

**PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS**  
**February 7, 2010**

**Godparent Sunday**

PTO will sponsor the Godparents Sunday Luncheon following Divine Liturgy on TODAY. There will be no Sunday School Classes on Godparents Sunday.

**IOCC SOUPerbowl of Caring**

The GOYAnS will be collecting donations and canned food items TODAY, February 7th as part of the SOUPerbowl of Caring campaign. Monetary donations will benefit IOCC's charitable work, and food items will benefit our own Good Samaritans.

**JOY Lock-In**

The annual Pre-Lenten overnight lock-in will take place on Friday, February 12th from 7:00 pm through Saturday, February 13th at 11:00 am following Liturgy. Grades 2-6 are invited. RSVP with Fr. George by February 9th.

**Sunday of Orthodoxy**

Sunday, February 21st at 5:00 pm, Vespers celebrating the Triumph of Orthodoxy will be held at St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in Mogadore. Our guest speaker is Fr. Anthony Michaels. Donations for the sponsorships of the Service Booklet will be collected in the next few weeks during Coffee Hour. The costs are as follows: Sponsor \$5.00, Patron \$10.00, Supporter \$25.00, and Benefactor \$50.00.

**Marriage Enrichment Weekend**

Antiochian Village invites you to a Marriage Enrichment Weekend February 12-14, 2010. The guest speaker is Presvytera Kerry Pappas on the topic "Sacred Image, Sacred Marriage". Weekend package is \$274/couple if post-marked by 2-1-10. Reservation forms available at [www.antiochianvillage.org](http://www.antiochianvillage.org).

**Fish Fry**

Enjoy a delicious fish dinner, butterfly shrimp or chicken tenders at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church on Friday, February 12th from 5:00-7:00 pm. There is something for everyone!

**Support Local Missions**

Stacy Leojos, daughter of Fr. John and Paula Loejos, will be part of a medical mission team to Uganda this summer. Those wishing to support her can send checks to the office, made out to OCMC, and indicate Stacey Leojos in the memo.

**More news and events...**

**Philoptochos Go Red Day today**

The National Philoptochos Society has asked all members to wear red today in conjunction with the American Heart Association Go Red program that raises awareness for the need to live a heart-healthy life style and prevent heart disease.

**Philoptochos General Meeting**

The Philoptochos General Meeting will be held on Wednesday, February 10th at 11:00 am.

**Cheesefare Sunday: Cheesecake Sale**

Next Sunday, February 14th, marks both Cheesefare Sunday and Valentine's Day. Philoptochos will have cheesecake by the slice for sale for Cheesefare Sunday. Stop by the table for a special sweet treat. The proceeds will help support the many charitable Philoptochos causes.

**Sunday of Orthodoxy**

Philoptochos members are asked to bring something for Coffee Hour on Sunday, February 21st for Sunday of Orthodoxy.

**Receive the Voice via Website**

The Voice and Sunday Bulletins are now available on our Website. Those who would like to help save paper and postage costs should email [bpryor@annunciationakron.org](mailto:bpryor@annunciationakron.org) and we will remove your name from the Voice mailing list. We will send an email when the Voice has been posted. This will allow people to read the Voice information about two weeks before it is received in the mail.

**Lenten Retreat**

On Saturday, March 6, 2010, Sts. Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Cathedral in Cleveland Heights will host a Lenten Retreat from 8:30-4:00 pm with retreat leader Dr. Peter Kalellis. The registration fee, which includes a Lenten breakfast and lunch, is \$15.00. (\$20.00 after February 28th) For more information, call 216-932-3300.

**St. Gregory Palamas Pilgrimage**

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 27th for St. Gregory Palamas Pilgrimage. Details will follow next week.

**Funeral Details for Fr. Christoff**

Sunday calling hours at St. Thomas Eastern Orthodox Church, 555 S. Cleveland-Massillon Road in Fairlawn from 4:00-8:00 pm tonight with Parastos at 7:00 pm. A memorial Divine Liturgy will be at 10:00 am on Monday, February 8th at the church, followed by Parastos and interment at Rose Hill in Fairlawn.