Philoptochos News Phlash! Highlights from our Zoom Board Meeting on February 2, 2021. We want you to know what we are working on and where your donations and contributions to Philoptochos go.

- **Virtual Women’s Wellness and Awareness Presentations – Recap of Stroke presentation** - Chris Hopkins reported that we made $1244.20! Mary Peros reported that over 95 attendees from all over the Western US were on the call. Thank you to Emmy Denton, Laura Jadelrab, and Terry Markou for helping us.

- **Personal Care Closet** – We are continuing to partner with Gina Johnstone and Park School to supply needed personal care items for students from low-income families. If you are inclined to contribute to the closet, please consider ordering something through the following website and it will be delivered to the school:
  

- **Vasilopita Sale 2021** – With our Vasilopita sale we were able to send $500 to St. Basil’s Academy in Garrison, NY. Even the pandemic couldn’t stop us! Thank you to Nina Azar, Hana Keilo, Laura Jadelrab and to our parishioners who purchased the delicious breads.

- **Virtual Kids’n’Cancer 2021** – Plans are underway to once again ask for your support for this most heartfelt ministry. On February 27, we will have our next presentation “The Childhood Cancer Experience.” Dr. Paul Fisher, Pediatric Oncologist from Stanford will present. Registration information will be out soon. This presentation along with the following Online Silent Auction and donation effort will be our fundraising for the Kids’n’Cancer program this year. Our Silent Auction will be online and will showcase over 25 wonderful items for you to bid on. Winning items will be picked up in our parking lot after the auction closes. More information will be out soon.

- **Membership** – Membership 2021 has gone out. Send a check or go to www.goholycross.org and click on Donate or talk to Helene Nemchik or Cathy Zamenes to see how painless it is. We can use your talent, your time and your treasure. Get involved. Make new friends. Sign up with a friend!

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Fashion Show 2021 - Our event will be virtual and we will have lots of surprises for all our guests. We will keep you posted!

Maple Street Food Donation Program – Several of our ladies have been making sandwiches in our Church kitchen and then delivering them to the Maple Street Shelter in Redwood City. They are truly appreciated by all the clients there. We are doing all this with PPE and being socially distanced. Contact Emmy Denton, June Sila, or Irene Pappas to lend a hand. If you have an extra jar of peanut butter or jelly, please consider bringing it to the Church kitchen. We secured enough bread, but could really use these items.

Philoptochos ListServ – Our secure database with which we can contact all of you and keep you informed of upcoming events continues to be so helpful. Please make sure that when you fill out your membership form for 2021 that you include your email. If you know someone who may want to be included, please have them contact Nina Azar at ninaazar13@gmail.com. Also, if you know of someone who does not use email, please let us know as well so we can remember to contact them by mail. We need everyone’s help as we continue to help those in greater need. Thank you!

Continue to keep safe! We could not do what we do without your love and support.

With love in Christ
The Philoptochos of Holy Cross