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Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey Celebrates OXI Day

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On Sunday, October 29, 2023 His Eminence Metropolitan Apostolos of New Jersey visited the parish of St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church in Baltimore, Maryland, where he was warmly welcome and greeted by the Proistamenos of the parish, the Rev. Protopresbyter Louis Noplos, the beloved parishioners and members of the youth organizations. Following the celebration of the Hierarchical Divine Liturgy His Eminence offered a Doxology Service, with the participation of the parish Greek School students, in commemoration of OXI Day. In his Archpasotral address Metropolitan Apostolos spoke about the significance of the celebration and remembering our brave ancestors who said OXI and risked their lives to defend their country, their families, and their freedom. *“We must stay close to Christ, to pray for those are suffering in warzones throughout the world, to always remember to say NO to war and YES to peace.”* His Eminence concluded by conveying the words His All-Holiness Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew, that no more innocent blood should be shed.

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