



The Philoptochos Phlash – May 7, 2024

Christos Anesti! On May 7, 2024, the Philoptochos Board met and voted to support many upcoming ministries, plan some wonderful future events, and share the successes of recent events. Here are the highlights:

- ❖ **Fashion Show Reinvention** – Saturday, May 18, 2024 -***Fashion Bloom*** – So many wonderful plans are being finalized for our upcoming fashion show. We hope you will don your floral frocks and join us. Trina Turk and BChic are providing our fashions. The menu will include a festive salad, delicious filet mignon, with mashed potatoes and asparagus, followed by a fruit tart. A vegetarian option will be available. There will be entertainment throughout the day. Take your chance at our raffle with prizes including a table for 8 for 2025, a cash prize, and beautiful cookware. More surprises will be included. The Silent Auction will feature a beautiful Stanley Tucci cookware set, a luggage set, gift cards and more. Remember that the proceeds from this event will support our Church and Community Service Award scholarships to high school seniors as they move on to college. Please consider sending in your raffle tickets even if you cannot make the event. Winners do not need to be present to win. There is still time to send in your reservation!
- ❖ **Clergy Laity/National Philoptochos Convention, June 30 to July 4** will take place in San Diego and is being hosted by the San Francisco Metropolis. Our chapter voted to sponsor the convention with a donation of \$1,000 toward the cost of the Philoptochos office which will provide much of the support during the convention. We will also be baking and sending packages of koulourakia which are given out to delegates and are used throughout the convention at hospitality stations. Our chapter is sending three representatives: Laura Jadelrab, Barbara Karvelis and Mary Peros. They will have lots to share with all of us upon their return.
- ❖ **Bake Sale** – Our sincere appreciation goes out to Othonia Makris and her baking crew for preparing our delicious Easter koulourakia which we all enjoyed. And the sale brought in over \$1,800.
- ❖ **Epitaphio Decoration** – Thank you, Rita Zaharioudakis, for once again creating the beautiful design and to all the ladies who helped create the finished product. Thank you to the parish for your donations to purchase these beautiful flowers.
- ❖ **Church and Community Service Awards** – Please join us on June 9 as we announce and present the awards to our outstanding graduating seniors who served both our Church and the broader community and their schools. We have four recipients this year who will be introduced in Church. Cake and refreshments will follow in the Oaks.
- ❖ **Father's Day** – In order to honor our fathers, papous and nounos, we will host a light lunch in the Oaks with deli sandwiches, chips, sodas and beer and apple pie. Please join us on June 16.

With our love,
Holy Cross Philoptochos