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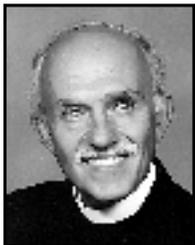


## Youth Basketball season drawing to a close

Regas Pappas goes up for a rebound as Lia Kass looks on, above. Many family members and friends attended the games January 13 at Butler Jr. High, where our home games are played.



From Father Bill



## A Change For The Better

A small community in California has a Strawberry Festival every year. Strawberries are the principal crop of that rural community. Each spring when the berries are harvested, the community has a big celebration.

They always hang a banner across the main street that reads Strawberry Shortcake-All You Can Eat for 50 Cents. Year after year, the banner waved until a recent season when unusually heavy rains all but ruined the crops, and there was a strawberry shortage. They went ahead with the festival anyway and a line was added to the banner strung across Main Street, which read: "Prunes Will Be Substituted for Strawberries."

Not such a good change, huh? A better

change takes place at a festival which introduced Jesus' miracle in the Gospel. At a wedding celebration in a small community called Cana, Jesus changed water into wine. Rather than go from something good to something not so exciting, like from strawberries to prunes, Jesus went from the ordinary water to festive wine. This was clearly a change for the better.

In today's political climate, candidates use the word "change" in their appeals and platforms for a better tomorrow. Max Lucado in his new book, *7 Ways to a Joyous Day*, recommends managing your thoughts. "Your thoughts can really be a key to happiness," he says. "Change your habits of how you think and you'll be rid of those anxious thoughts."

By the time you have read these thoughts, January will be history, but may I remind you that it is never too late for change. Whether you are a person who has made some New Year's resolutions and have either forgotten them or ignored them, we can all agree there is room for change in our lives.

Toynbee, the historian, showed in *The*

*Study of History*, that in the 6,000 years of the recorded history of civilization there have been twenty-one separate and distinct civilizations that creatively dealt with challenges and brought about effective changes. They thrived and changed their water into wine, so to speak. Societies that didn't meet their challenges effectively went the opposite way and changed wine back into water. They didn't last long. As for me, my life would work better if I had only one resolution this year that might be easier to keep. Here it is: Read One Hour a Day.

Several years ago I met Paul Harvey dining in his favorite restaurant in Oak Park. Following a brief conversation, he graced me with his signature. I placed the small card into my pocket and read it later that day. It stated: "Read On." Great advice! Besides following the daily pocket size Bible Guide, I try to read on. It has been said that music has charms to soothe the savage soul, and I think that it is true. However, books soothe our souls too. They're like comfort food without the calories.

...See Fr. Bill on P. 6

From Father Nicholas



## Dealing With Pride

2008 is a presidential election year. We are in the midst of the presidential debates. The race to the White House is heating up. My interest in this political race brought me to read a review of a political insider's book. This review was titled *Politics and Pride*. It stated, "And, as three thousand years of biblical tradition tells us, nothing will come between a man and God faster than pride. That's why C.S. Lewis called pride 'the great sin.' It robs us of perspective. We will do anything to avoid sacrificing our pride." The *Publican and Pharisee* Sunday is celebrated during February. A review of this Gospel story speaks powerfully to us about pride.

The Pharisee was a man filled with pride. He was high ranking, very respected and a devout religious man. This man boldly entered the Temple to pray. His prayer was self-congratulatory. He thanked God that he was not like the man next to him - the publican or tax collector. The Pharisee is a good example of someone who possesses hidden pride.

Did you ever wonder if you were prideful? How can we unmask hidden pride? First, ask yourself, "Why do I go to church?" The Pharisee and the Tax Collector both went to the Temple to pray. When we examine their actions and attitudes, we discover two different reasons. The Pharisee was at the Temple for others to see how good he was. He probably was concerned about what he would wear, where he would stand and what he would say. The words he prayed were not directed to God. The Scriptures tell us that He prayed to himself. The Pharisee was there to be seen and heard by other worshippers. The Bible warns us against pride characterized by self-love, egotism and arrogance. How often do we talk about "I"? The Pharisee used "I" and "me" several times. The Book of Proverbs warns: "Pride goes before destruction and a haughty spirit before a fall."

Apart from the "I" disease, pride seldom admits a need. Pride gives people a false sense of self-sufficiency. If we are proud but hurting and people ask how we are, we say "fine". We are too proud to admit that we have a need. If we admit something is wrong, we may lose our facade of perfection and goodness. Pride does not allow us to realize God's blessings - health, wealth, fortune, family, jobs, success. All of these are gifts from God.



# Gavel to Gavel



BY CHRIS ZURALES

Parish Council meeting of Thursday, December, 20

Present: Fr. William Chiganos, Fr. Nicholas Georgiou, George Alex, Chrissy Banakis, Terry Chiganos, James Fotopoulos, Ted Gregory, James Kapolas, Nick Kirkeles, George T. Mannos, Peter Poteres, Steve Savas, Peter Tomaras, and Chris Zuales.

### Financial Report

✦ George T. Mannos presented the financial report dated November 30, 2007.

### Stewardship

✦ Stephen Melonides presented the Stewardship Report for November 30, 2007. There were 814 pledges, with an average pledge of \$793.93. 92% of the pledges were paid.

### Correspondence

✦ A letter of appreciation and certificate was received from IOCC thanking our parish for its commitment and support.

### Meditation

✦ Father Bill read from the Book of Numbers, Chapter 20. The message was obedience. He asked us if we have been obedient to our Lord's instructions. We must take a spiritual inventory of ourselves.

### Building and Grounds

✦ One cabinet in the southwest corner of the multi-purpose room needs to be modified for use other than to store coat racks. An estimate was received to build a new cabinet on the north wall next to the double door which will match the cabinet outside HARC. A motion was made by Chrissy

Banakis to authorize the expenditure of funds to modify the one cabinet and to build the other cabinet. The motion passed.

### Old Business

- ✦ Mr. Tonelli brought in an assistant and did some cleaning of one of the recently installed icons. The work was less than satisfactory and he left. Peter Tomaras made a motion to bring in another mosaic expert to look at the icons and suggest ways to proceed. The motion passed.
- ✦ George Alex reported on the suggestions he received regarding the demographic study. The study will be conducted as originally proposed and will be mailed shortly.
- ✦ It was suggested that the old blue plates could be boxed up and shipped to the Diocese of Central America. Discussions followed as to whether the cost of shipping was greater than their value. It will be explored.
- ✦ We will honor our outstanding commitments to support the Retired Priest Fund and the Diocese Camp.
- ✦ George Alex, Nick Kirkeles, Peter Poteres, Peter Tomaras, and Chris Zuales will meet to discuss ideas on an endowment.
- ✦ The General Assembly meeting in 2008 will be held some time in October rather than in December.

Lastly, pride sees the faults of others. The Pharisee was quick to criticize and condemn the tax collector. Pride blinds people to their own faults. Sometimes it is the only sickness that everyone sees except the person that has it. It magnifies failures and faults of others. If we compare ourselves to someone else, we are using the wrong standard. Our Lord's measuring stick is Jesus Christ Himself. How do we measure up to Him? I heard a preacher once exclaim, "As I point one finger at you, three are pointing back at me." When we accuse others of something, we should first take a close look at ourselves. The Gospel of Matthew reminds us: "Whoever exalts himself will be humbled, he who humbles himself will be exalted."

This pre-Lenten period that begins this month provides a wonderful opportunity to slow down, reflect on our lives and recognize our pride. To prevent pride, we should not take ourselves too seriously. Remember, all

that we have is from God. We should compare ourselves upwards not downward. The Apostle Paul reminds us to consider others better than ourselves. This Pharisee looked down at the Tax Collector. We should look up to others and to the Lord. Remember the example of Christ taking the form of a servant and even washing His disciples' feet. We can continually ask for cleansing as the Tax Collector did.

Spiritual pride is one of the most unseen dangers of our relationship with the Lord. One writer described it like an iceberg. The most dangerous part lies beneath the surface. Pride is a dandelion of the soul. It grows deep. If only a little is left behind, it sprouts again. It flourishes in good soil. Pride's danger is that it can feed on goodness. Pride steals the fruits of the Spirit - joy, peace, gentleness, faithfulness, meekness and self-control. If you are struggling with pride, you cannot

...See Fr. Nicholas on P. 3

## This month's Face of Philoptochos

By JoAnn Stubbings

Jennifer Govotsis has been a member of Philoptochos for 4 years and on the board for 3 years. She has helped with many projects including the Membership Committee, Communion Breakfast, Feastday Vespers, Celebration of Books, and the Fashion Show. With four daughters ages 8, 4, and 18 month-old twins, Jennifer leads a very busy life. She was introduced to the Orthodox church through her marriage and says that "even though I am not Greek, I always felt welcome and a part of the Holy Apostles community. Because of the way the church embraced me as well as the spiritual tone set by our wonderful priests and the message of Orthodox Christianity itself, I was chrismated eight years ago."

Jennifer says, "I knew very little about Philoptochos when I joined, but I am so thankful that I did! This is an amazing group of women that inspire one another and work well together for many wonderful causes. I feel blessed and honored to be a member of Philoptochos at Holy Apostles and a part of their charitable works."



Jennifer Govotsis chats with one of her four daughters, Grace.

## Many area residents benefitted by Philoptochos' holiday projects

By Patti McKay

Many thanks to all of you who helped Philoptochos with its holiday outreach program. With the help of enthusiastic volunteers and generous donors, Philoptochos reached out to those in need in an effort to make the holidays a little brighter. Jewel gift certificates were given to clients of Hellenic Family and Community Services and others to help with Thanksgiving and Christmas meals. Volunteers also assembled festive bags full of treats for these families to enjoy over Christmas. Philoptochos was also able to help Family Shelter Service, an agency that helps

mothers and their children who have been victimized by domestic violence. Attendees at the Philoptochos Christmas party donated, in lieu of the annual grab-bag, many useful items and toiletries for these women and children to help ease their struggle. Thanks to the annual toy drive and donations brought to the Communion Breakfast, toys were donated to the Family Shelter Service Holiday Shoppe where clients selected gifts for their children at no charge. Toys were also provided to others in need and gift certificates were sent to St. Basil's Academy.

Your generous participation in the bake

sale enabled Philoptochos to donate funds in memory of Father James Tsoulos to the Philoxenia House. The Philoxenia House provides shelter to Greek Orthodox persons who have a family member in the Mayo Clinic. Additionally, Philoptochos gave a gift and an icon to two young soldiers from our Church who have served in Iraq.

Philoptochos thanks you again for touching the lives of others through your kind and generous participation!

Please watch the church bulletin for news about the upcoming general meeting.

## Eric Thompson is February's Altar Boy of the Month

By Michael Cotsilis

Eric Thompson is an 8th grader at Gower Middle School in Burr Ridge. He has been active in the student council for three years,



Eric Thompson

participates in the chess club, and enjoys computers so much he is taking an extra web design class at school. He also plays football in the fall for the local park district, and has been on the church basketball team the last two years. He is a huge Purdue University fan.

Eric has been involved in altar service since he was nine years old and enjoys serving the

Lord. He has made many friendships that will last a lifetime. He attends the monthly meetings and is always willing to help out when needed. He devoted a Saturday afternoon in September cleaning the Sunday School classrooms to prepare them for the fall session. He is eager to learn everything that he can, always comes ready to serve, and is willing to assist the new boys who have entered the altar.

He enjoys talking about all types of sports and about school work. Eric is a pleasure to have in the altar. He not only shows respect for the altar, but also his love of his faith and family.

Fr. Nicholas from P. 2

## A Lenten prayer to combat pride

fix it yourself. Our remedy lies in trusting our merciful Lord who looks at the heart. The Church gives us a beautiful prayer that is prayed throughout the Lenten period. This is a wonderful prayer to help us fight pride. It is called St. Ephraim's prayer: "Oh Master and Lord of my life, take away from me the spirit of sloth, faint-heartedness, lust for power and idle talk. But, rather give me, Your servant, a spirit of chastity, humility, patience and love. Yes, Lord and King, help me to see my own faults and not to judge my brothers or sisters, for You are Holy unto the ages of ages. Amen."

# Nick Maragos wins photo contest at Boston College

Nick submitted his *Monastery on the Cliffs of Meteora, Greece* taken while studying at the American College of Thessaloniki in the spring of 2007. Nick, a senior at Boston College, entered Boston College's photo contest for those who studied abroad - and won first prize!

While on a school field trip, he went to Meteora and took his photo while standing on a balcony of the Great Meteora monastery. He said, "I'm not sure which particular monastery is in the picture, since it was one of many visible from our high vantage point."

Nick says he was honored to win the contest because he knew he was going against pictures from places like South Africa, Thailand, China, Peru, etc., which provide some truly unique and exotic photo opportunities not usually available to many Boston College students. He took thousands of pictures, including many of Meteora and Mt. Athos, throughout his semester abroad and chose the most unique ones for submission to the contest last June. Since everybody has seen great photographs of Europe's architectural masterpieces (including the Parthenon), he tried to enter photos that showcased the beautiful sights and experiences of Greece which are not as well known. He



**Nick Maragos' Monastery on the Cliffs of Meteora award-winning photo**

believes that the spectacularly positioned monasteries of Meteora truly illustrate the hidden beauties of Greece, of which he says he was truly fortunate to explore under Boston College's study abroad program.

Meteora is an awe-inspiring holy place, displaying the divine inspiration that led monks to build such fortresses atop precipices, as shown in his award-winning photograph.

He was notified in December that he had won the contest, a true honor since he had

never taken a photography course and used an average-quality digital camera. The college gave him a \$50 gift certificate to the Boston College Bookstore (which would buy 1/2 a book), but the recognition was definitely the greatest prize. It is shown on the college's website at <http://www.bc.edu/offices/international/financesawards/photocontest.html>

He is now taking an introductory photography course this semester, which is a class he's wanted to take since high school.

## Bishop Ambrosios on hand for Vasilopita celebration



**Antella Thiakos, representing Greek School, displays the ceremonial coin she found in her Vasilopita bread with Fr. Bill and Bishop Ambrosios of Zela, assistant bishop in Korea.**

## January February Registry

### Baptisms

Margo, daughter of Bridgette & Demetri Demopoulos  
Sponsor: George Pavlakos

Marissa, daughter of Eleni & Brian Murray  
Sponsor: Kanella Letsos

### Wedding

Rebecca Katsulis & Ryan Gundersen  
Sponsor: Detra Torres

## Holy Apostles parishioner visits Romanian child care facility

By Spero J. Kinnas, M.D., F.A.C.S.

I was fortunate to have the opportunity to visit the Theotokos Family Center in Cluj, Romania while visiting the Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) missionaries there.

The family center was purchased and opened in 2001 in part with donations in the name of OCMC. Originally, it was operating as an orphanage that was endorsed by the Romanian Orthodox Church. Since Romanian child welfare laws changed, the facility did not meet the standards of an orphanage. Acunta (Ah-coon-tsa) Sokol, a devoted Orthodox Christian, volunteered to help navigate the process to make the center a government-approved, extended day care facility and was appointed to run the program. To meet all the government requirements, there is a child psychologist, two morning and two afternoon child educators and a housekeeper. In addition to Acunta, there are two additional volunteers; a physician who comes weekly and a priest who performs an Akathist service on Tuesdays.

The children are almost exclusively from single or unwed mothers, often living in abusive relationships or who work as prostitutes. Some of the saddest cases are the young women, who at the age of discharge from orphanages, went into society, naively became pregnant, and had no maternal skills or role models. They are in desperate need of learning basic mothering duties. The staff, although limited by the capabilities of the facility, educates the mothers about the upbringing of their children, always within the patient and loving capacity of an Orthodox lifestyle. Acunta tells me that the mothers need foster support for their children so they can pursue



**Acunta Sokol, one of the facility's volunteers, helps with the childrens' nap time.**

trade school education or get help for addiction rehabilitation.

The family center is run strictly and efficiently based on a detailed daily schedule and staffing ratios required by Romanian child welfare law. There is scheduled rest and play-time with many structured intelligence development activities. The facilities are immaculate and there is a housekeeper who prepares balanced diets for the children. The child psychologist and staff closely monitor the progress and development of the children. Because Romania is over 80% Orthodox, there has been encouragement to incorporate age-appropriate Orthodox awareness. According to Acunta, the program is run so well the Romanian government has used it as a model facility for other agencies that want to create infant daycare centers.

The children do not stay past the age of three. There is a "graduation" process where the children transition into the next level of care. All the children have detailed graduation reports about their progress while attending the center, which is available for inspection if the need arises. Acunta states that some of the mothers of the graduating children are still not prepared for this transition despite the staff's encouragement for them to make such plans. It becomes necessary for the Theotokos Family Center to assist the families monetarily for kindergarten classes, sometimes for three to six months based on the circumstances. The operational costs of the facility with all its programs and staffing is about \$4,300 monthly. The government recently began a subsidy of \$1,000 per month but that still leaves an oper-

ational deficit just under \$40,000 a year. The charitable donations to keep the center open continue to come in for now. Acunta is so grateful for the volunteer doctor and priest or else things would be nearly impossible.

It has become very important for her and the staff to keep up to date with their solicitation and donation materials as well as newsletters. This program is a vital part of the Orthodox Church as these children are fostered in a warm and caring way by Orthodox staff and priests with weekly services. It brings aid to the troubled Orthodox women who are desperately trying to find a way to be productive citizens and learn to be responsible mothers. The loving foundation of the Theotokos Family Center merits praise for the Romanian Orthodox Church. It has become a dynamic example of how the Orthodox community supports our suffering brothers and sisters in Christ.

Please pray for the Theotokos Family Center and its staff as they bring forth the fruits of Orthodoxy that will continue on into the next generation.

For more information or for a tax deductible donation/pledge, please contact:

OCMC  
Attention Frantz Theotokos Family Center  
PO Box 4319  
St. Augustine, FL 32085

phone: 877 GO FORTH  
web: [www.OCMC.org](http://www.OCMC.org)



**The front entrance of the facility in Cluj, Romania.**

## Mr. D asks an important question

I highly recommend *Ship of Ghosts: The Story of the USS Houston: F.D.R.'s Legendary Lost Cruiser, and the Epic Saga of her Survivors*, by James D. Hornfischer.

This excellent book tells the story of the cruiser USS Houston which was sunk along with the Australian cruiser Perth off Java in the early months of our entry into World War II, as well as the heroic stand the sailors and marines of both ships made against overwhelming odds before they were finally sunk and their surviving crews captured. We are also told of the so-called Lost Battalion, consisting of members of the Texas National Guard, whose members ended up in the same Japanese prisoner-of-war camps with the members of the Houston and Perth.

Before the war, President Franklin D. Roosevelt went on fishing cruises on the Houston and became acquainted with many of her sailors.

Prisoners of War from the Houston and the Lost Battalion were forced along with prisoners from other countries to build the notorious Burma-Thailand Railroad for the Japanese during 1943 and 1944.

You will read about a Japanese guard who was a Christian and who lived his faith in his relationship with the American and Australian prisoners he guarded. You will also meet an American of Japanese descent who was in Japan visiting his elderly relatives when war broke out. This man was forced into the Japanese army and was one of those assigned to guard the prisoners. You will also learn

**Fr. Bill from P. 1**

## The complete Orthodox Study Bible available soon

Books inspire us because they suggest things we might never have thought about before. The one book I urgently encourage everyone to read is the Bible. I am amazed and may I confess, greatly appalled, at the number of Orthodox believers who express belief in God and the Church, and have never opened their Bible to discover the truth about Him. A lot of people say they don't have time to read, not even an hour a day.

Are we really all that busy, or do we just make ourselves so because it has become the new norm? Whenever I hear that, I always think of a line I read in an article that says: Give up "Wheel of Fortune" in favor of reading and you can go through 25 books a year.

That may not be your favorite pastime, but think about it. If we apply the same principle in reading the Bible, we will navigate through the entire Bible in one year. The formula is to follow the Daily Bible Guide that is being distributed throughout the United States and cities around the world. The daily reading takes less than 15 minutes. If you thirst and

about a Japanese American soldier from Texas who dismayed his Japanese captors by refusing to denounce the United States and ally himself with them and therefore remained an American prisoner of war.

The well-known radio commentator Paul Harvey often reports instances of "man's inhumanity to man," and this book is chock full of such examples. But there were also examples, though rare, of Christian kindness and the application of the Golden Rule. This book tells the sad story of how the attack on Pearl Harbor caught us sorely unprepared, resulting in the death and imprisonment of thousands of our brave young men. But America, though knocked to the mat, got up and eventually defeated a cruel and barbaric foe. As you read this book and one other which I highly recommend entitled *Ghost Soldiers: The Forgotten Epic Story of World War II's Most Dramatic Mission*, by Hampton Sides, you will learn why around 27 percent of American prisoners of war died in Japanese prison camps while four percent died in German prison camps.

After reading this book, I'm going to ask you the same question I asked myself: Following the crushing defeat of the Empire of Japan, many of whose citizens exhibited unspeakable cruelty, barbarism, and inhumanity, Japan has become, along with Germany, peace-loving, and a strong and loyal ally of the United States. Can Islamic fanatics, who display the same barbarity and with access to much deadlier weapons, undergo the same transformation?

hunger for God's truth, you will continue to read on.

This brings us to the Orthodox Study Bible. The first edition of 1993 contains only the New Testament and Psalms, with copious notes and Orthodox perspectives. It is beautifully illustrated with icons and informative topical articles. The translation used is the New King James Version, which preserves the traditional language of the 1611 King James Bible, but updates the many words and phrases that have become incomprehensible to modern readers

After more than three years of exhaustive study and translation, the editors of the Orthodox Study Bible have announced the completion of the new Orthodox Study Bible, Old Testament and New. This means we will have available the entire text of all 76 Books of the Bible, including commentary from the Church Fathers. The long-awaited Bible should be available by the end of February, 2008. This volume will hopefully renew the fervent and frequent communion with the

## The HARC CORNER

### The Greatest of All Sciences: To Know One's Self

By Anthony M. Coniaris

The purpose of this book is to help us find our authentic self in the Trinity through relationships (to God and man), self-examination, inner stillness, humility, repentance...

The most painful part of being human is that we are strangers to ourselves. Man can know his true self but only with God and in God, in Whom we discover our truest and best self.

Softbound, \$16.00

### The Church Fathers for Young People

By Fr. George Grube

An excellent introduction to the Church fathers for children ages 7-12. Includes a brief biography of 18 famous saints with short excerpts from the writings of each saint. Also includes an iconographic line image of the saints.

Softbound, \$8.00

### Return

By Arch. Nektarios Antonopoulos

This small book in simple words attempts to answer the questions: What is sin and which are sin's fruits? What is repentance and what it isn't? How do we prepare for confession? What is the meaning of penance?

These, as well as other questions, are addressed in the text and help to offer a 'return' back to the original attitude and to a correct approach to the great mystery of repentance and confession.

Softbound, \$12.00

Lord Jesus Christ through His Word, just as we have seen a renewal of communion with Him through the Eucharist.

The editors of and contributors to the Orthodox Study Bible have done a great service for the Orthodox Church and Orthodox Christians. Each home should have a copy that will hopefully will become dog-eared and worn with much use.

Max Lucado's closing thoughts are mine for you as well: "Try to hear and see a story in every person. Think of them as a walking portrait in the gallery of the world-it makes life fun." Read On!

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**God is the fire**  
 ... St. Seraphim of Sarov

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>that warms and ignites the heart and the inward parts; when we feel in our hearts the chill which is of the devil. Let us call on the Lord and He will come to warm our hearts with perfect love, not only to Him but to our neighbors.</b></p>						
<b>GODPARENTS SUNDAY</b> 8:00am Orthros 9:15am Awaken To God 9:30am Divine Liturgy Godparents Luncheon	5:15pm The Way	10:00am TOTS 4:30pm Greek School 7:00pm Philoptochos Board Meeting 7:30pm GOYA Meeting	1:00pm Adult Christian Fellowship And Study Group 7:30pm Choir Rehearsal 7:30pm Catechism Instruction	4:30pm Greek School	4:30pm Adventure Theater VAL	<b>PRESENTATION OF OUR LORD IN THE TEMPLE</b> 8:00am Orthros 9:00am Divine Liturgy 4:00pm Altar Boys Meeting 5:00pm Vespers
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## Weekday Services

### Vespers

Saturday, February 2  
Saturday, February 16  
5:00pm

### Presentation Of Our Lord In The Temple

Saturday, February 2  
8:00am Orthros  
9:00am Divine Liturgy

## January & February Memorials

*Jennie Jumes*  
*George Chiampas*  
*Dorothy Gialelis*  
*Nicholas Georges*  
*Spiridoula Miller*  
*Elias Pavlopoulos*  
*Gregory Stoumbelis*  
*Marianthy Stoumbelis*  
*Harry Stoumbelis*  
*Anna Stoumbelis*  
*Constantine Kallos*  
*Gregory Kafkes*  
*Thomas Kafkes*

*Antigone Kafkes*  
*George Adams*  
*Lambrini Adams*  
*Louis Adams*  
*Michael Peterson*  
*Julis Stavropoulos*

## Funerals

*Sam Poulos*  
*Demetra Kleros*  
*Dean Kasson*  
*Paul Beneos*  
*Mary Ramos*

## Choir Concert CD

Holy Apostles' Senior Choir has recorded its Christmas Eve Concert of 2007. If you wish to order a CD for \$15, please contact the director, Nick Paloumpis, at (630) 629-0071.

## Stewarship

Please remember that now is the time to pay those pledges from 2007 if you haven't done so. Also, please prayerfully sign your 2008 pledge card and return it to the office.

## Mosaic Deadline

The deadline for the March Mosaic is Tuesday, February 5. Please make every effort to meet this deadline.

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