



May 13, 2026

E-BULLETIN

NOTICES AND REMINDERS FOR THE NEXT 10 DAYS

Wednesday, May 13

⇒ 5:00 p.m. Youth “Evening Light” Program

⇒ 6:00 p.m. *Vespers*

Thursday, May 14

⇒ 4:00 p.m. *Paraklesis*

⇒ 5:00 p.m. Young At Heart Mother’s Day Dinner

⇒ 7:00 p.m. ARE-History of our Faith - (virtual & in person) [Join here](#) Zoom ID 880-334-8094

Friday, May 15

⇒ 4:30 p.m. Last Day of Greek Language School

Saturday, May 16

⇒ 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Shredding Event

⇒ 10:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Blood Drive

⇒ 4:00 p.m. Men’s Group

⇒ 6:00 p.m. *Vespers*

Sunday, May 17 | Sunday of the Blind Man

⇒ 7:45 a.m. *Orthros* - 9:15 a.m. *Divine Liturgy*

⇒ Youth Catechism Ends

⇒ AHEPA Sunday with Memorial

Tuesday, May 19

⇒ 8:30 p.m. *Vigil-Vespers-Orthros and Divine Liturgy for Apodosis of Pascha (Leave Taking of Pascha)*

Wednesday, May 20

⇒ 5:00 p.m. Youth “Evening Light” Program

⇒ 6:00 p.m. *Ninth Hour and Vespers for the Ascension*

Thursday, May 21 | Ascension | Sts. Constantine and Helen

⇒ 8:00 a.m. *Orthros and Divine Liturgy*

⇒ 4:00 p.m. *Paraklesis*

⇒ 7:00 p.m. ARE-History of Our Faith - (virtual & in person) [Join here](#) Zoom ID 880-334-8094

⇒ **Friday, May 22nd - Sunday, May 24th - Festival of Faith Retreat at Diakonia Retreat Center**

Saturday, May 23

⇒ 6:00 p.m. *Vespers*

Sunday, May 24 | St. Symeon the Stylite

⇒ 7:45 a.m. *Orthros* - 9:15 a.m. *Divine Liturgy*

Monday, May 25 | Memorial Day | OFFICE CLOSED



VISITATION ~ Please contact the church office if someone is in need of a clergy visit or to notify them of health issues.

Scroll down for details and more information. Visit our website for full Calendar of Events or any update at www.stnektarios.org ~ 5108 Kuykendall Rd. Charlotte, NC 28270
office@stnektarios.org ~ 704-708-4669



VACATION CHURCH CAMP

JUNE 22-25 • 9AM-12PM • GRADES K-5

OUT OF THIS EARTH



VISIT STNEKTARIOS.ORG/YOUTH TO REGISTER BY JUNE 15

FINAL ST. PHOTIOS PILGRIMAGE

GO TO ALL NATIONS

FUNDRAISER

SUNDAY JUNE 7th

FELLOWSHIP HALL FOLLOWING LITURGY

CHICKEN PITA • GYRO PITA • MAC & CHEESE • FRIES AND MORE...

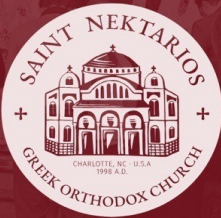
SUGGESTED DONATION \$15/ADULTS • \$10/KIDS



CATECHUMEN INDUCTION

HOLY PENTECOST • SUNDAY, MAY 31

Apply by May 22!



[Click here to apply](#)

YOUTH AFTERNOONS

12:00PM - 2:00PM | HELLENIC PARK
2800 McKee Rd, Charlotte, NC

SUMMER DATES:

MAY 31st

JUNE 28th

JULY 26th

AUGUST 23rd

Join us for family fellowship outside one Sunday a month this summer!
soccer • frisbee • volleyball
football • board games

Bring your own picnic encouraged • parental supervision required



THE METROPOLIS OF ATLANTA
PRESENTS OUR 4TH ANNUAL

The Catechist Conference

July 5th and August 1st 2026 | 9:00A - 5:00P

LEARN MORE ABOUT
TEACHING FOR ALL



REGISTER TODAY!

Includes lightbreakfast,
lunch, educational
programming, and
relationship-building

This conference is open to all, including teachers of Sunday Catechism, Adult Religious educators, parents and grandparents of catechism students, Parish Team Ministry leaders, and Clergy

2 Dates, 2 Locations, 4 Featured Speakers

July 25 | Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Charlotte, NC



Rev. Father Panayiotis Papageorgiou

Fr. Panayiotis was born in Cyprus and holds degrees in Chemical Engineering from City College of New York and the University of Notre Dame, a Master of Divinity from Holy Cross, and a Ph.D. in Early Christian Studies from The Catholic University of America. He has served as a priest in the United States and Cyprus for 38 years and has taught Orthodox theology in Cyprus, Jerusalem, Canada, and the United States. For the past 18 years he has been the pastor of Holy Transfiguration Greek Orthodox Church in Marietta, Georgia. He is the author of *Homilies on Romans* by St. John Chrysostom, Volume 1 and CEO of the online ministry *Trisagion Films*. He is married to Presvytera Catherine and they have two children and grandchildren.



Dr. Ann Mitsakos Bezerides

Dr. Ann Mitsakos Bezerides is the Executive Director of the CrossRoad Institute and Director of the Office of Vocation & Ministry at Hellenic College Holy Cross, where she teaches Youth Ministry and oversees the Certificate in Youth & Young Adult Ministry and Leadership. She has edited and contributed to two essay collections, *Christ at Work: Orthodox Christian Perspectives of Vocation* and *Eastern Orthodox Christianity and Higher Education*. She is also the co-author of *Find Your Telos: Discover What Orthodox Young Adults & Parishes Can Create Together*. Her work focuses on vocation, youth ministry, and leadership within the Orthodox Church. She holds degrees from Middlebury College (BA), St. Vladimir's Seminary (MDiv), and Boston College (PhD).

August 1 | Saint Mark Greek Orthodox Church, Boca Raton, FL



Father Anthony Salzman

Father Anthony Salzman graduated from Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology Summa Cum Laude in 1989. He spent the next 6 years studying the Art of Byzantine Iconography under Master Iconographer Kosta Photiades in Thessaloniki, Greece. He is serving the Church of St. Philothea Greek Orthodox Church in Watkinsville, Ga., since 1999. He is married to Christine and has two sons, Stephanos and Maximos and two grandchildren Amalia and Silas.



Dr. Eve Tibbs

Dr. Eve Tibbs is the author of *A Basic Guide to Eastern Orthodox Theology: Introducing Beliefs and Practices and Seeing the Gospel: An Interpretive Guide to Orthodox Icons*. Dr. Tibbs currently serves as a member of the Faith and Order Commission of the World Council of Churches representing the Ecumenical Patriarchate. She is the Ministry Lead for Adult Christian Education and a member of the Metropolis Council of the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of San Francisco.

For more information on the July 25th session, contact Gerry Clonaris at 704.574.6179 or Dr. Thomas Copulos at 561.706.3562 regarding August 1st.



SUBMIT NAMES OF THE LIVING FOR PARAKLESIS

Paraklesis Prayer service is offered on

Thursdays - 4:00 p.m.

You may submit names of the living (first names only) to the church office or you may respond to this email. Names will be commemorated for five weeks.

St. Nektarios
Greek Orthodox Church

Young at Heart

Mother's Day Tribute

Dinner Gathering

Thursday, May 14, 2026

Following 4:00 Paraklesis

5:00 Wine & Cheese Social

5:30 Meatloaf Dinner

served with mashed potatoes, green beans and salad

We will be sharing our photo library of our Moms

Please contact the office to add your photo



HYBRID OFFERINGS!

To reach a broader audience, all sessions will be offered both live and virtually

CLICK HERE
TO RSVP

RSVP
May 10, 2026
online or
call the office
704-708-4669

THANK YOU
to our sponsor
George Coucell
in memory of his
Mom



Thank you to Picadeli's Pub-In-Deli for preparing our meal

WILMINGTON GREEK FESTIVAL

MAY 15-17

11AM - 9PM
(CLOSES SUNDAY 5PM)

DRIVE THRU FOOD SERVICE AVAILABLE

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608 S COLLEGE RD WILMINGTON, NC 28403 | PROCEEDS TO BENEFIT LOCAL CHARITIES

GREEK SOCCER CAMP

COACHED BY PRO SOCCER PLAYERS

DATES **JUNE 22-26**

Boys & Girls
7-14 Years Old

Camp Hours
9:00AM-2:00PM

Camp Venue
Hellenic Park
2700 McKee Rd, Charlotte, NC 28270

\$265 SIGN UP FEE

More info +1 (704) 835-5920 soccereventsgr@gmail.com

ST. NEKTARIOS MISSIONS AND PHILANTHROPY MINISTRY

*2026 Calendar
Trip & Service Opportunities*

Scan Here For IOCC



INTERNATIONAL ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN CHARITIES

Volunteers needed for various charities
Sign-up online at www.iocc.org
Must be 14 or older (details online)



Scan Here For Samaritan's Purse

Local, National and International Opportunities

SATURDAY, MAY 16 | 8 AM-12 PM CHARITY DOCUMENT SHREDDING EVENT CLEAN OUT YOUR FILES

Donation will benefit Missions and Philanthropy Ministry
St. Nektarios Greek Orthodox Church - 5108 Kuykendall Rd.

SATURDAY, MAY 23 | 9 AM - 12 PM Samaritan's Feet Shoe Sorting

Contact: Kate Caltis at kate/caltis@gmail.com; Missy Davis at millitsa@bellsouth.net;
Dennis Kokenes at dkokenes324@gmail.com; Tim Klund at tklund.tk@gmail.com



Volunteer Opportunity: IOCC Action Teams – Irwin, Tennessee

We are joining two IOCC Action Teams in Irwin, Tennessee, to assist with ongoing recovery efforts following Hurricane Helene.

DATES: MAY 26TH - 30TH | AUGUST 16TH - 22ND

No special skills are required - just a willing heart and a strong spirit of service!

Volunteers must be at least 18 years old. Youth ages 16-17 may participate if accompanied by a parent, legal guardian, or authorized group leader.

For more information, scan the QR code.

If you are interested in serving,

Please contact Missy Davis at

704-618-2289 or millitsa@bellsouth.net.



Giving Options for Your Stewardship, offering and More

- ◆ Go to www.stnektarios.org; select online giving
- ◆ Use your banking bill pay



BLOOD DRIVE

SATURDAY, MAY 16

10 AM - 3 PM

**St. Nektarios Greek Orthodox Church
5108 Kuykendall Road,
Charlotte, NC 28270**

CLICK HERE TO SCHEDULE THE TIME

**Oneblood will give donors
\$20 e-gift card**

Donate Blood and save a life



NEW VISIT & SHARE OUR CAMPAIGN WEBPAGE!

STNEKTARIOS.ORG/BFG

- View fundraising progress
- Watch immersive video tour
- Make a commitment & more!

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**9010-D Monroe Rd.
Charlotte, NC 28270
704-443-7083**

STORE HOURS

**MONDAY & THURSDAY | 10 AM - 5 PM
SATURDAY, 10 AM - 4 PM**

**Volunteers needed to help in the store,
please contact Dee Drobonick**

704-641-5960 or deedrob519@gmail.com

FOR YOUR SAFETY IN THE CHURCH

- Emergency exits are located in each side chapel area in the nave and the bottom of both stairwells.
- **In case of a fire alarm** — all are instructed to use the closest exit to evacuate the building and go directly to the hall for further instructions. Do not go to your vehicles. The Fire Department is on its way and they ask that the parking lot be clear of any traffic.
- **Sudden Illness** — Notify the nearest usher if you or someone in your family is having an emergency or not feeling well. We will identify a first aider who can provide necessary assistance.
- **Nave Aisles** — Please keep the aisles clear of children playing and any tripping hazards.
- **Strollers** — Strollers may be stored in the stairwell by the family room.
- **Adult Supervision** — We ask our families that the youth be under adult supervision at all times.
- **For the safety of our youth**, children should not run on the plaza, play on the stage in the hall, or play unsupervised in the playground and parking lot.
- **Please use special care** in the upper level, especially with small children. No standing is allowed at the center section rail.

FOR RISING
GRADES
K-8



REGISTRATION
ENDS ON 5/18

ST. NEKTARIOS GREEK
LANGUAGE SCHOOL
JULY 27-30, 2026

\$60/camper

**ΕΛΑΤΕ ΝΑ
ΠΑΙΞΟΥΜΕ!**
COME, LET'S PLAY!

A Greek Language Immersion Camp

9 AM - 12 PM

Snacks will be provided

ACTIVITIES

FAITH, MUSIC, DANCE
LEGO, SPORTS, CRAFTS,
GAMES AND MORE!

No prior knowledge in the Greek
Language is required.



ST. NEKTARIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH
Contact: Anastasia K. Holevas
akholevas24@gmail.com



St. Nektarios Department of
Adult Religious Education

History of our Faith

The mind of the prudent acquires knowledge. And the ear of the wise seeks knowledge.
Proverbs 18:9

Every Thursday from April 23 to June 4, 2026
6:30 PM-8:00 PM
Presented by Gerry Clonaris

Presenting topics on the History of Our Faith.

4/23 The Resurrection of our Lord

4/30 The Creation (part 1)

5/7 The Creation (part 2)

5/14 The Theotokos

5/21 The Invisible World - Angels

5/28 Windows of Heaven - Iconography

6/4 The Apostles

These presentations are perfect for our new catechumens
or for those who are considering joining our
faith, as well as for anyone needing a refresher.



ZOOM ID FOR VIRTUAL PARTICIPATION:
880-334-8094



MEN'S GROUP

INVITES MEN 18+ TO GATHER
FOR DISCUSSION & FELLOWSHIP

SATURDAY, 5/16 | 4:00 PM—6:00 PM

St. Nektarios Parking lot

by the Icon of Christ in the woods

Refreshments will be provided.

Attendees are encouraged to stay for Vespers at 6 p.m.

**Love Your Neighbor
As Yourself**

We invite you to become a
Philoptochos member in
2026

"... You shall love the Lord your God
with all your heart, with all your soul,
with all your strength, and with all
your mind'; and your neighbor as
yourself.'" Luke 10:27



BOOKSTORE

Visit the Narrow Path Bookstore for your
Liturgical gifts shopping. Open on Sundays for
30 minutes after the Divine Liturgy.

The St. Sophia School

2026

**FULL TIME
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