### HOLY DORMITION OF OUR HOLY LADY THE THEOTOKOS AND EVER-VIRGIN MARY August 15, 2021

### EPISTLE READING Philippians 2:5-11

Brethren, have this mind among yourselves, which is yours in Christ Jesus, who, though he was in the form of God, did not count equality with God a thing to be grasped, but emptied himself, taking the form of a servant, being born in the likeness of men. And being found in human form he humbled himself and became obedient unto death, even death on a cross. Therefore God has highly exalted him and bestowed on him the name which is above every name, that at the name of Jesus every knee should bow, in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

### GOSPEL READING Luke 10:38-42; 11:27-28

At that time, Jesus entered a village; and a woman called Martha received him into her house. And she had a sister called Mary, who sat at the Lord's feet and listened to his teaching. But Martha was distracted with much serving; and she went to him and said, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me to serve you alone? Tell her then to help me." But the Lord answered her, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and troubled about many things; one thing is needful. Mary has chosen the good portion, which shall not be taken away from her." As he said this, a woman in the crowd raised her voice and said to him, "Blessed is the womb that bore you, and the breasts that you sucked!" But he said, "Blessed rather are those who hear the word of God and keep it!"

### ENTRANCE HYMN: GRAVE TONE

By Thy Cross Thou didst abolish death; to the thief Thou didst open Paradise Thou didst transform the myrrhbearers' lamentation, and didst order Thine Apostles to preach that Thou are risen, O Christ our God, bestowing great mercy upon the world.

### FOURTH MODE

As the first-called of the Apostles, and brother of their leader O Andrew, entreat the Master of all that peace be granted unto the world and great mercy to our souls.

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### SUNDAY SCHOOL

After a long and tough Covid-19 break, we are looking forward to finally getting back to having Sunday School again! We will begin on SEPTEMBER 12<sup>th</sup>. We are very excited about the new school year and are looking forward to welcoming our students back! REGISTRATION: We will be doing registration online (click here) again this year. We will have a computer available at church for the first few Sundays after Divine Liturgy and can assist you with the process if you experience any difficulties. We ask that you please register your children ASAP so we can prepare the classroom and rosters.

### **METROPOLIS CHOIR FEDERATION ANNUAL CONFERENCE OCT 7-10**

In less than 2 months, on Oct 7-10, we welcome the Metropolis Federation of Church Choirs to Saint Andrew, for their 63rd conference. We are very fortunate to be hosting this event, and together we can make it the best it can be for both our church family and the choir federation. Attached is the conference packet. Please review it for familiarity of the event, adding special focus to the excellent entertainment planned for the two dinners, on Friday and Saturday nights of the event. These dinners are open to our parishioners as well as to the conference participants. Maximizing parishioner attendance will help increase event profit which will be split evenly between the church and the choir federation. Please consider attending the two dinners, in addition to purchasing an ad in the event ad book, which is another profit center to benefit the church and the federation. Since the June festival and the September drive-thru have been cancelled for a variety of reasons, it will be great if we leveraged the choir conference for much needed income for the church general fund. Please support this event which will help keep our church viable for years to come. In the attached conference packet, you will find the ad book purchase form and the Guest Meal Request Form. Please use these two documents for the ad purchases and dinner attendance. For the guest meal form, just indicate number attending the dinner, which dinner specifically, and a check for the amount indicated for each dinner. If you'd like to pay by credit card, please contact the church office. Submission deadline for both is September 10. Any questions, please contact Spyro Terezis at 574-404-1184 (call or text). Thank you in advance for supporting this event which will benefit our church in numerous ways.

### VISIT OF ECUMENICAL PATRIARCH BARTHOLOMEW

As many of you know, His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew was scheduled to visit us at St. Andrew in May of 2020. Because of COVID-19, his visit to the United States was delayed. Fr. John has mentioned this a few times in church, but we are blessed and excited to announce that His All-Holiness will be visiting our parish the morning of Thursday October 28th. Please mark your calendars for this amazing occasion and plan to join us. Fr. John has been in contact with members from His All-Holiness' team and more details will be forthcoming soon.

### ICONOGRAPHY WORKSHOP HOSTED AT ST. ANDREW

We're excited to announce that this October, a local Orthodox Christian iconographer Brian Whirledge will be hosting an iconography workshop at St. Andrew. If you're artistically talented OR just want to learn about the foundations of this sacred art, please consider joining the class. Brian has graciously offered a 20% discount for parishioners. Please click <u>HERE</u> for more information.

### DISCRETIONARY FUND

The Discretionary Fund is to assist local parishioners (individuals, and families) that have encountered financial hardship. If you would like to help please contact Father John or make donations payable to the Discretionary Fund.

### VISITING SAINT ANDREW?

People of different religious affiliation or tradition are always welcome at the liturgical services of our Holy Orthodox Church. If you are interested in learning more about Orthodoxy or have specific questions, please set up a time to speak with Father John.

### YOUR PRAYERS HELP...

"...I was sick and you visited Me..." St. Matthew 25:36. "Holy Father, Physician of our souls and bodies have mercy, forgive and heal thy servants." The following brothers and sisters in Christ need your constant prayers and love, recovering at home or ill at home/hospital: Vasilios Spentzos (home) and Nick Limberopoulos (home).

In nursing homes or home bound: Artemis Hoke (Westgate Garden), and Amelia Morris (Miller's Merry Manor, Walkerton).

Today's **Ushers** are: Manolis Anagnostou, Anna Napoleon, Leon Andrews, Kurt Metros, Nick Giannakakis. If you are <u>not</u> serving in the pangari today, please join everyone in the Sanctuary.

Today's Epistle Lesson will be read by an Altar Boy.

Maria Giannakakis prepared the Prosforo for this morning. May our God grant you spiritual joy always. No Coffee Hour - Holy Dormition Picnic

#### THIS WEEK

Friday, August 13	Leavetaking of Transfiguration & St. Maximos the Confessor	9:30am Divine Liturgy			
Friday August 13	Paraklesis <u>at St. Andrew</u>	6:30pm			
Saturday August 14	Great Vespers & Orthros at Holy Dormition, New Carlisle	6:00pm			
Sunday August 15	Dormition of the Theotokos at Holy Dormition, New Carlisle	9:30am Divine Liturgy			
Saturday August 21	Great Vespers	5:00pm			
Sunday August 22	9th Sunday of Matthew	8:30am Matins 9:30am Divine Liturgy			
LOOKING AHEAD					
Monday August 23	Leavetaking of Dormition & St. Ireneus of Lyon	9:30 Divine Liturgy			
Friday August 27	Paraklesis at Holy Dormition, New Carlisle e	9:30am			
Saturday August 28	Great Vespers	5:00pm			
Sunday August 29	Beheading of St. John the Forerunner and Baptist	8:30am Matins 9:30am Divine Liturgy			

**Orthodox Christian Stewardship** is a way of life, which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. A primary goal of Stewardship is to promote spiritual growth and strengthen faith. Becoming a Steward begins when we believe in God, to whom we give our love, loyalty and trust and act on those beliefs. As Stewards, we affirm that every aspect of our lives comes as a gift from Him. Stewardship calls on the faithful to cheerfully offer back to God a portion of the gifts with which they have been blessed.

A steward is one who manages another's property or resources; the Christian, therefore, is a steward of everything he is and has, including his own body and soul, for according to the mystery of salvation, we possess nothing from ourselves, not even our own life and being; all belongs to God and is given to us by the Father through His Son because of the richness of His love and mercy.

from The Theology of Stewardship in Light of Orthodox Tradition by Fr Paul Wesche (Light and Life Publishing)

## 2021 Active Stewards

Allen, Anastasios & Colleen\* Anagnos, Nick & Katina\* Anagnostou, Manolis\* Andrews, Leon & Jennie\* Angelos, Maria\* Antsaklis, Panagiotis & Melinda\* Arvanitis, Esther\* Arvanitis, Panayotis & Beth\* Assimos, Fotine\* Bechaka, Leah\* Bechaka, Terry\* Bilionis, George & Chrysoula\* Bilionis, Ilias & Maria\* Bilionis, Joanna\* Bilionis, Joanne\* Bilionis, Peter & Laura\* Bilionis, Tasos & Jamie\* Blatter, Constance\* Bonnell, Larry & Maria\* Bouris, Peter\* Callas, Christine\* Callas, George\* Carroll, Ruth\* Christ, Christine\* Christodoulakis, Chris & Maria\* Crawford, Dain & Cindy\* Christodoulides, Andreas & Jessica\* Christodoulides, Christos\* Christodoulides, Costa\*

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Katris, Chris & Sandra\* Katris, Gus & Nitsa\* Katsampes Graham, Rita\* Katsaris, Aliki\* Kirgios, Erika\* Kirgios, Hristos & Claudia\* Konstantopoulos, Fr. George & Pres. Elaine\* Konstantopoulos, Mariam\* Kotziampasis, Dimitri\* Koucouthakis, Manuel & Inna\* Koucouthakis, Gus\* Kozyra, Chester\* Krekelas, Spyredon\* Kristos, Elena\* Kurtis, Christ & Pamela\* Lambrou, Kosta & Miranda\* Lampos, Janice\* Lampos, William & Linda\* Lenzo, Nicholas & Christina\* Leonakis, Catherine\* Leonakis, Thomas & Deb\* Limberopoulos, George & Billie\* Limberopoulos, Nick & Joanna\* Limberopoulos, Nickolaos & Rachel\* Lykoudis, Michael & Theresa Madias, John & Kathy\* Magrames, Angela\* Manos, Andrew\* Martino, Jim & Cleo Matchette, Matthew Mattheos, Mattheos\* Mattheos, Pete & Nektaria\* McCormick, Paul & Helene Metros, Kurt & Lisa\* Mighion, George & Christine\* Mihail, Andrew & Christine\* Moskolis, Samuel\* Mudis, Eleas & Christa\* Muffoletto, Tony & Helen\* Napoleon, Dimitri\* Napoleon, Thomas & Anna\*

Niarchos, Panos & Georgeann\* Nolan, Robert & Amelia\* Pagedas, Athena\* Poledor, Theodore\* Pomrening, Norman & Anthoula\* Popyk, Mattheos\* Popyk, Michael & Kalliopi\* Rogers, Geoffrey & Patrcia\* Rorres, Rose\* Samoilis, Sam & Elaine\* Schlitt, Michael & Jasmine\* Scott, Michael & Mary Sinis, Orestis & Maria\* Skotadis, Pete & Peggy\* Solomon, William & Mary Lou\* Spentzos, Vasilios Stangas, Deanna\* Stangas, Elaine\* Stangas, George & Nancy\* Stangas, Peri\* Stavropulos, Connie\* Stavros, James & Teresa\* Strafford, Alaina\* Strafford, Christopher & Maria\* Strambu, Florina & Fota, Eugen Strickler, Joseph & Christina Swarts, Jonathan & Karakatsanis, Neovi\* Symeonides, Nathanael Talia, Faneromeni\* Taluzek, Jeremy & Taluzek, Eleni\* Terezis, Thanasis & Sinis-Terezis, Spyro\* Terezis, Theodore\* Thanos, Nick & Sigrid\* Thrapsimis, Angelos\* Tirikos, Frazier\* Tirikos, Mary Jo\* Torrance, Fr. Alexis & Pres. Eugenia\* Tripodis, Dino\* Tsikalas, Fr. John & Pres. Kahlee\* Tsiumas, Sam\* Tucker, Zachary & Gabriella

Tyler, Gregory & Soula\* Verhamme, Phil & Katherine\* Walsh, Eirene\* Ward, Moses & Marie Watkins, Charles & Marina\* Wedrychowicz, Christopher & Savvopoulou, Anna\* Whittenberger, Lynn\* Williams, James & Tina

**\*** = Pledged Stewards

In compliance with the Uniform Parish Regulations of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America: Our parish of St. Andrew has adopted an *annual* stewardship pledge as the means of fulfilling a parishioner's financial obligations to the Parish and determining good standing in the Parish.

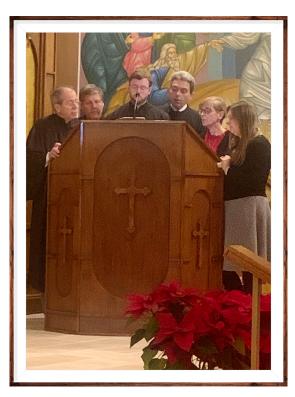
For the purpose of determining a parishioner's ability to vote at any General Assembly meetings, participate in parish council elections or receive letters of good standing to participate in sacraments, the office should have a pledge card on file each year.

The parish priest may waive a parishioner's financial obligation.

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## WELCOME

The parish of Saint Andrew is delighted to welcome the Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians for their 63rd Conference.

Saint Andrew has been serving Orthodox Christians of Michiana since September of 1926, offering worship, philanthropic diakonia, educational opportunities, national, metropolis and parish ministries and teaching the commandments of the New Life.

Our Priest, Father John Tsikalas, Parish Council President Christ Kurtis and Byzantine Choir Director Father Alexis Torrance are committed to hosting this conference in a way that offers a great venue for both professional and personal gratification for everyone in attendance.

We are busy planning a great event for each and every one of you, striving to showcase our beautiful church while offering a wonderful opportunity for your group to come together in song to praise our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are working to serve you great food, even better entertainment, and an opportunity to refine and showcase your craft amongst a new Orthodox family in South Bend. We will share conference information with you over the months prior to the event, giving you glimpses into what you should expect to see and experience during your stay with us. Please don't let the distance from Chicago deter you from attending. It's not that far, especially if you carpool and make it a fun road trip with your friends. Or you can travel on the South Shore Line - a quick train ride from Chicago to the South Bend Airport, and then Uber everywhere. And guess what?! You will have a minimal number of stairs to navigate at Saint Andrew!

We are very grateful that you've chosen our parish for this event and will do our best to meet all your needs. We look forward to a great year of planning and the execution of the event in October. We are looking forward to your music filing our church and inspiring our parishioners with an unforgettable experience for the Saint Andrew family.

Sincerely,

Spyrithoula (Spyro) Terezis Philoptochos President Conference Organizer

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## **CONFERENCE OVERVIEW**

#### LOCATION

Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church 52455 N. Ironwood Rd. South Bend, IN 46635 Church office: 574-277-4688 Conference Contact for all aspects: Spyro Terezis, 574-404-1184 (call or text) or <u>corfu1000@gmail.com</u>

#### TIME ZONE: Eastern

#### **REGISTRATION FEE**

Standard: \$120, Seniors 60 and over: \$110, Students: \$65 - After Aug 27, add \$20 to each category <u>Deadline for all time-sensitive items is September 10, 2021 (registration, hotel room booking, delegate</u> <u>submission form, ad book submissions)</u>

#### LODGING

1) <u>Hilton Garden Inn</u>: 53995 IN-933, South Bend, IN 46637 (574) 232-7700. Request the "St. Andrew Church" group rate of \$139 per night for double occupancy room.

2) <u>The Inn at Saint Mary's</u>: 53993 State Road 933,South Bend,IN 46637 (574) 323-2184, 574-323-4000 or email <u>reservations@innatsaintmarys.com</u>. Request "St. Andrew Church" group rate of \$139 per night for double occupancy room.

Both hotels are adjacent to each other, share one parking lot and are 3.3 miles distance from the church.

# Deadline for block pricing is 9/10/2021. Price includes breakfast, shuttle within 10 mile radius of hotel, parking, wifi.

#### **MUSIC AND LEADERS**

Liturgy: Gallos Opus 2 Revised Greek and Official English Director: Nick Chimitris Organist: Rosie DeSanto

**AD BOOK** - Helps underwrite conference expenses. Thank you in advance for submitting an ad to appear in the conference program book. The ad book entry form with details is attached to this packet.

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### SCHEDULE

#### IMPORTANT: All times are EASTERN time zone

#### Thursday

6:30 pm - Welcome Back Reception - Gillespie Conference Center - Hilton Garden Inn

### Friday

8AM-9AM Registration, coffee and Welcome
9:00AM-10:30AM Rehearsal #1
10:30AM-10:45AM Break
10:45AM-12:45PM Rehearsal #2
12:45PM-1:45PM Lunch/Directors Round Table Lunch
1:45PM-3:00 PM Workshop led by Dr. Rachel Brashier - "Coming Back from Covid-Singing without the Strain (A Vocal workshop for the GOC Singer)
3:00PM-3:15PM Break
3:15PM-5:15PM Rehearsal #3
5:15PM-5:30PM Break
5:30PM-6:30PM General Assembly
6:30PM-? Dinner and a Show - live entertainment by South Bend's own Motown Machine - founded by Billie "Stix" Nicks who was a member of Junior Walker and the Allstars.

### <u>Saturday</u>

8:30AM-9:00AM Registration and coffee 9:00AM-11:00AM Rehearsal #1 11:00AM-11:15AM Break 11:15AM-1:15PM Rehearsal #2 1:15PM-2:30PM Awards Lunch 2:30PM-3:30PM New Music Workshop: The Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom arranged by Nicholas Bodle 3:30PM-3:45PM Break 3:45PM-5:45PM Rehearsal #3 5:45PM-6:00PM Break 6:00PM-7:00PM Vespers 7PM Dinner and special performances by the world-renowned Notre Dame Glee Club and our very own Eleni Taluzek, Saint Andrew byzantine choir member and opera singer

### Sunday

8:30-9:15 Warm Up and Line Up 9:15-9:30 Proceed to Sanctuary 9:30-12:00 Hierarchical Divine Liturgy 12:00-12:30 Group Choir Picture 12:30 Farewell Lunch

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## **REGISTRATION FORM**

First Name Last Name			
Address			
City State Zip			
Phone			
Cell			
Email			
Parish name and address			
Parish Priest Name			
Choir Director			
Voice Part			
I will need transportation while in South Bend: Yes No			
I will have a car while in South Bend and can help others with transportation: Yes No			
I will be attending the following: check all which apply			
Thursday hospitality social at the hotel			
Friday Lunch Friday Dinner			
Saturday Lunch			
Saturday Dinner			
Sunday Lunch			
Any food allergies or dietary considerations?			
Registration Fee by 9/10/21:			
\$120 Standard \$110 Seniors 60 and over			
\$65 Students			
After 9/10/21: add \$20 to each			
Make checks payable to Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church and mail to:			
Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church, 52455 N. Ironwood Rd. South Bend, IN 46635 Attn: Spyro Terezis			

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## **OFFICIAL DELEGATE CREDENTIAL FORM**

This form is required for participation in the general assembly. Only choirs of parishes in good standing can <u>vote</u> in the general assembly (all can attend). To confirm your membership status contact Joanne Volakakis at joannevolakakis@yahoo.com or (312) 371-6019

Bring 1 copy of this form to the general assembly and mail 2 others to the host parish along with your registration form.

<u>Please Print</u>			
Parish Name:			
Parish Address:			
Delegate:	Alternate:		
Delegate:	Alternate:		
Delegate:	Alternate:		
Parish Priest Name and Signature:			
Choir Director Name and Signature:			

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## AD BOOK CONTRACT

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Select ad size:					
Patron \$25 - name will appear on list					
Quarter Page \$50	4 1/2 x 21/2				
Half Page \$75	4 1/2 x 5 1/2				
Full Page \$125	8 1/2 x 5 1/2				
Inside Front Cover \$200					
Back Cover \$200					
Print Ad copy Below:					

Send photo and copy for ad to corfu1000@gmail.com, but please know we cannot return these items. Make checks payable to Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church and mail the completed form and payment to:

Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church 52455 N. Ironwood Rd. South Bend, IN 46635 Attn: Mary Jo Tirikos

Payment must accompany this form in order to be included in the ad book. Deadline is Sep 10, 2021

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## GUEST MEAL REQUEST FORM (Please submit one form per guest)

Name of registered conference participant:	
Name of Guest: Allergies or Dietary needs of guest:	
Check the meals guest will purchase	
Meal Co	ost
Friday Lunch	\$10
Friday Dinner and a Show Featuring performances by the "Motown Machine"	\$30
Saturday Lunch	\$12
Saturday Prime Rib Dinner Dance Featuring live opera performance by our very own El Glee Club	
Sunday Farewell Lunch	\$15

Please mail this form along with payment for meals to: Saint Andrew Greek Orthodox Church 52455 N. Ironwood Rd. South Bend, IN 46635 Attn: Spyro Terezis

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## Dr. Rachel Brashier

Friday Workshop Presenter - "Coming Back from Covid - Singing without the Strain" (A Vocal Workshop for the GOC Singer)



- Bachelors of Music in Music Performance and Education, Eastern Illinois University
- Masters in Musicology, Southern Illinois University Cardondale
- Masters in Ethnomusicology, Eastman School of Music
- PhD in Music Education, Eastman School of Music

Rachel Brashier is the Director of Music Education at the University of Wisconsin -Stevens Point. Originally from Illinois, she earned her Bachelors in Music Performance and Education at Eastern Illinois University and then taught K-12 music (general, vocal, and instrumental) full time in the Chicago area for over 12 years. She also holds Masters degrees in Musicology from Southern Illinois University Carbondale and in Ethnomusicology from the Eastman School of Music, and completed her PhD in Music Education at the Eastman School of Music. She served as a Visiting Professor of Music Education at Westminster Choir College in Princeton, NJ, and as an Assistant Professor of Music Education at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ. She is currently doing research in the areas of music teacher identity development, informal music learning, and embodied musiking in communities of praxis. Dr. Brashier is interested in curriculum development, and has recently taught music methods courses as well as courses focused on social justice and critical pedagogy courses in music education. Dr. Brashier is also a contralto and trained Greek Orthodox chanter who performs regularly. She is scheduled to present at the Narrative Inquiry in Music Conference 6 in Boston this May, and has presented at Narrative Inquiry in Music Conferences, the Society for Music Teacher Education Symposium, Mountain Lake Conferences, MayDay, the International Symposium on the Sociology of Music Education, the Society for Ethnomusicology Niagara Conference, the Feminist Theory in Music Conference, and the New York and New Jersey School Music Associations. She is regularly a clinician for school choirs of all ages, and has also conducted clinics for the Mid-Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians and at the PEAK festival in Upstate NY. Dr. Brashier holds the T. Temple Tuttle Prize (Society for Ethnomusicology). In addition to her dissertation Identity Politics and Politics of Identity: A Semiotic Approach to the Negotiation and Contestation of Music Teacher Identity among Early Career Music Teachers (2019), has published in ACT (2016) and Ethnomusicology Review (2014).

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About the Arranger



**N**icholas C. Bodle is an IT professional of suburban Cleveland, Ohio. In the world of church music, he is a cantor, director, organist, youth director, and arranger. He has been singing in choirs since the age of 8, when he was a member of the Annunciation Church Choir in Tremont (Cleveland). Nicholas is currently the head cantor of St. Paul Greek Orthodox Church in North Royalton, where he was also the organist for five years and remains an active choir member in the tenor section. In both choirs, he typeset sheet music and applied English translations

for many hymns. Additionally, he has been singing with the Holy Trinity Orthodox Church Choir of Parma, Ohio since 2013 and occasionally directs there for Vespers and other services. He continues to play the organ for weddings and other services and is an independent accompanist for church choir rehearsals and regional music workshops.

Nicholas is an Executive Board member of the Mid-Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians (MEFGOX), serving as webmaster since 2010, Northeast Ohio State Representative (2014-18), Vice President (2018-19), and President (2019-Present). In July 2016, he served as the organist for MEFGOX's 69<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention in Nashville, TN, where the choir sang at the Divine Liturgy that kicked off the 43<sup>rd</sup> Bi-Annual National Clergy-Laity Congress. He received the Ernest A. Villas Youth Music Award in 2008. Since 2013, he has sung in the Inter-Orthodox Male Chorus of Greater Cleveland (stage name "Cuyahoga Cossacks") for weddings, concerts, and other events.

Church music has greatly influenced Nicholas' life from a young age. Nicholas' Yiayia, Photia Boukis, was the choir director at Annunciation Church in Cleveland for several years, as well as a life-long choir member; his mother, Georgiann, has also been a choir member, and is a professional pianist and musical director for local community theatre productions. His father, Christian, plays trumpet, and his younger brother, Alexander, plays alto saxophone. Music certainly runs in the family!

At his church of St. Paul, Nicholas was a member of GOYA in his "younger years," and has been a devoted volunteer of their annual Grecian Festival (the third weekend in July), co-chairing the Drive-Thru since 2012. He has been an assistant teacher at Vacation Church School and has helped in the church office from time to time.

Nicholas graduated with honors from Independence High School in 2013, and *cum laude* from Baldwin Wallace University in 2016, with a major in Computer Information Systems and a minor in Spanish. Currently, his full-time occupation is being the Service Desk Manager for First Mutual Holding Company, the parent of various mutual banks across Ohio, West Virginia, Kentucky, and Virginia, including First Federal Lakewood. He serves as webmaster and social media administrator for various small businesses and non-profit organizations. He is an Executive Board member and food program volunteer of St. Mary of Egypt Orthodox Mission & Chapel in Cleveland.

Learn more at <u>www.nbodle.weebly.com</u>

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### ENTERTAINMENT

# Notre Dame Glee Club

A university tradition established in 1915, the Notre Dame Glee Club is a 60-man, all-male chorus **world-renowned for their rich, full sound**. The group boasts a wide repertoire of music, ranging from Renaissance polyphony to American barbershop to Indian ragas. basically it sings everything from Beethoven to Billy Joel. It performs five regular concerts a year at Notre Dame (Fall, Christmas [x2], Spring, and Commencement) to packed audiences in the Leighton Concert Hall of the DeBartolo Performing Arts Center. The Glee Club tours twice each year across the United States, and once every other year internationally. Last year alone, it visited 9 states and 9



countries on tours. The Notre Dame Glee Club will perform during the Saturday Dinner at Saint Andrew **ndgleeclub.com** 

# **ELENI ANTONIA TALUZEK**



Mezzo-Soprano, **Eleni Taluzek**, is a lyric mezzo from Chicago, IL. Her previous engagements include Lola in Cavalleria Rusticana, La Zia Principessa in Suor Angelica, Hänsel in Hänsel und Gretel, Der Komponist in Ariadne auf Naxos, Dorabella in Così fan tutte, and Number 3 in Transformations by Conrad Susa. She completed her Artist Diploma degree in Opera and her Master of Music degree in Voice at the College-Conservatory of Music in Cincinnati. In recent years, she also has been completing a Doctor of Music in voice from the Jacobs School of Music at Indiana University. Her greatest desire is to share her joy and love of music with others through performance. We are very honored to have Eleni in the Saint Andrew Byzantine Choir! She is also a very active member in our local Philoptochos chapter. Eleni will be performing at the Saturday dinner. elenifranck@gmail.com. 630-432-9950

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# **Motown Machine**

The Motown Machine featured the drumming of Billy "Stix" Nicks up until his passing in 2017. Billy was a former Motown musician and an original member of Jr. Walker and the Allstars. Billy played on many of the group's hits. He grew up in South Bend, Indiana with Autry DeWalt Mixon aka Jr. Walker. He shared the stage and backstage with just about every notable original Motown label artist.

The group features the singing of Chandra Williams and Terry Austin with Bob Cottrell on keyboards, Jason Quick on guitar, Jim Paczesy on bass and Jeff Harrell on percussion. The Motown Machine replaced Mr. Nicks with one of his former students, Mr. Kirk Wright.

The Motown Machine will perform during the Friday dinner at Saint Andrew.



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