The Actual Amount Received $88,428.00

Gregory Agakos, Zaharoula Agakos, Josephine Aliferakis, M/M Artur Amaral Jr., M/M Ilias Antonakos, M/M Michael Baldoumis, Dr. & Mrs. Peter Baziotis, Yiota Bertrand, Dimitri Benekos, M/M Lawrence Bousquet Jr., M/M Scott Campbell, M/M Alexander Carr, Florence Chartrand, M/M George Coclin, Haralambos Dafoulas, Nikki Deary, Jason DiCarlo, Helen DiMaio, Arthur Frank, M/M Marcos Fountoulakis, Anna Gountra, M/M Constantine Grammas, Eleni Grammas, Nicole Grammas, Stavros Hantzopoulos, M/M Spiro Haritos, M/M John Hatjopoulos, M/M Joseph Howard, Dr. & Mrs. Robert Janigian Jr., Jonathan Janikies, Melissa Janikies, Margaret Janikies, M/M William Janikies, M/M Basil Karanikos, Dr. & Mrs. Karen, M/M Brian Leroux, Stamatoula Maatouk, M/M James Maintanis, E. Nicholl Marshall, Stavroula Marsis, M/M Joseph McCormick, Jean Mihelakos, William Mihopoulos, M/M Andrew Mitrelis, M/M Richard Mitson, Andrea O’Hair, M/M Richard Otto, M/M Michael Papigiotis, M/M Arthur Pappas, M/M Nikolaos Petropoulos, Dr. & Mrs. Peter Petropoulos, M/M Demetrios Petrou, M/M Kevin Phelan, M/M Anthony Piscopio, Dorothy Pliakas, M/M Paul Provost, M/M Gus Proyous, John B. Quinn, Mary Quinn, Stephen Quinn, M/M Andrew Rougas, Mary Samaras, Carole-Anne Sanchas, Christopher Sanchas, Nicholas Sanchas, M/M Phillip SanSouci, Christopher Sheehan, M/M Timothy Simonson, M/M Michael Sotirakos, Virginia Strekouras, M/M Nicholas Tanionos, M/M Edward Tarbox, M/M Georgios Theodosiou, M/M Jose Torres, M/M Richard Towne, Dean Trigg, M/M John Turini II, Sophia Tzanetos, Antonia Vanikiotis, M/M Jason Wheatley, M/M Russell Wheatley, M/M Richard Wheeler, Carole Xanthakis, M/M Christos Xenophontos, M/M James Xiarhos, Maria Zaharakos.

Everything we own and everything we have comes from God.
So, when we give, we simply offer Him a portion of the abundance he has already given to us.

Please Mark All Donations
At this time of the year several checks come into the office for all different donations. Stewardship, Holy Week, Special Floral Icons etc. Please mark your check in the corner or put a note in the envelope in regard to where you would like the check to be applied. Also, checks that are coming from your bank that you have set up, please if different from your regular donation specify the area, call the office so we are aware of this donation. We appreciate the different donations everyone makes to all church funds. Thank you.
GREEK FOOD FAIR 2019—SAVE THE DATE!

Invite your family, friends and neighbors and come enjoy the same great food as our festival!

Our traditional menu will include gyro, souvlaki, lamb dishes, pastries and Greek coffee.

Saturday, May 4th, 11am – 7pm / Sunday, May 5th, 11am – 5pm

We ask you to offer your time and talent to this parish event! Submit the sign-up form below to the parish office by designating your preferred work area and suggested shift schedule or contact Marianne Phelan @ 401-743-7596, also you may contact the office @ 401-942-4188 with your choice of date(s) and times.

Flexible shift hours will be accommodated!

GREEK FOOD FAIR 2019 SIGN-UP FORM

Name: ________________________________
Contact #:____________________________

Please circle your preferred shift schedule and work area from the options below.

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March 3, 2019
Oratorical Speeches

Senior Division

Junior Division

Elementary Division
Ilianna Arsenis
Peter Grammas
Calista Leroux
Lucas Leroux
Arianna Fotopoulos
Ana Hatjopoulos
Zoe Hatjopoulos
Nicholas Mihailides
Christian Santos
Leila Sarkis

Junior Division
Savvina Arsenis
Juliana Mihailides
George Grammas

Senior Division
Anastasia Coclin
Constantine Coclin
Katerina Mihailides
Katherine Mitrelis
Nathaniel Nichols
Demetri Petrou

Senior Division 1st place Nathaniel Nichols, 2nd place Katherine Mitrelis, 3rd place Demetri Petrou.
Junior Division 1st place George Grammas, 2nd place Savvina Arsenis, 3rd place Juliana Mihailides
## Lazaros Saturday to Pascha

### Sat. April 20  
**Saturday of Lazaros / Church School Communion**
- 8:15 am - Orthros
- 9:20 am - Forgiveness Prayers
- 9:30 am - Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom

### Sun. April 21  
**Palm Sunday / Entrance to Jerusalem**
- 8:15 am - Orthros
- 9:20 am - Forgiveness Prayers
- 9:30 am - Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom with distribution of Palms

**Sunday Evening:**
- 7:00 pm - 8:15 pm — **Nymphios Service**

### Mon. April 22  
**Nymphios Service/Forgiveness Prayers afterwards**

### Tues. April 23  
**Nymphios Service/Forgiveness Prayers afterwards**

### Wed. April 24  
**The Sacrament of Holy Oil (Euchailion)**
- 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm — Followed by anointing (especially for families w/ children)
- 7:00 pm - 8:45 pm — Nymphios Service — Followed by anointing

### Thurs. April 25  
**Commemoration of the Mystical Supper**
- 7:00 am - 8:30am — Vesper / Liturgy of St. Basil
  *Communion to be distributed within the proper context of the liturgy*

**THE PASSION OF OUR LORD / SERVICE OF THE CRUCIFIXION**

**Thursday Evening:**
- 7:00 pm - 10:00 pm — Reading of the 12 Gospel Narratives
  *And Procession of the Crucifixion*

### Fri. April 26  
**Holy and Great Friday**
- 10:00 am - 11:45 am — Service of the Royal Hours (Teens as readers)
  *Simultaneously the decoration of the Tomb*
- 4:00 pm - 5:15 pm — Service of the Descent from the Cross
- 7:30 pm - 10:30 pm — Service of the Lamentations w/ Procession

### Sat. April 27  
**Holy & Great Saturday / Discovery of the Empty Tomb**
- 9:00am - 10:45am — Vesper / Liturgy of St. Basil
  *Communion will be distributed within the proper context of the liturgy*

**11:00 pm — Chanting of the Paschal Canon**

Please arrive early giving yourself time to park your car and enter the Church which will take extra time due to the large number of people who normally attend.

**11:45 pm - 2:15 am — Paschal Orthros & Resurrection Liturgy**

### Sun. April 28  
**Holy Pascha (Easter Sunday)**
- Noon—1:00 pm—Agape Vespers
  *(Gospel Read in Various languages of the World)*

**Children’s Easter Egg Hunt follows at 1:00 PM**
ΠΡΟΓΡΑΜΜΑ ΑΚΟΛΟΥΘΙΩΝ ΤΗΣ ΜΕΓΑΛΗΣ ΕΒΔΟΜΑΔΑΣ

ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ ΤΟΥ ΛΑΖΑΡΟΥ
- 8:15 π.μ. Ορθός
- 9:20 μ.μ. Συγχωρητική Ευχή
- 9:30 μ.μ. Λειτουργία Ιωαννού Χρυσοστόμου
(ακολουθεί πρωί)-12:00 μ.μ. Ετοιμασία Βαιών
– 8:15 μ.μ. Εισόδου εις Ιερούσαλήμ
– 9:20 μ.μ. Συγχωρητική Ευχή
– 9:30 μ.μ. Λειτουργία Ιωαννού Χρυσοστόμου
– 7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία Νυμφίου

ΚΥΡΙΑΚΗ ΤΩΝ ΒΑΙΩΝ
- 7:00 μ.μ. Ακόλουθο Νυμφίου-(Συγχωρητική Ευχή)
- 7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία Νυμφίου/Υμν. Κασσιανής
– (Συγχωρητική Ευχή στο τελος)

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ
- 4:00 μ.μ. Ευχελαιον για παιδία
- 7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία Νυμφίου/Ευχελαιον

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ ΤΡΙΤΗ
- 6:00–7:20 μ.μ. Λειτουργία Αγίου Βασιλείου
(θα δώσει Θ. Καινώνια μονο στην καταληλή
ωρα της Λειτουργίας)
- 7:00 μ.μ. Ακολουθία της Σταυροστής
(Αγία Αγαθή Ευαγγελία)

ΜΕΓΑΛΗ/ΑΓΙΑ ΠΑΡΑΣΚΕΥΗ
- 10:00 μ.μ. Οι Βασιλικές Όρες (με τα παιδία ως
αναγνώστες) Προετοιμασία Επιταφίου.
- 4:00 μ.μ. Αποκαθήλωση
- 7:30 μ.μ. Θρήνος και Περιφορά Επιταφίου
- 11:30 μ.μ. Άγρυπνα

ΜΕΓΑΛΟ/ΑΓΙΟ ΣΑΒΒΑΤΟ
- 9:00 μ.μ. Λειτουργία Αγίου Βασιλείου
- Ανακαλύψη Κενού Ταφού
- 11:00 μ.μ. Πασχαλινός Κανόν
- 11:45 μ.μ. Πασχαλινός Ορθός (Παρακάλεσε να
παρκαρέτε και εισέλθετε στην Εκκλησία πριν
tης 11:45) Ακολουθεί Πασχαλινή Λειτουργία.
- 12:00 Εσπερινός της Αγάπης
- 1:00 μ.μ. Παιδικό Πασχαλινό Κυνήγι Αυγών

ΑΓΙΟ ΠΑΣΧΑ
PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Your Philoptochos had a very busy month of February! We had a Tsoreki Workshop with the participants having a hands on opportunity to make and bake the breads led by Elizabeth Degaitas and Carol Rothemich. They were delicious and we had a wonderful time chatting and getting to know some members from the Pawtucket and Dartmouth chapters! The same week we made lovely Valentine’s Wreaths using succulent plants led by Nicole Michalopoulos from The Greek Gardner. The room smelled and felt like spring is indeed coming.

The highlight event was our sponsoring a Mardi Gras party at Amos House in Providence. We provided a delicious lunch, crafts and fellowship to over two dozen resident families living in the area. Thank you to all the members who attended and who also helped prepare the delicious food. The leftover food was delivered to the Providence Rescue Mission who greatly appreciated our donations.

Our next meetings will be held March 18th, April 15th and May 20th! We look forward to seeing all women from our parish attending to learn about our chapter and its many endeavors. Please note, we will be notifying you by emails for upcoming April events pertaining to our Lenten and Easter preparations.

The Good Samaritans Chapter is a strong and active member of the Boston Metropolis as well as the National Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, Inc. Every year we fulfill our commitments for a number of Philanthropic programs. In 2018, we contributed $9,085 for our national commitments including Autism Assistance, Cancer and Major Illness Funds, IOCC, UNICEF and National Philoptochos Emergency Fund. Our National Philoptochos has disbursed over $5 million since January 2015 to its ministry commitments and special projects, and over $23.4 million since 2002. We should be very proud of our commitments!

During this Lenten Journey, I would like to share this approach to fasting from Abbot Tryphon:

FAST from self-concern and FEAST on compassion for others.
FAST from discouragement and FEAST on hope.
FAST from lethargy and FEAST on enthusiasm.
FAST from suspicion and FEAST on truth.
FAST from thoughts that weaken and FEAST on promises that inspire.
FAST from shadows of sorrow and FEAST on the sunlight of serenity.
FAST from idle gossip and FEAST on purposeful silence.
FAST from problems that overwhelm you and FEAST on prayer that sustains.
FAST from criticism and FEAST on praise.
FAST from self-pity and FEAST on joy.
FAST from ill-temper and FEAST on peace.
FAST from resentment and FEAST on contentment.
FAST from jealousy and FEAST on love.
FAST from pride and FEAST on humility.
FAST from selfishness and FEAST on service.

With Philoptochos Love, Marianne Phelan, President
Koutla Letter - From Greece

With this letter, which is as an indication of our gratitude and respect, I would like to publicly thank all those who supported us with moral, psychological and monetary support during the difficult and very serious health problem I battled last time I was there, in Rhode Island in 2017.

Even though some time has passed, I have not forgotten you nor will I ever. Upon my arrival to Greece in June, 2017, I began another health battle that still torments me due to an open wound from the operation. I apologize for my late response—my visits to the hospital and my poor health did not allow me to communicate sooner.

My health issues were very difficult, but God did not leave our side.

After 6 difficult operations (especially the last one), I thank God who brought my way to all of you who supported me with love, kindness and respect.

Next to me, as I am writing this note, is a list with names of all the people who helped us, stood by us, and kept us in their thoughts—people who I would like to thank individually for showing me what “humanity” really means.

“Fortunately, there are still good people in this world”—these are my husband Yianni’s and my parent’s words. This is their heartfelt expression of gratitude for the help, the kind words, and the visits when I was unable during my recovery. Unfortunately, words are not always enough to express feelings and our feelings are indescribable for the endless love and concern you showed us!

I hope that God will be by your side at every step, at every action and every decision, just like he helped me and my family.

Truly, a big THANK YOU from the bottom of our hearts from all of us—my husband, my son, my parents, and of course, me.

With endless respect,

Georgia Koutla
Με την παρούσα επιστολή θα ήθελα ως ελάχιστη ένδειξη ευγνωμοσύνης και εκτίμησης να ευχαριστήσω δημόσια όλους όσους μας στήριξαν ηθικά, οικονομικά, υλικά καθώς και όσους με περίσσοι ανθρωπικοί παρέχαν ψυχολογική στήριξη στο δύσκολο και πολύ σοβαρό πρόβλημα υγείας που με ταλαιπώρησε την τελευταία φορά.

Παρότι πέρασε αρκετός καιρός, δεν έχεις και ούτε θα θα είχες όμως μετά την άφιξη μου στην Ελλάδα, τον Ιούνιο του 2017 ξεκίνησε ένας νέος Γολγοθάς με την υγεία μου που ακόμη με ταλαιπωρεί λόγω λάθους αντιμετώπισης στην Ελλάδα του ήδη ανοικτού τραύματος μου. Σας ζητώ συγγνώμη για αυτή μου την καθυστέρηση αλλά οι νοσηλείες μου στο νοσοκομείο και η κατάσταση μου δεν μου το επέτρεψαν.

Οι στιγμές που περάσαμε ήταν πολύ δύσκολες, από όλες τις πλευρές, όμως ο Θεός δεν μας άφησε.

Μετά από έξι δύσκολες χειρουργείες και ειδικά μετά το τελευταίο, ευγνωμονώ το Θεό που έστειλε στο δρόμο μας όλους εσάς που με πολλή αγάπη, σεβασμό, δύναμη, στήριξη ήμασταν δίπλα μας ανά πάσα στιγμή. Δίπλα μου, την ώρα που γράφω έχω μία λίστα με ονόματα ανθρώπων που μας βοήθησαν, που μας στάθηκαν, που μας ακοπέτασαν, ονόματα ανθρώπων που θα ήθελα να ευχαριστήσω τον καθένα σας εχθριστά για την λέξη ΑΝΘΡΩΠΟΣ που παραδειγματικά δείχτε!!

"Ευτυχώς υπάρχουν ακόμα ανθρώπων" αυτά είναι τα λόγια του συζύγου μου, του Γιάννη και των γονέων μου από εαν σε δύος ασάς, αυτά είναι το τεράστιο ευχαριστώ τους στην βοήθεια, στις λέξεις, στην παρουσία σας δίπλα τους, όταν εγώ δεν μπορούσα λόγω κατάστασης. Δυστυχώς, πολλές φορές τα λόγια είναι φτωχά να περιγράψουν συναισθήματα και δικά μας συναισθήματα είναι τεράστια και αποχώρησαν απέναντι στην αγάπη σας και το ενδιαφέρον σας!

Εύχομαι ο Θεός να είναι δίπλα σας σε κάθε σας βήμα, σε κάθε σας πράξη, σε κάθε σας απόφαση όπως ο Θεός βοήθησε εμένα και τιν οικογένεια μου.

Ευλογητά ένα τεράστιο EΥΧΑΡΙΣΤΩ από καρδιάς, από όλους μας, από τον σύζυγο μου, το γιο μου, τους γονείς μου και φυσικά από εμένα.

Με απεριόριστη εκτίμηση,

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“O Lord and Master of my life, Take from me the spirit of sloth, faint heartedness, despair, lust of power and idle talk: But rather the spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love to Thy servant. Yea, O Lord and King grant me to see my own errors and not to judge my brother, for blessed art Thou unto ages of ages. Amen.”
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SUNDAY APRIL 14

“Hellenic College - Holy Cross Seminary Day in our Parish”
+ Rev Fr Christopher Metropoulos, president will serve Liturgy and preach.

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