



# GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF NEW JERSEY

## ΙΕΡΑ ΜΗΤΡΟΠΟΛΙΣ ΝΕΑΣ ΙΕΡΣΕΗΣ

Clergy-Laity Assembly and Philoptochos Convention  
May 15, 2023, The Venetian, Garfield, New Jersey

### AGENDA

7:30am Registration Opens  
8:00am Breakfast  
9:30am Official Opening of the 2023 Clergy-Laity Assembly and Philoptochos Convention

Welcome Greetings: Archon Peter Arbes, Metropolis Council Vice-Chair  
Rev. Protopresbyter George Chioros, President of Clergy Syndesmos  
Mrs. Eleni Constantinides, GOMNJ Philoptochos President  
V. Rev. Christoforos Oikonomidis, Chancellor of the GOMNJ  
His Grace Bishop Apostolos of Medeia

### Archpastoral Exhortation by His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America

10:30am Clergy Laity Reports and presentations begin:

- Mrs. Arlene Siavelis Kehl, National Philoptochos President

10:45am Philoptochos Representatives depart for their Convention

- Metropolis Vice-Chair's Report - Mr. Peter Arbes
- Greek Orthodox Archdiocese Financial Report - Mrs. Elaine Allen
- Metropolis Financial Report - Mrs. Anastasia Economos
- Metropolis Audit Committee - Mrs. Debbie Efthimion
- Metropolis Finance Committee Report (Allocation) - Mr. Savas Tsivicos
- Metropolis Philoptochos Report - Mrs. Alexis Limberakis, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President
- Archons of the Ecumenical Patriarchate - Hon. Theodore Bozonelis

12:30pm Lunch

1:30pm Reports resume:

- Update on the GOA Charter - His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, Mr. George Tsougarakis, Mrs. Anita Kartalopoulos
- Hellenic College/Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology - Mr. George Cantonis
- Youth & Camping Ministries - Dn. Konstantinos Loukas
- Youth Safety update - Mr. George Tsougarakis
- Archdiocese Department of Greek Education - Mr. Anastasios Koularmanis
- Eastern Federation of Greek Orthodox Church Musicians - Mr. Paul Mavromihalis
- Safety & Preparedness presentation - Mr. Jim Polos
- "Increasing Parish Engagement" presentation - Mr. George Orfanakos

4:00pm Old Business / New Business / Resolutions / General Discussion

4:30pm Closing Remarks, Prayer and Adjournment