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Philoptochos News Phlash!

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Philoptochos News Phlash! Here are the highlights of our last meeting on May 7, 2019. We want you to know what we are working on and where your donations and contributions to Philoptochos go.

- ❖ Our beautiful kouvouklion was created by 25+ ladies from our Parish. Each lady added her personal touch!
- ❖ The Eikona concert was beautiful and it is our hope to welcome the chanting group to Holy Cross again next Great Lent.
- ❖ Lenten Challenge – The Philoptochos is hoping to continue its commitment to help complete the St. Nicholas Orthodox Church in New York. We are asking each member to give \$20 to this effort. Contact any Philoptochos member for info.
- ❖ I Love Paris – May 18 - We are asking for assistance in setting up this event on Wednesday, May 15, Thursday, May 16, and Friday, May 17 from 10am on. If you have some time, please join us. We can use your help!
- ❖ Membership – Our membership drive continues. You should have received a pledge and interest request in the mail. If you have not, you can join Philoptochos online at www.goholycross.org. Click on online giving and go to the Philoptochos option. Our average pledge is \$70 a year, although any pledge amount is gladly accepted. Remember that \$30 of what you pledge goes to support your membership at the Metropolis and Archdiocesan levels. Any amount over \$30 stays in our parish to support our local concerns. Men are welcome to join and become Associate, non-voting members for a pledge of \$30. We are beginning to see more and more men join us. With a parish of our size, we should have over 200 members. Please join and be counted among the army of Orthodox women and men in this country who do amazingly good works!
- ❖ General Meeting to Elect the New Board on June 11 from 7-9 in The Oaks. Light refreshments will be served.
- ❖ Support for Children in Need – It has been decided that the moneys we receive as donations for providing memorial coffee hours will go to children in need. This year we supported the orphanage and school in Kenya that Bishop Neofitos told us about. Next year we will choose another child-centered ministry to support with these moneys.