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FELLOWSHIP HALL & COFFEE HOUR:

Today's fellowship and coffee hour is graciously offered by the Maude and Couris families in honor of Dr. Michael's and Dr. Mike's birthdays! Wishing them a healthy and happy year.

ST. SPYRIDON CHURCH NEWS, EVENTS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

The Stewardship Committee Thanks YOU - The Stewardship Committee thanks all of our faithful stewards for their commitment in supporting the services and activities offered to our parishioners and their families. Every week, our church community is energized with volunteers giving of their precious Time, Talent and Treasure to support our church, our ministries, our seniors and our youth. Our parish continually works to increase the financial support needed by our varied and many parish ministries. The upcoming expansion of our church parking lot is a tremendous blessing that will hopefully encourage more of you to come and share the Love of Christ in prayer and fellowship. Please remember that these improvements are only possible through your generous gifts of stewardship. Please continue help us through consistent monthly giving so that we can respond to the needs of your parish. We have much to accomplish in the years ahead and your generosity and sacrifice are needed. May God Great continue to bless your families as faithful stewards of our community in Christ.

The Stewardship Committee: John Kalas, Chairperson, Fr. Andrew Scordalakis, Jim Gilpin, Greg Kostas, Bill Navrides, Ben De La Riva, Stephen Thiros and Spero Tzathas

SAVE THE DATE - Choir - Please join **St. Spyridon Choir for Faith and Fellowship at the Ballpark. Padres vs. The Dodgers Friday, September 1st at 7:10 pm.** For tickets, please see Greg Kostas or Kathy Meck. gnkostas@gmail.com or sprmodiva@aol.com. They will be selling tickets on Sundays after church as well.

SAVE THE DATE - GOYA - Join us on **Saturday, September 16th** at La Jolla Shores Beach at 4:00 pm for a Beach party as we kick off the New Ecclesiastical year. **GOYA will provide the pizzas for everyone.** We are asking families to bring something (please see Sign Up-Genius) OR make a donation to Project Mexico (all donations will be collected that night). Your whole family is invited so please tell your parents and siblings. **RSVP at marianafrangos@gmail.com questions call Michael Defelippi at 858-442-3266.**

SAVE THE DATE - Pan Arcadians - The Pan Arcadian **Destiny of Distinction** Dinner will be held **Saturday September 30th at 5:00 PM.** We will be honoring Father Andrew Scordalakis, Father Michael Sitaras and Father Simeon Corona for their distinguished service. Appetizers, full dinner with wine, music and dancing will be featured. Tickets are \$75 for adults \$25 children under twelve. **Reservations : Sam Tzathas (619)917-9534 or Angie Georggin (619)972-6410.** See you at the gala!

SAVE THE DATE - Philoptochos - Membership, Munchies and Mimosas - Sunday, October 15th. Please join us in the Hall after the Divine Liturgy - we can't wait to share with you what we have planned for this coming Fall & Holiday season and the New Year! We believe the good works of our Anthousa Philoptochos Chapter are vital and noble, to aid the needy and the poor, to promote the charitable, benevolent and philanthropic purposes of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and much more. We welcome your participation in Philoptochos, no matter how much time you can commit. Please bring a friend.

Decorated Feast Day Icons - Philoptochos invites you and your family to commemorate a special Feast Day by sponsoring a beautifully decorated icon which will be displayed in the church Narthex for all to venerate. This offering, a floral adornment around the blessed icon, is a perfect way to honor both your family member(s) as well as an important day in the life of the Church. Throughout the liturgical year there are many opportunities to sponsor a decorated icon. The suggested donation for each icon is \$75; **please contact Stella Weil at 4weils@sbcglobal.net or (858)694-0570 to reserve your icon/date or if you have any questions. Thank you.**

SAVE THE DATE! - **16th Hellenic Fairways Golf Classic. Friday, October 27th** at Willowbrook Golf Course. For more information contact Rhad Brown: brownrhad@gmail.com or 619-573-2304.

SUNDAY, AUG 20, 2017

11th Sunday of St. Matthew

Orthros 8:30 am; Divine Liturgy 10:00 am

Epistle Reading: I Corinthians 9:2-12 **Red Divine Liturgy Book Pg. 80**

Gospel Reading: Matthew 18:23-35 **Red Divine Liturgy Book Pg. 81**

ALTAR SERVER TEAM:

St. John: Cap: John Navrides, Justin (Niko) Davis, Michael Defelippi, Luke Georggin, Theo Huntalas, Andrew Kaitson, Matei Popa, Alexios Savvides, John Savvides.

NARTHEX DUTY TEAM:

St. Demetrios: Jim Kesaris, Team Leader; Francesca Captain, Ken Kleinhenz, Michael Platis, Tony Demopoulos.

The Hymn of St. Spyridon: can be found on the **back cover** of the red Divine Liturgy book.

Pre-Communion Prayers: offered **before** receiving Holy Communion can be found on **page 29** of the **red Divine Liturgy book.**

Thanksgiving Prayers: offered **after** receiving Holy Communion can be found on **page 40** of the **red Divine Liturgy book.**

The Memorial Service: can be found on **page 164** of the **red Divine Liturgy book.**

WELCOME - AND A FEW WORDS ABOUT COMMUNION... We warmly welcome all visitors and seekers in our midst today, trusting that your experience here will be an uplifting and enriching one. The Greek Orthodox Churches are the ancient and native communities of the biblical world, with centers in the Holy Lands, Syria, Egypt and Asia Minor, and by extension in Greece, Cyprus and throughout the world. Like the ancient Christians, we engage the whole person, heart, mind and all senses in Divine Worship. This experience has been so powerful to seekers in the past that it was often said "We knew not whether we were in heaven or on earth. We knew only that there God dwelt among human beings." That communion experience of heaven on earth and God in our midst forms the heart of all Orthodox worship. It culminates in the sharing of Holy Communion, which not only unites us with the Divine, but also expresses the deep unity in faith and life between all Orthodox believers. Since Holy Communion expresses that deep unity in belief and practice alike, it is reserved for observant Orthodox Christians. This does not mean, however, that non-Orthodox are 'excluded' - rather, the Orthodox choose not to make an external display of unity when actual unity does not exist. While working to restore the full communion that did exist in antiquity, today we offer the sign of the blessed bread at the service's conclusion as a symbolic gift of hospitality and growing unity that is offered to all present. If you would like to learn more about the Orthodox way of life, or have any questions about worship or Holy Communion, please approach Fr. Andrew following services. We welcome you all.

THE ORDER OF PROCESSION WHEN RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION: As a reminder, please follow the direction of the Parish Council members when receiving Holy Communion. At the time of Holy Communion, two Parish Council members will begin at the front pew and release you one row at a time to come forward to receive. At their direction please move quietly into the center aisle, move forward to receive Holy Communion **and then return to your pew using the side aisle for the beautiful closing Thanksgiving Prayers.**